



Saturday 1st August 2015

PREMIER LEAGUE

Ladies Premier 2 vs Westside Wolves (Won 1 - 0) 2015-07-18

Goals: M. Miller

No report

Ladies Premier 2 vs CT Pirates (Drew 2 - 2) 2015-07-26

Goals: S. Tweddle, T. Power

This week was another key game, and one that we can use as a measuring stick for our season so far, and to come.

Pirates have been the benchmark competition for the past few years in 2s, boasting very smart, experienced players, and very talented, young, up and coming players.

That being said, we were determined to carry on our form as of late, and take it up to the reigning champions.

It didn't seem like we were quite there, or mentally prepared for this game once we started warming up, and it showed in the first half.

We were slow, too reactive rather than proactive, and sloppy with possession. This saw us concede 2 goals off of our own mistakes.

Half time required some stern words to get the girls challenging themselves to take it up to the opposition. We came out looking like the team we had worked so hard to be, the team that had a 6 game winning streak! Pressure was intense, our defence was tight and proactive. Our possession was smart and our attacks were plentiful.

A great team goal with small, in tight touches made us believe we could take this game over. Now gaining some momentum, we looked to score the equaliser. Luckily for us, Taleisha "Ronaldhino" Power stepped up and produced a baseline, tomahawk chip, which sailed over the keeper landing into the goal. Taleisha had already turned her back thinking she had duffed it, until she turned to see

everybody's shock and delight on their face. 2-2!! We had more opportunities but were unable to convert. Pirates also came close to gaining advantage with a goal, but another superb game from Britt saw her fend off any shots in that second half.

A great 35 minutes played by the girls! It shows exactly what we can do against the best when we play our best. But the let down was that we didn't play at that standard for the full 70 minutes.

Room for improvement, but again heading in the right direction. 1 point off 4th place, with a crucial game coming up this week! These girls are eyeing off finals, and are very hungry and determined to take down anyone who stands in our way.

Carn girls!!

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

Mens Provisional 2 Gold vs Lions (Won 3 - 1)

Goals: G. Watton, M. Read, K. Armitage

After a solid warm up hovering around radios listening to the conclusion of the Dockers game, we were disappointed to have to take the field with only minutes remaining. In protest, we decided to score a goal prior to the final whistle of the game. Once we had confirmation the Dockers had taken the points, we settled in for a arm wrestle which ended a bit like The Rock vs Kim Kardashian - sure there is a bit of resistance as certain distractions take their toll and to keep the crowd interested, but the result was never in doubt.

Ladies Provisional 2 Black vs Aquinas (Won 10 - 0)

Best: C. Dawes, J. Powell, M. Regan

Goals: C. Dawes (3), J. Powell (3), M. Regan (2), K. Sparkes (2)

Good solid performance this week. We knew they weren't really going to give us too much hassle so we concentrated on working on our game and sharpening our skills, though it was still a morale booster to get into the double digits. Hopefully we can take that to next week where we play the 2nd on the ladder, which will be the preview for our finals.

Lets keep the cool heads girls and carry on the way we have been playing he last few weeks!!

Mens Provisional 3 Gold vs Fremantle (Lost 0 - 3) 2015-07-04

An early morning game saw us starting off the game with only 9 players - After holding on for 15 minutes reinforcements arrived after work and junior sport and were unlucky to be 1 nil down at halftime. Second half managed to hold on until we tired towards the end.

Mens Provisional 3 Gold vs Kalamunda (Drew 1 - 1) 2015-07-19

A better game for us although our dominance in the first 20 minutes didn't result in a goal. Kalamunda scored first and then we managed to salvage a draw late in the game.

Mens Provisional 3 Gold vs Canning (Lost 2 - 3) 2015-07-26

Goals: S. Criddle (2)

One of our best games - scored the first goal and ran all over Canning for the first minutes of the game. They then scored the next 3 goals after their midfield was given too much time and space. Managed to pull a goal back late in the game and were pushing for the third.

Ladies Provisional 4 Gold vs Rockingham (Lost 2 - 3)

Best: K. Williams, K. Sayer, M. Hoskin/G. Collins

Goals: G. Collins, K. Williams

No report

METRO LEAGUE

Ladies Metro 1 vs Wolves (Lost 0 - 5)

Best: G. Forbes, R. Roberts, M. Farrow

Wolves were quicker, fitter and much younger but to our credit we held them in the second half. Like the AFL draw we get to play them again in 3 weeks!!!

VETERANS

Mens O40 Midweek Division vs Fremantle (Won 5 - 2) 2015-06-15

Goals: B. Rushton (3), G. Watton (2)

No report

Mens O40 Midweek Division vs Joondalup (Won 3 - 0)

2015-06-22

Goals: B. Rushton (2), D. Wilson

No report

Mens O40 Midweek Division vs Westside Wolves (Lost 3 - 6)

2015-06-29

Goals: G. Watton (2), M. Starling

No report

Mens O40 Midweek Division vs Raiders (Won 4 - 1) 2015-07-06

Goals: G. Watton (3), M. Watton

No report

Mens O40 Midweek Division vs Modernians (Lost 1 - 5)

2015-07-13

Goals: R. Williams

No report



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Mens O40 Midweek Division vs Newman (Won 8 - 2) 2015-07-20

Goals: G. Watton (4), M. Watson, J. Cooke, B. Potter, M. Watton

No report

**Mens O40 Midweek Division vs Rockingham (Won 3 - 1)
2015-07-27**

Goals: M. Watton, J. Cooke, G. Watton

No report

Mens O40 Division 1 vs Uni Associates (Drew 3 - 3) 2015-07-04

Goals: S. Mathew, B. Hancock, R. Achemedei

A school holiday weekend where after managing to get 3 players from the 50 1's after they won on a forfeit managed to field a competitive side. A slow start saw us 2 nil down until we hit back to lead 3-2 at the half. Uni equalised and then a controversial goal for Hank was disallowed late in the game to finish with a hard fought draw.

Mens O40 Division 1 vs YMCC (Won 5 - 0) 2015-07-18

The curse of school holidays allowed an easy win by forfeit while many were skiing over in New Zealand.

Mens O40 Division 1 vs Westside Wolves (Lost 0 - 3) 2015-07-25

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Hale (Drew 1 - 1)

Best: S. Chapman, W. Harries, A. Eager

Goals: A. Eager

A 1-1 draw with the undefeated top side after a 3-10 loss in the first round, was a much better result. Lets see if we can win our remaining 4 games and make the finals.

Mens O40 Division 4 vs OGMHC (Won 4 - 0)

Best: B. Kennington/C. Bontempo, S. Pszczola, P. Paino

Goals: B. Kennington (2), D. Wauhopp, S. Pszczola

Hey great passing game today. Well in control for much of the game with some good backing up from our defense not giving the opposition any real chances to score and allowing our forwards plenty of scoring opportunities. Good to see some of our long term injured players back on the field.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs WASPS (Lost 1 - 2)

Best: M. Watson, R. Scanlon/G. Ross, R. Achemedei

Goals: M. Watson

A pulsating game with a more open forward structure that created many more opportunities in the circle. Rama won the toss, Apples slotted a goal within the first few minutes from a corner, but we were not able to get another past the Wasp keeper. The distribution by the backs to the forwards was outstanding. Another solid team effort for the full 70 minutes.



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Mens O50 Division 2 Gold vs Wolves (Won 7 - 0)

Best: S. Silvey, C. Slattery, R. Nottage

Goals: K. Harper (2), A. Marshall (2), G. Hunt, G. Coleman, M. Pitcher

We lost the toss, but wolves unselfishly gave us the scoring end for the first half. Three minutes in, Harps fired in a rocket from the top left of the circle, but Al got in the way, accidentally deflecting it between the goalies pad and the post. This was the beginning of a six goal onslaught in the first half. The non scoring end only netted us a single goal in the second half. Thanks to Ray for filling in again.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Hale (Lost 0 - 1)

Best: D. MacPhail, T. Patton, R. Knyn

Tough match against a much improved Hale. A game of 2 halves we had all the play in the first half and could not score and they had the play in the second half and scored. Player of the game was Duncan in goals two saves in the first half and then saved a penalty and an amazing stick save in the second half.

Mens O60 Division vs Old Aquinians (Drew 1 - 1)

Best: G. Riley/J. Smith, B. Cadd/K. Woodward, K. Platel

Goals: L. Welten

We played one of the best games of the year leading Reds until the last 5 minutes before giving up the lead. Pat received a bad hit on the knee and we were down too 9 players until Leo and Jonno came and Leo scored a brilliant goal into the top of the net which gave us the lead which we fought hard to hold. Steve played a second centre half and worked the left centre very well driving passes to our right side as well. Kelvin and Geoff made some great saves that kept us in the game. Kel injured his calf in the final minutes and Pat had to come back on but played well.

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Boys 11/12A vs Fremantle (Drew 2 - 2)

Best: J. Rutigliano, A. Howells, C. Thompson

Goals: A. Rayfield, C. Thompson

No report

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Boys 11/12A Reserve vs Joondalup Lakers (Won 2 - 0)

Best: E. Swan, A. McCartney, B. Cadle

Goals: E. Swan (2)

This week, we had an enjoyable drive up to Joondalup to take on the Lakers. Having asked the boys for a high amount of physical intensity and moving the ball at speed, it was awesome to watch them do exactly this! They were rewarded early on with a long ball from Brysen at the back, straight to Bailey as right striker. A great pass to Eddie, then gave him the opportunity for a 1v1 with the keeper, which he finished off neatly.

At the half time break, the challenge was put to the boys to maintain the level of skill and intensity they displayed in the first half. Joondalup had the better of possession and chances, however some brilliant tackles from Dicko at the back, combined with wonderful saves from Andrew kept the score line at 1-0. Midway through the half, Eddie doubled our advantage through some nice individual skill on the top of the D, followed by a clinical reverse stick finish. Despite having a 2-0 lead, Joondalup never gave up, having many more attacking opportunities and putting our defence under pressure. We were able to maintain the clean sheet and come away with a 2-0 win.

It really was a fantastic game by all, with everyone deserving votes for best and fairest! Thank you to Wes Stewart from the 9/10A's for playing up to help us out this week.

Girls 11/12A Promotion vs UWA (Won 3 - 1)

Best: Great Team effort

Goals: Chloe (1), Mon (1), Molly (1)

UWA stats and ladder position showed them as our next nearest rivals and actually the only team to inflict a loss on us (Round 1). We were anticipating a hard slog and a very close game that depending on the result would eventually allow us to identify our standing in the competition. It has confirmed that our talented young ladies are the

No. 1 team in 'A' Promotional (But we already knew that didn't we?). Well done!

Eight players polled initial votes from our casting voters and that shows a great combined effort. Movement of the ball is being shared, play is starting to be taken around the opposition instead of always through them. Keep up the good work.

We only have 3 games left (in the home and away season) as the 14th round is our 2nd bye. The finals are rapidly approaching and I'm sure all families and supporters fully believe that you deserve to come away with the 2015 Grand Final.

But to do that you need to maintain your team effort, encouragement for each other, hard run, never give up attitude, aggression for the ball and on/off support for one another. Finally you must listen to your coaches (Megs and Kirst), they are much more experienced at the game, reading play, identifying opposition strengths/weaknesses and where we need to improve. LET'S JUST DO IT!

Girls 11/12B vs Ellenbrook Falcons (Drew 2 - 2)

Goals: B. Irvine, H. Steele

Belief goes a long way in hockey. It's amazing what can be achieved with only a small amount. Today the girls were faced with a mammoth task. Playing the top side and also 1 player down in the first half with no subs. Defensively we performed extremely well but it was in the second half the girls really shined. The forward pressure was brilliant, our midfield control was so good it forced them into a complete defensive position. Many shots on goal finally were rewarded with an equalising score. The work rate from everyone today was outstanding and it was that which gave us a fantastic draw.

Boys 9/10A vs Hale (Won 4 - 3)

Best: M. Love, W. Stewart, D. Whibley

Goals: R. Bright, J. Floyd, K. Potter, D. Whibley

3 points in the bag but we made hard work of it and let them into the game through our own poor mistakes. Our attitudes will need to significantly improve if we are to push for a spot in the finals.

Girls 9/10A

Best: L. Gleave, A. Drane, M. Hagen

We haven't played as a group for what feels like ages due to a few postponed games. It showed in the way we played and Vic Park were more hungry for the ball at times. A much better 2nd half, just needing to be more clinical with our opportunities in the D.

Boys 9/10A Reserve vs Peel Rebels (Lost 2 - 4)

Best: L. Metcalf, J. Lawrence, J. Grimston

Goals: J. Grimston, H. Parkes

Following the long early morning drive to Mandurah it was no real surprise that it took the boys a little while to get going in this game but once they got going it developed into a pretty even contest. Unfortunately some small lapses in concentration which led to loose marking allowed them to score easily. As a group we need to continue to work on our basics of accurate passing, clean trapping and carry the ball on our sticks as this will now be the difference between being competitive with the better sides in our grade. Given that Peel had soundly beaten us 5-0 in the first round it was really pleasing to see the improvement the boys have made since then and that the structure and positioning are starting to work as they become more familiar and more committed to carrying out the game plan.
Well Done

Girls 9/10A Reserve vs Peel Rebels (Lost 0 - 11)

Best: C. Power, B. Miller, E. Rayfield

A very, very tough Round 10 against the Peel Rebels! They were on fire in the first half and set on a goal scoring spree. To their credit however, our girls came out a lot stronger in the second half and slowed Peels momentum. Time to shake this one off and look forward to the next round!

Boys 9/10B (Black) vs Mods (Won 4 - 2)

Best: M. Harrup, G. Hyde, R. Needham

Goals: E. Blechynden, L. Farrow, M. Gillard, R. Needham

A fine effort against a top four competitor, which has cemented the teams place in third spot. Even with a number of position changes, the players kept persisting and with each week they learn more about the game and what it takes to be competitive. The boys now have the challenge of vying for one of the top two positions, which they can achieve if the season long effort towards improving continues. Well done boys!

Girls 9/10B (Gold) vs West Side Wolves grey (Lost 0 - 7)

Best: H. Jones, C. Marrington, E. Robinson

Three weeks off took it toll and we were all over the place in the first half. Even with two players down the second half was looking better but by then the lack of subs was evident and its not often you hear the coach resort to using the word "please" before "run", nevertheless good to see we held our ground in the second half with a gritty defensive effort and didn't drop our chins.

Boys 7/8A vs Hale (Won 3 - 2)

Best: J. Needham, C. Brown, J. John

Goals: B. Harel, J. John, P. Lorraine

A solid game by Melville who took the win against Hale. It was a fine day and we played on the grass. Jaymon, Callum and Jacob played well with goals by Paddo, Jacob and Ben. Well done Melville 7/8 A boys.

Girls 7/8A vs Vic Park (Won 3 - 1)

Best: C. Forbes, N. Flynn, G. Needham

Goals: G. Farrow, J. Jackson, G. John

The girls played a terrific passing game today. We looked for the free player and width and in the first half Needy, Neasa, Kate and Chloe ran amok down our right side. While the grass field did take away our polish and our goal shooting prowess, our decision making at the back, the midfield and in attack was of a high standard. On another day, we may have doubled or trebled our score. Credit to Neasa and Lucy who both showed true grit to play on after injuries received at our Thursday training session. Back on turf next week – expect plenty of goal shooting exercises at training.

Girls 7/8A Reserve vs Joondalup (Lost 0 - 5)

Usually after such a long break it takes some time for the girls to settle in. To the teams credit they were switched on from the start. Our performance against this undefeated side was a big improvement. We were very unlucky not to score at least 2 good goals, and we also created plenty of opportunity which was lacking last time these teams met.

A big thank you to Caitlin and Celia from the 5/6s for filling in it was a hard task and you both played well.

Girls 7/8B (Gold) vs Hale (Won 5 - 0)

Game forfeited by Hale

Boys 7/8C vs Ellenbrook Falcons (Won 2 - 0)

Best: Great team performance

Goals: B. Abrahams, D. Wallington

Max is back! With the return of Max after the holidays, the team headed to Ellenbrook to try repeat their round 1 victory over the local team. Both teams were sluggish out of the blocks but the inevitable score came after a few short corners from our boys. In a mad scramble only centimetres from the goal line, 4 Melville boys grappled with the Ellenbrook goalie to lay claim to the first goal of the match. Brodie had the longest stick and promptly slotted it past the keeper and 3 of our players. Our second goal was much more elegant with a textbook play right out of the Rayfied Goal Scoring manual and just as the boys have been practicing for the last month. Our fullback Daniel slammed one into the back of the goal to make it 2-0, Melville. It has been terrific in recent games to see our boys put into place what they practice at training and the run home is sure to be good.



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Boys 5/6A Promotion vs Joondalup Lakers (Drew 1 - 1)

Goals: D. Bradshaw

A good old fashioned arm wrestle this week, the first game back after the school holiday break meant red faces and hard puffing throughout the game. A win would have put Melville into second position, leaping over Joondalup Lakers however a 1-1 draw against Lakers keeping the team in third spot. Lakers intensity ensured Melville had to work hard for every possession and being first on the score board showed Melville that they meant business. Melville almost instantly returned the favour to level the score, ensuring parents from both teams remained on the edge of their seats for the remainder of the game. Another opportunistic goal by Dylan Bradshaw kept Melville in the game and himself at the top of the team's goal scorer list. A gutsy display from Lachlan Drake-Brockman, Ethan Elliott and Nicholas Massie-Taylor.

Boys 5/6C Gold vs Canning (Lost 2 - 4)

Best: T. Stone, L. Paterson, M. Horrocks

Full credit to Canning who played well in the first half. Their hard hitting striker was able to get two goals from penalty corners in the first half, but Melville worked hard in the second half which was a lot more even with both teams getting two goals. Welcome back Mitchell, it was good to have the whole team together.