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**Football  
Netball Club**

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**Premiership Player in Perth- with his mate**



***OFC U/18 Premiership player Sam Schauble generously gives up his time to be photographed with a fan in Perth.***



*Sam also took this guy under his wing and shared our strategies and team plans from the famous back to back junior flag campaigns of 2009/10.*

## **COMING SOON TO A POST-COVID WORLD NEAR YOU-**

**NOVEMBER BBQ AT THE OLINDA GROUND FOR  
ALL PLAYERS AND MEMBERS- A CHANCE TO  
GET TOGETHER AND CELEBRATE THE END OF  
LOCKDOWN. DATE TBC.**

## **FEBRUARY- DINNER AND PRESENTATION NIGHT. DATE TBC**

### **ALF OUTER EAST- OUR WINNERS AND NEAR MISSES FROM 2021**



***Dana Millwood- B Grade MVP***





***Noah Desta- U/19 Div 1 Best and Fairest.***



***Matt Scharenberg- Team of the Year***



***Krista Carpenter- Team of the Year, and 4th in League MVP. Tim Smith Assistant***

***Coach of the Year.***



***Simon Gilson- women's footy Div 2 Coach of the Year.***

***Simon's footy background is in Geelong and he has proven to be a huge asset for the Club and community (along with wife Kylie and daughters Ruby and Maeve).***

***Maddy Collins, Chelsea Wilson, Shanae Northey ,Stella Thornton and Casey Seymour made the Team of the Year.***



*Madi Collins- Team of the Year and third in Best and Fairest.*





***James Royle-Young and Davey Noorda tied for third in the Reserves B and F.  
James, a former junior star, made a very welcome return to OFC in 2021***



***Eliza Wilson- 3rd in League MVP, C Grade.***



***Teagan Bethune- runner-up U/17 MVP.. Teagan was the youngest player in our team and in fact was named in the League U/15 squad! An awesome young player.***

**Harper Scott and Ava van Leemput were named in the League U/17 squad. Sadly the NV 2021 Championships were cancelled because of Covid.**

### **C GRADE PREMIERS ?**

**In our last edition of Bloodlines we confirmed that A Grade netball and Women's Football would be named Minor Premiers in a truncated 2021 season. We also speculated that U/19 footy and B Grade Netball could also have given the flag(s) a good shake if the season had've progressed to the September Showdowns.**



Well thank you to those people who contacted us to claim that the C Grade team was also thereabouts. We'll never know if they could have taken down Narren Warren in the finals but "those in the know" were quietly confident. Incredibly seven of the 10 girls in this team are Under 18 and have come through our U/17 system- another reason why OFC continues to be a netball yardstick in the AFL Outer East competition.



OFC C Grade 2021- at the team's core a bunch of incredibly talented teenagers.

#### WHAT IS AFL OUTER EAST SAYING ABOUT US-



Click on the AFL Outer East link to find out-

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### **JUNIORS- Siblings Star.**

**Congrats to Jesse Desta who finished runner up in the Under 11 best and fairest and to Grace Belloni , runner up in the League U/15s.**

**Jesse is the brother of U/19 League B and F, Noah Desta while Grace's big brother Tyler made the Eastern Ranges team this year.**



***Grace Belloni-figuring in the League Best and Fairest yet again***



***"Destanation" unknown- how far will young Jesse Desta and his brother Noah take their careers ?***

**Meantime our junior club under President Pat Ford had an extraordinary season.  
Check this out-**

***U/15 boys- lost just one game and finished second.***

***U/15 girls- finished third.***

***U/13 boys- finished 5th but beat 4th placed Healesville 9.12 to 0.0. in last match***

***U/15 girls- 7th***

***U/11- Minor Premiers- there are 14 teams in this age group and OFC was the only unbeaten side. Watch this space !!! Well done coaches Duncan Brown and Leroy Monkhurst.***

## 2022- Looking Ahead



After it's second season as a new competition AFL Outer East continues to evolve.

Beaconsfield and Doveton have confirmed they are departing and it's understood a new former junior club will be joining us.

That means, at this stage, there'll be 25 teams In AFL Outer East in 2022.

The League's preference is to field three Divisions again next year, but the configuration of those divisions won't be known until midway through this month.

**League chief exec Aaron Bailey says " *Over the next few weeks, we will provide clarity and clear direction in regard to our plans for next year and beyond, including new clubs.*"**

**Note Aaron's use of the plural " new clubs".**

**What does it mean for OFC in Premier Division?**

**With Beaconsfield and Doveton moving there are now seven teams in this grade. So one or more of the Division One teams will have to be promoted. This is the way**

they finished this season- Monbulk, Mt Evelyn, Gembrook, Officer, Seville.

## DEVELOPMENT UPDATE-PLEASE FENCE US IN

OFC is determined to secure facilities which reflect our position as a Premier Division club in the AFL Outer East competition so we are pleased to confirm the fence at the main oval is to be replaced over Summer.

It's become dangerous in some places, particularly behind the pavilion end goals, while on the bottom flank and behind the top end goals it's proven no match for Mountain Ash branches over the years.

Have you noticed that some works have already commenced with a new barrier fence at the top end of the ground - check it out-



*Woodchips, timber and mud- post "Storm Disaster"*





***Woodchips and logs gone and a new fence/barrier on top of "The Hill".***

Meantime our Hilltop sports club representative group is very close to signing-off on the new netball court and cricket nets development.

You will recall that a VCAAT decision last year torpedoed our plans to take down some Mountain Ash trees in the car park near the pavilion ( and to compensate with revegetation of other areas in the precinct).

Under the revised plan a new court will now be constructed closer to the footy goals.

Hilltop chair Ben Selby says the plan is just about over the line but more work needs to be done on the footy ground side of the new court where it comes to within 1.3 metres of the footy fence.

Ben says this is way to narrow and the gap between the court and the footy ground needs to be at least 3 metres.

If cars can't traverse this "pinch point" it's not hard to imagine a scenario where an injured player is in the medical room but an ambulance can't access the top gate on Georgian Rd because of traffic congestion caused by the Rhody Gardens.

Hilltop is also asking for a fourth cricket training pitch, one more than currently planned.



The Olinda camp was dubbed Bunkers Hill, after the American War of Independence battle site.

It's well documented that Monbulk's ground is built on an original corroboree site, but this aspect of our own club history is news to us.

As we know Olinda moved to it's current ground, close to the local rifle range, in 1913. So the Club spent it's first five seasons at the original site.

As we also know Ferny Creek ( which began life as One Tree Hill Football Club) started playing in 1902 and used paddocks close to the Sherbrooke Rd Junction before building the Ferny Creek Rec Reserve.

Olinda, Ferny Creek and Monbulk were the three Mountain District Football Association foundation clubs and are consequently some of the oldest clubs in AFL Outer East.

This is the link to the local history site- the voiceovers are the work of former local teacher Mac Craig -

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## **STRAP YOURSELF IN**

We are all still coming to terms with the awesome news that our very own President Michael "Strapper" Hill won first prize in the Toyota Good for Footy community raffle.

What are the chances ? Well with over \$1,000,000 raised for community clubs at \$5 a ticket we reckon the odds are in fact pretty slim-



After guiding OFC through two seasons of Covid and a storm disaster the prize couldn't have gone to a more worthy winner.

However the big question remains- how cool will Michael look in a top of the range Rav 4 ?

Well we'll never know- he's giving it to partner Judy to drive. That's our guy !!

**THROUGH THE LENS OF TREV CURRIE- SOME  
OF TC's BEST WORK 2021**





















































**CRICKET- HAVE A GO**



**Olinda Cricket Club is entering 6 senior mens teams, two womens teams and two vets teams over Summer- so there's something for everyone,**

**AND you might get to play on the most beautiful sports ground in Melbourne- our top oval.**

**Give secretary Col Giddens a call to find out more-0429 333 946**

## Olinda Cricket Club Want You



Last season Olinda Cricket Club sported 3 junior teams plus the Woolworths Blast program for the youngest players. We also had 5 senior mens teams, our inaugural senior womens team and 2 vets (over 40's) teams. This season we want to go bigger and better.

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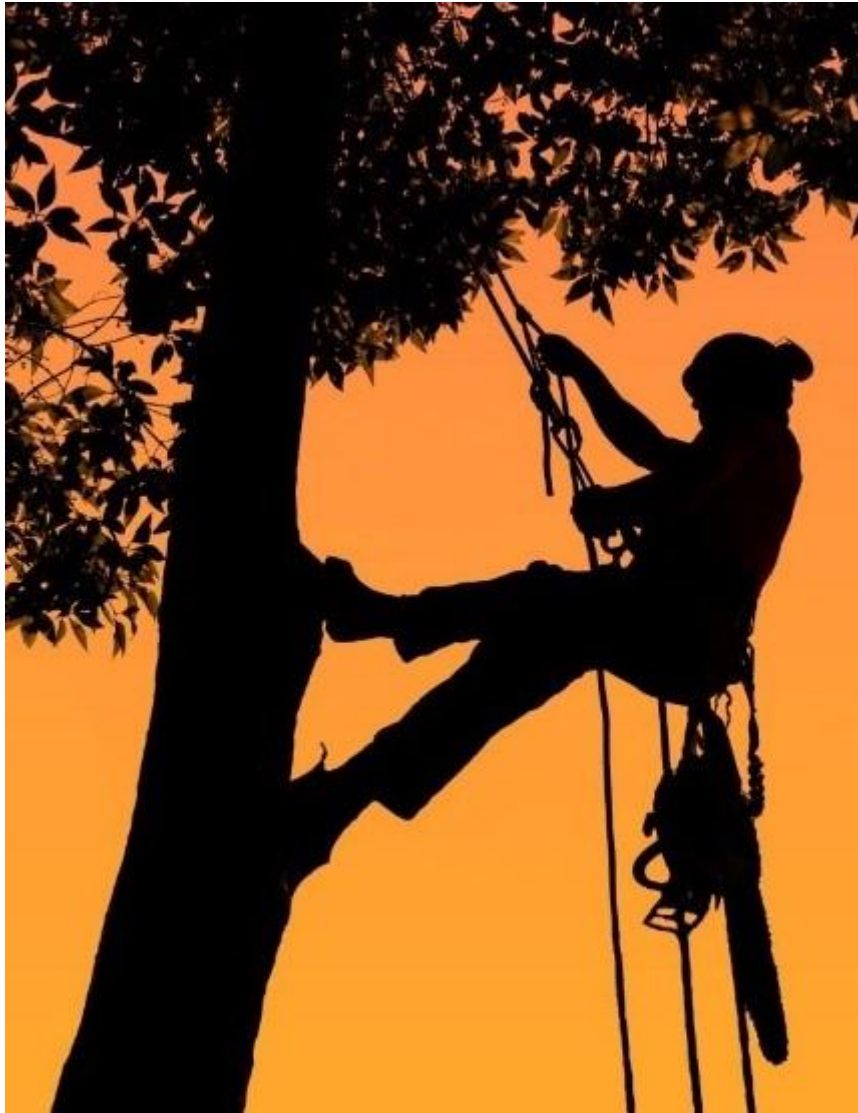
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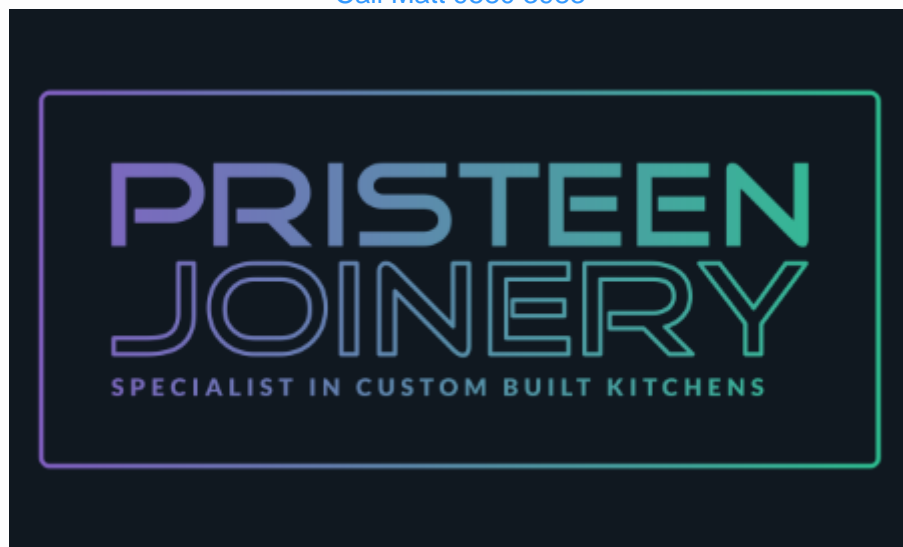
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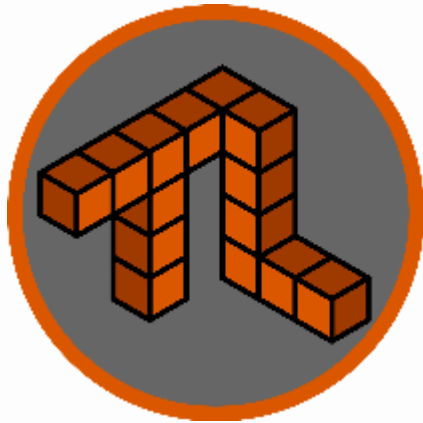
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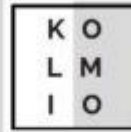
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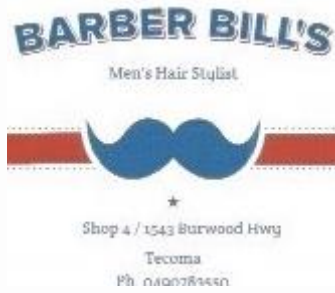


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