

**Olinda  
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**Football  
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**- All Star voting- Jack Lucas, Jaz Donner and Zach Seal (again!) score big**

This week- we host Gembrook- the kids have a bye and our women are at Upwey so we don't start Up Top until late morning

**11.25 D Grade**

**12.30 Reserves**

**12.25 C Grade**

**1.30 A Grade**

**2.20 Seniors**

**2.50 B Grade**

**4.45 Women @ Upwey**

## The Depths of Winter

"Bloodlines' recently found some old notes from 30 years ago which remarked about how important the month of July is "Up Top".

Olinda is a special part of the world and as we know it's always a bit colder and wetter than anywhere else in Melbourne. It's the time of the year that "makes us or breaks us".

The notes ( we think they were coaching notes) warned that "July is the 'work harder and don't make excuses' month. Don't make excuses to avoid training. Don't make excuses to avoid working in the canteen. Now is the time to really lift your game and put in so it's the opposition who are the ones looking for excuses when they come to Olinda."



*Mid July at Olinda= when the "toughest get going".*

## Well, I'll "B"

So watching the netball each week it's clear that B Grade has been at the pointy end of our "transition year" when so many of the youngsters have been given an opportunity to step up.

**They've been on the losing end of some lopsided scorelines so when they enjoy a win the whole Club celebrates with them.**

**Significantly the teenager Millie Grigg was probably our best player in the four goal victory over Emerald with Mel Thomas and Cate Anderson standing up again ( as they have been week in and week out),**

**But we need to acknowledge all the girls-so a big shout out also to Emily McCall, Ella Jonker, Emma van der Nest, Sofia Miculcic and Catilin Portarianos.**

**We are so proud of the whole group.**

**Gembrook this week- let's take it up to them!**



*Mel Thomas scoring one of her 25 goals against The Bombers.*

**Emerald 48 OFC 52**

**Goal Scorers- Melanie Thomas 25, Caitlin Portarianos 18, Emma van der Nest 9**

**Meantime- do you recognise this player ? You'll have to read the netball wrap below to find out who she is- a clue- her last name is Rankin!**



## **"Bombs Away " at Emerald**

**There were a few stunned looks at Emerald last Saturday when the Bombers slammed on six goals in the first 15 minutes.**

**For a while there it looked like a conveyor belt was delivering the ball into their forward line.**

**However to some supporters it was no surprise, Emerald can be a hard nut to crack**



at home.

Even in 2017, as we swept all before us, the Bombers were within seven points at the last break and it took a sensational 11 goal game from James Charge to get us over the line.

Significantly this win maintained our eight point break (plus percentage) in fifth place.



*It's raffle time- who's going to win the ball ? Noah finished with three goals and Mattie two.*

#### Some takeaways

- two U/16 boys, Tom Ford and Aden Bates were in the team. Bates for his fourth game of the season and Ford for his third. Bates in particular was an absolute handful, smart and quick.
- Shep was switched to half back in the last quarter and along with Cal Beattie they held out numerous Emerald attacks
- Oakley Jessop and Noah Desta are not long out of juniors but have emerged as important components of the team at opposite ends of the ground.
- Mr Versatility James Box proved that he's not only handy at CHB and in the ruck but can rove a ball and kick a high paced goal on the run.



***160 game veteran Josh Wallis and teenage young gun Ned Ford congratulate U/16 player Aden Bates on his crucial goal.***

**Emerald 12.10.82    OFC 13.14. 92**

**Best Players- Matthew Scharenberg, Patrick Rosier, Noah Desta, Oakley Jessop,  
Sam Cuthbert, James Box**

**Goal Scorers- Matt Scharenberg 4, Noah Desta 3, Matt Rosier 2, Aden Bates 1, Ned  
Ford 1, Patrick Rosier 1, James Box 1**

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## Milestones-

We're in the midst of some magic milestone matches this month with Dana Millwood clocking up an incredibly significant 150 games !

Dana has played 11 A Grade games this year, taking her to 149, but a B Grade match she took part in against Monbulk actually means she achieved the 150



**milestone last week !**

**Because the Emerald courts are being rebuilt the netty games were at a different venue so we're thinking this week, at home, is the right time to get around an OFC legend !**



***Dana (left) with Games Record holder Rhi at the 2019 Presentation Night.***

**IN some other netball milestones- we've noticed Em McCall has also gone past 50 and how about this for a stat, Caitlin Portarianos's 18 goals against Emerald took her past the 1000 goal mark !!**

**As we know Caitlin played for OFC 2012-16 and has returned to the Club just when we needed her most ! She also umpires games and is a huge asset to OFC.**

**Meantime triple Mick Scott medallist Matt Scharenberg is due to bring up his 50th against Monbulk next week.**

**This is significant because, if our research is right, this is the first time Shep has clocked up "50" in a footy journey that's taken him from Phantoms/Camden and Glenelg in Adelaide to Collingwood in the VFL/AFL.**

**At each of those clubs he played between 30 and 40 games.**



**Matt Scharenberg- with the South Australian U/18 team 2013 ( he also made the team in 2012)**

## **Reserves- Ambushed Again**

There are always heaps of "knowns" and "unknowns" heading into a footy game. Here's what we knew about Emerald going into Saturday's match- they were on the bottom of the ladder BUT the previous week had accounted for finals aspirant Mt Evelyn at Mt Evelyn !!

Clearly something was going on , they had picked up a few players and were an improving outfit.

Now here's the "unknown". Former senior skipper Nic Jansen played his first match of the year and Jarrad Donders, who was winning awards at Eastern Ranges just two years ago, also played his first game since the start of June.

So The Bombers were well and truly up for the fight, even so the speedy OFC outfit blitzed them with a four goal opening quarter and even took a two goal lead into half time.

But the third quarter was to prove our undoing.

Emerald's defence had worked it's way on top in the second quarter and although we had plenty of "inside 50s" we struggled to convert. In the third term we had the ball locked inside our 50 for 10 minutes and kicked four straight behinds. Emerald replied with 2.2 and in the end that was to prove the difference between the teams.





***U/18 player Max Monkhorst, somewhat lighter and shorter than his famous uncle, nevertheless outpoints bigger guys every week.***

**Some take aways:**

- Lachie Boyd was a rock at full back**
- vice captain Darcy Faulkner was a stand out yet again.**
- skipper Jack Lucas continues to improve. The guy has been an absolute revelation.**
- Kaleb Foster is gaining more confidence with his marking and is providing a**

reliable alternative to Noords going into attack

- youngster Max Monkhurst in the ruck against some big bodies. Gees this kid is going to be good.
- Ethan Royle-Young's combo of mark of the year in the Twos sat nicely alongside one of the best tackles of the year.

**Emerald 8.6.54    OFC 6.7.49**

**Best Players-** Jack Lucas, Ethan Royle-Young, Darcy Falkner, Chris Darling,  
Brendan Cooling, Angus Nelson

**Goal Scorers-** David Noorda 2, Ethan Royle-Young 1, Ayden Borden 1, Kaleb Foster

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## **Unders Grab Another Four Points**

Strange game this one. Against the bottom team pre-match expectations are always going to be high but as we saw when the Seniors lost at Berwick Springs you've still got to get the job done.

Two of the regulars, Aden Bates and Tom Ford, had been promoted to the Firsts so we were missing a bit of talent (albeit U/16 talent).

Even so we managed to double Seville's scoring shots by half time, and again at the end of the match (23 scoring shots to 10).

The winning margin should have been bigger than 28 points but credit to Seville who played their hearts out in what has been a very tough year for them.



*Under the Friday night lights at Seville- Mattias Sleeth kicks one of his two goals- vice captain Bon Sullivan chipped in with three.*

From Coach Scotty- Round 12 saw us head out to Seville in clear and cold conditions for a Friday night game. The boys got off to a slow start but we gradually worked our way into the game. We took control in the second half to come away with a 28 point win. It wasn't our best performance but we can still take some positives from the game. Zach Seal played his best game of the season after being moved to CHB. Bon Sullivan was strong in the contest and Kody Gates gave us plenty of run off half back. There's still plenty of improvement in this group as we make our run towards the end of the season and push for the finals.

**Seville 6.4. 40    OFC 9.14.68**

**Best Players -Zachary Seal, Bon Sullivan, Etienne Griersmith-Rowe, Mattias Sleeth, Lennix Barry, Rylan Kay**

**Goal Scorers- Bon Sullian 3, Mattias Sleeth 2, Charlie Hooper 2, Cass Hine 2**

## **Netball- A Nod to the Future**

**A Grade- young co-captain Harper Scott shot a season high 31 goals on Saturday**

and was probably our best player against Emerald.  
Another youngster Mera Pringle chipped in with 9- so that's 40 goals between them  
against a team that will most likely play finals.

We were a bit "short on" going into the game so it was a long afternoon for Cate Anderson who had to double up. Maybe the "warm -up" match in A Grade helped Cate because she was instrumental in B Grade's wonderful win.



*The "future in action" - Mera goes over the top to a running Harper.*

**Emerald 70    OFC 44**

**Best Players -Harper Scott, Natalia Moraitis, Jess McCall**

**Goal Scorers- Harper Scott 31, Mera Pringle 9, Eloise Argoon 4**

#### **C Grade-**

**Missing the competition's second highest goal scorer- Rhianne Fraser- it was  
always going to be a tough day at the courts for us.**

**And so it proved with Emerald holding a commanding 8 goal lead by half time.  
On the plus side- was that Romy Rankin (Schauble) we saw running around in the  
red and white again ? You betcha, alongside another of our netball legend's Rhi  
Pendleton who helped us out again. That's over 300 games of experience between  
them but, sadly in this instance, not many of those games have been played in  
attack.**



**Emerald 34    OFC 16**

**Best Players-Charli Merrett, Charlotte Rickards, Rani Egan**

**Goal Scorers- Mickey Balzereit 12, Rani Egan 3, Romy Rankin 1**



***Who is the mystery player- it's Romy Rankin- formerly known as OFC multiple MVP winner Romy Schauble !!! Jess Day is Wing Attack.***

**D Grade- with the highly experienced Jess Day helping out C Grade it was always going to be a tougher day for us inside the circle.**

**Jess's service to Sam , and who's ever in GA, is absolutely top shelf.**

**So it was no surprise we shot under our season average score against a team we beat in round one.**

**Thanks again to Martha "X" Box for helping us out !!**



**Let 's bounce back this weekend against Gembrook.**

**Emerald 36   OFC 19**

**Best Players- Jasmin Donner, Emmy van Duuren, Ruby Fleming**

**Gaol Scorers- Sam Mikulandra 9, Martha Box 9, Jasmin Donner 1.**

## **Lucas v Lucas. Goal v Goal**

**Two seasons ago Peter Lucas kicked what was possibly our goal of the year at Woori Yallock.**

**He gathered the goal on the defensive side of the centre circle and powered thru the middle of the ground before offloading on the 50m line.**

**Did brother Jack go "one better" on Saturday at Emerald?**

**Jack took the ball on the offensive side of the centre circle and also cut a swathe thru the square before letting rip.**



***Did Jack Lucas eclipse brother Peter's famous goal at Woori two years ago ? Pete ran further but the pic seems to show Jack unloading further out, just on the offensive side of the "50". The brothers can discuss who gets the bragging rights.***

The image shows two women in red sweatshirts holding a large sheet of paper. The paper features a list of names and logos. The logos include GCI, Bell, and AMG. The list contains names like LIAH BATES, JAMES MALLWOOD, and others. A red wire basket sits on a stool in the foreground.

**Jacqui Ring and Casey Credlin ran the Club Lotto draw last week. Casey has also stepped up to take the netball pics we see each week in Bloodlines .**

## All Stars-

**Big week for Frank's Fighters, scoring double the points as their next closest opponent.**

**BOGs to Jack Lucas, Zach Seal and Jaz Donner, plus vote getting games to netballers Nat Moraitis, Mel Thomas and Charlotte Rickards got them the big win.**

**2nd week in a row Luca's Livewires have been on the podium, so they're making a late charge!**



**WOMENS FOOTY- FOR THOSE MISSING ALL THE COLOUR AND CREATIVITY OF SACHA'S WEEKLY COLUMN- THE WOMEN HAD A BYE.**

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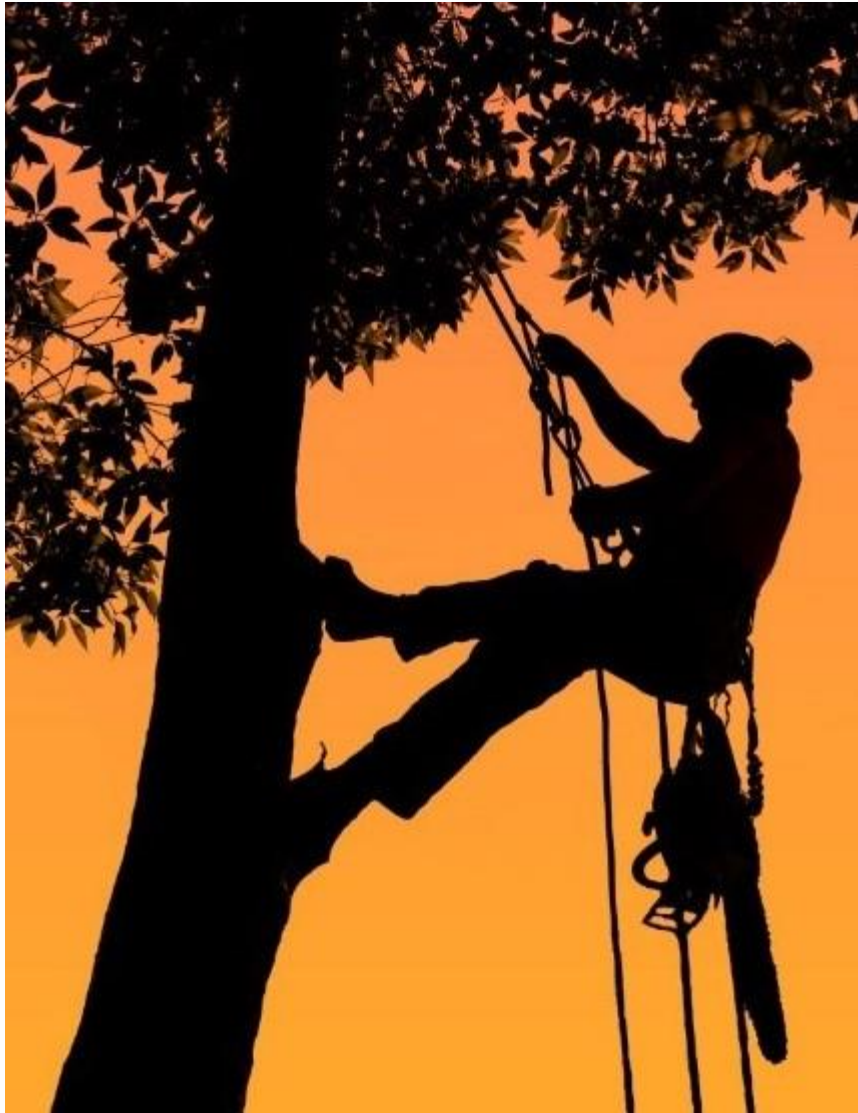


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