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GRAND FINAL RESULTS

A1 GRADE

Hamilton Kangaroos 35

DEFEATED

North Warrnambool 33

Goal Scorers

23 Marni Perry, 12 Stephanie Franklin

Best Players

Marni Perry, Stephanie Holcombe, Jessica McCallum

Notes from the Secretary –

When I asked Jess for her final coaches report for the 2014 season, this is what I got... And how fitting.

Congratulations to the A1 Netball side, bringing the Club home its first Premiership Cup. This side had an amazing season, moving between 1st and 3rd place throughout the year. It is great to see this team has pulled together when it counts and shared the taste of victory from the Club's first Premiership Cup.

After a day (or two) of celebrations, Jess submitted her last report.

Coaches comments – Jess Beattie

Saturday conjured a myriad of emotions.

Anticipation, excitement, elation and pride but it was an overwhelming sense of relief that enveloped me at the final siren. Knowing you have a team that can go all the way and the expectations that are coupled with this can be



a heavy burden to carry, so when the siren sounded signalling the premiership was ours I was so relieved. The game itself is somewhat a blur but I do remember some key moments. The start we made to the game was exactly what we had spoken about. We applied strong defensive pressure all over the court and backed this up with phenomenal shooting. North made changes at quarter time. We spoke about not being complacent due to our lead. North began to block our mid court drive which forced some errors. At halftime we still held a 6 goal margin but in the third North stepped up their intensity and out scored us 12 to 7. Leg cramps to Jess McCallum was causing grave concern at three quarter time and prompted a few positional changes going into the last. Ash van Wegan came on to WD, Jess Quinn to GD and Jess McCallum to GK. With a one point lead at three quarter time every player was asked to dig deep and produce something special and they did. North challenged and drew level but we remained calm and emerged two goal winners. Collectively it was a team effort with everyone playing their part in the win. Steph Franklin's movement in the goal circle was perfectly timed, with steady shooting under pressure. Goal attack Marni Perry, who received best on court honours was instrumental in attack and produced a shooting performance that had to be seen to be believed.

Our Netball Director Steph Holcolme continued her outstanding finals form, driving hard through the mid court and feeding the goalers. Captain Regan Luhrs ran the centre tirelessly all day, controlling the pace of the game in attack and not giving her opponent an inch in defense. Jess Quinn worked hard at WD for three quarters and then was inspirational at GD in the last. Jess McCallum got numerous turnovers and although experiencing leg cramps drew on her experience and got some vital touches in the last. Jo Mckew was strong at GK making the North goalers work for every possession and her pressure over the ball forced her opponent to make numerous errors. Ash van Wegan restricted her opponents movement and she provided strong drive out of defense. Molly Neeson came up from A2 to sit on the bench and played an important few minutes at GD. Bec Sherlock was a significant contributor to the team all season. She was unable to take the court Saturday due to injury but her voice, advice and encouragement throughout the finals was valuable. Thank you to everyone who has supported us throughout the season. Go Roos!

Photos from the game – Taken from the www.standard.net.au (Pictures by Rob Gunstone)



A GRADE

Hamilton Kangaroos 49

Lost to

Koroit 50

Goal Scorers

35 Kelsey Lewis, 14 Clare Crawford

Best Players

Alexandra Feely, Clare Crawford, Rhianne Lewis

Coaches comments – Sara Byrne

Grand Final Day, great atmosphere, huge crowd, perfect weather and an awesome game to finish off the year. The girls started very slowly, taking their time to find our style of game. Maybe nerves played a part but Koroit were playing strong netball and had quite a good lead at quarter time. The girls started to find their feet in the second quarter and started to play some good netball. We ate into Koroit's lead and got right back into the game until they got momentum again. The third quarter went exactly the same way and we were 7 down going into the last quarter. I asked the girls to keep fighting as I felt the game wasn't out of our reach. And for those who witnessed it what a brilliant quarter of netball it was. The fight these girls produced was amazing and I couldn't have asked for anything more. They left everything they had on that court and with a cool shot just before the end of the game by Kelsey we drew level. Into extra time we went with some very tired players but again they pushed themselves on and after another 14 minutes of tough netball we went down by a goal. To my wonderful group of girls, you all were amazing. You represented the club and your town brilliantly. Be proud of what you have achieved and let's work hard to prepare the onslaught in 2015.

RESERVES FOOTBALL

Hamilton Kangaroos 6.5.41

Lost to

Portland 8.9.57

Goal Scorers

2 Jayden Riddle Ryan Newell
1 Nick Armstrong, Allan Martin

Best Players

J Iredell, C Quinn, J Riddle, A Linke, R Fischer, L Uebergang

Coaches comments – Angus Brown

To say Saturday was disappointing is a bit of an understatement. Unfortunately our first half was nowhere near our best footy and in the end the 4 goal deficit at 1/4 time was too much to make up. We had a few good performers, but too many players were down at the worst possible time. The post match performance was better with this weeks highlight being Gus Noskes solid Saturday night, which led into the lowlight, Gus still in bed at 4.30 on Sunday. Thanks to all the players who turned out for the reserves this year, our captain Jon, assistant coaches Cam and Dela and Crowey for umpiring most home and away games. We had great support from the club and its followers which helped make a successful year, which can hopefully be built on in 2015.

CRAWFORD QUINN MEDAL



This Friday night we host our Crawford Quinn Medal Presentation Dinner. We will acknowledge our best players, milestone games and great support given to the club. Also during the night will be highlights of the season that was. This will be a great night for all.

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Sponsorship is a very important part of our Club's success and to have three teams playing in a Grand Final has a lot to do with the business support we get. We still have sponsorship available for next year and some exciting activities associated with them. With a great 2014, we are looking to build and have a better 2015 and hope you continue to support these businesses as they continue to support the Hamilton Kangaroos.

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