

TIGER

TALES

**Nhill & District
Sporting Club**



Pink Stumps Day

We have decided to release a Summer Edition of Tiger Tales this week to coincide with the Pink Stumps Day being held at Davis Park. Even though the summer months are the off-season for some of our sports, there has still been plenty happening behind the scenes that we wanted to tell members about.

Our footballers have been enjoying another pre-season, now under new coach Alan Bennett. Plenty of running and competitive work has been happening each Tuesday and Thursday night. Players know there is a long way to go before they are ready for the coming season, but the attitude at trainings is very positive and players are keen to see improvement from last year.

The netballers have also been hitting the track, getting plenty of fitness under their belt thanks to Emma Dickinson. Jim Lee has taken on the Netball Director role this year and the confirmed coaching positions are listed later in this edition of Tales. There are still positions to be filled, however, so if you're willing to stick your hand up then please talk to Jim.

Our hockey situation was looking dire only a few weeks ago, but pleasingly the club will still be entering three teams into the competition for 2015. Some of our players have been involved in a summer hitout in Dimboola, which is sure to keep their skills sharp for when the season proper begins.

All three sports are still looking for numbers at both the senior and junior levels, so if you or a friend are unsure if you're playing this year, please come along to training or get in contact with the right people and see if that convinces you to get involved.

The club is full of committed players and members and with numerous social functions also to be announced shortly there will be no better place to be for 2015.

The Editor.



From The President

As the 2015 season of winter sports begin a lot of work has been done in the off-season. A new senior football coach has been appointed; we welcome Alan Bennett and his family back to the club. We also welcome Nathan Sachse as the Assistant Coach to the senior football team.

The Reserves' coach is Tim Seymour; Under 17s' coach is Luke Oldaker; and the Under 14s' coaches are Brad Clark and Nathan Schneider. We wish these guys all the best so as supporters and parents let's get behind these people that are willing to put their time into the club.

On new players to the club we welcome Ryan Ganz, Jordan Zeitz, Jake Harrap and the return of Tom Driscoll. We also welcome Jake Corstens back. Hopefully there are also a few more names to reveal but they have not put pen to paper yet.

In the netball, Jim and Cathy have been working very hard in organising coaches etc. and they are named later in this edition of Tiger Tales. The hockey department is very well run by Wendy Crowhurst and they are busy getting three sides together.

At this stage I would like to thank the outgoing committee members for a job well done and welcome the new ones on board.

The Nhill cricket side is going very well, finding themselves on top of the ladder. The cricket department is run by Ash Dickerson and they are hosting the Pink Sumps Day this weekend.

The Social Cub this year will be run by new committee person Aaron Beer. They are already working on events and dates for 2015, with some announcements to be made soon. Keep an eye out around the club, in Tiger Tales, on TiqBiz and on our Facebook page for the latest details.

If you are sitting around and have some spare time, think about volunteering to help the club. It takes a lot of time and effort to run a sporting club and you don't have to be on the committee to put your hand up.

Get behind the Nhill & District Sporting Club in 2015.

John McLeod, President.



Football Report

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone at the N&DSC for the warm welcome I have received since being appointed Senior Football Coach for 2015. From the President down, everyone has been very supportive.

We started training in October, and after a couple of short breaks, started full pre-season in late January. I would like to commend those players attending training for their positive attitude and hard work. I feel we are making progress, but obviously I am new back to the club, after a 22 year absence, and new to the league, so it is too early to make any assessment of where we are really at.

The recruiting committee has done a good job so far with a number of quality new players signed to the club. It is great to welcome back Nathan Sachse, and I congratulate him on his appointment as Assistant Coach. He is already providing valuable support, input and leadership to our playing group. Thanks and congratulations to Tim Seymour for taking on the role of Reserves' Coach and I am really looking forward to working closely with Tim and Nathan throughout the season.

I am realistic that we have a lot of hard work to do and that the season ahead will have its ups and downs. I encourage everyone to work hard and support each other and always strive to be the best we can, no matter what our field of endeavour. I hope we are all looking forward to the challenge ahead.

Alan Bennett, Coach.

The Draw

Practice Match - Saturday, 21st March 2015

Pimpinio vs. Nhill Tigers (at Pimpinio)

Practice Match - Saturday, 28th March 2015

Nhill Tigers vs. Padthaway (at Nhill)

Round 1 - Saturday, 18th April 2015

Nhill Tigers vs. Dimboola Roos

Round 2 - Saturday, 25th April 2015

Minyip-Murtoa Burras vs. Nhill Tigers - night match

Round 3 - Saturday, 2nd May 2015

Nhill Tigers vs. Horsham Demons



Hockey Report

Despite a larger than expected exodus of players this year, Nhill will be entering all three teams – Rangers (mens/open), Thunderbirds (women) and Leopards (juniors) – in the Wimmera Hockey Association winter competition.

We're very excited to welcome a few new faces to the Rangers and Thunderbirds teams and to the N&DSC.

Hockey gets underway with Round 1 on Saturday, 11th April, although the final draw is still being drafted.

Nhill will be hosting the 2015 WHA Grand Final and Presentation Dinner on Saturday, 12th September.

A social Summer hockey competition is currently running on Monday evenings at Dimboola (photos below and opposite). A number of our players are part of a composite 'Mixed' team which includes players from Nhill, Warracknabeal and Yanac.

Hockey Victoria held a very successful Roadshow at St. Pats and Nhill College on Tuesday. This will be followed up with a Hookin2Hockey after-school program at St. Pats from next Monday, 23rd February. Thanks to Helen Cannell for organising and running this program – it's a great way to introduce juniors to the sport of hockey.

Mont Miller will be coaching our Leopards again as they aim for the top and should prove to be a very competitive team this year.

Until next time ...
Stick it to 'em!

**Wendy Crowhurst,
Hockey Manager.**

Opposite
Aaron Huttig has everything under control.





Above
Sammi Crowhurst with a one-handed dribble towards goal.

Left
Tim Braendler tackling his opponent.

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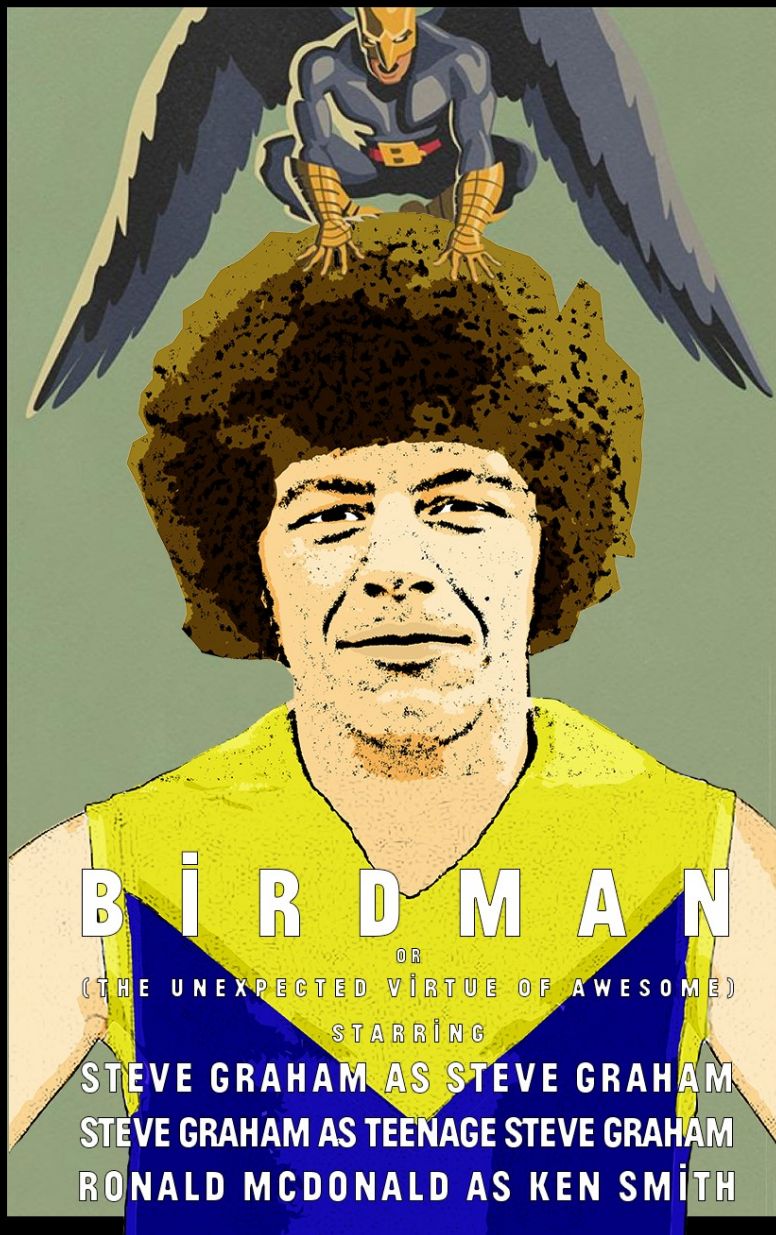
START DATE: Monday 23rd, February, 2015 **TIME:** 3:45pm

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Netball Report

The Netball division would like to announce the following appointments for coaches thus far. We still have several vacancies so if anyone would be willing to have a go that would be great. Please get in touch with Jim Lee, the Netball Director, by email on nhillnetball@hotmail.com. Training can be provided and there is support available from mentors at the club.

We would like to sincerely thank the following coaches who have taken on the challenge for the upcoming season. It is a fantastic effort and we encourage everyone to get behind these coaches and make this a great year.

U13	Vacancy exists
U15B	Emma McInnes
U15A	Rochelle James
U17	Vacancy exists
A Grade	Emma Smith, assisted by Emma Dickinson
B Grade	Vacancy exists
C Grade	Kat Bourke (if C Grade goes ahead)

On another note, we have been lucky to get Emma Dickinson to do senior fitness sessions at Davis Park which have been going for several weeks. It's great to see a few seniors and juniors making good use of this to improve their fitness.

On the junior side of things we have Margaret Jarred beginning fitness sessions for junior netballers starting on Feb 18th at 4pm. Anyone is welcome, just come along if it suits your needs better, junior or senior.

A welcome BBQ was recently held for senior netballers to try and ascertain what our numbers are looking like. This didn't give the club much indication as numbers were very low. Judging by the attendance rates at senior fitness training it's looking unlikely that we will have a C Grade in the competition this year. So please, if you're going to play we need you to let someone know as this needs to be finalised as soon as possible.

Finally, netball will also be participating in the upcoming practice matches on the 21st and 28th of March at Pimpinio and Nhill respectively.

Any queries please contact:
Jim Lee – 0417359793
Cathy Etherton – 0428912011

Go Tigers!!!

Cathy Etherton, Netball Assistant.

The Jungle Telegraph

Richie Dodds has had plastic surgery after a cricketing disaster almost cost him his tonne last month. Dodds deflected a top edge square into the middle of his nose, resulting in scene straight out of a horror movie. While the images are too distressing to publish, we can assure you the amount of blood made it look like a murder had taken place. Dodds' mother was quoted as saying "you should have worn a helmet". Very sound advice, albeit a bit late. The post-surgery Dodds is now on the mend, with his dear wife Tara stating that he now looks better than ever. However, she refused to comment on the rumour that botox was involved in the procedure.

Shrive mistaken for Twos' coach by one of the new Adelaide players. While surprised and confused when congratulated on his unexpected appointment, it was soon revealed to be a case of mistaken identity. Seymour and Shrive are still working out who should be more insulted by the mix-up.

Peter Hedt becomes Nhill's star hockey recruit, although we're unsure if he realises they don't have left handed sticks. There's also concern about how the nine-game senior football veteran will handle the coordination required when using a stick and ball. In his football days he was one of the worst complainers when Davis Park received a dint from a hockey stick, so we can only assume Hedt will be carrying around a bucket of sand to fill in his (many) divots.

Football Membership Signups

All football players are required to sign up with the Sporting Club online this year due to changes made to the registration system. This is not a change the Sporting Club has made, but it is something we can help step you through.

Step 1: you must make sure the club has your **current email address**. If the club does not have your details you can send them to Chris Jarred at cjarred@bigpond.com or via SMS to 0427928208.

Step 2: if the club has your email, go to our website (www.nhillfc.sportingpulse.net) and click the "Member Access" button at the top right of the screen.

Step 3: click "I would like to request my username and password". You will then be sent a username and password for registration.

Step 4: return to our website and click "Member Access" again. This time, click "I have participated in this Club before and have my username and password".

Step 5: enter in the details that have been emailed to you and select "Nhill & District Sporting Club" at the next screen.

Step 6: tick the correct details on the next page and click "Continue".

Step 7: fill in any of the required details on the last page and click "Confirm".

And you're done. Then keep your username and password safe for future years.

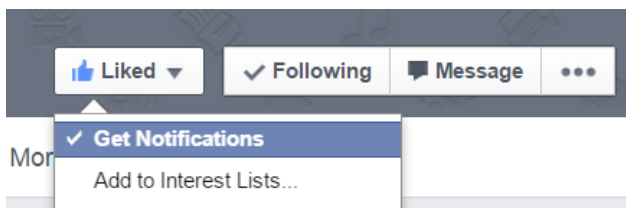
Facebook



Facebook is just one of the communication methods we use to help keep our players, members and supporters informed about the goings-on around the club. However, we've also received some feedback that not all posts are getting through. There are two ways to help make sure everyone receives the information they need (and both methods are pretty simple).

The first option: if you see a post from Nhill Tigers, please give it a like to help increase it's circulation (and improve its chances of appearing in other people's feeds). This also lets Facebook know that you want to receive more posts from our page.

The second option: if you're still worried about missing information from the Sporting Club, please go to our Facebook page, click the "Like" button and make sure to tick the "Get Notifications" option underneath (see image below). You will then be notified every time a post is made on our feed, or when new events and pictures are added.



TiqBiz



The Nhill & District Sporting Club has signed up to a notification app called TiqBiz. This gives us another option when communicating with members. Signing up to Tiqbiz is easy and free, as long as you have an Android or Apple smart phone.

Go to your relevant app store and search for TiqBiz. Once downloaded, use the search function and type in "Nhill". This should bring up the Nhill & District Sporting Club as an option. Select the Sporting Club and from there you can tick the different areas you would like to receive notifications for (such as football, netball, hockey, etc.).

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Pink Stumps Day

Date & Time:

Saturday, 21st February 2015

6:30pm



Where:
Davis Park



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with auctions, spinning
wheels and raffles running
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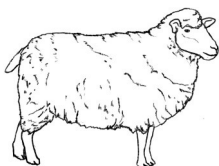
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Nhill & District Sporting Club Committee

A huge thank you to our committee members for 2015. Their time and contributions are certainly appreciated. Please support our volunteers and the club whenever possible as many hands make light work.

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