

Would you believe that the completion of Round 8 this weekend will mark the halfway point of the season? In that regards (and with the early season start), the interleague break could not have come at a better time. We now have another two home games in a row, so expect a hectic fortnight around the club (especially with our upcoming social functions).

Congratulations to all of our junior players who represented the club at interleague. While we were unlucky not to have any senior representatives, it is great to see the future of our club is in very strong hands.

As mentioned, we have two social functions on the horizon. Full details for both are later in this edition, but Trivia Night is this Saturday after Warrack and the event of the year, the Black Tie Ball, is on the 4th of June. It takes a lot of effort to organise these events so please support our social committee and come along. The Black Tie Ball in particular is not to be missed!

It was a great effort by the club to once again support Pink Sports Day. While the final figure is still to come in we know over \$2,500 was raised to support those affected by breast cancer. It's a cause that is near and dear to many in the community, so it's significant that the club can give something back.

It was also great to see the hockey matches go off without a hitch after the football and netball against Stawell. It was a terrific spectacle under lights and interesting to see the ins and outs of our other winter sport. There were plenty of people in the crowd too so hopefully this becomes a regular event for the Nhill community.

Football and netball team photos are happening this week, as long as the weather cooperates. All times are listed a few pages in and it is important that all players are on time and in full uniform.

Best of luck to all teams across all sports. There are some very important matches this week.

The Editor.

From The President

After a rested weekend off with the interleague round we are home to the Warrack Eagles.

Firstly, congratulations to all who were selected in the interleague squads for the Wimmera. It's a great opportunity to play at the upper level of sport and to get a chance to meet and socialise with others from teams that you would normally to be playing against. Nhill had players from hockey, netball and football representing the league across the weekend and congratulations to Mont Miller for being selected as Coach of the U17 Boys Hockey team for the Wimmera.

Thanks to Rochelle James and Millie McIllree for umpiring the netball at Bendigo last Sunday and great to see them achieving at higher levels too. Well done girls.

Also a huge thanks to our sponsor the Wimmera Bakery for a very successful pie night at Thursday night training. They supplied free to the whole club delicious pies, pasties and sausage rolls which warmed the hungry members on a cold night. Fantastic effort and one we are most grateful for.

This week hockey heads to Warracknabeal and football and netball welcome the Warrack Eagles to Davis park. The Tigers will need to be on their toes as the Eagles have improved as the season has rolled on. It's great to see as we start the second half of the season all football teams in the top five which is a real credit to the club, coaches and the players. Keep up the good work.

Club team photos will be taken across Saturday so make sure you are smiling and remember to wear your club uniform. A special thanks goes to Min Marshall for her expertise and skills in turning our team members into wonderful photos so we can look back in years to come on the day we played our sport.

This weekend we turn our minds on after the awards and tea, as it's trivia night in the clubrooms. Bring your brains trust and make a table and let the games begin. Also remember the Black Tie Ball tickets are still on sale for the 4th of June. Make sure you are there and see Aaron Beer for tickets.

May you give your sport the spirit required to make it great to watch and play.

Good luck to all teams and go Tigers.

Brett Wheaton, President.



Football Report

Our last game saw the Reserves win and the Seniors narrowly lose to Horsham. The senior game was bitter sweet with some great football played from the Tigers, especially a super start and strong contested football all game, but without the reward of a win. Despite the disappointment of the loss, there were many positives to come from the game; primarily that we out played our opposition for most of the game. This would have to be the best the Seniors have played against one of the top teams in the last two seasons.

Our team is stronger than last year and we are continuing to improve. Our last home game against Stawell saw the seniors finish strongly to go down by 13 points. This was another opportunity for a win let slip. At this stage of the season we have played all other teams and in many ways we know what to expect and can be better prepared. All the other clubs will be thinking the same way.

I hope all the players are building a stronger sense of self-belief and a confidence in their teammates and the team. Getting close to the top teams should no longer be seen as a good effort, but as a chance to beat them.

There will always be some disappointments and ups and downs along the way; as long as the improvement continues and everyone continues to work hard to be better. In many close games the team that has self-belief and plays with confidence will find a way to win. That is the biggest challenge we face. Approach every game with a steely determination to beat our opponent, and regardless of what the scoreboard might say, to draw deep on our resilience and belief in self and team. Find a way to prevail.

Sport doesn't build character, it reveals character.

Alan Bennett, Senior Coach.



Netball News

For those of you who enjoyed a week off the courts hopefully you had time away or did something enjoyable, ready to get back into training with renewed energy. To the junior girls who represented netball in the interleague congratulations and what an amazing opportunity and experience you will have had. U13s Xenitty and Ruby were members of a winning team in Mildura; we didn't have any reps in U15s and unfortunately due to injury Tess was unable to play in U17s. The netball division wishes you a speedy recovery and hope you get back to the court sooner rather than later. Honourable mention to two of our willing umpires Rochelle James and Millie McIllree for umpiring at a recent tournament. Well done. NDSC are extremely fortunate to have a good number of badged umpires. If anyone is interested in gaining their badge please catch up with Tracey Bell.

At our last home game the Netball division supported Pink Day with all our players either donning pink shoelaces, hair ribbons and socks. It was fabulous to see the amount of help for this important cause around the club. Thanks must go to all the netball families who baked either pink cookies or cupcakes. These were a huge hit. Special mention to the U17 team who put the cookies in packs with ribbons; the U13s and U15s then went around selling the goods for the rest of the day. Great team effort all round girls! We would also like to thank the generous donations given towards Pink hampers, we had enough for five prizes.

The lucky winners were; Damien Crouch -1st, Lucy Dorrington -2nd, Julie Argall -3rd, Janine Dahlenburg -4th and Jack White -5th. Some timely wins for Mother's Day.

NetSetGo is going strong with a few home games played as well as a game against Dimboola and Stawell. This is fantastic for future development and many thanks to Mel, Kimberly and Linda for doing a fabulous job running this program.

The Black Tie Ball is fast approaching. Junior netballers are needed for waitressing. If you haven't put your name down please catch up with Narelle Dart. Also if anyone would like to donate savouries/food for this evening please contact Narelle; your support is much appreciated.

The U15Bs will play games against Kaniva on the 23rd of June at 4.30pm in Kaniva and the 4th of August in Nhill. This is a great opportunity for further



development and interact with another club to share our resources.

Congratulations must also go to all players and coaches who are putting in their time and efforts every week, with limited success. It is wonderful to see such team spirit and I'm sure all the hard work will begin to show if we all stick together for the greater good of our teams.

Team photos are to be taken by Moments By Min this Saturday. These will be done this Saturday 28th May. The U13s and U15A will be taken prior to your matches so please be on time. As there are no games for U15B or U17s they were taken on Thursday. Senior netballers will be having a group photo to be taken at 1.00pm on Saturday we hope you can all make it.

Cathy Etherton, Netball Committee Representative.

Football & Netball Photos

Team photos are happening this week, with most of them on Saturday when we verse Warrack.

All **players must be in full uniform** and officials (coaches, team managers, etc.) are asked to wear club merchandise if possible.

Football photos will be on the small oval; netball photos will be on the main court around the tiger logo.

A reminder for all players to be punctual or risk missing out, as matches need to happen on time.

A massive thank you to Min Marshall for her time and efforts with making this happen!

Times are below:

Thursday, 26th of May

5:00pm - U17 Netball

5:20pm - U15B Netball

Saturday, 28th of May

8:45am - NetSetGo

8:55am - U14 Football

10:10am - U17 Football

10:25am - U12 Football

10:40am - U13 Netball

11:20am - Senior Football Squad

11:40am - U15A Netball

1:00pm - Senior Netball Squad



The Jungle Telegraph

Harrap's new hair. Nhill superstar and dancing extraordinaire, Jake "The Harrap" Harrap is rocking a new do. Most of his hair is now gone and he's donning the short back and sides look. This had both supporters and opposition players alike wondering who our new star recruit was. While not quite as interesting as some of the things that Ben "The Doc" Kirsopp has had shaved into his head, we still think Harrap looks pretty good.

Pawel finally takes the field. After being at the club for over 18 months, Pablo Czupryn (free drink on us if you can pronounce that) has finally taken the field. It's been quite the saga to get him playing, as often his trainer duties have taken priority. Luckily his lovely girlfriend Kimberly has now taken up a role in Batto's Angels, finally freeing Pawel up to play the most anticipated game at the club since Irish import Big Red took the field. Pawel unfortunately didn't join the elite group of players who kicked a goal in their first match, but he certainly seemed to enjoy his first outing and we hope to see him on the field again soon.

Beer makes best. In what can only be described as a monumental screw up, Reserves Coach Aaron "Please Give Me A" Beer was named in the best after the Stawell match, despite going down with a serious injury in the first minute of the game. While we're sure it was an impactful minute, it wasn't actually enough to get him in the best six. An administrative error saw Beer named instead of young superstar-in-the-making Luke Bennett. When the mistake came to light during the evening's hockey spectacle, Alan Bennett (Luke's father and Nhill's Senior Football Coach) was understandably furious. Fortunately, Tiger Tales had their photographer on hand to capture Alan's over-the-top reaction.



Duffman secures win. We just wanted to congratulate Simon "Duffman" Dufty on his first win against Horsham. What, too soon? It's been two weeks people, and Duffman is fine after getting knocked out in the first thirty seconds of the match. So surely we can all laugh about it now, right? Right?

Hopeless Harrap. If you thought one entry about Jake Harrap in this week's Tales was enough, you were wrong. He truly is the gift that keeps on giving. As we know, young Jake can be... forgetful at times. At our last home game Jake somehow managed to forget his towel. However, he did not realise this until after he got out of the shower. At which point he stuck his head out of the shower door Dickie Knee style to see if anyone had a spare. Honestly, who walks into the showers without a towel, stands there for 20 minutes, and then realises they've forgotten something! There's spare towels literally hanging up outside the door, which makes it even funnier that he borrowed Zeiter's wet sopping towel to dry off instead. Harrap quickly asked the people still in the change rooms not to tell The Editor... and they all promptly reported they had a breaking story for Tales. But it turns out Harrap isn't the only person who can't pack everything into his bag. Dad's favourite child, Grant McLeod, also left his gear in the sheds after the Stawell match. Luckily for Grant, opposition hockey player and part-time Reserves' Runner Adam "I'm Happy To Help" Clohesy was there to save the day, even taking McLeod's gear home to wash it for him. Clohesy wishes to take all of the credit for McLeod getting best on ground the week after against Horsham.

Best Friends

Football is a team sport, and when one of your team mates puts his body on the line it's important you offer him a helping hand in return. So here's a lovely picture of two fellas new to the club this vear; on the left we have Ben Kirsopp with his arm in a sling, who unfortunately suffered a shoulder injury earlier in the against Minyip-Murtoa. day But never fear! His teammate and new best friend Sam Zeitz was more than happy to help out by cutting up the Doc's food. That's what real teammates do for each other!



Player Profile

Full name: Billy Wade Hayes

Nickname: Bull

Age: 22

Last Club: Glenela

Club where you played most of your junior sport:

Bordertown

Occupation: industrial electrician **Position on field/court:** midfield

Favourite AFL team: don't really have one but

loving the Sydney Swans

Favourite AFL player: Steven Motlop

Pre-game ritual: just listen to choons, visualise myself having 50, and

always do up my right boot first

Favourite food to eat before a game: cutla bananas

Favourite song of the moment: RÜFÜS - Innerbloom (What So Not Remix)

Favourite song of all time: Eminem - Without Me

Favourite saying: get a grip

Favourite joke: Tank's moustache??

How would your coach describe you (three words): "Hard at it"



Football & Netball Draw

Round 8 - Saturday, 28th May Nhill Tigers vs. Warrack Eagles

Round 9 - Saturday, 4th June Nhill Tigers vs. Horsham Saints

Bye - Saturday, 11th June

Round 10 - Saturday, 18th June Ararat Rats vs. Nhill Tigers

Round 11 - Saturday, 25th June Minyip-Murtoa vs. Nhill Tigers (Minyip)





Joke Of The Day

Q. What type of overalls does Mario wear? A. Denim, denim, denim.

Dates For Your Diary

Saturday, 28th May - Nhill vs. Warrack Team Photos, Trivia Night (\$5 per head)

Saturday, 4th June - Nhill vs. Horsham Saints Black Tie Ball (\$50 per ticket, please organise tables)

Saturday, 9th July - Bye Gerang-Kiata Football & Netball Club Reunion

Sunday, 4th SeptemberJunior Football & Netball Presentation Day

Saturday, 10th September Senior Football & Netball Presentation Night

Club Rosters

Keeping this club running takes a lot of hard work. Therefore, there are a number of rosters about the club to help spread the load. Please be prompt for your duties and if you're not sure what needs to be done then please ask. If you are not able to make your allocated date or time then you need to <u>arrange your own swap</u>. **Complete copies of the rosters can be found around the club, our website, and in the inbox on Tiqbiz.**

Rosters For Round 8, May 28th, Nhill vs Warrack

Canteen Roster			
9am - 12pm	11am - 2pm	12pm - 3pm	2pm - 5pm
Tracey Bone (from 7am)	Anne Marie Fischer	Sarah White	Yvonne Jones
Linda White	Tahnee Purchase	Jackie Effrett	Anita Hassell
Tania McQueen	Suzette Chadwick	Parker Family	Tanya Mock

Afternoon Tea Roster			
Sandwich Makers (8:30am start)	Provide Afternoon Tea (3 dozen pieces by 10am)	Prepare & Serve 2:50pm - 4:30pm	Provide Soup (4 litres by 10am)
Janet Harris	Narelle Dart	Narelle Dart	Annette Creek
Tracey Jones	Michelle Barber	Michelle Barber	Kimberley Howe
Karen Kennedy	Eliza Frahee		Bianca Meek
Rae Kennedy			

BBQ Roster		Gate Roster	
8:30am - 10:30am	11:30am - 2:30pm	9:00am - 10:30am	10:30am - 12pm
Lucas Dahlenburg	Michelle Robins	Nathan Albrecht	Darcy Honeyman
Daz White	Quentin Pritchard	Simon Albrecht	Sam Zeitz
Luke Bennett	Volunteer Required		

2016 Tea Roster				
26 May	Thursday	Senior Football	Gourmet Burgers	
28 May	Saturday	U/14 Football	Chicken Parmi & Salad	Warrack
2 June	Thursday	Senior Football	Bangers & Mash	
4 June	Saturday		No Meals Due To Black Tie Ball	Horsham Saints
9 June	Thursday	U/14 Football	Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap	

Trivia Night

<u>Date:</u> Saturday, 28th May

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Time: 7:30pm

<u>Where:</u> Club Rooms ??

<u>Cost:</u> \$5 per head

Stay for tea and then stay for trivia! Get your tables of roughly 10 organised.

Black Tie Ball



Data

Salurday, 4th June

Time:

7pm to 1am



Where:

97 hill Community Centre

Featuring:

Good Faces For Radio



Cost:

\$50 per head

Organise tables of 10 or contact Beery for a ticket and you can be placed on a table.

Nibbles provided and one drink on arrival.

This is the event of the year!

Sponsor's Spiel

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Nhill & District Sporting Club Committee

A huge thank you to our committee members for 2016. 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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Do you have something worth including in Tiger Tales? All contributions are welcome. Items need to be submitted to the editor no later than the Tuesday evening prior to the next football/netball home game. Please send all contributions to: