



Celebrating 75 years of Proud Tradition 1935-2010



Brothers Junior Rugby League Football Club Inc. Brisbane

75th Anniversary Celebration



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Life members

Brothers Junior Rugby League Football Club Brisbane Incorporated:

Ken Munro	Life Member - 1991
Stan Claxton	Life Member - 1994
David Galvin	Life Member - 1995
Joe Borg	Life Member - 1996
Terry Parkhill	Life Member - 1997
Tony Martyn	Life Member - 1999
Robert Donaldson	Life Member - 2001
Scott Munro	Life Member - 2003
Dean Gordon	Life Member - 2004
Graham Brennan	Life Member - 2006
Michael Lynch	Life Member - 2009



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Committee Members 2010

Brothers Junior Rugby League Football Club Brisbane Incorporated:

President:	Roger Whyte
Vice President:	Mario Licastro
Secretary:	Graham Brennan
Registrar:	Peter Gill
Treasurer:	John Pezzementi
Committee:	Paul McSween (Fields Manager) Debbie Hiscock (Merchandise Manager) Damian Smith (Fund Raising Co-ordinator) Charles Larosa (Assistant to the Treasurer) Scott Munro Andrew Hedger John Geaney

Seniors Sub-Committee 2010

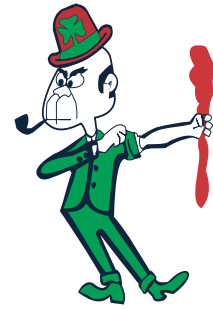
Seniors Secretary: Michael Lynch
Seniors Registrar: Jeff Leitch

Coaching Director 2010

Craig Grauf



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Club Captains

Brothers Junior Rugby League Football Club Brisbane Incorporated:

1995	Darren Payne
1996	Duncan Beattie
1997	Finbaar Hogan
1998	Warren Fields
1999	Scott Wilson
2000	Not Filled
2001	Damien Boyd and Joseph Lynch
2002	Daniel Munro
2003	Cheyne Goddard
2004	Luke Russell
2005	Matthew Crear
2006	Tyson Skyring
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2009	Scott Ryan
2010	Ben Munro

Inaugural Senior Club Captain

2010	Daniel Munro
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Agenda for the Evening

- 7pm : Arrival
- 7pm to 7.25pm: Pre-Dinner Drinks
- 7.30pm: Everyone to be seated
- 7.35pm: Welcome by Master of Ceremonies Mr. Gerry Collins
- Opening address by the Honourable Stirling Hitchliffe MP, Queensland Minister for Infrastructure and Planning and Member for Stafford.
- President's address by Mr. Roger Whyte
- 7.50pm: Entrée to be served
- 8.10pm: Mr. Scott Munro regarding Brothers' History
- 8.20pm: MC to hold Forum with Mr. David Wright & Special Guest.
- 8.45pm: Main meal to be served
- 9.15pm: Open Forum – Players of different eras:
 - 60's – Mr. David Wright & Mr. Len Dittmar
 - 70's – Mr. Trevor Bailey
 - 80's & 90's – Mr. Tony Martin
 - 21st Century – Mr. Ben and Mr. Daniel Munro
- 9.45pm: Auction
- 10.00pm – 1am: Social Activities



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In summary, Brothers Junior Rugby League Football Club (BJRLFC), commenced playing in the Brisbane Junior Rugby League competition during the 1935 season. However it wasn't until 1945 when the Junior Club was officially established, to administer and foster junior teams for the Past Brothers Senior Club.

Brothers Juniors owes a great deal to a number of families who have dedicated their time and energies to ensure the Club has remained viable and strong for many years i.e. the Donaldson's, Hickey's, McGraw's and Munro's just to name a few.

BJRLFC Brisbane have produced the following Queensland players: Reg Cannon, Wayne Abdy, Barry Dowling, Len Dittmar, Robert Grogan, Bob Cock, David Wright, Peter Gallagher, Noel Cavanagh and David Shillington. Wright, Gallagher and Cavanagh also represented Australia with Gallagher having the honour of captaining his country against Great Britain on a Kangaroo Tour.

NRL players that BJRLFC have produced are: Luke Williamson (Canberra and Manly), Ashley Harrison (Broncos, South Sydney and East's), Shaun Valentine (ex Cowboys), David Shillington (East's and Canberra Raiders).

Brothers Juniors have led a very nomadic existence having 'home grounds' at Corbett Park, Padua College, Hickey Park, Gibson Park, and Shawspartz. As a result of a decision reached at the AGM held in 2005, football operations returned to Gibson Park permanently. It is our major objective to upgrade the facilities at Gibson Park to a level that will see it become one of the best sporting arenas in Brisbane.

We are presently working in partnership with the Gibson Park Committee and the Brisbane City Council to establish a 10 year plan which will incorporate a 'Grand Master Plan' for the development of Gibson Park. On 15 June 2010, the President of Brothers, Mr. Roger Whyte was formally contacted and advised that Brothers has secured a **\$155,000 grant** to upgrade the north western oval. This grant was approved by the Brisbane City Council, upon engagement and consultation with our local Councillor of Marchant Ward, Mrs. Fiona King.

At present Brothers JRLFC has a \$230,000 lighting upgrade grant application currently with the State Government's Sport and Recreational Infrastructure Program. If successful, night games could be played on the international ovals situated to our NW and SE sides of Gibson Park. Lighting will also improve all sections of our football ovals, which will enhance player safety on training nights.



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The 2010 season has seen an unprecedented number of player registrations to an all time high with 511 registrations. This club currently fields 26 junior sides from under 6 to under 18's and 3 senior sides – Open North 2, Open North 3 and under 20's (who to date have lost only one game this season).

In 2009, Brothers negotiated with North's to renew our highly successful partnership in the Northern Broncos Development Program. This alliance can only assist the Club in retaining our talented players and provide the necessary pathways for them to progress to the Q-Cup or NRL.

We are currently exploring the option of 'Constitutional Change' with the Stafford Bowls Club, through the establishment a 'Sporting Club' in partnership with a number of stakeholders. At the 2009 AGM for both BJRLFC and the Stafford Bowls Club, it was resolved to further investigate the amalgamation of resources.

Brothers JRLFC, Brisbane is committed to providing the necessary infrastructure for our children to play the game of rugby league and to play for Brothers in all age groups. This club has an ethos of being a friendly and family orientated organisation dedicated to its proud traditions. We have regularly produced a number of representative players and BJRLFC prides ourselves on the fact that there is every opportunity for all levels of the community to play football for this club. In cases of extreme hardship Brothers Juniors provides all reasonable assistance.

We are all very proud of the history and tradition that has been created by our predecessors and trust that players will continue to proudly don the famous blue and white butcher stripes.

Happy 75th Anniversary and go the mighty blue and white!

Roger Whyte
President

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