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The WDHS rugby club met for dinner at the Royal Coachman, their official sponsor, on June 16. The meal was a chance for the boys to share some stories, and celebrate the milestones of the past season.

Captain Matt Boag was recognized for being the first player in club history to score two tries in one game, and best friends Sean Kearney and Paul Bousfield were the first players to be jointly awarded the BOA. Players expressed their great respect for head coach Monty Heald and all of his hard work and dedication. Mike Dougherty was also acknowledged for his efforts as assistant-coach, as was team manager Cody Laidlaw.

The dinner also provided the opportunity for the club to present its most prestigious award, the newly-minted William Webb Ellis Medal (named after the mythical founder of rugby), to select members.

Awarded to graduating players who personify the good sportsmanship, dedication, athleticism and class on the pitch that rugby at Waterdown is known for, the Ellis Medal is reserved for the club's "Gentlemen Athletes."

Jonathan Antonecchia, Gary Sproule, Austin Walker and Eddie Enriquez became the first WDHS players to wear the medal.