

NZRPA BY THE PLAYERS FOR THE GAME.

NEW ZEALAND RUGBY PLAYERS ASSOCIATION

The NZRPA Rugby Club Camaraderie – Networking – Support – Advice



The New Zealand Rugby Players' Association have established a network for retired New Zealand professional rugby players called the NZRPA Rugby Club. The club holds a number of events around the country as opportunities for former players to unite, spend time together and re-establish the camaraderie that our great game offers us. The NZRPA Rugby Club has also been created to provide support and advice for past players.

Designated NZRPA Rugby Club Relationship Managers, Mark Ranby and Malua Tipi and Fiona Brading, the NZRPA Overseas and Past Players Personal Development Manager are available to assist retired players with their ongoing personal and professional development, including career planning, education/study, finance and insurance, medical support, and mental health and wellbeing advice and services.

All retired professional player are encouraged to use the services of the NZRPA Rugby Club Relationship Managers and Personal Development Manager and attend any NZRPA Rugby Club events. To be added to the NZRPA Rugby Club database, receive information on events for past professional players or to get assistance please email contact@nzsra.co.nz or phone 0800 PLAYER.

Most Super Rugby Clubs also now have an Alumni (Past Player Club). NZRPA can provide their details to you.

"The NZRPA Rugby Club event showed just how important it is to stay in touch with the peers you played with or against for many years. We all have our own story, but it's awesome to be able to share with the brothers who are able to connect with you as they understand."

Pita Alatini, Former All Black, Super Rugby and provincial union player

"The NZRPA Rugby Club is a great initiative. Rugby produces some great friendships and the NZRPA Rugby Club offers the environment to reconnect with people you have not seen in a while and to share stories of where people are at and the success and challenges we experience." **Richie McCaw, double Rugby World Cup winning All Black captain**

Introducing the NZRPA Rugby Club Team



Mark Ranby – NZRPA Rugby Club Manager

Mark Ranby is a former Waikato, Manawatu, Chiefs, Hurricanes and All Blacks player who completed an English degree at Massey University. He played in Japan prior to going to Cambridge University where he studied theology. Upon his return to New Zealand, he taught in high schools and has spent over a decade as a Personal Development Manager for Canterbury, the Crusaders and the Highlanders.



Fa'amalua (Malua) Tipi – NZRPA Relationship Manager

Fa'amalua (Malua) Tipi played for Manu Samoa and North Harbour and is now the Personal Development Manager for North Harbour. He is also a lecturer at the University of Auckland's Faculty of Education and is the board chairperson for The Fono. Malua is currently researching male Pasifika undergraduates in university studies for his PhD. He has also been involved in research projects regarding equality, equity and pathways for Pasifika sports athletes.



Fiona Brading – NZRPA Relationship Manager (Career Specialist)

Fiona Brading spent time working with youth and in the travel industry before studying sports science and psychology at the University of Auckland. After travelling and working in the recruitment industry in both the United Kingdom and New Zealand, she furthered her studies in career development at AUT before setting up her own career coaching practice. She is also a former North Harbour Personal Development Manager.