

SIRU Grand Finals

Saturday 03 September 2022

Conolly Rugby Park, Wagga Wagga NSW
Wiradjuri Country



PRESENTED BY SOUTHERN
INLAND RUGBY UNION

Acknowledgement of Country

SIRU wishes to acknowledge the original custodians of the land on which Rugby Union in Southern Inland is played, the Wiradjuri people. SIRU wishes to acknowledge their elders, past, present and emerging.

Grand Finals Timetable

10:55AM - 3rd Grade Grand Final

12:25PM - 2nd Grade Grand Final

2:05PM - Women's Xs Grand Final

3:15PM - 1st Grade Grand Final

Presentations will be held following each match.

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President's Report

Welcome to the Southern Inland Rugby Union 2022 Grand Finals. Special welcome to Peter Johnson, President ACT & SNSW Rugby Union, and Cheryl, Craig Leseberg, Deputy CEO & General Manager Community Rugby, SIRU Life Members and presenters of each of the special awards.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the passing of a rugby great in Jim Lenehan, Wallaby, and a passionate supporter of grass-roots rugby. Jim passed peacefully at home on 26 August 2022. Wagga Wagga and the local area have certainly produced some outstanding rugby players, as is evident here by the signage around the ground. Jim was highly respected as a player and remained humble about his outstanding achievements at a national and international level.

To our many sponsors, thank you for your generous support of Southern Inland Rugby Union programs - without your support the Senior and Junior competitions, and the number of programs that have been delivered would not be possible. Thank you also for your support of the representative competitions; the participation in and successes this year are in no small way attributed to your contribution. Thank you.

On behalf of the SIRU Board, I wish to convey our thanks and appreciation to the SIRU rugby community for your continued commitment to supporting rugby, particularly after two difficult years in 2020-2021.

Thank you to SIRU Board, Clubs and their officials and volunteers, Troy Pietsch, Southern Inland Rugby Referees Association and Tom Adamson, and the other SIRU Judicial Committee Members. Of course, none of this would be possible without the support from ACT&SNSW Rugby and Brumbies through their Community Rugby & Services Manager, Jack Heffernan, and Development Officers, Rhianna Burke and Tyson Morgan. Special thanks to Jack for his extensive promotion of SIRU programs and for keeping participants informed across our social media platforms and weekly emails to Presidents.

The success of the Senior and Junior competitions would not be possible without the dedication and support from all those who work tirelessly, sometimes quietly behind the scenes, to support rugby. The successful nomination for the SIRU Volunteer of the Year will be announced today.

Thank you to Scott Bennett, President, Wagga City Rugby Club, and your team for hosting the Major Semi Finals and today's Grand Final, and our thanks go to President, Justin James, and the Griffith Rugby Club for hosting the Preliminary Finals last weekend. Thank you to the Presidents of Wagga Reddies and Wagga Crows for managing the gate.

President's Report

Congratulations to all senior clubs who participated this year and in particular the teams who qualified for all finals and today's Grand Final. To recap the teams who participated:

1st XV (7 teams) -Albury-Wodonga, Griffith, Reddies, Tumut, WAC, Wagga City, Waratahs.

Women's 10 (7 teams) - Albury-Wodonga, Griffith, Leeton, Reddies, WAC, Wagga City, Waratahs.

2nd XV (9 teams) - Albury-Wodonga, Griffith, Hay, Leeton, Reddies, Tumut, WAC, Wagga City, Waratahs.

3rd XV (5 teams) - Griffith, Reddies, WAC, Wagga City, Waratahs.

Congratulations to Wagga City with Minor Premierships in all three men's grades and the Club Championship. Congratulations also to Griffith and WAC who finished in the Top 4 across all grades, again a great feat after a couple of tough years. Let's not forget the commitment of the Hay Cutters to also reach the Top 4 as a one-team Club.

In the Women's, congratulations to the Wagga Reddies on their Minor Premiership and their win at the Major Semi Finals, and congratulations to the Waratahs on their outstanding win last week in the Preliminary Finals at Griffith and advancing to second Grand Final appearance after playing Griffith in 2019.

It's not often that two clubs are represented across all men's teams in a Grand Final, and for Griffith to have three teams in a Grand Final after withdrawing their Club from the competition two years ago is indicative of the commitment of their members.

To all the other Clubs, thank you for stepping up and for your contribution to the success of the competition. We recognise that for some Clubs it has been a challenging time and as a rugby community it is our role to support our fellow rugby clubs as much as possible so the competition remains strong.

To all those participants who were nominated for, or received awards today, congratulations! Well done – you are wonderful role models for your fellow players and our up-and-coming juniors.

On behalf of the Board, I wish all teams the very best in your quest for a premiership today and there is no doubt that all games will be keenly contested.

Above all, enjoy your rugby, the camaraderie, and safe travels later today.

Warwick Grant
President
Southern Inland Rugby Union

Total Ag Solutions-Kubota 1st Grade Grand Final

Kick Off - 3:15PM

Wagga City 1st XV

Coach: James Beaufils

Manager: Daniel Ribot
De Bressac

11 Wins, 1 Loss in the
Regular Season

Griffith 1st XV

Coach: Chris McGregor

Manager: Jason Sauer

8 Wins, 4 Losses in the Regular
Season

Total Ag Solutions-Kubota 1st Grade Presentations

Presentations following the Grand Final will include:

- 2022 SIRU Volunteer of the Year
- SIRU Club Championship
- Bill Castle Medal
(Best & Fairest of the Regular Season)
- Match Official Presentation
- Reddies Old Boys Medal
(Best & Fairest of the Grand Final)
- Presentation of the 2022 1st Grade Premiership



Total Ag Solutions-Kubota 1st Grade Grand Final

Wagga City 1st XV

1. Adam Mokotupu (C)
2. Mikaera Smylie
3. Darryl Hemopo
4. Monson Tuvale
5. Jacob Nielsen
6. Tomasi Nabuliwaqa
7. Jesse Bellchambers
8. Rory Sheard
9. Sam Trood
10. Peter Little (VC)
11. John Vakatalai
12. Jesse Uhr
13. Noa Rabici
14. Sheldon Tovia
15. Steven Tracey

Griffith 1st XV

1. Mosese Fosita
2. Keli Henry
3. Blake Theunissen (C)
4. Mitchell White
5. Talilotu Uoifalelahi
6. Richard Latu
7. Simon Star
8. Andries De Meyer (VC)
9. Ausage Faumui
10. Daniel Bozic
11. Daryl Sofai
12. Naseri Taifai
13. Andrew Fauoo
14. Thomas Lynch
15. Oleni Ngungutau

Match Official: Mitch Dwyer



SIRU Women's Xs

Grand Final

Kick Off - 2:05PM

Reddies 1st X

Coach: Andrew Bedford

Manager: Trina Bedford

10 Wins, 2 Losses in the
Regular Season

Waratahs 1st X

Coach: Mark Macarthur

Manager: Tim Markham

8 Wins, 4 Losses in the
Regular Season

SIRU Women's Xs

Presentations

Presentations following the Grand Final will include:

- Alicia Lucas Medal
(Best & Fairest of the Regular Season)
- Match Official Presentation
- Adamson Family Medal
(Best & Fairest of the Grand Final)
- Presentation of the 2022 Women's Premiership



SIRU Women's Xs

Grand Final

Reddies 1st X

- 18. Brittney Bedford
- 2. Tara Winbank
- 8. Carmen Allen
- 7. Ivy Merlehan (C)
- 15. Emma Forsyth
- 14. Teisha Freeman
- 6. Shanae Pope
- 12. Grace Oliver
- 4. Ellen McIntyre
- 5. Biola Dawa

Waratahs 1st XV

- 1. Amy Hart
- 16. Harriet Elleman
- 15. Emma Hickey
- 6. Yolanda Forsyth
- 17. Crystal Atkinson
- 4. Sophia Kirkby
- 9. Holly Stephens (C)
- 2. Megan Pearson
- 5. Andrea Noldin
- 8. Amy Fowler

Match Official: Tim Allen



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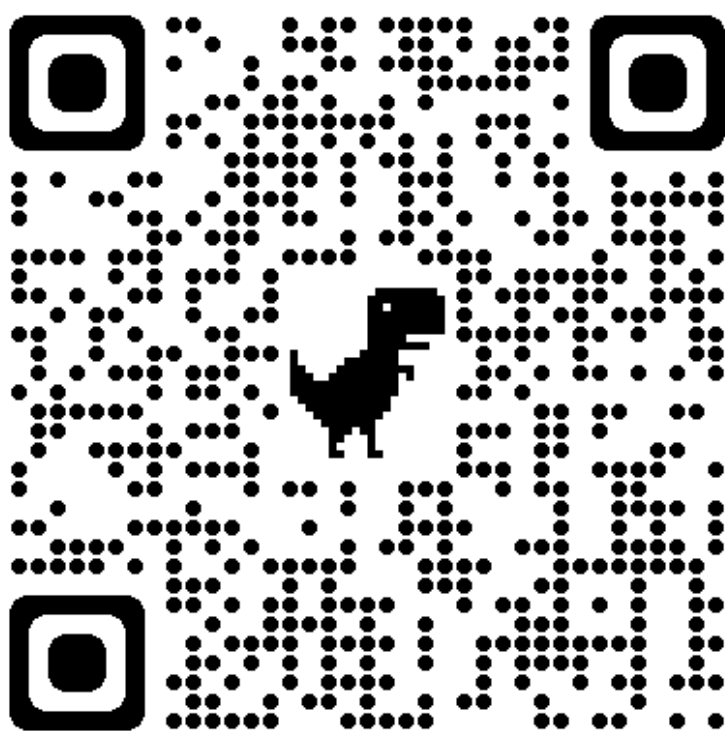


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SIRU 2nd Grade Grand Final

Kick Off - 12:25PM

Wagga City 2nd XV
Coach: Michael Kanck
Manager: Adrian Quilty
13 Wins, 3 Losses in the
Regular Season

Griffith 2nd XV
Coach: Tino Kaue
Manager: Ngara Timoti
12 Wins, 4 Losses in the
Regular Season

SIRU 2nd Grade Presentations

Presentations following the Grand Final will include:

- Match Official Presentation
- Warwick Tout Medal
(Best & Fairest of the Grand Final)
- Presentation of the 2022 2nd Grade Premiership



SIRU 2nd Grade

Grand Final

Wagga City 2nd XV

1. Nathan Seymour
2. Aaron Mead
3. Kyle Burgess
4. Daniel Ribot De Bressac
5. Graham Seruwaqa
6. Ratu Todua
7. David Taylor
8. Pita Herangi
9. Rhys Cummins (C)
10. Benjamin Schreiber
11. Allan Tsang
12. Cassius Clay
13. Petero Drasali
14. Joshua Bawden
15. Andrew Carlin

Griffith 2nd XV

1. Eddie Sekali
2. Lorenzo Tafili
3. Inoke Raco
4. Caleb Owers
5. Richard Cumming
6. Kamvet Henry
7. Niumaia Cama
8. Christian Timoti
9. Jason Waring-Bryant
10. Viliami Ngu
11. Alex Toeupu
12. Ratu Naliva
13. Nemaia Gavoka
14. Linsay Maiava
15. Timoci Raceva

Match Official: Warwick Strong



SIRU 3rd Grade Grand Final

Kick Off - 10:55AM

Wagga City 3rd XV

Coach: Mitchell Andrews

Manager: Daniel Ribot De
Bressac

7 Wins, 0 Losses in the
Regular Season

Griffith 3rd XV

Coach: Samuel McLeod

Manager: David Baxter

1 Win, 6 Losses in the
Regular Season

SIRU 3rd Grade Presentations

Presentations following the Grand Final will include:

- Match Official Presentation
- Ken McMullen Medal
(Best & Fairest of the Grand Final)
- Presentation of the 2022 3rd Grade Premiership



SIRU 3rd Grade

Grand Final

Wagga City 3rd XV

1. Chris Bryant
2. Earl Ayers
3. Matthew Saarenpaa
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5. Loramo Lagaali
6. Thomas Jennings
7. Petero Ratucove
8. Robert Cleland
9. Vaughn Scott
10. Damian Dodds
11. Jonathan Punch
12. Eddie Lagaali
13. Caleb Atkinson
14. Mitchell Cameron
15. Daniel Mech

Griffith 3rd XV

1. Daniel Richens
2. Matthew Senes
3. Mitchell Clark
4. Michael Crowe
5. Chris Crowe
6. Isaac Baratto
7. Bryn Francis
8. Ngara Timoti
9. Jason Waring-Bryant
10. Nate McGregor
11. Dennis Bortolin
12. Ethan Cassidy
13. Wilfred Loganimoce
14. Wyatt Hine
15. Shaquel Crowe (C)

Match Official: James Martel



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