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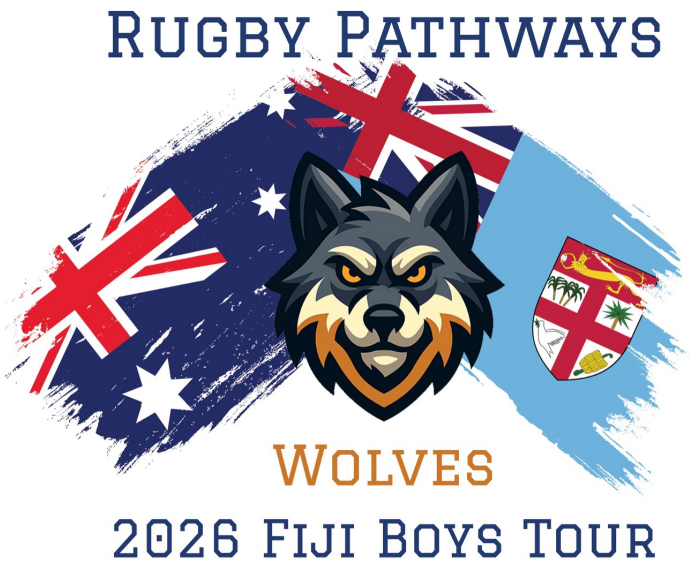
2026 Under 17 Boys Fiji Rugby 7s Tour

Nadi, Fiji

Information pack

7pm AEST / 8pm AEDT

Monday 15th December, 2025



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Experience over results

- ✓ Rugby Pathways places greater emphasis on the experience our players will have rather than a win at all costs mentality
- ✓ Making new friends, experiencing new cultures & creating lifelong memories
- ✓ Players getting outside their comfort zone:

A ship in a harbour is safe,
but that is not
what ships are built for.

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Who can go on the 2026 Boys Fiji Rugby 7s Tour

- ✓ Our tours are open to rugby players from all around Australia.
- ✓ As long as you're male and age eligible (born in 2009 or 2010) you're eligible to join our tour.
- ✓ We have welcomed players from all over Queensland, Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia on our Girls 7s tour to Utah in July 2026



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Fiji 2026 Itinerary

- ✓ Sunday 27th September: Assemble on Gold Coast for 1-day training camp
- ✓ Monday 28th September: Depart Brisbane and fly to Nadi, Fiji
- ✓ Tuesday 29th September: Captains run & Cultural Day
- ✓ Wednesday 30th September: Gameday 1 vs TBC
- ✓ Thursday 1st October: Gameday 2 vs TBC
- ✓ Friday 2nd October: Rest, Recovery & River Safari
- ✓ Saturday 3rd October: Gameday 3 vs TBC
- ✓ Sunday 4th October: Recovery & Cultural Show & Fire Dance with Dinner
- ✓ Monday 5th October: Depart Nadi and fly to Brisbane, QLD

**Subject to change depending on game confirmations

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Training Camp

- In preparation for the 2026 Fiji Rugby 7s Tour we will be holding a pre-departure training camp on the Gold Coast:
  - 1 day fully immersive training camp
- The compulsory 1 day training camp will cover the following:
  - Welcome & kit handout
  - Classroom / whiteboard session to install game plan
  - Multiple field sessions
  - Recovery
  - Team bonding & culture





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Flights

- ✓ Mon 28th September: Brisbane (BNE) to Nadi (NAN), Fiji
  - ✓ Virgin Australia 175
    - ✓ Depart BNE 9:40am || Arrive NAN 3:10pm
- ✓ Mon 5th October: Nadi (NAN) to Brisbane (BNE)
  - ✓ Virgin Australia 176:
    - ✓ Depart NAN 4:05pm || Arrive BNE 6:25pm

** Flights subject to change until booked**

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Games & Opponents

- We are looking at taking the following team:
  - Under 17 Boys team
    - Players born 2009 & 2010
- Minimum of 11 and maximum of 13 players per team ***preferred***
- All players can expect equal (or as close to) game time
- Expect a minimum of 3 days of 7s games (3 to 4 games of Rugby 7s / day)
- We will be liaising with the Fijian Secondary Schools Rugby Union to organise games against similarly matched opponents

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Game Specific Info

- ✓ We will have our own transport (Multiple passenger vans)
- ✓ Specialist game day nutrition & hydration sourced
  - ✓ Food, Water, Electrolytes
- ✓ Specialist trainer & strapper on staff
- ✓ Post game recovery program
  - ✓ In-tournament recovery equipment
  - ✓ Post games recovery pool
  - ✓ Post game recovery meal
- ✓ Times & locations - TBC



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Selections Criteria & Shadows

- The following criteria will be used when selecting the squad
  - Positions are filled on a first come first serve basis
  - Once an application has been received a tour contract will be sent out
  - If the tour contract is not accepted within a week the next applicant will be sent a tour contract
  - Positions on the tour are not guaranteed until the Tour Deposit is paid
  - In regards to positions first preference will always be given main priority however playing in 2nd or 3rd choice positions maybe necessary for the team

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Accommodation

- ✓ Uprising Resort
  - ✓ Specific Sports Resort for touring sports teams
    - ✓ Player dorm
    - ✓ Restaurant
    - ✓ Pool
    - ✓ Playing field
    - ✓ Gymnasium
    - ✓ Beach access

The UPRISING Beach Resort









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Fiji Activities

- ✓ Cultural Village Tour
- ✓ Sigatoka River Safari
- ✓ Sigatoka Sand Dunes
- ✓ Cultural Dinner & Fire Dance
- ✓ Mud baths













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Travel Insurance

- ✓ We have secured contact sport specific travel insurance for all players
- ✓ This covers players from the time the policy is undertaken until the player arrives back in Australia
- ✓ Injuries sustained prior to the tour are covered if documented (non pre-existing) injury renders them unable to tour – parents will be eligible for a refund via their travel insurance*



*conditions apply

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Meals



- ✓ All meals while in training camp, in transit and on tour will be provided for the boys
- ✓ A conscious decision has been made to reduce costs for the tour so where possible meals will be made / consumed at the accommodation
- ✓ When making meals is not possible, players will be consulted during the tour as to where they would like to eat…within reason and budget
- ✓ All dietary requirements will be assessed and adhered to whilst in training camp and on tour

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Merchandise

Each player will receive the following

- ✓ Playing uniform
  - ✓ Jersey
  - ✓ Shorts
  - ✓ Socks
- ✓ Training shirt
- ✓ Travel polo
- ✓ Training singlet
- ✓ Training shorts
- ✓ Rain jacket
- ✓ Backpack
- ✓ Water bottle
- ✓ Stickers
- ✓ Cap
- ✓ Journal
- ✓ Bag tag
- ✓ Sunscreen

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Player mentoring

- Another way in which Rugby Pathways sets itself apart from the rest is that we offer 6 months mentoring to all players who are selected to be a part of the 2026 Boys Fiji Tour. Each mentoring package includes:
  - 3 game or training reviews
  - Skill report
  - Off-season / pre-season / rep season skill development plan
  - Monthly call / video conference (15 – 30 mins)
  - Goal setting
  - Goal tracking
  - Weekly check-in (messenger, messages etc)

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Staff

- ✓ Jason Croll
  - ✓ Tour Director / Assistant Coach
  - ✓ World Rugby Level 3 Coach
  - ✓ Current First Aid certificate
  - ✓ Working With Children Check (QLD Blue Card)
- ✓ Additional Staff to be recruited (preferred candidates have been approached)
  - ✓ Head Coach – minimum World Rugby Level 2 & representative 7s Experience
  - ✓ Trainer – minimum Level 1 trainer with representative rugby experience

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Staff requirements

- ✓ Undertake a police background check
- ✓ Valid Working with Children Check (QLD Blue Card)
- ✓ Suitably qualified coach or trainer
- ✓ Minimum level 2 World Rugby Coach
- ✓ Representative 7s coaching experience

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Sponsorship

- ✓ One of the biggest things that sets Rugby Pathways apart from other tour operators is that we actively encourage and facilitate for our players to sell their own sponsorship to assist with the costs of the tour
- ✓ Prior to the tour we will ask for players to confirm what sponsorship they've sold and the placement which they have sold.
- ✓ We then work with our apparel manufacturing partners to ensure that the sponsorship logos / information at applied to your sons playing & training kit
- ✓ Once we are assembled in camp we will also ensure all the players are photographed in their tour kit so that they can be shared / promoted on social media
- ✓ We estimate that each player can sell approx. $4,150 work of sponsorship across their playing kit (placements / sizes on next page)

Sponsorship locations

Playing Jersey



Training Shirt



Playing & Training Shorts



Training Singlet



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Fundraising

- We encourage all tour participants to actively fundraise to assist with the cost of the tour. Some examples include:
  - Australian Sports Foundation – ASF.org.au
    - Tax deductible fundraising platform
  - Raffles – Cash or prize based
    - Check with your State Government to ensure compliance with all laws when conducting a raffle
  - Bake sale at school or rugby club
    - Fundraising idea: If your rugby club lets you use a home game as a fundraiser (bake sale, car wash, BBQ) why not use their logo on the front of your jersey
  - Carwash

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Accountability & Transparency

- ✓ I will be holding a monthly call with all the tour parents to provide an update on tour planning, bookings, financial updates and any changes to the tour
- ✓ Dedicated communications groups for parents, players and tour staff will be set-up and our main channel of communications (likely to be Microsoft Teams) to allow for pre-tour & on-tour communications, document management
- ✓ The tour package also includes an eSim for all boys to load onto their phones / tablets to allow them full communication with family, friends and loved ones back home at all times

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Expected Costs & Inclusions

- As of December 6th 2025:
  - The current expected outlay for each player is:
    - $5,892
- Things to note:
  - It is hoped that if flights can be booked & paid in full by mid February, 2026 the flight component (the largest expense) can be reduced by approx. $200 per player
  - The price above factors in a exchange rate of approx. $1.51 $AUD / $FJD
  - Whilst every effort is being made to reduce costs, until final players numbers are confirmed and paid the top end of $5,995 estimate may still be required

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Expected Costs & Inclusions (cont.)

- ✓ Included:
  - ✓ Gold Coast Training Camp
  - ✓ Transfer to Brisbane Airport
  - ✓ Return flights Brisbane to Nadi, Fiji
  - ✓ All Fiji Accommodation
  - ✓ All meals for duration of tour
  - ✓ All transfers within Fiji
  - ✓ Gameday costs
  - ✓ Confirmed activities
  - ✓ Tour kit & merchandise
  - ✓ Travel Insurance
  - ✓ Rugby Pathways Mentoring program
  - ✓ Qualified staff
  - ✓ Travel eSim for players

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Not included

- What's not included:
  - Flights & transfers to pre-departure training camp on Gold Coast
  - Personal spending money
  - Transfers & flights home from Brisbane (upon return)
    - Our travel specialist / agent can help organise flights / transfers as required

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Payment timings

- ✓ Wednesday 14th January, 2026 - $500 Tour Acceptance Deposit
- ✓ Wednesday 4th March, 2026 - $2,500 1st Installment
- ✓ Wednesday 6th May, 2026 – $1,500 2nd Installment
- ✓ Wednesday 8th July, 2026 - Final balance due

Subject to change without notice

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Next Steps

- ✓ Monday 15th December: Applications are now open
- ✓ Monday 5th January, 2026: Tour contracts sent out
  (possibly earlier depending on applications)
- ✓ Wednesday 14th January: $500 tour deposit due

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