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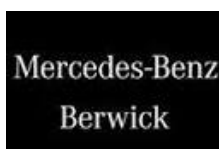
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FROM THE (VICE) PRESIDENT...



The weather Gods produced a mixed bag for Players and Families last week. Whilst we had a sunny blue sky, the cold wind took the edge off that quite quickly.

Our President, Tony Ferracane, and his Family returned last weekend from their overseas holiday and we welcome them back with open arms. A number of people filled in for Tony in his absence in various capacities, but it great to have his leadership back in the fold. Thanks to all of those people that helped over the last few weeks. Speaking of which, Paul Shaw took the reins at last week's 'After Match' and did a great job from all reports. Well done Paul.

Whilst we are on the 'thank you trail', well done to the Under 12 Players and Families for the 'Winter Warmers' menu last week. The Chilli, Curried Snags and Rice, as well as the Soups were a big hit and sold out. Excellent job guys and did a good job of cleaning up too. Well done. We look forward to the Under 13 hosting this week.

The variety provided by teams at this year's 'After Match' has been fantastic. Whilst it is always good to have a snag in bread or a slice of Pizza, a bit of adventure provides a different interest and encouragement for all to attend. There aren't too many weeks left in the season, so I would like to encourage all families to make an effort to get to a few Sunday 'After Matches' if you can. Of course, there is always the Players Draw, for which you need to be present to claim the weekly prize. This week is a special draw, with an additional Under 9 ONLY draw. That is, the normal Player Draw will take place, but a special second draw will take place only for the Under 9's that are present. Next week will see an additional Under 10 ONLY draw as well.

The Under 9 Teams see the culmination of their great year with the Annual Lightning Carnival this Sunday. The 3 Boys teams all have 3 games each, while the Girls Under 9's get to play 2 games at Toorak Park Sunday afternoon. They have all had a great year and we hope to see as many of them as possible back to the club this Sunday night to celebrate. There will be a FREE sausage in bread and juice for each Under 9 player in attendance. Our youngest and newest Players and Families to the club from that Under 9 group are a very important part of our club and we wish them all the very best for Sunday. Next week sees the Under 10 version take place, but more of that next week.

Plans are well and truly under way for this year's massive Presentation Day. The emphasis this year in planning is to be able to shorten the timeframe, overall, of the actual presentation time. To that end, the club is planning to have an additional marquee so as we can have three groups underway at the same time. Our aim is to not expect families to be in attendance 3 or 4 hours prior to the BBQ and availability of the Yearbook. The details will be released as soon as they are finalised. Please try to do your best to not only attend yourself, but encourage the other families in your team(s) to attend as well. There is a significant amount of resources, time, effort and finances directed into this day and it is yet another great investment in the Waverley Park Hawks Community. For those that haven't been before, the kids get a great kick out of the day and all that goes with it. Of course, the big 'Cash Draw Raffle' is drawn on the day as well. With three prizes, \$1000, \$600 and \$400 on offer, it is sure to create lots of interest on the day. Please ensure you sell and return your families raffle book as soon as you can. Other than your Team Manager, there are drop off points at the canteens at each of our two playing venues as well as at the Bar at 'After Match'. We thank you all, in anticipation, for your involvement in that exercise. The funds raised will assist the club in eventually getting some Coaches Boxes/Shelters at Lum Reserve in the first instance, then hopefully at Columbia Reserve in due course.

As an aside and whilst I write, some club Officials are preparing for a preliminary meeting with Council this week regarding the clubrooms at Columbia Reserve. This is the first of many steps in the process and we will keep you all informed as we go.

Good luck to all teams this weekend, particularly the Under 9 teams in their last games for the year. Please be mindful that the interest level rises significantly around this time of the season, in the lead up to finals and end of season generally. I would encourage all of our Players and Families to remember that it is all about the kids and we are all representatives of our great Waverley Park Hawks Junior Football Club.

Enjoy the weekend and some great fun at all games this weekend.

Shane McCluskey
Vice President – Football

NEWS...

After Match This Sunday



The Under 13s are hosting After Match this week with chicken on skewers with fried rice and sausages in bread on the menu.

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 or post directly to our Facebook page.

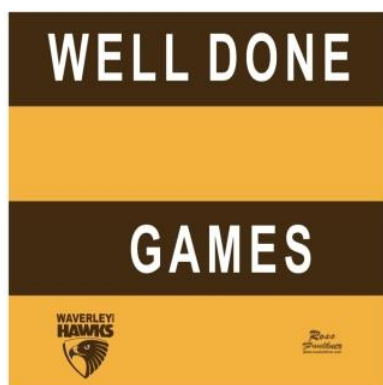


The club also has it's own mobile app for both iPhone and Android phones which includes club news, results, ladders, fixtures, team information, grounds, events and more. Download it from the App Store or Google Play.



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.

Banners for Milestone Games



If you have a milestone game coming up, the club can provide you with an easy and inexpensive way to create a run through banner.

The club has available for purchase, *Run Through Crepe Banners 2m x 2m in Brown and Gold*, which can be easily personalized with the players name and the number of games (50, 100, 150).

Cost is \$65 and they can be purchased through our merchandise co-ordinator, Lynda Ross at the Columbia Park canteen on match days or alternatively contact Lynda 0466 326 633 to make alternative arrangements. Suggest that you purchase it at least a week in advance to allow time for adding letters/numbers to the banner.

All you need to do is prepare the lettering for the players name and number of games and affix this to the banner. Letter and number and instructions are available from the [club web site](#).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

After Match Schedule 2016

Round	Date	Team Hosting	Menu
14 & Under 9 Lightning carnival	31/7/2016	Under 13s	Chicken on skewers with fried rice
15 & Under 10s Lightning carnival	7/8/2016	Under 14s	TBA
Semi Finals	14/8/2016	TBC	TBAS
Preliminary/Grand Finals	21/8/2016	TBC	TBA
Grand Finals	28/8/2016	TBC	TBA

Other Important Dates

August 14 – Waverley Park Hawks hosting finals

September 8 – Under 17 Presentation Dinner

September 18 – Presentation Day

AROUND THE GROUND...

Round 14 Fixture Sunday July 31 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 (Blue)	Lightning carnival King George Reserve, East Boundary Rd, Bentleigh	9.30am
Under 9 Brown Bonaddio (Orange)	Lightning carnival King George Reserve, East Boundary Rd, Bentleigh	12.30pm
Under 9 Girls Vicic Round 12	Lightning carnival Toorak Park, Orrong Rd, Armadale	3.30pm
Under 9 White Mastromanno (Green)	Lightning carnival King George Reserve, East Boundary Rd, Bentleigh	12.30pm
Bertocchi Under 10 Gold Dellapreciate (White)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Modialloc Braeside Lum Reserve Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	11.15 a.m.
Under 10 Brown Quinlan (Yellow)	Waverley Park Hawks vs St Kilda City Lum Reserve Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	10.00 a.m.
Under 11 Brown Hickey (Div 5)	St Kilda City vs Waverley Park Hawks Wattie Watson Oval – Elwood Park Ormond Esplanade Elwood MEL 67 C5	8.30 a.m.
AAV Tiling Under 11 Gold Froelich (Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Oakleigh Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	8.30 a.m.
Under 12 Girls Aitkin	East Brighton Vampires vs Waverley Park Hawks Hurlingham Park Oval 2 Nepean Highway East Brighton MEL 67 J10	10.00 a.m.
Under 12 Thompson (Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs SMD Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	10.00 a.m.
Under 13 Gold Jago (Div 4)	East Brighton Vampires vs Waverley Park Hawks Hurlingham Park Oval 1 Nepean Highway East Brighton MEL 67 J10	1.45 p.m.
Under 13 Brown Fisher (Div 1)	East Malvern vs Waverley Park Hawks DW Lucas Oval Dunlop Reserve Moira Street East Malvern MEL 59 K11	1.00 p.m.
Skye Travel Under 14 Brown Claxton (Div 4)	Ajax vs Waverley Park Hawks Princes Park Oval 1 Beech Street Caulfield South MEL 68 B6	1.30 p.m.
Under 14 Gold Thompson (Div 2)	Waverley Park Hawks vs SMD Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	11.30 a.m.
Under 15 Girls Davey (Div 2)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Beaumaris Lum Reserve Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	12.30 p.m.
JB Commercial Under 15 Gold Deegan (Div 4)	Waverley Park Hawks vs South Melbourne Districts Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	1.20 p.m.
Advanced Office Interiors Under 15 Brown Jenkins (Div 1)	East Brighton Vampires vs Waverley Park Hawks Hurlingham Park Oval 1 Nepean Highway East Brighton MEL 67 J10	11.45 a.m.
Display the Game Under 16 Brown Palleschi (Div 4)	BYE	
RJ Ryan Partners Under 16 Gold Gervasoni (Div 1)	East Sandringham vs Waverley Park Hawks Boss James Reserve David Street Hampton MEL 77 A7	12.00 noon
Pinewood Community Bank Under 17 Long (Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Cheltenham Panthers Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	3.10 p.m.

Round 13 Results Summary

Under 11 Brown 1.1.7 defeated by Mordialloc-Braeside 2.2.14

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Under 13 Brown Bye

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Under 14 Gold 3.3.21 defeated by Prahran 7.10. 52

Under 14 Brown 0.3.3 defeated by Caulfield Bears 18.8.116

Under 15 Girls 7.8.50 defeated Cheltenham 1.3. 9

Under 15 Brown 5.5.35 drew with East Sandringham/Hampton 5.5.35

Under 15 Gold 11.27.93 defeated AJAX 6.4.40

Under 16 Brown 5.12.47 defeated by East Sandringham 12.16.88

Under 16 Gold 15.9.99 defeated Ormond 6.4.40

Under 17 6.9.45 defeated by Dingley 11.16.82

Round 13 Match Reports

Under 9 Brown

Coaches' award: Luca Palermo

Our last home game for the season, 11:30am. What a sleep in! Our toughest game yet, with the wind blowing one end of the ground, we kept East Malvern to 2 goals. What a great performance from the U9 browns. With great tackling and pin point accuracy, the boys kept the East Malvern to a scoreless quarter which was a great effort by WPH. We congratulate our captains for the day, Ethan Atkinson, and Alexander Tesch for leading our team on a windy Sunday. We also congratulate Luca Palermo for winning the coaches award. Not only today's game, but throughout the season, we thank John Palermo for his outstanding work as the runner for the team. Thank you to all the helpers. Looking forward to lighting premiership next week; our final game.

BUON Print Solutions Under 9 Gold

Coaches' awards: Nash Benedict & Gabriel Nayef

It was a sunny, but cold morning at Lum reserve where we came up against the Hampton Rovers for our last game of the regular season. There was quite a strong breeze blowing away from the canteen end which made for an interesting game.

The boys started on fire, kicking against the wind, Zaki was up and about and got the ball straight out to the boys in the middle, which included Gabriel who went in hard and got his own ball then kicked forward and was a deserving winner of one of the two coaches awards for the day, he definitely had his best game of the year. Noah T after fighting hard for the ball followed up with a long kick and before we knew it we were deep in attack against the wind. Mitchell repeatedly got the ball in the forward line and pumped it towards goal where Angus was attacking it on the ground and bursting through packs. Jonathan was in everything and if not for a couple of unlucky bounces would have got us on the board.

The second quarter saw us kicking with the wind and the boys had listened to instructions and were all kicking long, Nash was putting his head over the ball and again tackling fiercely, he also had his best game of the year and picked up the second of the coaches awards for the day. Ryan followed up from his good game last week and once again attacked the ball and got a number of kicks. Harley was his lively self, staying on his feet picking it up and dishing it off to team mates. The boys got it into our forward line where Hudson was looking likely and getting plenty of touches with repeated efforts. A pack formed around the hotspot before Josh (our other co-captain) burst out and snapped a fantastic goal which fired the boys up.

The third quarter again saw us kicking against the wind and the boys down back had to sustain a barrage of attack from the opposition. They all stood firm and some of the link up play coming out of the back line just showed how far the boys have come this year. Thomas, who was a well deserving winner of the opposition's coach's award, picked out William with a great pass, William took a great mark, then turned and hit up Jack whose safe hands ensured a top mark. Jack as always kicked long into the midfield and we were out of defence without the ball touching the ground or an opposition's hands. In the midfield, Noah Barbis was displaying his co-captain leadership qualities through his hardness at the ball and consistent efforts and CJ's clean hands showed through with some nice pick-ups and accurate kicking.

The last quarter saw Jai running hard through the midfield and showing his courage with some good tackles, the ball spent some time in the back line, where Teage took on two opposition players, burst through and pumped it out of defence, again a great game this week. Yannick was unable to play

this week, but we look forward to his return next week.

Once again the boys showed how far they have come since the start of the year our small number of 2nd year players have stepped up and showed the way and all of our 1st year players have followed and now going in hard and getting their own ball. Looking forward to the lightning carnival next week. Go Hawks and Go Gold!

Under 9 White

The Under 9 Whites hosted Cheltenham Panthers at Lum Reserve on another cold day. As the winter progresses, colds and niggles are taking their toll on numbers and we were again down to 17 men. Many thanks to Thomas McCluskey from the Under 9 Golds for filling in. He must be in line for the fastest fifty games in history!

Our boys started really well and had a great intensity at the football. We controlled the first two quarters and were really competitive. Our first year players have improved out of sight and we are looking great for next year.

The opposition kicked two or three goals in the third quarter and with the wind and we were unable to bridge the gap despite being very competitive around the ground.

All of the team played exceptionally well and we look forward to this weekend for our final challenge for the year this weekend. Very proud of this group of kids, they are a great bunch.

Under 9 Girls

Bye no report

Under 10 Brown

Bye no report

Bertocchi Under 10 Gold

Coaches' Award: Biraj

This week it was a nice early cold start against St Bedes Mentone. The boys were eager to put in a better performance against St Bedes this time round and boy did they do it! Lead by Captain for the day Nikolas they came out firing. They took advantage of Biraj's ruck work and hammered home 3 goals in the first quarter. The backline shut down St Bedes only allowing a couple of points through. We continued our great start in the next three quarters kicking another 7 goals while we kept St Bedes to 3 goals for the game. It was one of our best four quarter games of the year against a good side. They were outstanding the way they linked up, chased, tackled and the sharing of the ball was fantastic to see. All 18 boys contributed on the day providing many highlights for the crowd. The determination and enthusiasm of the boys made us all proud.

Big thanks to James, Issac and Biraj for helping out and Damien for being our runner.

Go Hawks !

Under 11 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 1.1.7 defeated by Mordialloc-Braeside 2.2.14

Goal Kickers: Cammo

Best Players: Plow, Liam O'R, Addy, Cammo, Dylan, Paddy, Josh, Zach, Seamus.

Coaches Award: Plow, Addy

It was a case of 'the one that got away' on Sunday morning for the Waverley Park Hawks Under 11 Browns. In a very tight contest all day, we were in the lead for 3 and a half quarters. It was fabulous to see the boys work so hard at putting pressure on our opponents and repelling their forward moves consistently. In cold and windy conditions it was hard for both teams to score, which was reflected on the scoreboard with only 1 goal being kicked before three quarter time. Making a real effort in conditions like these is often difficult but the boys applied themselves well and were rewarded by holding the lead for most of the game.

But unfortunately we were not able to hold them out for the entire game and with only a minute or two to go, Mordy-Braeside were able to kick a goal that put them in front, and earned them the four points. We were super keen to win this game as it would have put us above Mordy-Brae on the ladder. Keep your heads up boys - we're still a chance to make finals if we can play quality football in the next two games. See you at training on Thursday!

AAV Tiling Under 11 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 5.10.40 defeated Mordialloc-Braeside 6.3.39

Goal Kickers: Jacob S, Mitch W, Brady E, Brady P, Shilo H

Best Players: Nick D, Max A, Shilo H, Spencer S, Josh C, Pat W, Dan K, Harper V

Coaches Award: Spencer S, Pat W

We played away against Mordy-Brae and we have had some stellar clashes against them so knew we were up for a challenge. We had the aid of a slight breeze and peppered the goals but couldn't convert. We finally straightened up when Ollie got a quick kick forward and found Plugger on the lead who kicked accurately. But the opposition ran the ball up the ground and responded despite great defensive efforts from Max, Spence, Alex and Harper. Harry and Brody were in everything in the middle while Luke was combining well with Damon in the midfield and Nick was a real livewire up

forward and found Cam who marked strongly. His forward entry ended in another behind and we had a slightly disappointing 1.7 on the board to 1.1. The wind seemed to pick up slightly in the second quarter and our opponents had a fair amount of the ball. Xander and Thomas worked hard in defence while Peter gave us plenty of run in the midfield. Mitch laid a strong tackle at half forward and was duly rewarded. He went back and slotted a long goal which was invaluable into the wind. 2.9 to 4.2 at the long break had us slightly behind.

The boys have shown great fighting character this year and came out and dominated the third quarter. Harper got us going in the ruck and worked well with Shilo to get us forward. We got some clean ball forward to Cam who found Brady E with a nice mark and goal. Josh then combined well with Nick who found Brady P over the top for a nice goal. Dan was marshalling the backline at CHB and made a great tackle, then got a free kick and then a mark in three consecutive plays to keep the opposition out. Ryan took a nice mark on the wing and found Shilo. His centring ball to the top of the square managed to bounce through for a goal! We had finally managed to kick more goals than points and kept Mordi-Brae scoreless. We had a desperate final 15 minutes and the ball spent most of the time in our backline. The boys defended tirelessly and Pat and Evan worked overtime in the midfield. Even with a few forays up the ground we still weren't able to score but it gave the backs a rest. Josh did well to tag Mordi's midfield gun and the siren finally sounded with the Hawks up by a point. A massive win for us in the context of the season and a great team effort.

Under 12 Girls

Waverley Park Hawks 3.3.21 defeated by Mordialloc Braeside 12.10.83

Goal Kickers: Madelaine 1, Nicole 1, Amber 1

Best players: Nicole, Nayla, Swagta, Megan, Charlotte

Coaches' award: Nayla Rohisan

The girls experienced their first loss today and after what they endured last week they really seemed unsure of themselves and quite hesitant. However, that was not the reason for their loss. The girls were beaten by a better team today fair and square. Mordy Brae has many more girls and they have a good understanding of football positioning on the field, they were very fit and played their best today. Never the less our girls tried hard all day. The players that played for defence for us had their work cut out for them and battled hard right to the finish. Some of the highlights were Nicole running onto a loose ball to kick truly in the first quarter and Charlotte rushing a behind in the last quarter even when she knew the game was over, she ran hard to meet and kill a contest.

Overall as I said to the girls they have had an incredible season and they should all be extremely proud of their efforts both today and for the entire season. Teams no matter what their record can always come against a better team on the day and that's what happened today. I know the girls will all have a positive attitude towards next week and once again put in another great effort.

Well done girls we are all very proud of every one of you.

Under 12

Waverley Park Hawks 6.6.42 defeated by Bentleigh 7.7.49

Goal Kickers: Soria 2, Dakin 2, Thompson 1, Warner 1

Best players: Taborsky, Soria, Morgan, Argus, Warner

Coaches' award: Blake Argus and Liam Tork

A tough report to write this week after our boys fought so hard but came up just short against the undefeated Bentleigh. I have to admit that I searched for an individual moment to talk about and this was one of those games where everything just got a bit blurry when looking back on it.

After conceding the first goal to Bentleigh the boys returned fire quickly with goals to Lachie and Rick and went into quarter time with a 3 goal to 1 lead. The pressure was on from start to finish of this game and possessions, let alone scoring opportunities, were hard earned by both sides. In the second and third quarters Bentleigh really hit their straps and despite our boys giving everything, things just didn't fall our way and we fell to 15 points behind by 3 quarter time.

After a chat at 3 quarter time the boys went out full of fire and ready to give everything they had to claw back the deficit. Unfortunately it didn't start well with Bentleigh getting the first goal and pushing their lead to what would prove to be too much. However nobody told our boys who just don't seem to know the meaning of the word quit. The ball spent much of the quarter at our end of the ground and but for a couple of missed shots the result may have been different. However, when all was said and done we could only peg it back to a very respectable 7 point loss.

Coaches awards went to Blake Argus whose improvement this year has been fantastic and is a regular contributor to the team and Liam Tork who despite not seeming to own a watch, when he does eventually arrive he always has a smile on his face and is ready to do whatever is asked of him without ever a word of complaint. It is very satisfying to see boys like Liam continue to put in and enjoy their football.

A big thanks to everyone who made it to the aftermatch and helped out on the night.

Under 13 Brown

Bye no report.

Under 13 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 4.2.26 defeated Beaumaris 3.1.19

Goal Kickers: Yakub 2, Glass, Delahunty

Best Players: Delahunty, Faulkner, Addison, Skandalis

Coaches' Award: Nathan Smirnis-Parra

With 3 games left in the season and probably having to win them all to play finals we took on South Melbourne away. In a real battle in the first half we found ourselves a goal down at half time.

Kicking with the wind in the 3rd quarter we were looking for a 3 or 4 goal term. In a scrappy and tight game we were looking to open it up for our running players like Zac, Plough & Jameson. Jason and Henry were giving us drive from half back while Simon and Brodie were big men up forward.

All square at 3 quarter time and kicking into the wind for the final term, we needed every player to give something. Brodie went to back wing to sure things up while BJ was strong up forward. Costa worked hard to get to the contest which lead all his team mates to do the same. Simon got us a goal to hit the front and from there the boys were never going to let this one slip. We once again belted out the Hawks song while poor old Nathan was water bombed in the circle. Well done boys!!

Under 14 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 0.3.3 defeated by Caulfield Bears 18.8.116

Goal Kickers: Nil

Best Players: D.McCusker, M.Ferracane, M.Palmer, D.Skantzoz, S.Kilgower, J.Mucha, G.Vasser, J.Peake, S.Howells, B.Heller

Coaches' Awards: M.Ferracane, D.Skantzoz

Milestone: Jake Collin 50 games

Round 13 saw us return to Columbia Park fresh from three straight wins. We welcomed our coach back from Canada and the side stepping dynamo Michael Ferracane from his worldwide travels. Michael is a much liked player within the team and it was good to see him back after several weeks without training. Congratulations to Jake Collin on 50 spirited games for the Hawks. Jake is having his best season and is a key member of our forward line.

The team wore black arm bands as a mark of respect to the passing of the god father of one of our brave boys.

We played the ladder leading Caulfield Bears who impressed with the size, speed, organisational skills and voice. The Bears kicking with the assistance of a strong breeze kicked three quick goals before our boys settled into the game with our trade pressure to create a great contest. The wind reduced in the second term and the boys' belief was challenged.

In the third quarter our belief was shattered by a tall, fast and well drilled opposition. Some heads went down and some opponents went unchecked.

Our trade mark pressure was down enough to allow a classy opposition to take full toll.

To the boys' credit they regathered their focus and resilience at three quarter time and our usual pressure returned in the last quarter and that halted the damage.

The score board did not reflect the team's ability or courage. It was an important lesson that you must focus upon your strengths and team methodology and not allow the score board to impact on the team's resolve and game plan. One despondent player can have a flow on effect on the team. We did stop a good opposition when we played our 'Browns football'.

We will learn from today's experience to build as individuals and as a team. Several players had outstanding performances. George was ever reliable at full back, taking marks and repelling many attacks. Ben Heller fought hard for the ball all day and inspired many of his team mates.

Our great season will continue on the training track this week and on the field of battle next Sunday. As usual we should be proud of our boys' courage, teamwork and personal development.

Coach's Award: Wez for his consistent and outstanding performances over many weeks

Michael who has gone missing for several weeks but is back in full voice and spirit.

Under 14 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 3.3.21 defeated by Prahran 7.10. 52

Goal Kickers: Dean 2, Cimino

Best: Sullivan, Cimino, Dean Bailey, Saliba, Raymond, Russo

Coaches' award: Tim Russo

Away game at Prahran playing a team just above us on the ladder, we challenged ourselves to play better football against better teams. Our warm up before the game regarding our kicking was poor and we pretty much carried that into the game.

For the whole game we matched the opposition with our aggression at the ball, and every player in the Golds could feel comfortable with the effort they put in. The boys tackled and harassed all game with our backline repelling most attacks. Sullivan, Bailey, Saliba and Long were leaders in this area.

Midfielders worked hard on the big ground, with Dean and Cimino leading the way.

We have 2 games remaining against top 4 teams so we have plenty incentive to play well. Focus this week will again be our use of the football and to read the play earlier to be in the best position to receive.

It's our last home game of the year at Columbia so it would be great to have all parents cheering on the lads...

Under 15 Girls

Waverley Park Hawks 7.8.50 defeated Cheltenham 1.3. 9

Coaches' awards: Dion, Billie & Anastasia

The Under 15 Girls took the trip down to Le Page Park to take on the Cheltenham outfit last week. In blustery conditions, it was clear that despite the final score, the Cheltenham girls quickly showed that they had made some significant improvement since we last met. They were hard at the contest and the ball. Our girls soon realised things weren't going to be handed to them on a plate this week. The Hawks welcomed the contest and accepted the physical challenge.

Steph opened her account early with some tough play and locked the ball in the forward line until she snapped a great goal, which was just reward for her involvement from the outset. Steph imposes herself on the game more and more each week. Similarly, Chloe too is finding herself gaining possessions all over the ground and is starting to realise both her potential, as well as her potential influence, on games each week. Her suite of leadership skills is enhanced each week and sharing some of that role is Jess N, who continues to amaze with her significant skill, pace and

enthusiasm. Jess N provided some great run off half back and set up lots of attacks into our forward line. Annie has found a new love in the midfield. Annie is thriving on the hustle and bustle of the 'on ball' role and has excelled there in the last few games. Dion, one of the 3 award winners for the week, has adapted to the game beautifully and seems to really have come a long way in a few weeks and despite recovering from injury, has developed a hard contested football edge to her game. Charlie continues to be the running machine and covers some incredible ground and bobs up at both ends of the ground, tackling in the back line as well as kicking us forward at the other end. Another of our brigade playing injured, but you wouldn't know it, is Billie. Not only was Billie one of our live wires through the middle, but her will to learn and get involved is fantastic and she was a deserving winner of our second award.

Caitlyn carried on her good form from last week and very nearly slotted another goal, just bad luck beat her on that occasion. Caitlyn is keen as ever and is a bit of a ray of sunshine through the team. Zoe too provides a big presence that defies her size and lacks nothing in her attack on the ball and her hard tackling. Not evidenced more than the sight of her face covered in mud, and loving it. Our 'dasher' in Amelia continues to confuse the opposition with her pace and tricky left footed action that leaves them all wondering where she went. Anastasia, our third recipient of the weekly awards, has an amazing ability to both read the play and not lose her opponent in the process. 'Stacia' possesses excellent skills and was another deserving winner of her award. Jess B has added high marking to her list of talents and has managed to combine some power netball to her footy. Jess B has also managed to deliver two of the best 'hip and shoulders' I have seen for a long time. Laura has also shown the way with her ruthless attack on the ball and not only won her own ball many times, but delivered it to a waiting Hawk each time.

Leah has blossomed from a girl who had a passing interest to one that seems to enjoy every minute of the game, including the bumps and bruises that come with the territory. Leah has really grasped the whole footy experience with a great attitude. Tahlia has made a complete transformation from stout defender to a weapon up forward, bagging 4 majors in the process. Tahlia has shown that wherever she plays, she will be a considerable acquisition and her versatility is invaluable. Mackenzie was ferocious, with or without the ball. 'Macca' displayed a ruthless approach to the contest and used her considerable skill to the teams advantage.

As we move nearer to the end of the home and away games and closer to finals, we hope to have a full list from which to draw. With a confirmed finals berth awaiting us, we will now concentrate on getting the most out of the lead up to that first finals game.

Go Hawks and Go Girls!

Advanced Office Interiors Under 15 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 5.5.35 drew with East Sandringham/Hampton 5.5.35

Goal Kickers: Chayce Black 2, Vincent Zagari, Kya Gubatanga, and Bailey Thompson 1

Best Players: Chayce Black, Lochie Jenkins, Lachie Boyle, Jack Neil, Hayden Emerson

Coaches' Awards: Black and Jenkins

A great game at Columbia to celebrate a big day for milestones for the mighty U15 Browns.

The boys decided that a very competitive and aggressive style of football was the best way to honour their teammates on their 100 and 50 game celebrations. Right from the start the Browns hit hard into the contest and gave no easy kicks to their opponents. Goals were a premium in the windy conditions but the Hawks held sway all day until a fight back in the last quarter by the Rovers where they took the lead with less than a minute to play.

Never say die, the Hawks fought on and with another mysterious free kick our way for a change, Kya found himself on the boundary 45m out when the siren went. There were a few anxious supporters and coaches wondering if he was any chance. Cool calm collected, our boy under extreme pressure from the opposition slotted through a post high goal and the Browns were drew the match. Every player's dream scenario.

Great effort by all the boys and in particular a 4 quarter game from Chayce who lead the way. The backline under pressure most of the day repelled many attacking moves from the opposition with some great individual desperation from guys like Emmo and Boyley. Jenko really showed what he can do with some scintillating breaks from the pack and solid all day.

It showed that with consistent effort and hard aggressive footy, the Browns can compete and belong at the highest level of Under 15's.

JB Commercial Under 15 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 11.27.93 defeated AJAX 6.4.40

Goal Kickers: Beck 4, Jackson 2, Segal, Raydan, Wensley, Noble, Yakub

Best Players: Beck, Kreidl, Wensley, Yakub, Burgess, Caia, Lietner

The Golds didn't get much of a sleep in Sunday morning as we ventured out to take on Ajax at Ajax. Kicking with the wind in the first quarter proved important as we jumped Ajax but inaccurate kicking (9 points) cost us a bigger lead at the first break! Ajax fired back in the second quarter kicking 3 goals to our 1 and we went in with a 4 goal lead at half time. Brodie dominated on the wing producing his best half of footy for the year while Eric and Jono continued to do their thing, winning lots of the ball and using it well.

The 3rd quarter went similar to the first, kicking 9 points again but took a big enough lead at 3 quarter time to break Ajax's spirit heading into the last quarter. Our last quarter was probably our best quarter in terms of ball movement whilst kicking into the wind and we ran out 43 point winners!

Ben Beck was huge all game and dominated the ruck and also up forward! Max Burgess lead the charge for the contested ball laying tackles all day and walked off in typical max fashion, covered in mud!!

27 points kicked through the game is very worrying and something we need to work on leading into finals. With one game left before finals, this week will be a great to test the boys and hopefully we put in a great performance and head into finals with some momentum. Exciting times in the Golds!

Display the Game Under 16 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 5.12.47 defeated by East Sandringham 12.16.88

Goal Kickers: A. Palleschi 2, D. Tennant, H. Dimopoulos

Best Players: A. Palleschi, A. Cappello, D. Tennent, T. Mannix, M. Wellington, H. Dimopoulos

Another disappointing effort, leaving us hoping for a miracle in order to clinch second place.

We were extremely low on numbers this week and luckily we were able to get the help of 4 under 15 boys who did very well considering they had already played a full game earlier that morning.

In terms of the game itself, we were in it up until quarter time, but for the second successive week we allowed the opposition to kick away and all but close the door on a chance us to win. We had a couple good performances on the day with Alexander, Angelo and Declan all playing extremely well, but unfortunately lack of numbers and boys willing to step up in the absence of others let us down and we slumped to a frustrating loss.

Next week we have the bye which gives us a week to go over what we did wrong and what we need to do to improve. We have seen the benchmark of the competition in the last two weeks and we have been well off the pace, so some drastic changes are in order to climb back to where we want to be.

RJ Ryan Partners Under 16 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 15.9.99 defeated Ormond 6.4.40

Goal Kickers: M. Mariette 4, L. McDonnell 4, J. Ross 3, N. Pascuzzi 1, J. Gasper 1, M. Fewings 1, K. Viccars 1

Best Players: L. McDonnell, J. Ross, A. Tellis, M. Fewings

Coaches Awards: Team effort

I know its winter but one of these days the boys will get a half decent day to play football on – can someone please turn the wind machines down!!

Anyway we hosted Ormond at Columbia on Sunday in a 1st v 3rd clash. A win for us and we lock up a top 2 spot with 2 rounds to go. We played Ormond earlier in the season and while it was tight for the first half, we managed to kick away from them after half time and Sunday's game was a replica. We welcomed back Zsolt after 8 weeks on the sidelines with a knee injury but lost Strongy to an ankle (hopefully only one week). We also celebrated the 100th game of Tic Tac who has been a long term player at the club – I was watching a replay of the U11 Grand Final the other day and there was 'little' Tic Tac causing havoc up and down the ground with his speed and agility on the left foot (nothing has changed).

We started a little slowly after winning the toss as the boys got used to the conditions. The wind made it difficult to hit targets early and the game was a little scrappy in the first quarter. We went into the quarter time huddle a couple of points up but with plenty of room for improvement. After a rev up from the coach, the boys started to play our brand of football with Lachie Mc marking everything that came his way and Marcus using his size to create a contest up forward. Jake Gasper also started to get his hand on the ball and along with Jack Ross gave us drive out of the middle and across half forward. We held our opponents to 2 goals in the second quarter while kicking three ourselves to hold on to a 7 point lead at the main break.

After the break the boys stepped it up a gear kicking 5 goals to 1 in both the third and fourth quarters to run out comfortable 59 point winners and commemorate Tic Tac's 100th game in style. Lachie Mc and Marcus kicked 4 each with Jack Ross booting 3. The highlight of the last quarter was Matty Fewings sneaking forward and kicking his first goal for the season.

With our win on Sunday, we can't finish lower than 2nd, so we already know in three weeks' time, we are playing in a semi-final for a spot in the Grand Final. However there is plenty of work to do before then. The players and coaches are well aware that we are yet to put a solid four quarter performance together this year. We have played a number of games where we have been good for 3 quarters but let ourselves down in the fourth. Two more games are available this season to achieve this, which will allow us to enter our finals campaign with the right mindset to finish the season off on a high note and achieve what we all set out to achieve at the start of the year.

Pinewood Community Bank Under 17

Waverley Park Hawks 6.9.45 defeated by Dingley 11.16.82

Goalkickers: Payne 2, Webb 1, Morgan 1, Long 1, Tilyard 1

Best players: Payne, Decleva, Illic, Long, Kreidl, Rowley, Wales, Webb

Coaches' Award: Cameron Rowley

We played top placed Dingley who had beaten us easily earlier in the season so we knew it would be a tough game in very windy conditions.

Our first 16 minutes were fantastic, kicking into a gale we were in front with two outstanding goals.

They hit back late in the quarter however it was one of our best period of football for the year.

We kept up the momentum in the second and were only 2 points down at half time.

The third quarter saw them get away when they used the wind well and while we tried hard in the last couldn't match them on the score board.

Like every game this year we were undermanned however the boys stuck to the task really well and have shown great improvement over the year.

We have two very winnable games to finish off the season so hopefully the hard work and spirit that has been show all year will be rewarded.

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