

**NOTE FROM THE EDITOR**

Last week was another mixed week for the club. On the footy field, our Seniors and Reserves both had convincing wins against Dromana, the Under 19s were well beaten by a star-studded Dromana side and two out of four of our junior teams progressed through the first round of finals. On the netball court, the girls gave a fantastic effort (as they always do) with each of the teams really pushing the Dromana girls, but unluckily falling short in the end.

With Dromana's Seniors locked out of the top five, their Under 19s welcomed back a number of stars from the senior side and outplayed us right from the start. It was a disappointing result for our boys who have been really impressive this year, but I am sure they'll bounce back this week and hopefully head into finals with a solid win under their belt.

Our Seniors and Reserves teams led from start to finish in each of their matches in two really strong performances. Both teams have now all but guaranteed their spots in the finals and should head into this weekend's matches full of confidence.

The netballers weren't able to get a win against some strong opposition, but the girls gave it a red hot crack as they always do and really took it to Dromana who were probably pretty lucky to come away with three wins in the end. The Under 17s match was the closest of all with our girls only going down by one point.

As for the junior footballers, the Under 11s and 12s came up against some really tough opposition and were knocked out in each of their elimination finals. The under 13s and 17s both overcame the jinx that Mt Martha have had on our juniors for a couple of years now as they both managed to beat "the Mounties" and progress through to the next round. Let's hope they can continue that form and go all the way this year.

This week we come up against our old rivals from down the road in Rye and I think we've all been looking forward to this match for a few weeks now. I probably can't use one of the less endearing names by which they are commonly known in this newsletter (hint: it involves an activity undertaken with canines), but I am sure there will be plenty of supporters shouting it at the top of their lungs this weekend.

They don't have the strongest Under 19s or Reserves teams this year, but it is crucial that our boys come with the right attitude and get the win that will secure their spot in the finals. As for the Seniors, this week's match presents the sort of challenge that you look forward to all year. It's the local derby at Shark Park, the final game of the home and away season and there couldn't be more at stake. Despite their star recruits and sitting in the top two for most of the year, Rye head into this match absolutely fighting for their lives.

With only two games separating the top six, it's crucial that we're at our best this week as you can be sure that the Rye boys will throw everything they have at it. A win for us will allow us to secure a top-two finish and leave our local rivals gasping for air. It doesn't get much better than that. Bring it on!

We're expecting a bumper crowd so make sure you get there early, support the Under 19s and Reserves and maybe even park your car there the night before to make sure you get a good spot! Let's hope we come away with three wins and head into finals full steam ahead.

Go Sharks!!!  
Julian



## SENIORS

**Dromana 10.14-74**

defeated by

**Sorrento 18.18-126**

SENIORS			
	Team	%	Points
1	Rosebud	186.03	48
2	<b>Sorrento</b>	<b>177.55</b>	<b>44</b>
3	Hastings	174.79	44
4	Rye	138.24	44
5	Somerville	131.1	44
6	Red Hill	134.73	40
7	Devon Meadows	112.92	28
8	Dromana	85.35	20
9	Frankston	84.26	20
10	Pearcedale	68.43	16
11	Crib Point	71.7	12
12	Tyabb	19.03	0

### Coaches Report

Dromana away in perfect conditions was our challenge on Saturday.

After a good week on the track we were pretty confident we could get the result. We knew

however that Dromana had just knocked Rye off the week prior and would be full of confidence.

Dromana started well and kicked the first few and they looked like cheap/easy goals but we were under the pump and they were up and about. To our boys credit, we showed level heads and maturity to stick to our plan and finish the quarter strongly. Going to quarter time just in front.

From there, we really took control totally dominating the second quarter and going in at half time with a handy break.

After half time I was a bit disappointed with how we started and we were dominated at stoppages especially in the first ten minutes. Once again we composed to win the quarter. I guess with Dromana being young they were able to put pressure on in small patches but couldn't sustain it. They will be a strong team if they all stick together in the future.

The last quarter was pleasing as we finished full of run. We even got the chance to rest a few key players to freshen them up for this week.

Our better players were Myles Pitt (7 majors), Ryan Potter, Jamus Campbell, Daniel Grant, Nick Muller, Zach Byrns, Trevor Mattison and Leigh Treeby again was at his aggressive best. Luke Tapscott was solid and made a couple of huge plays for us. I get a feeling we might see his best in the next month...

This week is our last home game of the year and its against Rye. What a huge way to finish the year. Look forward to seeing everyone at our last game before finals on Saturday.



## RESERVES

**Dromana 4.2-26**  
 defeated by  
**Sorrento 10.12-72**

### **SiCoaches Report**

The Reserves travelled to Dromana to further consolidate our position in the top five. The opening quarter started well and we opened with a 26 to 1 quarter time lead.

We slowed a little in the second term, and our below-par field kicking meant we couldn't convert our many inside 50s to scores. However, at half time we had a solid 6.7-43 to 1.2-8 advantage.

The third quarter wasn't a good one for us, we kept Dromana scoreless but only added 1.1 ourselves. In the last we were inaccurate kicking for goal and finished the quarter with 3.4. But we allowed the opposition to convert opportunities, and they booted three straight for the term. We finished the day with a 10.12-72 to 4.2-26 win.

Although we were glad to get the 4 points, it wasn't a completely successful day in our eyes. We had 16 more scoring shots, but only won by 46 points. We must kick much straighter next week!

Also, our disposal by foot was quite poor, and against better competition that will cost us wins. On a positive note, to still win by that margin playing below-par footy means that if we have a real focus next week on executing all aspects of our game, we should (and will) crush our biggest rivals Rye next Saturday.

A win means we're guaranteed to play finals, and a loss could potentially cost us a finals spot. Our destiny is in our hands which is the way we want it.

Best players against Dromana included Nat Diconza, Marcus Gardner who's had a super year, James Pitcher and Patrick Hall.

Reserves			
	Team	%	Points
1	Somerville	255.89	60
2	Rosebud	160.92	48
3	Red Hill	128.11	44
4	<b>Sorrento</b>	<b>155.41</b>	<b>40</b>
5	Devon Meadows	123.27	40
6	Frankston	139.77	36
7	Hastings	131.6	32
8	Rye	117.75	24
9	Crib Point	59.18	16
10	Dromana	61.6	8
11	Tyabb	30.26	8
12	Pearcedale	44.7	4

**UNDER 19s****Dromana 16.11-107**

defeated

**Sorrento 2.4-16****Sorrento Report**

No report provided

**Pearcedale**

<b>Under 19s</b>			
	<b>Team</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Points</b>
1	Rosebud	243	56
2	Crib Point	240.49	48
3	Somerville	227.78	48
4	<b>Sorrento</b>	<b>162.79</b>	<b>44</b>
5	Red Hill	237.41	40
6	Dromana	163.29	40
7	Pearcedale	97.7	24
8	Frankston	65.66	24
9	Devon Meadows	69.58	20
10	Hastings	55.58	12
11	Tyabb	32.06	4
12	Rye	21.22	0

**NETBALL REPORT**

<b>B GRADE</b>	<b>C GRADE</b>	<b>UNDER 17'S</b>
<b>Dromana – 50</b>	<b>Dromana – 40</b>	<b>Dromana – 42</b>
defeated	defeated	defeated
<b>Sorrento – 44</b>	<b>Sorrento – 25</b>	<b>Sorrento – 41</b>

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS, HELPERS & PLAYERS IN 2015!

The Netball players would like to thank all those who have supported us this year. Thank you to our wonderful coaches Jeanie Wright (Cs and Bs), Emma Ring (U17) & Sue Roper (fitness) who have encouraged and guided us at training and games. To the scorers and timekeepers who keep things in order. To Anne-Marie and David Croad who run the fundraising activities especially the half-time raffle at home games. An ENORMOUS thank you to all those people who have bought raffle tickets sometimes at every home game. Without the funds raised we would not be able to play.

Thank you to our management committee David and Anne-Marie Croad, Katy Watts, Jackie Voigt and Alison Phillips - they organise the umpires, register us, liaise with the league, comply with Netball Vic and generally do what is required to keep things working. Thank you to the SFNC for all their support. To Gerry Diconza for looking after us when we fall and our umpires Tori and Shirley. Thank you to all the parents and partners who get the players to training, games and cheer us on.

Finally, a BIG thank you to all the players for helping set up/pack up home games, volunteering to score and sell raffle tickets. But mostly congratulations for being an amazing group of young women who have demonstrated all season a commitment to sportsmanship, to playing the game of netball with determination and respect.

See you all back in 2016!

We wish the football players all the best for their finals campaign in the weeks to come.

Go Sorras!



## JUNIORS REPORT

First week of the finals and a mixed bag of results with our Under 11s and 12s losing their Elimination Finals and getting knocked out, but our U13s and 17s having good wins to keep in the mix.

The Under 11s came up against some good opposition in Beleura and whilst they fought hard they were not strong enough to take the chocolates. Beleura-9.5.59 defeated Sorrento-3.3.21

The Under 12s came up against a side they have had some great tussles with in Red Hill. With one win each from the home and away season it was always going to be a hard game and Red Hill proved far too strong in the last quarter with the wind and came away with the win. Red Hill-8.3.51 defeated Sorrento-5.6.36

The Under 13s had a game on their hands for the first three quarters against some quality opposition in Mt Martha and they blew it open in the last to come away comfortable winners. They have now earned the right to a 1<sup>st</sup> semi-final against Balnarring next week which if successful will put them into Preliminary final the following week so it's a must win game for them. Sorrento-15.9.99 defeated Mt Martha-7.5.47

Next game: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August @ 1.20pm v Balnarring played at Hastings.

The Under 17s came up against a team that they hadn't beaten all year in Mt Martha. The game was tense with Sorrento having most of

the play, but the boy's just couldn't convert and saw us trailing at every change. At the start of the last quarter we were 10 points down, but kicking with the wind and with some aggressive play kicking the ball deep into our forward 50, the boys finally hit the front half-way through the last. With a vocal Sorrento crowd behind them, including a great contingent of senior club players, the boys stretched the lead to win the game by 13 points. A fantastic win over quality opposition.

With Frankston YCW taking on Langwarrin next week, there isn't a team left in the comp that our boys haven't beaten. The U17s have the week off this week and will play the loser of the Langy v YCW game the following week in a Preliminary final to have a shot at the Grand Final. The boys really love to see the support of the senior club players and spectators so if you are doing nothing please try to get along. Sorrento- 7.16.58 defeated Mt Martha-7.3.45.

Next game vs the loser of Frankston YCW and Langwarrin on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August at Lloyd Park Langwarrin @ 3.10 pm.

Thanks to all at the senior club for your support.

"Go Sharks"

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