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FROM THE PRESIDENT...



Hi to all,

A big thank you to Al Vicic & Danni O'Neill for helping with president duties while I was away. With the end of the season approaching, it is a timely reminder that all players, officials and supporters off the WPH remember the SMJFL's play FAIR policy. As finals approach, games can become quite willing and competitive, so please try to remember "its all about our kids", having a kick and most importantly having fun!!

As previously mentioned we have had to terminate our relationship with Rick Irwin and his MATCHday consulting group. However, I would like to reiterate the executive committee's commitment to investing in our coaching group. We are currently looking at a replacement for MATCHday to help develop and train all our coaches and assistants.

I would also like to remind everyone about our cancelled WPH poker night. Due to the reasons already explained the night won't be going ahead tonight the 28th of July. We will be considering alternative fundraising ideas to raise much needed funds for the club.

An update on our new club rooms, as we move through July we now expect that options to move the project forward will be considered at the August Council meeting. Existing tenders all came in over budget so Council Officers are considering a range of options which includes reducing the scope of the project, through to providing additional funds to deliver on the current design. They are expected to present a report to the August meeting with their options and recommendations for Council's consideration. The club will be meeting with our local Councilors in the forthcoming week to put forward the club's position and preferred outcome. We'll keep you updated re progress in the lead up to the August Council meeting on 29 August.

Enough from me for now, have a great weekend of footy. Whether you are competing for finals or not or are getting to the end of season lightning premierships, please remember to have fun and enjoy each other's company.

GO HAWKS!!!

Paul Shaw

NEWS...

After Match This Sunday—Hosted by the Committee

This week's After Match is hosted by the Committee with hamburgers and sausage in bread on the menu.

Also, don't forget the weekly player prize draw (\$50 Rebel voucher) and the weekly raffle. The bar and canteen will be open from 5.30pm, with reports for all teams beginning at 6.15pm.

After Match is always a fun night and is a great opportunity to get to know the families of your child's team, as well as other members of the club in a social environment. The children can have a kick of the footy with their mates under the lights whilst parents can enjoy socialising.

Please note: the club will turn off the ground lights during the presentations and all players must return to the club rooms. No players are to remain on the ground whilst the lights are off.

Vale Anne Marsicano

Waverley Park Hawks Junior Football Club wish to offer their deepest sympathy and condolences to the Marsicano Family. Sadly, after a courageous battle with cancer, Anne passed away, Thursday 20 July. For those who knew Anne, would know that she was an amazing woman. Even through difficult times and severe pain she always put a smile on her face, not to show her family and dear friends of her struggle. Anne was always larger than life. Anne cherished the times she had with her family as well as her friends. She found the courage to watch her son play footy even when she knew it would be an ultimate struggle. She was an inspiration to all. Anne sadly leaves behind her husband Michael and 3 Children, David, Stephanie and Ben (Under 15).

If anyone would like to offer their help and support during these difficult times, no matter how big or small please contact Tony Ferracane via 0419 367 593. This is what a Real Family Club is all about and proudly Waverley Park Hawks is a real family club. Everyone sticking together.

Our thoughts and best wishes go out to the Marsicano family.

Thank you to the SMJFL for their ongoing support.

Tony Ferracane.

Club to Host Finals at Columbia Park

The club will host matches at Columbia Park in the first two weeks of the finals on August 20 and 27. It is a great opportunity to raise the profile of the club within the league as well as to generate additional funds through canteen sales. We will require volunteers on the day to assist with all the duties required of the host club. We will need people to help with ground setup, operating the canteen and any additional food stalls, scoreboard, a ground manager and cleaning of rooms throughout the day.

At this stage, we will be hosting the Under 14 and 15 Division 2 Semi-finals in week 1 and Under 14/15/16/17 Division 3 Preliminary finals in week2.

More information will follow in the coming weeks in the lead up to the finals.

Lum Reserve Reminder

Just a reminder that the Committee is asking all players, families and supporters to refrain from standing on the west side of the ground during games at Lum Reserve. It is our preference that ONLY players and officials remain on that side of the ground during game times. We are asking Team Managers and Coaches to be vigilant with their various teams/groups in a bid to assist. We would ask that whilst at Lum Reserve, those not directly involved as a player or official, remain either on the eastern, or pavilion side, or behind the goal are at either end.

For clarity, the problem area is the west side of the ground where the elevated garden bed and retaining wall are located, adjacent to the new coaches' boxes.

The Committee appreciates your cooperation and please don't hesitate to contact a committee member should you need any assistance or clarification.

We Need Your Help!

As most of you are aware, fundraising is an integral part of any junior sports club, and more importantly, events are a great way for us to build community spirit within our club.

We are looking for passionate and creative people to join our newly formed Events & Fundraising committee for 2018. Events such as the Dinner Dance do not happen without the dedication of volunteers and as our club has grown, so too has the work involved in this important aspect of the club.

We are looking for a representative from each age group to join our new committee to help pull together the fun stuff! Please consider joining us as many hands make light work! We would like to start this committee before the end of this season – please send your expressions of interest to Danni O'Neill at ddoneill@bigpond.net.au.

Next year, fundraising will be more important than ever due to the rebuild and inability to host after match and other events at Columbia Park. Get your thinking hats on and put your hand up – we need you!!

Umpires Room

The SMJFL would like to make the following details surrounding Umpires' room known to all parents, supporters and club members and ensure that it is adhered to by everyone effective immediately:

Umpires' Room

10.9. Only the Umpires, Umpire Escorts, Team Managers, SMJFL officials and first aiders are permitted to enter the umpires' room. Parents/supporters of players are not permitted in the Umpires' Room.

This policy means that NO players, parents/supporters or other club members (excluding Team Managers) are permitted into the umpires' room at any point.

SMJFL Award Nominations

Is there a deserving Waverley Park Hawks member that you think the club should nominate for any of the following awards:

- [Volunteer of the Year Award](#)
- [Club Administrator of the Year Award](#)
- [Sportsmanship Award](#)
- [Monash University Leadership Award](#)
- [Club Umpire of the Year Award](#)

Follow the links to view the criteria for each award.

Please send nominations to Lindsay Moore via secretary@wphawks.org.au and include name, team, position and reason why they deserve the nomination.

Say #THANKSCOACH

#ThanksCoach is a grassroots initiative from Foxtel & AFL Coaches to thank the bedrock of the local game: the grassroots coaches. They put in an enormous amount of time and effort into the development of players and for that Foxtel and the AFL Coaches are saying #ThanksCoach by giving your coach the chance to WIN an AFL Grand Final Trip of a Lifetime!

Each winner will get to bring a friend and they will both enjoy:

- 2 tickets to the 2017 Toyota AFL Grand Final
- 2 tickets to the Carlton Draught Tent before the Grand Final
- 2 tickets to the Fox Footy Grand Final Eve Luncheon
- Return flights to Melbourne
- 4 night's accommodation in the Melbourne CBD
- Plus, other exclusive experiences and giveaways

Sometimes coaches just need to be reminded on the enormous impact they have on their players, their club and the game itself. Say #ThanksCoach and nominate your coach today www.foxtel.com.au/thankscouch/tripofalifetime.html

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

"Connor's Beanie Round" This Sunday July 30

The RCD Foundation-Robert Connor Dawes is the charity partner of the South Metro Junior Football League and this Sunday July 30th will be "Connor's Beanie Round".

The RCD Foundation raises funds for research for a cure and improved treatment options for children and young adults with brain cancer.

The aim of "Connor's Beanie Round" is to raise awareness about brain cancer - the #1 cancer killer of kids in Australia and to raise much needed funds to help produce better outcomes for kids and young adults with brain cancer.

For "Connor's Beanie Round" the club is asking all participants including players (during their pre-game warm up), coaches, team managers, runners, trainers, goal umpires, and supporters to wear a beanie (or buy an RCD Beanie) and make a gold coin donation.

RCD Beanies will be available to purchase at After Match or are available via the RCD online store -

<http://rcdstore.tictail.com/>. There will also be collection tins at Columbia Park and Lum Reserve canteens on the day (30th July) as well as at After Match.

Please spread the word about the inaugural "Connor's Beanie Round" on Sunday July 30th.

For more information about RCD : <http://rcdfoundation.org/>

A big thank you to Dale Pensa who has co-ordinated our efforts to promote Connor's Beanie Round.



Sunday 30 July	Round 13—Connor's Beanie Round and AFL Multicultural Round
Sunday 6 August	Round 14; Under 8/9 Lightning Carnival
Sunday 13 August	Round 15; Under 10 Mixed/10 Girls Lightning Carnival
Sunday 20 August	Under 11-17 Semi Finals Finals hosted at Columbia Park
Sunday 27 August	Under 11-13 Grand Finals; Under 14-17 Preliminary Finals Preliminary finals hosted at Columbia Park
Sunday 3 September	Under 14-17 Grand Finals
Wednesday 13 September	Under 17 Presentation Dinner
Sunday September 17	Annual Presentation Day

AROUND THE GROUND...

Round 13 Fixture Sunday July 30 – 2017

ALL PLAYERS ARE TO ARRIVE AT THE RELEVANT GROUND – 45 MINUTES PRIOR TO START OF GAME OR OTHER WISE AT COACH'S INSTRUCTION.

Home Teams (first named team): Brown Shorts

Away Teams: White Shorts

Team	Match Details	Time
Fercon Property Group Under 8 (Warr, Red)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Murrumbeena <i>Lum Reserve (West), Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill.</i>	8:45am
Mount Waverley Dental Under 9 Gold (Hammond, Green)	Prahran vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Toorak Park, Orrong Rd, Armadale</i>	10:00am
Under 9 Brown (Maestromano, Red)	St Kilda City vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Wattie Watson – Elwood Park – Oval 2, Ormond Esplanade, Elwood</i>	9:40am
AAV Tiling Under 10 Girls (Vicic, Grey)	Dingley vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Corrigan Oval, Marcus Rd, Dingley Village</i>	11.15am
Waverley Kitchens, Laundries & Bathrooms Under10 Brown (Bonaddio, Yellow)	Murrumbeena vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Murrumbeena Park – Oval 2, Kangaroo Rd, Murrumbeena</i>	11.15am
Upkeep Plumbing Under 10 Gold (Irvine, Purple)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Dingley <i>Lum Reserve (West), Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill.</i>	10:00am
Mount Waverley Dental Under 11 Brown (Quinlan, Div 6)	Cheltenham vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Le Page Park – Oval 2, Herald and Argus St, Cheltenham</i>	11.45am
Skye Travel Under 11 Gold (Dell'arciprete, Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Dingley <i>Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill</i>	8:30am
Under 12 Gold (Storan, Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Beaumaris <i>Lum Reserve (West), Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill</i>	11:15am
Under 12 Brown (Blacker, Div 6)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Hampton Rovers <i>Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill</i>	9:55am
Under 12 Girls (Harrison, Div 1)	St Kilda City vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Wattie Watson Oval, Ormond Esplanade, Elwood</i>	3:40pm
Waverley Kitchens, Laundries & Bathrooms Under 13 (Thompson, Div 2)	Murrumbeena vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Murrumbeena Park – Oval 1, Kangaroo Rd, Murrumbeena</i>	11.45am
Under 14 Girls (McLean, Div 1)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Oakleigh <i>Lum Reserve (West), Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill.</i>	12:45pm
Under 14 Brown (Palleschi, Div 1)	Prahran vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Toorak Park, Orrong Rd, Armadale</i>	3.30pm
Under 14 Gold (Addison, Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Hampton Rovers <i>Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill</i>	11:20am
Chesterfield Farm Under 15 (Mahon, Div 4)	Waverley Park Hawks vs South Melbourne Districts <i>Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill</i>	1:10pm
Under 16 Girls (Spicer, Div 2)	Highett vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Highett Reserve – Oval 1, Turner Rd, Moorabbin</i>	3.00pm
Under 16 Brown (Bingham, Div 1)	Cheltenham vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Highett Reserve – Oval 1, Turner Rd, Moorabbin</i>	1:00pm
Under 16 Gold (Fraser, Div 3)	Cheltenham vs Waverley Park Hawks <i>Le Page Park – Oval 1, Herald and Argus St, Cheltenham</i>	1:10pm
Waverley Kitchens, Laundries & Bathrooms Under 17 (Morgan, Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Ajax <i>Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill</i>	3:00pm

Round 12 Results Summary

Under 11 Brown 5.3.33 defeated Mordialloc Braeside 4.6.30

Under 11 Gold 3.2.20 defeated Prahran 2.1.13

Under 12 Girls 2.0.12 defeated by St Peter's 13.6.84

Under 12 Brown 12.12.84 defeated East Brighton Vampires Mount 2.1.13

Under 12 Gold 2.3.15 defeated by Ashwood 9.10.64

Under 13 5.1.31 defeated by Dingley 7.8.50

Under 14 Girls 0.1.1. defeated by Beaumaris 103

Under 14 Brown 6.8.44 defeated by Mordialloc Braeside 8.8.56

Under 14 Gold 5.4.34 defeated by Highett 5.17.47

Under 15 8.11.59 defeated East Brighton Vampires 3.9.29

Under 16 Girls 0.6.6. defeated by Mordialloc-Braeside 6.4.40

Under 16 Brown 4.5.29 defeated by East Brighton 11.11.77

Under 16 Gold 1.9.15 defeated by Caulfield Bears 10.10.70

Under 17 3.2.20 defeated by Mordialloc Braeside 11.13.79

Round 12 Match Reports

Fercon Property Group Under 8

Coach: Chris Warr

Coaches' award: Matt, Max

Last Piece award: Ryan

The under 8s played away against St Bedes/Mentone Tigers.

The boys started off slowly into the wind but were working hard in the middle to try and get the ball forward. Zach, Ben and Max were attacking the ball and tackling hard. Henry was able to stop a few goals by great defensive play on the goal line. In the second quarter Matt and Kael were getting in and under and Matt laid a perfect tackle to earn himself a free kick. Brodie got us on the board with a great goal, weaving through traffic like Eddie Betts. I had asked the midfield to spread out a bit and try and have someone loose over the back and Ryan did as instructed and was able to repel 3 or 4 attacks with clear possessions and great running.

In the second half our defensive pressure was superb, and we were able to keep the ball in our forward half more often than not. Noah and Gavin were working hard on manning up and tackling. Henry did a great one-two handball with Peyton through the middle. Ryan managed to storm his way through for a goal and Max also was able to kick one late in the game. The boys really kept at it all day. Well done Hawks!

Under 9 Brown

Coach: Andrew Tonkin (filling in for Mick Mastromanno)

Coaches' award: Ezekiel Kandasamy and Harry Cochrane

Last Piece Award: Cameron Chapple and Zachary White

The boys travelled to Port Melbourne to play the Colts on a windy ground favouring one goal end.

After losing the toss our back line had the trying task of defending against the wind and the Colts pushed the Hawks with continuous attempts to score a major only to get a couple of points conceded in a gutsy effort from the back line.

The boys worked hard with the wind and worked well with the breeze in their backs in the second term but conceded a couple of goals in the third term to make it a tough final quarter.

Although our boys put in every effort to stop the Colts they were too good on the score board at the final siren.

I was really proud of the boys for showing me their determination and great team spirit!

Thanks to Will Hammond for filling in and to Ryan for his help on the day.

Mount Waverley Dental Under 9 Gold

Coach: Ryan Hammond

Coaches' awards: Ashton Delahunty

This week we were up against St. Peters at their home ground with a stiff breeze pushing towards one end it was going to be a tough day.

The boys lost the toss and so we kicked into the wind in the first quarter. I think it was one of the best quarters I've seen the boys play, they were up and about and working really well together. The midfield worked hard to keep it out of our back line and push us forward. Ben had the ball on a string early and continued his good form throughout the game and was rewarded with the opposition award. Lewis was also on fire and had one of his best games of the season and Charlie continued with his improvement getting plenty of the ball. The backs had a busy time but held up well with Gabriel who has improved out of site collecting the ball and running through a few before having a kick, Kel-El was chasing, tackling and going in hard and Leonardo was in under the packs and managed to get a few kicks. Isaac was his usual self, chasing and laying strong tackles. Ryan has also improved immensely and got a number of kicks through hard work. Although the boys didn't score, they did manage to keep St. Peters to just one goal, a good result considering the wind.

We had the wind in the 2nd quarter, unfortunately some wayward kicking costs us a couple of goals. CJ, one of our captains for the day was in the middle and even with a bandaged finger managed to win the ball and burst out of the pack on a couple of occasions. Jai, our other co-captain was also working hard in the midfield and taking advantage of the wind with some long kicks forward. Ashton was scouting the packs and picked up a couple of possessions and was a worthy coaches award winner. Sam was trying is guts out, on one leg he still tackled hard and pressured well. Elias helped us out and was good around the stoppages and Josh ran onto a good ball, collected and delivered into our forward line, is kicking was as accurate as ever. Unfortunately, in the end though we didn't take advantage of the wind.

The third quarter was a battle kicking against the wind, the boys held up pretty well but St Peters kicked a few. The last quarter with the wind we had Lucas in the middle and his height and long kicking was great. The midfield got on top and the boys won the ball out of the middle with a long kick into the forward line. There was a scrap for the ball in our goal square where Ethen won the ball and delivered a nice handball off to William who steadied and slotted a nice goal right through the middle. The ball went back into the centre and once again the midfielders took it straight out and long onto our forward line. This time Oliver collected and bust through a few of the opposition and kicked truly and we had 2 goals in about 3 minutes.

In the end the one quarter with the wind was the difference in what was a really competitive game. The boys have started to work as a team and are looking and kicking to each other which is great. The improvement continues as we head into the last game before the lightning carnival.

Go Hawks and Go Gold!

AAV Tiling Under 10 Girls

Coach: Alex Vicic

Coaches' award: Daisy

Last Piece award: Kinslie

On a cold and wet Sunday, we hosted St a peters at Columbia reserve.

As per usual, the girls got off to a slow start. With the conditions, deteriorating as the game went on and the girls hands getting colder and colder, the fact that they improved as the game went on was a win on its own.

In really tough conditions the efforts of the girls where fantastic. Daisy in particular was a shinning light and on many occasions was able to gather the wet ball, run her full measure and send the footy deep into the next zone. Kinslie also tried hard and managed to win a few free kick for throwing herself onto the footy. Eden was another who didn't let the conditions worry her as she too attacked the footy all day.

After the half time break, and numerous lollies, the girls found some spark and started to hit the score board. With Ebony, Tahlia and Bella all starting to find the ball and the likes of Alarna and Bianca showing determination in all contests, we started to get on top. Hannah, again showed what good player she is starting to become as did Liv and Lexi. Although we may not of won the game, we again showed we will be a strength to reckon with in the coming years.

A special mention to the four girls who help St Peters with numbers and played a quarter with them.

Go Hawks

Waverley Kitchens, Laundries & Bathrooms Under 10 Brown

Coach: Rob Bonaddio

Coaches award:

A surprise to see vandalised goal posts on set up. Credit to Under 10 parents, who rallied together to fix the posts before the bounce. A cold and windy morning against East Sandringham. For the past month, we've had a nervy start. Our first instructions to the kids were to change that fate. We succeeded with this mission, as Under 10's kicked 4 unanswered goals in the first quarter. It was a great team effort all the way through. Congratulations to our captains, Luca Palermo and Ryder Morgan. They led the team out to a great bounce back win!! Congratulations to Patrick Klonis for receiving the coaches award. Not only for an outstanding game, but also for an outstanding season. Only 2 games left before the lightening premiership, so keep training and have fun!!

Upkeep Plumbing Under 10 Gold

Coach: Denis Irvine

Coaches Award: Angus Hayes & Ebony Stevenson

The U10 Gold were keen to show our opponents, Port Colts how much we had improved since our last encounter. We

started well, kicking the first goal of the game, and really taking the game up to our opponents. All players really attacked the ball, with 3 first half goals to John Sidiropoulos showing a clean pair of heels up forward, and some bullocking work in the middle from Angus Hayes. Ebony Stevenson showed no fear and continued to put her head over the ball, despite some close attention from much bigger opponents. We also welcomed back Jack Czosnek from a nice vacation with 2 great running goals in the second half.

A fantastic effort from the team saw us more than competitive against a very well drilled opponent, but the constant improvement in the Team over the season has been great to watch each week. Final scores were WP Hawks 5-5-35 to 11-7-73. The scoreline didn't quite reflect the effort with the game a lot closer than that.

Special thanks to the U10 Brown players for helping us out – Dean, Hunter, Charles, Ryder, Sebastian and Harry.

With 2 regular season games to go and the lightning carnival, we will look to keep improving and giving our opponents a real contest.

Go Hawks

Mount Waverley Dental Under 11 Brown
Waverley Park Hawks 5.3.33 defeated Mordialloc Braeside 4.6.30
Coach: Paul Rice

Coaches' Award: Oscar Azemhat, Ben Wickham

Last Piece Pizza Award: Thayden Trinh

The boys were excited by the return of global adventurer Isac Quinlan to the team. Whilst Isac had literally just stepped off the plane and was short of sleep, and perhaps a little jetlagged, he was certainly pumped and ready to play with his mates. The opponent was Mordy-Brae who'd got the better of the boys in their first meeting, however we were confident the boys had what it takes to beat them.

Thayden was appointed captain for the game, and it was clear he was keen to lead by example.

From the first bounce the Hawks went toe-to-toe with Mordy-Brae but we were pushing against a high wind which made progress forward and scoring difficult. The team however wanted to win every contest and displayed great attack on the ball. Nick was winning balls in packs. Gab was laying huge tackles and Eugene was made multiple efforts to win the ball. Captain Thayden was also going in for the hardballs and showing great leadership. Whilst our defence was strong, Mordy-Brae got away with 3 goals with the wind in the first quarter.

The boys weren't discouraged though. In the second quarter the Hawks' intensity rose a little more and we tried moving the ball forward with long kicks assisted by the wind, courtesy of Ben, Max and Biraj. Patrick was doing his bit to get the ball out of packs and move the ball forward and his multiple efforts to win the ball were awesome. The boys were rewarded with two second term goals from Will and Thayden that kept them in the game, and they knew it.

At half time the boys were given the challenge to apply even more defensive pressure and to kick a goal against the wind. In the third quarter the Hawks ran out inspired and Mordy-Brae had no idea what was about to hit them. In a great display of team work the Hawks helped each other to lock the opponent down. Whenever Mordy-Brae had the ball they were tackled by multiple Hawks. The huge pressure applied by our boys forced turnovers which then allowed them to drive the ball forward despite the heavy wind. Oscar A earned the ball and had a fast-break from the forward flank towards the goal. We've

never seen him run so fast and this brought great excitement to the spectators. Oscar followed this up with more attacks on the ball in the packs. The boys were rewarded for their “never give up” attitude with a goal by Biraj against the wind which set them up for a monumental final quarter showdown.

At the three-quarter time huddle the boys were fired up and their confidence was high after winning the third quarter. They knew they could win the game if they could get a couple more goals.

The fourth quarter was a nail-biter. The Hawks had the wind again and were keen to use it to advantage. They continued their ferocious attack on the ball and every player on the park was trying their hardest. They had a breakthrough when Ben Wickham won the ball from a pack and kicked a miracle goal over his shoulder which had the team and spectators in raptures and on the edge of their seats.

With only minutes to go James in the forward line, read the play nicely and got into the perfect position just as the ball was kicked from the pocket. He marked the ball and booted the last score for the game which sealed the result. It was the best victory and team effort that we’ve witnessed all season.

Both Oscar Azemat and Ben Wickham rose to the challenges posed to them before the game and for their efforts they earned the coach’s awards. Thayden was a fantastic leader and kicked a great Captain’s goal so he was awarded the Last Piece Pizza award.

An amazing game boys. You made your Club and your parents very proud.

Skye Travel Under 11 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 3.2.20 defeated by Prahran 2.1.13

Coach: Mark Dellarciprete

Goal Kickers: Ethan 1, Cooper 1, Franki 1

Best Players: Whole Team

Coaches’ Award: Max Taborsky

Another away game, another early game this time up against Prahran on a big ground at Como Park. The boys were looking for 3 wins in row, but up against a good opposition. The first half was a hard fought contest with no team giving an inch and only 1 goal scored by Prahran.

At half time the boys received a good rev up and it seemed to work as they came out harder at the football and played more attacking football. Tom and Cooper started winning the ball out of the middle and Franki turned the game in our favour at centre half forward. We kicked 3 second half goals and held off Prahran for one of our best wins for the year. Overall a great team effort by all the players!!

Go Hawks !

Under 12 Girls

Waverley Park Hawks 2.0.12 defeated by St Peter’s 13.6.84

Coach: Chloe Harrison

Goal Kickers: Ash, Ellie

Coaches’ awards: Ellie, Shelby

To say it was raining was an understatement! It was bucketing down rain on Sunday afternoon at Columbia park. Daunted

at the task of playing in heavy rain the girls were pessimistic about the game, but were met with a harsh reality in the first quarter. In the first quarter we let St Peters run free far too much, we weren't manning up and we weren't prepared to run both ways when we had the ball. But with some clear instructions at quarter time it was a new look team. They started running harder, the fierce competitors within were unleashed and soon we saw the results on the scoreboard. Ellie and Ash gave us breakthrough goals which boosted our confidence and although these were our only 2 goals we always looked like we were going to score for the rest of the game. Shelby didn't stop running all day, using her body to keep possession of the ball. Similarly Ellie wasn't afraid to use her body to get the ball, all who are in her path should be feared when she is running towards them because anything can happen. With each defeat we learn a new lesson, this week we learned that we can play some of our best football in the rain. Next week bring a new challenge, Go Hawks

Under 12 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 12.12.84 defeated East Brighton Vampires Mount 2.1.13

Coach: Noel Blacker

Goal kickers: Dylan S 3, Josh 2, Zach 2, Ollie1, Liam1, Jack I 1, Dylan C 1, Ben 1,

Best Players: Lenny, Reece (Pin), Jack I, Liam, Josh, Harry, Dylan C, Ollie, Andrew (Plow), Dylan S, Zach

Coaches Awards: Dylan S and Jack C

It was great to finally get a game at Columbia and top it off with another great win by the boys who never gave up and were able to have a sensational six goal burst in the last quarter to take the game totally away from East Brighton Vampires Mount. Our forwards are really starting to click and kick goals under pressure and as usual are midfielders are doing the job of getting the ball down quickly into the forward line and the backline were relentless in putting pressure on the opposition to keep them down to a score of only two goals for the entire match.

The club and the U12's Brown would like to give a warm welcome to a new team member Safwan Shariq and wish him the best of luck for the remainder of the season. Go Hawks!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Under 12 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 2.3.15 defeated by Ashwood 9.10.64

Coach: Jason Storan

Goal kickers: Brady E 1, Evan P 1

Best Players: Shilo H, Patrick W, Thomas S, Evan P, Damon H

Coaches Awards: Harper V

We had our biggest test of the year so far this week and what potentially could be a finals match up, as we took on the top of the ladder team Ashwood, this was a chance for our boys to see where they are at this season in relation to their footy. We started well again this week with a great tap and rove from the center down to our forward line which left Brady kicking for goal in the first minute, but wind took hold of it and we only scored a behind. The rest of the quarter was a tight affair with the Ashwood boys using their size and speed to put them up at the break by a goal. Unfortunately, the good start faded quickly, Ashwood took control in the second using the breeze to their advantage and they piled on 4 goals 4 to our zip. We had a few boys trying hard with Shilo, Thomas, Damo and Pat leading the way. We needed a lift.

The third was a better quarter for us, after asking them to support each other better around the ground, we had 18 boys trying hard on the field. While we didn't score in this quarter the effort and the support was there. With us trailing by 8 goals going into the last we just needed to get out there and show them how we can play. We used our run and spread well in this quarter and had a lot more control of the ball, we managed to get 3 or 4 possessions in a row a few times and ran the game out hard again. Although we came up short on this game, apart from a bad 2nd quarter we were not too far off the yard stick for our division, with plenty to work on before now and the last game, we need to gather ourselves up and put a great performance out on the park this week.

Waverley Kitchens, Laundries & Bathrooms Under 13
Waverley Park Hawks 5.1.31 defeated by Dingley 7.8.50

Coach: Nick Thompson

Goal kickers: Morgan 2, O'Rourke, Dakin, Medley

Best Players: Everyone

Coaches Awards: Zac Nuroo and Tommy Taborsky

The under 13s were again at Lum reserve last weekend with a strong wind to one end of the ground. We hosted Dingley who beat us soundly earlier in the year.

With the great improvement from our team over the last 6 weeks it was exciting to see how far we had come. While we didn't get the chocolates we certainly continued to gain the respect of our opponents and were right in this one up until the closing stages.

A big thanks to Liam and Reece from the under 12s who again filled in with aplomb applying great pressure all day in the forward line.

We started like a house on fire with Liam O'rourke getting on the end of some nice play to kick our first. Kyle Medley followed suit and then Hunter Morgan slotted a monster after the siren and we took a 4 point lead into the first break. Unfortunately we weren't able to restrict Dingley as we'd hoped and their 2 goals into the wind would later prove very costly.

Despite solid efforts across the board Dingley put on another 3 goals in the 2nd quarter to our none and we went into half time 3 goals down.

With the wind at our back again in the 3rd quarter it was our turn to get back on the score board. Tommy Warner began to fire right up and impact the game and Tommy Taborsky continued the champagne footy we have come to expect. Thus Dakin moved onto Dingley's best player and cut his impact dramatically in the second half as well as adding a goal for us and getting plenty of the ball. Huntsman added another and for the first time in a long time we would go to the 3 quarter time break within a goal of our opponents.

Unfortunately, Dingley proved the better side in the last holding onto their lead until finally extending it in the last few minutes.

Our boys continued to fight hard until the final siren and the end result was a dramatic improvement on our previous battle with the Dingoes.

Under 14 Girls

Waverley Park Hawks 0.1.1 defeated by Beaumaris 103

Coach: Bradley McLean

Goals Kickers:

Best Players: Charlotte, Lauren, Amber, Ella, Madilyn C

Coaches award: Caitlin B & Ella

A very cold windy morning at Columbia as we came up against the top team that are yet to lose a game. So it was always going to be a tough hard. They played so well though, I was very proud of the way the girls took the game on. Ella started in the ruck for the first time this week and played there most of the game and did a great job. Well done Ella. Lauren was back this week and was in everything and plays such an important role for the team, she seems to be able to run and tackle all day. Madilyn played in the mid field this week and was great at putting pressure on and winning the ball as well, you should be really proud of the way you played Madilyn. Emma played another great game in full back this week and took a couple of goal saving marks, Tori was back this week and played on the ball all day and did an amazing job for her the team.

Kiara played her 50th game. I think I can safely say I have seen all of those 50 games too. I have even seen a number of her school footy games and she just continues to get better each week. She has had a bad run with injury this year but that does not seem to stop her wanting to get out there and play the game she loves so much. WELL DONE KIARA.

Even though we did not win the game the girls still came away smiling, which I think is fantastic because it shows me they are still enjoying playing the game.

With only a few games left in the year I encourage all parents to come along to training and see how your child is progressing and if you like join in the training session. Dave and I would love to see you there. I also welcome any feedback or input you may have to help with training

It would be great if we could finish off the season on a high and get a couple of wins out of the last few rounds.

Also, a very big welcome to Gianne and her family, Gianne played her first game this week and fitted right in with the team.

I want to thank everybody for helping out on match day, it is very much appreciated and a special thanks to Nicole, Jacinta and Stasia for playing with us again this week

BRING ON OAKLEIGH NEXT WEEK

Under 14 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 6.8.44 defeated by Mordialloc Braeside 8.8.56

Coach: Francis Palleschi

Goal Kickers: S. Skandalis, N. Buzza, N. Palleschi, J. Soligo, C. Fisher, C.

Best Players: L. Gaudion, E. Hele, C. Fisher, N. Palleschi, J. Kolac, E. Plaza

Coaches' awards: L. Gaudion

On Sunday we travelled out to Gerry Green Reserve to play the top placed side in Mordialloc. It was a pretty windy day favouring one end. Unfavourably we went against the breeze in the first term and did not shower ourselves in glory. Whilst we did okay to hold Mordil' to a 22 point lead we remained scoreless ourselves. Dominance in the ruck from Luke, as he was all day ultimately didn't end up in our forward line as Mordialloc got on top early and ended up working hard to put themselves into a good position.

The second quarter we were much better, kicking 4 goals with the wind, but again, letting ourselves down and giving up 2 easy goals to go into the half time break down by 7 points. The boys needed to lift their work rate and intensity and unfortunately as the 3 quarter time siren rang, we found ourselves 29 points down with another scoreless quarter against the breeze. Some really good defensive efforts from Josh Kolac, Harrison and Bryson, with some tough running from our boys in the middle helped us claw back at their lead in the last quarter but in the end it proved too much. In what was a good effort from the boys, it did leave them and myself with a sour taste in our mouths as it felt like a game we could have won. The results drops us back down to fourth after suffering consecutive losses against top four opposition, but leaves us with an opportunity to make amends and hopefully go into finals rearing to go. I will be expecting the boys to fight back hard next week and really make a statement against Prahran as we look to make a charge towards finals.

Under 14 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 5.4.34 defeated by Highett 5.17.47

Coach: Mark Addison

Goal Kickers: Brodie Addison 2, Jason Yakub 1, Dylan Quadara-Boersch 1, Jeffrey Glass 1

Best Players: B. Addison, B. Jago, N.Gubatanga, W.Saltwell, B.Faulkner, J.Yakub

Coaches' awards: B. Jago

Another away trip saw the boys head out to Highett. This was our second game against Highett after playing them in round 5 which was our first game after jumping up from division 4. On that day we were shown in no uncertain terms that division 3 football was a whole other ball game as we proceeded to lose by over 15 goals to a much more committed & skilful team on the day. 7 rounds later, we felt that we had improved in certain areas of our game compared to that unfortunate initiation into higher level football, so it was great to see a much more rounded performance as the boys proceeded to only lose by 13 points in a real gutsy effort. All in all it was pleasing to see that our accountability had improved dramatically & in the end we may have had a real chance to even sneak away with a win had a few more things gone our way.

Some great individual performances with Brodie, Willem & Noah having a real crack all day, & also a bit of a milestone moment with Jeffrey kicking his first goal for the club when goals were difficult to come by.

Coaches award went to Brad Jago who continued to present up forward all day in trying conditions.

Another big game to play this weekend as we host Hampton Rovers in a game that the boys will be backing themselves to get up for after defeating them earlier this year in a good scrap.

Chesterfield Farm Under 15

Waverley Park Hawks 8.11.59 defeated East Brighton Vampires 3.9.29

Coach: Brendan Mahon

Goal Kickers: A. Saliba 3, B. Lipenski, J. Collins, J. Lyons, B. Heller, M. Mortaruolo

Best Players:

Coaches' Awards: Oscar Mahon and Sean Kilgower

This week was another early morning start near the bay. The pattern seems to be this season, the further from home we play the earlier the start. This can be a concern for U15 teams as some of the boys tend to stay up late on Saturday nights on technology. But there was no signs of tiredness last Sunday Morning.

We were missing several players this week. We started with two players on the bench and by half time we had no bench. The Vampires also came out to play a competitive match. Their hunt for the ball and pressure around the ball was excellent and a good test for our team. Seb Howell set the standard early with a tremendous tackle. His teammates followed his example and we held a lead against a breeze at the first break.

As the game went on our brand of football was too strong for the Vampire and we had a convincing win. It was a great effort by the team and importantly we had a strong contribution from every player. When we have this contribution across the team we play outstanding football. I also thought our forward line did a great job of trapping the ball in our attacking arch for long periods of time. This had an important impact on the scoreboard. Oscar played his best game this year and Sean was consistently solid in defence. We now look forward to improving each week as we approach the end of the home and away season. Well done team.

Under 16 Girls

Waverly Park Hawks 0.6.6. defeated by Mordialloc-Braeside 6.4.40

Coach: Charles Spicer

Goal Kickers:

Best Players: Jess N, Anastasia, Jess B, Caitlyn, Zoe & Mel

Coaches' award: Anastasia & Caitlyn

This week the girls headed down to Walter Galt to take on the premierships favourites, Mordialloc-Braeside. Conditions were treacherous early, with high winds and 45 degree rain greeting both sides. As had been our focus throughout the week, the girls came out hard and contested the ground ball by keeping their feet. Given our girls were getting to the ball first, often they had their older and bigger opponents diving on the ball in an effort to stop us from moving the ball forward. Our girls followed up with an excellent tackling game and whilst frustrated, the girls played to our team rules and maintained their composure throughout. That said, our hard work was rewarded after an excellent tackle by Mel on an opponent twice her size and she was granted a free kick just under 40m out. The ball was not returned properly to Mel by her opponent and upon a team mate throwing it back to her, two Mordi-Brae girls immediately ran over the mark to tackle her. Instead of receiving a 25m penalty, play on was the call, giving Mel no chance to take her kick. Soon after, Mordi-Brae were able to hit the scoreboard late in the term to take that margin into the first break, although in terms of controlling play, we had had the better of the term.

During the second quarter, injuries started to take their toll. With the girls already reduced to 16 for the start of the game, Jess B and Cassy both received heavy knocks in the ruck, but played on showing their courage and commitment. Later in the term, Beth also went down with a jar to her ankle and the "medical team" was being put through their paces. The game had become quite willing, with several of our girls on the receiving end of questionable tackles that could have been called either way. Jess N was doing her best to shake a heavy tag and continued to gather possessions, constantly pumping the ball into our forward half. Caitlyn and Anastasia were playing blinders down back, repelling attack after attack, despite our girls being undersized on the day. Unfortunately, with the injury toll mounting and little opportunity to rotate on the bench, Mordi-Brae's run was starting to tell and their two late goals gave them a comfortable buffer, although it could just as easily have been a 1 goal margin if not for the vagaries of the oval ball and two leg breaks that went against us, once when we were

kicking for goal and once when Mordi-Brae were.

With Macca needing to start on the bench due to a knock to her elbow, we were effectively a midfielder down although Zoe stepped up and was tackling well and winning her own ball. Along with Victoria and Alyssa, they kept the Mordi-Brae midfield honest, although the size difference was again a factor. Despite the best efforts of Britney and Ellie to repel their forward thrusts, Mordi-Brae showed why they are the top team and banged on three goals, their 2nd of which being yet another fortuitous leg break. The rub of the green was certainly not with us today.

At the final change, the girls refocused and were determined to win the last quarter. They played like champions with Annie, Laura and Steph all getting in on the action. The whole team lifted and were being led magnificently by Jess N, who despite heavy attention, was just unstoppable. The mids all lifted and as a result, the game was played almost exclusively in our half. We were very stiff when Macca, again showing the courage we have come to expect, was taken down in a very dubious tackle, resulting in the game being stopped for a few minutes and Macca's game ending prematurely. This should have set up another shot at goal but confusion reigned and another chance was lost. That said, despite playing as the walking wounded, the girls were able to keep their opponents to a solitary behind in the last quarter and added 4 behinds themselves. The girls have every reason to be buoyed by their performance this week. Whilst the scoreboard didn't reflect it, the girls won or broke even for at least half of the game and kept their opponents honest for the remainder. It is a great lesson against a top age and much bigger bodied unit and hopefully that will motivate the girls to give it their all over the next three weeks. I was as proud of their efforts yesterday as I have been all season and our finals destiny remains in our control, so I look forward to a big week on the training track to prepare for our next challenge.

Under 16 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 4.5.29 defeated by East Brighton 11.11.77

Coach: Ian Bingham

Goal Kickers:

Best Players:

Coaches' Award: Jack Neil and Casey.

Tackle, tackle, tackle, tackle. For three and a half quarters every time an East Brighton player touched the ball we were there to put pressure on them. Our pressure acts where fantastic and it kept us in the game until late in the last.

Our back line was great, Jack Neil moved to full back and had a great game, Lachlan, Daniel continued their great form and Johnno did a great job at CHB. Casey also had his best game for the year.

Jarryd was great in the ruck and his work rate excellent, taking a number of intercept marks across half back. Jean-Luc and Matt also had good games in the mid field.

Unfortunately, we ran out of legs in the last quarter. After have the ball in our forward line early in the quarter but we were unable to convert. East Brighton kicked 5 goals in the last 10 minutes.

Under 16 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 1.9.15 defeated by Caulfield Bears 10.10.70

Coach: Greg Fraser

Goal Kickers: C Pond

Best Players: K Harris, L. Noble, P. Long, S. Watson, C. Thompson and C. Pond

Coaches' Award: M. Firth and K. Harris

Before the game the boys were challenged to keep the Caulfield Bears to 7 goals for the game. Although we fell short of our target the boys put on a great defensive effort to keep the Bears to their lowest winning score for the season. The last few weeks they have been averaging over 20 goals per game. Due to their efforts they remain in the four with a chance of finals this season. A great effort from a combined Under 15/16 side but we are far from reaching our ceiling for this year. The team has now proven their defensive capabilities and with a greater challenge this coming weekend we are aiming higher to take down the competition leaders Highett/Cheltenham.

Waverley Kitchens, Laundries & Bathrooms Under 17

Waverley Park Hawks 3.2.20 defeated by Mordialloc Braeside 11.13.79

Coach: Jackson Morgan

Goal Kickers: Bradie Morgan 1, James O'Neil 1, Brendan Wales 1

Best Players: Tom Webb, Will Hayes, Brendan Wales, Alexander Palleschi, Brad Kreidl, Angelo Capello

Coaches' Award: Ryan Kilgower

Played at Central Reserve, the wet and cold day was always going to prove an issue against a opposition more physical than any other in our league. We started the game slowly, the ball was on the ground and kicks were falling short (all common wet-weather issues). Mordialloc are renown for being tough and strong over the football and this showed on Sunday.

Out-muscled over the ball and unable to utilise our overhead capabilities, we struggled to compete for the most part of the game. Some glimmers of hope shone through when we managed to score, and boys like Tom Webb and Brad Kreidl worked extra hard on the ground to put up an inspiring battle.

To go down by 60 points this close to finals is disappointing, but well-done to the boys for battling until the end and putting up with a tough, messy game. Clearly, we lack the experience in the wet and must commit to being stronger over the ball, getting numbers to contests and keeping our feet in these conditions.

A lot to take away, and the remaining games before the finals will give us the chance to fine-tune our play for a strong finals season.

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