



2020 WRAP UP

DECEMBER 2020

Campbell Cup 2020



CAMPBELL CUP 2020 OFFICIAL TEAM LIST

TODD WYNTHAM (C)
UTUREI TOPAREA
DIAMOND TASI
MAX WALSH
JED STONE
HAMISH STAMP
PAUL STAMP
PAUL MILLS
JEFF PETERS

HEAD COACH
RAYMOND GREAVES
ASSISTANT COACH
FRED MCGREGOR



(C) MICHAEL KULENE
JAY GILMOUR
PHIL MILNE
DALEY MANU
MATTHEW WILLIAMS
LEAH HICKEY
CLIFF BEVERLEY
FREEMAN HICKEY
PAUL WALSH

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ◆ *New Board appointed*
- ◆ *Unbreakables TV show*
- ◆ *4 x Campbell Cup 's*
- ◆ *New Lynn Stags
PDRLNZ base*
- ◆ *Cliff Beverley Ambassador*
- ◆ *Kiwis reunion lunch*
- ◆ *First Regional branch
established - Christchurch*

So here we are at the end of another year...a year like no other, a year in which we have had to pull together in a very different way than we could ever have imagined at the beginning and we made it! Through the ups and downs of 2020 PDRLNZ has remained positive and thankful. We were especially thankful for being the only country playing Physical Disability Rugby League in the world, managing to get a 4 game competition in over the season.

The teams were selected as evenly as possible and the games were competitive to the end.

With the added bonus of Bev's broadcasting we were able to livestream two of the games which were

seen around the world by enthusiastic and somewhat slightly envious supporters that we were able to play while they were locked down. Big thankyou to Bevin for coming on board and giving of your time and talent to make this happen.

Congratulations to the Knights for taking out the competition and being winners of the Campbell Cup 2020 and thankyou to Coaches, trainers, referees, supporters and players who made this possible.



PDRLNZ New Ambassador Cliff Beverley



Physical Disability Rugby League NZ (PDRLNZ) was pleased to announce, Warrior #62 Cliff Beverley has been appointed as PDRLNZ's new ambassador this year.

Cliff made his NRL debut in 1999 in round 4 and went on to play 44

games for the Warriors then went on to England to play for the Salford City Reds in 2002. Here he topped the try-scoring list, scoring 38 tries, and helped the club win the National League One Grand Final and promotion to the Super League.

PDRLNZ are thrilled to have Cliff's passion and drive for everyone to succeed in life help inspire us all to keep doing what we are doing, to keep giving our all, to keep striving for the best and to continue being change makers for everyone with a disability.



Unbreakables

While the whole of New Zealand was in lockdown earlier this year we were treated to a delightful 6 week local documentary made by Television NZ featuring Physical Disability Rugby League New Zealand's own Daley Mann.

The documentary was put together to show the rest of the world how 'unbreakable' each of the participants are in their quest for greatness.

Daley was filmed for 6 months following him on his journey to play rugby league for the first time. We were treated to some behind the scenes moments as Daley gained confidence on and off the camera to realize his dream to play rugby league. We also were privileged alongside the rest of the viewers to witness his wedding day as he married



his beautiful fiancée Cecilia and made their family complete.

PDRLNZ 2020 AWARDS WINNERS



Sportsman
Phillip Milne

Players Player
Leah Hickey

Most Improved
Todd James Wyndham



Rookie Of the year
Diamond Tasi

Most Valuable Player
Phillip Milne

Outstanding Service
Freeman Hickey

Coaches Award
Hamish Stamp



Kiwis Reunion Lunch 2020



Physical Disability Rugby League international players were treated to a memorable afternoon at the Kiwis 2020 Reunion Lunch 15th November. Player Matthew Williams and Coach Ray gave moving speeches as they introduced the immortals of New Zealand Rugby League to the game of PDRL which left a positive impression on those listening of the broad scope of our great game. The lunch was capped off with exclusive seats to the NZ Maori v NZ residents game at Mt Smart with a victory to the NZ Maori. Big thank you to the NZ Kiwis association for the day.

PDRLNZ history was made this year when we were welcomed to the grounds of the New Lynn Rugby League Stags. After 2 years of training at Kelston Boys High school fields to who we are forever grateful—to officially have our own home base at the Stags has been amazing.

Thankyou to Club President Barbara Murphy, to Paula and to Bobby who come down every weekend between them to open up and to the rest of the club members who have made us feel so welcome.

We look forward to strengthening our relationship with the Stags over the years ahead as PDRLNZ continues to grow and expand our numbers and know we have a home here for as long as we need.



Unsung legends in a league of their own



*Leah representing PDRLNZ as ball girl;
with the Flag bearers for the Kiwi Ferns
v Fetu Samoa at Mt Smart Stadium
Saturday 7th November.
Kiwi Ferns taking the win over Fetu
Samoa*



PDRLNZ OPENS FIRST REGIONAL BRANCH CHRISTCHURCH DECEMBER 2020



On December 5th 2020 another PDRLNZ first happened with the official signing of the first regional branch in Christchurch. International player Phil Milne hosted Coach Ray, Matthew Williams and Sandra Hickey for the weekend as the official documents were signed at Hornby Rugby League and we are pleased to announce Jeff Peters assisted by Phil Milne as the inaugural regional representative. Big thank you also to Oakley and family for putting on a wonderful bbq on the Saturday night and also was great to catch up with some of our other Canterbury PDRLNZ family/players as well.

PDRLNZ have so many incredibly generous supporters over 2020 who have made everything we do and dream of happen. We are so thankful and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and an even more prosperous 2021.



Campbell Family
Sir Peter Leitch
Story makers

