Dinmore Clubs

Dinmore Bush Rats known as New Chum Bush Rats(the name changing in 1894) operated from 1888 to 1934.

The club was know as Celtics for a month in 1894 and just Dinmore in 1905 for a year reverting back to Dinmore Bush Rats.

The club withdrew from the Senior competition in 1934 but continued as a Junior club for three years

They reformed in 1945 and commenced playing in 1946 winning the Premiership in 1950 and 1954

Bush Rats had a number of grounds including Nunn's Paddock Reliance Ground, River Road, Riverview.(purchased in 1947)

They merged with Redbank Seekers in 1962 and eventually with St Helens in 1966

Bush Rats won a total of 42 trophies the most of any club.

Twenty one Queensland Representative and two Internationals were selected whilst playing for the club.

They club appeared again the seventies and again in the nineties only to fold.

The club again reappeared in 2017 as a junior club playing in the QCFC

Dinmore as a separate club also existed in the 1890's. Dinmore disappeared after 1894.

There is also mention of a Dinmore Stars and Dinmore Rovers in the late 1890;s but these clubs only lasted a short time.

Dinmore Wanderers known previously as New Chum Wanderers commenced in 1915. The club won Premierships in 1930 and 1934 and the Tristram Shield in 1933



Premiership Badge (1950)



Joseph Pedley (1911)



1911



Premiership Ring/Badge(1900) (Awarded to Michael Devereaux) 1901



DINMORE BUSH RATS

The origins of the Dinmore Bush Rats is unclear and there are several versions of the events Depending on which version is correct the club started between 1888 and 1891

*Dave Newlands (27 December 1952 Queensland Times (30)

Dave was born at Bathgate, between Edinburgh and Glasgow, and came to Ipswich in 1889. He took up residence in Brisbane Road, Booval, and has remained in the Booval area ever since. After a few years with Blackstone Dave, John Lovell, Jacob Tapp, and Tom Barker went to the Dinmore Bridge and formed twot eams. One team played at Nunn's Paddock, and the other was called Wallabies. Next year the teams amalgamated and became known a the Bush Rats.



*Ernest Rumble 27 October 1945 Queensland Times (31)

Many years ago, when the club was preparing one of its other playing areas, members worked till well after dark. "Come on, we'd better go home." said one of their number. otherwise people will think we are bush rats."Since then the name has stuck and always has meant something in the Soccer world.

*Joseph Potts(New Chum Bush Rats) (32)

When Dinmore Bush Rats first formed up they cleared a ground burning timber beyond the New Chum road bridge near Stafford Brothers property. The naming of the club was discussed and all agreed as they had worked in the dark with miners lamps that Bush Rats was the appropriate name

*Joseph Potts(Dinmore Bush Rats move to Reliance Ground) (33)

We fenced it with barbed wire(4 rows). I remember well we christened it playing Booval Stars we charged sixpence and took 50 pounds

Bush Rats ground 11th July 1893 Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Advertiser (34)

Ground which is situated almost opposite the pottery works, close by the New Chum Colliery a newly cleared spot, the work in connection with which was done by the Rats during their spare evenings, and, judging by the quantity and size of the timber in the surroundings, it was no light undertaking either, some of the logs being utilised as seats for the spectators on both sides of the boundary.

*Tom Barker(1912) Queensland Times "Bush Rats were founded 24 years earlier" (35)

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