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FROM THE PRESIDENT...



A big congratulations to all teams this year. Who would have thought we have just completed our last home and away game for season 2015. Our club is built around all of us. A massive thank you to all, coaches, team managers, official support staff, players, all the families that helped out throughout the season, sponsors, committee members and executive committee members. WPH is a great club because of all the hard work from all involved. Good luck to all the teams in finals, win, lose or draw, enjoy the experience and the privilege you have earned and be sure to have FUN!!!! See you all next year, let us make next year bigger and stronger with record numbers of teams, and be sure to get your friends to join WPH in season 2016. Don't tell Jim our treasurer, but look out for the early bird rego that normally comes out end of November for a great discounted price on rego fees.

After Match –Fantastic turn out, thank you to all that came to our after match!!!! The unbelievable U11's with the assistance of Mark Dakin put on curry - massaman beef curry & Thai chicken red curry with jasmine rice. Truly a delight to be able to experience

different foods from around the world. Thanks to all the U11's families that assisted. Please be sure to attend this Sunday's after match as we wind down to talk about the season that was.

August 16, Hosting Finals – Team managers have been actively organising rosters to assist on August 16. These days can only work if we all roll up our sleeves and chip in. Please help out and give your coach and team manager the support they have given all our kids throughout the season. Hope to see you all throughout the day.

Committee 2016 – As the season is quickly coming to the end we need to already consider next year. If you believe you have what it takes to get on the committee and make a difference, please email me.

2016 Coaching Applications – If you are the person who likes to help, teach our kids to fundamentals of footy, bring enjoyment to all players win lose or draw, then why not apply to coach in 2016. Coaching applications are opened until September 2.

URGENT HELP IS NEEDED – After 4.5 years Danny O'Neill our current registrar (who has done an amazing job) needs a change. Danny is also our current Vice President and will continue this role in 2016. We desperately seek someone from our club to take over the role in 2016. Danny will be happy to train and will be available with only a phone call away. Please feel free to contact Danny on registrar@wphaks.org.au if you have any questions. We have in excess of 1000 parents at WPH, only need 1 to fulfil this role. From Danny tells me you only need organisational and spread sheet experience.

Go Hawks Tony Ferracane

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NEWS...

Semi Finals After Match-Pizza



There will be a Semi Finals After Match this Sunday with pizza on the menu.

Come and hear all the results of the eight teams playing in semi-finals this weekend. At the club rooms from 5.30pm on Sunday.

Volunteers Required to Help Host SMJFL Finals at Columbia



The club will host the semi-finals of the Under 13 Divisions 2, 3 and 4 in the first week of SMJFL finals on August 16. It is a great opportunity to raise the profile of the club within the league as well as to generate significant additional funds through canteen and food stall sales on the day.

We will require a large number of volunteers on the day to assist with all the duties required of the host club. All teams will be expected to assist and a roster has been put together for the canteen/food stalls. Contact your team manager if you are available to assist.

Time	Teams
8:00-10:15	U11/U14s/U12 Brown/U17
10:15-12:30	U9s/U12 Girls/U12 Gold
12:30-14:45	U10s/13s
14:45 -17:00	U15s/U15 Girls/U16

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Do You Want To Coach In 2016?



The club has commenced the process of appointing the coaching panel for 2016.

If you are interested in coaching one of the club's teams next season please complete the <u>2016 Coaching</u>. <u>Application Form</u>.

The club's Coaching Co-ordinator, Simon Fisher (0409 219 981 or <u>simfisher@deloitte.com.au</u>) would be more than happy to discuss your coaching aspirations if you require any additional information. Coaching applications close this Wednesday 2 September.

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Committee Members for 2016



The club is always looking for and welcoming of parents who wish to join the committee. We especially would like parents and/or guardians from our younger age groups (Under 9 to 11) to consider becoming part of the committee. Parents from the younger age groups assist the club in knowledge transfer and continuity as children progress through the age groups.

Should you have the desire to be on the club's committee, please speak to Tony Ferracane (0419 367 593) or Lindsay Moore (0417 358 342) who will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Sunday 16 August	Under 13 Division 2/3/4 Semi-finals hosted at Columbia Park Under 11-Under 17 Semi Finals Semi-finals After Match
Sunday 23 August	Under 11- 13 Grand Finals; Under 14-17 Preliminary Finals
Sunday 30 August	Under 14-17 Grand Finals
Thursday September 10	Under 17 Presentation & Farewell Dinner
Sunday September 20	Presentation Day at Columbia Park
Wednesday October 28	Annual General Meeting

AROUND THE GROUND...

Round 15 Fixture Sunday August 9

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)	Season Completed	
Under 9 Brown Morgan (Red)	Season Completed	
AAV Tiling Under10 Gold Froelich (White)	Season Completed	
Under 10 Brown Hickey (Yellow)	Season Completed	
Executive Security Solutions Under 11 Rouse (South - White)	South Melbourne vs Waverley Park Hawks Chisholm Reserve, Duncan St, Sandringham. MEL 71 H11	3.00pm
Under 12 Gold Plaza (North)	Season Completed	
Under 12 Girls Atkin	Season Completed	
Gunn Electrics Under 12 Brown Fisher (West)	Beaumaris vs Waverley Park Hawks Highett Reserve – Oval 2, Turner Rd, Moorabbin	1.30pm
Action Aluminium Under 13 Gold Hall (Div 2)	Season Completed	
PRO Prefabs Under 13 Brown Claxton (Div 4)	Season Completed	
Advanced Office Interiors Under 14 Brown Black (Div 1)	Season Completed	
JB Commercial Under 14 Gold Stone (Div 4)	Waverley Park Hawks vs East Malvern Koornang Park, Munroe Av, Carnegie.	1:00pm
Under 15 Girls Wood (Div 2)	Brighton Beach vs Waverley Park Hawks King George Reserve – Oval 2, East Boundary Rd, Bentleigh.	1:30pm
Under 15 Gold McDonnell (Div 1)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Mordi Braeside Boss James Reserve, David St, Hampton	9:00am
Austart Air Starters Under 15 Brown Palleschi (Div 4)	Waverley Park Hawks vs East Malvern W.A. Scammell Reserve, Guest Rd, Oakleigh South.	9.00am
Under 16 D'Angelo (Div 3)	Waverley Park Hawks vs AJAX Toorak Park, Orrong Rd, Armadale	9:00am
Under 17 Deegan (Div 2)	Waverley Park Hawks vs St Peters Wellington Reserve, Mackie Rd, Mulgrave.	1.00pm

Round 15 Results Summary

Under 9 Brown Season completed					
BUON Print Solutions Under 9 Gold Season completed					
Under 10 Brown Lightning Carnival >>DETAILS					
AAV Tiling Under 10 Gold Lightning Carnival >>DETAILS					
Executive Security Solutions Under 11 2.4.16 defeated South Melbourne District 1.1.7 >>DETAILS					
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Gunn Electrics Under 12 Brown 6.4.40 defeated East Brighton 3.4.22 >>DETAILS					
Under 12 Gold 3.2.20 defeated by South Melbourne District 8.11.59 >>DETAILS					
PRO Prefabs Under 13 Brown . 4.7.31 defeated Murrumbeena 3.7.25 >>DETAILS					
Action Aluminium Under 13 Gold 2.4.16 defeated by Ormond 5.12.42 >>DETAILS					
Advanced Office Interiors Under 14 Brown 11.11.77 defeated Prahan 5.6.36 >>DETAILS					
JB Commercial Under 14 Gold 10.13.73 defeated East Malvern 6.4.40 >>DETAILS					
Under 15 Girls 3.13.31 defeated Mordialloc Braeside 1.4.10 >>DETAILS					
Austart Airstarters Under 15 Brown 15.15.105 defeated Mordialloc 2.11.23 >>DETAILS					
Under 15 Gold 5.5.35 defeated by St. Kilda City 16.11.107 >>DETAILS					
Under 16 15.7.97 defeated Beaumaris 4.7.31 <pre>>>DETAILS</pre>					
Under 17 8.5.53 defeated by St Pauls 12.6.78 <a>>>DETAILS					

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Round 14 Match Reports

Under 10 Brown Waverley Park Hawks Lightning Carnival

It was Lightning Carnival day on Sunday and the WPH Under 10 Browns were playing in the Brayshaw division.

Our first game was against St Pauls and we started really well kicking against the breeze. With some terrific play from our midfielders, we went into the half time break with a good lead. Kicking with the wind is supposed to be the easy part but it was proving to be a tough job for us. The Hawks were manning up well and getting first to the ball, but a lapse in concentration midway through the second half gave St Pauls the opportunity to score and we went down by a point at the end.

The second game was against Ashwood. Great game to watch. Two good teams going head to head. But it was Ashwood who were able to convert their scoring opportunities the best. Some fabulous tackling from the Hawks meant that we were putting a lot of pressure on our opponents, but they were too good on the day.

Our final game for the season was against Murrumbeena. Again, it was two evenly matched teams. The Hawks were sharing the ball well, always looking to give the ball to a team mate in a better position. All the boys were trying super hard and playing well but in the second half we weren't able to close the gap that Murrumbeena had opened up when they were kicking with the wind.

So our season came to an end. Thanks to all the boys that played in the Under 10 Browns this season. It's been a pleasure to coach such a great group of boys and it's been wonderful to see your learn and grown as a team this year. Super proud of you all. Well done!

AAV Tiling Under 10 Gold Waverley Park Hawks Lightning Carnival

We started off the lightning carnival against St Bedes/Mentone. We hadn't played them in the season or our other two opponents so we had no expectations for the day, just to have some fun. We had the aid of a slight wind in the first half but didn't use it to full advantage as it was a scrappy tight game due to the smaller grounds. Evan and Josh were working hard in the midfield and in and under packs. Sam laid a good tackle in the forward line and Mitch started to find some ball across half forward. He found Cam with a nice pass who failed to convert the shot. Cam marked the kick in and managed to slot home a long goal to get us on the board. Harry and Shilo continued to give us drive in the middle and Damon roved a nice ball in the forward line and slotted home a major. Two goals to none had us in front but our opponents had the breeze in the second half.

The boys were asked for a big effort in the second half and Ryan and Brady E contested well in the midfield and locked the ball in. We then moved the ball forward quickly to Nathan to Brody to Dan and finally to Luke C who snapped through a contender for goal of the day. The whole backline were defending well and ably led by Brady P and Josh. Cam then put his hand up for mark of the day with a big pack mark in the midfield to help maintain possession. We were able to hold on till the siren went and our one goal to none half gave us what seemed like a handy margin but was certainly nerve racking for the parents.

The next game was against St Peters. We again started off with the wind which had strengthened slightly but the boys seemed to have adjusted to the wind and smaller grounds. Our midfield really got on top well led by Orlando who repeatedly won the ball and got it to our forwards. Harper snapped up a loose ball and quickly got it to Thomas who took a nice mark playing in front. He went back and converted the set shot. Pat got a nice tap out to Brody who cleared the ball out of the middle and Nick got on the end of this for another goal. Peter was getting creative at half forward and found Thomas near the boundary line. His snap sailed through for another goal of the day contender. Peter joined the goal feast and added two to finish the half. Max provided a nice centring pass to Harper who couldn't quite convert on the siren. Six goals to none had us well in control but it was probably with a three or four goal breeze.

The second half had our defenders working overtime as the opposition really pressed hard. Nathan tackled hard and did some great defensive work and kick-outs from full back. Dan was in everything and Ryan took some good marks. Max got a good clearance in the midfield and Shilo combined with Harry for a rare forward entry. Brady P and Luke F helped lock the ball in the forward line but we couldn't crack it for another goal. We were lucky the opposition were a bit wayward with 1.6 for the half or it may have been a different result.

Our final game was against the other undefeated side, East Malvem, to earn the lightning carnival. East Malvem beat us the same time last year so the boys were pumped for the game. Mitch got us going with a great clearance to Spencer who collected the ball well and passed to Nick who snapped a nice goal within about 30 seconds of the start. Brady P then provided a great contest in the backline and clearance to Jacob in the midfield who found Peter in the forward line. He went back and converted the goal from a great team transition from the backline. Evan then worked a clearance out of the midfield to find Spencer who got it onto Josh for a nice running goal. Max collected a loose ball and took a running bounce along the boundary line and from a great centring ball found Nick in the square. He popped through the goal and the boys had put on four goals in about three minutes and had all the momentum. Peter finished with another two goals and Nick another one (and a contender for goal of the day) and we had just put our best quarter of football together for the year. Seven goals to none had the boys well on top.

The boys knew they still had a job to do for the second half into the wind. They continued on their attack at the footy and worked tirelessly to move the ball forward. Ryan provided a nice ruck work tap out in the goal square to Jacob for a nice snap at goal. Dan was defending well and laid the tackle of the day on an opponent twice his size. Thomas and Shilo provided a great contest in the midfield while Harry got the ball onto Damon who found Ryan who kicked a great goal on the run under pressure. Pat continued to work hard in defence and combined well with Nathan and Brody. Nick won a good contest in the midfield and got the ball forward where Cam swooped on a loose ball and snapped home another major right on the siren. The boys were ecstatic but showed great sportsmanship in thanking their opponents and the umpires. Thanks to all the parents for helping to make it a really enjoyable and fun year.

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Executive Security Solutions Under 11

Waverley Park Hawks 2.4.16 defeated South Melbourne District 1.1.7Goal Kickers:Aidan 1 and Rhys 1Best Players:Nathan, Jackson T, Aidan, Hunter, Jackson M, Justin, AshCoaches Award:Jordan Lubrizzi and Jackson McCluskeyMilestones:Nathan Jago and Jackson Traplin – 50 games

This week the under 11s were playing at Columbia Park at the very respectable 1:30pm in the afternoon and it was a beautiful day with a mild breeze blowing to the clubrooms end of the ground. This week we celebrated the 50th games for two players Nathan Jago and Jackson Traplin as we tackled South Melbourne District.

In the warm up the boys were really good and appeared ready to go this week and they carried that out on the field. The game started with South Melbourne kicking with the wind and it was immediately obvious it was going to be a very close and hard fought game. The boys were making some great tackles and fighting hard for first possession. The wind was assisting South Melbourne and the majority of play was occurring in front of the clubrooms. The defenders were doing a fantastic job and the midfielders were getting back and helping out, great work by Jackson T, Nathan and Jordan. An unlucky bounce and the ball went straight over one of our defenders and to his opponent and a goal to South Melbourne. The boys attacked again and great work from Ash and Jackson M but the siren went for quarter time and the scores were WPH 0.0.0 to Ormond 1.1.7. A great defensive effort by the boys in the first quarter.

The second quarter started and with the aid of the wind we were immediately in to attack and the ball pretty much remained there for the quarter. The boys were trying to get the ball to the attacking side of the ground but the wind kept pushing it back on to the club room side. South Melbourne was desperate to keep the boys out, they now had two loose players in defence, and we seemed to be able to pick them out. A piece of individual brilliance from Rhys saw him break a tackle go around a player and then goal. Very soon after a great piece of play from Will who beautifully tapped to A.J. who goaled. Siren sounded and half time scores WPH 2.2.14 to Ormond 1.1.7.

Third Quarter and the boys started to gain control, South Melbourne were tiring because of their massive defensive efforts in the second quarter and we started to hold the ball in our forward line even though we were kicking against the wind. Jackson T celebrated his 50th game in style when he smothered a kick, tackled a player and then got the ball for a shot on goal, unfortunately a behind but it was the behind of the year. Brayden, Blake, Lachie and Tommy K were making sure the ball stayed in the forward line with great defence. Then after a marking contest a player from South Melbourne hit his head very hard on the ground as he came down, and he required attention.

Game was stopped and no further play.

Great news, the young man from South Melbourne is sore but has no other issues.

A week out from the finals and the U11s were there and ready to go with their A game. Bring on the finals next week.

See you at training.

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Under 12 Girls

Waverley Park Hawks Lightning Carnival

Coaches Award: Kate, Prathiksha, and Amber

On Sunday the girls played their finale.

It was a bitterly cold afternoon and there was a 5 goal breeze blowing. The girls were so excited and ready to put in their best efforts.

Overall the girls won their first game and narrowly lost their next two.

Some of the great things observed from that day were very pleasing as it proved they have learnt slot this season.

Their communication was excellent. They were calling for the ball, looking for each other and delivering by hand and foot with accuracy.

The girls maintained their positions and all played them really well. They knew where to stand and how to play their opponent.

Several players took some great marks and great running was provided by many players.

The girls should be very proud of their efforts this season and there's been talk for weeks from many about coming back next season which is great to hear.

I would like to thank all the parents that have helped over the course of the season and make a special mention of the regulars.

David for umpiring nearly every round. Rodney for umpiring and assistant coaching and turning up for training every Thursday, mostly rain and cold, not shine.

Amy for being our trainer all season. Bethany for running water all season, what a job. John for goal umpire. Sharon for team manager. Joan as the umpires escort.

And finally Scott for doing everything that needed to be done and running all season.

My apologies for leaving anyone out, thanks again to everyone.

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Gunn Electrics Under 12 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 6.4.40 defeated East Brighton 3.4.22

Goal Kickers:Dean x2, Soligo, Pearce, Buzza, HeleBest Players:Dean, Tan-Son, Pearce, BlackCaptain:Dylan Kilgower, Cooper FisherMilestones:Cooper Fisher, Dimitri Giannakoudakis (50 games)

The Gunn Electrics U12 Brown welcomed East Brighton to Lum Reserve in Round 15 requiring a win to stay in the four and a chance to play finals. Cooper and Dimitri were playing their 50th games and both wanted to celebrate with a great game and a win. Dylan and Cooper led the team out and it

was obvious from the start it was going to be a tough, tight game but Ethan put us on the board in the first quarter. We worked hard in tight early but with a slight wind in the second we broke the game open and kicked 4 goals. This was due to some great work by Ryan & Buzz in the forward line and great work out of the middle by Josh, Cayden, Will and Jake. The pressure and intensity around the ground by all players gave the forwards the opportunities needed. Nick was throwing his body in, showing the desperation needed as were our 50 gamers Cooper and Dimitri who were contesting hard for the ball, tackling and running hard. The backline with Dela and Anthony running off and Noah reading the ball held up well in the third quarter with Charlie and DPlow providing options around the wing.

Dylan had a great smother, setting the tone as captain and the boys' pressure and tackling was fantastic. The final term saw East Brighton work hard to get back in the game kicking two goals but Anthony and Josh B held off other forward entries and the team held strong for a great win.

The effort and team work from all the boys has given them a great opportunity and a chance to play finals this week.

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Under 12 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 3.2.20 defeated by South Melbourne District 8.11.59

Goal Kickers:Nicholas Montano 2, Michael Adams 1Best Players:Wes W, Bryson C, Harrison R, Deakin H, Kobi B, Jordan GCoaches Award:Luke Gaudion

As we did our pre-game warm up for the last time this year it was a time to reflect at the achievement of all players.

Needless to say, as a coach, I am proud of all the players for responding to all challenges put forward to them & especially to the ones who challenged themselves with extra work throughout the season.

So, off we went out for the last time lead by Bailey R who ran/jumped through his 50 games banner-congratulations BR.

We won the ball out of the centre & quickly got the score on the board thanks to Nicholas M long range goal.

As the game progressed we could see it slowly slipping away but our hawkers kept on working & never gave up.

Our back line was constantly under the pump & kept it together as much as they could even though Kobi's opponent was much taller than him. If the score of the game was measured on commitment our hawkers would come out on top. Therefore, be proud of your achievements, commitment & friendship developed over the season.

HAWKERS remember what M.J.(23) quoted - Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, Others make it happen....go Hawks & see you in 2016.

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PRO Prefabs Under 13 Brown

Waverley Park Hawks 4.7.31 defeated Murrumbeena 3.7.25

Goal Kickers:T.Raymond 2, T.Morgan, B.AddisonBest Players:B.Addison, G.Vasser, T.Morgan, T.O'Neill, D.Skantzos, O.Mahon, C.Cheney, M.Cappuccino, M.Ferracane, D.McCuskerCoaches Award:B.Addison, M.CappuccinoCaptain:O'Neill, M.MortaruoloMilestones:End of Season WIN!

What a way to end our season guys! We went out strong, focussed and ready to play.

Everything we spoke about pre-match and during the match you went out and executed. Instructions were listened to and followed for the majority of the game and you put in a four quarter effort.

It really shows that when continuous effort is applied and you believe in yourselves and as a team anything can happen.

It was a game where every player had their moment to shine, their time to make a difference to the game.

Every one of you guys made a difference at some point throughout the game.

Another point is that every available player was there to enjoy the game and the moment when that final siren sounded. A special note goes out to Jono in regards to this - whilst you weren't available for this game (and many others) you still got to enjoy the win and celebrate with the team.

We had some outstanding individual efforts and many boys played their best game of the season.

The boys down back worked hard to play man-on-man and to provide options to move the ball out of our backline.

Our midfield work hard all day to get first hands to the ball, and apply pressure if it was in the opposition's hands, and our forwards provided marking options to get shots on goal.

Your efforts this year cannot be questioned boys and our last half of the year we saw the team gel and we saw results on many fronts.

I am very proud of you all, as are your parents.

I'm already looking forward to 2016 where we can build on what we have achieved this season. We have a lot of potential to take this team places boys.

A massive thanks goes out to all the parents in our team - we operated as a team and provided support to our boys and each other at all times - through all the highs and lows. We are all part of the same team and I have really enjoyed getting to know you all and forming friendships.

I really hope to see you all next season!

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Action Aluminium Under 13 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 2.4.16 defeated by Ormond 5.12.42

Goal Kickers:Jordan McDonnell, Cooper ThompsonBest Players:Justin Savage, Dale Argus, Nathan Crosthwaite, Tom Sullivan, Angus BaileyCoaches Award:Tom SullivanCaptain:Jordan McDonnellTeam Mate Award:Justin Savage

The Action Aluminium Under 13s played its final game of the 2015 season against Ormond a team relegated from division 1 earlier in the year. As we have come to expect throughout the season our boys acquitted themselves well with both effort and spirit. Whilst we fell agonisingly close the first time we played, this time the smaller ground made it harder for us to get around the bigger kids. Justin Savage played an inspiring team game and produced one of his best games of the season, he was supported by Nathan Crosthwaite who after recovering from last week's heavy knock was keen to leave nothing in the tank to ponder over Summer and was a valuable contributor. Tom Sullivan presented well on the wing and setup a couple of great scoring opportunities with his ball use and Angus Bailey at fullback finished off his year in style quashing many forward forays by the opposition. Dale Argus and Justin Savage should be commended for stepping up to the plate and blanketing Ormond's number 14 who had been troublesome for us in the first half.

Throughout the entire course of my 4 years with this group, not once have any of the boys deviated from the way the game is intended to be played with respect, fairness and courage. Whilst we end the year perhaps not where we should truly be placed had the draw been even, every one of the 20 players that makes up the under 13 Gold team have made parents, coaches and the club very proud. Coaching this group has given me immense enjoyment and I would like to thank each and every player for their support and the opportunity. I would like to thank the club for allowing me to coach these boys and I can now step away knowing that each and every one of these 20 boys are on the move onwards and upwards.

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Advanced Office Interiors Under 14 Brown

Goal Kickers:M. Kohne 3, C. Black 2, J. Neil, L. Jenkins, F. Ford, F. Robertson, S. WatsonBest Players:M. Kohne, L. Jenkins, K. Gubatanga, L. Boyle, Z. Fisher, S. WatsonCoaches Award:Chayce Black & Vincent Zagari

Well it was the last round of the year and we were still a mathematical chance of playing finals if things fell our way. First thing was beat our opponent today. We came up against Prahan who previously beat us by 10 goals in our first encounter and 14 points not so long ago.

However over the last 5 weeks the boys have improved dramatically and I was feeling confident of a win considering our co-captains Jack Neil & Chayce Black who were playing their 100th game of junior footy. Well done boys!!

Our focus as a team was for 'aggression' and we definitely followed that through in the first quarter however for the first time this year we went slightly away from the game plan and started to kick chase. This was a major 'discussion point' at quarter time and to the boys' credit they took on board the instructions and got back to playing the Browns way and we never looked back.

Jack Neil was moved to CHB and played the spare man perfectly. Nothing got passed him and Vincent in the second quarter across halfback. Chayce and Kya were busy around the ball as was Loch Jenkins weaving his magic around goal for us.

By half time we had a small lead and it was really just a matter of how much we wanted the win to finish off our opposition and our season. It was a blessing in disguise when Mitch Kone received a leg injury and was moved to FF, which proved to be the game changer. Mitch was fantastic kicking 3 very important goals and sealing a great win.

Overall, I could honestly mention highlights for all of the boys today. I believe it was the best team performance of the year by far.

With our season now over and missing Div 1 finals by only the smallest of margins in the end it is time I thanked a few people. Special thanks to John Jenkins for sponsoring our team, Brendan Neil (my second wife) as my Team Manager and Assistant Coach, Cam Thomson my runner for the first part of the year, Rocco Zargari my runner for the remainder and the ever reliable Meg Boyle as my Trainer.

Thanks also to the very supportive parenting group always willing to help out. I personally got so much out of coaching your boys. They took on a complex senior game plan with maturity and conviction.

While there was so much more than just the wins/losses this year (and we sang the song more times than not), it was a significant step in the football development of the team and I'm looking forward to the challenge of testing them again next year.

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JB Commercial Under 14 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 10.13.73 defeated East Malvern 6.4.40Goal Kickers:Battisti & Durant 2, Razga, Skantzos, Beck, Caia, Webb & KokkiniasBest Players:Loughman, Kreidl, Segal, Durant, Spiteri & JacksonCaptain:Beck & Poodle

A good team performance this week again by the JB Commercial U14 Golds. With a strange first half that never felt like it got out of 2nd gear to a very strong finish in the last quarter the boys came away with a good win over a good opponent that they had not beaten previously.

Johnno was again all over the ground with strong marks and good defensive play. Poodle and Lucas were an awesome combination in the centre and both boys had best afield performances. Dom who has consciously been working on improving his tackling was fantastic today. His tackling, pound for pound would be unmatched in the completion and today was a ripper of a game from him.

Jay Spiteri and Ben Segal for me were the standouts today, being the last line of defence continuously repelling their forward attacks. Great to see Ben Segal getting better each time and actually taking on board feedback of how to improve his game. Jack, Beck and Eric all had solid games.

So we look forward to next week now with the Golds making the finals, the intensity increases now and with the confidence with the knowledge that we are the only team that has beaten all the finalists must give them some confidence. It is important that the boys play as a team again and don't get too ahead of themselves.

Well done boys and good luck with your finals campaign.

Well Done Boys!

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Under 15 Girls

Waverley Park Hawks 3.13.31 defeated Mordialloc Braeside 1.4.10Goal Kickers:Phoebe Taylor McKain 2, Charlize RundleBest Players:Bridie Winbanks, Kiana Byrnes, Jessica Nguyen, Emma DeeganCoaches Award:Bridie Winbanks, Kiana Byrnes

Today we knew what we had to do on the ground. We were ready to play and were switched on. The improvement and team work from all the girls has improved immensely throughout the season and it has really showed in the last few games. Bridie gives 110% every week but today she worked extremely hard not only in the ruck but her 2nd and 3rd efforts to get to the next contest were fantastic. Kiana although carrying a back injury played well today. She was leading for the ball and working hard in the forward line to be that next option to kick to. Jess couldn't do anything wrong, the ball was bouncing her way and she was running with it. Her determination in the midfield is fantastic. Emma's defensive pressure was great, she was there every time it went into the backline and she wasn't letting it out without a fight. Great win by the girls today. We finished 2nd on the Ladder. So we are looking forward playing Finals next week. Go Hawks!

A big thanks to Mackenzie Suppa who filled in and helped us with numbers today!

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Austart Airstarters Under 15 Brown

Waverley Park 15.15.105 defeated Mordialloc 2.11.23

Goal Kickers: Dimopoulos 4, J. Cincotta 2, A. Palleschi, S. Wieclaw, S. Massalas, T. Mannix, M. Wellington, B. Gravell, A. De Marco-Toro, W. Hayes, J. O'Neill

Best Players: W. Hayes, H. Dimopoulos, T. Mannix, L. Goldsworthy, G. Liu, A. De Marco-Toro

Milestones: Will Hayes and Alexander Palleschi

First of all, congratulations to the boys on making another finals series. The boys got back into form on Sunday with a terrific win over Mordialloc. In the week leading up to the game we focused heavily on taking the game on and looking to open up the play. For the first time in a while, the boys all took on

board what I had said and executed our game plan to great avail. Another massive congratulations to Will Hayes and Alexander Palleschi on playing their 100th game.

All of the boys played exceptionally well with a break out game to Greg Liu showcasing exactly what he has been able to provide to the team this year. Keeping it short and simple, looking forward to playing the first final on Sunday and hoping the boys all come mentally prepared to run out with a win!

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Under 15 Gold

Waverley Park Hawks 5.5.35 defeated by St. Kilda City 16.11.107

Goal Kickers: Jackson Dean 2, Starsy Gountras 1, Nick Pascuzzi 1, Francis Connolly 1 **Best Players:** Nick Pascuzzi, Adam Gilmore

A terrible result. The boys were flatter than a Schizenhausen Carter's hat. Thinking the double chance was sewn up, the boys played accordingly. Unfortunately the massive loss costs us nearly 20% in percentage seeing us slip to third and now needing to play three elimination finals if we are to be premiers. Hopefully this was the bad game that we needed after going nearly four months with only one loss. I am sure the boys will bounce back this week in our cut throat semi and move onwards but the weekend's result has made it all that more difficult with no margin of error. I am more than confident that we are still good enough to win it, but we cannot afford to play like we did on the weekend.

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Under 16

Waverley Park Hawks 15.7.97 defeated Beaumaris 4.7.31

Goal Kickers:Jonathan 5, Bradie 3, Jack P 2, James W 1, Hamish 1, James T 1, Alec 1, Taine 1Best Players:Bradley, Jonathan, Bradie, Will, Hamish, Lochie, Jack P, Taine, Matty, James L & James WandersCoaches Award:James Wanders & Jonathan K

We started really strongly today and used the wind well kicking six goals to one in the first quarter. Jono was on fire and had three on the board before anyone could blink and ended with five magical goals. Our two key forwards Bradie & Jack P contributed five between them and when you have another five individual goal kickers it shows the flexibility this team has. Our backline once again were at their measly only conceding four goals for the game. Our physical pressure was once again a feature of our game, the pressure didn't only come from our bigger bodies such as Will, James T and Bradie but it also came from our mid size brigade in Matty J, Lochie, Jack G, Tom W, James L and Bradley. Our midfield ably led by Alec and James W once again gave us first use of the ball for the majority of the day. It was good to see Brandon back at the club and helping out, after a horrific injury to his leg at home a month ago. Home and away is now over and we play our arch rivals Ajax next week for a spot in this year's Grand Final. Well done boys!

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Under 17 Waverley Park Hawks 8.5.53 defeated by St Pauls 12.6.78 Goal Kickers: James Deegan (3), Joel Welsford (2), Joe Galluccio, Peter Neil, Dean Harris Best Players: Team Effort

Today we found ourselves in a must win game against the very talented St Pauls' team with the winner securing the double chance. St Pauls were too good for us in our last encounter so we knew we would have to be at our best to knock them off. In a tight contest, the first quarter was an even contest with a slight lead to St Pauls at Quarter time. The second quarter proved to be decisive with St Pauls' midfield and tall forwards asserting control on the match and went into half time with a 27 point advantage. Another even third quarter allowed us to inch closer and we found ourselves 21 points down. The boys had a real crack in the last quarter and three goals in a row allowed us to get within 7 points. However St Pauls steadied and finished the game with the last three goals to run out 25 point winners. Really proud of our boys - they put in a four quarter effort and never gave in. Well done boys on making the Finals - a great effort.

We now found ourselves in a cut throat elimination Final against St Peters this Sunday. See you all at training.

Gallery



Some of this week's coaches' award winners



Under 12 Gold with coach Tony Plaza



Under 13 Brown with coach Chris Claxton



Under 12 Girls with Girls' Co-ordinator, Scott Adams



Jackson Traplin receives his 50 game milestone



Tomas Kiprillis receives his 50 game milestone trophy

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50 game milestone trophy



Bailey Robinson receives his 50 game milestone



Martin Jones receives his 50 game milestone trophy



Chayce Black receives his 100 game milestone trophy



Jack Neill receives his 100 game milestone trophy



Under 10 Brown with coach Chris Hickey



The victorious Under 10 Gold with coach Anthony Froelich, winner of their group's Lightning Carnival

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