



SYDNEY RUGBY UNION ANNUAL REPORT - 2023

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Phil Garling AM	9/9
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President's Message

Season 2023 marked the 100th year of the Charter Hall Shute Shield and was a fitting end to the Premiership Rugby Season. Premiership Rugby and in particular the Charter Hall Shute Shield remain fiercely competitive. This is demonstrated by:

- Shute Shield average points difference was 11.56, the lowest for more than 10 years, and 44% of all games were decided by a margin of less than a converted try
- 5 Minor Premiers reaching their Grand Final across all grades & colts
- Numerous games being decided in the last 5 minutes of play or after the bell.
- Total crowds of over 15,000 over the 3 week finals series.
- An increase of 30% in total crowds across the season
- The other pleasing statistic is that there were less than 5% of forfeits across all grades and colts during the season.
- Player registrations increased from 2022, however we are still behind 2019 being the most comparable year.

SRU will continue to work hard with our Clubs to increase player numbers, have players of all skill levels playing Premiership Rugby and grow the game.

Congratulations to all the 2023 premiers and the winners of awards at the Ken Catchpole presentation night. They are all recorded later in this report.

With the support of our wonderful naming rights sponsor, Charter Hall, we presented the Charter Hall Community Spirit Award which recognises the fact that our sport is driven and would not exist without the tireless commitment of hundreds of volunteers. Congratulations to Richard Maude from Northern Suburbs on his well deserved recognition.

I'd like to pay tribute and thank our Competition Manager, Kerry Brady and GM, Peter Watkins for their professionalism and for the contribution and support of my fellow SRU directors.

We look forward to continuing to build with our clubs and stakeholders and crowning the 101st Charter Hall Shute Shield Champion in August 2024.

Phil Garling AM

President



Photo: Karen Watson

General Manager's Report

It is my pleasure to present the 2023 Sydney Rugby Union Annual Report.

2023 with COVID well and truly in the rear-view mirror was a successful year of Premiership Rugby across Sydney and Newcastle. Crowds increased 31.34% on 2022, and it culminated in a Shute Shield Grand Final day in the baking sun with Randwick being crowned our 100th Charter Hall Shute Shield Champion.

Congratulations to Randwick winning the club championship for the first time since 2003 and winning the Jeffrey Sale Grade Championships with 1st Grade, 3rd Grade, and 4th Grade all being crowned Champions. Likewise, Warringah Colts who dominated all season, to take home the 1st Colts Shield. Congratulations to all the Premiers, in such a tough fought competition it was pleasing to see such a spread of clubs in the Grade and Colts Grand finals days.

Charter Hall marked their third year as naming rights partner to the Charter Hall Shute Shield, and I would like to thank David Harrison and his team, namely Carla Gleeson for her valuable support and guidance in ensuring a successful partnership. I look forward to working with Charter Hall on furthering the partnership and continuing to highlight the Rugby Community and volunteers like Richard Maude the 2023 winner of the Charter Hall Community Spirit Award.

All Charter Hall Shute Shield games were shown Live, Ad Free and On Demand on Stan Sport. The hard work of Ben Kimber, Ben Jones and their team at Stan is beyond compare. James Harrison and the team at Nine Sport delivered games through NineGEM ensuring the Charter Hall Shute Shield remains the premier club competition in Australia and accessible for everyone to enjoy. FTA viewership increased 39% on 2022, and we continue to work with RA on making a better product each week. None of the production for broadcast would be possible without the hard work of Angus Pitt from Rugby Australia. Angus displays the professionalism and ability to adapt to any situation ensuring a premium broadcast product every week.

Congratulations to all the winners crowned at the Catchpole Medal Awards dinner. Always a fun night made possible with the assistance of Stan and our hosts Andrew Swain and Tim Horan. Their continued work and promotion of Club Rugby and Clubland doesn't go unnoticed. Michael Icely from Eastwood was crowned the 2023 Catchpole Medal winner and was the dominant player across the competition. Richard Manchee was named the Referee of the year and awarded the Dick Byers Medal.

I would like to pay tribute to Kerry Brady Competition Manager for Sydney Rugby. Kerry is someone who I heavily rely on, making Premiership Rugby successful. Thanks to Kerry on ensuring another season was a huge success.

Our 12 Premiership Clubs, Presidents, General Managers, Volunteers and fans all add to the fabric that is Premiership Rugby. All clubs are unique, and I thank you all for your guidance and support. Rugby is enhanced through the work all our clubs do to ensure success on and off the pitch.

To David Marshall President of the NSW Referees Association and Treasurer Paul Worsley, the game cannot be played without your valuable contribution and thanks for ensuring 2023 was a success. A special mention to Matt Kellahan on being awarded the duties of his first Charter Hall Shute Shield Grand Final. Matt wasn't being talked about at the end of the game and hopefully this will be the first of many to come.

Thanks for the SRU Board and namely Phil Garling AM who continues the challenge in moving the game forward. Thanks, Phil, for your guidance, assistance and direction.

Peter Watkins

General Manager

Competition Manager's Report

The 2023 season culminated in a very successful finals series with the decision made to revert to the top 6 format over 3 weeks. Week 1 of the finals saw 9 of the 12 Premiership clubs compete in Grade and 7 compete in the Colts finals.

Grand finals for Grade and Colts were held over the weekend of 26th/27th August with Colts once again the encore for the Grade Grand Finals. Of the seven (7) grades contested the Minor Premiers of five (5) made it through to the Grand Finals. With the Finals series reverting to top 6 over 3 weeks total numbers in spectator attendance may be fewer but the monies raised was higher than 2022. The grade Grand Finals held again at Leichhardt Oval were well supported with the Randwick club dominating with appearances in 3 of the 4 grades and winning all 3. Colts on the Sunday at Concord Oval saw high quality games with very close results in all 3. The facilities at Concord were well suited for the Colts Grand Finals and appreciation goes to West Harbour for the organisation of the day.

The well supported Catchpole Dinner held on the Wednesday prior to the first round of Finals saw the Randwick Rugby Union club deservedly awarded the Gregor George Cup for the Club Championship. This prestigious award can only be won by a Club that consistently scores well and performs across all grades. The Warringah Colts program for 2023 was a huge success and ensured the Club won the Eric Spilsted Shield for the Colts Championship. The dinner this year was a huge success with special guests such as Mrs Catchpole and Dick Byres both in attendance. The Catchpole medal winner was Michael Icely from Eastwood and Richard Manchee the winner of the Dick Byres medal for referee of the year. Our David Brockhoff Coach of the year was Cameron Treloar who had his first year as head coach of West Harbour.

But a successful season is not just 3 weeks of finals but a result of a concerted effort by many.

2023 saw changes across all clubs in personnel for General Managers and Coaches. We welcomed more new GMs. The GMs are an integral part of the success of our Competition and give willingly of their time and expertise to assist in its administration. Our Judiciary spent evenings this year dealing with

breaches of the law by players and also code of conduct issues. Fortunately 2023 saw fewer appearances at Judiciary than in some previous years but the contribution of the Judiciary to our competition cannot be underestimated and sincere appreciation goes to all the members of the Judiciary and their Chair, Adam Casselden.

During the course of the regular season well over 600 games were played with minimal instances either of injury or red cards. There were fewer red cards issued compared to 2022 and the number of blue cards (suspected concussion) was very much lower. This could be either non reporting or actual fewer instances. With the expected reduction in tackle height for season 2024 it is expected that the number of concussions will be reduced significantly. Of interest to Clubs is the fact that the vast majority of red cards are incurred in 2nd and 3rd Grades!

Our referees continue to contribute to our competition and their willingness to advise and discuss various issues ensures a good relationship between the two organisations. Appreciation must go to both David Marshall as President of the NSW Referees association, Frank Mickeljohn who coordinated the Shute Shield panel and also to both Alex Richards and Angus Cameron for their support and advice.

Player numbers are of concern especially with the inequities between clubs. Many factors impact player numbers and there is a national downward trend for teenagers and young children registering for organised team sports. Retention of players will become increasingly more important for clubs as will the recruitment of new players. Data analysis of registrations and transfers is on going and will be reported back to the General Managers at meetings in 2024.

The Player Points System continues to be a major discussion point amongst clubs. Over the years minor changes have been made but it is planned for 2024 that a major revision of this be carried out to determine what, if any changes etc are required keeping in mind the objective of the system.

This year the average for 1st Grade was 51 out of a possible 100 points whereas in Colts the difference between the average and the maximum was very

Competition Manager's Report cont..

much closer. Some questions to pose include if the PPS is required for Grade with a salary cap now in place?

Of more concern was the preponderance of overseas recruits to the competition and the possible displacement of developing local players. A minor adjustment to the PPS for 2024 has addressed this with more analysis to follow.

The draw for 2024 was released very early with the intention of allowing clubs extra time to organise trials, club days and venue changes. Many clubs now have moved away from the Super Saturday mode as it is often difficult to timetable all the games and the second field is often of lower standard. Once all clubs have reached agreement on their Colts and Grade fixtures a more detailed draw showing all venues and times will be publicised.

The continuation of all Shute Shield games being streamed live will continue in 2024 and it is hoped that there may even be a match each week on free to air. Obviously production costs for this are a limiting factor

but the Board and SRU General Manager continue to campaign for this to ensure exposure of grass roots rugby and our competition to as many spectators as possible.

Our competition would not be the success it is and have the respect that it does without the tireless efforts not only of the SRU board and its Chairman, Phil Garling but also with the efforts of the General Manager, Peter Watkins. The staff at NSWRU are also an integral part of our success and their advice and assistance especially from Suburban Rugby Director, Tim Richards and Community Rugby CEO Mark Green is invaluable.

But most importantly are the numerous, often not acknowledged volunteers and club staff who attend each week and both support our competition but ensure that it actually happens...without them we have no competition.

Appreciation goes to everyone involved and we hope to have an even more successful 2024 season.

Kerry Brady

Competition Manager



Photo: Karen Watson

Premiership

Results



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FINAL SERIES RESULTS

Grand Finals

26 August Leichhardt Oval

Charter Hall Shute Shield	Northern Suburbs *15 Randwick 17
Colin Caird Shield	Manly 24 Sydney University 38
Henderson Shield	Randwick * 33 Eastwood 28
Henderson Cup	Randwick *34 Manly 7

Preliminary Finals

19th August North Sydney Oval

Charter Hall Shute Shield	Randwick 38 Eastwood 20
Charter Hall Shute Shield	Northern Suburbs 23 Manly 5

19th August Pittwater Rugby Park

Henderson Cup	Randwick 54 Southern Districts 5
Henderson Cup	Manly 17 Sydney University 12

20th August Concord Oval

Colin Caird Shield	Randwick 38 Manly 41
Colin Caird Shield	Sydney University 31 Gordon 7
Henderson Shield	Eastwood 24 Sydney University 22
Henderson Shield	Randwick 44 Manly 23

Qualifying Finals

12th August Coogee Oval

Charter Hall Shute Shield	Randwick 32 Gordon 23
Colin Caird Shield	Randwick 62 Eastwood 28
Henderson Shield	Randwick 41 Gordon 21
Henderson Cup	Randwick 40 Gordon 17

12th August North Sydney Oval

Charter Hall Shute Shield	Northern Suburbs 23 Hunter Wildfires 17
Colin Caird Shield	Sydney University 41 Eastern Suburbs 24
Henderson Cup	Manly 17 Northern Suburbs 17

12th August Forshaw Rugby Park

Henderson Cup	Souths 22 Sydney University 24
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13th August T G Millner

Charter Hall Shute Shield	Eastwood 54 Manly 20
Colin Caird Shield	Manly 28 Gordon 42
Henderson Shield	Eastern Suburbs 5 Eastwood 33
Henderson Shield	Manly 10 Sydney University 20

*MINOR PREMIERS



FINAL SERIES RESULTS CONT.

Grand Finals

27th August Concord Oval

W McMahon Shield	Warringah* 35 Sydney University 31
Shell Trophy	Warringah* 25 Eastern Suburbs 27
Bill Simpson Shield	Eastwood 15 Manly 19

Preliminary Finals

19th August Pittwater Rugby Park

Shell Trophy	Eastern Suburbs 29 Randwick 12
Bill Simpson Shield	Eastern Suburbs 21 Manly 23

20th August Pittwater Rugby Park

W McMahon Shield	Eastwood 29 Sydney University 57
W McMahon Shield	Warringah 56 Randwick 33
Shell Trophy	Warringah 55 Eastwood 21
Bill Simpson Shield	Warringah 12 Eastwood 38

Qualifying Finals

12th August T G Millner

W McMahon Shield	Eastwood 34 Eastern Suburbs 34
Shell Trophy	Eastwood 24 Eastern Suburbs 32
Bill Simpson Shield	Eastwood 5 Manly 20

12th August Coogee Oval

Bill Simpson Shield	Eastern Suburbs 15 Randwick 14
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12th August Forshaw Rugby Park

W McMahon Shield	Sydney University 38 Randwick 10
Shell Trophy	Gordon 10 Randwick 29

13th August Pittwater Rugby Park

W McMahon Shield	Warringah 46 Gordon 10
Shell Trophy	Warringah 21 Sydney University 19
Bill Simpson Shield	Warringah 47 Sydney University 10

*MINOR PREMIERS



GRADE STANDINGS

Charter Hall Shute Shield - 1st Grade

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	BP	Pts
Norths	18	14	0	4	539	422	117	11	67
Randwick	18	13	1	4	574	390	184	13	67
Eastwood	18	11	0	7	614	571	43	18	62
Manly	18	9	2	7	515	405	110	17	57
Gordon	18	11	0	7	503	456	47	12	56
Hunter Wildfires	18	10	0	8	509	475	34	16	56
Two Blues	18	9	0	9	536	451	85	18	54
Sydney Uni	18	9	0	9	483	521	-38	13	49
West Harbour	18	6	1	11	437	457	-20	14	40
Eastern Suburbs	18	6	0	12	455	559	-104	13	37
Warringah	18	4	0	14	423	635	-212	15	31
Souths	18	4	0	14	375	621	-246	4	20

Colin Caird Shield - 2nd Grade

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	BP	Pts
Randwick	18	15	1	2	615	331	284	15	77
Manly	18	13	1	4	615	469	146	18	72
Sydney Uni	18	13	0	5	515	396	119	14	66
Eastern Suburbs	18	10	1	7	529	450	79	19	61
Gordon	18	10	0	8	581	473	108	20	60
Eastwood	18	10	0	8	575	532	43	18	58
Hunter Wildfires	18	9	0	9	502	551	-49	15	51
Norths	18	7	1	10	514	470	44	17	47
Two Blues	18	7	0	11	518	612	-94	13	41
West Harbour	18	6	1	11	405	603	-198	9	35
Warringah	18	5	1	12	414	521	-107	13	35
Souths	18	0	0	18	311	686	-375	10	10

Henderson Shield - 3rd Grade

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	BP	Pts
Randwick	17	14	1	2	700	231	469	12	70
Manly	17	12	0	5	511	337	174	16	64
Eastern Suburbs	17	13	1	3	483	264	219	8	62
Eastwood	17	11	2	4	466	312	154	13	61
Sydney Uni	17	12	0	5	489	351	138	12	60
Gordon	17	9	0	8	404	387	17	8	44
Warringah	17	8	0	9	404	403	1	9	41
Norths	17	7	0	10	364	385	-21	11	39
West Harbour	17	5	0	12	330	463	-133	10	30
Souths	17	3	0	14	239	731	-492	4	16
Two Blues	17	1	0	16	256	586	-330	5	9

Henderson Cup - Fourth Grade

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	BP	Pts
Randwick	16	14	0	2	493	177	316	11	67
Souths	16	12	0	4	357	217	140	10	58
Manly	16	11	2	3	406	192	214	10	58
Norths	16	11	0	5	360	269	91	11	55
Sydney Uni	16	8	0	8	357	178	179	16	48
Gordon	16	9	1	6	328	292	36	7	45
Warringah	16	6	1	9	261	356	-95	9	35
Eastern Suburbs	16	5	1	10	278	372	-94	6	28
West Harbour	16	4	1	11	217	412	-195	7	25
Eastwood	16	4	0	12	237	437	-200	8	24



COLTS STANDINGS

W McMahon Memorial Shield- 1st Colts

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	BP	Pts
Warringah	18	17	0	1	856	267	589	17	85
Eastwood	18	16	0	2	943	303	640	18	82
Sydney Uni	18	14	1	3	763	363	400	17	75
Randwick	18	12	1	5	667	414	253	15	65
Eastern Suburbs	18	11	0	7	657	444	213	17	61
Gordon	18	10	1	7	592	460	132	14	56
Manly	18	6	3	9	479	553	-74	10	40
West Harbour	18	7	0	11	435	623	-188	11	39
Norths	18	5	1	12	361	803	-442	7	29
Souths	18	4	1	13	450	686	-236	11	29
Hunter Wildfires	18	2	0	16	306	780	-474	6	14
Two Blues	18	0	0	18	185	998	-813	1	1

Shell Trophy - 2nd Colts

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	BP	Pts
Warringah	17	14	0	3	541	186	355	10	66
Eastwood	17	13	0	4	637	226	411	13	65
Gordon	17	13	0	4	507	234	273	11	63
Randwick	17	12	0	5	557	276	281	10	58
Eastern Suburbs	17	11	0	6	546	231	315	14	58
Sydney Uni	17	11	0	6	484	241	243	13	57
Manly	17	11	0	6	529	321	208	10	54
Souths	17	5	0	12	255	532	-277	8	28
West Harbour	17	4	0	13	260	480	-220	8	24
Norths	17	3	0	14	202	815	-613	2	14
Two Blues	17	0	0	17	117	897	-780	3	3

Bill Simpson Shield - 3rd Colts

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	BP	Pts
Warringah	16	16	0	0	569	98	471	13	77
Eastern Suburbs	16	11	0	5	456	167	289	13	57
Eastwood	16	10	2	4	424	222	202	11	55
Manly	16	10	0	6	422	182	240	14	54
Randwick	16	10	0	6	367	273	94	8	48
Sydney Uni	16	9	0	7	429	281	148	10	46
Gordon	16	8	2	6	328	242	86	9	45
West Harbour	16	7	0	9	239	367	-128	5	33
Souths	16	3	0	13	177	609	-432	5	17
Norths	16	1	0	15	80	658	-578	1	5
Two Blues	16	0	0	16	0	448	-448	0	0



Photo: Serge Gonzalez

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Gregor George Cup (Grade & Colts)

Club	Points
Randwick	2899
Eastwood	2592
Manly	2493
Sydney University	2468
Gordon	2335
Easts	2119
Norths	2022
Warringah	1952
West Harbour	1502
Wildfires	1332
Two Blues	1198
Souths	984

Jeffrey Sayle Cup (Grade)

Club	Points
Randwick Grade	2239
Manly Grade	1983
Norths Grade	1796
Eastwood Grade	1795
Syd Uni Grade	1755
Gordon Grade	1720
Easts Grade	1465
Wildfires Grade	1248
Two Blues Grade	1183
West Harbour Grade	1130
Warringah Grade	1090
Souths Grade	692

Eric Spilsted Cup (Colts)

Club	Points
Warringah Colts	862
Eastwood Colts	797
Sydney Uni Colts	713
Randwick Colts	660
Easts Colts	654
Gordon Colts	615
Manly Colts	510
West Harbour Colts	372
Souths Colts	292
Norths Colts	226
Wildfires Colts	84
Two Blues Colts	15



2023 AWARDS

Ken Catchpole Medal	Michael Icely (Eastwood)
David Brockhoff Medal - Coach of the Year	Cameron Treloar (West Harbour)
Dick Byres Medal - Referee of the Year	Richard Manchee
Rookie of the Year	Zac Barnabas (Manly)
Charter Hall Community Spirit Award	Richard Maude (Norths)
Roscoe Fay Trophy - Highest Points Scorer	Jude Gibbs (Norths)
Highest Try Scorer	Andrew Tuala (Wildfires)
E S Marks Shield Shute Shield Minor Premiers	Northern Suburbs
Sir Roden Cutler Shield	Randwick
Gregor George Trophy Club Championship	Randwick
Eric Spilsted Shield	Warringah
Jeffrey Sayle Cup	Randwick



Michael Icely



From L - R Richard Manchee, Richard Maude, Zac Barnabas, Andrew Tuala



From L - R Jude Gibbs and the Gibbs Family, Warringah Colts Representatives, Cam Treloar and Phil Garling AM



Gregor George Trophy Club Championship, Jeffrey Sayle Cup and Sir Roden Cutler Shield Randwick

E S Marks Shield Shute Shield Minor Premiers Northern Suburbs

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Finance



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SYDNEY RUGBY UNION LTD
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT 2023
Year ended 30 September 2023

	2023 Actual	2022 Actual
INCOME		
Interest - Bank	565	102
TOTAL INCOME	565	102
EXPENSES		
Nil		
TOTAL EXPENSES	0	0
TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	565	102

SYDNEY RUGBY UNION LTD
BALANCE SHEET 2023
As at 30 September 2023

	2023 Actual	2022 Actual
Current Assets		
Cash at bank	21,120	20,554
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	21,120	20,554
TOTAL ASSETS	21,120	20,554
Current Liabilities		
Nil		
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	0	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	0	0
EQUITY		
Retained earnings	(21,120)	(20,554)
TOTAL ACCUM FUNDS	(21,120)	(20,554)

NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY UNION LTD
FY2023 Profit & Loss by constituent
SRU/Premiership

	2023 Projection as of 31/10/2023	Dec 2022
Income		
RA Funding	250,000	250,000
Other Grants	0	3,909
Sponsorship income	233,100	281,183
Matchday	260,012	313,638
National Participation Fees	73,342	75,205
State Participation Fees	25,931	26,980
Other	30,984	24,877
Total Income	873,369	975,793
Expenditure		
Marketing, matchday, sponsors etc.	192,772	144,923
Broadcasting fees	79,333	30,000
*Corporate Charges NSW RU	302,440	314,860
Overhead	153,724	110,412
Referee costs	35,736	40,715
Grants	109,363	320,281
Other	0	14,602
Total expenditure	873,369	975,793
Net results per affiliate	(0)	(0)

*Corporate charges includes employee expenses, property and NSW RU charges

SHUTE SHIELD HISTORY

	Champion	Minor Premiers		Champion	Minor Premiers
1923	Sydney University 23–14 Glebe–Balmain	Glebe–Balmain	1980	Randwick 41–3 Gordon	Gordon
1924	Sydney University 18–0 Western Suburbs	Western Suburbs	1981	Randwick 33–15 Manly	Randwick
1925	Glebe–Balmain No final Western Suburbs	Glebe–Balmain	1982	Randwick 21–12 Warringah	Manly
1926	Sydney University 19–15 Randwick	Randwick	1983	Manly 12–10 Randwick	Randwick
1927	Sydney University No final YMCA Sydney	Sydney University	1984	Randwick 21–9 Parramatta	Warringah
1928	Sydney University 38–11 YMCA Sydney	YMCA Sydney	1985	Parramatta 19–12 Randwick	Randwick
1929	Western Suburbs 18–9 Northern Suburbs	Northern Suburbs	1986	Parramatta 30–12 Randwick	Randwick
1930	Randwick No final Glebe–Balmain	Randwick	1987	Randwick 19–16 Warringah	Warringah
1931	Eastern Suburbs 16–9 Manly	Manly	1988	Randwick 26–13 Warringah	Randwick
1932	Manly 12–9 Drummoyne	Manly	1989	Randwick 19–16 Eastwood	Randwick
1933	Northern Suburbs 8–6 Manly	Manly	1990	Randwick 32–9 Eastern Suburbs	Randwick
1934	Randwick 13–12 Manly	Randwick	1991	Randwick 28–9 Eastern Suburbs	Randwick
1935	Northern Suburbs 22–5 Manly	Manly	1992	Randwick 28–14 Gordon	Gordon
1936	Drummoyne 19–18 Sydney University	Randwick	1993	Gordon 23–19 Warringah	
1937	Sydney University 14–3 Western Suburbs	Western Suburbs	1994	Randwick 36–16 Warringah	
1938	Randwick 26–12 Western Suburbs	Randwick	1995	Gordon 24–11 Canberra	
1939	Sydney University 25–17 Randwick	Gordon	1996	Randwick 28–6 Warringah	Warringah
1940	Randwick 20–10 Manly	Randwick	1997	Manly 34–19 Eastwood	Manly
1941	Eastern Suburbs 9–6 Sydney University	Eastern Suburbs	1998	Gordon 40–17 Northern Suburbs	
1942	Manly 22–6 Sydney University	Sydney University	1999	Eastwood 34–17 Sydney University	Sydney University
1943	Manly 5–0 Eastern Suburbs	Manly	2000	Randwick 36–33 Sydney University	Eastern Suburbs
1944	Eastern Suburbs 7–3 Sydney University	Randwick	2001	Sydney University 27–20 Eastwood	Northern Suburbs
1945	Sydney University 11–3 Parramatta	Randwick	2002	Eastwood	
1946	Eastern Suburbs 23–12 Randwick	Randwick	2003	Eastern Suburbs	
1947	Eastern Suburbs 32–0 Manly	Manly	2004	Randwick	
1948	Randwick 27–14 Manly	Randwick	2005	Warringah	
1949	Gordon 12–3 Sydney University	Gordon	2006	Eastwood	
1950	Manly 21–5 Gordon	Gordon	2007	Sydney University 34–11 Eastern Suburbs	Sydney University
1951	Sydney University 22–16 Eastern Suburbs	Sydney University	2008	Sydney University 45–20 Randwick	Sydney University
1952	Gordon 19–6 Manly	Gordon	2009	Sydney University 24–19 Randwick	Sydney University
1953	Sydney University 29–6 Eastern Suburbs	Eastern Suburbs	2010	Sydney University 46–6 Randwick	Eastwood
1954	Sydney University 22–17 St. George	St. George	2011	Eastwood 19–16 Sydney University	Eastwood
1955	Sydney University 21–8 Gordon	Gordon	2012	Sydney University 15–14 Southern Districts	Eastwood
1956	Gordon 13–11 St. George	Gordon	2013	Sydney University 51–6 Eastwood	Eastwood
1957	St. George 21–3 Gordon	Gordon	2014	Eastwood 33–13 Southern Districts	Manly
1958	Gordon 13–3 Manly	Manly & Gordon	2015	Eastwood 15–12 Manly	Manly
1959	Randwick 16–0 Northern Suburbs	Randwick	2016	Northern Suburbs 28–15 Sydney University	Sydney University
1960	Northern Suburbs 21–3 Manly	Northern Suburbs	2017	Warringah 30–25 Northern Suburbs	Manly
1961	Sydney University 6–0 Drummoyne	St. George	2018	Sydney University 45–12 Warringah	Sydney University
1962	Sydney University 14–0 Randwick	Sydney University	2019	Sydney University 21–16 Warringah	Sydney University
1963	Northern Suburbs 21–12 Sydney University	Randwick	2020	Gordon 28–8 Eastwood	Gordon
1964	Northern Suburbs 27–13 Sydney University	Drummoyne	2021	Competition Cancelled – COVID-19 Pandemic	
1965	Randwick 26–5 Northern Suburbs	Sydney University	2022	Sydney University 26–19 Gordon	Northern Suburbs
1966	Randwick 30–11 Eastwood	Randwick	2023	Randwick 17–15 Northern Suburbs	Northern Suburbs
1967	Randwick 19–16 Gordon	Randwick			
1968	Sydney University 22–6 Manly	Sydney University			
1969	Eastern Suburbs 16–12 Gordon	Eastern Suburbs	Tooheys New Cup		
1970	Sydney University 24–14 Eastern Suburbs	Eastern Suburbs	2003	Eastwood 19–15 Sydney University	
1971	Randwick 21–3 Manly	Randwick	2004	Eastwood 29–14 Randwick	
1972	Sydney University 10–6 Gordon	Sydney University	2005	Randwick 35–22 Eastwood	
1973	Randwick 15–12 Western Suburbs	Western Suburbs	2006	Sydney University 41–5 Eastwood	
1974	Randwick 10–9 Parramatta	Parramatta	2007	Sydney University 16–10 Randwick	
1975	Northern Suburbs 9–6 Parramatta	Randwick			
1976	Gordon 33–4 Eastwood	Gordon			
1977	Parramatta 17–9 Randwick	Parramatta			
1978	Randwick 22–10 Eastern Suburbs	Randwick			
1979	Randwick 34–3 Parramatta	Parramatta			

AWARD WINNERS HISTORY

KEN CATCHPOLE MEDALLISTS

1981	Neale Murphy (Western Suburbs)
1982	Geoff Richards (Eastern Suburbs)
1983	Peter Lucas (St George)
1984	Richard Moriarty (Western Suburbs)
1985	Phillip Cox (Manly)
1986	Peter Lucas (St George); David Niu (St George) and Sione Tahaafe (Eastwood)
1987	Steve Lidbury (Warringah)
1988	Jim Fewtrell (Warringah)
1989	Simon Poidevin (Randwick)
1990	Matt Foldi (Warringah)
1991	Marty Roebuck (Eastwood)
1992	Ross Reynolds (Gordon)
1993	Phil Kearns (Randwick)
1994	Mark Catchpole (Warringah)
1995	Nick Harvey (Northern Suburbs)
1996	Dirk Williams (Eastern Suburbs)
1997	Adam Leach (Eastwood)
1998	Mark Catchpole (Sydney University)
1999	Peter Besseling (Penrith) and Keith Gleeson (Northern Suburbs)
2000	Sam Harris (Warringah)
2001	Des Tuiavi'i (West Harbour)
2002	Scott Fava (Eastwood)
2003	Scott Fava (Eastwood)
2004	Scott Fava (Eastwood)
2005	Tim Donnelly (Eastwood)
2006	Peter Hewat (Manly)
2007	Gavin Debartolo (Eastern Suburbs)
2008	Scott Fardy (Warringah) and Dave Harvey (Gordon)
2009	Andrew Smith (Norths)
2010	Brendan McKibbin (Eastern Suburbs)
2011	Dave Harvey (Gordon)
2012	Hamish Angus (Warringah)
2013	Hugh Perrett (Eastwood)
2014	Hamish Angus (Warringah)
2015	David Horwitz (Randwick)
2016	William Miller (Northern Suburbs)
2017	Tayler Adams (West Harbour)
2018	Adrian Musico (Parramatta)
2019	Hamish Angus (Warringah)
2020	Mahe Vailanu (Gordon)
2022	Max Douglas (Manly)
2023	Michael Icely (Eastwood)

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

2006	Andrew Barratt (Southern Districts)*
2007	Unlisted)
2008	Nathan Charles (Sydney University)*
2009	Lachlan McCaffrey (Eastwood)*
2010	Greg Petersen (Manly)
2011	Bernard Foley (Sydney University)
2012	Jed Holloway (Southern Districts)
2013	Hugh Roach (Eastwood)
2014	Henry Clunies-Ross (Sydney Uni)
2015	Kelly Meafua (West Harbour)
2016	Irae Simone (Northern Suburbs)
2017	Kevin Fuavao (Manly)

2018	Will McDonnell (Sydney Uni)
2019	Michael Icely (Eastwood)
2020	Max Douglas (Manly)
2022	Conor Hickey (Warringah)
2023	Zac Barnabas (Manly)
* known as the Herald Cup Rookie of the Year	

DAVID BROCKHOFF MEDALLISTS

2006	Todd Loudon (Randwick)
2007	Scott Bowen (Eastern Suburbs)
2008	Stu Woodhouse (West Harbour)
2009	Phil Blake (Manly)
2010	Matt Briggs (Penrith)
2011	John Manenti (Eastwood)
2012	Cam Blades (Southern Districts)
2013	John Manenti (Eastwood)
2014	Matt Barr (Southern Districts)
2015	Simon Cron (Northern Suburbs)
2016	Tim Davidson (Sydney University)
2017	Darren Coleman (Warringah)
2018	Pauli Taumoepeau (Eastern Suburbs)
2019	Mark Gerrard (Warringah)
2020	Darren Coleman (Gordon)
2022	Scott Coleman (Hunter) and Sean Hedger (Sydney University)
2023	Cam Treloar (West Harbour)

DICK BYERS MEDALLISTS

2006	George Ayoub
2007	Ian Smith
2008	Nathan Pearce
2009	Steve Walsh
2010	Stuart Dickinson
2011	Ian Smith
2012	James Leckie
2013	James Leckie
2014	Ian Smith
2015	Ian Smith
2016	Matt Kellahan
2017	Matt Kellahan
2018	Michael Hogan
2019	Matt Kellahan
2020	James Quinn
2022	David Conway
2023	Richard Manchee

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2022	Chris Hedge (Manly)
2023	Richard Maude (Northern Suburbs)

