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1938–1959

**PAST COMBINATIONS
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FOREWORD

Few places can be as difficult to form a successful club in, and to keep it running efficiently, as is Lyttelton. Many attempts were made during the present century to form a Rugby Club in Lyttelton but the successes were all short lived.

In 1938 a band of young men formed themselves into a club which eventually blossomed into the present combination. Despite the intervention of World War II and the subsequent loss of some of its keenest members, the Club was re-formed after the war and has progressed to a record membership in 1959. We hope that this progress will continue for many years to come. Plans are under way this year for providing the Club with permanent clubrooms of their own for the first time in its history.

We are especially indebted to the various members whose contributions and advice have made this book possible. Our thanks are also due to the advertisers for their financial assistance. We trust that members will show their appreciation by supporting these firms.

On the playing field the Club has had its share of successes, having won Canterbury Rugby Union's competitions on numerous occasions. Many players have worn the Red and Black jersey, while, as happens in all clubs, many other toilers have failed to gain official recognition for their work. However, it is these men who are the backbone of any team and without them the game could not go on.

May we wish that this book may bring back many happy memories of days gone by, whether you played at Officers Point, Heathcote Domain, or the present West Lyttelton Recreation Ground.

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Before the present club was formed in 1938 several attempts were made to form Rugby clubs in Lyttelton, none of which proved to be lasting. We propose to commence this book with a brief history of the clubs we are able to trace.

The first record that we are able to trace of Lyttelton teams in the early days covers the period around 1900. We feel sure that Rugby was played in Lyttelton before this period but are unable to establish any definite proof of it. In 1898 a Lyttelton Junior Team played in the Christchurch competition in the colours of magenta and black. This team won the Junior Grade of that year and followed this success by a tour of the North Island. They played the Wanganui Pirates, who had won the senior competition, losing 8-5. They followed this by defeating the winners of the Wanganui Junior Grade 12-0. In 1902 the same team went on tour again, defeating the winners of the Junior Grade in Nelson 18-0. From here they went to New Plymouth where they defeated the winners of the competition there by 17-3. They followed this victory with a win over the Wanganui Junior Grade winners by 18-0. To conclude a very successful season they defeated a strong Wanganui Junior Representative side 10-0.

In 1908-9 a Lyttelton Team played in the Canterbury championship but this team did not last long. A glimpse of a photo of the Canterbury Team of that year shows many Lyttelton players. In 1911 a team calling themselves the Pirates played again and won the President's Cup. They followed this success by winning the Junior Competition in 1912. Because of the First World War this club disbanded and the next record we have is the 1920 team. We are indebted for the next section to a member of that team who prefers to remain anonymous.

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This club was formed in the summer of 1920 by a few enthusiasts who had played before the 1914-18 war in the lower grades. It comprised more than 50 per cent returned soldiers, plus a few locals past the 30 mark, the rest being about 18. Two teams were entered in the Canterbury Rugby Union competition in 1920, A Junior or second grade and a Presidents Cup or third grade. It is well to point out that the Junior grade in those days was the equivalent of today's Senior Reserve. Much to their supporters' surprise the Juniors won their grade and were thus the last holders of the Junior Flag. In 1921 they again won their grade and became the first holders of the new Junior Shield. At the end of this season most of the over 30's had called it a day as the following season the club would have been required to enter a Senior Team.

As the Sydenham Club was also very short of players, the Lyttelton Club disbanded and amalgamated with Sydenham under the name of Sydenham-Lyttelton. This combination, which lasted only two years, played in the Senior Grade, winning about 50 per cent of their games.

The old Juniors had a few solid supporters in Dave Voyce (selector) and the late Bennett Carter (linesmen). The second year we won the Juniors. We had a hard row to hoe as fifteen players were all that could be raised, many players having joined Christchurch clubs. One Saturday we played Christchurch on the Show Grounds starting off with eleven players. At the time we were leading the competition by 2½ points. In the second half one supporter, "half wanged," helped us out by playing in his best suit (minus his coat). We only lost by the odd point.

The old boys congratulate the present management on being able to muster more young players than Lyttelton ever had and wish them every success in the future. As most boys now attend secondary school in Christchurch they must expect to lose a number as time goes on. Who knows that one or two of the present boys may bring credit to the port and follow in the footsteps of those great local-born New Zealand footballers, viz., P. J. Burns, J. H. Parker, W. C. Dalley, P. K. Rhind, and R. H. Duff.

"Wing Forward."

From the 1920 period on to the formation of the present club little information can be obtained about Rugby in Lyttelton. It appears from photos that we have obtained that there were no organised clubs in the port during this period. The only Rugby played seems to have been in the High School.

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HISTORY OF THE LYTTTELTON RUGBY FOOTBALL

CLUB 1938-1959

The present Lyttelton Rugby Football Club was first formed in 1938 when a team, calling themselves the Lyttelton Juvenile Club, played in the Canterbury Rugby Football Union competitions in the under-eighteen grade.

The following were the members of that team: Messrs G. Burns, C. Barnes, E. Fowlds, B. Gallavin, N. Jory, C. Lewis, G. Gillies, M. Dromgoole, D. Moir, D. Munro, L. Quested, W. Samson, K. Tauwhare, C. White, W. C. Thomas, G. Carson; A. Bisman, C. Erickson and H. W. Robinson.

On March 2, 1939, the first official meeting of the Lyttelton Rugby Football Club was held at which Mr A. Lecomte presided. The meeting decided to invite the members of the Lyttelton Juvenile Club to attend the next meeting.

At the first annual meeting held on March 9th, 1939, it was decided to enter third and fifth grade teams that season. Mr A. J. Stanley, a member of the 1920 team, was elected President. Mr C. Lewis was elected Secretary and Mr I. Dromgoole club-captain. The club colours were selected as a grey jersey with a blue badge having the letters L.F.C. worked on it. Mr W. Toy offered his store as a training centre while a deputation met the Lyttelton Borough Council regarding the possibility of putting an area at Diamond Harbour into playing order.

Messrs C. Boyd and R. Arnold approached many prospective players at the beginning of this season and succeeded in bringing in many players, amongst them being E. Phillipson, R. Miller, P. Perry, Telfer, J. Mahar, I. Dromgoole, K. Hendry and S. Burns. Messrs T. Gallavin, C. Boyd, G. Kane, J. Roach and L. Mathews were appointed coaches for the season.

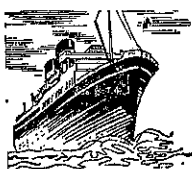
The second annual meeting was held on April 4th, 1940 with Mr C. Boyd acting as chairman. Mr S. Cording was elected President, Mr S. Burns Club Captain, and Mr J. Mahar Secretary. At the meeting it was proposed that all members serving in His Majesty's Forces be held over as financial for the duration of the war. It was in this year that the first account at the Post Office Savings Bank was opened.

During this period games were played at Officers Point. One notable feature about this ground was that whenever the ball was kicked too hard someone had to "go for a dip" to retrieve it. The notable personality in this occupation was Paddy Perry. This obstacle was countered to some extent by an "arrangement" which the club obtained with the Railways Dept. whereby a rake of trucks seemed to be placed in the offending areas whenever a game was being played.

As the majority of the players had departed for overseas the Club disbanded temporarily in 1940 until 1944.

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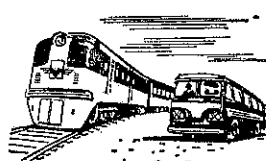
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It is with regret that we record that Messrs I. Dromgoole and K. Hendry gave their lives in this period in the service of their country. Mr Dromgoole was Club Captain in 1939 and Mr Hendry was a former committee member.

On July 19th, 1944 a meeting was held in the Lyttelton Labour Hall with the intention of forming a football club in Lyttelton to replace the former one which had been disbanded in 1940. Mr A. W. E. Falla, who called the meeting, was elected President while eight other members present were elected as a committee. Those present decided to call the club the Rovers Football Club. A further meeting was held on July 26th, 1944 when the members of the Rovers Club met the members of the old Lyttelton Rugby Football Club. The result was that the Rovers Club disbanded and the two clubs merged to re-form the Lyttelton Rugby Football Club. A provisional committee under the chairmanship of Mr R. H. S. Cording, former president of the pre-war club, was set up. This committee met throughout the remainder of the year, meeting with much enthusiasm from the local public and were able to lay the groundwork for the successful re-entry into the Canterbury Rugby Football Union competition in 1945.

1945

A general meeting of supporters was addressed on February 12th, 1945, by Mr W. Dalley who spoke of the past club and amongst other suggestions, advised the club to enter a team in the third grade competition for the 1945 season.

A well attended annual meeting held on March 15th saw a strong and enthusiastic committee elected and the 1945 season away to a flying start. Mr Cording was again elected President, with Messrs R. Arnold and W. Thomas as Club and Deputy Club Captain respectively. Mr D. Stanley was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Coaches for the season were Messrs C. Boyd, K. Loader, G. Duff and J. Sargentina. Teams were entered in the third grade, under seven stone seven pounds, under six stone seven and five stone seven pounds grades.

As the finances of the club at this stage were practically nil, an intensive fund raising campaign was launched that resulted in the club being in a very sound position by the end of the season. The large number of donations from Vice-Presidents and Honorary Members was very heartening to the executive. A big boost to the funds was the V.E. Ball run by the club in the old drill hall (now the R.S.A. rooms). Players of that year will remember the nights beforehand, when we pulled each other up and down the hall on sacks in an endeavour to put a bit of a shine on the floor. Monthly dances were held during this period and these also helped to swell the funds. Prominent among the supporters that made the fund raising functions so successful were Messrs C. Jackways,

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The highlight of the 1945 season was the appearance of the third grade team on Lancaster Park for the final, which they won handsomely.

A visit to Prebbleton for a friendly match against a team organised by Mr Pat Smith made a very enjoyable end to the playing season.

The present colours of the club, royal blue with gold band, were adopted at a general meeting held on August 28th, 1945.

The club were indebted to several local organisations for the use of their rooms and halls for meetings, and to Mr Cording, in whose tea rooms the majority were held. Mr Cording also provided a notice board outside his shop.

1946

The club commenced the 1946 season with substantially the same executive as in 1945, and in a sound financial position. It was decided that the club would outfit the boys teams in the new colours. Teams were entered in the second, third, 7st 7lb, 6st 7lb, and 5st 7lb grades, but owing to a lack of players it was later necessary to withdraw the 6st 7lb team. Coaches were Messrs C. D. Noonan, C. Boyd, P. T. Wilde and K. Loader.

During this season Mr R. Armour was killed in a motor accident. This was a big blow to the club as Mr Armour was a very good committee worker as well as being vice-captain of the second grade team. D. Parkinson brought honour on himself by being selected as Canterbury Junior Representative. Other players to gain representative honours in the lower grades were J. Morgan, W. Tekau and B. Finlayson. Towards the end of 1946 Mr D. Stanley resigned as Secretary, as he had been transferred from Lyttelton, and he was replaced by Mr D. Parkinson.

Note: The section 1944 to 1946 was contributed by Mr D. Stanley the Secretary throughout this period. For the following section we are indebted to Mr D. Parkinson who succeeded Mr Stanley in this post. Throughout the book we have been endeavouring to obtain our information from the men most closely connected with each period. Where we have been successful in this aim we are including the name of the contributor after each section.

1946-1948

I would like to heartily congratulate the members of the Club in reaching their twenty-first year of entering teams in the Christchurch Rugby competitions, also for the splendid record of sportsmanship they have shown both on and off the field through the years.

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When I became the Secretary in the latter part of 1946 the club was already in a very sound position financially and well established. This was achieved mainly through the efforts of the previous Secretary, Mr Doug Stanley, and the President, the late Mr Stan Cording. Mention should also be made of the conscientious committees they had working with them.

The two years 1947 and 1948 that I was Secretary I enjoyed very much as I met and worked with some fine stalwarts of the club. In 1947 the President was again Mr Cording, the committee, Messrs Reg. Arnold, Reg. Duckworth, Stan Hammill, Keith Loader, and Bob Duncan. We also had a very able social committee working under the guidance of Ken Patience. We were also fortunate in having one of the best ladies' committees that any sports club could have. The members of this committee were the late Mrs L. Stanley, Mrs R. Forsyth, Mrs L. Reed, Mrs K. Loader and Mrs D. Parkinson.

We entered four teams in the competitions in 1947, Juniors with Jack Wellsford as coach, Third Grade Bob Burns their coach, 6st 7lb Mick Hutana coaching them and 5st 7lb with Keith Loader in control. All teams finished near the top of their respective competition ladders. A perusal of the teams lists reveals some well known names then and others who were to make a name for themselves in later years as they moved through the grades.

1947 was the first year of the Heathcote Domain becoming the home ground of the Lyttelton Cub.

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At the end of the season members had a successful visit to Waikari. Cyril Jackways, who had been transferred to that district, did a lot of work at that end to make our trip enjoyable. We also had a visit from the Mokihinui Club, who came over to play a friendly game.

In the 1948 season Stan Cording and Rangi Forsyth were again President and Club Captain respectively. Ernie Hackett, Jack Wellsford, and Cecil Noonan had come into the committee, Reg. Arnold being the other member. The members of the third grade team took a keen interest in the social activities of the club. Fred Goodfellow, Alf Christmas, Bill Boyle, Brian Kempthorne, Ralph Fife and Bob Duncan being the committee with Ken Patience acting as Secretary. The Ladies Committee was comprised of the same members as in the previous season. Some excellent dances were being held in the Excelsior Hall at this time. Four teams were again entered this year. The juniors and thirds had the same coaches as the previous year while Cecil Noonan took the 6st 7lb and Charlie Read had control of the 5st 10lb boys.

The under-weights improved a lot this year. It could be seen that the time put in with the boys by the present and previous coaches was helping them to play better Rugby. Barry Porteous became a Canterbury representative in the 5st 10lb team. The two senior teams had some very hard games against Christchurch clubs who were beginning to build up their pre-war strengths again. A second grade team was entered in the seven-a-side tournament at Kaiapoi this year, returning home successful against all opposition. We were also host to a team from Waikari. Members of the second and third grade teams paid a return visit to Seddonville to play the Mokihinui Club. All members who made this trip will still have vivid recollections of a most enjoyable week-end.

1949-1953

At the annual meeting held on March 3rd, 1949, Mr R. H. S. Cording was accorded a vote of thanks for his work in the club. Mr Cording had resigned as President, through ill

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health, after holding the office since 1940. Mr Cording's abstention signalled the advent of Mr W. Geayley as President, a position he held continuously until 1958 except for one year.

Six teams were entered in the competitions this year. Except for the present season this is the largest number of teams the club has fielded in any one season. Heathcote Domain was again the home ground of the club. Night training caused some confusion at first with six teams practising at the same time but this obstacle was overcome by the boys teams practising at 5.30 p.m. and the seniors at 7 p.m. Two friendly matches were played during this season against visiting teams from Waikari and Mokihinui. As far as the teams were concerned this was one of the most successful seasons in the club's history. Seven members namely R. Arnold, D. Ashworth, M. Deavoll, I. Henderson, H. Lovell, T. Noonan, and E. Phillipson were members of the Canterbury Junior team while W. Woods made the 5th team. It is of interest to note that Messrs W. Geayley and R. Forsyth were Canterbury selectors in 1949. In 1950 an experiment took place when the under 6th 7th team travelled to the West Coast for a match. All who went on this trip will remember it for many years to come. A junior grade team, together with three other teams, were fielded in 1950. Mr M. Collier who had had such success with the junior team in 1949 was again coach but this team does not appear to have come up to the heights of the previous season. However, considering that this team had won the Junior Grade Championship in 1949, when they defeated Albion in the final at Lancaster Park with a last minute try, their results were up to the usual standard of Lyttelton teams. They finished well to the fore in their grade although they could not repeat their performance of the previous season.

At the 1951 annual meeting Mr W. T. Lester, who had been Patron of the club since its inception, was elected the first life member of the Lyttelton Rugby Football Club. To this day Mr Lester is the only man to hold this position, the greatest honour the Club can offer.

The 1951 playing season was not as successful as it could have been. Players of the calibre of Reg. Arnold, Mick Deavoll, Scotty Foster, Ian Henderson, Harry Lovell, Eric Phillipson, Tiny Young and others had reached the veteran stage while the young players had not had the experience required to match the Christchurch teams. The 1952 season saw the club have its last major success when the third grade team won their grade. Outstanding players amongst this team were W. Collins, (who later went on to play for the Marist Senior Team), R. Smith, D. Ashworth and I. Cowan.

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Before commencing the 1952 season mention should be made of the 1951 6st 7lb team coached by Ed. Veal, sen. This team reached the final and were beaten in the last second of the game by a penalty goal. Canterbury representatives were Alan Thorpe and Alan Sanders.

Four teams were entered in 1951—juniors, fifth, 8st 10lb, and 6st 7lb. Besides the 6st team the 8st 10lb, coached by Mr A. E. Sanders, nearly succeeded in winning their grade. The only defeats of the season being two heavy losses at the hands of Linwood, a team which appeared to have many overweight players. In one game the coach took his half back, Warren Woods, off the field to save him getting hurt.

In 1952 the club was reduced to third grade status. A young team, ably led by the wily Reg Arnold, won the competition, but not before a protest was lodged. In the final game the team which were credited with winning the grade played a few senior players from another club. A photograph taken at the game was reproduced in the Christchurch Star Sports with the result that the players were recognised. With this evidence before them the Rugby Union had no option but to award us the competition.

Very little of note happened during the 1953 season. Three teams, junior B, fifth grade and 7st 7lb were entered. Well known players of this year included: H. Lovell, W. Collins, J. Morgan, A. Forsyth, A. Keith, W. Newitt, I. Cowan, P. Mitchell, R. Threadwell, S. Foster, O. Bachop and J. Radonovitch in the juniors, R. Paulsen, K. Norris, A. Sanders, G. Adams, R. Kennedy and M. Lester in the fifth grade team.

The advent of the Police Training School in Lyttelton brought many promises to play from trainees at the start of the 1954 Season. Acting on this the club entered two senior reserve teams, a fifth grade and 7st 7lb. However, the Police did not live up to their promises and one senior reserve team had to be withdrawn. The remaining team had an unsuccessful year as did a very young fifth grade team. Coach Ted Hannah has reason to remember this team we believe. He promised the boys a five-gallon keg if they could lower the colours of the undefeated Linwood team. It is reported that Ted paid out with a smile as a result of this game.

Enquiries regarding the old rule book were made at this period, but as none were available it was decided to evolve a new constitution. However just prior to the next meeting an old copy was found. A special committee was appointed and as a result many of the old rules were amended and new ones added. After approval by a general meeting these rules were adopted as the new constitution of the club. A trip to Port Chalmers was cancelled on the eve of departure owing to the death of the port's Secretary. Another innovation in

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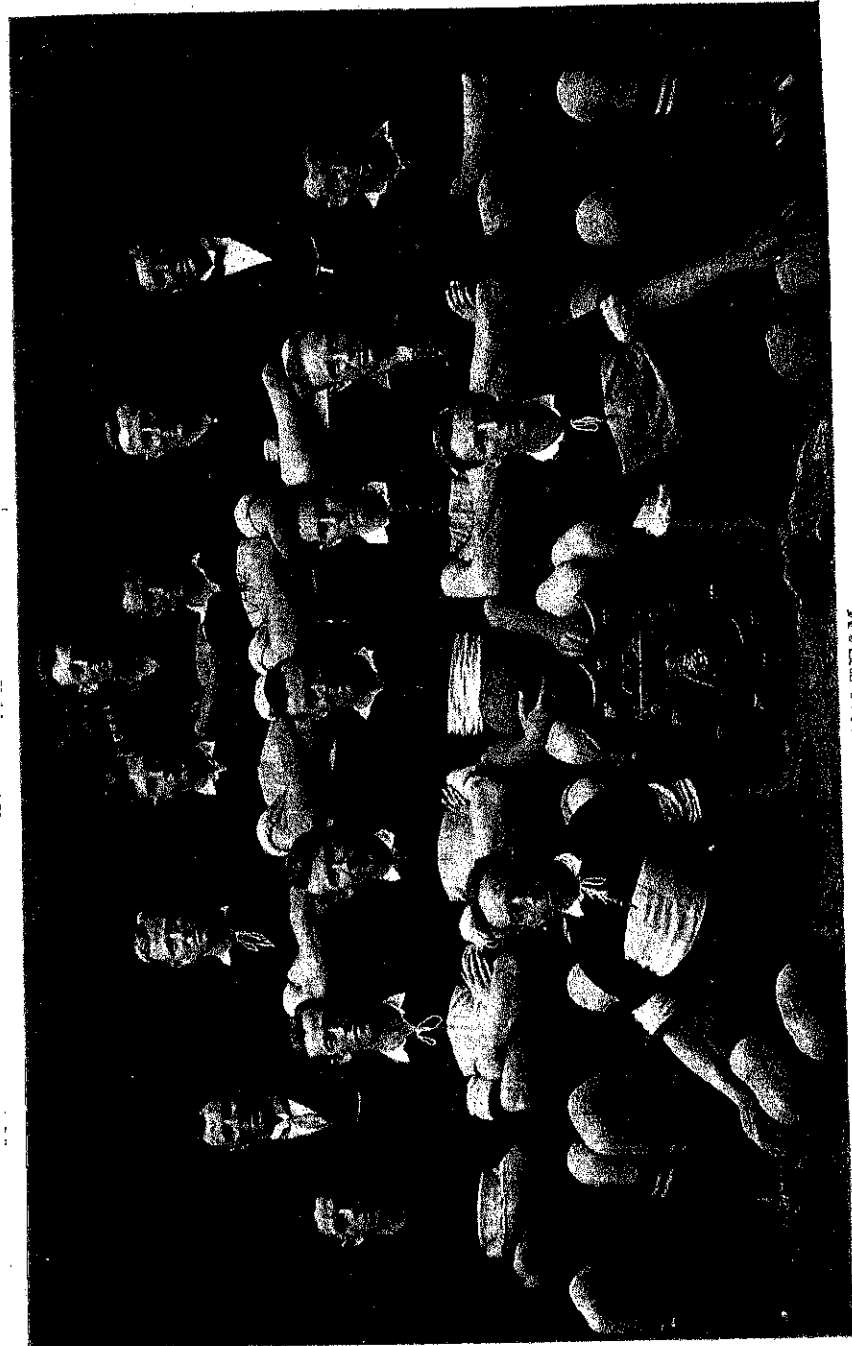


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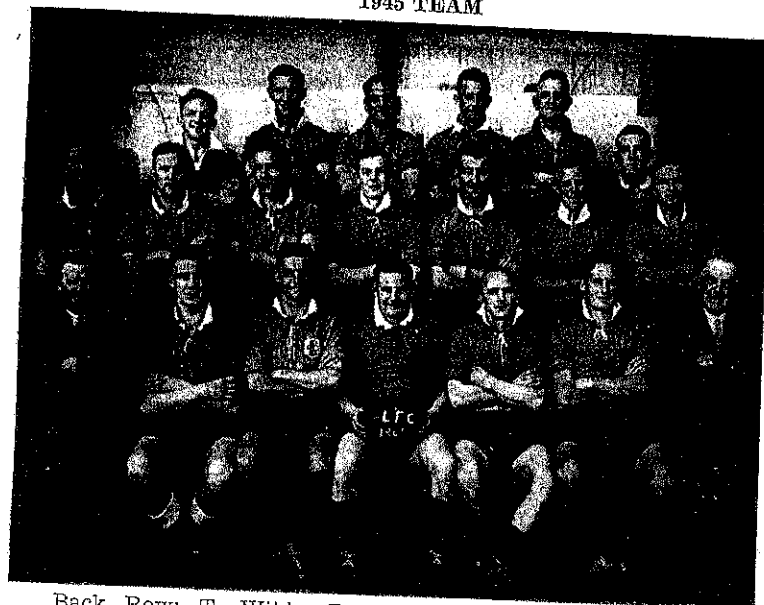
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1920 TEAM

Back Row: L. P. Radovinich. Second Row: B. Carter (Touch Judge), D. Bamford, L. Gilmore, J. Jeffries, C. Toy, D. P. Voyce (Selector). Third Row: W. Geayley, A. J. Stanley, L. G. Matthews, F. Moir (Captain), R. Mauiden, H. V. Lester. Front Row: T. Gellately, R. Collins.

1945 TEAM



Back Row: T. Wilde, B. Newitt, R. Forsyth, R. Bird, W. Geayley, F. Wells. Middle Row: W. Phillips, L. Jackson, R. Armour, J. Corbishley, R. Hillyer, I. Roberts, B. Couttie. Front Row: S. Cording (President), D. Stanley, R. Arnold (Club Captain), W. Thomas (Captain), R. Wilde (Vice-Captain), E. Phillipson, C. Boyd (Coach). Absent: T. Pool, H. Wells, B. Sinclair, T. Rodgers, S. Burns, D. Parkinson.

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Back Row: J. Morgan (Coach); B. Tilling, T. Pero, D. Collier, C. Subritzky, I. Cowan, M. Lester, J. Fletcher, G. Forsyth. Front Row: J. Fenton, B. Stanley, B. Morgan (Vice-Capt.), P. Frisken (Capt.), W. Morgan, O. Bachop, N. Brown. Absent: W. Sinclair, A. Sanders, M. Tasker, E. Fisher, S. Rawere, C. Reid.

1954 was the discussion of a club blazer and crest. It was not until 1958 that a monogram was finally adopted together with a blue or black blazer. The fifth grade team travelled to Kaitiaki. The only time they saw their opponents was on the field. Canterbury Representatives from this team were T. Jordan and K. Auld.

1955 saw the club enter three teams in the competitions:—junior, fourth and 5th 10lb. Maurice Morgan in the juniors, Tony Jordan and Dick Paulsen fourth grade, and Joe Collier and Neil McGinity in the 5th 10lb teams were selected for Canterbury teams.

This year was a milestone in the history of the Club. The local grounds were handed over to the Lyttelton Borough Council and as a result a public meeting was called to raise funds for a pavilion. The following committee was elected: Chairman, Mr J. Voyce; secretary, Mr R. H. Duff; assistant secretary, Mr A. E. Sanders; Committee, Messrs J. R. Priestley, R. Parratt, A. Graham, M. Dromgoole and G. Duff. Your representatives were Messrs Sanders and Priestley. An appeal by this committee saw the Lyttelton Rugby Club donate £150. Hard work over a long period saw the mission successful and the up-to-date building erected. It had been hoped to floodlight the grounds but insufficient funds were raised for this object. Members will remember some of the functions arranged to raise funds, in particular the fair held in the Main School grounds. The "Stags Head," ably supported by club members was a huge financial success. Another important function arranged by Bob Duff was the Rugby match played on the home ground. With many of Canterbury's top Ranfurly Shield team participating this match was a real thriller for the big crowd attending.

1956

The 1956 season started on a sad note. At the annual meeting members stood for two minutes silence in memory of two club members, Alan Keith and Tom Haywood who were lost at sea.

Coaches for the season were Messrs R. Forsyth, N. Harlick, R. Rakena, A. E. Sanders and M. Lester. The open grade players did very well this year helped by consistent physical training at the R.S.A. Hall with Messrs M. and D. Couch being the instructors. Another step forward was the enrolling of an under sixteen team coached by Mr R. Rakena. These boys performed very well but unfortunately many decided to answer the call of the sea.

The outstanding team of the season were the 5th 10lb team coached by Mr Dick Sanders. This team had the honour of being the first Lyttelton underweight team to win their grade and they won it so well that their record will take some beating. Undefeated throughout the season this team

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scored 274 points while only 6 were recorded against them. (The club offers its congratulations to Mr Sanders on his wonderful win. With time to take the boys almost daily he turned them into a polished and well-drilled team.—Ed.), Canterbury representatives in 1956 were M. Morgan, R. Kennedy, N. McGinity, and B. Collier.

Darfield was the venue of a pre-season match. After the game bus driver, Bob Forward, told the boys he would give them thirty minutes for "refreshments." Two hours later a very frustrated Bob finally got the boys on the way home after a very enjoyable time. Another trip was also taken to Akaroa later in the season. However the trip to Waimangaroa at the end of the season is the one most "vaguely" remembered by players of that year. It is understood that this was the first occasion on the West Coast where it was possible to sing that lilting refrain, "The Pub With No Beer."

1957-1959, by R. P. RAKENA

1957 followed much the same pattern of the past few years. Losses at the start of the season were followed by belated successes. The highlight of the year was Malcolm Lester's 5th 10lb team who were clear winners of their grade. This team scored 191 points while only 9 were scored against them. This was a good victory for Malcolm who had understudied Dick Sanders in 1956.

Early in the season the Mayor, Mr F. G. Briggs, officially opened the new sports pavilion. The facilities provided are excellent and the envy of all visiting teams. It was unfortunate that the opening was not more of a gala affair. The attendance was very small and as the opening took place between season no organised sports were held.

As an end of season function the Club decided to treat the underweight teams to a picnic at Southbridge Domain. Considering that this was the first club picnic it was a great success. Two bus loads and many private cars made the trip.

Four teams were entered namely, junior, fourth, Under 18 and Under 5th 10lb. Of these the 5th 10lb team coached by M. Lester won their grade. K. Norris's under 18 team were runners up while the two senior teams, coached by T. Couch, I. Cowan and S. Ferguson both acquitted themselves well. The juniors had some good wins, amongst them being victories against Merivale seniors and Canterbury Maoris. The fourth grade team won their first few games with such ease that they appeared to have the competition "in the bag." However luck was against them in the later games and they had to be content with a minor placing. Apart from the picnic other notable features were the annual ball and Past versus Present match won by the Present. During this season the club obtained the use of the Foresters Lodge Hall for club

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evenings. These were held every Friday evening. The purchase of indoor bowls, darts and other indoor sports equipment helped to make these evenings very enjoyable.

Messrs D. Dalley and J. Fletcher were Canterbury players while well known team members who were "always on the ball" included M. Morgan, B. Tilling, O. Bachop, R. Threadwell, A. Forsyth, S. Collins, D. Gillies, A. Sanders, G. Forsyth, J. Fenton, G. Adams, R. Kennedy, W. Morgan, B. Thompson, K. Norris and N. Beaton.

1958

The Patron, Mr W. T. Lester, declared the season open in 1958. Six teams were entered namely junior, fourth, under 6st 7lb, under 5st 10lb, under 5st 7lb and under 5st. Coaches for the season were J. Morgan, R. Kennedy, E. Dawson, C. Moir, J. Fenton, M. Lester, A. T. Johnson and G. Adams. As had been the case in the previous few years it was the under-weights who experienced most success in the competitions. If some of the senior members were to display the keenness and enthusiasm of the younger teams they would surely meet with the same success. Congratulations are due to members who gained Canterbury honours. Amongst these were Maurice Morgan who had the distinction of captaining the Canterbury junior team. Others to make representative teams were H. Fisher, R. Page and E. Fisher in the under-weights. Mention should also be made of the 8st 10lb team formed by Mr A. E. Sanders half way through the season. The club was very pleased to welcome Dick back after a fairly lengthy period in hospital at Hanmer. This team played several friendly games with average success but the main factor was that they were retained for the club. The members of this team largely comprised the 1959 under sixteen team.

The 1958 season could go down as one of the most successful the club has experienced: The success could be attributed to the Club Captain, John Fenton, backed by a most energetic and co-operative committee which was comprised of the following members: President, Mr W. Geayley; Club Captain, Mr J. Fenton; Deputy, Mr M. Lester; Treasurer, Mr B. Stanley; Secretary, Mr R. Rakena; Committee, Messrs T. Gilmore, J. Morgan, T. Baines, P. Miller, and J. Fletcher. On the social side the revival of the smoko proved to be the most successful function. The Lyttelton Harbour Board Social Hall was packed to capacity and everyone agreed it was a most enjoyable evening. The ball was another good evening but suffered through a clash with other functions. The children's picnic was held at Waihora Domain in 1958 and proved to be an even bigger success than the previous year's. Mention should also be made of the Present versus Past match. This game was arranged as a benefit match for the St John Ambulance Association

and proved to be a thriller for the large crowd attending. The Present won 3-0 but only after a great duel. We were very pleased to see amongst the ranks of the Past, E. Phillipson, D. Parkinson, I. Cowan, W. Newitt, W. Collins and E. Veal.

The juniors travelled to Hokitika for a most enjoyable week-end while the fourths went south to Timaru. A combined team travelled to Culverden and then later entertained this team at Lyttelton.

1959

The twenty-first year got away to a good start with seven teams being entered in the following grades—junior, fourth, under sixteen, under 6st 7lb, 6st and two 5st teams. The entry was a record for the club and emphasised once again the gradual build up in strength over the previous few years. Coaches for the season were: J. Morgan; T. Gilmore; A. E. Sanders; M. Morgan; G. Adams, A. T. Johnson, B. Stanley, J. Fletcher and M. Lester. Of these teams the 6st, coached by Pat Johnson was the most successful. At time of writing it is not known whether this team won or were runners up in their grade. Congratulations are due to Pat and his boys on their good showing. The juniors, after starting the season well, faded slightly towards the end to finish in about third place. The fourth grade and under sixteens both went well but luck was against them. The three senior teams all suffered from shortages of players throughout the season. The 6st 7lb and 5st A both had their share of success but were rather unlucky on several occasions. Malcolm Lester's 5st B team, after an indifferent start, finished the season with several wins which came too late to give them the competition. The fourths travelled to Reefton where we are told they had a most successful and enjoyable week-end. Canterbury representatives for 1959 were T. Gilmore, H. Fisher, E. Fisher, G. Monk and G. Thomas.

To mark the twenty-first anniversary several functions were held. On July 18th the Canterbury Rugby Union granted the club games for all teams at Lyttelton. On the sporting field the club did not fare too well but the organisation and refreshments supplied brought considerable praise from all visiting teams.

The annual ball held in the R.S.A. Hall was one of the best ever held by the club. One of the most pleasing aspects was the number of former players who attended. Eight of the original team plus Mr W. Dalley, who was responsible for a lot of the early organisation were amongst those present. A feature of 1959 was the revival of the social evenings held in the past. The enthusiasm of all attending was very encouraging to the committee.

The success of these evenings was due in no small way to a very energetic ladies committee headed by Mrs L. Baines.

This committee, formed in 1959, followed very closely in the footsteps of the hard working committee formed after the war. It is hoped that the ladies will continue their keen interest in the club in the future years.

During this year the club was again fortunate in having the use of the Foresters Hall for Friday evenings and for the ladies nights on a Monday. The annual Past versus Present match for 1959 resulted in a surprise 11-9 victory for the "old timers." Unfortunately not many of the real veterans were available this year and the Past fielded a fairly young side. However they thoroughly deserved their victory.

At the time of writing the concluding chapters of 1959 are still to take place. These are the childrens picnic at Motukarara and the smoko in the Working Men's Club Hall. Early indications are that these will be fitting finales to a good season.

It is now our pleasure to present brief biographical notes on some of the men who have been associated with this club since its inception.

MR R. H. S. CORDING

The late Mr Stan Cording was a very hard worker for the club during its early years. He first took an active interest in 1940 when he was elected President, succeeding Mr A. Stanley. Because of the intervention of the Second World War and the subsequent temporary disbandment of the club, Mr Cording's interests were not as active as they may well have been for some years. However, he did not lose his interests and when, in 1944, it was proposed to restart the club, Mr Cording was one of the first men to come forward and support the move. At a meeting held on July 26th, 1944 he was elected chairman of the provisional committee set up to reform the Lyttelton Club. At the 1945 annual meeting he was again elected President, an office he held until forced to resign through ill health in 1949. Together with Mr D. Stanley, the Secretary in 1945, Mr Cording organised an intensive fund raising campaign which resulted in the club being placed on their feet financially. Others associated with Mr Cording during these years included Messrs C. Boyd, R. Arnold, R. Forsyth, C. Jackaways and T. Rogers. With Mr Cording's untimely death Lyttelton lost one of its hardest workers, a loss which words cannot express.

MR W. GEAYLEY

One of the few members who managed to provide a link between the old and the new was Mr W. Geayley. As a boy he was a member of the 1920 team and played Rugby for various teams in the period 1920-1938. In 1939, when the present club was formed, Bill Geayley played regularly for the third grade team. At the conclusion of the War in 1945, Bill, although reaching the veteran stage, followed the third grade team regularly, playing whenever the team were short. However, realising that his playing days were numbered, he turned his hand to the administrative side. In 1949 he succeeded the late Mr R. H. S. Cording as presi-

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dent, a position he held continuously until 1958 except for the 1956 season. Few clubs have been as fortunate as the Lyttelton one in having such men as Messrs Cording and Geayley to guide them through their early years. Outside the club Mr Geayley has also brought honour to himself. In 1949 he was appointed selector of the Canterbury Junior Team, a season in which the club succeeded in winning this grade. His hand has also been felt in the coaching of club teams. Over the latter years Mr Geayley has taken considerable interest in several other clubs and organisations in Lyttelton and the fact that he was also representing the Rugby Club has helped to provide and maintain the harmonious fellowship which prevails amongst the various clubs in Lyttelton to-day.

MR R. FORSYTH

Mr R. Forsyth was associated with the club for many years after the Second World War. In 1945 he coached the 6st 7lb team, thus helping to initiate the boys section of the club which in 1959 shows a record number of players. In 1946 he was elected to the committee and in the following season he took over the office of Club Captain, a position he held for the next eight years. In 1949 he was appointed the selector of the Canterbury fifth grade team and brought double honour to himself in 1956 when he was selector of the Canterbury Senior Reserve backs.

One could not finish this chapter without mention of the Forsyth family as a whole. Two of his sons have played right through the grades, ultimately reaching the junior team. One of these, Gary, is still playing regularly. Mrs Forsyth was a member of the very active and hard working Ladies Committee which functioned in the club in the period after the War. Throughout the club's history their efforts stand unique, rivalled only by the present ladies committee who are endeavouring to emulate the works of their forerunners.

MR A. E. SANDERS

One of the hardest working members of the club in recent years has been Mr A. E. (Dick) Sanders. Mr Sanders main interest from April to October could well be said to be Rugby football, with special emphasis on junior grades. One of the best boys coaches any club could wish to have, the result of Mr Sanders' earlier work amongst the boys can be seen to advantage in the club's senior teams to-day. Despite ill-health in recent years Dick continues to maintain his interest in club teams. This season he is coaching the under sixteen team and thus helping to fill the gap in the club between the senior teams and underweights which had existed for some years. As well as his coaching activities Mr Sanders has served the Club well in other fields. In 1955 he succeeded his son, Mr A. L. Sanders, as Club Secretary, a position he held until 1956 when he was compelled to resign through ill health. In 1955 he was appointed a selector of the Canterbury Rugby Union's fourth grade team. In all Dick was appointed a selector on three occasions. In 1956 he coached the 5st 10lb team who were the first club underweight team to win their grade.

MR C. BOYD

Mr C. (Charlie) Boyd was one of the original members of the club. With Messrs W. Dalley and R. Arnold he was largely responsible for obtaining and keeping the ground at Officers Point in order. On numerous occasions he was called on to chair meetings of the early club. In 1945, together with Reg Arnold, he was instrumental in forming a team and setting the club on its feet again. He was also one of the finest coaches the club has ever had, his influence being shown in the victorious 1939 and 1945 teams.

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Although he has not been resident in Lyttelton for several years, one of the best friends that the Lyttelton Rugby Football Club has had since its inception has been Mr W. (Bill) Dalley. In 1945, when the Club was reformed, Mr Dalley made a special trip to Lyttelton to address interested residents and to give his advice to the Club with regard to the formation. Since that date he has maintained his interest, always supporting the Club in any dealings that we have had with the Canterbury Union. During the recent controversy over glass on the playing field it was largely Mr Dalley's influence which helped us to keep the ground open. Older members will also remember the pre-war days when Mr Dalley and Mr C. Boyd continually "cried down" protests by Christchurch clubs in connection with the ground at Officers Point.

MR R. ARNOLD

One of the best players the club has had, Reg. Arnold also distinguished himself in many other fields. A member of the 1939 team, Reg was very keen to restart the club on his return from active service and immediately set about gathering players from many quarters. In 1945 he was elected Club Captain and in the next few years was a member of the committee. In this year he was also elected captain of the third grade team, a position he held for many years. He was selected for Canterbury teams in 1945 and again in 1949. The club has had few, if any, players or workers as good as Reg Arnold during its short history.

Mention should also be made of Messrs T. Rogers, C. Jackaways, D. Parkinson and D. Stanley whose work as committee members in the period following the War is well remembered by all who were associated with them. Messrs Rogers and Jackaways made their influence felt in the social field where their fund raising efforts resulted in the finances of the club receiving a considerable boost. Mr Parkinson was a very active committee member holding the positions of Secretary and Club Captain at various stages. He was also a more than useful player. Mr Stanley was associated with the late Mr Cording in the early days after the War. Together the pair were responsible for raising funds and considerably increasing the membership.

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I. HENDERSON

One of the best forwards the club has ever had, Ian Henderson received his dues when he was selected for the Canterbury junior team in 1949. Ten years later in the Past versus Present match he showed that he had not lost much of his brilliance.

M. MORGAN

Maurice Morgan has been one of the best players produced by the club in recent years. His deceptive footwork has fooled many opponents while it helped to gain him representative honours in 1955, 1956, and 1958. It is also of interest to note that he was vice-captain of the Canterbury side in 1958. He left the club at the beginning of 1959 to play senior for the Albion Club.

D. DALLEY

Coming to us in 1957 after a season as captain of the Christchurch Boys' High School first fifteen, Don Dalley proved to be a good leader of the team during his two seasons with the club. He gained representative honours in 1957. He left in 1959 to continue his studies at Otago University.

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THE LATE R. ARMOUR

Vice-captain of the third grade team in 1945 and the juniors in 1946, Bob Armour was one of the best forwards the club has ever had. In a report in the Christchurch Star Sports in 1946, Mr Armour was described as the outstanding forward in the junior grade. He was selected as a Canterbury Third Grade representative in 1945. His untimely death in a car accident in 1946 was a great blow to the club and the port.

Many other names stand out over the years but space does not permit us to elaborate any further.

GENERAL NOTES

Although very few players of note stand out in the period 1952-1959 mention should be made of the following players who turned out regularly for the club and who have not already been mentioned: Messrs W. Sinclair, J. Bowry, E. Dawson, B. Porteous, T. Gilmore, C. Read, P. Frisken, B. Stanley, J. Fletcher, D. Collier, C. Lennon, W. Smith, N. Brown and L. Jones.

The following coaches have also served during this period: Messrs M. Foster, C. Reid, E. Veal, R. Forsyth, C. Flattery, J. Welsford, N. Harlick, E. Dawson, R. Kennedy, J. Morgan, T. Couch, I. Cowan, S. Ferguson, C. E. Hannah, W. Higgins and A. Round.

Just prior to printing this book some interesting information was supplied to us concerning a club which functioned in Lyttelton in the period around about 1925. Calling themselves the Rapaki Club, they entered teams in the junior and fourth grades doing very well. Amongst the players were:—C. Fowlds, R. Gillies, E. Veal, R. Veal, R. Maulden, L. Watson, T. McGill, C. Gilmore, J. Jones, R. Sinclair, R. Sneddon, G. Tekau, B. Morton, G. Porteous, E. Paulsen, R. Rewi, J. Scott and W. Geayley.

We are indebted to Mr W. Newitt who has supplied us with an interesting scrapbook containing a cutting from the Christchurch Star Sports covering the 1946 Junior grade team. We quote from various sections. "After witnessing some of the displays in Senior Rugby this season, it was refreshing to see the attractive brand of game turned on by the junior Lyttelton side against Technical Old Boys last Saturday. Unbeaten so far this season, the Lyttelton Fifteen favoured the open type of game in spite of the fact that the ground was saturated and the ball as hard to hold as a greasy pig, and won 14-0. By and large it was an encouraging exhibition." Concerning the captain Reg Arnold the paper states: "that his ability to be in the right place at the right time makes him dangerous on attack and very safe on defence." Other notable quotations are: "The outstanding forward is without doubt, Armour, the vice-captain. He is always

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Of the original underweight teams fielded in 1946 only the following are still on the active playing list for the club: Malcolm Lester, Gary Forsyth, Alan Sanders, and Dave Evans, while John Morgan is a member of the executive.

One of the unfortunate aspects of the Lyttelton Club over the years has been the gap between the under-weights and the open grade teams. This has resulted in the loss of many boys to Christchurch clubs. However, this gap is being gradually closed and it is to be hoped that future committees will continue this trend. A more lively interest by former players and parents would help in this aim. The Club is badly in need of ex-players to coach in the future. Other items needed badly are ground lighting, scrum machines and club rooms. Moves have been made over the last year to build up a fund to pay for the cost of a building for the latter.

Many firms and organisations have assisted the Club in the past but we feel that the following should receive special mention for their help: The Lyttelton R.S.A., Lyttelton Working Men's Club, Lyttelton Club, Lyttelton Harbour Board, Foresters' Lodge and the Lyttelton Fire Brigade for the constant use of their halls and amenities; J. R. Priestley and Co., M. Scott Ltd., Tyro's Bookshop, Ballins Breweries, Mackintosh Caley Ltd., and Days Motors Ltd., for their help towards picnics and social affairs; Mr Ron Miller, of the Lyttelton Hotel, for the use of his lounge for committee meetings; and Mr J. Morse, of the Harbour Light Theatre, for kind services over the years.

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1945—Mr R. H. S. Cording	1954—Mr W. Geayley
1946—Mr R. H. S. Cording	1955—Mr W. Geayley
1947—Mr R. H. S. Cording	1956—Mr C. E. Hannah
1948—Mr R. H. S. Cording	1957—Mr W. Geayley
1949—Mr W. Geayley	1958—Mr W. Geayley
1950—Mr W. Geayley	1959—Mr H. I. Cowan

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1947—Mr D. Parkinson	1956—Mr A. E. Sanders
1948—Mr D. Parkinson	1957—Mr R. P. Rakena
1949—Mr M. Deavoll,	1958—Mr R. P. Rakena
Mr C. D. Noonan ✓	1959—Mr R. P. Rakena

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R. Arnold—1945, 1949

R. Armour—1945

D. Parkinson—1946

J. Morgan—1946

W. Tekau—1946

B. Finlayson—1946

S. Hamill—1947

S. Williams—1947

C. H. Dann—1948

B. Porteous—1948

D. Ashworth—1949

M. Deavoll—1949

I. Henderson—1949

H. Lovell—1949

T. Noonan—1949

E. Phillipson—1938, 1949

W. Wood—1949

A. Sanders—1951

A. Thorpe—1951

E. Veal—1951, 1958, 1959

M. Morgan—1955, 1956, 1958

T. Jordan—1954, 1955

K. Auld—1954

R. Paulsen—1955

B. Collier—1955, 1956

N. McGinty—1955, 1956

R. Kennedy—1956

D. Dalley—1957

J. Fletcher—1957

H. Fisher—1958, 1959

R. Page—1958

E. Fisher—1958, 1959

T. Gilmore—1959

G. Monk—1959

G. Thomas—1959

The following are the present members with the longest associations with the club.

Bisman A.—1938-1959

Robinson H. W.—1938-1959

Thomas W. C.—1938-1959

Geayley W.—1938-1959

Mahar J.—1939-1959

Miller R.—1939-1959

Parkinson D.—1939-1959

Phillipson E.—1939-1959

Rhind H. A.—1939-1959

Scott M. J.—1939-1959

Toy C.—1939-1959

Berry A.—1945-1959

Briggs F. G.—1945-1959

Collins I.—1945-1959

Douglas T.—1945-1959

Herdman H. L.—1945-1959

Miller G. D.—1945-1959

Morris W.—1945-1959

Newitt B.—1945-1959

Patience K. R.—1945-1959

Stanley D.—1945-1959

Stanley L.—1945-1959

Thurlow A. J.—1945-1959

Tyro J. C.—1945-1959

Voyce J.—1945-1959

Wells F.—1945-1959

Evans D.—1946-1959

Forsyth A.—1946-1959

Forsyth G.—1946-1959

Forsyth R.—1946-1959

Lester M.—1946-1959

Morgan H. J.—1946-1959

Morgan M.—1946-1959

Sanders A. E.—1946-1959

Sanders A. L.—1946-1959

SENIOR TEAM CAPTAINS

1938—H. Wells, Under 18.	1951—R. Arnold, Junior.
1939—I. Dromgoole, Third.	1952—R. Arnold, Third.
1940—S. Burns, Third.	1953—I. Cowan, Junior.
1945—W. Thomas, Third.	1954—I. Cowan, Senior Res.
1946—R. Arnold, Junior.	1955—R. Threadwell, Junior.
1947—R. Arnold, Junior.	1956—M. Morgan, Junior.
1948—R. Arnold, Junior.	1957—O. Bachop, Junior.
1949—R. Arnold, Junior.	1958—D. Dalley, Junior.
1950—R. Arnold, Junior.	1959—P. Frisken, Junior.

IN MEMORIAM

The following is the list of deceased former Club members:

Armour R.	Hendry K.
Bisman J.	Jeffreys J.
Cain W.	Keith A.
Carter B.	Mutton A. R.
Cording R. H. S.	Rhind R. S.
Denton L.	Russell T.
Dromgoole I.	Stanley J. S.
Fletcher H.	Tibble J. E.
Foster W. T.	Toy W. W.
Gilmore Dr B. H.	Upham Dr C. H.
Heywood T.	Whitford R.

Messrs Dromgoole and Hendry were killed while on active service. Messrs Armour, Heywood, Keith, and Rhind were killed as the result of accidents.

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H. A. Wilson—Albion.
M. Morgan—Albion.
G. Telfer—Sunnyside-Spreydon and Belfast.
D. Defelice—Linwood and N.Z. Combined Services.
E. Veal—Technical Old Boys and Canterbury B.
C. H. Dann—Albion.
W. Collins—Marist.
W. Newitt—Albion.
T. Gilmore—Technical Old Boys.
E. Tissiman—Albion.

We feel that mention should also be made of the following Lyttelton born players who have played for New Zealand teams.

W. Dalley.
J. H. Parker
P. J. Burns.
R. H. Duff—Captain 1956 versus South Africa.
P. K. Rhind—New Zealand Combined Services (Kiwis).
C. D. Noonan—N.Z. Combined Services in Britain.
D. Defelice—N.Z. Combined Services in N.Z.

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