



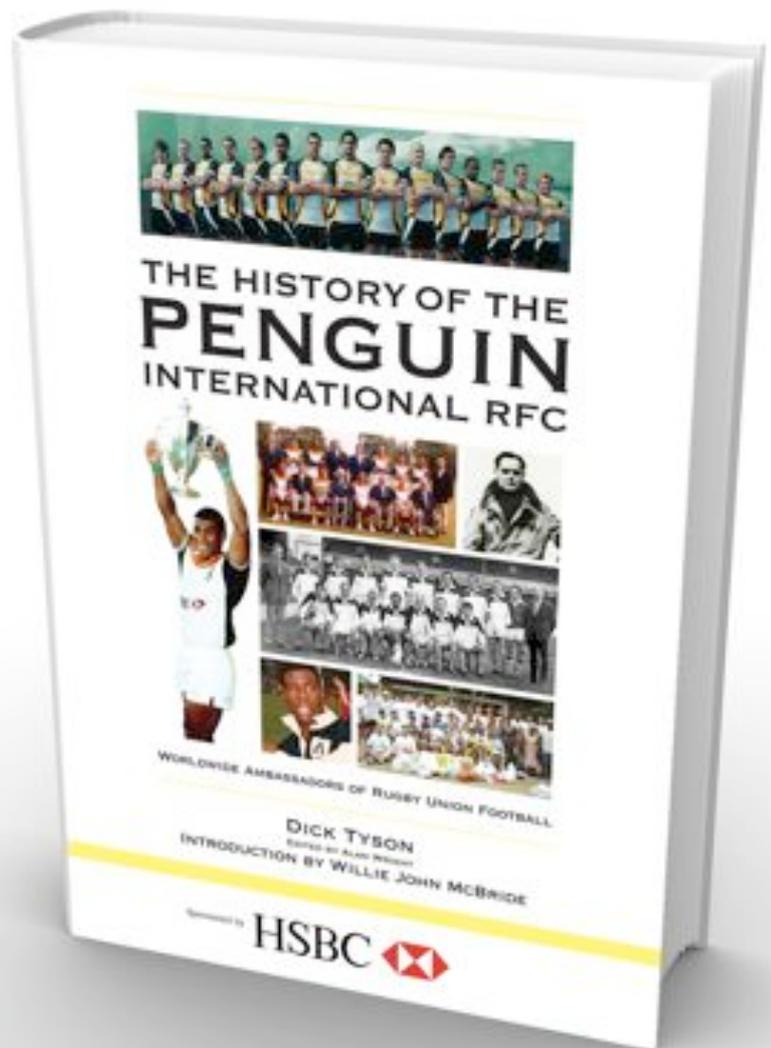
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# AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2013

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*We are very proud to  
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## Welcome to the PIRFC Autumn Newsletter for 2013

Since the publication of the Spring Newsletter the HSBC Penguins and the King Penguins have carried out a most successful series of matches in both the UK and Australia.

In the UK in May and June we entered elite Sevens squads into the Yorkshire, London and Scotland Rugby Rocks Tournaments - winning the Cup in Leeds and the Plate in Edinburgh.

We also had a marvelous **First Scottish Reunion Penguins Dinner** in our good friends the Watsonian Football Club's handsome pavilion in Edinburgh on 21st June. Then, on 4th July in Australia, the King Penguins managed to beat the Australian Parliament XV in fine style - before going on to enjoy watching an exciting and hard-fought Lions series.

Away from the playing front - our fine history of the Club, **The History of the Penguin International RFC**, has been released. Not only that - it has been named as the **Rugby World Magazine Book of the Month** for September. **The History of the Penguin International RFC** is a real 'must have' for all Penguins - remember, if you're a Penguin, you're in it! Details of how to order your copy follow on page 11, and the latest reviews are on page 12.

We are also very pleased to announce that the greatest-ever British & Irish Lion, Willie John McBride, has accepted our invitation to become an Honorary VP, and that our very own Bob Reeves has been elected the new RFU President.

On a much sadder note, we have heard from Hugh Burry's wife Barbara that Hugh passed away on 18th June, 2013. Hugh, an All Black and a Penguin stalwart during the '60s and '70s, will be sorely missed by all lucky enough to have known him. His obituary appears on page 15 and Barbara's letter on page 16. Also, the great Cliff Morgan, another of our Honorary VPs, sadly passed away on 29th August. His obituary is on page 17.

Finally, our President, Richard Bennett, has asked me to remind all Penguins that we need you to renew your Memberships in line with the latest subscription request that was sent out in June - preferably by standing order (contact the Club to be sent a direct debit form). Also, please contact Craig Brown ([craig.brown@penguinrugby.com](mailto:craig.brown@penguinrugby.com)) if you have any ideas or suggestions regarding possible sponsorship of the PIRFC playing squad or, indeed, if you would care to donate funds yourself.

### Up-and-coming HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy activities and HSBC Penguins tours and matches

- ◆ HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy support to the HSBC Grass Roots Festival in Dubai - 18th October.
- ◆ HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy tour to Indonesia and Malaysia - 24th October to 12th November.
- ◆ HSBC Penguins playing in the SCC 7s - 1st, 2nd & 3rd November in Singapore and HSBC COBRA 10s - 9th & 10th November in Kuala Lumpur.
- ◆ Moyes Brothers Annual Penguin Singapore Dinner - Wednesday 30th October at the Polo Club, Singapore. There are more details on pages 18 and 19.

Please keep an eye on the Club website for up-to-date news as and when it happens: [www.penguinrugby.com](http://www.penguinrugby.com)

## HSBC, Grove Industries and Tsunami - our sponsors

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## HSBC PENGUIN INTERNATIONAL COACHING ACADEMY NEWS

### HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy trip to Fiji, 11th - 26th May 2013

Phase 2 of the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy Fiji program took shape when Ben, Grant, Rachael and baby Mathew met up at Edinburgh airport with the mission of blagging an extra bag through to Nadi that contained 23kgs of gifts, balls and rugby equipment kindly donated for this trip by Scottish Rugby. Many thanks to Scott Yardley at Scottish Rugby for his help. With a starting point of £200 for the bag we got it down to £80 and then down to £0 after we managed to “agree” with the BA staff that baby Mathew did indeed need a bag that was 20 x his body weight!

The trip was as good as it could be with a stopover in Seoul and a mid-morning arrival in Nadi. We were met by fellow Penguin, all round good guy and ‘Our Man’ in Fiji, Richard Breen. Richard's young daughter Saoise had negotiated a morning off school to welcome us and over the next week along with Richard's house keeper Va we were to form a formidable Coach Education Unit. Richard's influence and help in this part of the world just cannot be described in words but safe to say that we just couldn't have operated without him.

After getting into Fiji attire our first task was to recce the venue for our first IRB Level 1 at Vitonga District School in the Lautoka Region. On arrival we were met by the teaching staff, including the Headmaster and the Teachers, some of whom were attending the course the next day. The welcome we received was to set the tone of the trip and right away we knew this was going to be 'something special'. The next morning we returned to the school to deliver a well-received IRB Level 1 Course to an eager, welcoming and appreciative group of 40 coaches from the school, the local village and surroundings. We also met our own ‘Miss Money Penny’ Rachael Bainivalu who was always on hand to help with all the registration, interpretation and general making sure everything was cool! We stayed in the Village that evening and had the honour of being hosted in Master Tirani's family home in the Village. After dinner we headed along to village training where we took the night's practice - with Grant looking at the Scrum Process, Ben taking the backs and both finishing off with a Line Out Session under the stars. The 'this is going to be special' thoughts were confirmed when a team prayer was called at the end of practice to thank the Lord for the Penguins coming to their village to take the course and coach their players - it doesn't happen often but the author was lost for words!



Grant's Fiji Level 1 Course in Kava began that night with the first of many sessions when we were joined by the regions Head of Education and Bill from the village, and as you would imagine stories were told and eventually two very tired Penguins sloped off to rest up for the next day of Coaching.

Day 2 started with a Grass Roots Coaching session at Vitonga District School where some of the coaches who had attended the Level 1 on the previous day came along to practice their coaching skills, during a session that involved 40 children. The afternoon then saw us, our new coaching colleagues, and a couple of extra coaches head to Andra School in Lautoka for the second grass roots session of the day. This school was primarily a soccer school so again with the permission of the Headmaster we delivered a good 60 minute intro session to rugby to the 50 or so players. We were able to deliver the session in small groups of players (with assistance from the newly qualified Level 1 coaches) which added to the enjoyment for all. It has to be said that the natural talent on show just in these two schools alone started our thought process to consider the amount of untapped potential that lies in this wonderful country!



After session two we then moved onto an afternoon coaches meeting with Lautoka Region's Head Coach Villi Satala. I don't know who was more in awe - those of a certain vintage will remember Villi as a feared, skilled and iconic player of the '90s. It was great to see a player with Villi's background now involved in the Regional structure in Fiji and it wasn't long before Ben, Grant and Villi were headlong into 'Talking the Ball Game' and sharing coaching ideas, philosophies and information. We had a couple of hours rest and then Ben and Grant joined Villi and his coaching team at the nights Regional session to prepare for their game at home the following Saturday against Naitasiri. We met Villi's back room staff, assistant coaches and manager to 'view' the session, but it wasn't long before we had the tools out the bag with Grant looking at Attack and Contact and Ben counteracting that with his Defensive work. A more intense, physical and demanding session I have yet to see from any team I have coached.

Day three took us to the International School in Nadi who kindly provided the venue for our IRB level 2 Course, we spent two days in the company of some excellent coaches (27 in total). With Rachael on hand to provide her invaluable help we had a fantastic experience of adding the 'Coaching Process' and 'Coaching Mindset' to the International Class Rugby Knowledge in the group. With a spread of village coaches aspiring to do their best for their team or region to ex-representatives and players (a number of whom had travelled the world in the 7s or 15s game) we hopefully managed to inspire, motivate and up skill these men to be able to impart their obvious rugby knowledge to the next generation of Fiji Internationals - it was a pleasure and a privilege to be in such company.

Saturday brought game day when we again met up with Villi and the Lautoka guys at their game against Naitasiri. We spent the time on the touchline with Villi and his team analysing the opposition and feeding back some ideas to Villi - time and again sharing the 'Coaches' talk with a fellow coach. Post-game it was back to the sheds where Grant took an impromptu Scrum and Throwing skills session and Ben discussed some planning/game overview ideas with Villi and his team. A Kava session was then held in the biggest Kava bowl a Scotsman has ever seen. Ben and Grant retired at the end of the evening with ideas spinning around our heads on how we could and must try to help potential coaches like Villi, Api, Bill, Kele, Wise with their coaching development.



*HSBC Penguin Coaches in Fiji, left to right:  
Api Naevo, Grant McKelvey, Koroi Tubuna and Ben Fisher.*

Sunday saw us travel out to the Island of Malolo under the guidance of Api Naevo and Codi. We checked into our base hotel on the Island, chucked a couple of spare beds in the room and the band of four began phase 2 of the mission together that was to include 1 x IRB Level 1 and 2 x school grass roots sessions. This phase also brought in the saga of how you get 4 x cases of Fiji Gold Long Necks and a bottle of Bounty over-proof rum onto an Island!! We'll come to that later!

The first day on the island saw us take a boat trip with the fifth member of this coaching group, Captain Luca, who took us around the other side of the island to Malolo District School for our IRB Level 1. We were met by village elders who

presented us to the village Chief's advisor who gave us permission to hold the course in his Village. We presented our gift of Kava and then moved onto setting up our outdoor classroom. We had 17 coaches attending this course with an eclectic mix of village coaches, the village pastor, the village Chief's advisor and other coaches from Solevo, Yaro and Castaway Clubs. Unfortunately some coaches who wished to attend were unable to due to work commitments.

We have never played rugby, coached rugby or been to a more beautiful rugby track on the planet. With Codi and Api now in full coach mode we had a very enjoyable day coaching rugby to the delight and surprise of many tourists arriving on the Island to see two 'white guys' and 'two of the biggest Fijian guys you've ever seen' coaching line out lifting and scrum techniques yards from the Pacific Ocean. We then had dinner on the beach and a Kava session under the tutelage of Api and Codi - after all this was their village and whatever they said went!



The surreal part of this was when the ghetto blaster arrived and some of the best old school country and western tracks of the past 20 years were played to the backdrop of clapping, storytelling, the Pacific lapping the shores and Grant and Ben snoring.

The following morning saw us back in the village for the penultimate grass roots session of the tour where 25 of the best players in the school took their opportunity to show us what they could do. The level of skills and physicality had risen by 40% from the mainland and it was a joy to see the obvious support these players are receiving from their school and club coaches.

We waved goodbye to Malolo and moved onto Mamanuca Village where we were met on the beach and led through the village to the district school which was nestled in amongst the village houses, school buildings and palm trees. The best was indeed kept to last with Grant taking the 'wee ones' and Ben looking after the 'big ones'. We had 40 players in total and the final games we played were nothing short of superb. Players of the day were chosen, gifts for everyone handed out, photos taken and we retired back to the Village ready for a pick up by Luca (remember the Captain and the four crates of Fiji Gold and Bounty Rum?) at 4pm...

Now 8.30pm and in dusk darkness and after phone calls, a lot of shouting into the dark and flashing lights into the north direction Luca came chugging around the headland from the South. I'll not go into the details but Luca does not have a phone, was tracked down island to island with umpteen different methods - anyway during this Fiji time we had adjourned to the best Kava session venue of the trip right on the beach, under a mango tree where we were on 'High Tide'. Luca arrived with the icebox and two crates of Fiji Gold so Ben and Grant were given permission to lighten the boat load with a Codi controlled Taki session - after six bottles we were on the boat with Luca and Api joining the Taki with Codi navigating and steering the boat. Picture this: Moonlight/the Pacific Ocean/navigating island by island/trawling for fish off the back of the skiff/taking the best part of 24 x 750mm bottles as we went - absolutely magical.

The next day was obviously a 'Rest Day' but the hospitality that was shown to us by Richard, Api, Codi and their families will be remembered for as long as we can remember stuff - when we arrived back on the mainland Ben and Grant headed off for the last meeting of the trip - to meet the father and family of Fiji and Penguin legend Si Nawavu from the Nawaka village. To meet this man and his family eventually was an honour and what he said to us will stay with me for a very long time 'Vinaka for coming - we don't have much, but everything we do have is in here' with a heavy and strong fist to his heart! I'm not sure there is too much to add to that!

**Grant McKelvey and Ben Fisher**

**HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy, Fiji - May 2013.**



## HSBC PENGUIN INTERNATIONAL PLAYING NEWS

### HSBC Penguins at the Rugby Rocks 7s Tournament West Park Leeds RUFC. Sunday 26th March 2013

The HSBC Penguins won the Rugby Rocks Leeds Sevens tournament at West Park Leeds RUFC on Sunday, 26th March. This prestigious one day tournament attracted 16 elite teams.

In a marvelous coup for the Club, arranged by our CEO Craig Brown, the England Sevens team, coached by England Sevens Head Coach Ben Ryan and Russell Earnshaw, played in HSBC Penguin colours in the England-based Rugby Rocks series this year.

HSBC Penguins put on a great display - winning all of their matches including a 26-5 victory in the final over the Newitts Centurion Mowden Park VII.



*HSBC Penguins/England Sevens take to the field in Yorkshire under the watchfull eye of HSBC Penguins' England Coach, Ben Ryan.*



The HSBC Penguin Squad consisted of: Ben Ryan and Russell Earnshaw (England 7s Coaches), Brett Davidson (Physio), Dan Cooper (Analyst). Tom Mitchell (Oxford, England Students, England 7s - Captain), Mike Ellery (Penrith, Moseley, England 7s), Mark Odojobi (Esher, England U16, U18, U20, England 7s), Dan Bibby (Fylde, England Students, England 7s), Mat Turner (Bristol, South Africa U20, England 7s), Sam Edgerley (Rosslyn Park, England U18, U20, England 7s), Jeff Williams (Hamilton, Sharks Academy, England 7s), Chris Brightwell (Birmingham & Solihull, Hawkes Bay, England 7s), Alex Gray (London Irish, England U16, U18, England 7s), Phil Burgess (Cornish Pirates, England Students, U18, England 7s), Ollie Marchon (Old Albanians, England 7s).



## HSBC Penguins at the Rugby Rocks 7s Tournament Richmond Athletic Ground. Saturday 1st June 2013

Fresh from the victory at the Rugby Rocks Leeds Sevens Tournament the week before, the HSBC Penguin squad headed for London for what was the strongest field of all three tournaments.

Unfortunately the HSBC Penguins lost to The Templars in the Cup quarter-final and the day was over. However, England did go on a week or so later to be the beaten finalists in the Sevens World Cup.



The HSBC Penguin Squad consisted of: Ben Ryan and Russell Earnshaw (England 7s Coaches), Brett Davidson (Physio), Dan Cooper (Analyst), Steve Hill and Nigel Clarke (Managers). Mike Ellery (Penrith, Moseley, England 7s -



Captain), Alex Gray (London Irish, England U16, U18, England 7s), Ollie Marchon (Old Albanians, England 7s), Mark Odojobi (Esher, England U16, U18, U20, England 7s), Chris Cracknell (England 7s), Sam Edgerley (Rosslyn Park, England U18, U20, England 7s), Mat Turner (Bristol, South Africa U20, England 7s), Dan Bibby (Fylde, England Students, England 7s), Marcus Watson (Saracens, England U16, U18, U20, England 7s), Dan Norton (Gloucester, Moseley, England U20, England 7s), Ollie Phillips (Newcastle Falcons, Stade Francis, England 7s), Tom Jarvis (Stourbridge, England Counties).



## HSBC Penguins at the Rugby Rocks 7s Tournament Boroughmuir RFC. Saturday 22nd June 2013

Having failed to secure silverware in London a few weeks earlier, the assembled Penguins squad for the Edinburgh Rugby Rocks weekend were hoping to put a cherry on top of what has been a quite sensational year for the Club.

Sadly, however we came up short in the main tournament but securing the Plate Final was just rewards for a squad that was seemingly only a match away from being something special.



*Captain Steve Hamilton, Sam Randle, Manager Iain Sinclair and Hugh Hogan.*

Some late changes to the original squad, due to the IRB World Cup 7s in Moscow, created opportunity for some 7s development players to pull on the Penguins Jersey and join what was a typically eclectic Penguins squad with one Irish, five English and six Scots (The abundance of Scots and yet lack of Welsh representation, was not premeditated but somehow made up for the Lions squad that were concurrently playing the first test down under!) The squad assembled at Watsonian

FC's ground, Myreside on the very sunny afternoon of Thursday, 20th June, and had a Penguins 'meet, greet and shaping session' before a squad dinner in Edinburgh later in the evening.

It was an early start following the previous evening's inaugural Scottish Penguins Reunion Dinner, with our first match of four pool games against the Scottish Samurai's at 10.00hrs. Despite some abrasive running from Callum Wilson and some sterling defensive work from Jack Watson, the Samurai's came out narrowly on top after a last minute try to win the first pool match 21-19. This meant we had to win the remaining three pool matches which included the Tournament favourites and former Champions the British Army. The Penguins went on to win the next two pool matches against the Zoo Mighty Peth and Wooden Spoon quite comfortably thanks to the metronomic kick offs from James Love and strong individual performances from Nyle Godsmark and Centre Sam Randle.

Unfortunately, we lost our skipper Steve Hamilton in the third pool match which was not ideal with potentially three matches remaining. Fortunately we had plenty of power upfront to make up for the rangy Hamilton with the likes of Hugh Hogan (St Mary's) and Tom Hart (Watsonians).



*HSBC Penguins on the attack v British Army*



The Final Pool match against the British Army was always going to be a tough encounter and so it proved. As seems to be the way these days, the Army team was principally made up of Fijians and not even the threat of inclement weather could dampen their spirits. Despite the BA's renowned physical presence at the break down, our Penguins more than fronted up and on more than one occasion the Penguin's player of the tournament, Callum Wilson took route one straight over the top of one BA player before swatting off another and dotting down under the posts. Despite some fine running from Liam Steele (son of Scotland, British Lions and former Penguin, Billy Steele) the BA were victorious by five tries to three and thus we were relegated to fight out for the Plate.

Watsonians' Rory Steele showed some real individual flair in the Plate semi final against the Esher Golden Lions to help a rampaging Penguins romp to victory and secure their place in the Final.

We went on to beat Unite against Cancer in the Plate Final and with four wins from six matches, the Plate was just rewards for a hardworking and talented group of HSBC Penguins.

Thanks to our Coaches Connan Sharman, John Kerr and Ben Fisher and Player Liaison, John Sinclair. Also, thanks to our Physio team of Emily and Amy for their support over the three days.

### Iain Sinclair

#### Penguin International RFC Scotland Sevens Squad Manager.

The HSBC Penguin Squad consisted of: Iain W. Sinclair (Watsonians, Edinburgh, Scotland A - Manager) Alan Wright (PIRFC Life President), Craig Brown (PIRFC CEO), Conan Sharman (Watsonians, Edinburgh and Scotland 7s - Coach), John Kerr (Watsonians, Edinburgh and Scotland 7s - Assistant Coach), Ben Fisher (Boroughmuir/Scotland Club XV - Assistant Coach), John Sinclair (Past President - Glasgow High/Kelvinside - Player Liaison), Emily Goodlad and Amy Chalmers (Physios).

Steve Hamilton Rotherham and England Counties (Captain), Hugh Hogan (St Mary's, Leinster A), Callum Wilson (Loughborough, England Students), Sam Randle (Brunel University), Tahir El Mahdi (Leicester Tigers), James Love (London Scottish), Nyle Godsmark (Edinburgh Accies, Scotland 7s Development Squad), Jack Watson (Watsonians, Scotland 7s Development Squad), Liam Steele (Stewarts Melville FP, Scotland 7s Development Squad), Tom Hart (Watsonians, Scotland 7s Development Squad), Chris Scott (Watsonians, Scotland 7s Development Squad), Rory Steele (Watsonians, Scotland 7s Development Squad).



HSBC Penguins Squad, Edinburgh. Back row, L-R: Conan Sharman, Iain Sinclair, Alan Wright, Callum Wilson, Rory Steele, Liam Steele, Hugh Hogan, Tahir El Mahdi, Chris Scott, Nyle Godsmark, Craig Brown. Front row, L-R: Jack Watson, Sam Randle, Steve Hamilton, Tom Hart, James Love, John Sinclair.



## **King Penguins v Australian Parliament (The Golden Wombats) North Sydney Oval, Sydney. Thursday 4th July 2013**

The local Penguins in Manly are a threatened species but the touring King Penguins thrive on overseas trips and are expanding in number and strength - and even included a Pinguin in Per Sjobeck. The Lions tour and a return revenge fixture after our 2010 game with The Australian Parliament (The Pollies), provided the motivation for over 40 players and supporters to turn up in Sydney in time for the last test. Friend and Parliamentary liaison man Andy Turnbull did a super job in arranging the fixture to take place at the venerated North Sydney Oval where, after the main game, a match between Lions Legends and Wallaby Greats also took place. It was decided that the older players would play for the first 10 minutes, then the boys would play rugby. Due to some misunderstanding amongst the Pollies, MPs often being confused by rules, especially financial ones I might add, the Pollies had their first team on and the bewildered older Penguins were down 7 points within about 60 seconds. So it was 'game on' and your correspondent noticed a ball on the ground at one of those ruck/maul thingies and picked it up and gave it to our energetic scrum half Alec Calcraft who passed it on where it landed in the hands of Tony Penn, our talented and inspiring captain who scored after knocking a couple of blokes over: 7-all and away we went. There was much exciting running play and though the scoring might have been higher it did not detract from the entertainment, both sides contributing to what was an excellent game.

Two memorable highlights: firstly watching our scrum half, under much pressure from the opposition, shape up for a sensible clearing kick 3-4 yards from our line in crowded conditions - but then decide in good Penguin tradition that it was better to beat three men and run up-field where we were halted inside our opponents half, splendid stuff.



*The victorious King Penguins squad in front of their travelling support.*

Then The Pollies, in what was to be the last move of the match, looked to be scoring a consolation try in the corner; their gigantic second row moving at a frightening speed along the touchline when along came, just turned 16 years of age, our number 10, Adam Hastings from out of nowhere to blast man and flag 5 yards in to touch. Adam jumping to his feet with a punch to the heavens – great stuff and sign for the referee to blow his whistle!

It was a very enjoyable game with the King Penguins coming out on top, 26 - 12. We then adjourned to the bar with our very sociable opposition and had a grand old time, our 12,000 fans considerably remaining behind to watch the Lions beat the Wallabies in an exciting match, no doubt made better by the standard already set. The try scorers were Tony Penn, Andy Douglas, Adam Hastings (he of excellent pedigree) and Paul Raeburn. Conversions from David Harris, Adam Hastings and Campbell Aitken who was well-up for a win after the 2010 fixture and showed up exceptionally well in the play.

Friday night saw us enjoy a private dinner at the Sydney Rugby Club, kindly arranged by Allan Dodd, Bill Calcraft happily showing us his picture on the wall with the Australian squad he played with.

The Australian hospitality was immense everywhere and massive good spirits and humour prevailed. On the train to the ground for the test Wallaby supporters sang 'God Save your Glorious Queen' which much impressed me though they rather spoiled it two seconds later singing 'Camilla Parker Bowles is your next Queen'.

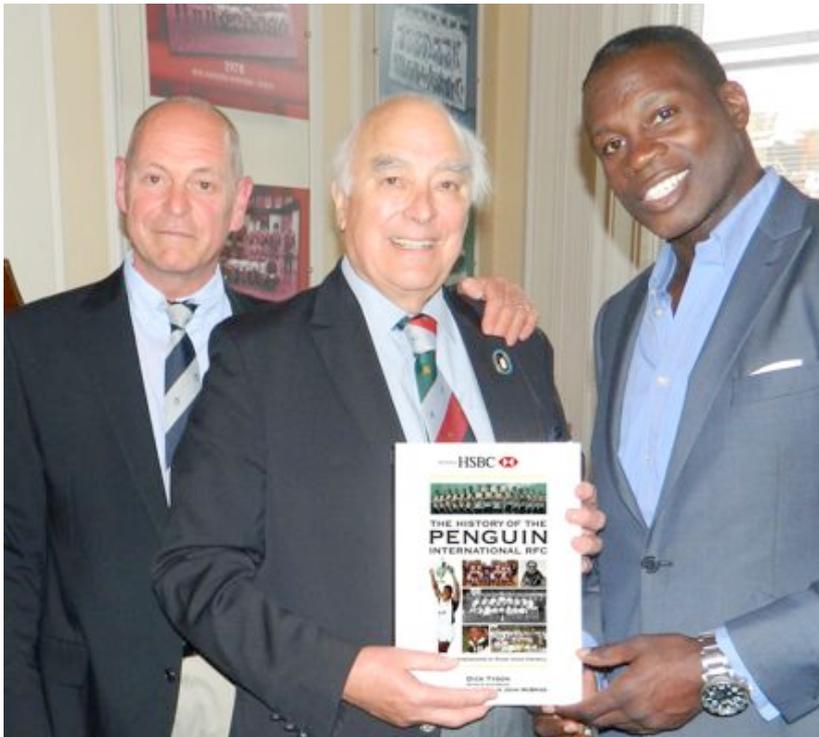
Our thanks to Allan Dodd and The Sydney Rugby Club, Matt Polin of Polin Wines for the tasting that destroyed me at our dinner, Keith Wallace for the Mars Bar eating contest, David Harris for his excellent organising, Brownie who had Horse and Jingles tongue tied at the dinner, Doug Signorini for permission to have his photo on the dinner ticket, to Andy Turnbull a friend to us all.

But mainly thanks to all who showed up and played a part - it was a great team effort.

Best wishes to Max Dodd for playing scrum half and ignoring our advice for his upset stomach, I suggested a lot of vodka might settle it his father sympathetically saying to tough it out, but the surgeon at the hospital thought removing his appendix a better idea, we wish him a swift recovery.

## PENGUIN INTERNATIONAL RFC GENERAL NEWS

**The History of the Penguin International RFC had its Preview Launch at the East India Club in May and has subsequently won the Rugby World Magazine 'Book of the Month' accolade in the UK.**



*Dick Tyson, Alan Wright and Martin Offiah at the book launch in the Rugby Room of the East India Club, St. James's Square, London.*

The Club's long-awaited history book, **The History of the Penguin International RFC**, was officially launched on Thursday, 23rd May, with a reception in the Rugby Room at The East India Club in London. The occasion was Chaired by PIRFC President, Richard Bennett.

Among those also present that evening were the book's author and editor respectively, Dick Tyson and Alan Wright; Bob Reeves, President of the Rugby Football Union; Martin Offiah, ex-Penguin tourist and Rugby League superstar; Bill Calcraft, Penguins Senior Vice-President and Australian International; David Townsend, Penguin International RFC Senior Vice-President, Vincent Bramhall, Penguin International RFC Club Secretary plus many other distinguished Penguins and members of the Rugby Press.

**The History of the Penguin International RFC**, which has been nearly five years in the making, has also just been

named as **Rugby World Magazines' Book of the Month** in their September Edition. This is a tremendous accolade and the author and editor are very proud that their work on behalf of the Club has been rewarded in this fashion (**Stop Press!** See page 12 for the **Rugby World** review and the August **TouchLines Magazine** review).

Obviously this book is of interest to all Penguins past and present, and we would encourage you all to buy at least one copy. It will also make a great birthday (or even Christmas) present for all of your rugby-loving friends and relatives. Remember - if you're a Penguin, you're in it!

The Penguin International RFC is an amateur Club and will utilise any surplus made from the sales of this book to help with the Club's coaching and playing programmes.

**The cost of the book in the UK is £40 (plus £6 P&P - total £46.00). Two copies packed together are £80 (plus £13.20 P&P - total £93.30). Payment by cheque in Pounds Sterling is preferred in favour of the Penguin International RFC.** However, in the case of orders from overseas where that is not practicable, Dick will provide information about how payment can be made and the cost of overseas postage.

Of course, the book can also be collected post-free from the Club's headquarters at Little St James's House, 11 Little St James's Street, London SW1A 1DP. If you'd like to take advantage of this option, simply send your cheque to Dick and he will tell you when you can call in and pick up your copy.

In either case, please let Dick know if you'd like your book to be signed by the author - or signed and dedicated - and he'll be more than happy to oblige.

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Cheques should be sent to: **Dick Tyson, 148 Stanstead Road, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire EN11 0RW, England, UK.**



### The History of the Penguin International RFC book reviews from TouchLines & Rugby World

## New Penguin book launched!

The History of the Penguin International RFC, the famous Kent RU-affiliated invitational Club, has recently been launched after five years in the making. As one would expect from a volume written by one RMS member and well-known author Dick Tyson, and edited by another, Penguins' co-founder and Life President, Alan Wright, this is a beautifully produced, lavishly illustrated, full-colour A4 sized hardback of almost 400 pages. It includes reports of every match played and every player who has ever turned out since its 1959 foundation for the most travelled sports club in the world - having played in or against teams from 72 countries.



The Introduction is by the great Willie John McBride of Ballymena, Ulster, Ireland and the British & Irish Lions, who admires the principal objective of the Penguins - to foster, by coaching and playing, the development, goodwill and camaraderie of Rugby Union worldwide. The Club's world famous coaching and educational programme is organised by the HSBC Penguin International Rugby Football Coaching Academy, and eminent past Presidents have included Field Marshall Sir Claude Auchinleck, (Commander-in-Chief of the 8th Army and Indian Army); Group Captain Sir Douglas Bader, (Britain's Douglas Bader greatest fighter ace in World War II); D.H. Harrison, (President, RFU 1966-1967); Air Commodore R.H.G. Weighill, (Secretary, RFU 1973/1986); and Sir Peter Yarranton (President, RFU 1991-1992).



Douglas Bader

The Penguins' committee is drawn from 16 nations and the international playing membership of the Club has been drawn from no less than 32 countries. Distinguished captains have included Waisale Serevi (the world's No.1 Sevens player from Fiji); Bill Calcraft (Australia and past captain of Oxford University); Rob Wainwright (past Scottish skipper; and Fergus Slattery (Leinster, Ireland and the Lions). The Penguins' Fifteen-a-Side tours have included many visits to Asia and the Far East, S and N America, the Middle East and Europe. In 2000, Penguins were the first European club to be invited to play a series of international matches v. the national team of the People's Republic of China.



Waisale Serevi

In the abbreviated games of 10s and 7s, the Penguins were mentioned in the 2001 Middlesex 7s programme as the 'acknowledged Masters of Sevens' - they've won there twice - and as well as often representing England, including the 1987 & 88 Hong Kong 7s, the Club has a host of major international 7s and 10s titles. Most recently, in March this year, the Penguins won the prestigious GFI Hong Kong Football Club 10s. Over 1,500 players have pulled on the famous black, white and gold Penguins jersey, and we're sure a few of them will be reading this 'Touchlines'. If you are - or even if you're not a 'Penguin' - why not treat yourself to a copy and read all about your - or their! - past exploits? It costs £40 plus p&p, or can be collected post free from central London. For more information please email dicktysonrugby@gmail.com or see the Club website at www.penguinrugby.com It is an amateur Club and any surplus from the sales of this book will help with the club's extensive coaching and playing programmes.

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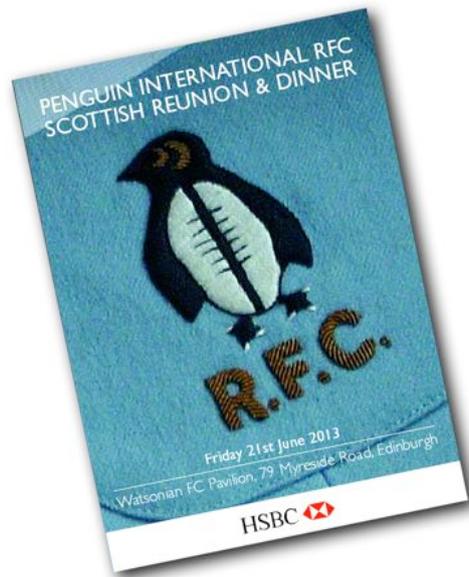
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## From the outset results mattered and they often won matches at a canter

ambassadors for the amateur game, the club has gone on to play or coach in 72 countries, sometimes going at the behest of the RFU when a developing rugby nation has sought English opposition to help celebrate an anniversary.

We have five copies to give away. For a chance to win one, tell us: in which county is Sidcup? Send your answer, with a number and address, by Mon 9 Sept to our address on P16 or email [rugbyworldcompetitions@ipcmedia.com](mailto:rugbyworldcompetitions@ipcmedia.com)

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**Penguin International RFC Scottish Reunion and Dinner.  
Friday, 21st June at the Watsonian FC Pavilion, Myreside Road, Edinburgh**

The Penguin International RFC's Scottish Reunion Dinner was a glittering affair that took place on a glorious Summer evening in the Watsonian FC Pavilion in Edinburgh the day before the Edinburgh Rugby Rocks Sevens Tournament.

As well as the many past and present Penguins who attended, there was also a superb four course meal (and quite a few bottles of wine), plus entertaining speeches by Penguins' Life President and Co-Founder Alan Wright, Penguins' CEO Craig Brown and the author of the Club's new book **The History of the Penguin International RFC**, Dick Tyson (who is also Penguins' Historian and Information Secretary).

If all that wasn't enough, the guest speaker on the night was that legendary Scottish rugby man, Scott Glynn - *One of the funniest guys on the after dinner circuit (The Daily Star)*. Scott certainly lived up to his billing and had the audience in stitches with his well-observed and perfectly judged set!

Many, many thanks must go to Iain Sinclair, who organised the whole evening (*and managed our sevens squad*), and also to Keith Wallace - our very entertaining Penguin MC on the night. Grateful thanks too, to the Glengoyne Distillery and Broxburn Bottlers for their generous donation of special Penguin International RFC commemorative whisky.



*Clockwise, from top left: PIRFC Co-Founder and Life President Alan Wright (with fellow Co-Founder and former Life President Tony Mason on screen in the background); Craig Brown talks about the PIRFC on tour; Scott Glynn and Keith Wallace in the sun on the wonderful Watsonian Pavilion terrace; Members of the PIRFC Rugby Rocks Sevens Squad enjoy the show; Scott Glynn's brilliantly funny routine.*



## Penguin Honorary Vice President Bob Reeves elected President of the Rugby Football Union



Penguin Honorary Vice President Bob Reeves' professional background is in university sport, sports management and coaching. He was Director of Sport, Exercise and Health at the University of Bristol for over 25 years, until 2010.

Bob has been involved in student rugby for over 40 years, representing the Students RFU on the RFU Council since 1995, and chairing the SRFU from 2001 to 2012. He was one of the first senior and then staff coaches of the RFU in 1981, having been coach of Bristol University and was also coach and manager of English Universities and England Students for more than 15 years. He coached England Students during the Student World Cup of 1988 and he was a member of the Student World Cup Organising Committee in 2000.

Bob was Backs Coach at Bristol RFC over an extended period, including when the Club reached the Pilkington Cup Finals of 1983 and '84.

The Club wish Bob a very successful and happy year as President of the RFU!

## Rugby legend Willie John McBride MBE becomes a Penguin International Honorary Vice President

The great Willie John McBride has honoured the Club by becoming an Honorary Vice President.

Willie, who spoke at our 50th Anniversary and Grand Reunion Dinner at The Dorchester in 2009 and who also wrote the Introduction to our book **The History of the Penguin International RFC** has become closer and closer to the Penguins over the past few years, due in no small part to our mutual affinity with what rugby should mean in this age of professionalism. Willie specifically admires the fact that we are still an *amateur* club that is proud to foster the development, goodwill and camaraderie of Rugby Union Football worldwide.

Willie toured no fewer than five times with the British and Irish Lions (1962, 1966, 1968, 1971 and 1974) and also captained the Lions during their most successful tour - of South Africa, in 1974. He also played for Ballymena, Ulster and Ireland - for whom he won 63 Caps, eleven of which were as Captain.

After retiring from playing the game, Willie coached the Irish team and was Manager of the 1983 Lions Tour to New Zealand. In 1997 he was an inaugural inductee into the International Rugby Hall of Fame. He has been asked to present Test Jerseys and give motivational speeches to Lions players prior to matches.

In 2004 he was named in *Rugby World Magazine* as 'Heineken Rugby Personality of the Century'. He is also a keen supporter of the Wooden Spoon Society.



## Two Penguins receive Honours in 2013

The Club is proud to announce that two of its Vice-Presidents have recently received Honours.

**Guy Woodford** was awarded an MBE in the 2013 New Year's Honours for services to charity (support and fund-raising for Prostate Cancer Research) and civic service to his local community in East Sussex. The investiture was on 28th June, 2013, at Buckingham Palace with the Prince of Wales. Guy is a former Hong Kong banker with the Standard Chartered Bank and is well known to many of us.

**Dr Dudley C. Ankerson** was made a Companion of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George (CMG) in the 2013 Birthday Honours. Dudley was for many years our *Ambassador At Large* and has been a very good Committee Member and friend to the Penguins.

Many, many congratulations, Guy and Dudley!

## New Zealand All Black and Penguin stalwart Hugh Burry passes away

Sadly Hugh Burry, one of our most-capped Penguins, passed away suddenly on 18 June, 2013, at the age of 83.

PIRFC Life President Alan Wright writes: 'I was proud to play in the back row at Twickenham in 1967 alongside Hugh and in 1973 he became the first coach to the Club when we toured Rhodesia and South Africa.

'He wrote two amusing and informative articles which we decided to print in full in **The History of the Penguin International RFC**. He played in one of the best back rows in New Zealand since the War ended, alongside Kel Tremain and Sir John Graham (who has recently become a Penguin International RFC Honorary Vice President). He was a true friend to both Tony Mason and myself and a life-long supporter of the Penguins' ethos. He will be sorely missed by all of his friends, medical colleagues and team mates worldwide.'

There follows a copy of Hugh's Obituary from his local newspaper The Press, Christchurch, and on the next page we reproduce an open letter to all Penguin Members from Hugh's wife, Barbara.

# All Black played valuable role in sports medicine

**H**ugh Burry had the rare rugby distinction of beating the 1956 Springboks twice, the 1967 All Blacks, the 1967 New Zealand and the 1969 Lions. Yet the Canterbury loose forward, renowned for his "reading" of a game, did not play for his country until 1960, as medical studies and practice got in the way.

One victory over South Africa came with the NZ Universities side. The others came with Canterbury, including a win against the All Blacks who had just returned from Australia.

Burry toured South Africa with the All Blacks in 1960. A groin injury restricted him to 11 games but he still scored eight tries.

He played 41 times for Canterbury, from 1955 to 1962.

With John Graham and Kel Tremain, he formed the best back row in provincial rugby at the time. But there was more to Burry than rugby. His death recently, at 83, allowed a distinguished local career. Among many achievements were his pioneering role in sports medicine, convincing international rugby authorities to make law changes that would help prevent head and neck injuries at the scrum, and attaining a professorship at the University of Melbourne.

Ever modest, he then retired to be farming life he had always yearned for, at Hanmer Springs.

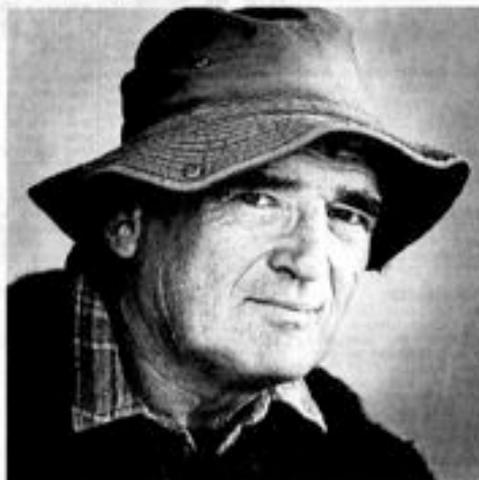
Wife Barbara says: "He was a man of wit, wisdom and modesty.

"He was an absolute out-and-out, one-eyed Cantabrian".

In Melbourne, he supported Essendon in Australian Rules because their colours were red and black.

Burry grew up in Christchurch, attending Fendalton Primary School and winning a scholarship to Christ's College.

He was an outstanding



Legacy: Hugh Burry alerted the rugby world to the potential danger of the scrum.

sportsman who, it was said, would have to choose between rugby and cricket, as he could represent New Zealand in either.

While studying medicine at Otago University, he played for the university club. While a house surgeon at Christchurch Hospital, he played for Canterbury University and won selection for NZ Universities. He worked in general practice at New Brighton from 1967 to 1968 and switched to playing for New Brighton.

He supported the club for the rest of his life, latterly as patron.

Barbara says it was nothing for Burry in his retirement to drive from Hanmer Springs to New Brighton to watch a game – a three-hour return trip.

He became a medical registrar at Christchurch Hospital in 1965.

His interest in rheumatology then took him to Guy's Hospital, London, as a registrar. He became director of rheumatology, rehabilitation and physiotherapy at Guy's, and then a lecturer at London University. Burry sat on

committees, boards and panels at Guy's. He became consultant physician to the Sports Council of Great Britain.

He played social rugby, coached the Guy's Hospital team, was on the coaching advisory committee to the English rugby union, and then took up refereeing in London.

With this background in playing, coaching and refereeing, and his experience with rugby injuries as a doctor, the sports authorities might have been expected to take notice of his views on the dangers of modern scrummaging. But it was a battle for Burry to gain recognition of the problem, let alone get something done about it.

He was a lone figure warning of potentially life-threatening injuries from poor scrum techniques. Faced with International Rugby Board (IRB) obduracy, he had his ideas and evidence published in the *British Medical Journal*.

The concerns he raised led the authorities eventually to make

changes to the scrum laws.

Burry returned to New Zealand in 1976. He worked for the Wellington Hospital Board before becoming Associate Professor of Rheumatology at Wellington Clinical School. He took roles in organisations concerned with arthritis, rheumatism, sports injuries, accident compensation, disabilities and rehabilitation.

Married previously to Pamela Blackie, with whom he had three sons, he met and married Australian-born pharmacist Barbara Allen in 1984.

He became chairman of the New Zealand Rugby Union's medical advisory committee and a member of the IRB's medical advisory committee. He oversaw medical services for the first Rugby World Cup in 1987.

He moved to Australia in 1988 as Professor of Rehabilitation Medicine at Melbourne University. This included roles as Director of Rehabilitation Medicine at Royal Melbourne Hospital and Essendon District Memorial Hospital.

Burry retired in 1991. Settling at Hanmer Springs, he worked part-time as clinical director at Burwood Hospital's physical disabilities unit and conducted research for ACC. He was a self-employed consultant in rheumatology and rehabilitation medicine until 2000.

He and Barbara took up farming and animal husbandry at Hanmer Springs, setting up and running a perendale sheep stud.

Burry enjoyed reading, bridge, fishing, tramp, music and gardening.

MIKE CHIEA

29 Hugh Cameron Burry, born Christchurch, October 29, 1930; died Hanmer Springs, June 18, 2013. Survived by wife Barbara, sons Mark, Andrew and Michael and 10 grandchildren.



## A letter from Barbara Burry to all Penguins

Dear Penguins

I hope you don't mind this group letter but it is the fastest way I know to share my sad news with you. Some of you will be aware and to others this will be new.

My darling and soul mate Hugh passed away suddenly on 18th June, 2013.

There may be some of these stories and links that follow which you have already seen, but I am sure you can ignore those. It is just faster, easier and less traumatic for me to send the lot! I am sorry if you will be bored with all this information, but just choose what you want to read - over a glass of wine or cup of coffee - with a toast to Hugh!!! I am also sorry if you would have preferred an individual communication but that is just too hard at the moment.

We had a lovely holiday for a week in Fiji (2-9 June) and on return Hugh spent the week in bed with the flu. He recovered somewhat on Monday, 17 June, went for a short walk on Tuesday 18th (1.5 hours - and said he had no pain when I asked him on his return) and then on Tuesday afternoon he suffered a massive heart attack. The local doctor and first response team were very quickly here to our house with all the modern stuff and worked on him for about an hour but he couldn't be resuscitated - his poor heart was just not strong enough. He had been suffering from heart failure for the last few years so did remarkably well in the circumstances.

He leaves a massive hole in MY heart but lots of absolutely wonderful memories. AND I miss him terribly. It has been a whirlwind since then - as you can imagine. We had about 8" snowfall on Thursday which threatened to derail the 'no fuss' service on Friday - but there were still over 120 in the church despite the snow. 'Hughie' up there in the heavens was doing his best to not have that fuss!!! He was such a modest man.

Here are some links and comments for your information: Feel free not to read them if rugby and long medical CVs and other stories are not your thing!

◆ Death notice – was in Christchurch, Dunedin, Wellington and Auckland newspapers - <http://notices.nzherald.co.nz/obituaries/nzherald-nz/obituary.aspx?n=hugh-cameron-burry&pid=165409615&fhid=12621#fbLoggedOut>

◆ This was written by a very good friend of mine and the photo was taken at the end of May about a week before we went away: <http://www.agathering.co.nz/home/article/753/>

◆ My favourite photo (taken in 2010) on my Flickr website which we used on the service sheet - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/48213925@N04/9086425599/> and where you can also see and add comments

◆ [http://www.nzherald.co.nz/sport/news/article.cfm?c\\_id=4&objectid=10891825](http://www.nzherald.co.nz/sport/news/article.cfm?c_id=4&objectid=10891825)

◆ <http://www.stuff.co.nz/sport/rugby/all-blacks/8821358/Former-1960-All-Blacks-No-8-Hugh-Burry-dies>

◆ <http://www.allblacks.com/news/22554/New-Zealand-Rugby-mourns-the-loss-of-Hugh-Burry>

◆ <http://stats.allblacks.com/asp/profile.asp?ABID=116>

◆ <http://www.newbrightonrugby.co.nz/>

The eulogy is that from Hugh's three sons - eldest is Mark (architect, lives and works in Melbourne AND Barcelona on the Gaudi Cathedral), middle is Andrew (lives and works in Perth, WA. CEO of WA Aids Council), youngest is Michael (lives and works in Christchurch; Runs his own computer business TLC Ltd). The boys and their families have been a great support to me.

In answer to that unasked question – yes I plan to stay living in Hanmer mainly, with my travel to and from Christchurch intermittently. Our house in Christchurch is liveable, but needs a lot of work which will take some time as it is a 'multi storey / multi unit building' (one of three town houses) so it is not a simple repair.

With love and best wishes

**Barbara**

57Woodbank Road, Hanmer Springs 7334



## Cliff Morgan, the great Wales and British & Irish Lions stand-off and broadcaster, 1930 - 2013



The Club was greatly saddened to hear that rugby legend and Penguin International RFC Honorary Vice President Cliff Morgan - whose wizardry on the field was matched by his skills as a broadcaster - died on 29th August aged 83.

Cliff was a great friend of the Penguins and a staunch supporter of our amateur ethos. At the Penguins' 40th Anniversary and Grand Reunion Dinner in the Dorchester Hotel in 1999 he made a wonderful speech on rugby football entitled *The Game We Love* which none who were there will ever forget.

Cliff still kept in regular contact with the Penguins, particularly through our life President Alan Wright. Both men belonged to *The Rugby Memorabilia Society* - Alan as a member, Cliff as the Society's long-serving President. Indeed, Cliff, who loved reading about the history of our great game, was one of the very first Penguins to receive a copy of *The History of the Penguin International RFC*.

Cliff Morgan was from a mining family and joined Cardiff Rugby Club straight from Tonyrefail Grammar School in 1949, playing at fly-half. Blessed with natural balance and strength, together with an astute line-kicking ability and searing acceleration, he quickly made an impact. He also played club rugby in Ireland for Bective Rangers in the 1955–56 season, with the Club being dubbed the 'Morgan Rangers' as a result.

He won his first cap for Wales against Ireland in 1951. He was part of the Grand Slam-winning Welsh side of 1952 and was made captain of Wales in 1956 following his success on the 1955 British Lions tour to South Africa. During that tour, in which the Test series was drawn 2–2, Morgan distinguished himself for his marshalling of a talented Lions backline that included Jeff Butterfield and Arthur Smith in the centre, with Cecil Pedlow and Tony O'Reilly on the wings. Morgan's try in the first Test at Ellis Park, in front of a then world-record crowd of 100,000, helped secure a sensational 23–22 victory at the end of a match that some still consider the most exciting ever played.

The Springboks levelled the series in the second Test. Then, with Lions skipper Robin Thompson injured ahead of the third Test in Pretoria, Morgan was made Captain and duly inspired his team and controlled the game to ensure a 9–6 win that meant the series could not be lost. The South African newspapers dubbed him 'Morgan the Magnificent' and the level to which his influence was thought key was reflected in the frenzy of coverage his injured ankle received as the fourth Test came around. Although he played, he was not fully fit and the Lions could not prevent the Springboks squaring the series. But his reputation was already made and the memory of that tour proved long-lived.

Following Cliff's retirement from the game in 1958 he found a new career in broadcasting. Although he will forever be remembered for his celebrated commentary on the 1973 Barbarians rugby match against the touring All Blacks at Cardiff, his broadcasting career was far more wide-ranging and influential than that single event would suggest. During his playing days he had already been spotted by the BBC as a natural talker and communicator, and in 1958 he joined BBC Wales as Sports Organiser in Cardiff. His exceptional ability as a programme-maker and story-teller briefly took him outside the familiar world of BBC Sport in the mid-1960s, when he spent two years as editor of ITV's current affairs programme *This Week*. Returning to the BBC he then produced established TV sports programmes such as *Grandstand* and *Sportsnight With Coleman*, and, from 1970, was himself one of the original team captains (opposite Henry Cooper) on the long-running TV quiz *A Question of Sport*. In radio he found a natural outlet for his love of music, presenting for a time the BBC Radio 2 series *These You Have Loved*.

Off-air, his enduring influence in the world of sport and beyond helped him rise to join the ranks of leading BBC executives. In 1974 he became head of BBC Radio outside broadcasts, and from 1976 to 1987 he was head of sport and outside broadcasts for BBC Television, supervising coverage of events including football World Cups, Commonwealth and Olympic Games, royal weddings and other national ceremonial occasions.

After Cliff's retirement from BBC Television in 1987 he returned to radio, where his warm, mellifluous voice, together with his natural conversational style and his wide range of contacts in sport and entertainment, greatly benefited BBC Radio 4 series such as *Sport on Four* (1977–1998), *My Heroes* (1987–90) and *Down The River*. In 1988 he was a subject of ITV's *This Is Your Life*. For his contributions to broadcasting, he was honoured with an OBE and a CVO.

When the International Rugby Hall of Fame was created in 1997, Cliff was among the inaugural inductees, alongside his Lions contemporary Tony O'Reilly and Welsh rugby legends Gareth Edwards, Barry John and JPR Williams.

In 2009, Cliff was inducted, along with O'Reilly, into the IRB Hall of Fame, an honour Edwards had received two years earlier.



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### Photo opportunity

After the conclusion of the Rugby Rocks Edinburgh Sevens Tournament (held at Boroughmuir RFC's ground on 22nd June - see pages 8 and 9) your writer was suddenly struck with how extraordinarily apt this Boroughmuir RFC sponsors' advertisement was when considered in relation to our Chief Executive Officer.



So here's to the many hundreds of super-fit and well-travelled Penguin players and coaches all over the world who owe so much to Craig - and for the effect that **Brown's Body Services** has had on them all over the years!

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### Important reminder

Please remember to put the following date in your diary if you haven't already done so -

**Penguin International RFC 55th Anniversary Grand Reunion Dinner,  
Dorchester Hotel, London on Friday, 9th May, 2014**

The cost of the 2009 Grand Reunion Dinner was £110 per head, with each table host being responsible for the wine order. Clearly the cost next year will have to rise, but the increase will be minimised as far as possible. As you know the Dinner has traditionally brought together so many friends from the world of Rugby Union and next year will be no exception. It is an occasion which celebrates the achievements of the Club over its long history and we greatly appreciate your support. We intend to have our usual selection of stimulating speakers and anticipate the occasion will be as splendid as ever. We thank you for your generous support.

Contact David Townsend, PIRFC Senior Vice President for more information and to book a table/order tickets.

Email David at: [deejtee@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:deejtee@hotmail.co.uk)

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And that's about it for this issue. We'll be back with more news in the PIRFC Spring 2014 Newsletter.

**Dick Tyson - PIRFC Historian and Information Secretary**



## Penguin International Rugby Football Club Membership Information Update Form

Please use this form to update your personal details so that we can remain in contact with you.

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Please email to:

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Alternatively you can go online at the Club's website and fill out the on line form.



# Penguin International Rugby Football Club Nomination Form For New Member

Please use this form to nominate new club members. The information requested is used to update the membership database so we can remain in contact with all members.

Any club member can nominate new members and will need the support of one General Committee Member. Any General Committee Member can nominate any new member outright.

If you complete this form by hand, please write clearly in capitals.

When the form is completed it should be sent to the Club Secretary who will process the nomination. Members of the Club are automatically designated as Vice Presidents.

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