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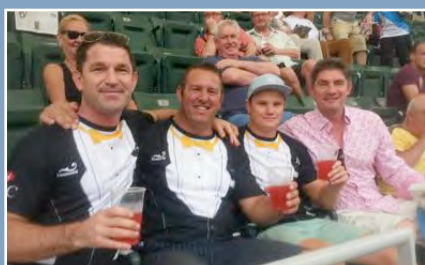
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HSBC PENGUINS WIN THE HONG KONG TENS

Four HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy legends who coached more than 1,100 young players in Hong Kong over four days!



Also in this issue:

- The HSBC Penguins and the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy visit Singapore and Malaysia last Oct/Nov
- + King Penguins to play Australian Parliament in July
- + Mitchell Scott wins IRANZ nomination + Plus lots more!



Welcome to the PIRFC Spring Newsletter for 2013.

In the pages that follow you will find details of our 2012 - 2013 coaching and playing trips, plus details of future events.

Since January the HSBC Penguins have had a wonderful run, being undefeated apart from one slight blip - a single GFI HKFC 10s pool match in Hong Kong.

On 6th February we beat Cambridge University at Grange Road, and three weeks later we bought an end to Oxford University's post-Varsity Match winning streak by beating them at Iffley Road to retain the Alan Wright Trophy.

But the most pleasing result so far this year has been our stunning success in the prestigious and always hard-fought Hong Kong Football Club Tens Tournament - a tournament we have been trying so hard to win for the past six years. This was the only major title that had eluded the HSBC Penguins and to say that we're overjoyed at winning it doesn't really begin to cover it!

You can read all about these three major triumphs later in this edition - but first, as always, here's the latest list of up-and-coming coaching/playing trips, and, from page 3, news of the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy's latest trips.

Up-and-coming HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy activities and HSBC Penguins and King Penguin tours, dinners and matches:

13th-24th May - Grass Roots Coaching and IRB Coach Education
Venue: Fiji.

26th May - Yorkshire Rugby Rocks Sevens Festival.
Venue: West Park Leeds RUFC.

1st June - London Rugby Rocks Sevens Festival.
Venue: Athletic Ground, Richmond.

21st June - Edinburgh Rugby Rocks Penguins Dinner.
Venue: Watsonians FC Clubhouse, Myreside, Edinburgh.

22nd June - Edinburgh Rugby Rocks Sevens Festival.
Venue: Boroughmuir RFC, Edinburgh.

4th July - King Penguin XV v Australian Parliament XV.
Venue: North Sydney Oval, Miller Street, Sydney, NSW Australia.

Penguin teams receive a massive boost when they are supported on the pitch by Members, so please do your best to come along and support your Club in these Festivals. The manager, the coaches and the players will be delighted to see you... so don't hesitate to make yourself known pitch-side!

If you would like to support the team on any of these occasions, see pages 29, 30 & 31 for details of who to contact, or refer to the PIRFC website at: www.penguinrugby.com

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HSBC PENGUIN INTERNATIONAL COACHING ACADEMY NEWS

The HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy Tour to Singapore and Malaysia 29th October to 10th November 2012

The HSBC Penguin Academy Coaches for the Singapore leg of the tour sat in the breakfast room of Deano Herewini's hotel and discussed the week's coaching timetable. It was Monday morning and we had a full week mapped out. Penguin Academy coaches Tony "TP" Penn from Taranaki, John "McKitty" McKittrick from North Harbour and Ian "Chook" Fowler from Perth were keen to get involved in coaching at the sessions mapped out. As part of the joint venture with Asian Rugby Football Union (ARFU), also involved in coaching were Deano, Douglas and Izzy from ARFU.

It was a very gratifying week for us; all groups really enjoyed getting out on the fields and learning more about rugby. Whilst we weren't able to coach as many groups as we'd hoped due to school exam period, we did get to work with approximately 500 players, coaches and teaching students, with an emphasis on basic skills, skill games, and fun.



Fun for all!

The young players were fantastic to work with and had a real hunger for knowledge, making our job really enjoyable, and we left every session knowing the kids had taken something positive away about the game of rugby, as well as an HSBC/ARFU T Shirt and a Penguins pin.

Tuesday morning involved a 30 minute drive (as they all turned out to be) to a Teaching University where Prof Tom Browne's class was entertained by TP, Chook, Dougie and Deano,

trying to show them some rugby games they could use with their students when they started teaching. With the emphasis on fun and motor skills a good time was had by all.

Tuesday afternoon saw TP, Chook and Dougie head to Pioneer School for a session with their rugby program. Deano and Dougie headed off to an Australian International School session, although traffic issues stopped McKitty getting there. Another enthusiastic group at Pioneer and we again worked on core skills which the local boys enjoyed. TP had to throw in some contact, just cos he's a prop!

The coaching group was again split the following day with McKitty, Izzy and Chook heading to UWCSEA school to work with their three Sevens teams that were playing semis and finals of the schools competition on the weekend coming at the Padang amongst the SCC7s. They have a great program there and John was able to pass on some of his enormous sevens knowledge that lead them to three semi-final wins and a trophy win for the U16's on the Sunday!! Chook and Izzy learned from him too!!!

Deano, TP and Dougie went back to the Uni and more coaching of teachers. We went back there on the Thursday morning so those young men and women are well equipped to teach their students some awesome rugby games.

Chook and Izzy finished their day at Centaurs club, a very successful local club and again a good time was had by all. Coaches requested specific drills here and that was something that the players will continue to benefit from.

The ARFU coaches were also involved with the Academy players and we all spent the Thursday in the company of Tana Umaga, delivering coaching at the Padang to over 300 local players, coaching with representatives from ARFU, Ponsonby, and Sunnybank from Brisbane.

Friday was the first day of the Singapore Sevens and the ARFU Qualifiers so we enjoyed the rugby and the rest of the weekend.

After a great week of work in Singapore the incumbent HSBC Penguin Academy coaches Tony "TP" Penn and Ian "Chook" Fowler were joined for week two by Flo Rossigneux for the journey north to Malaysia.

The trip, organised in collaboration with COBRA's rugby development program through Mr Charlie Wong, took us over a four day period to the North East of Malaysia, to the town of Kota Bharu and its surrounding neighbourhoods. The introduction, the local life, the environment and the smooth running of our daily program was tribute to the efficiencies and friendliness of local Malaysian rugby coaches Che Ahmad Zaini Bin Hussin, Ahmad Nasri Bin Salleh and Muszalizi Bin Mustafa.

During our stay, this international coaching team (France, New Zealand, Australia and Malaysia) delivered to over 250 pupils and their coaches from five different schools. The session commenced with the key principals of the game of rugby and then moved to more advance themes with a focus on the following four core skills: 1. Passing; 2. Tackling; 3. Rucking; 4. "Game sense" play (2v1). The session plans incorporated warm up, passing skills delivered through fun games and drills. Tackling was introduced through drills and tackling practise games leading progressively to ruck organisation with up to two supporting players. For the more advance groups, the "2v1" activity was implemented, and to finish the sessions' conditioned games (either touch rugby or full on contact depending of the level of capability of players involved) were used to put into practise the elements worked on earlier through game conditioning.

Rugby is included as part of the physical education curriculum in most of the schools in the area visited and is highly regarded by the local teaching professionals as a great pedagogic tool to drive mental, physical and social development of the young Malaysians.

The HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy visit in conjunction with our partners COBRA



SM Sains Machang School.

also has a wider element. The aim is keep the youngsters in the game when they leave school. The three coaches (or three wise men as Charlei Wong likes to call them) confirmed that this type of promotional exercise does help with interest in the game and retention of players. This is important as the next generation of national Malaysian players are in schools currently.

The HSBC Penguin Academy coaches moved back to Kuala Lumpur on Thursday and looked forward to the two sessions planned there on Friday. The first session was with a regional school attending the COBRA schools coaching



The Coaches: TP, Che, Flo, Nasri and Chook.

initiative. This involved 40 U14 young men and the coaching team concentrated on team work, continuity and support. This proved to be a key session as the team used what the HSBC Penguin Academy coaches had shown with great effect in their next match. The reports confirm the U14 players had an impressive win as they were always on hand to take the next pass in a great display of keeping the ball alive (i.e. continuity and support).

The afternoon and last session of the tour was a special treat. The HSBC Penguin Academy coaches ran the last session for an eclectic group of 20 orphans from the Agathians Shelter which is supported by HSBC locally. The team planned and delivered a session of fun games, basic rugby skills including running, passing and the use of space. At the group was split into two groups and played a conditioned game of touch rugby with the losers have to do the 'chicken' dance again!

This was another great experience for the Penguin International Coaching Academy coaches in partnership with the Asian Football Union to participate actively to grow the game of rugby in South East Asia.

Malaysia Coaching Itinerary: Maktab Sultan Ismail – Kota Bharu , 50 participants; SM Sains Tengku Faris Petra – Peng. 50 participants; SMK Sultan Yahya Petra – Kuala Krai , 50 participants; SM Sains Machang – Petang , 50 participants; SMK Sultan Ibrahim – Pasir Mas 50 participants; Kuala Lumpur Regional School – COBRA fields, Selangor; 40 participants; Agathians Shelter – COBRA Fields, Selangor; 20 participants.

HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy coaching support to the HSBC 7s Rugby Festival, Dubai, 26th November to 2nd December 2012

Once again the HSBC Penguin Academy Coaches were asked to lead on a series of activities in the run-up to the annual Dubai Sevens from 26th November until 2nd December.

Grant McKelvey and Neil Graham were making their second visit after a very successful trip last year and they met up with our partners and friends from Fastrack and of course HSBC. The first coaching assignment of the trip was an HSBC



Gavin Hastings and George Gregan join in the sessions.

Grassroots Coaching Clinic at New World Private School in Dubai and, as part of this coaching clinic, HSBC Rugby Ambassadors Gavin Hastings and George Gregan were involved in a fantastic session of Grass Roots Rugby with approximately 25 local Emirati students aged between 9 and 11 years old.

The sessions started off with a game related warm up, followed quickly by a 3 v 3 small sided games and then into larger 6 v 6 games on two pitches with all the coaches on hand to help these very enthusiastic first generation rugby players get into their

stride. The session concluded with some excellent feedback from the teachers who after seeing how well their charges engaged in the session were wondering if the Penguins wouldn't mind spending some more time with the class but this time in a maths lessons!

Grant and Neil beat a hasty retreat from this kind offer to catch a look at some early form with Scotland and New Zealand having a practice on the adjacent pitches.

After a travelling lunch our now expanding posse moved onto our friends at the British School Al Khubairat, Abu Dhabi. We had visited this school twelve months previously and were looking forward to making old and new acquaintances. The session started with a first class Q&A session with Gavin and George fielding some excellent questions asked by students and parents alike. After some very interesting and motivating stories the players were then split into four groups and were joined by two classes of players from the UAE Rugby Player Pathway Programme. We then held a 5 x station rotation session under the guidance of BSAK Head of Rugby Ed Lewsey. The Penguin Coaches were again joined on the track by the UAE Rugby Development Officers, senior pupils from the school itself and volunteer coaches from HSBC. Once again this session was welcomed very enthusiastically by staff, players and parents and time was called for the now customary signing of everything by Gavin and George and seemingly endless photos. The Penguins agreed to watch the BSAK fixtures in the U18 Sevens over the weekend and it was great to see the young men progress through to the semi-finals.

Over the Sevens weekend itself the Penguins' role changed slightly and we were now in a more supporting role of the volunteers and local staff who were involved in the HSBC World of Sport as part of their "Premier Hospitality" stand. There were three rugby-based activities within the event with both large and small being measured on the "Bosh Test" as well as a more subtle skill based passing test.

What really stood out on this trip was the involvement of the HSBC volunteers who gave their time within the UAE Grass Roots and Penguin Academy Sessions, which demonstrates that the skills and values of rugby are obviously very well recognised as key parts of a lifelong involvement in sport either playing, coaching or administration.

A huge thank you from the Penguins to our partners at HSBC and Fastrack who again helped to facilitate and support a very enjoyable and productive week of coaching, helping to promote the game of rugby, especially within the Emirati population in the region.

The HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy in Hong Kong. 16th - 22nd March 2013



Dean Herewini.

In the build up to the 2013 IRB Hong Kong Sevens the HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy was extremely busy.

During four days of activity, over 1,100 players received coaching from the high-calibre coaches involved. Our coaches were: Dean Herewini (current coach at Valley RFC, Hong Kong), Brendan Laney (ex-Scotland international full back), Ben Breeze (former Wales A international winger), Toby Arnold (current member of the New Zealand Sevens Squad) and Steve Hill (Director of Rugby at Richmond FC in the UK).

The children coached were boys and girls aged between 6 and 18 and included pupils at KGV School; the Korean International School; the Chinese International School and Happy Valley Island School. Players at Clearwater Bay and Sandy Bay Rugby Clubs also received coaching (unfortunately, one session at Sandy Bay RFC had to be cancelled due to prevelant heavy thunder and lightning in the area at the time).

In addition, a group of American and Canadian schoolboy players across for the IRB Sevens received specialist sevens training.

There was a huge range of talent and experience within the groups coached and all of the HSBC Penguin International coaches were impressed with the enthusiasm and energy of the players. The feedback from the teachers and local coaches was extremely positive and it was great to see a number of the players coached supporting the HSBC Penguins at the GFI Hong Kong Tens competition during the course of the week.



Ben Breeze, Brendan Laney, Toby Arnold and Steve Hill.

PENGUIN INTERNATIONAL RFC PLAYING NEWS

Singapore Cricket Club Sevens and HSBC COBRA Tens Tour, 30th October - 5th November 2012



The HSBC Penguins arrived in Singapore late on a Tuesday night and the tired squad headed straight for bed. Fully refreshed on Wednesday the team set about preparing for the SCC 7s with two training runs and a chance to have a look at a few of the sights of Singapore as well.

Coaches McKittrick and Botica marshalled the trainings well and concentrated on the defensive systems the teams would use, the first phase plays and the attacking support roles the team would adopt. Unfortunately the weather in Singapore was changeable with heavy rain often. The practice match against the SCC 7s team on Wednesday night was cancelled.

Training on the Thursday stepped up a bit with a hard blow out in the morning, training under a hot sun. This certainly gave the players a taste of playing in the warm Singapore climate and most were experiencing this for the first time. The two coaches and the manager also joined in part of the blow out!

One of the highlights of the week was the Moyes brothers Penguin Singapore Dinner at the Polo club on Thursday night. With about fifty people in attendance the evening was nice and relaxed with plenty of

banter and great humour. The players were playing the next day so did leave early - not like some of the others! A great vote of thanks to Kenny and Jamie Moyes and Brad French for their kind hospitality. A brilliant evening.

The tournament duly arrived with a late start on the Friday for the team. First up was Randwick from Sydney. The weather was damp but nothing like the torrential rain that would strike later in the tournament. In an interesting match Randwick ran out winners 10-7 in an evenly contested game. Both sides spread the ball wide but the Penguins were guilty of playing as individuals too much and not playing sevens. Randwick defended well and deserved their win.

Saturday brought two matches but no better results in the first game. Second up was Cottesloe from Perth. Cottesloe held on to the ball well and work the ball wide when they could and took their chances well. The Penguin team was still playing individually and paid the price with a second consecutive loss. Cottesloe looked good and were keen to build on their plate win from the previous year. The last game of the day was against the French Pyrenees team. This was a must win for the Penguin team.

Finally a decent sevens style emerged and the HSBC Penguins hit their game. They played as a sevens team, not individually, and let the ball do the work. The 'taking contact all the time' approach of the first match disappeared and the result was a comfortable 31-5 win. End result - HSBC Penguins finished second in the pool and would go on to face COBRA in a last 16 match on Sunday. Lucas "Sonic" Swart started with blistering pace and scored a hat trick. Captain Karl Bryson also marshalled the defence well and led the team from the front.

The equation to win the tournament was easy - four games, four wins. First our close friends from Kuala Lumpur - COBRA. The HSBC Penguins continued their form from Friday night and played smart sevens again. Letting the ball to the work and applying an aggressive defence when COBRA were in possession. COBRA were guilty of the same mistake the Penguins made in their first two games with too much individual play. At the final whistle, the HSBC Penguins had triumphed 29 - 7.

Next up in the quarter-finals was the Cassurina Cougars from Darwin who had former Fiji Sevens player and HSBC Penguins representative Lapani Nabuliwaqa in their ranks. The Cougars were playing smart sevens and the HSBC Penguins knew this would be a close-fought contest. In the end some good team play and good pace saw the HSBC Penguins home by 10-5. Codey Rei was the defensive king and his spot tackles made all the difference as he won some key turnovers to put the Cougars under immense pressure.

All matches were delayed for about 90 minutes following a huge tropical storm. The result was that the field was more like a shallow lake than a rugby pitch!

The semi-final was against Rugby Ecosse, a Scotland Sevens team training for the start of the IRB World Series. Again a close encounter was expected. The condition did not lead to a lot of ball movement but both teams did try to move the ball to space to move forward. The HSBC Penguins scored first in the corner and with kicking nearly impossible the score stood at 5 - 0 with about two minutes to go. Some great defence again from Codie Rei and Marvin Karawana joined in with a couple of big hits as well. Eventually an Ecosse player got a little space and did remarkably well to run over 50 meters past a couple of HSBC Penguin defenders to score under the posts. The only place where it was possible to kick a conversion was under the posts and the conversion was successful. The HSBC Penguins then had to chase the game and although they had a couple of half-chances they could not get the score to win and lost 5-7 to the men from Scotland.

It was a slow start by HSBC Penguins standards but the team did come back very well and played some great sevens but fell just short in the semi-final. The team enjoyed the Sunday night and were looking forward to heading to Malaysia for the second week of the tour.

At the SCC 7s after tournament party manager Craig Brown had to get on stage on behalf of the team and entertained the troops with his 'Wall Paper Stick to the Wall' song!



The HSBC Penguins Squad:

Manager: Craig Brown. Coaches: John McKittrick and Frano Botica. Physios: Marc Daniel and Joy.

Liaison Manager: Andi Iryadi.

Karl Bryson (COB, Manawatu XV's & 7s - Captain), Codie Rei (East Coast Bays, Taranaki, Nth Harbour, NZ U20), Chris Smith (Takapuna, Nth Harbour XV & 7s, Blues Dev, NZ U19 & U20), Zac Hohneck (Otorohanga, Waikato, BOP 7s), Bryn Templeman (Kia Toa, Manawatu), Shahn Eru (Wainuiomata, Wellington 7s & Dev, Hurricanes Dev, NZ U20), Harry Bergelin (Manly, Australia 7s training squad), Brian Sefania (Manly, Western Force, Australia 7s), Ellery Wilson (HSOB, Canterbury U21, 7s, & XV's), Martin Swart (HSOB, Canterbury Age groups, Crusader Knights, NZ U20 trials), Marvin Karawana (Wainuiomata, Wellington Dev & 7s, Hawkes Bay, Newcastle Knights, Canterbury Bulldogs, Junior Kiwis), Cory Aporo (Silverdale, BOP, North Harbour, Chiefs, NZ Schools, NZ U19).

Results:

Pool E - HSBC Penguins 7 - 10 Randwick (AUS), HSBC Penguins 10 - 19 Cottesloe (AUS),

HSBC Penguins 31 - 5 French Pyrenees. Last 16 - HSBC Penguins 29 - 7 COBRA (MAS).

Quarter-final - HSBC Penguins 10 - 5 Cassurina Cougars (AUS). Semi-final - HSBC Penguins 5 - 7 Rugby Ecosse (SCO).



HSBC COBRA Tens



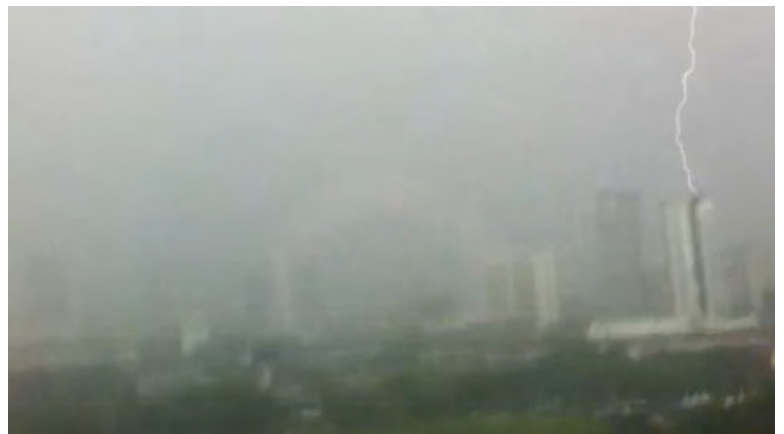
The team was up reasonable early Monday morning, in taxis and across the border from Singapore to Johour Bharu. The bus duly arrived and we hit the motorway and headed north for Malaka where the team would be based for the next two days.

The itinerary for Malaka was some training for the COBRA Tens - adjusting from sevens, running a coaching session for local school boys and some time for a look about Malaysia's historic city.

On Wednesday afternoon the team bid farewell to Melaka and headed to Selangor and the HSBC COBRA Tens tournament hotel. A number of teams had already arrived so there was a good buzz about the place. Activities planned in Kuala Lumpur in the lead up to the Tens included the HSBC function, training, some R&R in KL including shopping in China Town.

Similar to Singapore the weather was changeable with some massive downpours and incredible lightning storms. These storms stopped training for all teams at times and also some lightning hit the training field and the Amada hotel.

Thanks to Jon Chivers and HSBC for putting on a great evening when the bank welcomed us to Malaysia. The venue was the bank's function suite at the top of their building on Jalan Ampang in the middle of Kuala Lumpur. Great views of KL, superb hospitality and company made for a great evening. Jon Chivers welcomed the Penguins and Craig Brown provided an update on what the HSBC Penguins had been up to in 2012. Captain Chris Smith completed the speeches with a vote of thanks to our hosts.



It's the moment the lightning struck the Amada Hotel on Thursday afternoon.

Tournament day one arrived and the team was up early as we were in the first game of the day. With the team meeting the night before and everybody set to go we headed to Stadium Petaling Jaya in Kelana Jaya. First up was the local team Keris Conlay who had a number of Fijians in their ranks. First games are always a bit touch-and-go and this was no exception. The HSBC Penguins put in an honest display and ran their systems well. The opposition defended well and save a couple of tries in the second half. Mission accomplished, first win.

Next was the Aussie Legends with their colourful manager Pot Holes leading the way! You can generally hear Pot Holes across state lines and when he speaks! Anyway, the team put in a great effort, using the ball well and also punishing the defence of the set phase and around the rucks. Some good team tries were scored and a good result.

The last game of the day was against Papatoetoe from New Zealand, a top club side with Kevin Mealamu's brother as the coach. The HSBC Penguins pressure from the outset saw Cory Aporo score from a turnover, closely followed by a well constructed try to Chris Smith. With Bryson converting both the HSBC Penguins led 14-0 at the break. Papatoetoe came out firing in the second half and with two tries closed the gap to 14-12 but impact from the bench saw the HSBC Penguins come away comfortable winners 24-12 with tries to Shahn Eru and Brian Safanaia.



Day two dawned with another set of challenges. First up was a quarter-final against top North Harbour club Massey (from New Zealand) who had looked good on day one and were expected to test the HSBC Penguins. In a torrid opening ten minutes the deadlock was broken by a typical try to Sonic (Martin Swart) to give the HSBC Penguins a 5-0 advantage at the break. The HSBC Penguins' superior fitness was evident in the second spell and tries to Sonic and Safanaia took the Club out to a 17-0 buffer before Massey scored in injury time to put the Club through to the semis. Final score 17-7.

The two best teams in the tournament were to meet in the semi-final. An exciting tie for sure with the HSBC Penguins playing the flying Fijian side of Devata - who had come into the COBRA tournament having won back-to-back titles in Borneo and Singapore.

The first half was all HSBC Penguins pressure with the Fijians being deprived of possession for the bulk of the half. After a try to Cory Aporo HSBC Penguins led 5-0 going into the break only to turn the ball over and see the Fijians run 60 metres to score and convert to lead 7-5 at half-time. Devata scored again from a turnover early in the second half to stretch their lead to 14-5 but sustained HSBC Penguin pressure saw Shahn Eru score out wide and with the conversion the lead was cut to 14-12. Again the HSBC Penguins attacked but with time up Fiji went wide on their 10 metre mark and brilliant pace saw them score and convert to win 21-12.

Devata went on to win the final comfortably.

The prize giving was highlighted by Craig Brown presenting the COBRA Club with mounted photo of their guest coach, former All Black first five Duncan Robertson, scoring against Scotland in the famous waterlogged test of 1975 at Eden Park.



The HSBC Penguins Squad:

Manager: Craig Brown. Coaches: John McKittrick and Frano Botica. Physio: Marc Daniel. Liaison Manager: Malik.

Chris Smith (Takapuna, Nth Harbour XV & 7s, Blues Dev, NZ U19 & U20 - Captain), Karl Bryson (COB, Manawatu XV & 7), Codie Rei (East Coast Bays, Taranaki, Nth Harbour, NZ U20), Zac Hohneck (Otorohanga, Waikato, BOP 7s), Bryn Templeman (Kia Toa, Manawatu), Shahn Eru (Wainuiomata, Wellington 7s & Dev, Hurricanes Dev, NZ U20), Harry Bergelin (Manly, Australia 7s training squad), Brian Sefania (Manly, Western Force, Australia 7s), Ellery Wilson (HSOB, Canterbury U21, 7s, & XV), Martin Swart (HSOB, Canterbury Age groups, Crusader Knights, NZ U20 trials), Marvin Karawana (Wainuiomata, Wellington Dev & 7s, Hawkes Bay, Newcastle Knights, Canterbury Bulldogs, Junior Kiwis), Cory Aporo (Silverdale, BOP, North Harbour, Chiefs, NZ Schools, NZ U19), dan Goodwin (Te Puke Sports, BOP and Northland), Alex Woonton (North Shore, North Harbour, Cook Islands).

Results:

Pool A - HSBC Penguins 17 - 5 Kris Conlay (MAS), HSBC Penguins 33 - 0 Aussie Legends,

HSBC Penguins 24 - 12 Papatoetoe (NZL).

Quarter-final - HSBC Penguins 17 - 7 Massey (NZL). Semi-final - HSBC Penguins 12 - 21 Daveta (FIJ).



HSBC Penguins 31 V Cambridge University RUFC 17. Wednesday, 6th February 2013, 7.30pm



On a bitterly cold but dry evening the efforts of both teams warmed the huddled spectators. Playing with ball in hand and keeping possession alive seemed the mantra of each teams as the first fifteen minutes saw rugby played at breakneck speed.

The HSBC Penguins had most possession but the defence and counter attack of the students were potent and lead to tries for Cook and Smith with Abraham getting one conversion. The HSBC Penguins were slowly getting used to each other and from a turnover deep in their own 22 quickly passed the ball to skipper Martin Nutt who sprinted 60 metres to score with Scott Hadden (former Scotland Coach Frank Haddon's son) converting. Driving play through the forwards had Cambridge University on the back foot but a sloppy pass was intercepted and this allowed Abraham to race away and score, thus securing a 17-7 half time lead for the hosts.

Whatever words were used at half time by coaches Steve Hill and Carl Douglas appeared to have the desired effect. Strong running from No 8 Juliano Fiori and centre Ewan Wilson saw flanker Dave O'Brien score not once but twice. Nutt was at the heart of all that was good in the backs and with Hadden at fly half calling the shots the Cambridge University defence started to falter. A strong finish from hooker Igino Corradi put the HSBC Penguins into a one-score lead and this was added to when nuggety scrum half Paul Nash took on two huge defenders and still managed to offload to Rossiter.

This was a cracking game of rugby in which the HSBC Penguins had to draw on their superior power and experience to subdue and finally overcome a very determined Cambridge University team.



HSBC Penguins: Jaryd Robinson (Bournemouth); Charlie Whiteley (Richmond), Martin Nutt (Henley, Captain), Joe Crust (Blackheath), Paul Unseld (Rosslyn Park); Paul Nash (Richmond) Scott Hadden (Civil Service); Ali Kent (Rosslyn Park), Ben Gotting (Rosslyn Park), Tom Jones (Richmond) Dan Lloyd Jones (Rosslyn Park), Tim Little (OURFC), Dave O'Brien (Richmond), Craig Everett (Treorchy), Juliano Fiori (Richmond).

Replacements: Kerry O'Sullivan (Richmond), Igino Corradi (Civil Service), James Taylor (Richmond), Lee Covington (Blackheath) Sam Eyndenman (Blackheath) Ewan Wilson (Imperial Medics), Jak Rossiter (Richmond), Gaku Tanaka (Kyoto University).

Steve Hill (Coach), Carl Douglas (Coach), Paul Roberts (Kit Man), John Purcell (Liaison), Chris Rainbow (Physio).

Cambridge University RUFC: Khristian Cook; Tom Hudson, Andy Murdoch, Danny Holmes, Will Smith; Andrew Abraham, Seb Tullie; Will Briggs, Paul Mallaband, Matt Wyman, Nate Brakeley, Max Mather; Hugo Kelly, Oliver Wolfe, Rob Malaney. Replacements: Rupert Cowan, Nick Marshall, Sam Alderson, Tommy Palacios, Ollie Exton, Alfie Lloyd, Ilia Cherezov, George Smith, Andy Gill.



HSBC Penguins 24 V Oxford University RFC 17. Wednesday, 27th February 2013, 7.30pm



Oxford University played in cerise on the night.

The HSBC Penguins knew they were in for a tough evening when they visited Iffley Road to take on the Oxford University side that were unbeaten in 2013 having already defeated the Army, the Navy and Crawshay's Welsh.

On a cold, dry evening, the intensity of the physical encounters on the field helped warm all those watching from the stands. This match was a real battle and both sides played with tremendous ambition and physicality.

The HSBC Penguins opened the scoring after only two minutes when a linebreak and offload by fly-half Scott Hadden allowed prop Kerry O'Sullivan to score under the posts. Hadden added the conversion. The University pack proved a real handful and from a lineout ten metres out drove over to allow prop Jon Direen to score. Charlie Marr added the conversion.

Soon, ill-discipline by the students began to affect their performance. Fly-half Charlie Marr was sent to the bin when he pulled back flanker Will Brock who was close to scoring. A penalty try resulted with Hadden converting. The home side were then briefly down to thirteen men when flanker James Harris was also sent to the bin this time for repeated infringements at the breakdown. Half time came with the HSBC Penguins 14-7 in the lead.



HSBC Penguins squad.

Importantly the first score of the second half came from the HSBC Penguins when, after excellent interplay, lock Dan Lloyd Jones went over to score.

This was followed by Blues skipper John Carter being the third Oxford University player to be sent to the bin. The students, however, responded well. Running from deep and keeping the ball alive out of contact created tries for wingers Sean Morris and Henry Lamont. Fly-half Marr missed both conversions allowing the visitors to keep a two point lead going into the final five minutes.



HSBC Penguins Coach Steve Hill holds the Alan Wright Trophy, flanked by Sebbe Andersson (left) and Lars Tunestal from the Pingvin Club in Sweden.

In the true tradition of the HSBC Penguins, from a lineout in their own 22m, the backs attacked and created space for thundering wing Joe Ajuwa to break the gain line and crash past two defenders. The cover tacklers caught him on the University 22m line but excellent re-cycling and a fine pass by scrum-half Anthony Cope saw captain Martin Nutt scoot over in the corner to secure victory.

HSBC Penguins; Lars Tunestal (Pingvin RFC), Mungo Strachan (Rosslyn Park), Kerry O'Sullivan (Richmond), Karl Outen (Richmond), Arthur Brenton (Bedford), Aaron Johnston (Currie), Will Brock (Rugby Lions), Ed Stembridge (Henley), James Wilson (London Irish Amateurs), Scott Hadden (Civil Service), Jak Rossiter (Richmond), Seb Andersson (Pingvin RFC), Martin Nutt (Henley, Captain), Jaryd Robinson (Bournemouth), Tim Lloyd (Amersham & Chiltern).

Subs: Matt Edney (Oxford Harlequins), Iginio Corradi (Civil Service), Dan Lloyd Jones (Rosslyn Park), Sam Viggers (Coventry), Ryan LeStrange (Richmond), Anthony Cope (Hungerford), Howard Graham (NEC Harlequins), Joe Ajuwa (London Welsh).
Steve Hill (Coach), Carl Douglas (Coach), Paul Roberts (Kit Man), John Purcell (Liaison), Chris Rainbow (Physio).

Oxford University RFC: Lewis Anderson, John William Darby, Jon Direen, Michael Rickner, Tom Reeson- Price, Fraser Heathcote, James Harris, John Carter, Samson Egerton, Charlie Marr, Sean Morris, Marcus Alexander Neil, Oscar Vallance, Henry Lamont, Will Boardman. Subs: John Nickerson, Jack Calvert, Gus Jones, Matthew Shorthose, Will Dace, Chris O'Halloran, Ben Symington, Philip Bell.

HSBC Penguins GFI HKFC Tens Hong Kong Tour - 17th - 23rd March, 2013

The HSBC Penguins' week in Hong Kong began with lads (and Sue, our Masseur) flying in from all over - Australia, New Zealand, England and Malaysia. Most of the squad got together for the first time at the Hong Kong Football Club on Sunday, 17th March, with the late arrivals meeting up at the team's hotel in Hong Kong,



Getting to know you...

The Emperor, Happy Valley, an hour or so later.

The first evening's activity consisted of a nicely laid-back 'get-to-know-everyone' team-building Chinese meal at The American Peking Restaurant in Lockhart Road, Wan Chai. This



The White Stag, Lockhart Road.

was closely followed by a few beers at that old HSBC Penguins' favourite, The White Stag, just a few yards down the road.



Training on the main pitch, HKFC.

On Monday the team had breakfast in the hotel before gathering in reception at 10am for the short, 20 minute walk to training - which took place on the main pitch at the Hong Kong Football Club.

During the course of the session it was nice to meet up with our old HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy friend and ex-Scotland Manager, Frank Hadden. Frank was in Hong Kong coaching the Rwanda national team, who were also taking part in the GFI HKFC Tens Tournament. HSBC Penguins President Richard Bennett also popped in to say hello to the squad during the morning session.

After lunch the squad had another training session at HKFC before heading back to the hotel.

The entire squad met in reception at 6.00pm and walked around the corner to the Happy Valley Trolley Bus Terminal, where we all piled on a trolley bus for a trip to the magnificent HSBC Headquarters in Central Hong Kong. The HSBC Penguins had been invited along as special guests at the

HSBC Staff Rugby Awards. Among those present on the night were the Club's great friend Giles Morgan (HSBC Head of Sponsorship), ex-England international and HKFC stalwart Bob Lloyd, HSBC Rugby Ambassador and ex-Scotland and British & Irish Lions captain Gavin Hastings and John Breen, HSBC Penguins' very own 'Man in Fiji'! After this very special evening at the top of Hong Kong's most iconic building, the lads split up into several groups to sample the many delights of Central, Wan Chai and Happy Valley.



HSBC HQ, Central Hong Kong.

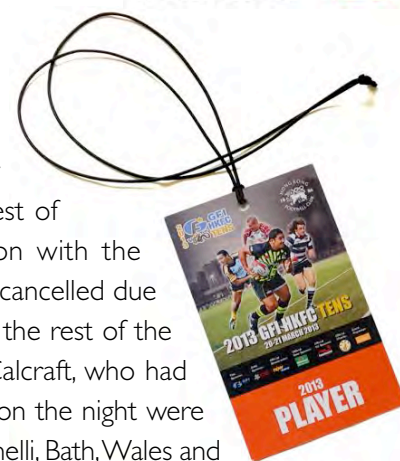


Trainer Roddy McIntosh and Head Coach Tim Lane discuss tactics and training at lunchtime on Tuesday.

Tuesday morning, bright and early, and a couple of hours spent on Training Pitch Number 14 at HKFC. Our Head Coach, Tim Lane, confided that he was very happy with the way the team was gelling. The boys were certainly looking fast, sharp and skillful. The morning's coaching was followed by a swift shower and a quick dip in the Club's wonderful swimming pool. We all said hello to the Rwandan boys who were also taking the chance to relax for an hour or two. The whole squad then took lunch at the wonderful outside restaurant adjacent to the pool.



The Tour management spent the afternoon sorting through kit for the following morning's playing jersey presentation, due to take place in the hotel. Then at 4.00pm the entire squad, plus the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy coaches, hopped on a bus and were whisked away to Sandy Bay RFC on the west of Hong Kong island for a team training run and then a full-on coaching session with the youngsters of Sandy Bay Rugby Club. Unfortunately the evening's events had to be cancelled due to massive electrical storms and torrential rain. After driving back to Happy Valley the rest of the evening was spent having dinner at HKFC, where we were met by Alec and Bill Calcraft, who had just flown in from Australia. Among the other famous faces present at the HKFC on the night were ex-Leicester Tigers, England and British & Irish Lions hooker Peter Wheeler and ex-Llanelli, Bath, Wales and



British & Irish Lions winger, Ieuan Evans.



Marc Daniel and James Lightfoot-Brown fly the flag.

Wednesday, and the first day of the two-day GFI HKFC Tens Tournament. We had a low-key playing jersey presentation in the morning, with Coach Tim Lane giving a short but heartfelt speech on what it means to be a Penguin and how the team could make its own special history during the course of the next 48 hours.

Second-seeded HSBC Penguins' first game of the GFI HKFC Tens took place at 11.50am and was a fairly relaxed victory over Playmore's Devils-Own Wanderers by 55 points to nil. After lunch, again at HKFC, the HSBC Penguins played their second match of the pool stages against A-Trade Overseas Old Boys. Once again, the Club managed a fairly easy victory, this time by 29 points to 5.



HSBC Penguins gathered in the HKFC North Stand on day one.

The third pool match, however, which took place under floodlights at 7.45pm, saw the HSBC Penguins come unstuck against very determined fellow-seeds Yokohama Country & Athletic Club (Tradition YCAC). In a contest which was riddled with uncharacteristic Penguin knock-ons and fumbles, the Japanese-based side ran out eventual winners by 7 points to 21. This meant that the HSBC Penguins' first match on Thursday would be a make-or-break, quarter-final knock-out encounter against tournament favourites, Tana Umaga's BGC APB (Asia Pacific Brothers) All Stars - a team which included in its number formidable All Blacks Antony Tuitavake, Marty Hollah and Rico Gear, plus Manu Samoa's World Cup flyers Seilala Mapusua and Elvis Seveali'i.



Left: Action from the first match against Wanderers. Right: An altogether different proposition coming up on Thursday morning - Umaga's BGC APB.

Before this massive 'Clash of the Tournament', however, there was the small matter of the Penguin International RFC Hong Kong Dinner on the Wednesday evening at the Hong Kong Football Club to look forward to. This proved to be a wonderful occasion, with over 50 Penguins of all ages and from all points of the compass in attendance. The Dinner kicked-off with short speeches by PIRFC CEO and Tour Manager Craig Brown and PIRFC Information Secretary and Assistant Tour Manager, Dick Tyson. Craig welcomed everybody to the Tournament and the Dinner on behalf of the Club, and Dick made a short speech about his soon-to-be-published book 'The History of the Penguin International RFC' (details of how to get hold of your copy follow later in this Newsletter). And thanks, David and Vincent, for the heckling!



*The Penguin International RFC Hong Kong Dinner.
Wednesday, 20th March 2013.
Held at The Hong Kong Football Club, Happy Valley.*

Thursday, 21st March. A day when HSBC Penguins made history!

The quarter-final against BGC APB All Stars kicked off at 11.55am and was almost unbearably exciting and very difficult to watch (David Townsend and Dick Tyson in particular discussed their options and were very tempted to go for a walk at half-time!).

Ultimately second seeds HSBC Penguins beat top-seeded BGC APB All Stars 7-5 in a pulsating quarter-final, in which England Sevens duo Chris Brightwell and James Lightfoot-Brown supplied the first-half



BGC APB All Stars and HSBC Penguins scrum down.



James Lightfoot-Brown's 60 metre run.

try and conversion respectively for the HSBC Penguins. Brightwell's try followed a strong lineout drive in the far-right corner midway through the first half before Lightfoot-Brown kicked a superb conversion from near the right touchline.

Lightfoot-Brown looked set to extend the lead in the second half when he ran 60 metres to the tryline, but the 19-year-old scrum-half fumbled the ball when trying to touch down. After play restarted, APB's fly-half Elvis Seveali'i (replacing suspended playmaker Orene Ai'i who had been sent off in a pool game) performed a sublime chip-and-catch over the HSBC Penguins' backline within his own 22. The former Samoa international ran to the halfway line before kicking out wide for Fijian winger Joe Lilidamu to collect and touch down in the corner. However, Seveali'i failed to convert and the defending champions were unable to claw back the two point deficit in the final couple of minutes.

The victory helped the Club earn a measure of revenge after losing to the APBs in extra-time of their Cup semi-final encounter in 2011.

The HSBC Penguins then had to wait until 5.35 in the afternoon before playing the Cup semi against their old friends COBRA from Malaysia. In yet another close-fought and thrilling encounter, HSBC Penguins once again prevailed - this time by 22 points to 17, with tries by Dylan Sigg, Chris Walker, Chris Brightwell and Captain, Reece Robinson.

And then it was upon us - 8.10pm, and the GFI HKFC Tens Cup Final against the formidable ULR Samurai International - who were fielding 15 Fijians and the Australian flanker Lala Lam in their bid to win the Cup! Could we win it at last after six previous, unsuccessful attempts?

Well, yes, we could actually!

The HSBC Penguins finally won the GFI HKFC Tens at the seventh attempt after beating ULR Samurai International 21-14 in a fiercely fought Cup Final.

The two teams had been locked at 14-14 at half-time after the HSBC Penguins scored through Australian flanker Dylan Sigg and former Hong Kong scrum-half Johnny Gbenda-Charles, who was set up by Sigg. Samurai drew level each time through breakaway tries, first by Paula Tikomainaivalu and then through scrum-half Kelemedi Bola.

This marvelous final was a clash of two famous invitational teams, both seeking to win the title for the first time in their seventh appearance. But it was the second-seeded HSBC Penguins who were left celebrating after a thrilling end-to-end contest clinched by Richard Hooper's dramatic try, with only 23 seconds left on the clock.





The HSBC Penguins do the 'Penguin Shuffle' after their historic win.

who just before his winning try had made a last-ditch tackle to prevent Samurai scoring by the corner flag.

"Everyone's put in so much, so to be part of this victory means a lot. We've bonded quickly and the team has gone from strength to strength. The Penguins are a great Club to be a part of. It means a lot to me, but I know it means a lot to them."

James Lightfoot-Brown, who kicked ten conversions over the two days, had a truly standout tournament along with England Sevens teammate Chris Brightwell, who scored five tries.

"I just saw a bit of space on the blind side, but I ended up having to pull out of the sprint as he was catching me. I saw Rich on the inside, thought I'd give it a go and he got there in the end. He's pretty quick. To go that quick at that time of the game is pretty impressive," said the slightly built 19-year-old.

"We've had a lot of dinners with the Club talking about how they really want to win it, so it's amazing for Chris and I to win it on our first trip. Now, we just hope England can go well at the weekend and win the Sevens."

Team Manager Craig Brown immediately phoned HSBC Penguins' co-founder and Life President Alan Wright to inform him of the victory, which followed two Final losses in 2007 and 2008, a Plate win in 2009 and three straight semi-final defeats.



HSBC Penguins captain Reece Robinson celebrates.

do from here?'. Then James, cheeky little bugger that he is, made a break and Richard followed up to just beat the Fijian to the ball."

The HSBC Penguins' outstanding Dylan Sigg deservedly won Player of the Tournament, but it must have been a close-run thing, because every single Penguin International RFC player was a superstar!

Australian winger Hooper outsprinted the Samurai defence to touch down a last-minute grubber kick by England Sevens scrum-half James Lightfoot-Brown, who had, himself, sprinted over 50 metres along the right touchline after making a blind-side break from a scrum near his own 22 metre line. "I'm buggered. I'm absolutely blowing. I can't stop smiling. James is a classy player, so I knew he'd get the ball to me somehow and it couldn't have worked out better. It was a last-ditch effort, but we got there in the end," said 22-year-old Hooper,



Done it!

"I think Alan will be doing cartwheels down the streets, which is not bad for an 83-year-old," said Brown, who included Lightfoot-Brown, Brightwell, Sigg and Captain Reece Robinson among the team's outstanding performers.

"Samurai scored two breakaway tries, but I thought we put together two very well-constructed team tries. When they almost scored at the end we thought, 'what can we



Above: GFI HKFC Tens by Tsunami Sport - take a look on youtube at this fantastic highlights compilation at:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N_LIYGbdSI&feature=player_embedded#



























































































The win was followed by scenes of great celebration in the dressing room (above left), including the presentation of the **John Grove Award** for the Best and Fairest Player. The Tankard was presented by HSBC Penguins President Richard Bennett to England Sevens star James Lightfoot-Brown (above centre) who had an outstanding tournament both running with the ball and with his masterful kicking game. The Penguins were also chuffed to be awarded a signed shirt (above right) from the Tsunami/Jones Lang LaSalle Ball Retrieval Boys and Girls who had so cheerfully and efficiently fetched and supplied match balls throughout the tournament. Perhaps some of these kids will go on to become Penguins themselves!



The HSBC Penguins - Winners of the 2013 GFI HKFC Tens Tournament

Back row, L-R: Roddy McIntosh (Trainer), Dean Jennings (Coach - Bay of Plenty, New Zealand 7s), Dick Tyson (Assistant Tour Manager & PIRFC Info Sec), Craig Brown (Tour Manager and PIRFC CEO), Reece Robinson (College Old Boys, Manawatu, Taranaki, Chiefs, Maori All Blacks - Captain), Will Helu (Manly, Bristol, Tonga), Chris Brightwell (Sale, England 7s), Chris Walker (Cottesloe, Tukapa, Taranaki, Hurricanes Dev, NZ U21), Nehe Milner-Skudder (Varsity, Manawatu 7s & XVs, Chiefs), Tim Lane (Coach - Manly, Clermont Ferrand, Cats, Ricoh Black Rams, CA Brive, Toulon, Australia and South Africa), Paulo Aukuso (Oriental Rongotai, Wellington Dev), Andrew Kelly (Valley, Edinburgh, Scotland U18, U19, U21 & A), David Townsend (PIRFC Senior VP), Marc Daniel (Physio).

Front row, L-R: James Lightfoot-Brown (Exeter, England U18 & 7s), Sue Olovsson (Masseur), Harry Bergelin (Manly, Australia 7s Squad), Johnny Gbenda-Charles (Marist St. Pats, Tasman B, Hong Kong 7s & XVs), Paul Ngauamo (Brighton, Canterbury, Crusader Knights, NZ U20), Richard Hooper (Manly, Australia 7s Squad), Michael Lealava'a (Petone, Wellington, Tasman), Willie Ripia (Force, Hurricanes, Highlanders, NZ U19, U21, Maori), Dane Maraki (Manly, Otago Squad, Warratahs WT Squad), Dylan Sigg (Manly, Crociati RFC, NSW Dev, Brumbies, Australia Schools & U19).

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| 13 | 20 Mar 16:00 | Pool C |  ULR Samurai International |  Freshfields Wild Titans | 26 - 0 | 37 | 21 Mar 16:35 | Plate Semi Final |  BGC APB All Stars |  Tag Heuer Eyewear Pyrenees | 59 - 5 |
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The top-seeded BGC APB All Stars, knocked out by Penguins 7-5 in the Cup quarter-finals, won the Plate after hammering Hill and Associates Scottish Barbarians 41-0.

Penguins lift the Cup, their first in seven attempts, at the Hong Kong Football Club.



Lloyd McDermott Warriors of Australia won the Bowl, while Irish Vikings took the Shield.

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Samurai, made up mostly of Fijians, suffered a Cup final defeat for a second time, after losing to Aliens in 2010.

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Putting on the Ritz - Let the party begin!

The After Tournament Party on Thursday night at The Hong Kong Football Club was a joyous occasion with the Champions (that's us!) at last being able to imbibe some celebratory alcohol and let their collective hair down in marvelous surroundings.

After dinner every team had to get up on stage and do a piece. Although nobody quite came close to the Rwandan Squad (who's dancing and singing was absolutely inspired, as always - those boys certainly know how to enjoy themselves, win or lose) the HSBC Penguins treated all present to their incredibly clever 'Synchronised Clapping' routine, closely followed by the 'Penguin Shuffle' - which all seemed to go down very well in the great post-tournament atmosphere.

I would write more about the rest of the evening, but it all became bit of a blur after that.



A few photographs from the After Tournament Party at The Hong Kong Football Club.

Top row - Left: The two HSBC Penguins Tables. Centre: Reece Robinson makes his Captain's Winners Speech on behalf of the HSBC Penguins.

Right: The famous Penguins Shuffle!

Bottom Row - Left: The coaches and support boys enjoy the Shuffle. Centre: The winning manager, captain and coach - Craig Brown, Reece Robinson and Tim Lane. Right: HSBC Penguin International Coach Ben Breeze strikes a pose whilst wearing the 'Freeze Cap' (don't ask!).



Friday morning at 10 am the entire squad collected their uniform of the day - pink polo shirts with the words 'Official Eye Candy' emblazoned across the front. This was the outfit for our visit to The Christina Noble Children's Foundation 'Ladies Long Lunch' - a special charity function at the world famous Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley Racecourse! A marvelous day was had by all. Many of the players were kitted out as models and were 'dressed to kill' as befitting the James Bond theme - and the ladies seemed to enjoy this part of the event, too (that is an understatement, by the way!).



Top row: The Ladies Long Lunch took place in the superb surroundings of The Hong Kong Jockey Club in Happy Valley.

Second row: Our Kiwi boys do the Haka, Craig interviewed by the compere and our England Sevens contingent with the GFI HKFC7s Trophy.

Third row: A number of James Bondalikes wow the ladies!

Bottom row: A bit of touchy-feely and champagne drinking took place - and the following day news breaks that the event made HK\$1.2 million!

At the end of a terrific afternoon of wonderful food, free-flowing champagne for the ladies, auctions, fashion shows, dancing and general revelry, nobody in the Penguins party was wearing their pink polo shirts anymore - the ladies had had them off our backs and bought them all (and all that money went to the Foundation Charity, too!)

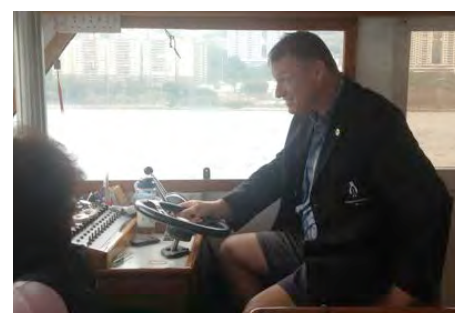
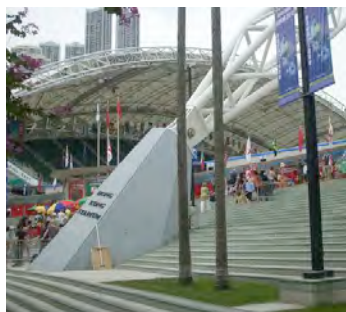
All-in-all, and thanks to the generosity of all involved, the Christina Noble Foundation made the staggering sum of HK\$1,200,000 that afternoon to spend on its good work for children in need. Congratulations to all!



Saturday and Sunday were, of course, devoted to enjoying the best Rugby Tournament in the World, the fabulous Hong Kong Sevens. This year the Penguins entered the South Stand fray on Saturday morning in the guise of the 'SSBC' - the South Stand Ballet Company, complete with very fetching tutus. Thanks for that, Craig.

Monday saw a parting of ways for the Tour Party, but not before Craig and a few of the other boys went out on a harbour cruise from the Central Ferry Terminal.

All-in-all a truly memorable trip with a great bunch of lads (and Sue!). And made all the sweeter because, as I believe I may have mentioned once or twice... **WE WON THE GFI HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB 10s!**





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The long-awaited history of the Penguin International RFC will very shortly be available and orders for the book can be taken now. This wonderful work, which has been nearly five years in the making, tells the fascinating story of our wonderful Club, the Penguins - the world's premier touring club.

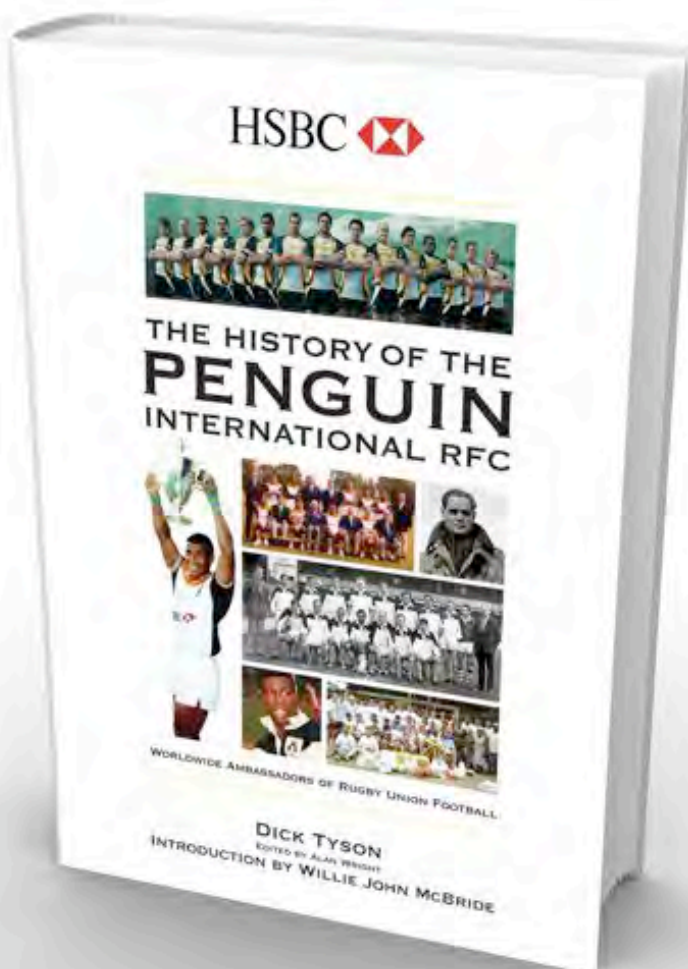
The History of the Penguin International RFC is a beautifully produced, lavishly illustrated, full-colour A4 sized hardback book which runs to almost 400 pages. It includes reports of every match the Penguins have ever played and lists every player that has ever turned out for the Club. The book was written by renowned rugby writer (and current PIRFC Historian and Information Secretary) Dick Tyson, edited by Penguins' co-founder and Life President, Alan Wright, and features an Introduction by one of the world's rugby playing legends - the great Willie John McBride of Ballymena, Ulster, Ireland and the British & Irish Lions.

As well as treating yourself to a copy, remember that this book will also make a great birthday (or even Christmas) present for all of your rugby-loving friends and relatives!

The cost of the book is £40 plus P&P. We will post to addresses in the UK and overseas. When you contact Dick with your order, he will let you know the total cost (price plus P&P). Payment by cheque in Pounds Sterling is preferred in favour of 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. The book can also be collected from the Club's headquarters at Little St James's House, Little St James's Street, London SW1A 1DP if you give Dick advance notice.

As we all know, the Penguin International RFC is an amateur Club. We will utilise any surplus made from the sales of this book to help with our coaching and playing programmes.

For more information and to place your order, please contact Dick Tyson at dicktysonrugby@gmail.com or write to: **Dick Tyson, 5 Orchard Close, Cuffley, Hertfordshire, EN6 4QD, England, UK.**



OTHER PENGUIN INTERNATIONAL RFC NEWS

Please welcome a new Honorary Vice President to the Club

A new Honorary Vice-President has recently joined the Penguin International Football Club. He is from New Zealand, he has Captained the mighty All Blacks and he was introduced to the Club by Penguin stalwart Michael Dormer.

Sir David John Graham KNZM CBE ED (born 9 January, 1935, in Stratford, New Zealand), is a former President of the New Zealand Rugby Football Union and a former All Black loose forward. He played 22 Tests between 1958 and 1964, including three as Captain. He was headmaster of Auckland Grammar School from 1973 to 1993, New Zealand cricket team manager from 1997 to 1999, the University of Auckland Chancellor from 1999 to 2004, and was elected President of the NZRFU in April 2005.

Upon completing his education in 1958 Graham moved to Christchurch and took up a permanent teaching position at Christchurch Boys High School. He joined the Christchurch High School Old Boys club rugby team and was immediately made Captain, remaining so for the rest of his time there.

The same year he was selected for the All Blacks for the first two tests against Australia, making his debut on 23 August 1958 in Wellington and helping his team to a 25-3 victory. In 1959 Graham withdrew from the All Black trials, but in 1960 was selected to tour South Africa. He played 10 of the 26 matches, including the second and third tests, and captained the team on a number of occasions.

Graham was a savvy player with a great turn of speed, and became one of the most intelligent and fastest loose forwards in the All Black side. When Wilson Whineray retired after the tour of Great Britain in 1964, Graham took over the All Black captaincy, a position he held until retiring from rugby in 1965. He'd played a total of 31 games for the All Blacks (seven as Captain), and a total of 22 tests (three as Captain). He scored 11 tries for the All Blacks, two of which were test match tries.

After retiring from rugby Graham returned to teaching, being promoted to Head of Social Studies at Christchurch Boys High School which he held until 1970. He went from there to Linwood High School before being appointed Headmaster of Auckland Grammar in 1973, a position he held for 21 years. Following his tenure at Auckland Grammar, Graham was appointed a Commissioner of the newly-founded low-decile Southern Cross Campus in 1997.

Graham was made a CBE in 1994 for services to education and the community. He managed the New Zealand Cricket Team from 1997-1999, and was appointed Chancellor of the University of Auckland in 1999 until retiring from the position in 2004.

In the business world, Mr Graham held a number of directorships including The University Bookshop Ltd where he was Chair, IT distributor Renaissance Corporation, and transportation company Owens Group Ltd. Mr Graham retains a directorship of the Auckland based private education provider, Academic Colleges Group.

In 1999 John Graham was named 'New Zealander of the Year' by North & South magazine, the cover article of the January 2000 edition running under the heading, 'John Graham, the man who set standards'. Graham was elected president of the New Zealand Rugby Football Union in 2005, and received an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Auckland the same year. In the New Year Honours 2011 Graham was appointed as a Knight Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to education and sports.



Sir John Graham.

Mitchell Scott - HSBC Penguin Rugby Award Winner, 2013



Mitchell Scott.

Mitchell Scott, son of former All Black Steve Scott, is the latest winner of the HSBC Penguin Rugby Award at the recently completed IRANZ course in New Zealand.

Mitchell is an exciting centre/wing/full-back and has already represented New Zealand at U20 level. He currently plays for the Tasman ITM Cup side.

He is the latest in a succession of gifted young players to have won this award. Previous winners were Alan McGinty and Oisin Lennon from Ireland and Roelof Smit and Frank Wagenstroom, both of whom are from South Africa.

As part of his prize for winning this prestigious award, Mitchell will be selected to play for the Club during the HSBC Penguins tour to Asia in November.

He will also tour the Philippines as part of an IRANZ graduates team to play the Philippine Volcanoes, the National Sevens side.

The HSBC Penguins look forward to welcoming Mitchell on tour!

Gibraltar Rugby benefits from HSBC Penguin International Coaching and go on and beat Cyprus

Following a proposal a few years back made by PIRFC President Richard Bennett to PIRFC Life President Alan Wright that Gibraltar might be appreciative of rugby coaching support, Alan visited Gibraltar and enlisted the services of Penguin Honorary Vice-President Louis Triay QC to assist in the organisation of such a visit. Louis arranged a meeting in his offices with officials of the Gibraltar RFC, during which it was decided that the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy would provide a programme to this well-established and ambitious Club to assist all of their XV's.

PIRFC CEO Craig Brown then took over the organisation of the visit and arranged for four HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy coaches (Rob Clilverd, Mark Harrington, Gary Henderson and Dave Southern) to travel to Gibraltar. The four men met up with Gibraltar Rugby Union Secretary Chad Thompson and other rugby officials for four days of official IRB courses and grass-roots coaching. The visit took place between 28th September - 2nd October 2011. A month later, on 5th November 2011, the Gibraltar Rugby Football Union (GRFU) fielded a national team in its first official Test Match. The fixture was against the Belgium Development Team in Brussels. The final score was Belgium 20, Gibraltar 8. Test Caps were awarded to the Gibraltar Team.

We are now absolutely delighted to report that Gibraltar has recently won their first full international test match against Cyprus by 36 points to 10 (report below) and will shortly be playing Austria, too. We wish them the very best of luck and hope to assist them again in the near future!

The GRFU has filed the following report on the recent match against 'Los Moufflons', representing The Republic of Cyprus.

The build-up to the day had been magnificent when a well prepared Gib. National Team took centre stage in front of a full West Stand at the Victoria Stadium, under threatening skies. The formalities over, the teams launched themselves against each other, finally releasing the pent up adrenalin. Any worries we might have had about the greater physical presence of our visitors were soon allayed, as all the Gib boys tackled like demons. Our smaller but technically adept forwards were winning decent ball and, almost before everyone had settled into the match atmosphere, a brilliant break by our backs saw Freddie Cruz through on the left, scoring some 15metres in, with the conversion coolly slotted over by

Teddy Sacarello. Dream start, 7-0 up and only 4 mins played. Cyprus recovered through some gritty forward play, again well defended, and any ball played out to their backs was also met by a black and red wall. Clever use of the wind allowed Gib to set up good attacking positions, with a penalty resulting in another 3 points for Teddy Sacarello in the 22nd minute. Continued territorial dominance allowed flanker Albert Isola to storm over in the 25th minute, with Teddy Sacarello again getting the conversion. 17-0. This fired up the Cypriots who had a great unbeaten record to defend. They managed to lay siege to the Gib line. Although this was bravely defended, over eagerness led to a series of penalties being

given away close to the line. As Cyprus kept battering away, continued indiscipline led to a Gib yellow card in the 24th minute, with Cyprus reaping the benefit in the 28th minute with a gritty forwards try that was unconverted. The Cypriots sensed a swing in the momentum as one of the few missed tackles of the day allowed their backs to score a second try in the 32nd minute, again unconverted. score now 17-10. Back to numerical equality, Gib were able to generate frequent possession from first phase ball, and generally clearing the next phase quickly. This allowed the backs to show their undoubted talents with Teddy Sacarello bursting through in the 36th minute, converting himself to finish the

half 24-10 to the locals. Cyprus were unable to make as effective use of the wind, as showers kept streaming over the ground. Maintaining their own territorial possession, Gib. were to chip into the wind and press the visiting back 3 into conceding a penalty. From clean line - out work Gib were able to work fly half Cruz into space for another try in the 44th minute with Teddy Sacarello adding the conversion. score 31-10. The game then became an attritional battle in the centre third of the pitch, although hooker Luke Payas was unlucky to be bundled into touch as he was diving over to score, having put clear by great work by young Harvey Armstrong. As both teams started introducing

their subs, the match was unable to regain the electric pace of the first half, and the heavy pitch begun taking its toll on both teams, with each suffering numerous cramping injuries. Gib were just able to retaining territorial dominance and, although suffering a second yellow card in the 60th minute, were able to create opportunities, one of them resulting in a second try by Teddy Sacarello in the 69th minute, although this was unconverted. This gave the final score of 36-10. As the final whistle went, an emotional team thanked their visitors before running to celebrate with the enormous crowd of friends, families and well wishers. Early celebrations which lasted long, long into the night.



Memorabilia comes to light of Penguins' 1968 Zambia and 1970 California Tours

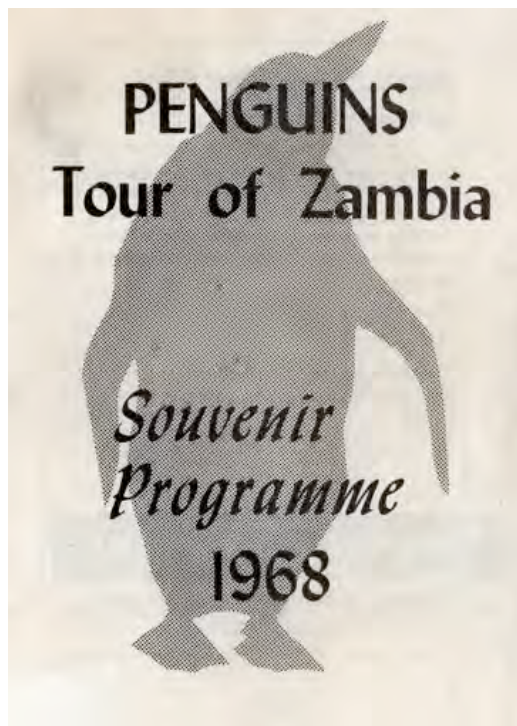
Brian Page (Bedford Blues RUFC and England Trialist) a Penguin tourist in 1968 and 1970, has recently sent the Club a number of scans of photographs, programmes and newspaper cuttings from the 1968 Zambia tour and the 1970 tour of California. Sadly, these have come too late to feature in the History of the Penguin International RFC book (see page 19) but I thought it may be of interest to show a selection of these historic pieces on this page (Zambia 1968) and the following page (California 1970). Note the fact that Penguins are wearing Sidcup RFC jerseys in Zambia - there were no shirt deals in those days, Tony Mason and Alan Wright just borrowed them from their club! Thanks for sharing, Brian!

PENGUINS v MIDLAND COUNTIES at LUSAKA - 17 AUGUST 1968



BACK ROW: G.ROBERTSON - R.WILLIAMS - J.HEGGADON - S.GEARY - C.PAYNE - D.MORGAN - I.ROBERTSON - N.PARKER - D.WRENCH

FRONT ROW: D.HAWKES - B.PAGE - W.REDWOOD - R.FRAME - J.LOCKWOOD - H.REA



THE Penguins touring team outclassed Zambia 46-6 in the first "Test" at the Rhokans Club yesterday.

The visitors were superior in all aspects and were well led by Bill Redwood at the base of the scrum.

Highlight of their play was their tackling up and ability to move a ball to position wherever required.

Zambia had no answer to the power play of the Penguins forwards and the strong, direct running of their three-quarters.

Although it is four years since the Zambia team played together there can be hardly no excuse for their lack of attention to the rudiments of the game, particularly their tackling, which was poor to say the least.

It would be unfair to single out any member of the Penguins for special mention, but Bill Redwood at scrum-half and Colin Payne in the forwards showed signs of the first.

No member of the Zambians did command his reputation, but Ryan and Hoggadon among the forwards and Morgan and Matthews in the three-quarters did never gave up trying.

After the game I spoke to Redwood and team manager Wright who confirmed that their tactics had been to build a substantial lead in the early part of the game and not relax as they had done at Lusaka on Wednesday.

Redwood felt that the Zambian team had played into their hands with their tactics of kicking ahead on almost every occasion they were in possession.

There is no doubt the Penguins took this game far more seriously than the previous two games on their tour. Wright said however that they would revert to their normal careful tactics for today's game against Locks.

Zambia's scoring by the Penguins were: Colin Redwood (pen), Payne (try), Page (conv), Frame (try), Page (conv), Page (pen), Webber (try), Page (conv), Frame (try), Page (conv), Robertson (try), Lockwood (try), Page (conv), Robertson (try), Page (pen), Robertson (try), Page (try), goal.

Dave Jackson try presenting the Zambians.



The Penguins in action during the first rugby Test against Zambia: Hoggadon about to pass to Wrench.

SAINTS PLAYERS ON FORM

Two Saints players with the Penguins rugby team, who are touring in Africa, tried to pick up the points at the tourists' Swamp Zambia. Hoggadon and Ryan.

Wright, Chris Robertson scored more tries while fullback Brian Page was at great sinking form, he converted five tries, dropped a goal, and kicked a penalty.

PENGUINS XV - GOLDENGATE PARK - SAN FRANCISCO - MAY 1970



BACK ROW: B.KEEN - J.DAVENPORT - C.EVANS - D.QUINNELL - K.MCGOWAN - R.ROWELL - S.STEVENS

FRONT ROW: B.PAGE - A.FINLAYSON - K.FLYNN - M.DAVIES - C.McFADYEAN - T.O'GORMAN - A.RAINES - P.REES

PENGUINS IN CALIFORNIA 1970

Mr. Tony Mason
Mr. Alan Wright

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| Colin McFadyean | [capt] | Moseley |
| Brian Keen | | Moseley |
| Stack Stevens | | Penzance & Newlyn |
| Mark Robinson | | Bath |
| Alan Raines | | Richmond |
| Max Wiltshire | | Aberavon |
| Brian Page | | Bedford |
| Bob Rowell | | Leicester |
| Gerry Culliton | | Dublin Wanderers |
| Jim Flynn | | Dublin Wanderers |
| Derek Quinnell | | Llanelli |
| Terry O'Gorman | | Glamorgan Wanderers |
| John Allen | | Leicester |
| Martyn Davies | | Neath |
| John Hennigan | | Blackheath |
| Cyril Evans | | Newbridge |
| Kevin Flynn | | Dublin Wanderers |
| Alex Finlayson | | Cardiff |
| Peter Rees | | Newport |
| John Davenport | | Wasps |
| Kevin McGowan | | Glamorgan Wanderers |

Ramblers Entertain British

SANTA CLARA — Hosted a hit by a one-sided test in the Sunday — New Zealand Rugby Club this year, the Peninsula Ramblers have another chance for a international face lift tonight when they entertain the Penguin Rugby Club of Britain at 7 p.m. on the Rock Shaw Stadium turf.

The confrontation follows a 6 p.m. meeting between the University of Santa Clara and the Ramblers' second team, the Ravens.

Previously gave the Ramblers a 27-0 thrashing but the Ramblers' coach, Chuck Lyons, reported that Pensonby said it was the toughest match of their tour, despite the score.

The Ramblers will take a 22-4 season record against the Penguins that includes runnerup finishes in both the Monterey National and Golden Gate Park Centennial tournaments.

The Penguins, an All-Star squad made up of players from England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, are coming off a 12-3 victory scored against a combination squad of the Bay Area Touring Side (BATS) and the San Francisco Olympic Club.

A 37-15 loss to the Northern California All-Stars is the only blip in the Penguins' record for their tour. They had won over the Southern California College All-Stars (28-0) and the San Francisco Olympic Club (22-0).

The Penguins have been getting standout play from their scrum half, Martyn Davies, on the tour thus far.

Penguins Chill Ramblers, 14-6

SANTA CLARA — Held in check by the rugged Peninsula Ramblers defense for almost a half, the Penguin Rugby Club of Britain broke loose for a 14-6 triumph Sunday at Rock Shaw Stadium.

Fullback Brian Page (headbanded the Penguins, who are an All-Star team from Ireland, Wales, Scotland and England, scoring two penalty kicks (three points each) and a conversion (two points).

"It was a very hard game with hard tackling and hard running," commented Penguin captain Colin McFadyean, who scored the Penguins' only try (three points) late in the contest from three yards out. "It was also a very fast game."

Former San Jose State football ace Lee Evans scored the only Rambler try when he bulled over from 30 yards out early in the second half. Ron Sears later put a penalty kick through the uprights for the Ramblers.

The Ramblers closed the season with a 22-1 record while the Penguins are 4-1 during their tour of California. In the preliminary contest, the University of Santa Clara whipped the second Rambler team, 14-0.

British Rugby boys triumph

SANTA CLARA, California, Tuesday — Britain's touring Penguin Rugby Union side beat the Peninsula Ramblers today 14-6. Penguins trailed by 8-3 at one stage but tries by Peter Rees and Kevin Flynn—the second converted by Brian Page—who also scored another penalty goal—gave them victory.

Fixtures & Results

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| 12-May-70 | S. California Colleges | San Fernando State College | Won | 28pts - 3pts |
| 16-May-70 | N. California Select | Golden Gate Park - San Francisco | Lost | 15pts - 27pts |
| 19-May-70 | San Francisco RFC | Golden Gate Park - San Francisco | Won | 32pts - 0pts |
| 22-May-70 | Combined BATS/Olympic | Townsend Field - Santa Clara | Won | 12pts - 3pts |
| 24-May-70 | Peninsula Ramblers RFC | Buck Shaw Stadium - Santa Clara | Won | 14pts - 6pts |
| 26-May-70 | S. California Select XV | Balboa Park - Los Angeles | Lost | 8pts - 13pts |
| 28-May-70 | All California University | UCLA - Los Angeles | Lost | 11pts - 21pts |

Craig Brown reunited with his 2012 Legends of the Tens Award in Hong Kong



Last year at the GFI Hong Kong Football Club Tens, The HSBC Penguins' CEO Craig Brown was honoured to win **The Legends of the Tens Cup** - a prestigious award which is presented every year to the individual whom the tournament organisers judge has done the most to both promote the spirit and raise the profile of this great event.

Unfortunately, due to an untimely camera malfunction, no record was kept of Craig receiving the award last March - something that was rectified this year when we reunited Craig with his Trophy and took this photograph for posterity!

As a well-deserved winner of this high-profile award, Craig is in very good company - previous winners have included Australian International centre Craig Wootten and that remarkable All Black legend, Jonah Lomu.

Many belated congratulations, Craig!

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Venues: West Park in Leeds, Richmond Athletic Ground, London and Boroughmuir RFC in Edinburgh.

Itinerary: ■ Leeds - Sunday 26th May 2013 ■ Richmond - Saturday 1st June 2013
■ Edinburgh - Saturday 22nd June 2013.

For more information re Leeds and Richmond: Contact Craig Brown - craig.brown@penguinrugby.com

For more information re Edinburgh: Contact Iain Sinclair - iain.sinclair@penguinrugby.com

Also check out the Rugby Rocks website: www.rugbyrocks7s.com



Join the HSBC Penguins in Scotland at the **2013 RUGBY ROCKS PENGUINS DINNER** in the Watsonian FC Pavilion, Edinburgh

DON'T MISS THIS GREAT CHANCE TO MEET UP WITH SOME OF YOUR OLD PENGUIN FRIENDS NORTH OF THE BORDER!

HSBC Penguins will be holding a very special pre-Rugby Rocks Tournament reunion dinner at Watsonian FC in Myreside Road, Edinburgh. It starts at 7.00 for 7.30pm on Friday, 21st June (we will be entering an Elite 7s Squad in the tournament itself at Boroughmuir RFC the following day).

The Dinner will be a glittering affair. As well as the many past and present Penguins attending, there will be a superb four course meal, speeches, prizes to be won and even an opportunity to meet the author and perhaps even buy a copy of the Club's new lavishly illustrated hardback book - *The History of the Penguin International RFC*. Don't forget: If you've ever been a Penguin, you're in it! If all that wasn't enough, our guest speaker on the night will be the legendary Scottish rugby man, Scott Glynn - *One of the funniest guys on the after dinner circuit* (The Daily Star).

Dinner venue: Watsonian FC Pavilion, 79 Myreside Road, Edinburgh EH10 5DB.

For more information and to book a place at the Dinner:

Contact iain.sinclair@penguinrugby.com

Also check out the Rugby Rocks website: www.rugbyrocks7s.com



Join the King Penguins in **SYDNEY** for our match against Australian Parliament - Thursday, 4th July

AND DON'T FORGET THAT ALL PENGUIN V-PS CAN BE HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE SYDNEY RUGBY CLUB WHEN IN TOWN!

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The Classic Wallabies v The British & Irish Lions Legends at 3pm.

Visit The Sydney Rugby Club: We are very pleased to announce that we've arranged an agreement with The Sydney Rugby Club for any visiting PIRFC Member to automatically become a temporary member of The Sydney Rugby Club for the duration of their stay in Sydney. If you would like to support the KPs in Australia and take up this great offer, please contact Penguin Club Secretary Vincent Bramhall who will be pleased to arrange for your name to be added to The Sydney Rugby Club's Membership list, enabling you to be signed in as a Temporary Member for the duration of your stay.

For more information re playing & supporting: Contact David Harris -
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And finally...

It's becoming something of a tradition to include in these Newsletters a rugby-related story, song or a poem. Here's another - this time about a try-scoring prop. Many thanks for this one to Steve Hill and all at Richmond FC.



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| <p>It was midway through the season we were just outside the four and although I know we won it I can't recall the score.</p> <p>But there's one thing I remember and to me it says a lot about the men who front the scrum - the men we call 'the props'.</p> <p>We won a lineout near half way the backs went on a run the flankers quickly ripped the ball and second phase was won.</p> <p>Another back then crashed it up and drove towards the line another maul was duly set to attack it one more time.</p> <p>The forwards pushed and rolled that maul They got the tough set the ball up to a tee the last man in played tight head prop and wore the number '3'?</p> <p>The ball was pushed in to his hands he held it like a beer then simply dropped to score the try - his first in 15 years.</p> <p>Then later, once the game was done he sat amidst his team he led the song and called himself the try scoring machine.</p> <p>But it wasn't till the night wore on that the truth was finally told just two beers in, he'd scored the try and also kicked the goal.</p> | <p>At 6 o'clock the try was scored by barging through their pack he carried two men as he scored while stepping 'round a back.</p> <p>By seven he'd run twenty yards out sprinting their quick men then beat the last line of defence with a 'Jonah Lomu' fend.</p> <p>By eight he'd run from near half way and thrown a cut out pass then looped around and run again no-one was in his class.</p> <p>By nine he'd run from end to end his teammates stood in awe he chipped and caught it on the full then swan dived as he scored.</p> <p>By ten he'd drunk a dozen beers but still his eyes did glisten as he told the story of 'that try' to anyone who'd listen.</p> <p>His chest filled up, as he spoke, his voice was filled with pride he felt for sure he would be named the captain of that side.</p> <p>By night's end he was by himself still talking on his own the club was shut, the lights were out his mates had all gone home.</p> <p>And that's why I love my front row - they simply never stop and why I always lend an ear when a try's scored by a prop.</p> |
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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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Penguin International Rugby Football Club

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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.

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