

Ladies Premier 2 vs Raiders (Won 2 - 1) 2017-07-22

Goals: E. Stratton, A. Thompson

No report

Ladies Premier 2 vs UWA (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-07-30

Goals: A. McNess

No report

Mens Premier Alliance vs NC Raiders (Won 5 - 0) 2017-07-22

Goals: M. Yow (2), N. Page, D. McEntee, A. Wragg

No report

Ladies Premier Alliance vs NC RAIDERS (Won 2 - 0) 2017-07-23

Best: S. Bowyer, S. Hasselerharm, B. Meacock/C. Georgiou

Goals: A. Thompson, V. Wade

Good to return to the winners list after a few draws. We controlled the game pretty much from the outset and applied constant attacking pressure to the Raiders back line and goalie. More tough games coming so will need to build from a strong performance today.

Ladies Premier Alliance vs UWA (Won 2 - 0) 2017-07-29

Best: M. Sader, B. Meacock, S. Bowyer

Goals: B. Meacock, M. Sader

A solid win against a usually strong club in UWA. We dominated the game and the score would have been higher if UWA didn't have such a strong goalie. Excellent second half where we stepped up the intensity and made sure they didn't get back into the game. No resting on our laurels with tough games coming so will need to keep working hard and supporting each other.

Mens Provisional 1 vs Blades (Won 4 - 1) 2017-07-16

Best: H. Rogerson, J. Coleman, G. Scally

Goals: H. Rogerson (4)

No report

Mens Provisional 1 vs Aquinas (Lost 2 - 5) 2017-07-23

Best: H. Rogerson, N. Page/m. Symonds, J. Davoren

Goals: J. Coleman (2)

No report

Mens Provisional 1 vs UWA (Won 1 - 3) 2017-07-29

Best: H. Rogerson, T. Dickson, G. Scally

No report

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) vs Lions (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-07-23

Best: E. Smith, S. Gilbert, J. Thornhill

The Senior Women's 5s faced off at Shenton Park on a cold, wet Sunday night. Despite the team putting up a good fight and having some good shots on goal, unfortunately the opposition scored some cheap goals off Melville errors and the team suffered a 2-0 defeat. Better luck next week!

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) vs Southern River (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-07-29

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

It was a hard and physical game against Southern River on a wet Saturday night at Guildford turf. With the umpiring leaving a lot to be desired, the Melville girls held their cool to come out with a one all draw. Special mention to junior debutante Lois-Jae who scored our goal in the second half.

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Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs Kalamunda (Won 3 - 2) 2017-07-23

No report

Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs Curtin (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-07-30

Goals: C. Gallagher

No report

Mens Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Canning Cougars (Lost 0 - 5) 2017-07-24

A disappointing loss. Canning had the majority of the possession, but really only looked threatening from short corners, which they used to their full advantage. We had plenty of good opportunities at the end of the first half, with some excellent play.

Mens Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Rockingham Redbacks (Won 2 - 0) 2017-07-29

Goals: M. Willis, D. Wake

A fantastic result, after outplaying the opposition for the vast majority of the game. The only disappointing facet was the missed opportunities, as we could have had even more goals. Looks like a good end to the season.

Ladies Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Fremantle 5 (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-07-23

No report

Ladies Provisional 4 (Gold) vs Rockingham 4 (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-07-29

Best: E. Bradley, S. Maguire/J. Vico, P. Hudson

Goals: G. Forbes

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Best: E. Bradley, S. Maguire/J. Vico, P. Hudson

Goals: G. Forbes

No report

Ladies Metro 1 vs Wolves (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-07-29

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

Always a tough game against the babies of Wolves. We ran our hearts out, tackled harder and didn't make it easy for them but they have some slick goal scorers that are difficult to stop when they line up for a goal.

Ladies O35 Division 2 vs Modernians 2 (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-06-21

Goals: C. Smith

No report

Ladies O35 Division 2 vs Suburban Lions (Won 4 - 2) 2017-06-26

Best: D. Dravnieks, S. Clark/C. Power, S. Billingham

Goals: L. Anderson, S. Clark, S. Billingham, G. Glaskin

No report

Ladies O35 Division 2 vs North Coast Raiders (Won 4 - 1) 2017-07-05

Best: M. Leighton, F. Power/G. Glaskin, S. Billingham

Goals: L. Anderson, W. Joyce, G. Forbes, F. Power

No report

Ladies O35 Division 2 vs YMCC2 (Won 8 - 0) 2017-07-17

Best: D. Dravnieks/S. Billingham, S. Wilson/G. Glaskin

Goals: S. Wilson (2), D. Dravnieks (2), M. Leighton, S. Clark, F. Power, S. Billingham

No report

Ladies O35 Division 4 vs Newman Knights (Won 3 - 0) 2017-07-26

Best: S. Totterdell, O. Hasselerharm, S. Orr

Goals: S. Totterdell, J. Rosso, D. Murphy

The mist rolled in towards the end of this game making it a bit spooky. We maintain top position with this win, looking good for the finals girls.

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Hale (Lost 1 - 6) 2017-05-08

Goals: B. Kennington

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Whitford (Lost 0 - 16) 2017-04-22

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs YMCC (Lost 0 - 4) 2017-04-29

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Fremantle (Won 1 - 0) 2017-05-06

Goals: B. Kennington

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Southern River (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-05-13

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Wasps (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-05-20

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Lions (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-05-27

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs John XXIII (Lost 2 - 5) 2017-06-10

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Rockingham (Drew 4 - 4) 2017-06-17

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Whitford (Lost 0 - 12) 2017-06-24

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Southern River (Lost 1 - 5) 2017-07-01

Goals: B. Kennington

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Hale (Lost 2 - 4) 2017-07-15

Goals: I. Neill

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Rockingham (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-07-22

Goals: B. Kennington

No report

Mens O40 Division 2 vs YMCC (Lost 3 - 5) 2017-07-29

Goals: B. Kennington (2), D. Joseph

No report

Mens O50 Division 1 vs YM (Won 3 - 2) 2017-04-29

Best: D. Wilson, J. Delaney, D. Ross

Nice to beat YM for a change! Teamwork is starting to come together, just need to do this for a whole game.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Vic Park (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-06-17

Best: D. Wilson, M. Watson, D. Ross/D. Loffell

A typical game of majority possession but inability to score...

Dennis was an unfortunate casualty resulting from a desperate tackle. Best wishes for a full recovery!

We need to work on our short corners!

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Aquinas (Won 5 - 1) 2017-07-08

Best: D. Doak, M. Watson, R. Achemedei

No report

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Hale (Won 1 - 0) 2017-07-15

Best: J. Delaney, D. Ross/M. Watson/M. Lyons, G. Ranford

Goals: M. Lyons

A hard fought game that always looked like we had the upper hand.

Hale were well held by our tight and mobile defense, while composure in midfield supported the forwards. Frustration crept in during the second half, but fortunately more from Hale than us. A quality finish from Clarry finished the day.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Vic Park (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-07-22

Best: D. Ross, M. Watson, R. Achemedei

No report

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs Curtin University (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-07-22

Best: K. Harper, G. Scally, B. Bocking

We had 57 shots at goal, dominated the game, but failed to score. Our first blemish for the season.

Mens O50 Division 2 (Gold) vs OGMHC (Won 2 - 1) 2017-07-29

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

Goals: K. Harper (2)

Once again dominated the play, but struggled to score. Good to get back on the winning list.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Hale 5 (Drew 3 - 3) 2017-07-22

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

Goals: R. Knyn (2), M. Pitcher

A game where we had majority of the play and struggled to convert the many opportunities around the goal. Credit to Hale who maximised their chances.

Melville needed to score to draw the game and we produced our best team work for the year, moving the ball from defence to attack & our forwards earned a well deserved goal from the move, and ensured we earn the 1 point. We remain a solid third on the ladder.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Blades (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-07-29

Best: I. Munns, D. Stonehouse, C. Bontempo/R. Preedy

Goals: A. Marshall

We packed our bags, fuelled up the cars and headed north east to play Blades.

Lucky the rain cleared just before start of play. The game started with both sides honouring 850 games for Blades player Ian Goldspink. Again our gifted left winger Al Marshall sitting just off the post diverted the ball into the goal during the first half. Blades were relentless to level the score and they succeeded during the second half. A great game and the Draw a fair outcome.

Mens O60 Division vs Wolves (Lost 1 - 5) 2017-07-29

Best: L. Welten, G. Bowater, G. Riley

Goals: L. Welten

we played a strong Wolves team today that had very few passengers. They combined well and we did a fair bit of chasing. Whilst outplayed the team never stopped trying and scored another goal from a short corner after a great reversed stick shot by Leo. It was good to have a number of reserves this week which helped us to pressure Wolves when they ran with the ball.

Boys 11/12A 2017-07-22

Goals: J. Floyd (2), R. Bright, M. Scally, J. Schonken, K. Potter

The break obviously did us the world of good - this was our most complete performance since playing Uni a couple of months ago. Well done to all.

Girls 11/12A vs Wolves (Drew 2 - 2) 2017-07-28

Best: L. Gleave, C. Hobbs, A. Power

Goals: J. Snyman (2)

No report

Boys 11/12A Reserve vs Vic Park (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-07-21

Goals: R. Needham

This was always going to be a tough rematch for the boys, Vic Park fielding a very strong side similar to round 1. They were strong through the midfield with quite a handy forward line, proving to test the strength and accountability of our back line. Very well done to our midfielders who were able to work hard for the entire 70 minutes to gain control through the middle against a skilful opposition. The game had many highlights including a desperate scoop off the goal line by Joel, and an excellent field goal by Riley to put us within reaching distance of Vic Park. Unfortunately the boys weren't able to get over the

line, however I am very pleased with how they were willing and able to work hard for the entire 70 minutes. They had faith during every minute, and this is why we came so close to actually avoiding the loss. I look forward to seeing the boys at training during the week.

Boys 11/12A Reserve vs Westside Wolves (Drew 1 - 1) 2017-07-28

Goals: J. Scanlon

A tough fought game in cold and rainy conditions. Melville played one of their best seasons fighting back to finish the game 1-1. With only 1 sub for the day the boys went into the game with a disadvantage. To Melville's credit little did it show on the field as the guys ran at full pace for the full 70 mins. With a controversial non-decision resulting in Melville missing out on an obvious stroke the game could have had a very different score line. Melville had the run of the play for the last 20 mins of the game which only goes to show the commitment from the boys with 1 sub against Wolves who were top of the ladder. The effort from the boys holds Melville in good stead going forward. Well done

Girls 11/12B vs Fremantle (Won 2 - 1) 2017-07-28

Best: L. Mellor, C. Pickard, A. Riordan

Goals: L. Cocks, L. Mellor

It was a slow start for Melville, but during the second half, our girl's began increase their defensive play and created more opportunities by passing out wide. They finished the game with a 1 point lead and a smile on their faces.

Girls 11/12B vs Fremantle (Won 2 - 1) 2017-07-28

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Goals: L. Cocks, L. Mellor

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Boys 9/10A vs YMCC (Lost 0 - 4) 2017-07-24

Best: T. Williamson, D. Page, B. Dowie

No report

Boys 9/10A vs UWA (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-07-30

Best: T. Bergin, B. Knell, T. Williamson

No report

Girls 9/10A vs UWA (Won 4 - 3) 2017-07-30

Goals: K. Cowan, N. Flynn, S. Hasselerharm, G. Needham

A fast start by UWA saw them up after 5 minutes. The score stayed 1-0 to UWA till half time with some missed opportunities in the circle.

Second half was a goal fest with UWA scoring again before Melville drew level at 2-2. The Melville girls continued to press for a winner but conceded a third goal to go down 3-2 with 10 minutes to play. Melville continued to press and scored a further two goals to round out the game 4-3 winners. A tough game which hopefully will be good warm up for ladder leaders Lions next weekend.

Boys 9/10A Reserve vs Lions (Won 8 - 0) 2017-07-02

Best: M. Harler, O. McHoull, A. Lukan

Goals: M. Harler (3), A. Lukan (2), O. McHoull (2), D. Moulin

No report

Boys 9/10A Reserve vs YMCC (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-07-23

Best: M. Harler, J. Lambert, N. Thompson

Goals: M. Harler

No report

Girls 9/10A Reserve vs YMCC (Lost 1 - 2) 2017-07-23

Goals: G. John

Well it just wasn't our day today! Despite putting up a good fight, we went down 2-1 to YMCC. A comeback was looking promising just before half time, but unfortunately didn't carry through to the second half. There were some great connections down the field and very close shots in the D, but nothing quite stuck or hit the mark. Great effort though girls!

Girls 9/10A Reserve vs Fremantle (Won 4 - 1) 2017-07-30

Goals: M. Irvine (2), Z. Polglase (2)

It's been a while since we've had our full team playing together, so today was definitely a nice change, and it was great to see the girls getting back to playing some great hockey. Craig complemented the girls on their short passing and great tagging and I really loved the way the subs on the sideline kept involved in the game and cheered on their team mates while they were off. The girls enjoyed a bit of space today and got some good runs down the side of the fields, with the defence also hopping in and moving the ball forward. Lots of action in the 'D' and more focus, so a great improvement on last week. I hope this is the start to a strong season finish. Well done girls!

Boys 9/10B Gold vs Ellenbrook Falcons (Lost 0 - 8) 2017-07-23

Best: B. Powell, T. Walker, M. Oneil

This wild, wet and windy game started well with no-one scoring until well into the first half. The boys finished that half down by 3 goals but were still playing well. Then the Falcons got several quick goals in a row and rattled the lads. Although the team rallied well and recovered their good form, it was too late to save us from a substantial loss.

Boys 9/10B Gold vs Kwinana Tigers (Lost 0 - 4) 2017-07-30

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

Despite a nil all result at half time, the boys failed to get any goals in the second half and the Tigers got four. The team is playing better and better each week. It would be great to get some goals now and then, but it really doesn't seem to be getting them down. Terrific camaraderie and not taking losses too seriously. Such a great team to work with.

Girls 9/10B vs St BRIDGIDS (Lost 2 - 12) 2017-07-23

Best: R. Quartermaine, M. Borinelli, G. Lawrence

Goals: I. Bilclough, G. Lawrence

No report

Girls 9/10B vs HALE (Lost 1 - 3) 2017-07-30

Best: S. Moncrieff, R. Quartermaine, J. McMullan

Goals: P. Sumich

No report

Girls 7/8A vs UWA (Lost 0 - 4) 2017-07-22

Best: T. Mishra, G. Murphy, A. Thomson

The Melville girls fought hard for the majority of the game against a physical UWA. Unfortunately when tiredness got the better of us, UWA scored 3 quality goals in short

succession, which we were unable to recover from. However, everyone kept fighting and working hard for each other until the end. Although it was a loss, there were still many positives from this game with us passing, communicating and leading as a team. Girls, you should be proud of your efforts and keep up the fighting spirit for next week!

Girls 7/8A vs Wolves (Lost 1 - 5) 2017-07-29

Best: G. Murphy, S. Pillay, C. Templeman

Goals: C. Templeman

Wolves went hard from the start and were hungry for goals, which they quickly scored. The structure was there and we had our moments to score, we just couldn't get the points on the board. The first 10 minutes of the 2nd half we dominated and forced multiple short corners, and were able to score off one. Heads up girls, a few things to work on at training and bring on the next game!

Boys 7/8A Promotion vs MODS (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-07-23

Lots of opportunities but couldn't put one into the net. Mods beat Melville 6-2 is the first match earlier this year, so the 1-0 loss was clearly an improvement but was also one that the boys could have won. Melville fought hard right up to the final whistle, most leaving the game with a completely empty tank.

Some great passages of play showed that the boys have what it takes to beat Mods, and will get one more chance this year to achieve this ... in the semi-finals.

Thanks to Jason Dowie who doubled up, playing for our A-prom team after scoring 4 goals for the B team directly before this game, great effort.

Boys 7/8A Promotion vs AW Reds (Won 10 - 0) 2017-07-29

Goals: E. Cooper (2), J. Dowie (2), A. Gibson (2), K. Hobbs (2), E. Elliott, D. Harris

A good percentage booster, just what the coach asked for. Six different goal scorers on the board this week made up the 10 goals with lots of hard work by the midfielders keeping the forwards well fed. The boys put on a great display of teamwork with effective movement on and off the ball and accurate passing.

Goalie Lachlan Flynn had to work hard at keeping warm, with Melville's defence mopping up 95% AW-Reds attack before it reached the D, Lachlan keeping switched on and stopping the few that managed to slip through to him.

Everyone on the field played their part in what was an excellent win, reaching their first double digit score. Well done boys, keep up that hard work in your run into the finals and you will do well.

Boys 7/8B Black vs Fremantle (Won 4 - 1) 2017-07-22

Best: J. Dowie, M. Horrocks, D. McGahren

Goals: J. Dowie (4)

The Melville Boys continue to improve from game to game. Jason Dowie opened the scoring with a scorching shot to the top right corner of the Fremantle goals in the opening minute and went on to bag all four goals for the day. There was the usual strong defence which kept Fremantle to a single score. A very good work rate for all players which made the game a pleasure to watch.

Boys 7/8B Black 2017-07-29

Best: C. Rynvis, J. Dowie, J. Latto

Goals: J. Dowie, C. Rynvis

The boys suffered with a slow start ... redeemed themselves twice, but ended up losing to a strong Wolves showing. Good effort. Goals to Jason (as usual) and Corey finally broke through with a well deserved statistic...

Girls 7/8B vs Lions (Lost 0 - 2) 2017-07-29

Best: L. Cosgriff, N. Chisholm, A. Rolls

Back after the school holidays and the girls brought their A game. Both attacking and defending the girls gave it their all, linking up well all the way up the field. Having multiple opportunities in the attacking D just weren't able to put the ball in the back of the net. Bring on the next game !

Boys 7/8C Gold vs Kalamunda (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-07-22

Best: C. Lee, J. Fallon, D. Brown

A tight game this week back after holidays. Both teams had chances to score but the day belonged to the defenders. Callum played goalie and acquitted himself superbly saving a number of goals and putting pressure on the forwards. Really pleasing to see the boys passing the ball and creating opportunities. Mid field had a lot of work to do stopping Kala's drive forward and setting up our own attack. We will look to move the ball a bit quicker next week, and try to use wide passing opportunities.

Boys 7/8C Gold vs Dale (Won 2 - 0) 2017-07-30

Best: Z. Burvill, T. Stone, D. Brown

Goals: T. Stone (2)

A good game with 2 evenly matched teams. Nil all at half time after a dis~allowed Melville goal from outside the circle. An early goal to us in the 2nd half with the team eager to score again. Dale were determined to score and defense held up superbly.

Boys 7/8C Gold vs Rockingham (Won 5 - 0) 2017-06-10

Best: J. Fallon, T. Stone, Z. Burvill

An early goal to us with one player down saw our team lift. Our defenders were determined limit Rockinghams scoring but some very high quality goals were scored. It was good to see our team working together and our skills improving.

Won under protest

Girls 5/6A vs U.W.A. (Won 3 - 0) 2017-07-22

Goals: S. Robinson (2), D. Farrow

Strong attacking game with Melville dominating.

Girls 5/6A vs Westside Wolves (Won 2 - 1) 2017-07-29

Goals: C. Billingham, S. Robinson

Melville dominated the first half and held off a late attack in the second half by Wolves to win the game.

Boys 5/6A Promotion vs Modernians (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-07-22

No report

Boys 5/6A Promotion vs Kalamunda (Won 2 - 0) 2017-07-29

No report

Girls 5/6B (Black) vs Fremantle (Lost 0 - 6) 2017-07-22

No report

Girls 5/6B (Black) vs Wolves (Lost 0 - 5) 2017-05-12

No report

Girls 5/6B (Black) vs Lions (Lost 1 - 4) 2017-06-24

Best: B. Mincham

Goals: B. Mincham

No report

Girls 5/6B (Black) vs NCR (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-07-01

No report

Girls 5/6B (Black) vs vic park (Won 2 - 0) 2017-05-27

Best: A. Read, B. Mincham

Goals: B. Mincham, A. Read

No report

Girls 5/6B (Black) vs NCR (Won 2 - 0) 2017-06-10

Best: A. Spurling, A. Borgward

Goals: A. Borgward, A. Spurling

No report

Girls 5/6B (Black) vs Wolves grey (Lost 0 - 3) 2017-06-17

No report

Boys 5/6C (Black) vs Westside Wolves White (Drew 0 - 0) 2017-07-22

Weather was threatening but the rain held off for a great well matched game. Melville had the bulk of the play and the improved game knowledge returned with good passing and positioning. Had Westside rattled by the end. Melville had a couple of shots on goal but none made it thru, but the parents vote would call it a win for Melville as the better team on the day overall.

Boys 5/6C (Black) vs Whitford Blue (Won 1 - 0) 2017-07-29

Goals: B. Prince

Weather looked a big dodgy but the rain held off for just the right amount of time to allow a return to great hockey by the boys. They held the majority of the play and spent heaps of time in their forward line, and when it went into defence they captured control and ran it back up the pitch really well. Wyndham was like a caffinated kelpie in defence getting it out to Xavier and Tom in the midfield. Brendan had a nasty knock to the ankles where the shin pads werent, but came back making up for lost time and regularly sent it deep forward. The goal came in the second half through persistence and an across goal pass straight to Blake who quickly slid it past the goalie. Happy lads, coaches and parents after an enjoyable game.

Boys 5/6C (Gold) vs OGMHC (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-07-22

First Game against a new team, although we lost 1-0, the score did not reflect the game. Players are now tackling, we just need to be more tenacious in pursuing the ball, position ourselves more strategically, use our wings to pass the ball and move our bodies. On the up...

Boys 5/6C (Gold) 2017-07-31

This weeks training is going to focus on keeping sticks on the ground, looking around before pushing the ball out wide to the wings

Girls 5/6C (Gold) vs Vic Park (Won 1 - 0) 2017-07-22

Goals: G. Nuttall

Saturday 22nd July, Vs Vic Park at Stevens Reserve

We were very happy to have a dry game this week, enabling us to practice our skills and positions. Having the majority of play in our attacking area, we were able to focus on getting the ball wide and bringing it into the D. Unfortunately due to the whole team, except our two full backs and GK being in the D it was very hard to score a goal as we had 8 extra feet to avoid. This reinstates the saying that there is no I in team and hockey is a team sport that we requires players to pass to team mates when faced with opposition in their path way, this is our biggest issue as we constantly try to go through the player and not around with short passes. (Guess what we are focusing on at training). However what we did do well was finally use our wings, hold our positions a majority of the time and score a well earned goal, (Grace) and win the game. The 1-nil score did not reflect the game as our girls constantly tried to get the ball in the net, however with the majority of Vic Parks team blocking the way, and the majority of our team getting in the way, it wasn't to be.

The player of the match was Olivia who finally demonstrated what we need from a half back, and my coaches award which is a tough one as it could go to any one player, goes to Xanthe. Xanthe followed instruction well as full back and even backed up Lily when needed. I am without a doubt very proud of our little team of Melville missiles and as we welcome Abby back, hopefully we have another victory on the road to Rockingham next Saturday. Coach Nat

Girls 5/6C (Gold) vs WASPS (Lost 0 - 1) 2017-07-01

Match report: WASPS vs MELVILLE WHITE 1-nil defeat

Saturday 1st July was our first real day of winter. It was wet, icy cold and we were all in holiday mode, except coach. Coach was growly, anxious and as usual probably had too high expectations from her team of hockey players in these miserable conditions. Did they disappoint her, NO. NEVER!

We took to the field at Stevens Reserve with one sub, shivering bodies and chattering teeth with the memory of the last time we faced WASPS and were beaten 6 nil.

When they scored a goal in the first 10 minutes, there was that fear that it may be a repeat of the last game, but that fear soon disappeared.

We are stronger now, learning our positions, practising going wide at training and running with the ball. Not only did we keep the Wasps out of our goal we actually managed to get the ball into our attacking zone, a lot. And guess how we did it? UP THE WINGS. As usual our super star Grace was strong, and placed alongside Georgia, our super tackler, in defence the WASPS couldn't get in to our D. Jasmine and Olivia paired up on the left, often swapping positions, but it worked. Captain Chloe ever tenacious just kept going, Hazel had some action on the wing with our left side sending it wide constantly and trusting their coach. But the biggest surprise of the day was our right wing, who even managed to surprise her own Mum. Hayley ran with the ball up the right wing with strength and courage, and that's why she gets my coaches award. Player of the match has to go to Grace, who had the opposition parents impressed and the opposition players surprised. Now that we are finding our strengths we need to work on our goal scoring and what to do with the ball when we get it up the wing. Well done girls, you should be very proud of yourselves.

