



## The Hawthorne Club

5<sup>th</sup> June, 2018

### NEWSLETTER NO.2 JUNE 2018

#### WELCOME

Welcome to the 2nd Newsletter for 2018

#### **14<sup>th</sup> June MEMBERS BRIEFINGS and DRINKS @ The Albion Hotel 5.30 pm until 7.30 pm**

After the recent success of the Season launch drinks, we will again enjoy Macca's hospitality and having Chairman's Drinks at The Albion hotel commencing at 5.30 pm till 7.30 pm. Drinks and footy style finger food provided. For catering purposes members are asked to confirm their attendance and this monthly event will be free.

I will give members an update on the THC activities.

If you have changed your email address or believe the club does not have your email address, please update your details by email to – [Secretary@hawthorneclub.com.au](mailto:Secretary@hawthorneclub.com.au)

#### **2018 LUNCHEON EVENTS**

For the first Four Events further information and bookings may be done via the website – [www.hawthorneclub.com.au](http://www.hawthorneclub.com.au)

**22 June - Foundation Fellows Luncheon** which will be held at the Newcastle Club with rising Referee Dru Tonks Guest of Honour and Bruce Cook providing a former referee perspective.

**20 July 2018 - Mid Season Luncheon, Newcastle Town Hall - Guest of Honour: Brent (Buck) Anderson, Former New Zealand All Black and Provincial player**

**Buck Anderson** was born in 1960 in Lower Hutt a strong rugby area. As a lock, he represented Wairarapa Bush and Waikato at a provincial level, and was a member of the All Blacks team in 1986 and 1987.

He played 69 matches for Wairarapa Bush and then went on to play 72 matches for the Waikato team. Buck also played for NZ Barbarians, North Island and NZ Divisional between 1984 and 1993. Renowned for his fearless skills at the breakdown he was also an excellent lineout player and toured Australia with Waikato who were at that time sporting some of the toughest men to play the game in black. At 115 kg in his playing days he was a fearsome competitor and one of the bigger men of that era. He played three matches for the All Blacks: namely a test match against Australia; and two matches against Japan that were not accorded full international status. He also won several Man of the Match awards while playing Irish club rugby. He has been a Rugby Administrator with NZR for over a decade.

**14 September 2018 - Grand Final Luncheon GOH, Raylene Castle, CEO, RA. Venue Surf House, Merewether MC Mike Rabbitt.**



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### 2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Further to the Secretaries recent update a reminder the annual renewal fee of \$75 is now **overdue**. Membership fees have remained at the same level for the last 6 years. Could any members outstanding please pay via the website using the menu link Pay Fees and Fines or by EFT Greater Bank BSB 637 000 Account 713501913.

Members requiring Badges or NHRU Season passes should contact Hennie Du Plooy, secretary@hawthorneclub.com.au

### RUGBY SUPPORT PROGRAM (RSP)

We have already commenced our 2018 Rugby Support Program with Sponsorship of the Newcastle Referees via the Hawthorne Scholarship which are designed to assist in the recruitment, development and retention of Junior Referees for the Newcastle Rugby Union Referees Association (NRURA). THC has also sponsored the Hunter Women's 15's and 7's Representative Program. We will also maintain support: programs for Rugby clubs throughout the region through The Hawthorne Cup which has been held by Maitland, Nelson Bay, Hamilton and is currently with Merewether Carlton; The Hawthorne Club Challenge has been held by Maitland and currently Hamilton. We also support the Hawthorne Academy 7's and the NHRU Wildfires Senior and Colts representative teams.

For THC to continue our RSP at current or higher financial levels I encourage members to attend the Luncheons and to bring a guest for THC and bring 1 guest for THC and a 2<sup>nd</sup> guest for Rugby

### COMMUNICATIONS, WEBSITE - [www.hawthorneclub.com.au](http://www.hawthorneclub.com.au) and FACEBOOK

The Club's website is operational courtesy of Club Sponsor Forsythe's IT. The Club particularly thanks Jeff Hughes at Forsythe's IT for the time and effort they put into this project. Members are strongly encouraged to regularly visit the site to keep in touch with all Club news. Thanks to Hennie Du Plooy's IT skills THC is now on Facebook and Twitter. Members can expect to receive regular updates and information.

During the year to ensure members receive ongoing notice of these events, activities and the opening of bookings on the Website. Email, Twitter and Facebook notifications will be sent to our member data base. If you have changed your email address or believe the club does not have your email address, please update your details by email to – Secretary@hawthorneclub.com.au

Kindest Regards,

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