

# Club rugby gets star boost

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**WALLABIES squad member Richard Brown goes back to the roots of the game on Saturday when he turns out for local club Cottesloe in the RugbyWA Premiership.**

Brown, who missed out on selection for the Test match against Ireland in Melbourne was released to play club rugby by Wallaby coach Robbie Deans and will play against Perth-Bayswater.

He will be joined by prop AJ Whalley in the Seagulls line-up.

The clash between surprise package Wanneroo and Nedlands will see four Force players come head-to-head with halfback Chris O'Young and hard hitting centre Junior Pelesasa pulling on the green Roo Dogs jumper and Haig Sare and Luke Holmes returning to the Nedlands fold.

Competition leaders Kalamunda will have Josh Tatupu who has been in dominant form for their clash against Wests-Subiaco.

In other games rookie halfback James Stannard will line up for University against Associates while props Gareth Hardy and Kieran Longbottom will pack down against each other for Palmyra and Rockingham respectively.

\* Western Force flanker Matt Hodgson and teammate prop Pek Cowan will start for Australia A against Samoa in Apia in the second round of the IRB Pacific Nations Cup on Saturday. Inside back Scott Daruda is on the bench.