Olinda Ferny Creek



Football Netball Club

We win the day but lose the big ones against Wandin

Brian Nankervis and Rock Trivia coming our way

this week- our Grand Tour of the Yarra Valley
who's cutting Tommy Millwood's lunch ?

We Split the Points With Wandin

What a roller coaster ride we went on last Saturday- OFC was on fire early, cleaning up in the Reserves footie, U/17, D Grade and C Grade netball.

At various stages we also looked to be in control of the Senior footy and A Grade netball until last quarter fade outs by both flagship teams.

Of the seven matches against the Doggies OFC took the points in four while Wandin saluted in three, including the big two.

Our U/19 footballers had a bye while Simon and Sacha's Women's Team played Healesville at Belgrave.

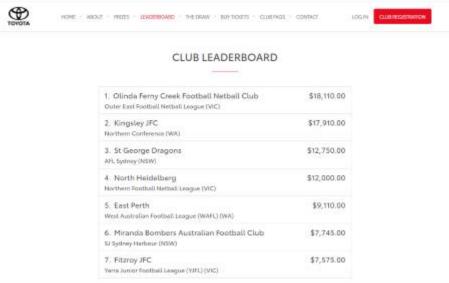
Our "teams of the week" ? Reserves footy- the boys were

absolutely awesome in a must-win match and C Grade netball. At times these girls play some electrifying netball, make sure you check them out.

OFC Tops the Australian Community Club Leaderboard

Toyota is donating three cars to the "Good For Footy" Australian community club raffle again this year.

Last year we finished in the top 10 in ticket sales but in 2022 we are top of the popswe are beating every club in Australia- here's the leading seven--



OFC leading the Toyota raffle sales from WA club Kingsley and Sydney's St George.

Women's Footy star Casey Seymour heads the ticket sales-

| 0 | Casey Seymour | \$905 | 18 referrals |
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| 0 | Paddy Seymour | \$790 | 16 referrals |
| 0 | Kelsey Currie | \$750 | 5 referrals |
| 0 | Josh Wallis | \$520 | 9 referrals |
| 0 | Dave Noorda | \$505 | 10 referrals |
| 0 | Gram Russell | \$500 | 9 referrals |
| 0 | Paul Steen | \$380 | 11 referrals |
| 0 | Nic Millwood | \$290 | 12 referrals |
| 0 | Lachlan Taylor | \$270 | 13 referrals |
| 0 | Tom Rogers | \$210 | 5 referrals |

How good is netballer Nic Millwood- sidelined for the season with a knee injury but is still doing the rounds with the tickets and has sold nearly \$300 worth.

Lets see if we can be the first Australian club to raise \$20k !!! All money goes straight back to OFC.

Big thank you to some of our sponsors including Chris Hill from Hills Building, Graeme Wilson from GCP and Matt and Aleisha Kenney from Alpha Air.

For your chance to win one of the three Toyotas just follow this link-

https://toyotagoodforfooty.raffletix.com.au/

Brian Nankervis and Rock Trivia- Its' Back !!!

The most engaging ,colourful and humorous Rock Trivia night in the land is heading back to OFC.

Brian Nankervis- an OFC friend- is bringing his "not to be missed " show back to Olinda on July



ABC and SBS star- and a mate of OFC- Brian Nankervis is heading back "Up Top"

on July 9.

Tickets available at our Facebook page- or contact Carey to book a table of 10- 0417 398834

THIS WEEK- OUR GRAND YARRA VALLEY TOUR-

Have you checked out the schedule for this week's games- if you've never spent a lot of time in the Yarra Valley now is your big chance-

Friday 7.00pm U/19 boys v Healesville at Healesville
Saturday 8.50 am- Women Footballers v Yarra Junction at Yarra Junction
Saturday 10.30 am- U/17 netballers v Healesville at Healesville
Saturday- 11.30am C Grade netball at Healesville
Saturday -12.35 pm- D Grade netball at Healesville
Saturday- 1,35 pm B Grade netball at Healesville
Saturday afternoon Senior and Reserves footy at Woori Yallock.
Saturday 3.00pm A grade netball at Healesville.

The confusing schedule is due to the fact OFC is one of the few clubs that fields teams in every grade of the football and netball, and Woori is updating it's netball courts.

GRANDSON OF A GUN.

How good was it to see the Auskick kids back in action on Saturday morning.

"Bloodlines" spotted a little guy in Richmond gear- turns out it's Chriss and Jenny Riddiford's grandson Arlo.

Arlo's mum Kelly is a three time B Grade MVP and grandfather Chriss is a Reserves B and F and Life Member.



Arlo (right) and his mate Ahilan- choosing the healthy option after a solid Auskick workout.

It was a real UN day at Auskick- Ahilan's mum is from Byron Bay and his dad is from the USA (how would you say you are finding the winter so far guys ?). Arlo's dad is from Thailand while mum Kelly is from Mills Ave.

SENIOR MEN FALL SHORT

By Frank Seal

Olinda's senior men faced a significant challenge at home against the 2nd placed Wandin, hoping to improve their season record to 5-3 in perfect conditions. On a

momentous week for football, both teams were kitted in a special pair of MND themed socks, and after a special, commemorative pre-game message from fellow blood, Peter Gough, Olinda were ready to leave it all on the football field for the next 2 hours.

Wandin came out the blocks hungrier, crashing through every contest and challenging Olinda's 'one-touch' ability from the start, as coach Brendan Donovan predicted. Some straight kicking and goal of the year contenders early saw Wandin impact the scoreboard early and give themselves a 16-point quarter-time lead, as Olinda's inaccuracy in front of goal was becoming an untimely worry.

Olinda moved the ball quicker through the second term, but too much was being left to too few. Kelsey Currie was clean at ground-level, Dale Rohrmann's defensive contests were halting Wandin's offensive flow, and the forwards were being offered some gifts from the goal-square to tighten the margin at half-time. But the Bloods were far from their best.

Two straight kicks separated the teams entering the second half, and the third quarter was a back and forth set-shot shoot-out. Both midfields dominated in patches, winning clean handballs, and gaining territory from tough and intense stoppages. Lachy Taylor was clunking everything, as was Josh Wallis, who was enjoying his time down forward, but the goal-kicking woes were proving significant factor. 2 goals and 7 behinds for the quarter saw Olinda inch closer, and thanks to some set shot misses from their opponent, it was only a 9-point game entering the fourth.



OFC was hanging on desperately for much of the game- this time it's Noah's turn.

Through sheer talent and will from Olinda's stars, the Bloods jumped the Dogs in the fourth and took the lead early thanks to two crucial goals, including a massive set shot roost from an inspired Matt Rosier. A three-point lead was not going to be enough to hold on however, Olinda needed to extend the margin.

Refusing to let go of the game, Wandin continued their hard-nosed contested football, and were showing poise with their disposal, delivering the ball to their talls, limiting any Olinda chance to spoil. Some devastating late-game set shots sailed over the Wandin goals and proved too much for our Bloods.

OFC 9.16.70 Wandin 12.15.87

Best Players- Francis Seal, Kelsey Currie, Matthew Scharenberg, Josh Wallis, Dale Rohrmann, Isaac Tonkin

Goal Scorers- Lachlan Taylor 3, Noah Desta 2, Josh Wallis 2, Matt Rosier 1, Tyler Belloni 1.



Matt Scharenberg - head and shoulders above the others.

RESERVES

Plenty of interest in this match because Wandin Twos have given us trouble since they beat us in the 2017 grand final.

Both teams went into the game with a 3-4 record so it was, in essence, an eight point game for us. OFC was also missing it's best player James Royle-Young.

At quarter time only one point separated the teams but OFC stepped up in the second stanza with Owen Raszkiewicz moving in to fill the midfield gap left by Royle-Young. Gus Nelson was stamping his class on the match and Tommy Falzon layed repeated tackles.

In the third quarter the skill and experience of former Senior players Dylan Arnold, Jay Rankin, David Noorda and the Stevens boys began to show and our lead blew out to four goals.

The last quarter was a procession with OFC slamming on six goals to none.

One of the many highlights- Vermont recruit Jack Lucas kicked an impossible goal from the boundary line at the top end - well done Jack.



Ethan Royle-Young- seven goals in the Unders last match and bobbed up this week with a major in the Twos

OFC 12.11.83 Wandin 2.10.22

Best Players- Oscar Sarafian, Owen Raszkiewicz, Ben Telford, David Noorda, Jay Rankin, Tom Falzon

Goal Scorers- Jay Rankin 4, Tom Rogers 2, Ethan Royle-Young 1, Glenn Stevens 1, George Azzam 1, Owen Raszkiewicz 1, Jack Lucas 1

NETBALL

A GRADE

This match was something of a harbinger for the footy game which was underway at the same time.

A clash of old rivals and a game we thought we had control of for long stretches suddenly spinning out of control.

Wandin inflicted our second lost for season with a scorching 19-9 last quarter which had a number of people taking a closer look at the scoreboard in disbelief.

OFC went to sleep for a few minutes at the start of the last quarter and before we knew it the game was beyond our reach.



Finally balanced at three quarter time- but OFC was swamped in the final quarter.

OFC 43 Wandin 54

Best Players -Brodie Smith, Krista Tomlinson, Hayley Howard Goal Scorers- Hayley Howard 35, Jackie Cutting 7, Jessica Horner 1.

B GRADE

In retrospect this match shaped as a bit of an ominous warning for A Grade.

Wandin led from "go to wo" and despite some desperation by our girls the Doggies were just too accomplished under the ring.

In a highlight for us U/17 star Harper Scott stepped up to provide another scoring option and finished with 10 goals.



Harper Scott- helped U/17s to a handy win then scored double digits in B Grade.

OFC 36 Wandin 45
Best Players- Tessa Bourke-Finn, Jessica Horner, Keely Egan

C GRADE

Not for the first time this season this young team has provided us with the netball highlight for the round.

Up by just three goals after a tight first quarter and then by eight at the main break they ran away with the match by a thumping 24 points.

Halfway through the season OFC and Narre Warren have put a big break on the rest of the field in this grade.

If you haven't caught up with this exciting young team yet make sure you check them out at Woori.



C Grade- a hallmark of their game is their willingness to run and create space and passing options- here Mel "Pal" sends a long bomb to Jess McCall and all of a sudden the right hand side of the circle opens up for Bindi.

Best Players- Bindi Bates, Melanie Thomas, Cate Anderson Goal Scorers- Bindi Bates 41, Mel Thomas 12

D GRADE

OFC has finals aspirations in this grade (in fact in ALL grades) and with Wandin second bottom on the ladder a win against our old rivals was absolutely crucial.

Our girls delivered in spades, racing to a potentially match winning 11-4 lead at quarter time and doubling that difference by the end of the match.

Julie Smith, Michelle Tomlinson and Mera Pringle all shot double figures.

OFC 44 Wandin 29

Best Players- Mera Pringle, Michelle Tomlinson, Mary Taylor Goal Scorers- Michelle Tomlinson 17, Julie Smith 17, Mera Pringle 10

UNDER 17s

This is our second win over Wandin this season with a very similar scoreline to the first time we clashed with them (at Monbulk).

Crucially it allowed the OFC juniors to cling to fifth spot with a two game jump on ROC in sixth place. We have a game against winless Healesville next Saturday (at Healesville), while the other teams will be on the other side of the valley at Woori Yallock.



U/17s-some of the goal shooting from our kids is astounding.

OFC 22 Wandin 8

Best Players- Harper Scott, Chloe Biggs, Emily McCall Goal Scorers- Harper Scott 18, Sophie Grima 3, Paige Claringbold 1

The "A Team" Has It's Finger on the Siren

After a series of "mishaps" in the electronic scoreboard in recent weeks it was interesting to see master time keeper Greg " The G Man" Kennedy back in the box with his finger on the siren.

So was it just a coincidence that The G Man was back after, recently, the siren sounded midway through a quarter, the timing clock wasn't turned on and the entire scoreboard shut down?

As it turns out it was just a coincidence, Greg was in town to attend the 21st birthday of daughter Sarah. Must have been a good party because we note that Sarah didn't play for D Grade on Saturday!



The "G Man" back in the scoreboard after a series of recent match day mishaps.

Senior Women.

Olinda Women's team played ladder leader Healesville for the second time in three rounds at Belgrave on Saturday morning. While the result was the same, Olinda going down by 50 points in a little over 2 quarters of play, the spectacle was much better, and Olinda was able to produce a much better brand of football.

It was in fact the best football Olinda had played since it's round 3 Anzac Day win vs Upwey.

After dealing with the late withdrawal of young gun Grace Belloni at the last second, Olinda had even honours in general play in the first quarter. Ball movement was much slicker, as was transition from defence and clearance work.

The difference between the 2 sides, and it plagued Olinda for the duration of the game, was Healesville's ability to outnumber and get free players in attack. This resulted in two fairly easy goals for Healesville and they went into quarter time 16

points up.

The second quarter brought a showing of Mars Attacks! as ruck Amalija "Mars"
Kostich followed up her good first quarter with a masterful display in the ruck.
Olinda won every centre bounce clearance, and Amalija's contested work, marking
and ball use around the ground was a highlight.

Capt. Maddie Collins put on her usual display of strong body work, marking and long kicking. Claire Hyett did as she does every time she runs on the field, hard running and attack on each contest, and continually bringing her teammates into the game. However, the brilliance Olinda displayed was nullified by Healesville's continuing ability to get easy goals, mostly as a result of their midfielders being able to drift forward unattended.



Healesville- relentless pressure around the ball .

Olinda had their chances up forward, but the delivery into the forward line was haphazard, and any genuine scoring opportunities were sprayed. Credit must go to Healesville, they have proven to be the benchmark of the competition at both ends of the ground. Healesville put on another 3 goals to go into half time 37 points ahead.

Healesville started the third quarter with 2 effortless goals in as many minutes which was disappointing. Unfortunately, the game came to a sudden halt when Healesville's Captain Kelly Laidlaw bravely backed into an oncoming marking pack and received a knee in the back for her troubles and landed awkwardly. With the risk

of spinal damaged she could not be moved until an ambulance arrived, and the clock ran out with no more play . We sincerely hope she is ok, and applaud her courage.

The final result was Healesville 50 to 0.

Kylie Verbakel played as a defensive midfielder and hardly conceded a contest for the game.

Ness Bateman continues to show a maturity that belies her age, and fights hard for every contest and is sure by hand or foot.

Lily Carlin was a welcome inclusion after a few weeks out with injury, her attack on each contest and elite ball use a highlight.

Alex Gunn launches herself into every contest with ballistic intensity and wears her opponents like a glove. She is a nightmare match up for any opposition.

Rapidly improving defender Sophie Caldwell stood Healesville's Danielle Carrucan, the destroyer from the last match who kicked a bag of 7 goals. She finished the game with only 1 goal, kicked when Sophie was rotated onto the bench.

Olinda's mosquito fleet continues to be vibrant and effective. Ellie Andre, Alex McLaughlan and Emmallee Keegan all had impressive moments in the game.

Full back Casey Seymour held her opponent goalless, and was the instigator in many of Olinda's strong transitions out of defence.

Overall, as pleasing a thrashing as a team could have, and with 2 of their best 5 to come back in, Olinda should be a much harder opponent for Healesville next time around.

Best Players- Amalija Kostich, Madeleine Collins, Claire Hyett, Kylie Verbakel, Lily Carlin, Alex Gunn

Who's Cutting Tommy Millwood's Lunch

Our online "premiership jumper auction' is starting to get a head of steam and it's thrown up some interesting anomalies.

A "bank busting" bid of \$400 has been entered for #54, which is the jumper worn by 200 game player Tommy Millwood. However the bid hasn't been entered by Tom.

We suspected brother Owen was behind the bid and was using Andy Evans as his frontman. However...no matter who is behind it... Tommy is going to have to dig deep to secure his jumper.

Meantime there's a looming bidding war for #35- M Scott v P Hayne v N Keegan (and their families). Talk about some OFC "royalty" in that trio!

The jumpers feature the names of all guys who played in our eight flags (of course Olinda and Ferny Creek also won flags prior to the clubs amalgamating), Further details on our Facebook page.

Lets take a look at the Big Eight-

1965- Very special for two reasons. This was our first premiership since Olinda and Ferny Creek amalgamated in 1946 AND we beat Coldstream which had gone through the Home and Away season undefeated with a percentage of 258%. Four time premiership player Peter Milic says OFC lost a lot of players after leaving the MDFA (we went to EDFL) and almost disbanded, so this was the most special of all his flag wins.



1965- fans celebrate another OFC goal.

1966- arguably the most thrilling and unlikely of all our grand final wins. The Big One was played at Lilydale and there was so much mud it was above the players ankles. OFC was down by five points going into time on and Barry Mc Carthy famously iced the match with the last kick of the day. Wandin was the opponent and it would have been the Doggies first ever flag.



Barry McCarthy is chaired off the ground after kicking the winning goal in '66. Paul Jones, grandfather of current player Tom Falzon is on Barry's left.

1967- by now OFC was a powerhouse in the EFL Third Division and should have been promoted, however the Club was unable to field a Reserves team so had to stay where it was. No surprise we finished the season with a percentage 100% ahead of second placed Coldstream and then went on to hold Mooroolbark to just two goals in the Grand Final.



1967's Triple Treaters- three flags in a row,

1978- OFC again took on and defeated the luckless Coldstream. However this year is also remembered for the famous match when OFC hosted the unbeaten, and seemingly unbeatable Forest Hill. Behind for most of the game OFC lifted in the last

quarter when burly full forward Peter Hayne ran amok. Forest Hill never recovered their momentum and failed to make the Grand Final.



1978- heading into attack while some intense shepherding off the ball takes place.

1988- the "line in the sand" premiership. OFC's bid to play First Division in the EFL petered out by the mid 80s and , partly to help our juniors, the Club returned to the YVMDFL. However in our first year back we were uncompetitive and soon found ourselves in Second Division. This 1988 win, over Belgrave, ended our "slide" and set us up for a First Division grand final a few years later.

Interestingly the sons of three of these players, Martin Rankin, Andrew Greenall and Greg Hill would go on to play in our 2017 premiership.



1988- big ruckmam Steve Rose provides the "block" as Stewie Gardiner takes another mark- Stew played in the 1978 and 88 flags.

2005- after mounting an unsuccessful campaign for a First Division flag in the early 1990s by the early 2000s OFC was struggling. In 2005 we found ourselves back in Second Division for the first time in nearly 20 years.

We met South Belgrave in a grand final remarkable for some violent incidents. reminiscent of bygone eras.

OFC legend Michael Scott was concussed (and had some "on the spot" dental work) while Jimmy Reid found himself in hospital with a broken jaw. However the boys dug deep and eased to a 54 win. Teenager Nick Bromhall was BOG. Remarkably one player from this group is still going around- big George Azzam.



2005- saluting again after a 17 year drought in what was the most violent of all our grand finals

2009- we had trouble holding the 2005 team together as we faced the fresh challenge of promotion to First Division and consequently found ourselves back in Second Division four years later. But what a team we fielded- we kicked 100 points in every match except one and eventually set up a showdown with Kinglake in the Grand Final. The Lakers were heavily invested emotionally in this game because of the Black Saturday bushfires and media around Australia covered the match. Channel 9 even did a live cross to the ground during the news. It turned out to be an absolute thriller and the deal wasn't sealed until the final minutes with a David Noorda goal.



2009- Prime Minister Kevin Rudd in the rooms before the Kinglake Grand Final. Current player Patrick Rosier is on Rudd's left and , yes there he is again, big George Azzam is at the rear of the group.

2017- this season produced the most extraordinary scoreline in League history. OFC finished second on the ladder, behind Woori Yallock which beat us three times during the year. Included in those wins was a comfortable five goal victory in the Second Semi. Many fans thought the Grand Final would be a victory lap for Woori. How wrong they were as OFC produced a scintillating and almost faultless display to win by a League record 101 points. As the great Lou Richards once said, - "footy is a funny game". Arguably our best win ever.



2017- Dale Rohrman and James Charge help OFC to a stunning dismantling of Woori Yallock

PIC OF THE WEEK-



Well we can't let this pass without comment can we? Riddi's grandson Arlo already decked out in Richmond gear and running around the oval.

In deference to Chriss and his family Bloodline's has chosen not to run a number of smarty pants comments about the decision to dress a pre school child in Tiger colours.

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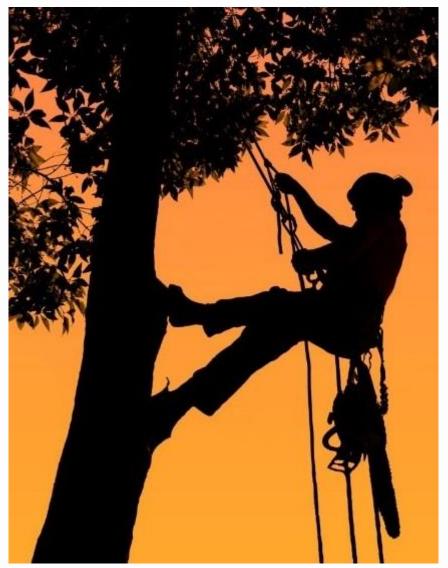


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