



Message from the President

To Club Presidents and Affiliates,

Dear all,

Attached is a paper from the Community Rugby Manager outlining the new Competition structure for Premier Division for 2009.

Last Tuesday the Board resolved the structure for the 2009 Competition. This decision was taken after many weeks of consultation with the Union, in particular with the President's Group, which has provided enormous input and value.

On behalf of the Union I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate our Member clubs on the manner in which this process has been undertaken. While the outcome will not, of course, meet everybody's requirements, it is the best strategy for Victorian Rugby.

I would like to extend special thanks to Jed Macartney who has led the President's Group and who made an excellent presentation to the Board last Tuesday.

2009 will be a spectacular centenary year for Rugby in Victoria. I look forward to working closing with everybody to ensure we make, not only an important historical occasion, but an enjoyable and successful time for us all.

All the best for the end of the Season.

Best Regards

Gary