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LURFC CONGRATULATES SAMUEL WHITELOCK

The 2011 rugby season has been highly successful for the Lincoln University Rugby Club.

Lincoln University 1st XV finished the second half of the season very strongly in the plate competition. In the final match of the round the team managed a bonus point against Marist when they lost 15 – 18. This kept them in second place of the plate section and allowed them to play off against 5th placed Burnside from the trophy section in the plate semi final. The team had a great win 43 – 26 and proceeded through to the Plate Final for 5th and 6th place against Sydenham.



In a tough battle the team was down 13 – 17 at the break and were still in contention. Both teams threw caution to the wind in the second half and played some expansive rugby but Sydenham came out eventual winners 41 – 27. The 6th placed finish for Lincoln University has been a long time coming and we look forward to higher honours in the 2012 season.

Our Senior Division 2 team played in a tough trophy round and struggled with losses to Suburbs 22 – 30, Lyttelton 10 – 43 but had a good win over eventual plate finalists Sydenham 14 – 13.

In a repeat of the match two weeks prior the team came up against Sydenham in the plate final. Lincoln played well to head into the break leading 27 – 10. Sydenham managed to find inspiration and came back to score twice but tenacious defence kept them out with the final score being 27 – 22 which resulted in Lincoln University being awarded the Canterbury Metropolitan Rugby Division Two Plate Trophy.



Lincoln University and the Rugby Football Club are immensely proud to congratulate Samuel Whitelock for his and the All Blacks success at the 2011 Rugby World Cup.

Sam is a current Sports Scholar studying a Bachelor of Science degree and joins fellow team mates Andy Ellis and All Black Captain Richie McCaw as past participants in the Lincoln University Sports Scholarship Programme.

These three gentlemen now join the ranks of successful World Cup Lincoln University rugby players that include four members of the 1987 winning team; Albert Anderson, Andy Dalton, Bruce Deans and Craig Green.

Wallabies coach Robbie Deans is also a member of the University Alumni which boasts four All Black Captains; Wilson Whineray, Andy Dalton, Ruben Thorne and Richie McCaw.

The U20 Colts finished second to Varsity in section two and met CBHS 2nd XV in the semi finals. After a physical 80 minutes Lincoln was awarded a penalty on the last play of the match, which was successful, to take them to the finals with an 11 – 10 win.

In the final against Burnside the team opened the scoring with a penalty. This was followed by a good backs try then one more penalty before the break to lead 11 - 0. An early second half penalty took the lead to 14 but Burnside came back with dogged determination and applied pressure resulting in two penalties and a try to take the score to 14 - 11. This was how it remained at full time.

For the second year in a row the Lincoln University U20 Colts side took out the CMRCA Colts Reserve Championship Trophy.



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Jan Latham wins Golfing Challenge Cup

Premier Colts rugby is incredibly strong in Christchurch and the 2011 Lincoln University team proved that they were the strongest. In the semi final match against HSOB the teams went try for try with the difference being two penalties at the end and Lincoln holding on to a good victory 24 – 18 to make the finals against Christchurch.

Two of Lincoln's round robin losses were against Christchurch in the 4th and 11th rounds so the players knew what they needed to do if they were to turn the tables.

Playing with a stiff breeze behind them the team scored an early try and then capitalised on the oppositions ill discipline with four penalties against two good tries to Christchurch to lead 17 – 12 at the break.

Christchurch came out with the wind in the second half but underestimated the intestinal fortitude of the Lincoln pack who applied pressure and kept the ball in tight through the remainder of the match. Some late tries eventually took Lincoln University out to an impressive 31 – 15 victory and with that the honour of being presented with the CRFU Cantabrian Trophy Colts Championship for the first time in many years.

LURFC and the Challenge Cup Golf Tournament was played on the 7th of October at Harewood Golf Course.



Support for the tournament was greatly appreciated from Lincoln Hospitality Ltd, Lincoln University Marketing, BECA, Canterbury Apparel Teamwear, Lincoln Super Liquor, Duncan Cotterill Lawyers, Advance Fitness, Canon, Office Max and Lincoln New World.

Congratulations to Jan Latham (40) who was the eventual tournament winner and Challenge



Reed from Lincoln Super Liquor winning the longest drive. Rosco Aikman from Canterbury Apparel Teamwear took out the final prize with the straightest drive.



Cup recipient with Ron McLaren (40) runner up. Mike Robertson (39), Sebastian Dolle (39) and James Douglas (39) rounded out the leaders.

Dave Wallace from BECA won the closest to the pin with Richard



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