



# Waverley Park Hawks Weekly Newsletter



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**Sponsorship.** The club is still looking for sponsors. Contact Andrea Hall for details.

**Two Hawks in Vic Metro Under 16 Squad.** Congratulations to Jack Ross and Jake Gaspar who have been selected in the Vic Metro Under 16 Squad.

**Social Media.** The club is looking for content from each of our teams for our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts.

### Dates for Your Diary...

**After Match Schedule 2016** Current After Match roster for remainder of year.

**Annual Dinner Dance – Club's Major Fundraiser.** This year's Annual Dinner Dance and Major Auction will be held on Friday June 3rd from 7.00pm to 12.30am at the Mulgrave Country Club.

### Around the Ground...

**Round 3 Results Summary** – Check out all the results from Round 3 played 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016.

**Round 3 Match Reports** – Read about all the highlights, find out who kicked the goals, who were the best players, who won the coaches awards in Round 3.

**Gallery.** Check out the photos from club from the past week.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT...



Tony Ferracane is currently overseas on business so this week's President's report is courtesy of Shane McCluskey. A photo of Shane was not provided but some might recognise him from a certain television commercial.

Round 3 saw quite a contrast in weather and ground conditions from the first two rounds of the 2016 season. It seems the Winter button has been pushed quite early this year.

Despite the testing conditions the teams that took the field this week in the Mighty Waverley Park Hawks strip, did so with great gusto and enthusiasm. Whilst the focus at the Hawks is on player participation and enjoyment, nearly all of the teams had a win or a very close game. I had the pleasure of seeing 5 or 6 games for the day this week and I couldn't have been prouder of what I saw. Each and every one of the teams exhibited the true WP Hawks culture and sportsmanship. From Players, Coaches and Officials to supporting Parents and Families. Any small aberration was quickly bought back in line by a Coach or Official with fantastic leadership and mentoring. Congratulations to all.

The 'After Match' this week was hosted by the Under 11 Families and what a job they did. The Lasagne and Spaghetti were delicious. The Gelato and Ice Cream were also a big hit. It was really pleasing to see the setting up, serving and importantly, the clean up, completed with minimal fuss and to a really good standard. A great testament to the Under 11 families who all pitched in and got the job done. Special thanks to Fiona Froelich and Nicole Vivic who were the 'Master Chefs' of the day. I am reliably informed that the cooking took all day. A big thank you from everyone!

The 'Lucky Player' draw didn't go off this week, despite the many attempts to do so. The pressure from the chanting hoards at the front of the room was too much to limit the opportunities to one or two draws. Unfortunately, despite about 7 or 8 attempts (don't tell Tony), the names drawn out were not present at the time. As we all know, you must be present to win if your name is drawn out. So the \$50 Rebel Voucher will jackpot to next 'After Match' where the prize pool will grow until we have a winner present to collect the prizes.

Speaking of the next 'After Match', there **WILL NOT** be an 'After Match' this week, due to Mother's Day. As usual, we break from the 'After Match' tradition on Mother's Day each year so all of our Families can spend the day together, celebrating all that is good about Mothers and Motherhood. **So, no 'After Match' this week, Sunday 8th May.** On behalf of the Executive, Committee and entire Club, I would like to wish all of the Mother's, Grand Mother's, God Mother's, Expectant Mother's and Future Mother's, all the very best for this Sunday. I trust you will all be suitably spoilt to the level you all deserve. Have a great day!

Our next 'After Match' will be the following week, where the hosts will be the Under 12 Families. As usual, expect something fantastic.

Good Luck to all of our teams this week. Let's hope for a fun filled, injury and incident free weekend.

Go Hawks!

Shane McCluskey

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## NEWS...

### After Match This Sunday— NO AFTER MATCH IT'S MOTHER'S DAY

There is no After Match this week to allow families to spend time together celebrating Mother's Day. Happy Mother's Day to those who are either Mothers or fulfil Mothering roles.



## Sponsorship



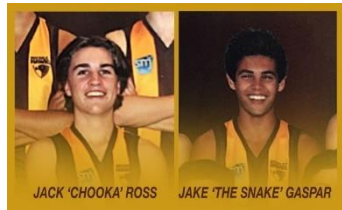
The club is still looking for sponsors at all levels but in particular Team Naming Rights and Coaches Award sponsors.

Team Sponsors receive a listing on the club's website including logo and internet link and are listed on the Sponsors Boards in the clubrooms and in the club's Weekly Newsletter. Cost is \$400 +GST per team.

Every player will receive a weekly Coaches award at some point during the year. We are again looking for generous Families or Businesses who would be happy to donate these. Cost \$100.00 + GST per team.

If you are interested in becoming a club sponsor or donating Coaches Awards contact Andrea Hall via 0412 326 485 or [sponsorship@wphawks.org.au](mailto:sponsorship@wphawks.org.au)

## Two Hawks in Vic Metro Under 16 Squad



Congratulations to Jack Ross and Jake Gaspar from the Under 16 Gold team, who have been selected to be part of the Vic Metro Under 16 Squad which will play in the Australian Championships in July.

The club believes this is the first time we have had 2 players reach this level. We wish them well in the Australian Championships and their future football endeavours.

## Social Media

The club has become more active in the social media space in the off season and is looking for content from each of our teams particularly for our Facebook and Instagram accounts. Please feel free to e-mail photos/videos from your matches to [media@wphawks.org.au](mailto:media@wphawks.org.au) or post directly to our Facebook page.



The club also has it's own mobile app for both iPhone and Android phones which includes club news, results, ladders, fixtures, team information, grounds, events and more. Download it from the App Store or Google Play.



For those of you who had the app last season a reminder that you will need to update your Team information so that you can receive notifications relating to a specific team. To update your settings navigate to the Settings page via the More tab. Press the Edit Information button. Update your Team, Second Team and Third Team information as appropriate and press the Submit button.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

### After Match Schedule 2016

Round	Date	Team Hosting	Menu
4	8/5/2016	Mothers Day No after Match	
5	15/5/2016	Under 12s	TBA
6	22/5/2016	Under 13s	TBA
7	29/5/2016	Girls Under 9s.12s &15s	TBA
8	5/6/2016	Under 14s	TBA
9	19/6/2016	Under 16s/17s	TBA
10	26/6/2016	Under 10s	TBA

11	10/7/2016	Under 9s	TBA
12	17/7/2016	Under 11s	TBA
13	24/7/2016	Under 12s	TBA
14 & Under 9 Lightning carnival	31/7/2016	Under 13s	TBA
15 & Under 10s Lightning carnival	7/8/2016	Under 14s	TBA
Semi Finals	14/5/2016	TBC	TBAS
Preliminary/Grand Finals	21/8/2016	TBC	TBA
Grand Finals	38/8/2016	TBC	TBA

## Annual Dinner Dance – Club's Major Fundraiser

This year's Annual Dinner Dance and Major Auction will be held on Friday June 3rd from 7.00pm to 12.30am at the Mulgrave Country Club. This is a great night and is the club's major fund raiser for the season. The cost for the night is \$40 per person, which includes canapés on arrival followed by a 2 course dinner. Drinks are at bar prices.

There will be the Major Auction, door prizes and raffles on the night as well as a DJ playing all your favourites. Lock the date in your diary so you don't miss out on the fun! It's a great night to get out (without the kids!) dress up, enjoy a sit down dinner, some drinks and a good boogie if you are up for it! All ticket enquiries should be directed to your team's table co-ordinator. Tickets can also be purchased online using PayPal or credit card via <https://www.jotform.com/wphawks/2016-annual-dinner-dance>.

We are also seeking donations for the major auction and door prizes. If you have any contacts and/or family/friends that could help out with any auction items, raffle prizes or vouchers for the night it would be really helpful. Please contact Michelle McCluskey (m.mccluskey@outlook.com or 0414 300 800) or, Danielle O'Neill (ddoneill@bigpond.net.au or 0438 407 525) if you can help out with donations.

It's a great night so get on board and remember it's all about supporting our kids and the Club they love playing footy at! It is collective efforts such as the Annual Dinner Dance and Sunday "After Match" that help raise important funds for the Club, which in turn helps keep fees at a reasonable level.





**Friday 3rd of June**

**7:00pm for a 7:30pm start**

**Mulgrave Country Club**

**\$40 per person**

*(Includes Canapés, main, dessert and DJ)*

**\* Drinks at Bar Prices \***

**Dress: Semi Formal**

**RSVP: Wed 25th May (Team Dinner Dance Coordinator)**

**No tickets available at the door – all tickets must be pre-purchased.**

**Major Auction, lucky door prizes & raffles on the night.**

# AROUND THE GROUND...

## Round 4 Fixture Sunday May 8 – 2016

ALL PLAYERS ARE TO ARRIVE AT THE RELEVANT GROUND – 45 Minutes

PRIOR TO START OF GAME OR OTHER WISE AT COACH'S INSTRUCTION.

Home Teams (first named team): Brown Shorts      Away Teams: White Shorts

Team	Match Details	Time
BUON Print Solutions Under 9 Gold McCluskey (Yellow)	Mordialloc Braeside vs Waverley Park Hawks Walter Galt Reserve Oval 2 Victoria Street Mordialloc MEL 87 F8	11:15 a.m.
Under 9 Brown Bonaddio (Orange)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Beaumaris Lum Reserve (West), Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	9.00 a.m.
Under 9 Girls Vivic	Waverley Park Hawks vs Ormond Centenary Park Oval 2 Brady Road East Bentleigh MEL 78 B3	2.00p.m.
Under 9 White Mastromanno (Green)	Murrumbeena vs Waverley Park Hawks Murrumbeena Park Oval 2, Kangaroo Rd, Murrumbeena	11:15 a.m.
Under 10 Gold Dellapreciate (White)	Highett vs Waverley Park Hawks Highett Reserve Oval 1 Turner Road Moorabbin MEL 77 H9	9.00 a.m.
Under 10 Brown Quinlan (Yellow)	Oakleigh vs Waverley Park Hawks Princes Highway Reserve East, Princes Highway Oakleigh East MEL 70 B10	9.00 a.m.
Under 11 Brown Hickey (Div 4 Green)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Beaumaris Lum Reserve (West), Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	10.15 a.m.
AAV Tiling Under 11 Gold Froelich (Div 3)	East Malvern vs Waverley Park Hawks Stanley Grose Reserve, Stanley Grose Drive East Malvern MEL 60 A12	12.30 p.m.
Under 12 Girls Aitkin	St Peters vs Waverley Park Hawks Centenary Park Oval 2 Brady Road East Bentleigh MEL 78 B3	12.30 p.m.
Under 12 Thompson (Div 3)	Bentleigh vs Waverley Park Hawks King George Reserve Oval 2 East Boundary Road Bentleigh MEL 77 K3	10.30 a.m.
Under 13 Gold Jago (Div 5)	Cheltenham Panthers vs Waverley Park Hawks Le Page Park Oval 1 Cnr. Herald & Argus Streets Cheltenham Mel 78 B12	9.00 a.m.
Under 13 Brown Fisher (Div 2)	Dingley vs Waverley Park Hawks Souter Reserve Marcus Road Dingley MEL 88 G6	9.55 a.m.
Skye Travel Under 14 Brown Claxron (Div 5)	East Malvern vs Waverley Park Hawks DW Lucas Oval Dunlop Reserve Moira Street East Malvern MEL 59 K11	11.15 a.m.
Under 14 Gold Thompson (Div 2)	AJAX vs Waverley Park Hawks Princes Park Oval 1 Beech Street Caulfield South Mel 68 B6	11.25 a.m.
Under 15 Girls Davey	Waverley Park Hawks vs East Brighton Vampires Lum Reserve (West), Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	11.45 a.m.
JB Commercial Under 15 Gold Deegan (Div 4)	SMD vs Waverley Park Hawks Albert Park Oval 11 Aughtie Drive Albert Park MEL 2N H1	11.00 a.m.
Advanced Office Interiors Under 15 Brown Jenkins (Div 1)	Waverley Park Hawks vs East Malvern Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill. MEL 71 H11	9.00 a.m.
Display the Game Under 16 Brown Palleschi (Div 4)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Beaumaris Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill. MEL 71 H11	11.00 a.m.
Under 16 Gold Gervasoni (Div 1)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Ormond Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill. MEL 71 H11	1.00 p.m.
Pinewood Community Bank Under 17 Long (Div 2)	Waverley Park Hawks vs St Bedes/Mentone Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill. MEL 71 H11	3.00 p.m.

## Round 3 Results Summary

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Under 13 Brown 10.10.70 defeated St Bedes Mentone: 0.3.3

Under 13 Gold 5.4.34 defeated Mordialloc Braeside 2.6.18

Under 14 Brown BYE

Under 14 Gold 9.9.63 defeated Bentleigh JFC 4.8.32

Under 15 Girls 1.0.6 defeated by Oakleigh 9.6.60

Under 15 Brown BYE

Under 15 Gold 21.21.147 defeated Highett/Cheltenham 5.3.33

Under 16 Brown 11.6.72 defeated Ajax 4.10.34

Under 16 Gold 9-8-62 defeated StK 3-2-20

Under 17 1.3.9 defeated by St Pauls McKinnon 19.12.126

## Round 3 Match Reports

### Under 9 Brown

**Coaches awards:** Joedan Davis, and Ethan Atkinson

An early, cold and windy start this morning. The boys put up yet another outstanding performance. It was a shorter ground, and initially the groups were tight in the contest, but listened to instructions when advised to spread around the ground. This ensured a more free flowing football, which was more successful. Our tacklings were ferocious at all times and hard gut running, with the wind blowing, we could still hear the boys' camaraderie. We welcome back Ryder Morgan to the team. Great leadership was demonstrated from our 2 captains; Max Le Grand, and Levi Pitsas. Congratulations to Luca Palermo on receiving the 'Anzac Medal', for a well performed game last week. Congratulations also to our 2 awarded coaches medals for outstanding performance by Joedan Davis, and Ethan Atkinson for outstanding game and particularly listening to instructions at all times. Thank you to Caulfield Bears for awarding Patrick Klonis 'Outstanding Player' for the match with a gift voucher. Thank you to Team Manager, Jamie Haebich, Assistant Coach John Le Grand, and all other helpers. Lastly, thank you to the weather, for staying dry! It was a great morning.

### BUON Print Solutions Under 9 Gold

BYE – No report

### Under 9 White

**Coaches awards:** Jett Durbridge & Cameron Chapple

The Under 9 Whites played at home in windy and wet conditions on Sunday against a team that consisted of mainly second year players. Led ably by Captains for the day Levi Tonkin and Cameron Chapple, the Whites started the first quarter with high intensity and matched the opposition around the ground in the contest. Most pleasing for the coaches was the way that all the players worked together as a team to maintain pressure on the opposition.

Our weekly focus was on pressure and tackling, and we were rewarded by many turnovers and free kicks caused by excellent tackling pressure. Some strong wet weather marks by Jack Emerson, Jack Czosneck and Izac Styliano saved many goals and forward scoring attempts by the opposition. Strong tackling by Nash Benedict, Pranav Misra, John Sidoropoulos and Luke Corcoran forced many turnovers. Logan Coutts was everywhere and Cohen Kewming is showing solid improvement in his game.

Coaches Award winners Jett Durbridge (who had his first game returning from injury) and Cameron Chapple worked hard all day. Overall, despite playing against bigger and more experienced opposition, the team showed some real promise and will be better for the experience. A big thankyou to fill in players Josh Leftley, Thomas McCluskey, Jack Emerson, Nash Benedict and William Hammond.

Next game is against Murrumbena at 11:15 a.m. Sunday at Murrumbena Park

## **Under 9 Girls**

**Coaches award:** Holly Thompson

Another fantastic hit out by the girls. This was the first week we played at home and also the first week the girls all played as one. Considering the weather conditions, the girls were again full of enthusiasm and attacked every contest with great intent. It is amazing to witness the huge improvement of all the girls' skills and game awareness, considering most of these girls are only playing their third competitive game. Tahlia played one of her best games to date, as did Holly who won the coaches award on the day. It was pretty hard to go past Holly with her 2 goals, including one from the centre square. Stasia and Shelby again gave plenty of dash and had plenty of the ball as did Bella in only her second game. Eden and Ebony also played solid games and are improving with every game. Well done girls, one more week of this format before we are in to the real stuff.

Go Hawks!

## **Under 10 Brown**

**Coaches award:** Gabriel Choi

This week the Under 10 Brown's took on Northvale at Columbia Park in what looked like potential stormy conditions but thankfully the dark clouds above took a detour and allowed the boys to play in some sunshine. To begin with, we were undermanned but thanks to Thomas McCluskey from the Under 9 Golds, we were able to match Northvale's 14 player side. This also meant that we now had three Thomas' in the team but strangely enough, it didn't confuse the boys.

Daniel our captain for the day ventured out into the centre for the coin toss and then pointed his fellow Hawks towards their kicking end.

After the first bounce the boys didn't waste any time in getting it down to the forward line. Some handy work in the centre from Biraj and William enabled Angus to take a cheeky bounce and bang one through the sticks. Having the first score on the board indicated to the boys that they were in with a chance of kicking some more goals. Joshua took full advantage of the opportunities provided to him by his team mates and in the second quarter he kicked two goals, one of which was a banana! The wonder twins Gabriel and Rafael were up to their usual tricks with Gabriel laying some heavy tackles and the quick paced Rafael continued to bust in and out of the packs. Neil was inspirational throughout the game and didn't stop running which made it hard for his opponents to tag him. In the third quarter William got the fever and was able to contribute to the goal kicking list thanks to some fancy footwork from Eugene who had multiple possessions in all quarters. James, Thomas G and Isaac, were all valuable in defense and set up some great blockages and disposals. Thomas D had a stint in the ruck during the final quarter and proved to be a worthy contestant. Northvale were good in defense but the Under 10 Browns were able to spread out and create more scoring opportunities. Overall the boys played very well and should be proud of their efforts so far.

## **Under 10 Gold**

**Coaches awards:** Zach Hall & Max Taborsky

This week the under 10 Golds had the early start at Lum Reserve with cold and windy conditions to greet the boys. Zach Hall was captain for the day and lead from the front with some strong play to start the game and was in everything.

The boys were against the breeze and to their credit the back 6 Franki, Tanas, Cooper, Max, Daniel and Zac held strong to restrict Malvern to 1 goal. Second quarter saw Sam, Nikolas, Tom, Dane, Luke, and Lachlan B kick the ball long to give our forwards every chance of scoring. With Nicholas C, Ed and Lachlan S fighting hard to keep the ball in the forward line allowing both Ethan and Lucas to score goals.

Second half saw Max being a ball magnetic; he was everywhere. The boys stuck to the game plan and fought hard with some strong tackling and chasing, grinding out another win in tricky conditions to make it 3 in row for the under 10 Golds.

Great effort boys!

## **Under 11 Brown**

**Waverley Park Hawks 6.7.43 defeated Cheltenham Panthers 0.3.3**

**Goal Kickers:** Micah 1, Reece 1, Nick F 1, Patrick 1, Cammo 1, Plow 1

**Best Players:** Liam O'R, Plow, Micah, Addy, Cammo, Savio, Reece, Lenny

**Coaches Awards:** Cammo, Addy

Back to the winners list for the WPH Under 11 Browns this week! Cheltenham Panthers kicked 18 goals the week before so we were expecting a pretty tough game. In wet and very windy conditions there's only one way to play footy and that's by doing the basic things really well. Get first to the ball, keep your feet, get your hands on it, rip it out and give it to a team mate in a better position than yourself. And if you can't get your hands on it, tackle the bloke who does! Unless of course he's your team mate! Our boys did that all day. Rarely did we give the Cheltenham boys a chance to get clean possessions. We always had them under pressure and forcing mistakes.

Liam O'Rourke was again terrific playing a kick behind the play around the ground. They just can't get it past him! He was well supported by Charles, Attilio and Adam in the backline. Micah was taking marks in defence and through the midfield and Cammo continued his improvement this year with another solid effort and this time he capped it off with a goal! Savio was throwing himself into the contest at every opportunity and the Plow was his usual consistent self, driving the ball forward from the midfield.



A really great effort by all the boys. Pre match we spoke about concentrating for 4 quarters on doing the basics well and the boys delivered on all counts. Winning the contested ball in tough conditions is a mark of a good team and we were very pleased with how all the boys acquitted themselves. With one game remaining in the grading rounds we're sitting 3rd on the ladder. Well done boys! Big game next week against Beaumaris Sharks - see you at training on Thursday!

### **AAV Tiling Under 11 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 3.11.29 defeated Oakleigh 4.2.26**

**Goal Kickers:** Luke C, Brady P, Shilo H

**Best Players:** Harper V, Brady P, Max A, Mitch W, Josh C, Damon H, Shilo H

**Coaches Award:** Harper V

We were at home at Lum to Oakleigh on a windy day. The boys lost the toss and had to work hard into the wind. Dan, Spencer and Ryan worked tirelessly in defence to keep the opposition out. Josh, Orlando and Nick were providing options up forward and Alex helped to lock the ball in. We couldn't quite hit the scoreboard for a goal but 0.2 to 0.0 was a good effort. The second quarter saw us with the ball in our forward line a lot more but with the rain coming down and a slippery ball we couldn't quite capitalise. Damon, Peter and Brady were continually driving us forward in the midfield while Pat and Max were lively in the forward line. Xander got a quick kick forward and Luke took the mark playing in front and got us on the scoreboard for a major. We went into the break with a slight lead 1.6 to 1.0.

The second half continued in the rain and the opposition made full use of the wind. Max was working hard in defence and when we finally made it to our forward line Brady earned a free kick in front of goal and slotted one home. But Oakleigh dominated play and slammed on 3.2 to our 1.0 for the quarter. The Hawks were going to have to come from behind again but they were confident at the break with the aid of the wind. Harper started to dominate in the ruck and around the ground and continually drove the ball forward. We peppered the goals but continued to find the points instead. Shilo roved a loose ball in the forward line and slotted home a fantastic goal from the angle. This drew us level. But with the ball continually in the forward line we managed several more points to hit the lead. Some wasteful kicking in the tough conditions but a well earned, hard fought victory for the boys.

### **Under 12 Girls**

**Waverley Park Hawks 4.7.31 defeated Knights 2.1.13**

**Best players:** Charlotte; Nunu; Angelina; Amber

**Coaches award:** Maddy; Nunu

It was a fantastic effort today by the girls. The most difficult of conditions, a gale force wind, made it very difficult to execute any skills.

However, the girls all did very well. They stuck to our game plan which revolves around great tackling and running with the ball. By learning to run and bounce, (winter style), they are each carrying the ball 20 metres plus their kick.

Very well done to all the girls, they all put in a great team effort and achieved another solid win.

### **Under 12**

**Waverley Park Hawks 15.13.103 defeated Oakleigh JFC 2.4.16**

**Goal kickers:** Warner 5, Morgan 2, Emery, McCluskey, Rouse, Daniels, Librizzi, Argus, Soria, Watts

**Best Players:** Warner, Soria, Morgan, Jago, Argus

**Coaches Awards:** Will Daniels and Jordan Librizzi

The under 12s had a much easier time of things in round three playing against an undermanned and overwhelmed Oakleigh side who battled valiantly throughout the day. Enrique was the captain for the day and started strongly in the middle against his old side. In a strong breeze and on slushy ground our boys were able to put their best foot forward with a strong 5 goals in the first quarter. A fantastic team effort that saw lots of shepparding and lots of backing up.

The second quarter was much the same as the first. Tommy Warner continued to show the great goal sense that we have become accustomed to and we had many other contributors. Will Daniels popped up to get the first goal of his footballing journey and it was fantastic to see the boys get around him and help celebrate. Jordan Librizzi displayed great dash and commitment to effect a sheppard on the half forward flank, then run forward and gather the loose ball in the goal square that he promptly slotted through the big sticks.

We went in at half time leading 9.6.60 to 1 point.

A big third quarter saw us put on another 6 goals to extend our lead and again we had many contributors. In the last quarter we were able to swing a few changes and give some boys a go in positions they might not usually play. Ashley Pensa showed great commitment and courage in the unfamiliar role of ruckman. A couple of solid knees in the bread basket were not enough to prevent him from keeping his eyes on the ball and contesting with great determination. Lachie Thompson and Zach Nuroo got involved in the middle of the ground while AJ and James Zapedowski did solid work mopping up what was suddenly a much more active backline.

I was particularly pleased with our boys willingness to move into different positions and in many cases to the bench in order to make the last quarter a more even contest. It showed a great maturity and is something that I think you should all be very proud of.

### **Under 13 Brown**

**Waverley Park Hawks** 10.10.70 defeated St Bedes Mentone: 0.3.3

**Goals:** Fisher 2, Pearce 2, Cusmano, Cassar, Plaza, Boyle, Rogers, Soligo

**Best Players:** Harris, Cusmano, Fisher, Gaudion, Palleschi

**Coaches awards:** Deakin Harris, Josh Cusmano

U13 Brown took on St Bedes Mentone on a wet / windy day at Columbia Reserve. Josh Cusmano led out the team out as captain and from the opening bounce showed the intensity needed in this game and set a standard for the team to follow. The conditions suited our team with bigger bodies than St Bedes and we got the ball forward early. Deakin was in and under and working hard with our midfielders in Jake, Ethan and Cayden driving the ball forward from great work in the ruck from Luke, Josh and Nick. It was a good day for the small forwards who were at the fall of the ball with Cooper, Will and Flynn all converting.

The boys didn't let up all day and the backline held up strong with Harrison controlling the defence. In the end the Hawks battled the rain to come out comfortable winners. Coaches award went to Deakin Harris for his work in the packs and around the ground and Josh Cusmano who set the standard for the day with his intensity and attack on the ball and a great goal to add to his day.

Well done to all! Go Hawks!

### **Under 13 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks** 5.4.34 def Mordi Brae 2.6.18

**Goal kickers:** Glass 5

**Best Players:** Glass, Plowman, Faulkner

**Coaches Awards:** Bailey Faulkner

After a great win last week the challenge was to try and follow it up this week. In tough windy conditions this was a low scoring pressure game of footy. With Christian giving us plenty of run on the wing and Zac and Plow working hard in the middle, the Hawks kept their noses in front of most of the day.

A couple of goals up at ¾ time and the boys knew hard work and plenty of run would see us singing the club song for a second time so when Simon slotted a goal we knew we had done enough.

The boys formed the circle and welcomed our new team mate Jason Yakub into the team and sang the song. We'll train hard again this week and see how we go next Sunday. Well done Hawks!

### **Under 14 Brown**

BYE – No report

### **Under 14 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks** 9.9.63 defeated Bentleigh JFC 4.8.32

**Goal Kickers:** Jenkins 3, Raymond 2, Thompson, McDonnell, Saliba, Hall Argus, Bailey, Mariette, Long, Lorenz-Daniel, Sullivan

**Best:** Argus, Bailey, Mariette, Long, Lorenz-Daniel, Sullivan

**Coaches Award:** Dale Argus

Home game against Bentleigh on a windy Sunday afternoon. The boys were challenged to start the game well and with Bentleigh kicking with a 2-3 goal wind early we were well placed at the first break trailing by a couple of points, despite conceding an easy mark and goal right on quarter time. Not using the wind well in the 2nd quarter and being a bit flat at the halftime break, all the lads really lifted for the 2nd half and started to create chances inside the forward line, out-scoring the opposition into the wind. Going on with it in the last winning by 5 goals. Dale Argus was outstanding in the midfield with Bailey playing a sweeper roll superbly down back.

All the boys have been encouraged to think about their game more and try not to be a bystander around the ball. If we want to be a more competitive outfit against the better teams we need to fix up this part of our game. The effort has always been there with this group, it's just using this strength to its full capacity.

Bring on next week...

### **Under 15 Girls**

No report

### **Advanced Office Interiors Under 15 Brown**

BYE – No report

## **JB Commercial Under 15 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 21.21.147 defeated Highett/Cheltenham 5.3.33**

**Goals:** Jackson 4, Thompson 3, Liu 2, Caia 2, Kreidl, Yakub, Raydan, Moore, Durant, Beck, Spiteri, Pond, Skeggs, Kokkinias

**Best Players:** Kokkinias, Jackson, Moore, Yakub, Skeggs, Liu, Raydan

**Coaches award:** Trent Skeggs

The U15 Golds took on a Highett/Cheltenham down at Columbia Park on Sunday afternoon. After a poor game last week against East Malvern, our focus was that every players' effort and intensity was high and was consistent for the entire game. We quickly found out what type of game we were in for after a dominant first quarter saw us take a 47-0 lead at quarter time. This gave us an opportunity to throw some players in different positions for the rest of the game. To their credit we continued to kick goals all day in a great display of team work and ball movement - something we have been practising at training.

The final score saw WPH run out 114 point winners on the day.

A few special mentions to Trent Skeggs, Greg Liu and Jamie Yakub who all kicked their first goal for the club!

## **Display the Game Under 16 Brown**

**Waverley Park Hawks 11.6.72 defeated Ajax 4.10.34**

**Goal Kickers:** A. De Marco-Toro 3, H. Dimopoulos 3, J. O'Neill 2, A. Cappello 2, P. Zogoulas, R. Kilgower

**Best Players:** A. De Marco-Toro, W. Hayes, T. Mannix, R. O'Hara, J. O'Neill, B. Gravell

**Coaches Awards:** A. De Marco-Toro, B. Gravell

Our third game of the year lead us to Ajax, who we have always had a strong rivalry with. It was a tough and windy affair but we prevailed in the end with a solid victory to keep us undefeated.

A slow start against the breeze lead to Ajax controlling the footy for much of the first quarter with our defenders in Ryan Kilgower, Ryan O'Hara and Brodie Gravell especially standing up tall. After fighting off Ajax for the first term we went to the second quarter up only by a goal.

The Second quarter started exactly how the first should have; with a bang! The midfielders turned it on with Will and Tom being the driving force feeding our forwards who finished with aplomb. A 5 goal to nothing quarter have us a strong lead at half time.

The third and final quarter was played with a lack of intensity by our boys who seemed to have thought the game was already won. It was a bit disappointing considering how well we played in that second quarter, but also exciting as who knows how good we can be when we string four quarters together.

A special mention to Adrian who had a stand out game, providing the team with run and carry from the onset, whilst scoring 3 goals at crucial times to set up the win.

We now look forward to our biggest task thus far with Beaumaris at home next week. Hopefully another tough week on the track sees our unbeaten record stay intact.

## **Under 16 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 9.8.62 defeated Saint Kilda 3-2-20**

**Goal Kickers:** K.Vicars 3, M.Mariette 2, J.McGivern 1, L.McDonnell 1, J.Sullivan 1, J.Gasper 1.

**Best Players:** Bobby, Atu, Marnath, The Don and Jaxon

It's always good to get a win against last year's premiers in any grade of footy. Credit to the boys for persisting with the game plan even though the weather made it near impossible, The first half resembled an under 9 game with plenty of players around the contests but in the second half the game started to open up a bit and we started to get 4 & 5 possession chains going which allowed us get on the score board more often.

Again we had the whole team contributing at times which is fantastic. When we do the right thing with the ball with help from our team mates, talking, blocking and presenting up, it makes it a whole lot easier to play controlled footy even if it is blowing a gale.

Every game will be a tough and hard and these boys are thriving on the challenge.

## **Pinewood Community Bank Under 17**

**Waverley Park Hawks 1.3.9 defeated by St Pauls McKinnon 19.12.126**

**Goal Kickers:** Ilic

**Best Players:** Long, Rowley, Payne, Wales, Ilic, Morgan

**Coaches Award:** James Long

**Milestone:** Lauchie Tilyard 50 games

We came up against St Pauls McKinnon who we played in a practice match and while we were soundly beaten our effort against a much bigger side was good all day. Our first half in particular was dominated by strong aggressive tackling and a willingness to look for space when we had the ball.

In the end the bigger bodies of the opposition saw them run away with the game but there were plenty of positives to come out. We welcomed two new players in Sean Nathan and Nathan Declava and Lauchie Tilyard celebrated his 50<sup>th</sup> game.





Congratulations to our Coaches Award winners for Round 3 with Vic President, Shane McCluskey



What a treat it was to have Jack Gunston from Hawthorn at training last week helping out with our Under 9 girls, Under 9 boys and Under 14 teams.

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