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**Welcome to the fifth edition of the DRFNC Newsletter, the
Burra Blog !**

**THIS WEEKEND.....Saturday Night Live and Vote Count
Day !**

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Presentation Night***

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THIS WEEK

This weekend sees the last Home & Away game for season 2013 with the Burra taking on Rupertswood at their home ground for the first time. Then the next weekend.....
IT'S FINALS !!



There are exciting times ahead for the Burra with all 3 Football teams in the finals as well as C Grade Netball, and B Grade Netball to be determined this week. We hope to see as many Burra supporters as possible out in force to cheer on our players in their endeavours toward the ultimate prize. We will keep you posted as Finals venues are confirmed, however be prepared for both Saturday and Sunday games.

There is also A LOT happening at our Club this week with comedy night, 'Saturday Night Live' in our Club Rooms THIS SATURDAY NIGHT (17th August) and Vote Count Day at the Black Horse Hotel THIS SUNDAY (18th August).

These are two events not to be missed !

We are also commencing sale of tickets for the Burra annual night of nights.....Presentation Night to be held on Saturday 21st September. Please read the Functions pages for further information.

GO BURRA !!!

MEMBERS DRAW

The Members Draw went off again last week at \$300 !

The Members Draw will be continuing during the Finals so make sure you're at the Club on Thursday Selection Nights for a chance to take it home.

You need to be in attendance to win !!



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SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE FEATURING DIGGERS REST FNC AND LIVE COMEDIAN DAVE O'NEIL

**THIS SATURDAY 17th AUGUST after the Rupertswood
game 7.30pm in the Burra's Club Rooms**

**The comedy fest is back for another year, with reviews
and videos put together by our very own players.**

**Hosted by Lefty and Goof, a
guaranteed night of laughs that
can't be missed !**

**For just \$10 at the door you'll
enjoy entertainment from our
players, stand up comedian Dave
O'Neil, finger food and drinks at bar prices.**



**This is a VERY popular night on the Burra calendar so
come along, see the players like you've never seen them
before and give yourself a great night out !**

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VOTE COUNT DAY

THIS SUNDAY 18th AUGUST
commencing 12.00pm at the
Black Horse Hotel, Bulla

Keen to find out how you or your favourite player has polled in the Club Best & Fairest Votes this season ? Be one of the first to know as the votes are called and winners announced at our annual Vote Count.

Our much valued sponsor, the Black Horse Hotel Bulla has kindly closed their very busy Sunday Lunch Bistro for our Club Function this Sunday. Enjoy a cosy atmosphere with delicious meals and drinks available at bistro prices commencing at 12.00pm

Please come along for an exciting afternoon and support our generous sponsor and your Club !



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DRFNC PRESENTATION NIGHT

Saturday 21st September 2013
Tabcorp Park, Melton

Our Club's annual gala night of nights will be held again this year at the venue of our valued sponsor, Tabcorp Park, Melton.

Tickets will be available for purchase commencing next week. \$80 per ticket includes a 3 course meal, beer wine and soft drink, and a night of excitement and celebration of the achievements at your Club in season 2013.

With the event less than 5 weeks away and finals approaching, talk to your friends about making up a table (tables of 10 or 12) and secure your attendance by purchasing your tickets as soon as possible.

Please see Rhys Berry or Delys Holland at the Club on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Payment accepted by cash, cheque, EFTPOS or direct credit to Club bank account:

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CHAUFFEUR DRIVE

Daniel Furnell is the Vice Captain of our under 18.5's and already a popular member of the Club. Ben Morse asked him a few questions about his time at the Club.

Furny where did you play your junior footy and what got you over to Diggers Rest?

I played all my junior footy at Sunbury Lions from u/10s to u/16s being fortunate enough to have a fair bit of success playing there. Payney got onto me through Ryan Billinghamurst and originally I wasn't too keen on coming down as at the time I was leaning towards staying a Sunbury boy and I actually ended up skipping a BBQ I told Payney I'd attend haha. Thankfully Trent Bellis forced me to go down for 1 training session and I can honestly say I haven't looked back since.



How have you found the Club so far? You seem to be enjoying it.

I've loved my time at the Club mate. All the boys are great and I love the connection the senior/reserves side of the Club have with the 18s. It really makes you feel like you are a part of the Club on both a playing and a social side.

Having the big canine as a coach would be quite an experience but I think he has done a fantastic job. How have you found him as a coach? Feel free to criticise him personally to if you want.

Woofa's a great coach, easily the best I've had. He's switched on most of the time and does a great job, constantly abusing us personally as well as football wise. It's good but, always love to get him back some way or another. He's a huge reason that myself and many of the other boys have stayed at the Club and will continue to develop and become better footballers.

Hopefully you and most of the boys are planning to stay on after 18s and play some senior footy for the Club. Is that something you are keen to do?

Definitely mate, would love nothing more than to one day be able to play some senior games. I reckon we are in a great place as a Footy Club and I'm looking forward to hopefully have a crack at playing reserves footy and one day if I'm lucky and deserving enough getting a chance to play in the 1's.

Obviously you boys work fairly closely with some of the senior boys. Give us a few guys you really enjoy watching and why or a few guys you have learnt a bit from.

The senior boys have helped a lot with my development as a footballer. Everyone has been a huge help but blokes like Dyl Hannan, Stu Clarke, Woodsy and Tucks just to name a few have helped me become better in various parts of my game and I'm extremely grateful for it. From a watching point of view I love watching blokes like my man Crogga, Harvs, Fogs and Lefty go about things. Being more of a backman as well I love seeing guys like Johnny Ryan beat and take it to their opponent 1 on 1.

The 18s are going to play finals. Everyone knows Dyl Brosnan and Josh Wallace are star players for you guys. Who else do you think might stand up come finals time?

We've got a fair few blokes who I reckon will have a crack and help us hopefully do well. I'm tipping big Seany Egan to have a huge finals series, I have never seen someone who hadn't played a game of footy before this year develop into such a gun especially as a ruckman. Also Mitch Lawton, Ben Tocci and Skin will be a few to watch if we want to have a chance at going deep into finals.

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football

Give us some other stuff on the 18s players for the Burra's community

Funniest bloke?

Jake Bailey

Worst bloke?

Gotta be Churchy/Spewey doesn't it?

Yep

Tightest bloke?

Unfortunately I'd have to say myself. Bunnings wages don't get you too far!

Lady killers?

Buckets had a lot of potential before his weight gain but he's settled down and found a darl so I'll say Bros

Worst fashion sense?

Ricky Buxton has run a fair few awful kits in his time

Who spends the most time working on their appearance?

Nobody, we are a bunch of absolute pigs.

Who has had the best birthday present out of all the boys?

Without a doubt Trent Bellis. Unfortunately I can't disclose the present.

Finally a bit about yourself mate. You play cricket at Sunbury United in the summer? How are you enjoying that?

I love it mate, love the social and playing side of the game and the Club. Very similar to our Footy Club which is what makes it so great. Would be nice if I could actually make a few runs once in a while however. Still remember the day Chuck Berry bowled me middle stump for a duck. Relentless.

Single?

By choice only of course ;-)

How are you going at school? Are you an academic or a dumb footy player like the rest of us?

School's a pain but it isn't too bad. Looking forward to finishing this year and being able to worry about other things primarily such as footy. I guess you could call me a bit of an academic, ask the boys they'll let you know I've missed a few training sessions to get some last minute study in!

Last one mate. How far do you think the 18s can go this year?

I guess we will have to wait and see mate. We have gone from a bottom of the ladder team with a record of 1-17 and multiple 10-20 goal losses to a team who will finish 5th and play finals. Regardless of what happens I'm stoked with the year, but if we play our best footy who knows how far we will go.



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PEOPLE THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE !

Adele Downey (previously Fitzpatrick) is one of the founding Club representatives involved in the re-establishment of the RDFL Netball in 1991.

Adele has played more than 200 netball games for Diggers Rest Football Netball Club, and until 2010, was one of the small group of four girls that co-ordinated the netball at Diggers Rest.



In 2010 Adele took a much needed rest from her commitment and involvement with the netball to venture into a personal commitment of her own by marrying current Diggers Rest Football Netball Club President Paul Downey. Adele and husband Paul introduced two new Burra's to our Club in 2011 when they became proud parents of now 2 year old twin boys, Jack and Matthew. Adele then returned to playing netball at our Club in 2012.



Over her years of involvement at the Club, Adele spent tireless hours attending League meetings and organizing game day paperwork. She was always actively involved at a committee level and is well known amongst the players for her welcoming and positive attitude. Adele is a Life Member of Diggers Rest Football Netball Club and has been a recipient of numerous "Player's Player" awards, now formally known as the "Adele Downey Award" named in her honor. Adele is an inspiration and great leader to the younger netball players at our Club.

We thank Adele for her continued loyalty to our Club and look forward to many more years to come.





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Our Lost Property Box is OVERFLOWING with your belongings !

As we need to clear the Club Rooms for hand over to the Cricket Club at the end of September, we cannot hold on to these items.

Please check the white box marked "Lost Property" on top of the white cabinet in the Club Rooms before the contents are transferred to the wheelie bin !

PLAYER BIO - BRAD CUNNINGHAM

NICKNAME: Cunna
AGE: 28
OCCUPATION: Electrician
GAMES PLAYED: 50
FOOTBALLING HERO: James Hird
BIGGEST SPORTING INFLUENCE: The Old Man
FAVORITE OR MOST EMABARRASSING FOOTBALL MOMENT: Winning U18's Flag
WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO PLAY FOR DIGGERS REST ?: Brett Caton

WORD ASSOCIATION -

CHRIS PAYNE: Woof
SOLARIUMS: Brent Tuckey
BRENT TUCKEY: Solariums
JAMIE ELLIOTT (Coach): Ranga
SUNDAY GRAND FINALS: No good
DAN FROM THE BLOCK: Celebrity
SHAUN SIMS: Grey
FOOTY TRIPS: WOW!



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PLAYER BIO - MARK FREETH

NICKNAME: Bulla

AGE: 21

OCCUPATION: Garbage Truck Driver

GAMES PLAYED: 36

FOOTBALLING HERO: James Hird

BIGGEST SPORTING INFLUENCE: Ben Cousins

FAVORITE OR MOST EMABARRASSING FOOTBALL

MOMENT: Under 10 Grand Final

WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO PLAY

FOR DIGGERS REST ?: Friends, and needed a change

WORD ASSOCIATION -

CHRIS PAYNE: Dog

SOLARIUMS: Tucks

BRENT TUCKEY: Perfect

JAMIE ELLIOTT (Coach): Underated

SUNDAY GRAND FINALS: Memorable

DAN FROM THE BLOCK: Famous

SHAUN SIMS: Skip

FOOTY TRIPS: Unreal

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BURRA FIXTURE SEASON 2013

ROUND	DATE	MATCH		
1	13/4/13	RIDDELL	V	DIGGERS
2	20/4/13	DIGGERS	V	SUNBURY KAN-GAROOS
3	27/4/13	BROADFORD	V	DIGGERS
4	4/5/13	DIGGERS	V	ROCKBANK
5	11/5/13	WALLAN	V	DIGGERS
6	18/5/13	MACEDON	V	DIGGERS
	25/5/13	INTERLEAGUE		
7	1/6/13	DIGGERS	V	MELTON CENTRALS
8 <i>Queen's Birth-day Weekend</i>	8/6/13	KILMORE	V	DIGGERS
9	15/6/13	DIGGERS	V	WOODEND
10	22/6/13	BYE		
11	29/6/13	DIGGERS	V	RUPERTSWOOD
12	6/7/13	DIGGERS	V	ROMSEY
13	13/7/13	LANCEFIELD	V	DIGGERS
14	20/7/13	DIGGERS	V	RIDDELL
15	27/7/13	MELTON CENTRALS	V	DIGGERS
16	3/8/13	BYE		
17	10/8/13	DIGGERS	V	BROADFORD
18	17/8/13	RUPERTSWOOD	V	DIGGERS
QUALIFYING FINAL	24/8/13	ELIMINATION FINALS	25/8/13	
2ND SEMI FINAL	31/8/13	1ST SEMI FINAL	1/9/13	
PRELIMINARY FINAL	7/9/13			
GRAND FINAL	15/9/13			

