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Under 12 Sevens Tournament Saturday 14th March 2009 | Point England Reserve

The Under 12 Schoolboys started the league season before everyone else by participating in a Sevens tournament out at Pt England. Although results was not in Ponsonby's favour, the boys got a good run and get to feature on Ponies Post first cover for 2009!

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 DUE END OF
 APRIL!

Coach Profiles

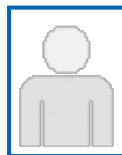
1. Real name?
2. Nickname?
3. Career highlights as a player?
4. I love rugby league because?
5. Best piece of advice I've been given?
6. Your philosophy as a coach?
7. What got you started as a coach?
8. Any last comments?

1. Kavika David Fuaoletavai Muaaitaua Solomona (Premiers)



2. Coach
3. Winning Fox 1979, 1980 Sharman Cup, many championship representing Samoa, being able to play with many of my brothers and nephews
4. It's made me lots of friends, opened many networking doors in many different fields and it's moulded me into the person I am today.
5. Always be thankful for small mercies and the bigger blessings will follow
6. Always strive for perfection doing the basics well and never believe that "you know everything about football" football is like life keep enjoying it life is to short
7. Couldn't play anymore, retired at 44 years old. I love football and have seen every year different changes in personality and always look forward to the challengers that every year brings
8. I feel confident that if we all work HARD together we will all enjoy the benefits and glory GO HARD PONIES 2009

1. Alexander George Warner Gemmell or just Alex Gemmell (Premiers 1st)



2. Axe, Al
3. Warrior of the year, 2004 and playing the major semi-final at Carlaw Park under lights against Papakura. We won 26-16.
4. I love league for the hits, the skill, the team camaraderie and the fact that it is an awesome game to watch!
5. "Do to others as you would have done to you"
6. I just want the guys that I coach to push themselves to achieve their best for themselves and the team the play for.
7. Wayne Bennett! He has inspired my love for the game on a different level.
8. Go the 2009 Ponies!

See the next Ponies Post for more Coach Profiles

Notices & Reminders

Senior teams have games on Easter Weekend - please let your coach know if you can't make it.

U6 Gala Day - 21st June

Fees due end of April!

- Seniors - \$70
- Students (with proof of ID) - \$50
- Juniors (U18 & U16)- \$50
- Schoolboys (U6 - U12) - \$30

DO YOU have any notices or reminders you would like to put in Ponies Post?

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Ponsonby Ponies - Week 1 and 2

The 2009 season has officially started!

Ponsonby vs. Pakuranga

The Premier 1st was first team to start. Pakuranga managed to capitalise on Ponies errors in fifteen minutes and scored the first two tries of the game. The momentum then shifted with the Ponies forward pack putting on hard hits. Penalties for high tackles to the Ponies saw them 2metres out from the try line. With a quick scoop from Junior, he forced his way over the line scoring the first try. Similarly we saw Maile forcing his way through to score under the post. Tied 10 all, a great off-load by Aiga to Truman meant a runaway try down the sideline. The Jaguars bit back with a try, half time score Ponies 16 - 14. Second half was as exciting with more drama. Junior scored again and with some great ball skills, Johnno ran onto great pass, catching the Jaguars by surprise and scored. With 3 boys in the sin bin at one time, the defence was tested. Ponies fought hard to fend off tries with Misha doing a 30metre chase and dive to try take out a runaway player. Pakuranga lead 32 - 26 and hope of a catch up looked bleak. Out of nowhere Junior scored again (hat trick). With a great kick by Jason, Ponies finished with a 32-32 draw.

It was the Premiers turn to try bring home the win. Knock-ons in the first quarter gave the Jaguars opportunity to pounce and score two tries.



With a few team talks from Tony and David under the post, the boys set out to take back what was theirs. The forward pack dominated with strong hit ups by Loma, Khan and Willy, wearing out the Jaguars. Pologa made a breakaway and brought home the first try for the Ponies. Great passes and dummies from the left hand side, the ball was in Pologa's hands, and with one defender in front he off loaded the ball to Johnny securing the third try right before half time, Ponies 16 - 18.

Forwards continued to dominate in the second half. Aaron managed to find a hole, twice, within Pakuranga's defense, with great support and passes to Pio and Ryan to score. Pakuranga fought back with some quick maneuvers to score - the game was neck and neck. Defence tightened but Ryan managed to out step his marker and breakaway. Facing the Jaguar fullback, Ryan fakes the dummy to his supporter, fooling the fullback to score. Pakuranga tried to catch up but in the 79th minute, a penalty to the Ponies meant a quick tap by Bill from the 20metre line and scoring under the post giving the Ponies a well - deserved victory score of 46 -30.



Ponsonby vs. Manurewa

There was a lot of action during the Premier 1st game with all efforts going the Marlins way. Marlins scored their first try through a ripped ball falling the wrong way. Louis did a try saving tackle, but they off-loaded and scored. We finally scored with Tupu running sideways catching the defense off guard. Half time, Ponies 6 - 26. Joe scored a try in the second half, but all game plans were stammered as the Marlins exposed the right side and capitalised on all the errors that fell Ponies way.

The Premiers was looking to be a stronger side, with Ryan scoring after the Marlins. There was great work by the forwards but the Marlins managed to break the line. With a runaway try, finished with a chip over, the Marlins looked unstoppable, half time, Marlins 30 - 4. In the second half, the Ponies fought back as Kon side stepped to score a try. Kon again received the ball, off loading to Pio who ran 30metres until passing to Pologa to put the try on the board. The Marlins continued their streak of tries and moved out of reach but the guys didn't give up with Sam scoring. A complete set saw the ball up in the air with Sio catching it to score another try. The game finished with Sam scoring the last try under the post, ending Ponies 32 - 48.