

Ladies Premier 1 2017-04-10

Goals: C. Carter, A. Clark, L. Gray, C. Pickford, K. Smith

2 words for you mate - GOAL FEST.

If we have to drag our maroon covered bodies all the way to south Geraldton - we make sure we get our monies worth. (*petrol tank)

Well done on getting the job done - even though Hale's \$100k player pay cheque seemed to extend all the way to the robots with the whistles.

Good work on round 1.

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Ladies Premier 1 2017-04-23

Goals: E. Bone

No word of a lie - this was a hard game for the true Melville supporter to watch.

This grade, boasts great skills.

And on paper - we have those in spades.

But if we want to be the best team in the grade, we need to rise above all other aspects (umpires - heat - crowd), and be the best team on the pitch for 70 minutes.

Its not about whether you get knocked down - it's whether you get back up.

So lets get back up - and take it to UWA next week.

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Ladies Premier 2 vs NCR (Won 4 - 0) 2017-04-22

Goals: J. Vanderzwan (2), K. Hocking, M. Smith-Gander

A good dominating effort by our ladies. We stuck to our game plan and played with cohesion.

We look forward to continuing into next week.

Ladies Premier 2 vs UWA2 (Won 2 - 0) 2017-04-29

Goals: M. Smith-Gander (2)

Outstanding Team Effort!

Particularly coming up against UWA who have been premiers for the last few years. If we continue this way teams will begin to fear us.

Once again excellent 70 minute game.

Ladies Premier 2 vs Lions 2 (Won 4 - 0) 2017-05-07

Goals: C. Donaldson, A. McNess, E. Stratton, J. Vanderzwan

Sometimes you have to grind them out, this was one of those times.

We came away with 3 points and another clean sheet.

4 zip!! - Great start to the season.

Ladies Premier 2 2017-05-13

Goals: A. McNess, J. Vanderzwan

What can I say! Another Team Effort :) This cements our place at the top of the ladder and we really are the team to beat!

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Ladies Premier 2 vs YMCC2 (Won 4 - 0) 2017-05-21

WET, slow and another win!

Mens Premier Alliance vs Hale (Won 4 - 3) 2017-04-08

Goals: J. Gurbiel, A. Scanlon, S. Gibson, A. McIntyre

3s report from this evenings Hale extravaganza.

First game of the season and several players needed introductions.

A little disjointed to begin with but our two best players, hard work and perseverance, continued to excel.

We went a goal down 3 times but continued to fight back and hit the bar or post several times. Plus the Hale GK played very well.

We had 4 goal scorers: Amac, Gurbs, Gibbo and our full back come pinch hitting Centre Forward, Andrew "Statue" Scanlon. The main man is still doing it at both ends of the turf.

The team played well but I thought Nicholas Page in particular lead the way.

Great start, 4-3 win, but the real challenge comes in 3 weeks when we play UWA.

A very important moment occurred today against Kalamunda 50/2, both Gavin Scally and Mark Lyons played their first 50s Master's game. Plus we won 5-2.

Mens Premier Alliance vs NC Raiders (Won 4 - 3) 2017-04-23

Goals: R. Clunie (2), M. Yow, J. Dwyer

3s - MCHC's final fixture against Raiders. We won 4-3. Could have been 12-2 but the forwards and a certain nameless Port Adelaide fan took pity on the Premier Alliance newcomers.

Good weekend to be Scottish. Ross managed 2 goals yesterday and another 2 this afternoon. Should have had an Oscar too, cleaned up by the GK and an obvious PF to all but the umpire. Spent enough time on the turf for an ad break.

Jordan Dwyer scored a tap in after good close skills and precise pass by Will Reynolds.

Good over heads by Bryndle Berg created chases but Daniel McEntee DMAC was too short to reach the bouncing ball.

Some great moves by the team but frustrating to watch chance after chance miss the target. I fear it will be a long year for the Raiders 3rd team.

UWA next week which will be a tougher challenge.

Well done 1s. Great to have a win.

Mens Premier Alliance vs UWA (Lost 2 - 3) 2017-04-29

Goals: W. Reynolds, D. McEntee

3s - like everyone else we played UWA. By the time the game finished Cinderella had lost her shoe and nearly all the lights had gone out.

We lost!

3-2, disappointing to watch some wonderful interplay and two great team goals not result in a win.

First by Will Reynolds - I believe his first in senior hockey for MCHC. X marked the spot on the coaches whiteboard and he was right there. Well done.

2nd was a home run pass from deep in defence by Jason De Wind that AJ let past and Dmac collected, rounded the GK and we were 2-1 up look good.

Then unfortunately we decided to take on UWA and the umpires.

Near enough completely distracted whinging instead of playing. UWA scored 2 soft goals and we lost focus, team plans and structure.

Thank goodness this was not a final and we can re set our goals in time for Freo this weekend.

Mens Premier Alliance vs Fremantle (Won 7 - 3) 2017-05-07

Goals: D. McEntee (2), M. Yow, M. Symonds, A. Wragg, A. Vanzuylen, A. Starling
3s - hot day at Buzza to play Freo. Short of players across the grades with injuries and blocked dunnies, Bryndle Berg. So short in fact a pensioner had to pull on the boots again. Thank you Gavin Scally for helping sort the final players out after the 11/12 match. We had a great session on the turf on Thursday and a reset conversation in the rooms. All players focused on their responsibilities and it showed. Many crisp moves and off the ball running resulted in 6 open play goals and an SC conversion.

Goal scorers: Symo, Alex Wragg, Aiden Van Zuylen, 2 to Daniel McEntee and one to Father Time, Andrew Starling, before Maverick Yow converted a corner.

Like Will Reynolds last week, I think this was Aiden VZ's first 3s goal. I am pretty sure my last for 2s was before either went to Kindy.

We then had great fun watching 2s hammer Freo 2s. There will be many nervous left halves trying to workout how to stop the duel speedy talents of Karl and Tristan.

Then the 1s. We got the win. Fantastic!

To end a successful afternoon for MCHC the girls played great hockey. Tough, aggressive and controlled. 9-0 win. Enough said.

Mens Premier Alliance vs Curtin University (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-05-14

Goals: M. Symonds

3s v's Curtin.

It was a frustrating 1-1 draw.

Started off as planned. Good build up, finished with a solo effort by Symo and we were 1-0 after a few minutes. The first half was quite good with many opportunities to put Curtin away. But none taken. So 1-0 at half time.

Few suggestions - almost all forgotten once the buzzer sounded.

Break away by Curtin and it was 1-1. It remained that way till the end.

Assuming we are GF contenders, we just gave 2 pts to the competition.

Who did well? Maverick Yow and Nicholas Page in particular.

Best part of the afternoon - the top squad players who came down to support the 3s. Thank you all and those that doubled up, Ross/Ramma/Sean B/Matty B.

Mens Premier Alliance vs OGMHC (Won 5 - 2) 2017-05-21

Goals: J. Gurbiel (2), D. McEntee, M. Symonds, S. Gibson

3s v's OG.

Coming from Scotland it is hard to call this evening cold but it was definitely wet and uncomfortable.

Like the 2s we were too errant to capitalise on early opportunities. Emphasising the fighting spirit of the 3s, we too gave OG a 2-0 start.

Their first was a god goal but the second a BS penalty flick awarded after the school debating society convinced the umpires they had a good argument.

Our playing style did not change but passing accuracy improved which moved the ball faster. Step Hen Gibb finished off a Daniel McEntee run following a long over head by Maverick Yow. Excellent finishing.

We then managed to both wear MCHC uniforms and score a SC. Rare but hopefully the first of many. Well done Gurbs.

2-2 at half time and we were up for a solid win.

Goals to Dmac, Symo and number 2 for Gurbs were all from open play. Good ball movement and support play.

Highlights were multiple - Will Reynolds had great work rate, early passing and much improved confidence. Alex Wragg asked to play inner and will be there next week too. Quality effort coordinating the forwards into a cohesive unit.

I thought our MVP was Chris Gill. Bodied up, supported attacks and controlling playmaker when required.

Thank you double ups - Andrew McIntyre Gurbs and Sean Bentley from the 2s and Gibbo plus Nicholas Page who helped the 4s win yesterday.

5-2 win. YM next week minus a few key players but a similar effort from the group and we should do well.

Ladies Premier Alliance vs Hale (Won 1 - 0) 2017-04-08

Best: C. Georgiou, T. Latham, L. Blechynden

Goals: A. Bell

A well fought out win in hot conditions at Hales home ground. Very much a team effort with everybody contributing to the victory.

Ladies Premier Alliance vs NC Raiders (Won 4 - 0) 2017-04-22

Best: M. Sader, S. Hasselerharm, S. Bowyer

Goals: M. Sader (3), S. Hasselerharm

A great win under stifling hot conditions at PHS1. Another solid team effort with all players digging deep to run out the game. Monique Sader bullied her way to a hat-trick and in the end Raiders buckled under the constant Melville pressure.

Ladies Premier Alliance vs UWA (Won 1 - 0) 2017-04-29

Best: S. Gallimore, V. Wade, S. Hasselerharm

Goals: K. Hocking

Another hot day another win. Nothing better than beating the old enemy UWA on their own dung hill. First fine of the season to Abi for spilling claret on the hallowed UWA Superturf. As Trumpy would say 'very bad'. Second fine to Loz's gammy hammy for throwing the towel in half way through the second half 'more bad'.

Ladies Premier Alliance vs Fremantle (Won 4 - 0) 2017-05-07

Best: S. Bowyer, S. Hasselerharm, S. Gallimore/V. Wade

Goals: B. Meacock, S. Bowyer, A. Thompson, M. Sader

A blistering start with 3 goals on the board in the blink of an eye. Clinical hockey at times with Fremantle in disarray. Freo woke up (bit like the AFL) and the game turned into an arm wrestle between our forwards and their backs. Nevertheless a good win but likely tougher games coming so stay focussed grasshopper. Match payment fine to Grace for clobbering the smallest youngest player on the other side.

Ladies Premier Alliance vs Curtin University (Won 6 - 0) 2017-05-13

Best: S. Gallimore, C. Georgiou, S. Hasselerharm/M. Sader

Goals: S. Gallimore (2), M. Sader (2), K. Silvey, E. Stratton

A great win with Melville handing Curtin their butts on a plate. A strong second half where our fitness allowed us to run Curtin ragged and score goals almost at will.

Mens Provisional 1 vs Blades (Drew 2 - 2) 2017-04-09

Goals: A. Scanlon, J. Scanlon

No report

Mens Provisional 1 vs Fremantle (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-04-22

No report

Mens Provisional 1 vs UWA (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-04-29

Best: J. Coleman, T. Dickson, J. Rutigliano

No report

Mens Provisional 1 vs Aquinas (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-05-07

Best: J. Coleman, J. Davoren, H. Parkes

No report

Ladies Provisional 1 vs OGMHC 2 (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-04-22

Best: E. Fleay, B. Coleman, D. Dravnieks

A pretty impressive effort considering its our first game for the season and the only time we have been able to get you all together. You had a substantial amount of the play and several more opportunities than the opposition. Unfortunately, just unable on the day to capitalise on your dominance by scoring goals. Really good signs of a developing power team (watch this space).

Ladies Provisional 1 2017-05-04

Goals: R. Harrup (2), J. Olde (2), J. Powell

Second game together and it showed. You are beginning to understand each other's movements/style/capabilities and once the team woke up and applied a bit of grit, you began to dominate the 1st half and scored four {4} goals. In the second half the opposition came back hard making it a more even competition. To your credit you held them at bay with both sides scoring one (1) goal each. A massive 90% of the team received votes for their efforts which confirms that the team has a wealth of meaningful contributors. Keep it going.

Thank you to Janelle and Sarah for their contributions and for fitting in to the team so well. Your welcome back anytime!

Ladies Provisional 1 vs UWA (5) (Won 2 - 1) 2017-05-07

Best: C. Surman, D. Dravnieks, I. Ramos

Goals: J. Olde, C. Surman

Again congratulations on a great team effort and hard fought win.

Each game played together improves the team interface and understanding. Well done on a hard fought out game that could easily have gone the other way. Our mid field and backs held on strongly against an opposition that also played well. In the second half you had the upper hand and produced many chances at scoring.

Again a majority of the team (85%) received votes and with that substantial team effort you are going to win more games than not. Keep it going ladies.

Thank you to Abi, Chloe and Crystal for their considerable contributions to this win. A big thank you also to our stand-in coach!

Ladies Provisional 1 vs YMCC (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-05-14

Best: N. Matthews, D. Dravnieks, J. Powell

A real opportunity lost. You ladies had them on toast, controlled most of the game but just could not convert and score. While everyone seemed to be trying there just wasn't that spark to ignite the game for us. The opposition was rudely argumentative and mouthy and I certainly hope that did not dull your enthusiasm or put you off. When teams are like that they usually are covering for their inadequacies and trying to intimidate the opposition and umpires.

For a game we lost, we ended up having ALL the team (100%) receive votes.

So everyone was trying hard, but just appeared to lack a leader/s taking charge and rallying the troops.

Thank you to Janelle, Sareena and Monique for helping us out. Sorry we could not provide a win for you.

Ladies Provisional 1 vs AQUINIANS (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-05-23

Best: M. Ballard, N. Matthews, V. Wade

Goals: B. Coleman

The opposition came out with a lot of determination and resolve. It took us a little while to wake up, shift gears to match and then better their play. Extremely unfortunate not to win this one (but for some average decisions). But you cant blame officials - your team has you in the situation where you could have been a couple of goals up. Definite improvement though from last week. What a difference leadership makes. Congratulations to Capt. Coleman (Fwds Capt.) and Capt. Costa (Bks Capt.)

Mens Provisional 2 (Black) vs Whitfords (Won 6 - 0) 2017-04-08

Best: T. Dickson, R. Weddikkara, R. Williams

Goals: J. Pickering, T. Barrett, R. Williams, D. Reay, M. Read, T. Dickson

Returning from the offseason, with 3-peat celebrations lasting up until about 15 mins before game time, there were some in the wider hockey community that felt that we might take our eye off the prize. Whilst technically true, with a couple of blokes missing for fairly weak excuses, we managed to cobble together enough blokes with an ages ranging from 17 to Hancock. Unfortunately for Whitfords, they were so enamoured with their new turf, they took 35 minutes to realise there was a hockey game going on in which time we were able to sneak 5 goals past them by half time. Whether they cottoned on or we just ran out of the legs, the second half was a bit more of grind only scoring the one goal with plenty of looking to the scoreboard in the hope the game would hurry up and finish so we could settle in for a beer. Needless to say, having been advised that the liquor licence had yet to be granted and they could not serve beer, many tears were shed and the result of our formal protest that they have brought the game into disrepute remains in limbo....

Mens Provisional 2 (Black) vs Newman (Won 8 - 0) 2017-04-22

Best: D. Reay, R. Weddikkara, B. Rushton

Goals: J. Pickering (2), R. Weddikkara (2), R. Williams, M. Read, J. Welten, M. Scally

Back on the home deck, having put the concerns of the 3-peat hangover to bed with the previous weeks result, the challenge was set to try and arrive on time. Needless to say when we were 5 mins from game time and young Dicko texted to say he was at a Free Love festival in the South West, there was disappointment all round. Not only because we relied on him to do the running, but moreso that he didn't invite us. The game itself started pretty slow with the first half resulting in a comfortable if not overwhelming 2-0 scoreline. The second half opened up more than...., with goals coming thick and fast with game ending in an 8 zip

whitewash. Special mention to Dom, who after missing out on the votes the first week, decided he needed to impose himself on the game – and he did, face first, colliding simultaneously with both stick and ball both of which opened him up. And after having returned to the field valiantly and with the game nearing conclusion, managed to ping a hamstring, making the two hour wait at Fiona Stanley even more fun. Just remember Dom your efforts were the difference.....between an 8-0 result and a 6-0 one.

Mens Provisional 2 (Black) vs UWA (Won 2 - 1) 2017-04-29

Best: J. Welten, T. Barrett, M. Read

Goals: D. Reay, J. Welten

With the Prov 2 Black Grand Final Replay the talk of the town in the week leading up, it was no surprise when 5 blokes withdrew themselves from selection. Coinciding with the Western Derby and apparently the busiest night on the social calendar for the year, we needed to drag out the bat signal to field a side. Thankfully a few club stalwarts and sons of club stalwarts were able to answer the call and we were able to cobble together 13 blokes (most of who had already played) and took to the field. A couple of cracking goals sent us in 2-0 at half time, with the half time speech shelved so as not to interrupt everyone catching their breath. With the second half going as expected...ie hanging on for dear life – we were able to hold UWA off only giving them 4-5 good chances which thankfully they stuffed up.

Mens Provisional 2 (Black) vs WASPS (Lost 2 - 3) 2017-05-06

Best: B. Rushton, B. Wake, M. Read

Goals: M. Read, T. Barrett

Facing one of the other undefeated sides in Wasps it was always going to be a tough game and with injuries (and business trips) once again preventing us from going in full strength, we were happy to start the game with 11 players after Matty decided he would prefer to play at Buzza rather than the allocated PHS. With the average age of the team lifted even more through the inclusion of Mick Starling, it was always going to be a battle of attrition when up against 16 blokes with an average age of 22. Game got off to a flyer with Matty and “Toddy” scoring early, however with 55 mins still to play there was a lot of hanging on to do.

Unfortunately the fitness levels weren't quite at peak levels and after a few good saves by Brad – Wasps started chipping away and once they got in front unfortunately we were spent.

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) vs WASPS (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-04-09

Best: K. Atkinson, K. Sparkes, J. Thornhill

The Women's 5s has welcomed many new players into the old team from juniors, other clubs and some returning to the game. The first game of the season was a learning experience for all players getting to know each of the team members skills and abilities. Unfortunately, the result was a negative but the team put up a great fight and should be proud of their efforts for a first game with a almost completely new team.

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) vs Fremantle (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-04-22

Best: J. Thompson/J. Thornhill, K. Welten

It was hard hot game for the Womens 5's this week. The team played well but just could not seem to get the ball in the goal, while the opposition managed to score twice. With a couple more games and training sessions, the team will start to get some wins on the board.

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) vs Southern River (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-04-30

Best: K. Atkinson/E. Joynes, E. Hopkins

The Womens 5's team was well matched in playing Southern River on a warm Sunday arvo. The intensity was high on both sides, with Melville unfortunately not being able to score.

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) 2017-05-06

Best: S. Gilbert, J. McDonough, J. Thompson

The Womens 5's had their first win of the season! In hot conditions against a very fit Vic Park, Kat Atkinson smashed a goal from the top of the D in the first half, followed by a very smooth goal over the goalie by Caitlyn Surman. Great game girls!

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) vs UWA (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-22

Best: E. Joynes/J. Thompson, S. Gilbert

Goals: E. Joynes

Back to back wins for the Womens 5's! After many missed opportunities in the first half, Sarah Gilbert and Ella Joynes combined in the second half to finally put the ball in the goals. A special mention to Jemma Thompson who had a ripper game to celebrate her 18th birthday!

Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs Lions 5 (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-04-09

No report

Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs Vic Park 5 (Won 3 - 0) 2017-04-22

No report

Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs Curtin University 4 (Won 4 - 0) 2017-05-14

Goals: M. Welten (2), T. Harvey, J. Palmer

Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs UWA 8 (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-05-13

No report

Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs Southern River (Won 3 - 2) 2017-05-21

Goals: M. Geers, T. Harvey, R. Gissing

No report

Mens Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Rockingham Redbacks (Lost 0 - 7) 2017-04-08

Best: M. Willis

A decent result, due to starting with 8 players and a kicking fullback. Dave Aujla came part way through the first half. Going forward we looked strong, and their offence was stopped on numerous occasions. Due to the lack of numbers, and lack of goalie, we went down. Good effort.

Mens Provisional 4 (Gold) vs UWA (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-04-24

Really good game, with two equal sides. We lacked substitutes, but had Andy and Jordan help us out with numbers. Melville had plenty of chances up forward, with more than half a dozen short corners. Sadly we missed a number of excellent opportunities, but we defended extremely well. Massive improvement over last week.

Mens Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Rockingham Redbacks (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-05-01

A solid game from an undermanned team. Going forwards we had a number of chances, but sadly we were unable to make the most of these opportunities. Playing with 9 including a substitute goalkeeper made it challenging to keep the pressure and momentum in the second half. Special mention to Brad Wake for filling in at short notice.

Mens Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Kalamunda (Won 8 - 2) 2017-05-06

First game with a full squad, and it made a huge difference. Dominating the game in all areas of the field from the start to the finish, while managing to score a number of goals from a range of positions. Fantastic effort and well deserved first win.

Mens Provisional 4 (Gold) vs DALE (Lost 0 - 5) 2017-05-15

A disappointing loss, given the effort that went into last weeks win. We showed decent skills at times, and moved the ball well, but were unable to capitalise on the few chances that we had. A great turn out given the weather, the time slot, and the fact that it was Mother's Day.

Mens Provisional 4 (Black) vs Joondalup Lakers (Won 3 - 0) 2017-05-06

Goals: C. Gallagher (2), J. Howells

No report

Mens Provisional 4 (Black) vs Aquinas (Won 3 - 2) 2017-04-08

Goals: C. Gallagher, A. Howells, N. Malacari

No report

Mens Provisional 4 (Black) vs UWA (Lost 2 - 3) 2017-04-23

Goals: C. Gallagher (2)

No report

Mens Provisional 4 (Black) vs NC Raiders (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-04-29

No report

Mens Provisional 4 (Black) vs Royals (Won 4 - 1) 2017-05-13

Goals: D. Brightwell, C. Gallagher, A. Howells

No report

Ladies Provisional 4 (Black) vs ECU Rangers (Drew 2 - 2) 2017-04-09

Goals: N. Stevens, W. Joyce

For the first game of the season, it was a beauty! With only one training session as a team before our first game, we gelled magnificently. The game started strongly for us and we controlled 90% of play. Within the first 10 minutes, after a lot of shots on goals, we scored through Nia Stevens. ECU were clawing back, but weren't strong enough for our midfielders. Our transition passes were on target and we were quickly clearing the ball out of their attacking half. After half time ECU scored 2 very quick goals. We were on the defensive for the rest of the game. With 30 secs to go, we got ourselves a short corner. Sparkesy hit a belter back into the D which was slotted in to the back of the net by Wendy Joyce, evening the score to 2-2.

Ladies Provisional 4 (Black) vs Newman (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-04-29

Goals: K. Sparkes

We are the Queen of Draws!! Another round another draw, but each week we are getting better and better. We commanded a good 90% of the play, and had lots of action in the D but just couldn't quite finish it off. Had a lot of great cracks at the goals and the oppositions goalie did a great job at stopping them.

If we carry on like this then a win is just around the corner, at once we get the taste of that first win then there will be no stopping us.

Ladies Provisional 4 (Black) vs Lakers (Won 4 - 1) 2017-05-06

Goals: N. Stevens (2), G. Repton, K. Sparkes

WE FINALLY WON!!! With 2 goals within the first 5 minutes, we knew this game was ours. We controlled 95% of the game this week. We started to drop a bit in the last half due to the heat, allowing them to score a goal. But that doesn't matter, when we get the W!

Ladies Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Old Aquinas 8 (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-04-09

Best: G. Collins, E. Bradley, A. Chauvin

Goals: C. Smith

No report

Ladies Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Rockingham (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-04-22

Best: D. Gallacher, E. Bradley, A. Chauvin

No report

Ladies Provisional 4 (Gold) vs UWA 9 (Lost 1 - 6) 2017-05-29

Best: A. Chauvin, J. Vico, E. Bradley/M. Hobday

No report

Ladies Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Fremantle 5 (Lost 0 - 4) 2017-05-06

Best: S. Maguire, J. Vico, A. Chauvin

No report

Ladies Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Kalamunda 2 (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-05-14

Best: S. Maguire, G. Collins, J. Vico

No report

Ladies Metro 1 vs Curtin Uni Pirates (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-04-08

Best: B. Coleman, M. Leighton, C. Caydamar/J. Coad

Goals: S. Wilson

A beautiful warm day for the first game of the season. Should have won as we had most of the play and even with our wonderful Womens V.P. Brianna to help us and Susie Wilson showing us how to do it in the first half, we just couldn't slot that winning goal. We did however still celebrate the game in Metro's usual style. Cheers

Ladies Metro 1 vs University (Won on Forfeit) 2017-04-22

Ladies Metro 1 vs Wolves (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-04-29

Best: S. Orr, M. Leighton, M. Farrow

Goals: J. Coad

We started out strongly taking Wolves by surprise with Jenny scoring the first goal but the Wolves babies seemed to cope better on what was a very warm afternoon. Special thanks to

our own Melville baby in Darcy, you showed some of us oldies how it should be done. Thanks also to Conor and Lisa for sharing in the fun. To our supporters, it is always great to see so many friendly faces cheering from the sidelines and to Sharon and Ray, great to have you back in the fold and the feast that comes with it.

Ladies Metro 1 vs Harlequin Wanneroo (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-05-06

Best: D. Murphy, M. Leighton, M. Farrow

Sadly another game that got away. We have our chances but just can't seem to finish it off. Warm weather game again but we did have new young legs helping today and Tiarne was a very welcome help from the sidelines. Thanks Sharon your sub did a great job.

Ladies Metro 1 vs Raiders (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-13

Best: M. Farrow, M. Leighton, C. Coleman

Goals: C. Caydamar

Great to finally score and get the win. Some good passages of play, keeping it short works.

Ladies Metro 1 vs John XXIII (Lost 1 - 5) 2017-05-20

Best: M. Leighton, C. Coleman

Goals: D. Murphy

The score was not a true indication of how well the girls played against John XXIII, new into Metro's grade. All their goals were crackers, hard to stop them but we did have some great passages of play and were in it till the end.

Ladies O35 Division 2 vs YMCC2 (Won 1 - 0) 2017-04-05

Best: G. Forbes, C. Klomp, S. Clark

Goals: G. Forbes

No report

Ladies O35 Division 2 vs WASPS2 (Won 1 - 0) 2017-04-19

Best: F. Power, G. Forbes, K. Newton

Goals: S. Wilson

No report

Ladies O35 Division 4 vs JOONDALUP LAKERS (Lost 2 - 3) 2017-04-12

Best: K. Sparkes, M. Leighton, G. Hogg

Goals: G. Hogg, D. Murphy

In our first hit out of the season we started out playing like minkey running all over the place and let them get two super goals. We settled in the second half and held them to one goal to our two but unfortunately not a big enough comeback to win the game. Couldn't even drown our sorrows...no bar!!!

Ladies O35 Division 4 vs Mods (Won 2 - 0) 2017-04-19

Best: G. Hogg, R. Weddikara, C. Smith

Goals: G. Hogg, J. Rosso

A good win where we had most of the play. So many scoring opportunities and probably should have been a much higher score, need some work on that pounce... maybe at training girls! A great game to welcome our new young legs in Bec and special thanks to Lisa, our stand in Voice for the night. Great after game laughs and celebrations.

Ladies O35 Division 4 vs Rockingham (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-05-03

Best: R. Weddikkara, M. Margetts, C. Smith

We played the first half without our goalie Lindy who was delayed due to traffic but some would say it was just because she was driving like Miss Daisy. Rae donned the helmet and did a great job. It was one of those games where we once again had all the play but just couldn't finish it off. Sadly not the outcome we would have like to help Olive celebrate her birthday but the cake was pretty amazing anyway. Thanks to Sharon and Ray, love that you are always ready to step in at a moments notice.

Ladies O35 Division 4 vs Fremantle (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-05-10

Best: R. Weddikkara, N. Nuttall, C. Coleman

Another one that we should have won but those goals are just not our friend at the moment. A huge welcome to Nicole, great first game back playing. Still manage to celebrate the loss Vets style, keeping the ground controller out late again!

Ladies O35 Division 4 vs Ellenbrook Falcons (Won 2 - 1) 2017-05-17

Best: R. Weddikkara, C. Smith, D. Murphy

Goals: D. Murphy, J. Rosso

We made the long trek to Joondalup for the second time this season but came away with a good win although it was a little hard to breathe at times with all the smoke up that way.

Ladies O35 Division 4 vs Wasps (Won 3 - 0) 2017-05-24

Best: D. Murphy, C. Smith, G. Hogg

Goals: D. Murphy (2), R. Weddikkara

A good win, two in a row, on a roll now keep up the great work.

Mens O40 Midweek Division vs NC Raiders (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-04-03

Best: C. Robinson, T. Barrett

Goals: J. West

No report

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Hale (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-04-08

Best: D. Wilson, G. Ross, G. Currie/D. Ross

The first half started well, we had the majority of possession and looked threatening on many occasions.

Unfortunately, we did not build enough chances in the D and couldn't convert in front of the goals.

Great defence from our backs and sharp reflexes from John in goals kept Hale out until mid second half. Their second came a few minutes later.

Although this triggered a revival in teamwork, it was not enough to make a difference to the score.

Potential was there ... lovely ground, better luck next time!

Ray went from green to yellow but recovered well with another top output.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Raiders (Won 2 - 1) 2017-04-22

Best: D. Wilson, D. Ross, G. Ross

Goals: K. Dempster, D. Ross

The spongy warm up proved challenging, with everyone trying to hit the ball hard enough to reach their targets ... our legs were in for a heavy day!

We started well (again) with several promising early attacks, resulting in a carefully placed rebound through Crowey, by Kev. Whilst continuing to make many more attacking moves, we missed our usual midfield back up (as we were all in attack), so any Raider rebound put us under immediate pressure. Our strong defence and willingness to get to the ball first denied Raiders of any useful chance of scoring.

The second half was hard fought, with Raiders scoring a good team goal (from one of not very many chances). John completely psyched out the Raider's penalty flicker to make a convincing save by lying down and waiting for the ball to arrive at his belly. Special mention to Ray, who is always getting in the write-up for the wrong reasons ... trap the ball first! 😊 Shortly after, Dave slotted a bullet from scrappy play in their D and sealed the game. Raiders lost momentum and legs....

A physically grinding game that showed rewards come to those who work hard.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Mods (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-05-06

Best: D. Wilson, D. Ross, G. Currie

An expectedly tough game involving a couple of cards (probably not enough) and heavy tackling ...

We had the ascendancy in the first part of the game but couldn't get hold of anything in the D. Great pressure and marking throughout the game kept their strong players at bay.

Another tight day in goals by John prevented Mods from scoring a field goal, but a late penalty flick tipped the balance in their favour.

Thanks to Harps and Clarry for their efforts, an extra spark and legs that was much appreciated!

Mens O50 Division 1 vs WASPS (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-05-20

Best: D. Ross, J. Delaney, G. Ranford

Cam sustained a raised ball to the head in the first minute. Returned in the second half with skill. Fortunately the rain negated the blood rule! Back to the game. We threatened the goals in the first half without success. Matched WASPs in attack and defence. However for the second half altered our tactics and we were too defensive requiring to attack for $\frac{3}{4}$ of the field when we gained possession. WASPs deserved the win although the score line was not a true reflection of the competitive game.

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs Kalamunda (Won 5 - 2) 2017-04-08

Best: A. Starling, K. Harper, A. Spear

Goals: A. Starling (4), B. Bocking

We started the season with a novel approach of scoring from short corners. This surely cannot continue. A good result from a new look team.

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs Vic Park (Won 4 - 0) 2017-04-22

Best: G. Scally, D. Doak, A. Starling

Goals: A. Starling (3), A. Wood

Two wins in two games and all goals scored off short corners. Neither of these habits can last much longer.

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs OGMHC (Won 4 - 1) 2017-04-29

Best: B. Morrison, K. Harper, P. Matthews

Goals: G. Coleman, K. Harper, A. Starling, A. Spear

Another good win in hot conditions. We finally scored our first field goal for the season, topped off with three more short corner goals. Whip and Gav Scally played in the same team for the first time, 35 years on from their previous game together.

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs Curtin University (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-06

Best: B. Morrison, P. Matthews, P. Meacock

Goals: G. Coleman

No report

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs Willetton Reds (Won 4 - 3) 2017-05-13

Best: K. Harper, B. Morrison, D. Doak

Goals: A. Starling, A. Spear, G. Scally, K. Harper

No report

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs Fremantle (Won 2 - 1) 2017-05-20

Best: K. Harper, G. Scally, A. Starling

Goals: G. Scally, A. Spear

We missed many opportunities to score in the second half, only to witness Fremantle do exactly what we couldn't. With the scores level and two minutes remaining, we needed a hero. Gav did a solo run from the centre pass off and scored the winning goal. This completes our unbeaten record for the first round.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Westside Wolves (Won 1 - 0) 2017-04-08

Best: I. Munns, W. Hudson, M. Whitely

Goals: A. Marshall

First game with a few new players joining the Team. Had a lot of the play however struggled to convert. Our back line kept us honest and kept feeding the forwards with classy leads. We finally converted in the second half by Al Marshall. A big thank you to Roger Nottage to assisting us.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Hale 4 (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-04-24

Best: C. Bontempo, I. Munns, D. Stonehouse

Unfortunately a physical game and not just skill by the opposition that defeated us. We had them matched on skill, they had some lucky opportunities that converted into goals.

We look forward to meeting them again later in the year.

Otherwise a game best we forget and focus on next week.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Blades (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-04-29

Best: C. Bontempo, E. Nell, I. Munns

Goals: E. Nell

A far better game played by the whole team this week. our forwards worked well together and had a number of chances to take the game. Unfortunately late in the second half Blades equalised.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Lions (Won 3 - 0) 2017-05-06

Best: D. Stonehouse, I. Munns, R. Knyn

Goals: R. Knyn (2), C. Bontempo

A great team performance where we controlled most of the play and the score could have finished a lot higher. Our forwards were far more aggressive in attack than previous weeks. Well done guys!

Mens O50 Division 3 vs NC Raiders (Won 2 - 0) 2017-05-13

Best: D. Stonehouse, I. Munns, C. Bontempo/L. Alder

Goals: M. Pitcher, B. Gibbins

Our best match of the year so far. Raiders brought on a very competitive game and we held our tempo to move the ball around the ground, some great passes between ourselves & two awesome goals. Well done guys!

Mens O50 Division 3 vs JohnXXIII (Won 5 - 0) 2017-05-20

Best: I. Munns, A. Marshall, A. Wood

Goals: A. Marshall (2), C. Bontempo, M. Pitcher, A. Wood

Great effort by Melville. The first half was very even with JohnXXIII counterattacking well but we made the most of our chances. The second half was all Melville. Our forwards really pressured the JohnXXIII defence and the 5-0 score indicated our dominance.

Mens O60 Division vs Kalamunda (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-04-10

Best: F. Williams, L. Welten, G. Bowater

Goals: S. McEntee

We started the season with just 12 players but we played very well in the first half and were only one goal down at half time. We had a number of chances in the second half and did more attacking than we had earlier in the game. However Kalamunda made the most of their opportunities and with a couple of soft goals ran over us in the end. Steve scored a nice goal and was unlucky not to have a second. Frank made a good return from his long term injury.

Mens O60 Division vs Wasps (Lost 0 - 11) 2017-04-23

Best: T. Brooks, S. McEntee, T. Ganzer

We were depleted by injuries, illness and other absences and were no match for the top side who boast an almost complete cast of State Masters players. We were on the defensive virtually the whole game but it was pleasing that we were still able to breach their circle 3 or 4 times and should have scored a few goals. Terry Brooks played his first game in the 60's and played very well. Tony Ganzer probably played one of his best games for Melville and continued to run and try hard to the end. Eric Nell stepped in to help us out at the last minute which was fantastic, thanks Eric. Hopefully we will get a few more of our players back next week.

Mens O60 Division vs Wolves (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-04-29

Best: D. Porter, D. MacPhail, L. Welten

We play again one of last year grand finalists with a the bare 11 players. We were far tighter in defence than last week and had a few more legs in the forward line so held them scoreless in the first half. They scored 3 in the second half due to our mistakes but they were the better team on the day as we could not score. Dave Porter's move back to full back worked very well and he directed traffic and stopped many Wolves attacks. A big improvement on last week but we tired in the end and let them in for a victory.

Mens O60 Division vs Old Aquinians (Drew 2 - 2) 2017-05-07

Best: G. Bowater, L. Welten, B. Porter

Goals: G. Bowater (2)

Without our 3 guys who could play in goals with OA's permission we were able to borrow the experienced 60's goalie from Wolves. He took command of the backline and the whole team lifted for our best effort this year. Gary came back from leave and scored the 2 goals that saw us 2 up with 10 minutes to go but with Peter Crowe driving OA they managed to force a draw. Leo moved into centre half and played a great game as did David Porter back at fullback. We need to carry it on next week as we have our best chance of a win coming up.

Mens O60 Division vs Whitfords (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-05-14

Best: L. Welten, K. Platel, K. Woodward

Goals: K. Platel

As has been the case in most of our games this year we went in the match well below full strength and lost another player within 3 minutes. The team tried very hard to match the opposition and it was one a piece until the last 5 minutes when 2 mistakes were punished with goals against. Leo and Keith ran the whole game and both played blinders. We need will need to learn to close out close games so we don't come away empty handed as it is happening a bit lately.

Mens O60 Division vs Old Mods (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-05-22

Best: L. Welten, G. Bowater, B. Porter

Goals: K. Platel

We faced the top team this week on their home ground in pretty wet conditions but played very well. We had a number of opportunities in the first half that would have given us a strong chance of victory but we could not capitalise. We did make them earn this victory and a late goal by Mods to seal the win made it a bit better on the scoreboard for them. A good effort by our guys and shows we can be competitive against the best.

Boys 11/12A 2017-04-30

Goals: J. Floyd (2), D. Forbes

Solid first up effort, with three guys away and a couple playing with injuries. Stuck to the game plan and worked hard to run the game out - finished with 10 on the pitch with Tim and Jesse cramping up by the end. Need to be a bit cleaner coming out of defence and work on getting results in the 'D', but things couldn't have gone much better under the circumstances.

Boys 11/12A vs Vic Park Xavier (Won 7 - 3) 2017-05-12

Goals: J. Schonken (4), H. Parkes, W. Stewart

Solid win against a team we expect to see in the top 4 this year. If we can continue to improve our ball distribution and marking then we will keep getting these results, and hopefully stretch out some margins.

Boys 11/12A 2017-05-20

Goals: J. Floyd

Tough, tight match against Wolves who came ready to play. We dominated the first half but didn't score, and to their credit they challenged us through the middle part of what was a very even battle. Mac's keeping and some scrambling work kept the score even and then Jesse finished off a fine team goal with a couple of minutes to go to get the win. Great start to the weekend.

Girls 11/12A vs Curtin Uni (Won 5 - 1) 2017-04-28

Best: J. Vanderzwan, A. Power, E. Cocks

Goals: J. Vanderzwan (2), E. Cocks, I. Piggford, A. Power

Great first game.

Team work was slick with passing shots and circle penetration impressive.

Girls 11/12A vs Victoria Park (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-05-05

Best: J. Snyman, A. Bell, C. Hobbs

Goals: J. Snyman

No report

Girls 11/12A 2017-05-13

Best: J. Vanderzwan, M. Hagen, A. Power

Goals: A. Power (2), M. Hagen, C. Bentley

No report

Girls 11/12A vs Wolves (Won 3 - 2) 2017-05-19

Best: J. Vanderzwan, A. Power, C. Hobbs

Goals: L. Anderson (2), A. Power

No report

Boys 11/12A Reserve vs OGMHC2 (Won 4 - 3) 2017-04-28

Goals: T. Foo (2), R. Lawrence, J. Scanlon

Confidence coming into round 1 wasn't exactly high, this being our first proper hit out together and first proper chance to communicate our expectations of the boys all year. We weren't expecting our boys to dish up the highest of quality, and were expecting them to be more concerned with learning each other's names. Despite working hard and linking up quite well throughout the first half, the boys found themselves 3-0 down going into the break. Some changes were made, and some key messages were reiterated, and we sent the boys back out there in the hope that they could find something within themselves to earn the 3 points. With Josh leading the way by dominating possession and the likes of Lachie and Trent causing havoc up front, we were able to slam four home in the second half to eventually win the game 4-3. Huge credit goes to the back line for their solid performance as well as Joel for keeping the ball out when they looked certain to score. Overall, very impressed with the 11/12 A res boys for not giving up, and trusting the coaches enough to stick with the game plan and listen to the things we were telling them. Bring on Lions next week and another 3 points!

Boys 11/12A Reserve vs Lions (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-05-05

Goals: R. Needham

In a game where the score line didn't entirely reflect how close the game was, the boys found themselves having to work hard for the full 70 minutes. The contest saw some good patches of hockey and some areas where we need to improve. Specifically with our outletting and maintaining our positioning on the field. Huge credit to Joel for keeping the score to what it was, with Kelvin producing awesome attacking and defensive efforts. Ben fought hard until he received a nasty blow to the finger, fortunately nothing too serious! All in all Josh and I were very pleased with the boys' efforts and work rate. Really pleasing signs that we can work on during Tuesday's session.

Boys 11/12A Reserve vs Vic Park (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-12

Goals: R. Lawrence

We made it our aim this week to win our 1v1 battles across the field, knowing that if we all did that, the team as a whole would be successful. The striker line was told to terrorise the opposition and upset the free defender's line. The mid fielders made it their goal to play the ball into space away from congestion. The defenders were told to upset their attacking way of play. It was pleasing to see that the team was rewarded for sticking so well to the game plan. Above all, they worked hard for the whole 70 minutes which will always give that extra edge. Really happy with the boys this week, and looking forward to working on their outletting during training.

Boys 11/12A Reserve vs Westside Wolves (Drew 2 - 2) 2017-05-19

Goals: J. Scanlon, E. Blechynden

A tough game in some lacklustre conditions the boys showed their true colours against wolves not giving up until the final whistle. A disappointing result in the end given that Melville had most of the play and opportunities down the stretch . Costly defensive errors proved to be our downfall as wolves were able to score a few cheap goals . Impressive outletting and forward movement opened up our attacking half giving opportunities to Riley and Trent who both played a great attacking game. Credit to Joel who was our best on ground for the game making a number of vital saves . Well done Melville a gutsy performance.

Girls 11/12B vs Westside Wolves (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-04-28

Best: L. Mellor, B. Martin, G. John

Goals: L. Mellor

We started out really strong full of energy and enthusiasm, and within a few minutes of the game, Luka had scored our first goal. Our girls continued to play well, using their skills to get around the opposition and get the ball out wide to the wingers. We saw some good defensive play and some cracking tackles. All in all it was a fantastic first match of the season and both teams were praised by the refs.

Girls 11/12B vs Newman Nights (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-05-05

Best: A. Riordan, D. Jolliffe, P. McWhae

Goals: E. Rolls

Our second game of the season was definitely a tough one! This match was alot faster than our last. Ellen produced a stunning goal in the first half. Our girls played hard, however, it was the Newman Nights who went on to win the game and dominate the midfield. Once again a great team effort by all.

Girls 11/12B vs Hale 3 (Lost 2 - 3) 2017-05-12

Best: C. Pickard, E. Rolls, A. Drane

Goals: E. Rolls, G. John

What an exciting game! A great effort throughout the match by our team. We controlled possession for most of the game with lots of opportunities created by our forwards. We really deserved to win this one....

Boys 9/10A vs Westside Wolves (Lost 0 - 4) 2017-04-30

Best: D. Page, Z. McKinnon, J. Birmingham

No report

Boys 9/10A vs Hale (Lost 0 - 10) 2017-05-08

Best: Z. McKinnon, B. Dowie, D. Page

No report

Boys 9/10A vs YMCC (Lost 1 - 5) 2017-05-14

Best: D. Page, B. Dowie, B. Knell

Goals: B. Knell

No report

Boys 9/10A vs UWA (Lost 0 - 6) 2017-05-22

Best: Z. McKinnon, B. Knell, T. Williamson

No report

Girls 9/10A vs Westside Wolves (Won 2 - 1) 2017-04-30

Best: N. Flynn, S. Pillay, L. Strbac

Goals: C. Bentley, K. Cowan

We played an amazing game today considering it was our first game playing together as a team. The girls all passed and supported each other and we all played our hearts out in some very warm temperatures always giving 110% effort. Melville were the first to score and managed to score another goal not long after, in the second half wolves managed to put a goal in but we didn't let that affect the game we kept our heads high and carried on playing the best we could.

Girls 9/10A vs Hale (Won 7 - 2) 2017-05-07

Goals: C. Bentley (2), J. Jackson (2), N. Flynn, G. Needham, M. Spires

2nd game for the girls and in the first half they dominated possession with good passing and circle entries.

Unfortunately we lost Maddie West to a broken wrist/arm after only 10 minutes meaning only one sub and warm temperatures so the girls were working hard. 4-0 half time score with some fantastic goals from Caitlin Bentley, Mikaela Spires, Georgia Needham and Neasa Flynn.

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Girls 9/10A vs YMCC (Won 8 - 0) 2017-05-14

Goals: G. Needham (3), C. Bentley, C. Forbes, S. Hasselerharm, J. Jackson, S. Pillay

Great game by the girls with good team play and probably should have scored another 8 goals.

The girls have been playing a high tempo game which YMCC just could not deal with and found it very hard to get out of their own half.

Boys 9/10A Reserve vs Wolves Grey (Lost 3 - 4) 2017-04-30

Best: J. Lambert, J. Needham, A. Lukan

Goals: A. Lukan (2), D. Wallington

Good effort from the boys first up. Paid the price early for basic skill errors with missed traps and tackles proving costly. However, to fight back from 4 - 1 down showed the boys have great character.

Boys 9/10A Reserve 2017-05-07

Best: D. Moulin, D. Parkes, A. Lukan

Goals: D. Moulin (3), L. Grov, M. Harler, B. Lawrence

Fantastic performance from the boys this week. The intensity right from the first whistle had the Lions rattled and 4 - 0 at half time was a true reflection of the dominant performance. We fell away a little in the second half, partly due to fitness, but still added another two goals.

Boys 9/10A Reserve vs YMCC (Won 2 - 0) 2017-05-14

Best: J. Needham, J. Lambert, O. McHoull

Goals: A. Lukan, O. McHoull

No report

Boys 9/10A Reserve vs UWA (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-05-22

Best: B. Hood, N. Thompson, O. McHoull

Safe to say for the second week in a row we were outplayed, yet we managed to come away with a result, albeit a draw. We paid the price for soft turnovers and poor skills, putting our defence under enormous pressure.

Girls 9/10A Reserve vs Westside Wolves (Grey) (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-04-30

First game back for 2017, what a way to start the season! Even though the scoreline might not suggest it, it was a hard fought match to the end. The first half was a tough slog with the Wolves relentless in attack. They managed a quick succession of goals, but our girls recovered well, coming out in the second half to hold their ground, leaving the Wolves scoreless. We were definitely active in attack and found ourselves with a few opportunities to score, but always ever so slightly missing the spot. A courageous first game for the girls however, with a fantastic effort put in by all. Well done girls!

Girls 9/10A Reserve vs Lions 2 (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-05-07

Goals: L. Cocks

Another fantastic effort from the girls today facing their arch nemesis, the Lions! The girls came out firing with their new mantra of 'man on'. It worked a treat and left the opposition with little opportunity to move around. They maintained the pressure throughout the game and came away with a very pleasing result for their hard work. Special mention to Ollie and Tilly for taking on and doing a great job in some different positions today, but of course, congratulations to all the girls for a fantastic team effort all round!

Girls 9/10A Reserve vs YMCC (Won 2 - 0) 2017-05-14

Goals: M. Hollander, G. John

A lot of happy Mums out there today, with a smashing Mothers Day win from the girls! It was a bit of a slow start, but the girls really ramped up in the second half with some great connections down the field leading to attacking opportunities. A special mention to Ev who remained calm under pressure and did a great job to defend a penalty flick!!!

Girls 9/10A Reserve vs Fremantle (Won 9 - 0) 2017-05-21

Goals: M. Irvine (3), M. McMeekin (2), C. Bunn, L. Cocks, S. Richards, M. Swan

It was a slow, soggy start to the morning, but the girls managed to kick into gear and end the game on a high. With 3 goals in the first half and 6 in the second, it was great to see the girls running and connecting strongly through the centre, as well as putting up some great defence along both wings and being solid in the back. Craig's half time speech obviously did the trick, as his words of wisdom were immediately put into practice starting the second half. The girls inserted themselves into the D rather than spectate from around the edges and that immediately reaped rewards, as more players provided more opportunity. Onwards and upwards from here girls, great job!

Boys 9/10B Gold vs Vic Park (Lost 0 - 9) 2017-04-30

Best: B. Powell, T. Walker, N. Hollis-Whiley

Given the team has 4 boys who have never played hockey before, as well as those who didn't get much game time last year, they played pretty well and the score was to be expected. Everyone had fairly even game time and a lot of learning took place. In the second half the ball was getting to the scoring end more often, and there were even a couple of shots at goals.

Boys 9/10B Gold vs Lions (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-05-07

Best: T. Walker, H. Brown, A. Blechynden/M. Oneil

Goals: H. Brown

The team are coming together more quickly than would be expected for so many inexperienced players. The veterans are leading strongly, mentoring and boosting confidence in the rookies. Hewitt got their first goal for the season, in only their second game and they allowed a mere four goals through compared to the 9 last week. Extra fitness would help, as the boys were clearly tiring towards the end. There was much more calling and passing, effective tackling, and working hard right to the final siren.

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Boys 9/10B Gold 2017-05-14

Best: T. Walker, A. Blechynden, B. Creighton

It's a shame the score indicates another thumping because these boys are really starting to gel together well. Throughout the games, they consistently gave it their all, staying positive and

supporting each other. The new players are getting the hang of it and starting to make a solid contribution to the team.

Boys 9/10B Gold vs Westside Wolves (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-05-21

Best: B. Creighton, T. Walker, B. Powell

Goals: D. Crowe

Wild, wet and windy!! Thank heavens Tommo brought dry towels for the team. This was a much closer match and more enjoyable to watch. The boys are continuing to improve as they gain much needed experience.

Girls 9/10B vs Joondalup Lakers (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-04-30

Best: M. Frossos, L. Skipsey

A great start to the season from the girls. A more evenly contested game than results show. We had our opportunities but were unable to convert. Lily Skipsy, first name drawn from hat to play goalie did a cracking job in goals.

Girls 9/10B vs UWA (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-05-07

Best: P. Sumich, L. Skipsey, G. Lawrence

A well contested game against UWA the girls unlucky not to score. Piper Sumich fabulous with great breakaway speed. With 16 girls we're doing great sorting out our positions and playing together as a team. Well done.

Girls 9/10B vs Hale (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-21

Best: M. Borinelli, P. Sumich, L. McGready

Goals: I. Bilclough

We all braved the rain this morning and headed out thinking we'd all be drenched. However the sun came out and the girls shone! They played a great game and came away with a 1-0 victory against Hale.

Indie Bilclough pushed the winning goal over the line. Our first goal scorer this year and hopefully there will be many more of the same. We have a lot of players and today we showed we're getting our groove together nicely.

Girls 7/8A vs Hale (Won 15 - 0) 2017-04-29

Best: S. Pillay, C. Templeman, E. Billingham

Goals: S. Pillay (7), C. Templeman (3), E. Billingham (2), E. Polglase (2), C. Evans

Great start to the season, this was a real team effort. Pleased to see the ball shared around with good skills and backing each other up. When it was needed, Zoie our goal keeper showed composure and confidence. The girls positioned well and were certainly goal hungry with a 15-nil victory.

Girls 7/8A vs WASPS (Won 5 - 1) 2017-05-06

Best: S. Pillay, M. Carlsen, G. Murphy

Goals: E. Billingham (2), M. Chanter, G. Murphy, S. Pillay

Another solid win for the girl's this week, despite the weather being a little too hot for comfort. The girl's played exceptionally well in the first half where all five goals were scored. The girl's were pressing and tackling really well, which is what we had worked on in training - good to see you're listening to us coaches! Unfortunately the weather got to us a bit in the

second half as no more goals were scored, however Zoie, our goalie, didn't let a goal in all half and made lots of excellent saves! Congrats on another win girls! Onto next week.

Girls 7/8A vs UWA (Won 3 - 2) 2017-05-13

Best: C. Templeman, C. Evans, A. Thomson

Goals: M. Chanter, S. Pillay, E. Polglase

A great team effort and a well deserved win for the girls, fighting hard till the end.

Defensively the girls tackled hard, with Celia and Anna showing determination bursting out with speed on short corners to quickly stop shots on goals! Zoe made some excellent saves in goals. Attacking wise we made the most of goal opportunities with hunger in the 'D'. Keep up the good work girls!

Girls 7/8A vs Westside Wolves (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-05-20

Best: C. Templeman, T. Mishra, J. Leigh

It was a tough game for the girls with our unfortunate first loss of the season. Wolves had a talented team who wanted to win, and subsequently controlled most of the game. Our defence deserve special mention as they worked very hard this game, channelling and tackling well. Offensively, we failed to react quickly enough, however made some quality passes and had some good break aways. We will need to work on reacting to turnovers this week at training for the top of the ladder play off next week. Heads up girls, it was a close game and we'll get them next time!

Boys 7/8A Promotion vs OGMC (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-04-30

A slow start to the season from Melville, Guilford catching the team off guard and scoring two goals within the first 10 minutes of the game. Once settled though, Melville fought hard to peg back the score, slotting home a goal from a great short corner strike by Lachlan Drake-Brockman to put the ball into the goal mouth for Andrew Gibson to finish the job. Melville's chances continued right up to the final seconds however couldn't manage to level the game.

Coach Erin Judd was happy with Melville's fight, especially considering the significant physical size difference between the two teams. Best player Ethan Elliot was solid in defence, something that on-lookers from last year's team have become accustomed to, and new comer to the club Darcy Knell demonstrated his Narrogin toughness by working tirelessly through the midfield.

Good team effort boys!

Boys 7/8A Promotion vs YMCC (Won 5 - 0) 2017-05-06

Goals: B. Hardy (2), E. Cooper, D. Harris, D. Knell

First game on turf for the year and the boys showed some good team structure with effective team pressing that forced lots of midfield turn overs which lead to some great team goals.

Coach Erin happy with the team effort shown, but also sowed some important seeds that will ensure continued growth as the year progresses.

The speed of YMCC goalie resulted in some excellent saves, one of them denying a certain goal and hat-trick from Bailey Hardy. Thank you to Jude Mellor for coming up from J5/6s to help out and along with the Cooper brothers demonstrated that speed and endeavour can

trump physical size. Bailey Hardy, Darcy Knell and Nic Massie-Taylor were among the best players, providing the continued midfield pressure which helped steer Melville to the 5-0 win.

Keep up the good team work boys!

Boys 7/8A Promotion vs Mods (Lost 2 - 6) 2017-05-13

Goals: E. Cooper, K. Hobbs

Mods came to play and showed Melville why they were sitting at the top of the ladder, having scored 15 goals in the two prior games. Melville matched them in the first half coming in for the half time break 2-1 however seemed to leave some of their endeavour on the sideline with Mods coming out the complete opposite, starting the second half with three quick goals that left Melville a little shell shocked.

Melville were never completely out of the game, creating some good midfield play and entering the D enough times to peg back the Mods lead but could not find the back of the net, coach Erin adding this to the list for next week's training. The game ended up 6-2 which wasn't an accurate reflection of the game, Melville's goals coming from Eamon Cooper and Kirby Hobbs.

Boys 7/8A Promotion vs AW Reds (Won 6 - 0) 2017-05-20

A slow start to the game with a build up of control by Melville resulting in a 2-0 first half. Lots of mistraps and feet showed that the boys struggled to adapt to the ground conditions and provided an element of frustration for them (and onlookers).

The second half was a huge improvement, spurred on by coach Erin's half time motivation (or perhaps it was the oranges?), either way the team play stepped up a notch with switching play, run off the ball and some great link-ups resulting in 4 goals for the second half ... although probably could have been double that.

Solid defence by Ethan Elliot and Charlie Gorton ensured that fill in goalie Travis Canny only had to make a few saves (which were excellent by the way). Thanks Travis (J5/6 goalie) whose parents rushed him from his first game in Lesmurdie to also play for our 7/8 team in Bullcreek due to injury to our regular goalie.

In the words of coach Erin, "Darcy Knell put on a clinic today" providing some good midfield control for Melville. He was well supported by the rest of the team constantly providing avenues for link passing and lots of D-penetration.

Goal scorers Andrew Gibson (x2), Bailey Hardy (x2), Kirby Hobbs (x1) and Eamon Cooper (x1) although by the end of the game we had 8 of 11 in our attacking-D trying to score, which was probably a hindrance to actually finding the net a few more times.

A good win that keeps the team in the mix for top 4.

Boys 7/8B Black vs AW Reds (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-05-01

Best: C. Rynvis, D. McGahren, R. Stephenson

Goals: J. Dowie

Melville B Boys played out a physically draining match to go down 4:1 to AW Reds. Going into the match with no subs, was always going to be ademanding. Aiden Weller suffered a nasty ball to the knee early in the game, but bravely returned to the field with limited mobility. Jason Dowie scored an equalising goal to make the score 1:1. Unfortunately, AW Reds slotted a second goal as the half time whistle was being raised. The lack of subs made for a weary team through the second half, AW Reds put the ball in the net a couple more times while Melville did their best to respond unfruitfully. It was a challenging and good natured first outing.

Boys 7/8B Black vs Vic Park (Won 4 - 1) 2017-05-07

Best: J. Dowie, D. McGahren, C. Dodds

Goals: J. Dowie (3), J. Latto

The Melville Boys showed that they are at home on grass, with a spirited first half to be 4:0 up against Vic Park at half time. Jason Dowie cemented his position in the forward line with three quick goals and James Latto kept him company on the scoreboard by putting one in from the other side. Daniel McGahren proved nearly impossible to get past, and skilfull goalkeeping by Jayden Kelly, frustrated the Vic Park forwards. Unfortunately for Melville, Vic Park's tenacity was rewarded in the second half as the tired Melville Players conceded a late goal without adding to their own tally. A great team effort!

Boys 7/8B Black vs Lions (Maroon) (Lost 2 - 8) 2017-05-14

Best: J. Kelly, M. Horrocks, J. Bunn

Melville were outclassed by Lions in a gruelling encounter. The high points for Melville were the great keeping by Jayden Kelly who seemed to be under constant attack, a few times in the game when things came together for Melville resulting in a couple of well deserved goals and the maturity shown by the players in keeping up their spirits right up to the final whistle. Thanks to Zac Kelly and Fletcher Horrocks for jumping in to help out.

Boys 7/8B Black vs Westside Wolves (White) (Lost 3 - 4) 2017-05-20

Best: R. Stephenson, C. Dodds, H. Armstrong

Goals: R. Stephenson (2), J. Dowie

The 7/8B Boys continued to improve week by week and were unlucky to go down to Wolves. Scores were drawn 0:0 at half time before Melville pulled away to a two goal lead thanks to Riley Stephenson. Unfortunately, Wolves dug deep to follow up with three goals before Jason Dowie equalised. A late goal from Wolves spoiled what would have been a fitting drawn game. Promising individual performances from all players.

Girls 7/8B vs Wolves (Red) (Won 4 - 3) 2017-04-29

Best: L. Cosgriff, F. McHoull, D. Swinton

Goals: A. Gesmundo (2), F. McHoull, A. Rolls

First game of the season and what a start ! Very pleasing to see the girls come together and play good hockey scoring 4 goals in the first half under hot conditions. The girls fought hard until the end of the game when put under lots of pressure from the opposition. Lets keep developing our skills and team play and we will have a successful season.

Girls 7/8B vs Wolves (Grey) (Lost 2 - 3) 2017-05-06

Best: s. Treasure, M. Lane-Rose, R. Klass

Goals: A. Gesmundo (2)

A very close game that had spectators on the edge of their seats ! The girls scored an early 2 goals in the first half linking up really well on both the left and right hand sides. In the second half the opposition fought hard to level the score and despite determination to finalise the win the girls were unlucky to get beaten in the last minute of the game. Lets take this loss as fuel to win the next game girls !

Girls 7/8B vs Lions (Lost 1 - 6) 2017-05-13

Best: T. Blechynden, N. Chisholm, A. Rolls

Goals: N. Chisholm

Lions came out strongly, but as the game went on we grew in confidence and started to attack through our forwards. Great short corner rocket goal to Natasha! Keep working on your work rate and passing game girls, and don't be afraid to use your fantastic hits on the grass to get the ball through.

Girls 7/8B vs Guildford (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-05-20

Best: A. Rolls, N. Chisholm, T. Blechynden

Goals: A. Gesmundo

A tight game where the score does not reflect the overall balance of the game. Great work by Alex who volunteered to fill in goals in the first half, and a fantastic goal by Abbey. Well done everyone!

Boys 7/8C Gold vs WASPS (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-04-29

Best: E. Hart, L. Paterson, Z. Burvill

Goals: T. Stone

A fantastic start to the season this week. We were very competitive and WASPS only scored goals late in the second half. We have a very determined team, and the boys worked really well together. We look to be a strong running team and the boys played their position really well for a first game.

A huge thank you to James for playing Goalie.

Well done

Greg

Boys 7/8C Gold vs Canning (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-05-06

Best: C. Lee, L. Paterson, E. Hart

Goals: C. Lee

A challenging game today against a well drilled team in Canning. We played well in the first half, with some good position play, and good linking up between positions to score our first goal.

In the second half we lost our stucture with players moving out of position, and reducing opportunity to move the ball. Canning then took advantage of the congestion to score goals. Overall our team looks to be working together well and shows plenty of promise and determination.

Boys 7/8C Gold vs Kalamunda (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-05-13

Best: M. Lippiatt, C. Lee, E. Hart

Goals: C. Lee

The boys played a good open game today. Players held their positions and moved the ball well. Our passing is improving and we are carrying the ball forward. We had a number of chances to score today and our set up looks good. Our full backs played really well, intercepting a lot of Kala's forward play and rebounding strongly, setting up the mid-field runners with some great opportunities. It is pleasing to see the areas we are working on in training being applied by the boys during the game. Well done.

Boys 7/8C Gold vs Dale (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-20

Best: Z. Kelly, J. Fallon, D. Brown

Goals: J. Fallon

A solid performance again by our boys today. We are playing our positions and creating some excellent run through linking up our players.

A large number of scoring attempts in our first half saw us score the only goal of the game, an excellent rebound play off the Dale goalie.

We were solid again in the second half, with Dale pressuring the circle. Good full-back to half back play allowed us to release, along the wings and into our attacking half.

As our basic skills improve we will continue to progress our players awareness of spread and receive, and improve the accuracy of our passing.

Boys 5/6A Promotion vs Modernians (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-05-13

No report

Boys 5/6C (Black) vs Westside Wolves (Won 2 - 1) 2017-05-13

Goals: F. Horrocks, T. West

Melville had the majority of the play in the first half but weren't able to host much of it in the D, and subsequently didn't get a penalty corner until the second half. Westside had a handful of plays up the ground which generally caught our backline too far forward – one of which they scored first through a lucky deflection /roll of the ball getting past the goal keeper.

However a few minutes later Fletcher was able to convert all that ball control for a goal before half time making it 1-1. Some position changes at the break and things evened up a little in the second half, but again Melville were strong – with Thomas whacking in a goal mid way thru for the second. Overall the guys were enthusiastic and played well in the first game with some signs of good open play and intentional (!) passing of the ball.

Boys 5/6C (Black) vs Whitford Blue (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-20

Goals: F. Horrocks

Whitfords seemed to manning up well and kept play well contained, although Melville still managed the majority of the play. Some great open play with well developed passing to guys in the open. Had a number of hits on goal but their goalie was good - Kate & Rowan discussed hitting earlier when entering the D and following up for the deflection - success in the second half.

Girls 5/6C (Gold) vs Fremantle (Won 4 - 1) 2017-05-13

Well done girls, on a great first game.

From the start whistle, our forwards dominated play, resulting in an early goal by Chloe. This caught Fremantle off guard, our midfield did well to get the ball to the forwards for the rest of

the half and Alyssa found the net another three times! Passing was really good and we used the early advantage well. Grace was really solid in the back.

Fremantle managed to catch their breath at half time and our defenders got to see more action in the 2nd half. Well done to the midfield for listening to Nat's instruction to hold back a little - this helped in our defence in the 2nd half. Olivia and Ari had some great runs down the sides – it was good to see Hazel out in front with some great ball on her first ever hockey game! Well done Georgia in the goals, some great saves in the 2nd half.

Final score 4-1 to Melville, an excellent start to the season, and good to see the girls trying different positions on the field.