

Mid Canterbury RU Statistics & Other Interesting Facts 1976 – 2016

A total of 486 players have completed a 1st class career for Mid Canterbury between 1976 and 2016.

Forwards:

89 players
% to total = 18.3
No games played ranged from 1 to 14
Average no of games = 4.71
Median no of game = 3

45 players
% to total = 9.3
No games played ranged from 2 to 26
Average no of games = 11.58
Median no of games = 11

34 players
% to total = 6.9
No games played ranged from 1 to 10
Average no of games = 5.74
Median no of games = 6

2 players
% to total = 0.4
No games played ranged from 15 to 18
Average no of games = 16.5
Median no of games = 16.5

82 players
% to total = 16.9
No games played ranged from 4 to 122
Average no of games = 43.09
Median no of game = 30

Total Forwards

252 players
% to total = 51.9
No games played ranged from 1 to 122
Average no of games = 18.66
Median no of game = 9

Backs:

1 season only:

75 players
% to total = 15.4
No games played ranged from 1 to 16
Average no of games = 4.75
Median no of game = 4

2 seasons only:

53 players
% to total = 10.9
No games played ranged from 2 to 25
Average no of games = 11.13
Median no of games = 10

1 season only import:

31 players
% to total = 6.4
No games played ranged from 1 to 11
Average no of games = 6.42
Median no of games = 7

2 season only import:

6 players
% to total = 1.2
No games played ranged from 9 to 21
Average no of games = 15.17
Median no of games = 14

3+ seasons:

69 players
% to total = 14.2
No games played ranged from 5 to 152
Average no of games = 38.30
Median no of game = 28

Total Backs

234 players
% to total = 48.1
No games played ranged from 1 to 152
Average no of games = 16.53
Median no of game = 9

Players with 50+ games or 50+ points in their games for the Mid Canterbury rep team (career games or points includes games played for other unions or other 1st class games).

No of Games - Forwards:

Ross John (Jock)	122 games	(148 career)
Smitheran John	119 games	(121 career)
Frew Warren	115 games	(125 career)
Perry Richard	113 games	(120 career)
Dampney Jon	112 games	(120 career)
McCrea David	107 games	(112 career)
Hill Alan	106 games	(107 career)
Morrison Alistair	105 games	(107 career)
O'Grady Mark	100 games	
Cunneen Paul	99 games	
Carr James	99 games	
MacAskill Steve	96 games	
McLay John	87 games	
Parkin Bruce	87 games	(89 career)
Gill Jason	75 games	(77 career)
Gordon Huia	70 games	(164 career)
Harrison John	68 games	
McAndrew Peter	64 games	(65 career)
McDonald Lee	64 games	(79 career)
Church Raymond (Ray)	62 games	
Muir Vernon	60 games	(71 career)
Dwyer Daniel	57 games	
Tolu Tukulua	55 games	
Fleetwood Simon	51 games	

No of Games - Backs:

Frew Geoffrey (Geoff)	152 games	(159 career)
Roulston Murray	132 games	(139 career)
Feutz Jason	104 games	(105 career)
Grieve Alan	87 games	(90 career)
McCormack Brian	85 games	
Williams Paul	82 games	(87 career)
Young Murray	80 games	
Ellis John	75 games	(96 career)
McLeod Murray	74 games	(75 career)
Holmes Murray	71 games	
Nonu Manase	62 games	(63 career)
Rolleston Riki	60 games	
Middleton Steven	56 games	(59 career)
Howden Ian	55 games	(96 career)
Catherwood Richard	52 games	
Topham Peter	51 games	(52 career)

No of Points - Forwards:

Smitheran John	197 pts	41 tries	
Dampney Jon	152 pts	32 tries	(167 pts, 37 tries career)
Gill Jason	105 pts	21 tries	
Ross John (Jock)	84 pts	14 tries	

McLay John	59 pts	14 tries	
Doig Kenneth (Stu)	55 pts	11 tries	(60 pts, 12 tries career)
Hensley Karl	55 pts	11 tries	
Hill Alan	53 pts		
Cunneen Paul	52 pts	13 tries	

No of Points - Backs:

Holmes Murray	458 pts		
Middleton Steven	414 pts		(418 pts career)
Roulston Murray	346 pts		(350 pts career)
Maw David	340 pts		
Williams Murray	301 pts		(476 pts career)
Ellis John	243 pts	16 tries	(350 pts career)
Breach Grant	233 pts		(238 pts career)
Lindsay Kieran	219 pts		
Frew Geoffrey (Geoff)	154 pts	35 tries	
Mooar Bradley (Brad)	139 pts		(148 pts career)
Rolleston Riki	126 pts	8 tries	
Holmes John	123 pts	8 tries	
Feutz Jason	120 pts	24 tries	
Percival Jarred	104 pts	8 tries	
Letham Andrew	102 pts		
Young Murray	100 pts	25 tries	
Connell Brenton	100 pts	20 tries	(105 pts, 21 tries career)
Butterick Shane	89 pts		(93 pts career)
Koroitamana Setariki	88 pts	17 tries	
Dunlea Matthew (Matt)	82 pts		
McLeod Murray	79 pts	19 tries	
Sullivan Mark	72 pts		
Catherwood Richard	71 pts	12 tries	
Fulton Jock	66 pts		
Tapley Michael	66 pts		
Scott Ewan	63 pts		
Grieve Alan	60 pts	15 tries	
Howden Ian	60 pts	14 tries	(110 pts, 24 tries career)
Burrows Dwayne	60 pts	12 tries	
Green Craig	59 pts	14 tries	(454 pts, 112 tries career)
Bryant Geoffrey (Geoff)	56 pts	14 tries	(60 pts, 15 tries (career))
McCormack Brian	56 pts	14 tries	
Edge Alan	55 pts		
Coughlan Glenn	51 pts		
Umaga Jack	50 pts		

Other interesting facts

Average Finishing Positions from 1976 to 2016

As a Heartland team	2.82
As a 2nd Division team:	5.00
As a 3rd Division team:	3.29

Honours

John Smitheram (F)	1994	3rd Division Player of the Year
Greg Moriarty (F)	1998	3rd Division Player of the Year
Jon Dampney (F)	2013	Heartland Player of the Year

Played for two provinces in the same year:

Bale Paula (B)	1997	Mid Canterbury & Canterbury
McCormick Jason (F)	2003	Mid Canterbury & Marlborough

The no of players who have scored a hat trick of tries in the one game = 20

The no of players who have scored in all four ways in the one game = 2

All Blacks:

Craig Green (B) (1983-1987) whilst playing for Canterbury.

Grant Perry (F) (1980) & **Jock Ross** (F) (1981) are the only players, since 1976, to be a Mid Canterbury player and an All Black at the same time.

Maori All Blacks:

Aaron Flynn (B)	1998 (whilst playing for Canterbury)
Gordon Huia (F)	1990
Lee McDonald (F)	1989
Paul Williams (B)	1976

The following are one year mysteries ie. They played all their games in the one season and never played another 1st class game anywhere in NZ. (They were local players, not imports.)

The human interest is why, what happened to them? Was it injury, work, selectors choice, or just giving up the game?

I would be interested if anyone could answer these questions.

Boojman Vinnie (B)	2010	9 games out of 10
Boon Chris (F)	2007	9 games out of 11
Dixon C (F)	2006	10 games out of 10
Hiko Zane (B)	2007	11 games out of 11 & scored 10 points
Holmes John (B)	1983	15 games out of 18 & scored 123 points
Lock Chris (B)	2010	10 games out of 10
Miller Jonathan (F)	2002	10 games out of 10 & scored 5 points
O'Halloran Mike (F)	1994	14 games out of 14 & scored 10 points
Reece D (F)	1995	11 games out of 15 & scored 5 points
Todhunter Ben (F)	1993	12 games out of 12 & scored 15 points
Thomas Michael (B)	2006	10 games out of 10 & scored 23 points
Treves Paul (B)	1995	12 games out of 15 & scored 32 points
Wilson David I (B)	1978	16 games out of 16 & scored 8 points
Wallis G L (B)	1986	10 games out of 14 & scored 20 points
Wilson Nick (B)	2011	8 games out of 9