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Tonight, we acknowledge our first responders and the vital work they do for our communities with our Chiefs Country Police squads from Waikato and Bay of Plenty playing a curtain raiser match. We thank them again for their service. You will also notice our charity of Gumboot Friday/ I Am Hope - please give generously if you are able for such a worthy cause.

It was a tough game last weekend down in Christchurch but we are glad to have our home advantage again for this game. We encourage you to cheer on your team proudly. Enjoy the game Chiefs whānau!

Simon Graafhuis

Chiefs Rugby Club CEO

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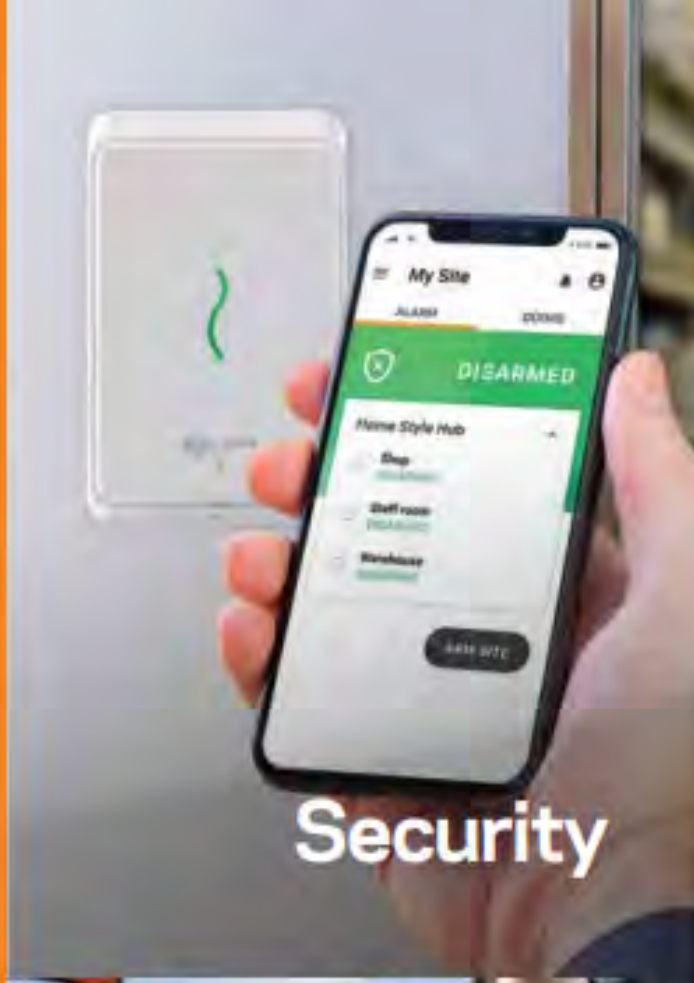

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"Moana Pasifika are a much-improved side. We have seen they have a lot more consistency in their performances, particularly at set piece, whilst maintaining their ability to hurt teams physically on both sides of the ball. They have also shown some nice innovations in their attack, so we will be anticipating everything and assuming nothing.

Etene and Ollie have been integral members of the team for several seasons now. To play 50 Super Rugby games is a significant milestone and we are eager to put in a performance that is befitting of their achievement and contribution to our club.

A highlight this week is rewarding players who have worked hard to get their first opportunity to play. We back our full squad and can't wait to see them state their case for further inclusion, especially at home in front of our loyal supporters."

Clayton McMillan

Gallagher Chiefs Head Coach

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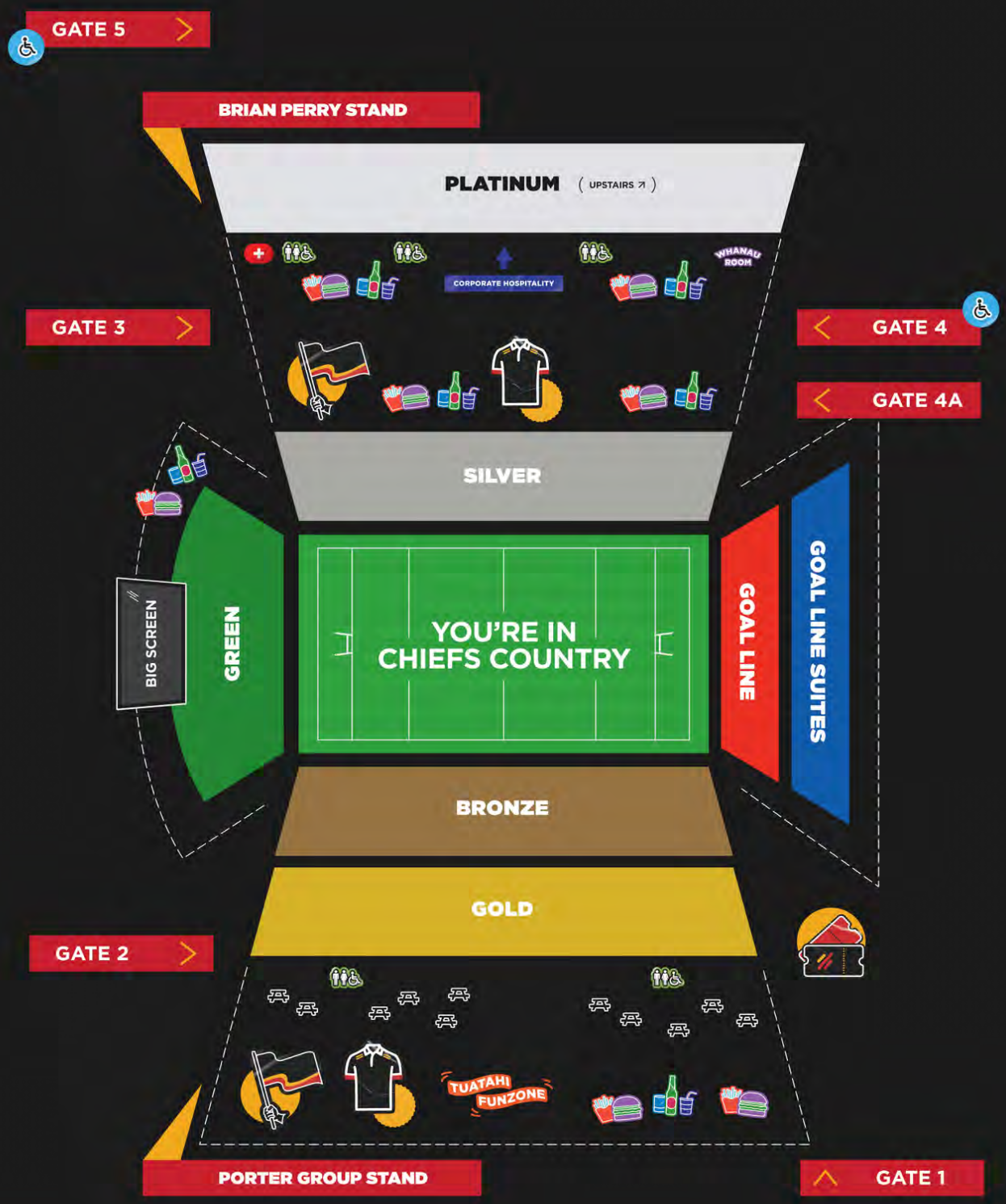

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Starting XV

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VAA'I

6 Samipeni
FINAU

7 Simon
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SITITI

9 Te Toiroa
TAHURIORANGI

10 Damian
MCKENZIE

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Player Profiles

#290 Aidan Ross
Position: Prop
Physical: 1.89, 111kg
DOB: 25/10/1995
Province: Bay of Plenty
Chiefs Debut: 2017 v Western Force
Chiefs Caps: 79
All Blacks Debut: 2022 v Ireland

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#312 Bradley Slater
Position: Hooker
Physical: 1.86, 110kg
DOB: 23/09/1998
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2019 v Sunwolves
Chiefs Caps: 53

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#325 Reuben O'Neill
Position: Prop
Physical: 1.83m, 117kg
DOB: 17/02/1995
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2020 v Sunwolves
Chiefs Caps: 21

#282 Samisoni Taukei'aho
Position: Hooker
Physical: 1.83m, 115kg
DOB: 08/08/1997
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2017 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 83
All Blacks Debut: 2022 v Fiji

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#329 Simon Parker
Position: Loose Forward
Physical: 1.97m, 117kg
DOB: 06/05/2000
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2020 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 11

Malachi Wrampling
Position: Loose Forward
Physical: 1.94m, 114kg
DOB: 16/04/2004
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut:
Chiefs Caps:

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Player Profiles

#336 Xavier Roe
Position: Halfback
Physical: 1.79m, 81kg
DOB: 13/12/1998
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2021 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 22

#263 Shaun Stevenson
Position:Outside Back
Physical: 1.90m, 90kg
DOB: 14/11/1996
Province: North Harbour
Chiefs Debut: 2016 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 90
All Blacks Debut: 2023 v Australia

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#357 Liam Coombes-Fabling
Position: Winger
Physical: 1.80m, 83kg
DOB: 07/07/1998
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2023 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 7

#328 Tupou Vaa'i
Position: Lock
Physical: 1.98m, 118kg
DOB: 27/01/2000
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2020 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 48
All Blacks Debut: 2020 v Australia

#298 Luke Jacobson
Position: Loose Forward
Physical: 1.91m, 107kg
DOB: 20/04/1997
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2018 v Blues
Chiefs Caps: 69
All Blacks Debut: 2019 v Argentina

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#338 Kaylum Boshier
Position: Loose Forward
Physical: 1.89m, 109kg
DOB: 09/04/1999
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2021 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 22

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Player Profiles

#340 Rameka Poihipi
Position: Midfield Back
Physical: 1.87m, 105kg
DOB: 14/10/1998
Province: Canterbury
Chiefs Debut: 2021 v Hurricanes
Chiefs Caps: 34

VC

#362 Manaaki Selby-Rickit
Position: Lock
Physical: 2.0m, 112kg
DOB: 05/06/1996
Province: Bay of Plenty
Chiefs Debut: 2023 v Rebels
Chiefs Caps: 9

#321 Ollie Norris
Position: Prop
Physical: 1.95m, 126kg
DOB: 11/12/1999
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2020 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 49

#348 Josh Ioane
Position: First-Five
Physical: 1.8m, 85kg
DOB: 11/07/1995
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2022 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 20
All Blacks Debut: 2019 v Tonga

#337 Josh Lord
Position: Lock
Physical: 2.02m, 106kg
DOB: 17/01/2001
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2021 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 22
All Blacks Debut: 2021 v USA

#344 Gideon Wrampling
Position: Utility Back
Physical: 1.88m, 102kg
DOB: 26/07/2001
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2021 v Blues
Chiefs Caps: 2

Player Profiles

#350 Cortez Ratima
Position: Halfback
Physical: 1.79m, 87kg
DOB: 22/03/2001
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2022 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 32

#242 Anton Lienert-Brown
Position: Midfielder
Physical: 1.85m, 96kg
DOB: 15/04/1995
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2014 v Bulls
Chiefs Caps: 111
All Blacks Debut: 2016 v Australia

#247 Damian McKenzie
Position: First Five / Fullback
Physical: 1.75m, 81kg
DOB: 20/04/1995
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2015 v Blues
Chiefs Caps: 116
All Blacks Debut: 2016 v Argentina

#349 Emoni Narawa
Position: Utility Back
Physical: 1.84m, 98kg
DOB: 03/07/1999
Province: Bay of Plenty
Chiefs Debut: 2022 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 31
All Blacks Debut: 2023 v Argentina

#333 Samipeni Finau
Position: Loose Forward
Physical: 1.93m, 115kg
DOB: 10/05/1999
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2021 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 37
All Blacks Debut: 2023 v Australia

#319 Quinn Tupaea
Position: Midfielder
Physical: 1.86m, 102kg
DOB: 10/05/1999
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2020 v Blues
Chiefs Caps: 38
All Blacks Debut: 2021 v Tonga

Player Profiles

#318 Kaleb Trask
Position: First Five
Physical: 1.80m, 90kg
DOB: 27/01/1999
Province: Bay of Plenty
Chiefs Debut: 2020 v Blues
Chiefs Caps: 19

#359 Jared Proffit
Position: Prop
Physical: 1.86m, 113kg
DOB: 14/09/1993
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2023 v Moana Pasifika
Chiefs Caps: 7

Kauvaka Kaivelata
Position: Prop
Physical: 1.89m, 118kg
DOB: 11/07/2002
Province: Counties Manukau
Chiefs Debut:
Chiefs Caps:

#365 Jimmy Tupou
Position: Lock / Loose Forward
Physical: 1.96m, 114kg
DOB: 08/08/1992
Province: Counties Manukau
Chiefs Debut: 2024 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 3

#309 Etene Nanai-Seturo
Position: Outside Back
Physical: 1.83m, 92kg
DOB: 20/08/1999
Province: Counties Manukau
Chiefs Debut: 2019 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 49

#320 Naitoa Ah Kuoi
Position: Lock / Loose Forward
Physical: 1.96m, 116kg
DOB: 07/10/1999
Province: Bay of Plenty
Chiefs Debut: 2020 v Blues
Chiefs Caps: 54

Player Profiles

#343 Tom Florence
Position: Loose Forward
Physical: 1.89m, 106kg
DOB: 20/05/1998
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2021 v Blues
Chiefs Caps: 4

#296 Te Toiroa Tahuriorangi
Position: Halfback
Physical: 1.74m, 85kg
DOB: 31/03/1995
Province: Bay of Plenty
Chiefs Debut: 2018 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 51
All Blacks Debut: 2018 v Argentina

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Sione Ahio
Position: Prop
Physical: 1.85m, 120kg
DOB: 29/01/2001
Province: Auckland
Chiefs Debut:
Chiefs Caps:

#366 Wallace Sititi
Position: Loose Forward
Physical: 1.87m, 113kg
DOB: 07/09/2002
Province: North Harbour
Chiefs Debut: 2024 v Reds
Chiefs Caps: 2

#351 George Dyer
Position: Prop
Physical: 1.89m, 124kg
DOB: 22/10/1999
Province: Waikato
Chiefs Debut: 2022 v Crusaders
Chiefs Caps: 28

#363 Peniasi Malimali
Position: Outside Back
Physical: 1.80m, 96kg
DOB: 08/12/1996
Province: Counties Manukau
Chiefs Debut: 2023 v Rebels
Chiefs Caps: 3

Player Profiles

#361 Daniel Rona
Position: Midfielder
Physical: 1.87m, 97kg
DOB: 10/09/2000
Province: Taranaki
Chiefs Debut: 2023 v Highlanders
Chiefs Caps: 15

#354 Tyrone Thompson
Position: Hooker
Physical: 1.86m, 11kg
DOB: 28/05/2000
Province: Hawkes Bay
Chiefs Debut: 2022 v Moana Pasifika
Chiefs Caps: 17

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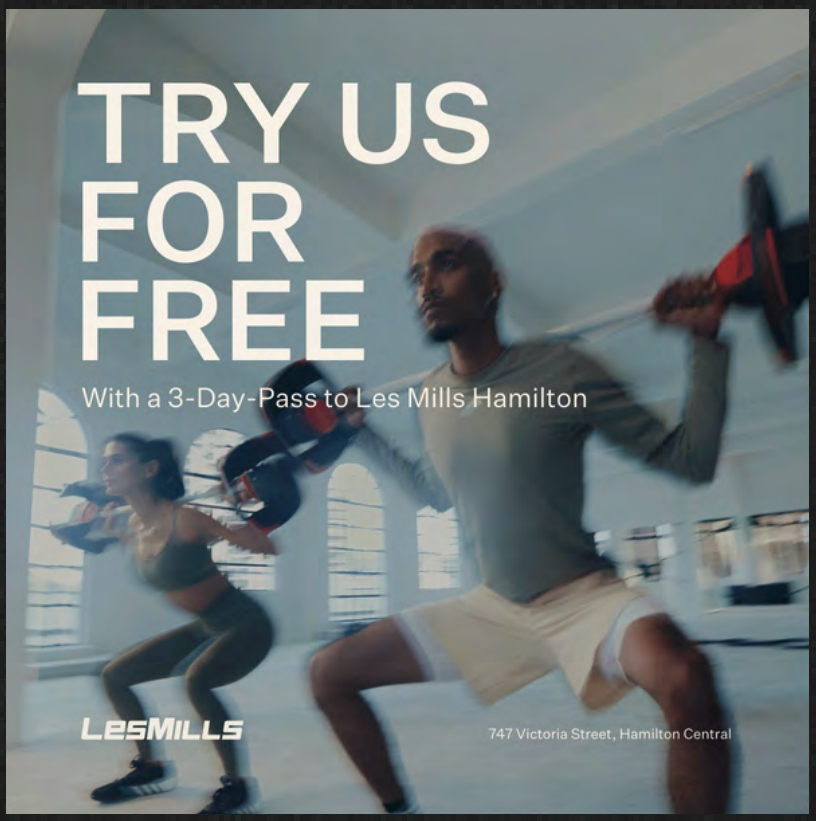

Coaching Team

Clayton McMillan

Head Coach

The Bay of Plenty centurion transitioned into coaching while finishing playing professionally in Japan.

Upon his return to New Zealand, he held several age group and club roles in both Bay of Plenty and Wellington before taking the reins of his home province in 2015.

In 2017 McMillan was appointed as the New Zealand Provincial Barbarians Head Coach to face the British and Irish Lions during their 2017 tour of New Zealand. Later that year he was announced as the incoming Māori All Blacks Head Coach.

In 2019 McMillan led the Bay of Plenty Steamers to victory as head coach, claiming the Mitre 10 Cup Championship title at Rotorua International Stadium.

He took up the role of Interim Head Coach for the Gallagher Chiefs in 2021. In his first season as head coach, the team had nine wins across the season with an appearance against the Crusaders in the Sky Super Rugby Aotearoa Grand Final 2021.

In 2022 he took on a role as Assistant Coach for the All Blacks XV, touring Japan. In 2023 he then went on to lead the Gallagher Chiefs to a record 10-game winning streak with the team once again meeting the Crusaders in the DHL Super Rugby Pacific final.

David Hill

Assistant Coach

Former All Black and Gallagher Chiefs first five-eighth David Hill returns to his former team as an Assistant Coach.

Before signing on as Chiefs assistant, Hill's hands-on coaching experience included the New Zealand Under 20 side, assistant at the Blues in Super Rugby, Bay of Plenty in Mitre 10 Cup, as well as joining the All Blacks as a kicking specialist for the 2019 and 2023 Rugby World Cup's.

Coaching Team

Ross Filipo
Assistant Coach

Waikato Rugby Head Coach Ross Filipo joins the coaching team with a significant playing resume having run out for the All Blacks, Crusaders, Chiefs, and the Wellington Lions.

He gained experience overseas playing for Bayonne, Wasps and Racing 92. Additionally, Filipo coached and played in Japan before he returned to New Zealand in 2019 to take up Rugby Development and assistant coaching roles with the Waikato Rugby Union.

Filipo moved into the Head Coach role at Waikato in 2021 to take out the Bunnings NPC championship during the union's Centurian season. Filipo joined the Gallagher Chiefs for the 2023 season with a focus on the lineout and general forward play.

Roger Randle
Assistant Coach

Former All Black, New Zealand Sevens and Chiefs player Roger Randle will head the Gallagher Chiefs attack. Randle's' coaching career now spanning over ten years, provides a wealth of attack coaching experience across both provincial and international rugby.

The Māori All Blacks and Waikato assistant coach has continued to build on his coaching resume with the Gallagher Chiefs moving from his role as the assistant backs coach into Attack Coach.

Coaching Team

Marty Bourke
Assistant Coach

A former fullback, Bourke stepped into an assistant coach role for the Bay of Plenty Steamers after plying his trade coaching club rugby. From there he took up a coaching role for Rugby United New York before returning to New Zealand to join Canterbury. After his first season as an assistant coach for the side, he was promoted to the head coach position where he took the team to the final.

Off the back of this success, Bourke was named as an assistant coach for the 2023 New Zealand U20s. Later that year, Bourke's Canterbury team made it to Bunnings NPC playoffs again, however, bowed out to Taranaki in the semi-final.

Bourke joined the Gallagher Chiefs as an assistant coach in 2023 ahead of the 2024 DHL Super Rugby Pacific season.

Nick White
Assistant Coach

Another former player turning his hand to coaching, Nick White, was a prop for Northland, Auckland, the Crusaders, the Highlanders, the Blues and New Zealand A before retiring. From there he joined the Blues as scrum coach in 2012 which then followed onto his appointment as head coach for Auckland in 2016.

White joined the Gallagher Chiefs as scrum coach for the 2018 season. He has been instrumental in the performance of the Gallagher Chiefs scrummaging since the beginning of his tenure and will continue to hold his role as scrum coach.

Opposition Team

Starting XV

1. Donald Brighouse
2. Sama Malolo
3. Sekope Kepu (c)
4. Ola Tauelangi
5. Tom Savage
6. Irie Papuni
7. Niko Jones
8. Semisi Paea
9. Melani Matavao
10. William Havili
11. Viliani Fine
12. Julian Savea
13. Fine Inisi
14. Nigel Ah Wong
15. Kyren Taumoefolau

Reserves

16. Samiuela Moli
17. Abraham Pole
18. Suetena Asomua
19. Michael Curry
20. Miracle Fai'ilagi
21. Aisea Halo
22. Otumaka Mausia (debut)
23. D'Angelo Leuila

Head Coach

Tana Umaga

Assistant Coaches

Toaigaotumua Tom Coventry
Stephen Jones

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46-12 (W)

9 March
Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane
25-19 (L)

16 March
FMG Stadium Waikato
46-29 (W)

23 March
FMG Stadium Waikato
28-21 (W)

29 March
Apollo Projects Stadium
26-37 (L)

6 April
FMG Stadium Waikato

13 April
Sky Stadium, Wellington

26 April
Allianz Stadium, Sydney

4 May
FMG Stadium Waikato

10 May
GO Media Stadium

17 May
AAMI Park, Melbourne

24 May
FMG Stadium Waikato

1 June
Eden Park

2024 Chiefs Manawa Draw

2 March
FMG Stadium Waikato
46-24 (W)

9 March
Pakuranga United Rugby Club
10-17 (W)

16 March
FMG Stadium Waikato
26-03 (W)

22 March
CET Arena, Palmerston North
43-12 (W)

30 March
FMG Stadium Waikato
26-40 (L)

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Nga Puna Wai, Christchurch

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