

# Avalon hosts Samoan feast

Samoa came to Avalon last month in the form of a fantastic 'Fia Fia' feast hosted by Avalon Bulldogs Under-17s who are raising funds to visit the island nation in September.

As reported in July's issue the boys are also raising funds for their chosen charity RUOK?

The evening at Avalon Golf Club was attended and jointly organised by Samoan rugby league great Nigel Vagana who is representing the NRL in supporting the Under-17s' parents and players in making the tour happen.

The evening kicked off with a breathtaking display of traditional fire dancing. Partygoers at the sold-out venue then sat down to a traditional

Samoa feast prepared by caterers from the Island and served by Bulldogs Under-17s who were wearing traditional lava-lavas (cloth worn as a

skirt) that they will wear when attending functions on their upcoming tour.

A representative from RUOK? spoke to the audience and

the specially designed tour game jersey was revealed, with the sample auctioned off for \$300! A silent auction followed; the night was a resounding success, with great profit raised towards the tour and RUOK?

Fundraising will continue over the next few weeks before the team flies out in late September for 10 days.

