Inspirational Rugby Quotes and Poems
The following quotes and poems were included in an Australian Rugby Union 2003 desk calendar.

But it isn’t just the winning  
Nor the scoring, nor the cheers,  
It’s the friendship and the memories  
That last you through the years.

It’s the camaraderie  
That’s born of valour not of fame  
It’s the sheer exhilaration  
When you play the running game

Peter Fenton

Gallant and good tempered in the field, may we love the game above the prize. Enable us to lose, when that must be, without sullenness, and when we win make us generous to those who are defeated.

Viv Phelps

In Rugby, like in life, there is a score, and there are going to be winners and there are going to be losers, and quite often the difference between the two is loyalty. The importance of giving, rather than receiving and the importance of sharing are all the ingredients of victory.

Alan Jones

Rugby for me, is the most wonderful team sport. It brings together a group of people from different backgrounds, possessing different personalities all with different ideas, varying degrees of skills and capabilities trying to achieve a common goal. To have actually done this at the highest level, with friends, in wonderful countries, playing against the best, is something that will never leave me.

Michael Lynagh

There’s a spirit in the Wallabies  
Mere words cannot describe  
It’s as if they had descended from some legendary tribe  
There’s a kinship, a tradition  
As in days so long since past  
Of crusades, of knights in armour, of men before the mast.

Peter Fenton