



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Last week was a bit of a danger game for the club as we have had some tough battles against Crib Point in recent times and we absolutely couldn't afford to go down in all three matches this week.

As it turned out, it was a mixed result for the club with both senior footy teams and the Under 17 netballers coming away with important wins, the B Grade netballers finishing up with a nail-biting draw and the other teams just falling short.

The Under 19s kicked us off in difficult conditions against a team that were sitting one spot below us on the ladder. After getting jumped at the start of the match, our boys did well to get back into the game and go into the final term with a four-point lead. Unfortunately, we got pipped at the post which allowed Cribby to leap frog us into second spot and caused us to slip down to fourth.

The Reserves went into their match knowing that a win was absolutely crucial if they were to retain their spot in the top five. They came out right from the start with a lot of intent and never let Cribby into the match, winning each quarter of the game and ending up with a ten-goal win.

The Seniors did enough to get the job done, but didn't set the world on fire either and will be hoping for a much stronger performance this week. The win allowed us to jump up into third spot as Hastings and Somerville both lost their matches on the weekend. Let's hope we can hold onto that spot for the remainder of the season!

On the netball court, the Under 17s managed to recover from a slow first quarter to claw their

way back into the match and run away with a five point win. The C Graders fought hard all match, but fell away in the last quarter against a fast-finishing Cribby side. The B Grade game was arguably the match of the day with our girls recovering from an eleven-point deficit at quarter time to end up drawing the match in a nail-biting finish.

This week we head back to Shark Park for the first time in a month. It will be great to be back on home soil and it is really important that we start building some strong momentum as there are a number of tough matches coming up in the next few weeks.

We're in a position now where our fate is in our own hands. As long as we are successful in the next three rounds, all three teams will head into the finals and will be well placed to make this a really successful year for the club.

I also just want to mention the future stars of the Senior club that are currently running around in the Under 19s and the Under 17s. They've both had great seasons this year and I know they really appreciate it when the players and supporters from the senior club get down there to cheer them on.

This week is the last game before finals for the Under 17s and they are taking on ladder-leaders Langwarrin at home at 2.30pm on Sunday. The Under 19s will be kicking off at 10.15am on Saturday as always.

If you are able to get down there and support the boys, I'm sure they would really appreciate it.

Look forward to seeing you all on Saturday.

Go Sharks!



SENIORS

Crib Point 6.11-47

defeated by

Sorrento 8.9-57

SENIORS			
	Team	%	Points
1	Rosebud	167.77	44
2	Rye	153.57	44
3	Sorrento	168.33	36
4	Hastings	153.65	36
5	Somerville	127.75	36
6	Red Hill	122.81	36
7	Devon Meadows	100.1	20
8	Frankston	93.78	20
9	Dromana	85.95	16
10	Pearcedale	76.84	16
11	Crib Point	77.16	12
12	Tyabb	19.98	0

Coaches Report

On the weekend we took on a team that we seem to be creating a bit of a rivalry against.

Crib Point away (for our 3rd away game on the trot) was never going to be easy. Knowing the way they like to play, I think our guys got a little distracted by some dirty tactics.

In heavy conditions, we battled and never really got going. But as good teams do we found a way to win. It certainly wouldn't have been a good game to watch, but as other results fell our way it was a good one to win.

Our better players were Treeby, Campbell, Potter, Byrns and I thought Myles Pitt competed well considering he was targeted pretty poorly. It's funny how the wheel turns and I spoke to him at quarter time about hanging in there and he did that and ended up kicking the two goals that gave us the win.

I think it's a game that we will move on from pretty quickly and make sure we get more contributors next game.

This week we hope to regain a couple of key players and also hope that this virus/flu thing that has run through our club is gone. I for one have it and it's not good.

Look forward to seeing everyone at home on Saturday as we battle Pearcedale.



RESERVES

Crib Point 2.4-16
 defeated by
Sorrento 11.3-69

Coaches Report

Sitting fifth on the ladder, this game against Crib Point was a must win to further cement a spot in the top five. Going into the game we only had 20 available players. Dekka generously stepped up for the team after his U19s game to allow us 21 players for the match.

After a focused warm up, the boys came out with genuine purpose. We mixed both the mental and physical aspects of the game, and controlled the play to open with a 26-7 first quarter lead. The second term mirrored the first, and we were very unselfish with our ball movement and all players got involved in our passages of play. We kept Crib Point scoreless for the quarter while adding three straight goals ourselves.

Coming out after half time with a 44-7 lead, it was critical we didn't take the foot off and let the Magpies back into the game. We still had the majority of the play, but only managed to convert one goal for the quarter. However, we restricted Crib Point to 2 points for that third term.

The last quarter we continued to stick to our defensive structures, worked hard to create turnovers then ran hard to link up heading back towards our goal. We ran out the last 20 minutes strong and came away with a 11.3-69 to 2.4-16 victory.

I was extremely impressed with our performance all game, and with low numbers it was even more satisfying. We're currently working on some new defensive team structure and it's starting to pay dividends. Hopefully we can continue this form for the final 3 games. Best players on the day included Heath Connolly, Luke Brigden with a new role in the back line, Michael Barnes with 3 goals, Lockie Croad and James Pitcher in the midfield.

Reserves			
	Team	%	Points
1	Somerville	265.33	52
2	Rosebud	156.31	44
3	Red Hill	126.57	40
4	Frankston	160.79	36
5	Sorrento	138.26	32
6	Devon Meadows	107.81	32
7	Rye	130.68	24
8	Hastings	124.25	24
9	Crib Point	61.21	16
10	Tyabb	29.02	8
11	Dromana	58.78	4
12	Pearcedale	46.55	4



UNDER 19s

Crib Point 5.7-37

defeated

Sorrento 5.3-33

Coaches Report

Under 19s			
	Team	%	Points
1	Rosebud	224.78	52
2	Crib Point	239.91	40
3	Somerville	208.98	40
4	Sorrento	188.87	40
5	Red Hill	231.43	36
6	Dromana	134.43	32
7	Pearcedale	105.13	24
8	Frankston	76.21	24
9	Devon Meadows	68.78	16
10	Hastings	49.69	8
11	Tyabb	31.65	4
12	Rye	21.5	0

We knew it wasn't gonna be great weather for football Saturday but we didn't expect the ground to be submerged in water!!

Bit of a change in the game plan was on the cards, to try and control the tempo of play and have it on our terms. We did that well for the majority of the match, but being out marked in our forward fifty was killing us all day and in the end probably cost us the match.

With a slender four-point lead going into the last and kicking with what we thought was the scoring end, we stood a fair chance to get one back on them from earlier in the year.

With Angus Callaghan playing well in what was his conditions and Lachie Rodway doing a great job in the ruck, we had control. Stevo was running hard and they couldn't match up on Max in the forward line when we managed to get it there.

The match was really well umpired, with them showing good patience with the repetitive stoppages and letting the game go.

With a quick snap and a mark thirty out straight in front, Cribby hit the lead and held on. We now slip to fourth on the ladder, but if we win our remaining games we should still finish in the top three.

**NETBALL REPORT**

B GRADE	C GRADE	UNDER 17'S
Crib Point - 38	Crib Point - 37	Crib Point - 24
drew with	defeated	defeated by
Sorrento - 38	Sorrento - 29	Sorrento - 29

It was great to see lots of photos of the girls in last weeks record.

U17's played a tightly fought match losing the first quarter, but then hitting their stride to win each of the remaining quarters to take the win 29 to 24. It was great to see Shannon return to the court and we welcomed a new player Ruby to the team!

Again the C Grade match was tightly fought with a score of 20 to 21 Crib Point's way at three quarter time. However, Crib Point put their foot down in the last quarter to take the win. Beautiful shooting from Maddie and Anna, a new shooting combination for us hit their stride against tough defence. Great footwork and strong leads from our centre court workers, especially Emily, and a consistent defence made for a great game!

B grade was the match to watch. Our girls went on a holiday the first quarter, giving up an eleven point lead. However, as Jeanie snapped them back into action in the 2nd quarter, they took off. Beth in defence really turned the game around, with the girls levelling the score in the fourth quarter. It went down to the wire, but the scores ended up tied 38 to 38 to result in a draw. Welcome to new player Caitlyn who's strong arms and accurate passing in WD saw her dominate her court area. Beth and Grace both picking off intercepts and never resting movement creating effective pressure on the shooters. Ash's passes and ball placement into the circle was fantastic and a hugh effort from Tayla who ran C all game. Tiahn and Mikkea again showing their strength as shooters!

Go Sorras!



JUNIOR CLUB REPORT

This week is the last home and away round for our junior teams with finals commencing next week. Our Under 10's play their last game for the year as they don't have a finals series to contend with.

One thing to note that may affect the senior club is that no U17 boy can play up after this week unless the U17's bow out of the finals. This is due to the agreement between the Senior and Junior Leagues to ensure that the junior clubs have all of their players available for finals and focus on their last junior finals campaign. With our U17's guaranteed finals this may lead to a few shortages in the U19's in the coming weeks.

Last week's action was hot, with the highlight being the U12's with a massive 112 point win over Crib Point. The junior league is capped at a maximum 60pt margin so they improved their percentage by a maximum 60 percent in one game and keeps them in fourth spot.

Other results for our scoring teams and ladder position are:

11's 7th on percentage after a 27 point win over Somerville
13's 3rd after loss to Rosebud
15's 7th on percentage after a bye
17's 3rd after comfortable win against Red Hill

This week is a must win for our U11's and U15's if they want to play finals. Even though our U17's are guaranteed finals, they come up against the competition leader in Langwarrin this week in what very may well be a Grand Final preview. I know the boys would appreciate the support of anyone at the senior club, including senior players, if you get the chance to pop down this Sunday at 2.30pm and support hard in what will be their last game ever as a junior at Shark Park.

U17's - 2.30pm v Langwarrin (home)
U15's - 12.45pm v Rosebud (home)
U13's - 11.00am v Somerville (home)
U12's - 11.30am v Pearcedale/Baxter (away)
U11's - 11.00am v Red Hill (away)
U10's - 10.00am v Dromana (home)
U10 Sharks - 10.00am v Red Hill (away)

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