

Chris Handy

"Go You Good Thing"

Few names are more synonymous in the world of rugby, than larger than life sporting icon, Chris "Buddha" Handy. In constant demand as a guest speaker, both in the rugby and corporate world, Chris captivates audiences with his endless stories, sharp wit and unique style. He is a presenter on Channel 7's Queensland Weekender, and an ambassador for XXXX, Bundaberg Rum and Queensland Rugby.

A former barrel-chested prop forward, 'Buddha' Handy created mayhem on world rugby fields with his uncompromising and rugged play. Earning his Wallaby colours, he played in six internationals and joined a select band of Wallabies, lifting the Bledisloe Cup in victory on two occasions against arch rivals, the All Blacks.

Chris Handy commentated the Rugby World Cup from 1987 - 2003 and the Super 10 and Super 12 tournaments in 1998. Recognised as both entertaining and an expert, his wide and varied following is a testament to his affable nature and ability to convey the excitement and emotion of the big game to millions of people. As only he can say, "Go You Good Thing!"

Whether he is describing a player as having a "face like a squashed grape" or the All Blacks as being "like 15 mongrel dogs outside a butcher's shop", his quips are patriotic, passionate and a much loved part of rugby's texture.

A former accountant, Chris is also one of Queensland's most popular publicans, having owned and operated one of Brisbane's toughest truckies' and Rugby pubs, affectionately known as 'Buddha's Brisbane Tavern'.

With a resume the envy of every rugby enthusiast and having covered every World Cup from 1987 to 1999, Chris is also the author of Well I'll Be Rugged and a regular contributor to numerous rugby periodicals.

An accomplished speaker, Chris Handy has entertained guests in the UK, throughout Europe, New Zealand, Fiji, South Africa, Argentina, Hong Kong, Japan, France, Canada and the USA. As his nickname suggests, the affable roly poly 'Buddha' presents a multiple of sporting anecdotes which have made him one of Australia's most popular after dinner speakers.



Client Testimonials



Chris did a wonderful job, was extremely interactive with our guests and ensured a great time was had by all. I was particularly impressed with Chris' retention of guest names and his commentary on all games. It was a pleasure to work with Chris Handy.

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Skilfully introduced some industry specific information he only picked up minutes prior to the event.

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