

INVESTEC SUPER RUGBY

CHIEFS 2012 SQUAD

BEN AFEAKI
ALEX BRADLEY
SAM CANE
CRAIG CLARKE
SHANE CLEAVER
AARON CRUDEN
HIKA ELLIOT
MIKE FITZGERALD
ROMANA GRAHAM
ANDREW HORRELL
RICHARD KAHUI
TAWERA KERR-BARLOW
TANERAU LATIMER
FRITZ LEE
BRENDON LEONARD
LELIA MASAGA

LIAM MESSAM
TIM NANAI WILLIAMS
MARITINO NEMANI
DECLAN O'DONNELL
BRODIE RETALLICK
ROBBIE ROBINSON
MAHONRI SCHWALGER
TOBY SMITH
BEN TAMEIFUNA
SONA TAUMALOLO
ASELI TIKOIROTUMA
KANE THOMPSON
SCOTT WALDROM
SONNY BILL WILLIAMS
JACKSON WILLISON



COACH – DAVE RENNIE

Dave Rennie enters his first season with the Chiefs having coached the New Zealand Under 20's to three consecutive Junior World Championship titles from 2008-2010. In his sixth season with the Manawatu Turbos, this year he coached the Turbos to a place in the ITM Cup Championship Final. Rennie has also coached the International Rugby Academy of New Zealand and had a stint as Assistant Coach with the Hurricanes in 2002. In his first major coaching role as Head Coach of the Wellington provincial team in 2000, he led the team to a NPC Championship win that year. As a player himself, Rennie played 59 games as a midfield back for the Wellington Lions from 1986 and also represented the Cook Islands in 1990.

Assistant Coaches: Wayne Smith, Tom Coventry and Andrew Strawbridge.

**BEN AFEAKI**

Prop
 1.93m 126kg
 D.O.B: 12.1.88
 Province: North Harbour
 Super Rugby Caps: 18
 Super Rugby Points: 0
 Super Rugby Debut: 2010 v Sharks

**HIKA ELLIOT**

Hooker
 1.86m 110kg
 D.O.B: 22.1.86
 Province: Hawke's Bay
 Super Rugby Caps: 73
 Super Rugby Points: 35 (7t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2008 v Waratahs

**ALEX BRADLEY**

Number Eight
 1.90m 116kg
 D.O.B: 30.9.81
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps:-
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: -

**MIKE FITZGERALD**

Lock
 1.97m 115kg
 D.O.B: 3.2.78
 Province: Manawatu
 Super Rugby Caps: -
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: -

**SAM CANE**

Loose Forward
 1.86m 106kg
 D.O.B: 13.1.92
 Province: Bay of Plenty
 Super Rugby Caps: 5
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: 2011 v Lions

**ROMANA GRAHAM**

Lock
 2.02m 116kg
 D.O.B: 29.06.85
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps: 16
 Super Rugby Points: 5 (1t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2010 v Force

**CRAIG CLARKE**

Lock
 2.00m 116kg
 D.O.B: 1.8.83
 Province: Taranaki
 Super Rugby Caps: 58
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: 2006 v Stormers (Crusaders)

**ANDREW HORRELL**

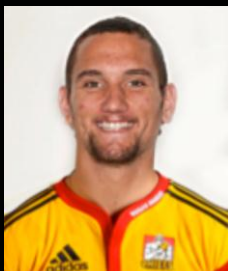
First Five-Eighth
 1.82m 93kg
 D.O.B: 18.7.88
 Province: Hawkes Bay
 Super Rugby Caps: -
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: -

**SHANE CLEAVER**

Prop
 1.80m 115kg
 D.O.B: 12.6.86
 Province: Taranaki
 Super Rugby Caps:-
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: -

**RICHARD KAHUI**

Centre
 1.90m 101kg
 D.O.B: 9.6.85
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps: 53
 Super Rugby Points: 85 (17t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2006 v Cheetahs (Highlanders)

**AARON CRUDEN**

First Five-Eighth
 1.78m 86kg
 D.O.B: 8.1.89
 Province: Manawatu
 Super Rugby Caps: 18
 Super Rugby Points: 117 (4t, 11, 25p)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2010 v Blues (Highlanders)

**TAWERA KERR-BARLOW**

Halfback
 1.79m 90kg
 D.O.B: 15.8.90
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps: 11
 Super Rugby Points: -5 (1t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2011 v Brumbies

**TANERAU LATIMER**

Loose Forward
 1.86m 101kg
 D.O.B: 6.5.86
 Province: Bay of Plenty
 Super Rugby Caps: 63
 Super Rugby Points: 35 (7t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2006 v Force
 (Crusaders)

**MARITINO NEMANI**

Wing
 1.85m 100kg
 D.O.B: 24.5.92
 Province: Hawkes Bay
 Super Rugby Caps:-
 Super Rugby Points:-
 Super Rugby Debut: -

**FRITZ LEE**

Number Eight
 1.90m 108kg
 D.O.B: 29.8.89
 Province: Counties Manukau
 Super Rugby Caps:14
 Super Rugby Points:10 (2t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2011 v
 Brumbies

**DECLAN O'DONNELL**

Wing
 1.86m 94kg
 D.O.B: 20.11.90
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps: -
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: -

**BRENDON LEONARD**

Halfback
 1.82m 93kg
 D.O.B: 16.4.85
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps: 60
 Super Rugby Points: 85 (17t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2007 v
 Brumbies

**BRODIE RETALICK**

Lock
 2.04m 115kg
 D.O.B: 31.05.91
 Province: Bay of Plenty
 Super Rugby Caps: 2
 Super Rugby Points: 10 (2c,2p)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2010 v
 Hurricanes

**LELIA MASAGA**

Wing
 1.80m 96kg
 D.O.B: 30.8.86
 Province: Bay of Plenty
 Super Rugby Caps: 62
 Super Rugby Points: 135 (27t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2006 v Force

**ROBBIE ROBINSON**

Fullback / First Five-Eighth
 1.81m 88kg
 D.O.B: 22.8.89
 Province: Southland
 Super Rugby Caps: 20
 Super Rugby Points: 54 (2t,7c,
 9p,1d)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2010 v Blues

**LIAM MESSAM**

Loose Forward
 1.90m 109kg
 D.O.B: 25.3.84
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps: 79
 Super Rugby Points: 90 (18t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2006 v Sharks

**MAHONRI SCHWALGER**

Hooker
 1.90m 106kg
 D.O.B: 15.9.78
 Province: Taranaki
 Super Rugby Caps: 28
 Super Rugby Points: -
 Super Rugby Debut: 2005 v
 Stormers

**TIM NANAI WILLIAMS**

Fullback
 1.82m 90kg
 D.O.B: 12.6.89
 Province: Counties Manukau
 Super Rugby Caps: 26
 Super Rugby Points: 38 (6t, 1c,2p)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2010 v Sharks

**TOBY SMITH**

Prop
 1.90m 115kg
 D.O.B: 10.10.88
 Province: Waikato
 Super Rugby Caps: 18
 Super Rugby Points: 10 (2t)
 Super Rugby Debut: 2010 v Reds



BEN TAMEIFUNA

Prop
1.84m 130kg
D.O.B: 30.8.91
Province: Hawkes Bay
Super Rugby Caps: -
Super Rugby Points: -
Super Rugby Debut: -



JACKSON WILLISON

Midfield back
1.82m 95kg
D.O.B: 5.9.88
Province: Waikato
Super Rugby Caps: 26
Super Rugby Points: 25 (5t)
Super Rugby Debut: 2009 v
Waratahs



SONA TAUMALOLO

Prop
1.85m 112kg
D.O.B: 13.11.81
Province: Hawke's Bay
Super Rugby Caps: -
Super Rugby Points: -
Super Rugby Debut: 2009 v
Crusaders



ASELE TIKOIROTUMA

Centre / Wing
1.87m 91kg
D.O.B: 24.6.86
Province: Manawatu
Super Rugby Caps: -
Super Rugby Points: -
Super Rugby Debut: -



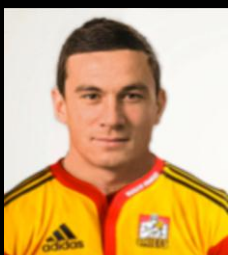
KANE THOMPSON

Lock
1.98m 113kg
D.O.B: 9.1.82
Province: Hawkes Bay
Super Rugby Caps: 14
Super Rugby Points: -
Super Rugby Debut: 2006 v Force



SCOTT WALDROM

Loose Forward
1.82m 101kg
D.O.B: 25.7.80
Province: Taranaki
Super Rugby Caps: 42
Super Rugby Points: 30 (6t)
Super Rugby Debut: 2004 v
Hurricanes (Crusaders)



SONNY BILL WILLIAMS

Midfield Back
1.91m 108kg
D.O.B: 3.8.85
Super Rugby Caps: 15
Super Rugby Points: 25 (5t)
Super Rugby Debut: 2011 v
Waratahs (Crusaders)