Healesville Football Netball Club

Vs. Wandin

Round 15 – Saturday 31st July, 2010

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Mission Statement

Healesville Football & Netball Club (HFNC) exists to provide an environment where the youth and community of Healesville can fulfill their sporting and recreational dreams.

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Presidents Report

It is hard to believe that we only have 4 games left until the end of the season and then finals will be upon us. Myself and the committee will be keeping our fingers crossed over the next couple of weeks to see if we will be hosting any finals at Healesville. With our excellent facilities and ground (and now that we have the netball courts up and running) there should be no reason for the League not to strongly consider us.

I would personally like to welcome the following people to the ground today:

- President of Wandin Nick Crossland and his team of players and supporters.
- Our little mascots from the Healesville Junior Football Club, who will run onto the ground with our Under 18's, Reserves and Seniors teams today:
- And if all goes well, Franks new apprentice assistant coach, Tom Filipek, who will be joining Frank in the coach's box again today. It will be great to catch up with Tom and his family today.

Last home game saw our netballers play their first game on their netball courts. I must comment that the surface of the courts is wonderful however the atmosphere around the courts (being so close to the football) was even better. It was encouraging to see so many of the footballers and football spectators come over to watch (or perv!!). We also had our past players reunion on the same day. From what I could see everyone totally enjoyed themselves reminiscing and I am sure that there were a few sore heads the next morning.

Finally I would like to send a big THANK YOU to Robbie Austin and Billy Gordon who over the past few months have built the coaches room and lined the booth. It is people like these two gentlemen that keep our football club looking 100%. So thank you both once again.

REMEMBER – Come and see me for Presentation Night Tickets – Only 4 tables left!!!

I wish all six teams, coaches and officials the best of luck today.

GO BLOODS!!!!!

Kym Estcourt

Congratulations to Clint Barclay who plays his 100th Senior game next week against Mt Evelyn.

Football Reports

FRANK LESIPUTTY – SENIORS

I don't think the score line really reflected how well we played; we never gave up and played some really good passages of play. It's just at times we still have lapses in our concentration and let the opposition kick easy goals. Some players were down on the day but others worked hard and stepped up to take up the slack. With 4 games remaining I need everyone committed more than ever, Wandin will be no walk in the park they are coming off a win against Silvan and will be striving to win 2 in a row, it's extremely important we work hard on the track this week and go into Saturdays game with a win at all cost attitude won't stand for mediocre efforts for the remainder of the season, we must and will strive to win all 4 games and finish the season in the best possible position. At our best we can match it with anyone, so let's make sure we are out our best this Saturday.
Cheers Frank
P.S. great to see an u18 Dylan Anderson best on ground, that's 6 u18's to play seniors this year with more opportunities to come over next 4 weeks.

Football Reports (continued)

FELIX FRARACCIO & DAVID NUGENT - RESERVES REPORT

Our efforts over the last two weeks have been good, without getting much needed points, with narrow losses to Upwey 7 points, and Woori 9 points. Our backs lead by Chris lower have worked hard in keeping sides to low score but unfortunately we have been able to kick a winning score ourselves. Boys that have been performing well over the past two weeks Darmo, Shocks , Chance, Tommy, Broes, Mooey, and Tim Arnott who had a good game last week. Tom Chandler under 18s continued support over the last month has been greatly appreciated, special thanks to Jake chandler who has played the last 4 games. Hopefully we get a few boys back this week and have a good win against Wandin.
Regard Flick and Nuge

THOMAS CHANDLER - UNDER 18's

Round 13 v Upwey-Tecoma - We again started the game well and it has been a real focus of ours to stamp our authority on our games early with our attack on the ball and the contest. The guys are setting themselves some targets to reach each week and have been doing that with a fair bit of hard work, both during the week and on game day. A very pleasing part of our games have been the amount of goal scorers we have had and this game was no different, where we kicked 13 goals for the game but had 11 players score these goals. Our midfield have been working well both in defence and attack and the defenders have been playing very tight, but also giving us plenty of run out of defence.
With five games to go we need now to endeavour to take our game up a level. We achieved a well earned 57 point win in this game. A good team effort in which we saw some players really stick their hand up and also it was great to see some real improvement in the contribution from some of the guys.
Round 14 v Woori Yallock - To stamp our authority on the game early has been a real focus for us of late, but today we went through the motions a bit, but as the game went on we started to lift our intensity, and play a bit of the footy we know we are capable of. One of the real positive things though was the ability for our midfield and backline to keep the opposition to a single goal to three quarter time.
Whilst we still had a good win on the scoreboard I think the boys will agree that we will need to have a better attitude and a higher workrate in the weeks to come if we want to continue to improve our play.

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Netball Reports

KATHY BROWN – A GRADE

Round 13 v Upwey-Tecoma - Equal 3rd playing off after a draw last time they met. A lot was riding on this match and a physical, high intensity match was witnessed. Upwey's midcourt needed to be stopped and our attack end needed to be smart, patient and confident if we were to win this one. We were able to draw first blood and at quarter time were very pleased to be 2 up. The next 2 quarters were just as close but with Upwey getting the upper hand a on a few occasions we went into the final quarter 1 down. We had to come out firing for the last 15 minutes. Unfortunately it was Upwey who came out lifting the bar. Their full court defensive pressure lifted and we couldn't match it and didn't adjust our game making it hard for us to bring the ball down the court. I've heard a few footballers comment lately how quickly the tables can turn in netball. How easy it can be to find yourself quite a few up, or down as it was in this case. Upwey scored the first 8 goals straight of the final quarter and ended up winning by 11. A positive is that this loss happened during the season, not in finals, and we have learnt a lot from it-bring on finals and a rematch which will be one to watch!
Round 14 v Woori Yallock - 71-16. A very pleasing winning margin. It was great to see the girls put together 4 strong quarters after only providing 3 the week before. We started strong winning the first 21-5 and were able to mix it up a bit trying different combinations through the mid court and defence third. It was great to have Kylie back and for her and Lou to have a full game to get their rhythm back in goals. Laura got to have a run coming out of GK for a change which allowed Cat to play in GD gelling well with Bianca in the ring and giving us a best on performance. A great run for everyone before the hard work begins. With only 6 points separating 2nd and 5th the end of the season and finals is sure to be exciting! We're sitting 4th and play 3rd position Wandin today.

BIANCA FEATHERSTONE – B GRADE

Round 13 saw us step out on our brand new courts alongside the football oval for the first time against Upwey. In what was always going to be a challenging match, Upwey got the better hand of us in the first quarter, but this didn't damper our spirits, the girls turned it around in the second and third playing tight defence and forcing many turnovers from the Upwey players. We converted well and were only down by a few at the last break. Unfortunately Upwey's class and strength prevailed in the last quarter the end score being 27-41, this was a big improvement as the first time we played them the score line was 20-47. Last week we travelled over to Woori Yallock, this was a chance for us to score our second win for the season. This however wasn't to be as we struggled to contain Woori's fast and agile goalers, while in attack we found it very difficult to get free of our opponents. On occasions we played well and looked like we could recover the difference on the scoreboard but we lacked consistency across the court. A good effort all round but discipline perhaps let us down in the end. We've got a tough road home but the girls are remaining very upbeat and training hard each week, I know each and every one of them will come out over the next few weeks and give everything they've got to finish off the season on a high.
GO BLOODS!!

KATHY BROWN – C GRADE

Round 13 v Upwey-Tecoma - Going into round 13 the C's knew it wouldn't be an easy game. Upwey hadn't lost a match and had been winning convincingly. There was a buzz in the air finally getting to play on out new courts. Our goalers took a little adjusting to the new rings and missed a few but were then able to reward the rest of the team for the great job they were doing. Our defensive game right down the court was fantastic with everyone having an input into causing turn overs and it was pleasing to see the girls take on advice and see it work for them. A lose was disappointing with every point mattering as finals come closer, but a 12-18 score line was not disappointing against the tall and in form Upwey side whilst keeping them to their by far lowest score of the season.
Round 14 V's Woori
Sitting 6th, after our 4th loss in a row and realising the number 6 is our curse (losing the last 3 games by 6 points), the girls were well aware how important this game was. Woori were sitting bottom but after losing to Gembrook a few weeks back our girls knew ladder position didn't mean much. Michelle and Jess moved the ball well around the goal ring and Chels and Lou were again dominant in defence which allowed us to a 7-3 winning 1st quarter score line. The girls slowed in the 2nd only winning it by 1 point. Lou had to come off and Lucy did a great job after just being thrown into GK which meant Em had to run out centre longer than she would have liked, but she did a great job. All the girls put a great game together and came away with a 25-11 win. A great confidence boost going into the last 3 rounds of the season where they all mean so much. Come on C's lets get those few more wins on the board we need to ensure we'll be still playing in September.

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