

MacKenzie Cup

History of the MacKenzie Cup

The MacKenzie cup was named after Jeff MacKenzie, it was to acknowledge his support for junior rugby in Cambridge. The cup was donated by the Cambridge Junior rugby Club.

Objective:

The main objective of the MacKenzie Cup was to provide players who weigh over 57kg the opportunity to aim for a representative rugby team to experience representative competition

The 1st Tournament was held in 2009 at Memorial Park, Cambridge and was hosted by the Cambridge Junior rugby club.

Karl Thornton and the Cambridge Junior Club ran the tournament form 2009 – 2013. The tournament was traditionally played at the beginning of the junior club season. The Tournament was held over 2 weekends and played on Sundays.

In 2013 the format was changed to a one day tournament and hosted by a Hamilton Junior rugby club, Hamilton Marist. The Melville club has hosted in 2015 and 2016. The format currently is: 3 games over a day, 30 minute games, 15 minute halves, 5 minute halftime. The winner is based on who beat who, if there is no winner it is based on points for and against. The MacKenzie Cup is for the winner of the tournament and there is a secondary cup, for the runners up.

Date	Host	Winners
2009	Cambridge Junior Rugby	Southern
2010	Cambridge Junior Rugby	Te Awamutu
2011	Cambridge Junior Rugby	Hamilton West
2012	Cambridge Junior Rugby	Hamilton East
2013	Hamilton Marist	Hamilton East
2014	Hamilton Marist	Te Awamutu
2015	Melville	Hamilton West
2016	Melville	Hamilton East

Important files

Tournament Rules, team and ID sheets can be found at: <http://www.wcjr.org.nz/rebs.html>

Teams setup and process

Hamilton East and West representative teams are selected from 2 parts of Hamilton. The coaches are selected by WCJR. Jerseys and socks are provided by WCJR, these kits are stored with DG sports.

Te Awamutu team is selected by the Te Awamutu Sub Union. Combination of Kihikhiki, Tea Awamutu, Ohaupo and Pirongia. Played in the Te Awamutu Sub Union colours. The contact is the Junior Te Awamutu Sub Union.

Waikato Wide team is selected from Cambridge, Southern United Rugby Football Club (Tokoroa) Morrinsville and Matamata. Contact is usually from 13th grade coaches from Cambridge and SURF.

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