

Two Big Weeks

We've had two big weeks of action to open up the 2018 season. There's been close games in football, netball and hockey; some of which we've been on the right side of the ledger and some where we couldn't quite get the four points. The senior football in particular had us on the edge of our seats at Stawell, and while we weren't quite able to snatch the win the players showed they are

starting to gel and have put themselves in good stead for Minyip-Murtoa this week.

The social side of things has also been a blast. Harrap's Wheel Of Fortune had to carry on without the main man; but he is on the mend and will hopefully be back on the field sooner rather than later. We've had hundreds of meals dished out at the club over the past fortnight and it's great to see so many players and supporters hanging around on both Thursday and Saturday nights.

Then of course we've had the Mystery Bus Trip and the Grape Escape. A huge thank you to Glenn Meek for getting everyone there and back safely for both events: this was no mean feat. Thanks also to Brit Keller for organising the Mystery Bus; it is also no small effort to get everyone coordinated, paid up and in one place at the right time, but everyone who attended had a blast. It sounds like the ladies on the Grape Escape also had a great time and thank you to Sarah White and Bianca Meek for getting this organised. Also well done to those who managed to back it up and attend both functions!

This week we host Minyip-Murtoa and can expect tough games across all sports and all grades. We then have our usual evening tea, followed by the Sheep In A Box. Ticket and prize details are later in this edition. Finally, we have team photos this week. Please make sure you know your times and do not be late!

Best of luck to all teams again this Saturday. It would be great to come away with some wins before the interleague break. And on that note, best of luck to all players who currently have their names forward for interleague selection.

The Editor.

From The President

Each week is a new challenge and this week we welcome the mighty Burra's to Davis Park. Our friends from the Wimmera Plains will jump of their tractors for some good Tiger hospitality and competitive sport. All day the sizzle of the BBQ, the warm yummy smells of good food from the canteen and of course the beverage of choice are just part of what makes Nhill the great hosts of football and netball.

Last week we travelled down the highway to a wet Stawell. While the day was a mixed bag for wins in netball, the football was closer. Three out of four wins and only missing out by a point in the Senior game keep the crowd excited right until the end, with swings from both teams as they pushed for the much needed win. Well done to everyone for their help to put their teams on the park.

Our Mystery Bus tour after the game was a hit. Slipping into the onesie's and hitting the road with bus bingo on the big screen set the tone for a long but enjoyable night. Thanks to Coach Captain Glenn for his patience, driver skills and organisation that got us over many kilometers of road and hours of fun.

This week we have a real treat for the stayers at Davis Park as we bring back the after game music, pre-dinner drinks, awards and the best Saturday night dinner you will get anywhere in town. Followed by the highlight of the night: "Sheep in a Box". Yes, we have it all going on this weekend. Make sure you stick around as we let the coloured sheep loose on the park and if they are standing in your paid square on the hour, you're a winner.

Well done to all Nhill players who have been selected for interleague training, best of luck in making the selections as it's a great honour to represent your sport as a Wimmera Team member.

Congratulations to the Commission on the draw this season, as it's fantastic to be able to have home and away follow each other. It's great for the social calendar and our many volunteers who aren't being asked to back it up each week with two or more home games straight then the opposite to follow. Well done.

Good luck to all our Tigers teams this week as we slip on the pink socks for Breast Cancer and raise awareness and much needed funds to help support the cure of this disease. Also remember we are taking our teams photos this week, so put on your happy face and have a great day.

Brett Wheaton, President.



Football Report

Not the start we were after from the Senior grade point of view but we have shown patches of very good footy we just haven't been able to sustain it for long enough. Basic mistakes that the opposition turn into goals have plagued us so far this season but we are competitive and with continued improvement I expect us to start winning games.



Ahrens

The Reserves have started this season on fire playing a very good brand of footy. Keep up the good work lads.

A big thank you to all the clubs hardworking volunteers and supporters who

continue to turn up week in week out and support the footy teams.

Tim Bone, Senior Coach.





Team Photos

Team photos are this Saturday, 12th of May. The times are listed below. All players should arrive for their team photos ten minutes before. Senior footballers are reminded to have their Tiger socks as well due to Pink Day. Once again a huge thank you to Min Marshall for making this happen.

9.00am - U14 Football (Main Oval)

9.30am - Modified Netball

9.50am - U13 Netball

10.00am - U12 Football (U12 Oval)

10.10am - U17 Football (U12 Oval)

10.50am - U15 Netball

11.30am - Senior Football (U12 Oval)

11.50am - U17 Netball

1.05pm - C Grade Netball

2.05pm - B Grade Netball

3.20pm - A Grade Netball



White Hart Hotel

Netball News

Well, what an exciting start to the season we have had (in good and bad ways)! Our U13s and U15s started the season on top of the ladder, following big round two wins over Warrack Eagles. This is a fantastic way to kick off the season – well done girls!

Round One (and the training weeks either side) saw multiple casualties in the senior netball ranks, with Sarah Dickinson, Emma Beer and Tess McQueen all needing some time off with injury coming into round three.

This opened up opportunities for other players, with seasoned A Grade performers, Tarrah Dodds and Emma Dickinson being elevated to A Grade for the close win against Stawell. Ecstatic was an understatement, when describing how Maddy Albrecht felt about her first B Grade selection for the Stawell match. All three players performed strongly in close tussles on Saturday.

Lucy Bone's hard work has paid off with two selections in the A Grade squad for rounds two and three. Lucy is a true club person, agreeing to join the A Grade ranks at the last minute in Stawell on Saturday, after Britt Keller arrived looking like death warmed up. Poor Lucy had to pop back on her sweaty netball gear to join the A Graders on Saturday after she was already in her warm clothes and watching the football – but she did it all with a smile on her face. A big thanks to you, Lucy, on being a selfless club person.

A big congratulations to our A Grade captain, Lauren Tink, on being selected in the WNA Open Team. Lauren will be travelling down to Horsham once a week to train in the lead up to a tournament in Melbourne in June. We wish Lauren all the best with this endeavour and know that she will represent our club well.

Monique Wheaton represented the WNA as an umpire at the Bendigo tournament on the weekend. This is a true credit to Mons' attitude, strong work ethic and netball passion and we have no doubt that the experience was invaluable in her umpire development.

Round Four will be an important test for many of our netball sides, needing to string together four consistently strong quarters of netball in order to get the four points. We will be looking stylish, wearing our Breast Cancer Network Australia (BCNA) ankle socks, as we support Pink Sports Day. We will raise much needed funds for BCNA, who provide invaluable support and resources to people on their cancer journey.

Good luck to all sides and a big thank you to all netballers. It has been such a positive start to the season and now is the time to reap the rewards of our hard work and dedication with getting some strong wins on the board!

Emma Beer, A Grade Coach.

Pink Sports Day

This Saturday, we will not only be hosting the Burras at home, but we will be hosting a Pink Sports Day. Pink Sports Day raises vital funds for the Breast Cancer Network of Australia (BCNA), who provide invaluable support and resources to breast cancer patients.

On Saturday, all netballers will be wearing BCNA ankle socks in support of this great cause. Junior players, please return your slips and money to Bec Clark or your team manager to purchase your socks. Senior players, please ensure that they have purchased these from Emma Beer. There will be some spare ankle socks (I promise – they are awesome socks) for any other club people wishing to purchase a pair, or if players want to purchase multiples. These will be available on Saturday.

Our senior footballers will be wearing McGrath Foundation footy socks. The McGrath Foundation funds breast care nurses throughout Australia. The support and knowledge that they provide to breast cancer patients is simply amazing. If

all players selected in the senior side could please bring \$15 on Saturday to purchase these socks from Aaron Beer prior to the match, that would be greatly appreciated.

On the day, there will be delicious pink treats available for sale at the canteen and the netball rooms. A big thank you everyone for their generosity in donating these, will doubt what no he delicious, baked goods. Αll proceeds will be donated to BCNA.

Finally, there will be BCNA collection tins scattered around Davis Park. Please give generously to support this great cause. Any queries about Pink Sports Day, please contact Emma Beer 0447 501 212.



Hockey Report

Round 3 of WHA hockey saw NDSC – Hockey Division play on another sunny, warm day, with matches at Anzac Park, Warracknabeal. Nhill played against all Warracknabeal teams, with three wins and another great effort.

Bandits

The Under 12 Development Program team, Bandits, played another high scoring game this week with good workmanship and effort. Skills and ball control were outstanding. Welcome back to Sienna.

Final score: Bandits 7 def Avengers 3.

Goal scorers: Violet Moloney 4, Troye McBride 2, Rachel Reichelt 1.

Encouragement award: Rachel Reichelt, for her first goal this season and for good play generally, showing great improvement this year.

Leopards

Leopards played a strong team game with lots of passing and positive play, using wings. Well done Jason for great defence and utilising the younger players, even under pressure. Ellie led the attack with pace and flair, with Kendra doing well at full back stemming the flow. Jiah is starting to find his feet in the big leagues, learning where to be in attack. Well done to Tamara for playing her first U16s match and making some great positions. Cory scored 30 seconds in, then Troye his first ever U16 goal in only his second game, then Ellie, then Isaac, also with his first ever U16 goal, to be 4-0 up at half time. Some more solid play rewarded Jason with a goal, followed by Cory and Ellie with their second each.

Final score: Leopards 7 def Revengers 0.

Goal scorers: Ellie Murden 2, Cory Koop 2, Isaac Deckert 1, Troye McBride 1, Jason Reichelt.

Umpire votes: Jason Reichelt 3, Ellie Murden 2, Kendra Clark 1.

Coach's award (club glass): Cory Koop, for being a good option, passing and working in with the forwards well.

Coach's award (club voucher): Kayden Rowe, for protecting his goals well making great saves.

Thunderbirds

Thunderbirds earned a solid win over Warrack Women which should put them up into third position on the ladder, a position not held by Nhill for a while and the season is looking promising. Welcome to Aysha playing her first game of hockey, making some good position on the wing. The half backs and forwards worked really hard making great opportunities. Nhill was 1-0 up at half time with 12 year old (for one last day!) Kendra scoring her first ever women's goal. Ellie scored 10 minutes into the second half, then good defence by both sides prevented any more scoring.

Final score: Thunderbirds 2 def Warrack Women 0.

Goal scorers: Kendra Clark 1, Ellie Murden 1.

Umpire votes: Rachel Clark 3, Grace McLeod 2, Ellie Murden 1.

Coach's award (club glass and club voucher): Emily Koop, for awesomeness

throughout the centre field.

Rangers

Rangers welcomed a couple of returning members in Nick Donnell and our Hamilton friends in Ed and Cody, together with newby Sam which helped boost numbers this week. Sam grew up playing hockey and although this was his first game in the Wimmera, as a local, he has already done well at fullback.

Rangers were under attack from Hoops early on and were 4-0 down in the first half but as time wore on the defence led by David Reichelt at full back and Muzz Miller in goals were superb, getting better and better as the game wore on, reading the play well and not allowing any score in the second half. Rangers also had forward attack including shots at goal with Darren, Cody, Rodney, Nick, Ed, Blake and Jason starting to combine well. The girls once again helped out to give needed breaks on the warm day! The feeling was positive at the end of the game, never giving up. A great effort.

Final score: Rangers 0 lost to Hoops 4.

Goal scorers: NA.

Umpire votes: David Reichelt 3, Murray Miller 2, Ed Lyon 1.

Coach's award (club glass): Murray Miller, for his stellar goalie work, saving many goals and keeping Hoops scoreless in the second half.

Round 4

Saturday's games will be at Yanac. Nhill takes on Kaniva teams.

Leopards at 9.30am; Thunderbirds at 11am; Bandits at 12.30pm; Rangers at 3.30pm.

Rachel Clark, Hockey Reporter.

Right

Jiah Clark beats his opponent to the ball.



The Jungle Telegraph

Grandpa stays out. Much to the surprise of everyone, new recruit Simon "Grandpa" Cave was still out well past 10pm after our first home game. Fellow traveller Ben Jones said he was very surprised to see Cave still around so late. "Usually he's tucked away in bed by 7pm, so this was quite unexpected; especially given there was still loud music playing." Maybe Simon was worried he'd get lost on the way home and didn't want to risk the walk; or perhaps he was still waiting for his Uber to find Davis Park.

Out of order. A flood of players have expressed their disappointment at the grandstand being deemed unsafe as they now cannot access the gym. This is despite reassurances that the gym is in fact perfectly safe to use. "I'm not taking the risk," said one committed Twos player (with many others nodding in agreement behind him). "I was just about to start my gym routine for the season, but now that this debacle has happened it's thrown me out completely. Guess I'll just stick to the couch instead." There's also no word yet on where Yvonne Gladdis will be seated during home games, but one possibility includes bolting her seat to the top of the coach's box so she can tell players directly what needs to be done.

Runners choose pink. Players and supporters alike will have seen the new attire our runners are wearing for 2018. Apparently plenty of colours were on offer from the league, but fluro pink was insisted upon by the runners. "I like it because it matches my head after a long day in the sun," said senior runner Ben Crouch. "For me, the decision on colour came down to one thing," added Under 14's runner Toby Marshall. "I needed something that would match my hair, so pink was the only choice. And I also think it really suits my eyes." Needless to say the new uniforms stand out well on the football field, so we suppose they were a good choice (whatever the reason).

No bingo. We wouldn't normally mention the happenings of the Mystery Bus Trip, but there were some concerns raised about the younger members on the bus: mainly the fact they had no idea how bingo worked. More experienced players weren't really interested in helping, and instead convinced the confused participants that they had to fill in any blanks with their own numbers first. This lead to all sorts of confusion, with people trying to write in numbers while the bus bounced around. Needless to say none of those people managed to call out bingo.

Is that one "g" or two? Early risers at our first home game may have spotted a new item on the BBQ menu: "egg and bacon muggins". While concentrating hard to make the text legible, the sign writer in question clearly still had some difficulties, wanting to know if "muffin" was spelt with one g or two. General confusion ensued in the BBQ area as the sign was placed on display. Fortunately, the error was found before too many people had managed to read it. We don't want to name the perpetrator outright, but take your pick out of Nathan Jensz, Darcy Honeyman and Austin Merrett.



Player Profile

Full name: Dominic Colombera

Nickname: Dom, Domma, The Great Bearded One

Age: Old

Last club: Mitta United

Junior club: Wodonga Bulldogs **Occupation:** Project firefighter

Position on field/court: Anywhere Bob puts me

Favourite AFL team: North Melbourne Favourite AFL player: Liam Albrecht

Pre-game ritual: Beard care

Favourite food to eat before a game: Italian

Favourite song of the moment: Anything by Mastodon

Favourite song of all time: Africa by Toto

Favourite saying: Won't be at training, I'm burning the bush

Favourite joke: How do you distinguish the sex of an ant? Put it in water and

if it sinks it's a girl ant but if it floats its bouyant

How would your coach describe you: The best beard (better then Oscar)





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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 as a link on FlexiBuzz.**

Rosters For Round 4, May 12th, Nhill vs Minyip-Murtoa

Canteen Roster			
9am - 12pm	11am - 2pm	12pm - 3pm	2pm - 5pm
Wendy Zimmermann*	Karen Kennedy	Tracey Preston	Yvonne Jones
Caroline Pilgrim	Cathy Etherton	Tahnee Purchase	Heidi Lees
Michelle Barber	Fiona Reaby	Desley John	Helen Simmons
Grant McLeod**	*Set Up 7am - 9am	**9:30am - 11am	

Afternoon Tea Roster			
Provide Afternoon Tea (3 dozen pieces by 10am)	Prepare & Serve 2:50pm - 4:30pm	Provide Soup (4 litres by 10am)	
Tammy Crouch	Casey Hiscock	Linda Drendel	
Khali Maddern	Karen Wheaton	Karen Kennedy	
Kristy Nottle		Yvonne Gladdis	

BBQ Roster		Sandwiches	
8:30am - 10:30am	11:30am - 2:30pm	8:30am Set Up	10:30am Prep
Darcy Honeyman		Rebecca Clark	Janet Harris
Austin Merrett		Kristy Schneider	Simone Dorrington
Nathan Sparling		Narelle Dart	

Bar Duties				
Day	Bar	Night Bar		
12pm - 2:30pm		5pm - 8pm	Rob Gersch	Aaron Beer
1:30pm - 4pm		8pm - Late	Mitch Borgelt	Simon Dufty
2:30pm - 5pm	Oscar Stephan			

Tea Roster			
10 May	Thursday	Reserve Football Group 1	
May 12	Saturday	Borgelts and McLeods	Pasta and Pudding
17 May	Thursday	Interleague - No Tea	
24 May	Thursday	C Grade Netball Group 1	
31 May	Thursday	U13 Netball	

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Nhill & District Sporting Club Committee

A huge thank you to our committee members for 2018. Their time and contributions are certainly appreciated. Please support our volunteers and the club whenever possible as many hands make light work. There are still places available on the committee if any members would like to assist.

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Bar Notice

A notice to remind people that if you want to enjoy our hospitality after the game and you are not a member of the club (or have not payed your membership) then you must sign the visitors book! This is a legal requirement.

Items For Tiger Tales

Do you have something worth including in Tiger Tales? All contributions are welcome. Items need to be submitted to the editor by the Tuesday evening before to the next football/netball home game.

Please send all contributions to:

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