

# ARANUI EAGLES Rugby League Club



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*Waka Hourua*



Located: Aranui, Eastside of Christchurch  
Members: 250+

Teams represented: 6yrs to Premiers.

Players age range: 3yrs to 36yrs

Members ethnicity: 47% Maori *approx.*

46% Pasifika *approx.*

7% European *approx*

History:

The Aranui Eagles RLC formed in 2006 with originally 6 teams.

The club grew steadily until the earthquake in 2011 when we lost two junior teams.

Due to the earthquakes we lost our club rooms, use of changing and gear sheds and use of home ground for training and playing.

Currently:

Have no club rooms, have purchased containers from funding for gear and changing sheds and were able to use our home ground mid-2013.





The Aranui Eagles Rugby League Club is located in Aranui which is a low socio-economic suburb in Christchurch.

We are firm supporters of the It's not Ok campaign and our children from an early age know that we won't condone violence in any form.

We have promoted this message through putting the message on mouthguards, drink bottles, hi-vis vests and sidelong flags.



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Suicide has affected many of our members in one way or another.

Applying for and eventually being granted funding from Waka Hourua enabled us to have conversations with some of our older members around suicide.

What we found was that many of our people wanted to share their feelings on suicide, what they had experienced, what their family or friends had or were going through.

As a club we knew this was a subject we had to take on board within our club and ensure we did it in the right way.

We needed the message to 'fit' our club and our people and we need to ensure that the message is taken by our members into their homes and extend out from there.

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