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Kieran Keane to lead North Harbour Rugby

North Harbour Rugby is pleased to announce today that Kieran Keane will be the Head Coach for QBE North Harbour Rugby.

North Harbour's General Manager David Gibson said it was an important appointment for the Union and our community.

"Our Purpose is to Improve Lives, Through Rugby, and to be a community driven organisation, and although Kieran is not from the region these values came through really strongly, so that is exciting."

"What is also exciting is the experience and knowledge that Kieran brings having spent time coaching at all levels of the game both domestically and internationally. He showed a real hunger to share what he has learnt to help grow the players and the next generation of Harbour coaches as we look further to the future."

Keane, a Teacher by trade played Provincial Union Rugby and for the All Blacks before moving into coaching. He has coached at Club level, Mitre 10 Cup for Tasman, Super Rugby for the Highlanders and Chiefs, and Overseas.

"I am extremely excited and privileged about the opportunity to support the growth of Rugby in the Province".

"Throughout this process it has become clear that there is a drive to improve on what has been achieved. Harbour has been led well by a strong player group, coaching and management staff and I am looking forward to adding value where I can to strengthen what is already a proud Union."

Keane will begin in February next year and will primarily focus on leading the QBE Harbour Rugby Program and provide Coach Development services within the community.

Details: www.harbourrugby.co.nz