

TIGER

TALES

**Nhill & District
Sporting Club**



Improvement

Based on the reports from our different sports in Tales this week, the theme of this edition seems to be improvement. Players and teams are starting to gel, and progress has been seen each and every week to-date. We've also seen a number of players busy last weekend with either interleague or country championships, which can only help improve their skills.

One situation which has not improved, however, is the apparent condition of our grandstand. Indeed, while the tape had been removed at our last home game, it seems this was not approved higher up and thus some more permanent barriers have been put in place. We can only hope that some positive news is soon on the horizon, as without our grandstand the atmosphere simply isn't the same.

There is plenty happening at Davis Park this week, where we host the Horsham Saints. Players will be keen to get back into the action after the week off and all teams will be chasing important wins. The senior football in particular will be hoping to open their account so they can start moving up the ladder. We should take this opportunity to mention two milestone games as well; Mitch Dahlenburg played his 50th senior game last round and Jordan Zeitz is due to play his 50th game this weekend. Congratulations to both blokes on the commitment they have shown to the club.

After Saturday's on-field action we have the Goods & Services Auction. A lot of hard work has happened behind the scenes to get a huge list of items up for sale. The list will be published before Saturday, so please keep an eye on Facebook and Flexibuzz, and come ready Saturday night to make some great purchases.

We've got the usual reports in this edition, as well as a semi-accurate player profile and the rosters. There's a few blank spaces roster wise, so please help out if you can. And as always, best of luck to all teams this week.

The Editor.

From The President

Welcome back after the interleague break. I hope you have all enjoyed the week off and got a chance to catch up on things or even got away for a break. For us farmers it's been great to get a good run at sowing and even score a little rain which is very needed at this time of the year.

Congratulations to six of our U17 footballers who were selected for interleague teams for the Wimmera Blue and White teams. Its great to see our boys experience the game at the higher level and hopefully be able to bring that to their own game back in Nhill. Well done Jarryd, Solly, Mitch, Tyson, Josh and Angus on your selection. A proud parent moment for us to see Angus play and to be named in bests for the White team.



Last round we also had a Spirit of Netball award received by Lucy Bone at the club. Its an honour to be recognised by others in netball and to be rewarded for your team contributions and game manner. Be proud of your achievements and we hope you continue to have a fantastic year.

This week we welcome the Horsham Saints to Davis Park and as always welcome the challenge that they bring as a club to our games. Good luck to all our teams this week as we strive for a win and keep our finals hopes alive.

Home games are a lot of work for a lot of people and can I say a big thankyou to everyone who pitches in around the club to make our club as good as it is for so many who not only visit but enjoy their time in Nhill. We do appreciate what you do and contribute to our great club.

Keep your eye out on the social calendar as there is plenty happening each home game. We host a Goods & Services Auction this week with an iPod shuffle put in the mix for afterwards. It's sure to be a great night and a good fundraiser for the club, so stick around and bid up big to support the club. Next home game we host the Luv-A-Duck against Dimboola. It's always a challenging day against our neighbours and let's hope we can bring back the cup home to Nhill this year.

Have a great weekend in sport.

Brett Wheaton, President.

Football Report

Another improved performance against the Burras but unfortunately we fell short by five goals after a last quarter fade out, after being a goal in front at three-quarter time. In a very even competition this season it just shows that a four quarter performance week in week out will be required to win games of footy in season 2018.



Ahrens

We continue to improve with the team starting to really gel and play some good team footy. Our tackling and pressuring of the opposition was of a high standard while we will continue to work on our kicking skills as they let us down at crucial stages of the game. It was good to have one of our talented Under 17s debut last weekend, with potentially more to follow. Coupled with Reserves players in good form they have a chance to be rewarded with Senior selection.

A big well done to the six Under 17s that played rep footy on the weekend. I'm sure you all benefitted from the hitout. Unfortunately, Ben Jones was unable to take his place in the senior team due to injury while I'm still struggling to understand how our Captain Liam wasn't rewarded after a great start to the season (Editor: same here).

Congratulations also to Tyson Harris for being selected in the Vic Country Squad that will take part in the AFL National Inclusion Carnival. This is the second year in a row that Tyson has gained selection and it is great to see his hard work rewarded. Tyson has been playing up to 12 quarters of football each weekend between Under 17s, helping out the Reserves and then playing for the Whippets some Sundays.

And last but not least, well done to Drew Schneider for his initial squad selection for the Wimmera Western Bulldogs Next Generation Academy. This squad will train for six weeks before a team is selected to represent the Academy later this year. We wish Drew all the best of his selection; no doubt it will be an awesome experience.

This week we face the Saints at home in a must win for the Senior team. The Reserves will look to regain some players from injury to provide some more depth and hopefully bounce back after last round's loss also.

Tim Bone, Senior Coach.



Netball News

After a week off for interleague, the Tigers are rearing to go as we take on the Horsham Saints at home. Round four against Minyip-Murtoa saw lots of excitement courtside, with a 50/50 splint in results and many close and exciting matches.

We were thrilled to see Lucy Bone awarded with the Spirit of Netball award for her efforts in round three against Stawell. This award is given, not just for the best player on the day but also for a player who embodies attributes such as team work, leadership, fair play and good sportsmanship. Lucy is a very worthy recipient of this award, being a tenacious defender and true competitor. Good sportsmanship comes naturally to Lucy, as she always plays fairly and within the spirit of the game. Lucy is a good club person and team mate, always willing to assist selflessly where required. Her ability, attitude and dedication have seen her rewarded with two A Grade selections this season already. We have no doubt that Lucy has a bright netball future ahead of her. She is a true asset to our club and very deserving of this award. I was particularly impressed with Lucy when a last minute illness saw us short in A Grade; Lucy selflessly and without hesitation agreed to change back into her netball clothes to join our team.

Round four also saw us host our Pink Sports Day, where we raised valuable funds for Breast Cancer Network Australia. On the netball court, this saw all players wearing BCNA ankle socks. We were also very privileged to have some of our netball life members come along and watch a match and then award a pink netball that they donated to the best on court for that match. The players loved having these former netball on- and off-court champions be a part of their match and their generosity is certainly appreciated. A massive thank you to club life members Cheryl Crittendon, Beth Campbell, Hazel Bell, Sally Leyonhjelm, Julie Colbert, Amanda Cole, Cathy Etherton, Suzy Smith and Marion Gersch for making our Pink Sports Day extra special.

Good luck to all teams. We look forward to a fun and successful day on the court against the Saints this week. It would be great to see people stick around for our Goods & Services Auction as a lot of hard work has gone into organising this. A massive thank you to the netball families for their crazy generosity for the Goods & Services Auction! We are so lucky!

Go Tiges!

Emma Beer, A Grade Coach.



Pink Sports Day Thank You

A massive thanks to all Tigers and Burras supporters for so generously getting behind our Pink Sports Day. Thank you to all of the players who wore special socks, tattoos, pink arm bands, etc. for the day. Thank you to all of the Tigerettes who donated delicious goodies to be sold. Thank you to all of the netballers and volunteers in the canteen for selling the treats and getting donations throughout the day. Thank you to our netball life members for donating our best on court netballs for the day's matches. Thank you to the Netball Subcommittee for all of their hard work in making this day possible. Thank you to Karen Rintoule for taking care of all things related to the money.

But most importantly, thank you to everyone for supporting this great cause and for being so insanely generous. We are so proud of our club!



Thank you!!

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Hockey Report

Round 4 of WHA hockey saw NDSC Hockey Division play on the first real wintery day for hockey this season, with a very brisk wind blowing across the fields at Yanac. Nhill played against all Kaniva teams, with two wins, a draw and a close game.

Bandits

The Under 12 Development Program team Bandits have improved their skills and confidence in just a few short weeks. Coach Rickie is impressed with their team games and plenty of passing around to everyone. Well done to Katani for her first goal this season. Newbies Till, Lulu and Claire are fitting in well with the older kids who have stepped up as leaders on the team. Well done to Rachel, Troye and weekly goal sneak Violet on their goals. Jiah was a brick wall not letting much past! At half time Nhill was up 3-2. Bandits had more of the play in the second half and surged ahead of the younger, less experienced Rampagers.

Final score: Bandits 8 def Rampagers 2.

Goal scorers: Violet Moloney 3, Troye McBride 3, Katani Chequer 1, Rachel Reichelt 1.

Encouragement award: Katani Chequer, for getting her first goal for the season and general great play.

Leopards

Leopards played a very even game against the Raiders, with a couple short corners each way but no score. The grass was damp for the early game and the ball was slow. Score was 0-0 at half time. Jason stepped up and scored one minute into the second half with a quick field goal. Leopards lifted and Ellie scored with 22 minutes to go, another field goal. A couple more short corners each way were well defended. Just over nine minutes to go a good pass from Ellie went to Troye who crossed to Lance in the centre for a third field goal; a great passage of play using the width of the field. An even game and very skillful.

Final score: Leopards 3 def Raiders 0.

Goal scorers: Jason Reichelt 1, Ellie Murden 1, Lance McBride 1.

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

Coach's award (club glass): Jason Reichelt, for great work in defence and attack.

Coach's award (club voucher): Lance McBride, for making great position and displaying good stick work.

Thunderbirds

Thunderbirds played a strong first half with Grace scoring midway through. Lots of attack saw several opportunities just missed, up 1-0 at the break. Kaniva came back hard in the second half, scoring early from a short corner with about

four passes creating the opportunity for a sneak goal, well played. Good defence by both teams curbed any further scoring. Good work by Ameilia and Jo playing their first games for the season. Thanks to all the Birdies for joining in for the 'piggy-tail' challenge, some family fun of the 'Zankers', and also to the Kaniva ladies who joined in!

Final score: Thunderbirds 1 drew with Kaniva Women 1.

Goal scorers: Grace McLeod 1.

Umpire votes: Kellie Farquharson 3, Grace McLeod 2, Leah Hawker 1.

Coach's award (club glass and club voucher): Ellie Murden, for hard work and flair in attack.

Rangers

Rangers welcomed back Joseph Morphett, Jake Murden filling in goals, and Ameilia Rintoule. Also welcome to Lee Marra. Despite an ever-changing line-up the Rangers settled into this game quickly and held Cobras out until midway through the first half. The goal was a textbook pass back to spot with a running centre hit into goal, hard to defend. Down 1-0 at half time. Defenders did top notch work to keep the pacey Cobras out for the rest of the game. Half backs and forwards created some attack, even earning an early short corner in the second half, but Kaniva defence was solid.

Final score: Rangers 0 lost to Cobras 1.

Goal scorers: N/A.

Umpire votes: Sam Bone 3, Blake Miller 2, David Reichelt 1, Darren Schwarz 1.

Coach's award (club glass and voucher): David Reichelt, for some solid work on full back.

Round 5

WHA's next matches will be on Saturday, 26th May at Dimboola. Nhill will take on the Dimboola teams. Leopards at 9:30am; Bandits at 12:30pm; Thunderbirds at 1:30pm; Rangers at 6:00pm.

Rachel Clark, Hockey Reporter.

Right

Lance McBride vies for the ball.



The Jungle Telegraph

Gramps outlasts them all. Simon Cave well and truly outlasted his fellow traveling partners after our last home game. Ben Jones was tucked up in bed by 8pm, with Jesse Morano needing his beauty sleep even earlier. "How dare they go and call me 'Grandpa!'" said Cave, the annoyance quite visible when his false teeth almost fell out. "They might call me old, but I've certainly outlasted them tonight." Some might say interleague training the next day was a fair excuse for Morano and Jones, but others felt they simply couldn't hack a big night out. "Joke's on them," commented Scott Huges later in that evening. "If they'd hung around later into the night maybe they would have won \$20 on the sheep in a box!"

What's that smell? The club seems to be operating a science experiment at present on the fluro bibs used for senior football training. A noticeable waft has started to come from each item of clothing, to the point that when the bibs are needed half the playing group suddenly has to go off due to "general soreness". "When I started at this club those bibs were actually orange," said Ben Pollock, while reminding everyone that he is going to clock up 200 games sometime this year. The club was approached to find out the last time the bibs had been washed. "Washed?!" exclaimed a senior club statesmen. "The last time those bibs were washed Nhill Football Club was a separate entity, Gerang-Kiata still existed and Nhill was able to sustain three pubs all running at once." Perhaps whatever is growing in those bibs could be used to hold up the grandstand in the future?

Speaking of which... the grandstand was "reopened" last home game, where its importance as a source of infotainment could not be overstated. For example, the following was overheard during the senior's game: "Shrivey's running faster holding a water bottle in each hand than when he was chasing his opponent last game." Clearly this isn't factual - we all know Shrive doesn't run.

Captain confirms last season. Senior Captain Liam Albrecht has confirmed this is likely his last season at the Nhill Tigers. "I suppose you've all heard the news," said Albrecht in a press release. "Later this year Etihad Stadium will be renamed Marvel Stadium. On the back of that announcement, I fully intend to be drafted next year by one of the AFL teams that will call Marvel Stadium home. Maybe Essendon or Carlton, because let's be honest they'd take anyone at the moment. I had not aspired to play AFL before; however, the renaming of this stadium has given me new motivation." It is understood there is little the club can do to keep Albrecht for the 2019 season, short of renaming Nhill's home ground to Marvel Park. This would also be on the proviso that all players, supporters and staff referred to him only as Captain America.



Wickham Flower

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Player Profile

Full name: Ben Jones

Nickname: Jonesy

Age: Is just a number

Last club: CQ Nightclub

Junior club: St Bernards VAFA

Occupation: Electrician

Position on field/court: Small forward

Favourite AFL team: Collingwood

Favourite AFL player: Relton Roberts

Pre-game ritual: Using my maximum daily swipes on Tinder

Favourite food to eat before a game: Minimum chips

Favourite song of the moment: Any song Hughesy sings Saturday night

Favourite song of all time: Sandstorm by Darude

Favourite saying: Come on fellas, we owe these blokes

Favourite joke: Simon Cave

How would your coach describe you: Slow, agile, silky



TIGERS SOCIAL CALENDAR

RD 5 | MAY 26

Goods & Services Auction and iPod Shuffle

RD 7 | JUNE 9

Luv-A-Duck Cup, Live band at clubrooms

RD 9 | JUNE 23

Lip-Sync Battle, Maggie's Pizza

RD 11 | JULY 7 (WARRACK AWAY GAME)

Black Tie Ball

RD 12 | JULY 14

Last Man Standing Raffle, Decades Disco

RD 15 | AUGUST 4

Reunion Game, Games night, Bingo & Trivia

RD 17 | AUGUST 18

Sponsors Day, Sportsman's Night



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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 arrange your own swap. **Complete copies of the rosters can be found around the club, our website, and as a link on FlexiBuzz.**

Rosters For Round 5, May 26th, Nhill vs Horsham Saints

Canteen Roster			
9am - 12pm	11am - 2pm	12pm - 3pm	2pm - 5pm
Jodie Cole*	Syd Argall	Kylee Gebert	Yvonne Jones
Min Marshall	Leah Gurry	Tania McQueen	Heidi Lees
Jeanette McLeod			Helen Simmons
Lochie Pilgrim**	*Set Up 7am - 9am	**9:30am - 11am	

Afternoon Tea Roster		
Provide Afternoon Tea (3 dozen pieces by 9:30am)	Prepare & Serve 2:50pm - 4:30pm	Provide Soup (4 litres by 10am)
Michelle Van Der Linden	Karen Wheaton	Ray Brown
Karen Shurdington	Janet Harris	Min Marshall
Leonie Graham		Tracey Bell

BBQ Roster		Sandwiches	
8:30am - 10:30am	11:30am - 2:30pm	8:30am Set Up	9:30am Prep
Harry Wheaton	Pete Clark	Simone Dorrington	Janet Harris
Louis Preston		Kristy Schneider	Fiona Marshman
Liam Albrecht		Narelle Dart	Michelle Van Der Linden

Bar Duties			
Day Bar		Night Bar	
12pm - 2:30pm		5pm - 8pm	KB
1:30pm - 4pm		8pm - Late	JB
2:30pm - 5pm	Tess McQueen		

Tea Roster			
24 May	Thursday	C Grade Netball Group 1	
26 May	Saturday	Smith And Pilgrim Families	Steak Night
31 May	Thursday	U13 Netball	
7 June	Thursday	U12 Football	
14 June	Thursday	B Grade 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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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 the next football/netball home game.

Please send all contributions to:

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