



LIONS RUGBY UNION CLUB

P.O. Box 7026, Mt Crosby, Queensland 4306

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Dear New & Returning Members,

Welcome to the Lions Rugby Union Club 2018 season!

“Good Clean Fun with Our Mates” – that is our motto at The Lions Rugby Union Club.

We provide the chance for players to be introduced to rugby union in a way that they can develop the skills to play while having fun and making friends. Junior rugby is available to both **boys & girls** and teams start at Under 6 and go through to Under 12s'. Under 6's and Under 7's do not involve tackling whilst they are introduced to the structure of the game.

The Lions Rugby Union Club offers a family friendly environment and excellent facilities. Parents are expected to get involved with helping out at the Club, as volunteers or simply as supporters to enjoy the games from the sideline. At Lions Rugby we encourage the players to be a part of a team environment where they can learn about Rugby, have fun and develop the skills to play. The great thing about Rugby Union is that it caters for all abilities and levels of experience.

The Australian Rugby Union has made a priority of implementing the new Kids Pathway that tackles any concerns a parent can have about the game. Rugby Union is a fun and exciting way for young children to learn valuable life skills such as leadership, team work, courage, sportsmanship and friendship in a safe environment. Coaches and referees are also trained to reduce risk and injury by being required to gain Smart Rugby qualifications.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome our new and current families to the Lions Rugby Union Club, we welcome you to our community and wish you all the best for the coming 2018 season.

*****I am looking forward to the 2018 season kicking off and am very confident we will have another superb year at the Lions Rugby Union Club. As always, please feel free to contact me at any time*****

Yours in Junior Rugby



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The following information will also be available on the clubs website: www.lionsrugbyclub.com.au



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INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS & MEMBERS

Lions Rugby Union Club Committee 2018

PRESIDENT	Gavin Lowing
VICE-PRESIDENT & WEBMASTER	Victoria Hullena
TREASURER	Amanda Welch
SECRETARY	Jacinta Watt
REGISTER	Rob Affleck
CANTEEN CONVENOR	Nikki Lowing
GRANTS CONVENOR	Deb Carey
SECRETARY SUPPORT & COMMITTEE MEMBER	Jo Sizer
COMMITTEE MEMBER	Pia Godfrey

Training and Playing Schedule for the upcoming season :

Fri 15th March: First training session 5:30 to 6:30pm. Also an additional sign on Day.

Fri 23th March: Training 5:30pm to 6:30pm.

Fri 31st March: **No Training** as holidays begin.

A break for School Holidays

Friday 20th April to Friday 15th June: Training every Friday 5:00pm – 6:00pm: **NOTE TIME CHANGE.**

Saturday 21st April: First round of games. Draw to be confirmed once all clubs have submitted final team numbers to the Brisbane Junior Rugby Union (BJRU). See The Lions or BJRU website for draw details.

21st April to 23rd June: Games every Saturday as per BJRU draw.

A break for School Holidays

20st July to 24th August: Training every Friday 5:00pm to 6:00pm.

21st July to 11th August: Games every Saturday as per BJRU draw.

25th August: Kenmore carnival, a non BJRU event.

Games Times:

Under 6's usually play around 8:30am on Saturday followed by older age groups during the morning. (Confirmation of the start times for games will be available once the BJRU draw is finalised.)

Recommended website: <https://www.lionsrugbyclub.com.au> and/or <https://www.bjru.com.au/>

Like us on Facebook: Lions Rugby Union Club Community Page



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Social:

A great social scene is the backbone to any great rugby club, and the Lions are no exception! Lions Rugby Union Club runs a Canteen and a Licensed Bar which is open for each training night, home games and selected social events. The canteen provides a great opportunity to mingle with fellow club members and other people from around the community. (*Please drink responsibly and drive safely.*)

During the season we have a large projector screen that we play Rugby Super XV (18) matches, Wallabies games and other inspiring sport events. The aim is to engender an interest in rugby for our young Lions and of course a great social event for our fantastic Mums and Dads. If we can find the volunteers, then we may consider opening for State of Origin nights as well.

As we get into the season we will be adding more social events to the calendar. Initial committee thoughts are 'movies under the stars', 'theme nights', golf days and attending a Reds game. If you have any suggestions or great ideas please let one of our friendly committee members know.

AGM and Presentation Day take place shortly after season completion. (Tentative date 25th Aug)

Player Fees \$250:

This year the Australian Rugby Union (ARU) is doing all registrations online, if you haven't registered yet please go to the following link;

<https://rugby.sportzvault.com/common/pages/reg/signin.aspx?fl=128&type=0&prodid=&id=38470&entityid=30506>

The ARU fees are in place to make sure we are insured. The Lions Rugby Union Club does not profit from these fees and as such there is no latitude for any player in regards to not registering before taking to the rugby field, it is a matter of no pay, no play.

Also payment plan options are available:

Must pay ARU registration on initial sign on as minimum \$55 - \$80 depending on age.

Followed by: February, March and April instalments. All fees will need to be paid by the commencement of Round 1 (21st April).

We have set up a sibling discount system whereby the Club will take on costs if parents have more than one child playing for the Club;

Sibling discount:

\$250 1st child

\$200 2nd child

\$150 3rd child

\$87.50 4th child..

Parent Participation:

The running and management of the Lions Rugby Union Club is only made possible through the help of our dedicated volunteers. Volunteering is fun, easy and extremely flexible.

The Lions Rugby Union Club volunteers are affectionately known as LION PACK. This large group of generous humans are significant in our Club. The LION PACK provides the helping hand to make sure every crucial area on training and game day is achieved and runs smoothly. But more than this, it brings together our local community and ignites the family that the Lions Rugby Union Club is to so many. The



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Lion PACK set the atmosphere on training and game day, from the smiles they give when people walk in, to the service we provide in the canteen, BBQ and behind the bar.

If you'd like to volunteer please see one of our committee members, volunteers are the lifeblood of this club.

Sponsorship

The intention of the Lions Rugby Union Club was, and still is, to provide a fun, sociable sporting atmosphere for all the Lions Rugby Union Club players and members. Our vision is to be the club of choice for rugby union participants within the Karana Downs, Mount Crosby, Karalee, Bellbowrie and surrounding areas.

We have four main objectives as part of our 2017 – 2019 Strategic Plan which are;

To be financially viable and sustainable

To increase community based participation

To improve the existing facility

Develop a sustainable player base with a focus on female inclusion

This coming 2018 season is looking to be bigger and better than ever, with plans to continue all of the above good work, plus improving our facility by refurbishing the existing irrigation system and some major alterations to our clubhouse. These improvements will unquestionably provide a more enhanced facility for our young players and members to enjoy.

With proposed player base increases, and over 100 persons on the membership list, the administration and organisation of the Lions Rugby Union Club naturally results in some financial outlay (uniforms, catering, coaching clinics, web page administration, awards, etc.). For this reason the Lions Rugby Union Club (a not-for-profit incorporation) have solicited financial donations/contributions to offset the costs for the 2018 calendar year.

Thank you once more to our generous sponsors! Your support is not something we take lightly and is very much appreciated by everyone connected with the club. We hope that we will live up to our achievements of previous years.

