



# Waverley Park Hawks Weekly Newsletter



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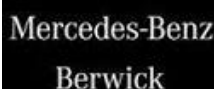
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**Auskick Update and Videos.** Check out a couple of videos from our Auskick Centre..

**Sponsorship.** The club is still looking for sponsors. Contact Andrea Hall for details.

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**Poker Night** 15 July Adult only event – more to come!

### Around the Ground...

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**Gallery** - Check out the photos from the club from the past week.

### Support Your Club Sponsors...

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT...



This week we were treated again to mild weather. Great day to watch grass roots football and our kids have a great time. Remember, "it's all about the kids".

### **DINNER DANCE – 03 JUNE 2016 – DINNER DANCE – 03 JUNE 2016 – DINNER DANCE – 03 JUNE 2016**

Major fund raiser for our great club. All money raised is injected straight back into the club to help with equipment, rego fees etc. Last year we had a record number of members attend (210) this year we are looking to better it. \$40 entry (Includes Canapé's, main and dessert) plus drinks at bar prices. The Dinner Dance committee has been working extremely hard to ensure this night is always a success, amazing auction prizes this year, don't miss out. A great way to get together and celebrate 2016. If anyone would like to donate any prizes to assist in the fund raising please let us know. It will be great night, food, drinks and boogie. This year we have also introduced \$1000 raffle. \$5 ticket to potentially win \$1000, with only 400 tickets available. You need to be in it

to win it!!

We can still accommodate players in all our boy age groups (except boys U11 & U12) and girls U9, U12 and U15. Places are limited so I would ask if you have any friends or family members that want to play to contact Anthony Froelich (0429 080 086 or [registrar@wphawks.org.au](mailto:registrar@wphawks.org.au))

Raffle prize winners: Congratulations to Mahon Family who won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize meat tray and Ethan Atkinson who won this week's player raffle. Thank-you to our U13 Parent group who organised the after match, lamb and chicken souvlaki. Numbers were light on this week due to grid games at Etihad, whether you are in u9 or u17, you are all welcome. Great way to finish off the weekend, a chin wag, food and a drink or 2. See you all this Sunday night.

Key Dates: 03 June – Major Fund Raiser – Waverley Park Hawks Dinner Dance – **(anyone who would like to donate prizes for this night please let us know)**

15 July – Waverley Park Hawks Poker Nights – Adult only event. Last 2 have been won by the girls, can they keep it going?

As a club we have been working extremely hard in the lead up to the season. The committee have been working since the end of last season to ensure a smooth start to season 2016. As you are all aware, we are a family club built by volunteers, anyone who can help with specific tasks or who would like to be part of the committee of our great club, please shoot me an email. Many hands make light work, we have tasks that need to be done that would involve very little time and some would involve more time.

Looking forward to catching up with everyone at After Match this Sunday.

Go Hawks!

Tony Ferracane

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## NEWS...

### **After Match This Sunday Gourmet Sausages**



Thanks to our 3 girls' teams who will be hosting After Match this Sunday. They will have gourmet sausages on the menu including kransky, cheese kransky and bratwurst. They will be served with cheese, onions and coleslaw.

Also don't forget the weekly prize draw for a Rebel Sports voucher (\$50). The bar and canteen will be open from 5.30pm with reports for all teams beginning at 6.15pm.

After Match is a great opportunity to get to know the families of your child's team, as well as other members of the club in a social environment.

### **Club Contributes \$1000 to Will Murray Fund**



Our fundraising efforts for Will Murray raised close to a \$1000 with over \$400 raised from gold coin donations on the day. The club thanks everyone for their generous support of this fundraising activity. We will continue to have collection tins at each of our canteens for the remainder of the season.

## Auskick Update and Videos

Some of you may not be aware but the former Wheelers Hill/St Justin's Auskick Centre (at Columbia Park) was merged with the Waverley Park Hawks Auskick Centre (at Waverley Park) to become the Waverley Park Hawks Junior Football Club Auskick Centre at the start of this season. The merger occurred in part as a response to AFL Victoria's philosophy of aligning Auskick centres with junior football clubs to provide a near seamless transition into junior football.

Last Saturday, the Auskick Centre had a special visitor – Jordan Lewis from the Hawthorn Football Club. Thanks to Craig Hall and Andrea Hall for their time and resources, the morning was captured on video and a short thank you video clip was put together. Some of you may have already seen this on our social media and web site, but for those that haven't check it out here <https://vimeo.com/167715230>

One of our Under 9/Auskick parent's had the idea to have a big "get well soon" card for all the kids to sign and send to Jarryd Roughead. The idea was to send him some support in this no doubt difficult time, from some small Hawks, to a bigger Hawk. That idea grew legs and turned into a "Get Well Roughly" video message which was sent to the Hawthorn Football Club to pass on to Jarryd. Again, some of you may have already seen this on our social media and web site, but for those that haven't check it out here <https://vimeo.com/167609724>

## Sponsorship



The club is still looking for sponsors at all levels but in particular Team Naming Rights and Coaches Award sponsors.

Team Sponsors receive a listing on the club's website including logo and internet link and are listed on the Sponsors Boards in the clubrooms and in the club's Weekly Newsletter. Cost is \$400 +GST per team.

Every player will receive a weekly Coaches award at some point during the year. We are again looking for generous Families or Businesses who would be happy to donate these. Cost \$100.00 + GST per team.

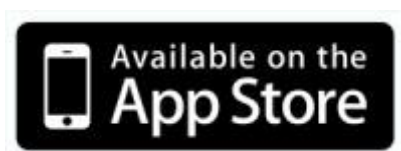
If you are interested in becoming a club sponsor or donating Coaches Awards contact Andrea Hall via 0412 326 485 or [sponsorship@wphawks.org.au](mailto:sponsorship@wphawks.org.au)

## 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](mailto: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.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

### After Match Schedule 2016

Round	Date	Team Hosting	Menu
7	29/5/2016	Girls Under 9s. 12s & 15s	TBA
8	5/6/2016	Under 14s	TBA
9	19/6/2016	Under 16s/17s	TBA
10	26/6/2016	Under 10s	TBA
11	10/7/2016	Under 9s	TBA
12	17/7/2016	Under 11s	TBA
13	24/7/2016	Under 12s	TBA
14 & Under 9 Lightning carnival	31/7/2016	Under 13s	TBA
15 & Under 10s Lightning carnival	7/8/2016	Under 14s	TBA
Semi Finals	14/5/2016	TBC	TBAS
Preliminary/Grand Finals	21/8/2016	TBC	TBA
Grand Finals	28/8/2016	TBC	TBA

### Other Important Dates

**July 12/13/14 and July 19/20/21** - Team Photos (more information available closer to dates)

**Friday July 15** – Poker Night (fundraiser event for adults only!)

**September 18** – Presentation Day

### Annual Dinner Dance – Club's Major Fundraiser

This year's Annual Dinner Dance and Major Auction will be held on Friday June 3rd from 7.00pm to 12.30am at the Mulgrave Country Club. This is a great night and is the club's major fund raiser for the season. The cost for the night is \$40 per person, which includes canapés on arrival followed by a 2 course dinner. Drinks are at bar prices.

There will be the Major Auction, door prizes and raffles on the night as well as a DJ playing all your favourites. Lock the date in your diary so you don't miss out on the fun! It's a great night to get out (without the kids!) dress up, enjoy a sit down dinner, some drinks and a good boogie if you are up for it! All ticket enquiries should be directed to your team's table co-ordinator. Tickets can also be purchased online using PayPal or credit card via <https://www.jotform.com/wphawks/2016-annual-dinner-dance>.

We are also seeking donations for the major auction and door prizes. If you have any contacts and/or family/friends that could help out with any auction items, raffle prizes or vouchers for the night it would be really helpful. Please contact Michelle McCluskey ([m.mccluskey@outlook.com](mailto:m.mccluskey@outlook.com) or 0414 300 800) or, Danielle O'Neill ([ddoneill@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ddoneill@bigpond.net.au) or 0438 407 525) if you can help out with donations.

It's a great night so get on board and remember it's all about supporting our kids and the Club they love playing footy at! It is collective efforts such as the Annual Dinner Dance and Sunday "After Match" that help raise important funds for the Club, which in turn helps keep fees at a reasonable level.





**Friday 3rd of June**

**7:00pm for a 7:30pm start**

**Mulgrave Country Club**

**\$40 per person**

*(Includes Canapés, main, dessert and DJ)*

**\* Drinks at Bar Prices \***

**Dress: Semi Formal**

**RSVP: Wed 25th May (Team Dinner Dance Coordinator)**

No tickets available at the door – all tickets must be pre-purchased.

Major Auction, lucky door prizes & raffles on the night.



# Mazenod OCFC

Founders Day 4<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Central Reserve North, Glen Waverley

## Football Games

Seniors 2pm North Oval

Reserves 11.40am North Oval

U19s 11.40am South Oval

## Kids Activities 2-4 pm

Auskick Grid Game

Face Painting

Petting Zoo

Jumping Castle

Carousel

Gold coin donation

## Luncheon 12-2pm

\$35 non members/ \$30 members

Steve Paolucci

E : [stevenpaolucci@hotmail.com](mailto:stevenpaolucci@hotmail.com)

M : 0419 375 453

## Afternoon Tea (\$5)

Half time of senior game

Gold coin donation



# AROUND THE GROUND...

## Round 7 Fixture Sunday May 29 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)	Waverley Park Hawks vs East Brighton Vampires Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	11.00 a.m.
Under 9 Brown Bonaddio (Orange)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Mordialloc Braeside Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	8.30 a.m.
Under 9 Girls Vicic	Ormond vs Waverley Park Hawks Glen Huntly Park Booran Road & Neerim Roads Caulfield East	8.45 a.m.
Under 9 White Mastromanno (Green)	Waverley Park Hawks vs St Paul's McKinnon Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	9.45 a.m.
Bertocchi Under 10 Gold Dellapreciate (White)	Dingley vs Waverley Park Hawks Corrigan Oval Marcus Road Dingley Village MEL 88 G8	9.00 a.m.
Under 10 Brown Quinlan (Yellow)	East Brighton Vampires vs Waverley Park Hawks William Street Reserve Cnr. William and Halifax Streets Brighton	9.00 a.m.
Under 11 Brown Hickey (Div 5)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Beaumaris Lum Reserve Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	8.45 a.m.
AAV Tiling Under 11 Gold Froelich (Div 3)	Bentleigh vs Waverley Park Hawks King George Reserve Oval 1 East Boundary Road Bentleigh	10.15 a.m.
Under 12 Girls Aitkin	Waverley Park Hawks vs Dingley Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	12.15 p.m.
Under 12 Thompson (Div 3)	Caulfield Bears vs Waverley Park Hawks Koornang Park Munro Avenue Carnegie MEL 68	11.30 a.m.
Under 13 Gold Jago (Div 4)	Cheltenham Panthers vs Waverley Park Hawks Le Page Park Oval 1 Cnr. Herald & Argus Streets Cheltenham Mel 78 B12	9.45 a.m.
Under 13 Brown Fisher (Div 1)	Waverley Park Hawks vs St Paul's McKinnon Lum Reserve Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	10.15 a.m.
Skye Travel Under 14 Brown Claxton (Div 4)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Cheltenham Panthers Lum Reserve Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	11.45 a.m.
Under 14 Gold Thompson (Div 2)	Oakleigh vs Waverley Park Hawks W.A. Scammell Reserve Guest Road Oakleigh South MEL 69	11.50 a.m.
Under 15 Girls Davey (Div 2)	Waverley Park Hawks vs East Brighton Vampires Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	1.30 p.m.
JB Commercial Under 15 Gold Deegan (Div 4)	Highett Cheltenham vs Waverley Park Hawks Highett Reserve Oval 1 Turner Road Moorabbin MEL 77 H9	1.00 p.m.
Advanced Office Interiors Under 15 Brown Jenkins (Div 1)	Waverley Park Hawks vs Mordialloc Braeside Lum Reserve Cintra Ave, Wheelers Hill	1.45 p.m.
Display the Game Under 16 Brown Palleschi (Div 4)	BYE	
RJ Ryan Partners Under 16 Gold Gervasoni (Div 1)	Waverley Park Hawks vs St Kilda City Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill	3.00 p.m.
Pinewood Community Bank Under 17 Long (Div 3)	St Bedes/Mentone vs Waverley Park Hawks Mentone Reserve Brindis Street Mentone MEL 86 K7	11.00 a.m.



## Round 6 Results Summary

Under 11 Brown 0.8.8 defeated by East Brighton Vampires 5.4.34

Under 11 Gold 5.3.33 defeated by AJAX 8.18.66

Under 12 Girls 17.12.114 defeated Cheltenham Panthers 0.0.0

Under 12 4.2.26 defeated by East Malvern 9.5.59

Under 13 Brown 12.7.79 def Beaumaris 1.0.6

Under 13 Gold 3.5.22 defeated by Caulfield Bears 5.8.38

Under 14 Brown 1.4.10 def by Mordialloc/Braeside 17.20.122

Under 14 Gold 6.10.46 defeated by Bentleigh 13.9.87

Under 15 Girls 3.2.20 defeated by East Bentleigh 10.9.69

Under 15 Brown 7.6.48 defeated by East Sandringham/Hampton 11.14-80

Under 15 Gold 11.18.84 def Beaumaris 7.7.49

Under 16 Brown 7.9.51 defeated East Sandringham 7.7.49

Under 16 Gold 18.16.124 defeated Beaumaris 6.6.42

Under 17 11.8.74 defeated Beaumaris 8.6.54

## Round 6 Match Reports

### Under 9 Brown

**Coaches awards:** Ashton Delahunty and Levi Pitsas

Good start to round 6. The morning sun was out, it was a perfect day for the boys to suit up and wear the WPH's jumper once again. Playing a couple players short, the boys had a tough first half. At half time, we sat the boys down and encouraged them to play man on man. This saw the game turn to our favour, as our boys won the mid field and gave the forward players a couple of goals which we worked hard for. The boys tackled pressure with first class and watching from the side lines made all the coaches and parents so proud of all of the playing group. Congratulations to your captain Ashton Delahunty. Thanks again to all coaches and helpers today. Train hard, play hard!! GO WPH's!!!

### BUON Print Solutions Under 9 Gold

**Coaches awards:** CJ Negropontis

Our visit to Essex Heights Reserve to take on Ashwood, started out as a potentially nicer visit than last year's. The sun was shining and there was a pretty strong breeze favouring one end. This was a stark contrast to last season's arctic conditions at the same venue.

We won the toss and ended up kicking into the wind which was getting stronger as the day went on. Mitchell was our last line of defence man and repelled repeated attacks from full back then when switched to the midfield, hooked up through the lines with Jack, who grabbed the leadership baton with both hands and ran with it. Hudson may have found his favourite spot in the pivot and gave us plenty of drive, while his team mate in Joshua tackled the big guys like they were standing still. Noah T took that lead and decided to lay three tackles one after the other. Maybe getting an errant boot to the face sparked him into ferocity. Gabriel weaved some magic through the lines and dodged three or four players before banging it long to a waiting CJ who having come straight from the bench, marked strongly, turned and slotted a major. Teage was a blanket on his opponent and not only stopped him, but ran off him to create up field with some good kicking.

Our regular bundle of energy in Jonathan was a little under the weather this week, but to his credit, took some cracking marks and lobbed some booming kicks to our forwards. One of those was Ryan, who went close to troubling the scorers a few times and was creative down back. Noah B adopted a "one good tackle deserves another" attitude and was laying them at will when we needed it most. Angus adapted well to all positions he played for the day and got the better of each opponent with his strong 'pack bursting' play. William got his little legs pumping when wearing the red armband and took two good grabs, one after the other, then tackled their ruck man. Thomas was reading the play well and collecting his share of possessions as well as heavy knocks. Zaki seemed to have his own ball at times, he had it that often. He showed great dash and play creation too. Nash too was bobbing up all over the place getting kicks and taking marks at both ends.



Whilst on the day the opposition, by virtue of having nearly all second year players, were a little too developed for us to get the better of, our boys were super competitive and never threw in the towel. In fact, the Golds piled on two or three goals in the last quarter. Well done boys!

Once again we had some great assistance from some White Team players. Thanks so much to Izac, Pranav and Logan who were all invaluable and played great games. Thanks heaps boys!

Go Hawks and Go Gold!

### **Under 9 White**

**Coaches awards:** Levi Tonkin & Charlie Lord

The Under 9 Whites travelled to Beaumaris for our away game. Even though we were down to 17 players, our team made the most of great weather and an immaculate ground. We started strongly and it was only some unlucky kicking for goal that held us back. Our midfield was hard and tough at the ball and there were no easy opposition possessions. Izaac Styliano, Logan Coutts and Luke Corcoran were especially busy. The backline was at it's miserly best being led by John Sidiropoulos, Levi Tonkin, Charlie Lord and Jett Durbridge. Kaden Mastromanno was unlucky not to goal in the forward line with two strong shots on goal. Our team worked hard all day and coaches, parents and spectators were very proud of their efforts. Four of our kids had already played an earlier game. Thanks to Hudson for filling in for us and thanks to Pranav, Logan and Izaac for filling in for the Under 9 Gold Team.

Most pleasing was the overall improvement from week to week. We are seeing the kids develop their abilities and are doing things during games that they were not capable of at the start of the season. I am particularly impressed by the tackling and work at the contests that gives us first use of the ball and contributes to turnovers. This is happening every week, even when we are obviously undersized compared with our competition. I feel that our team is building into a very solid group.

This week we meet St Pauls McKinnon for our very first game at Columbia Park. We expect a full side and are looking forward to the challenge.

### **Under 9 Girls**

BYE no report

### **Under 10 Brown**

**Coaches award:** Isac Quinlan Neil Thukral

It was an early start on Sunday and the boys were up against Sandringham. They had to wear alternative jumpers to avoid any clashes. Our captain for the day was Neil Thural who led the team in a courageous manner.

In the first quarter the team was energised and ready to launch an assault on the opposition. Biraj, Max, James and William dominated the centre clearances and got it down to the boys in the forward line. Joshua was able to weave his magic and pass it onto Isac who booted his first goal for the season. The boys were in a good position at quarter time.

In the second quarter Angus got his hands on the ball and was focused on getting it down to Eugene who was playing down at full forward. Oscar G was laying some heavy tackles and the boys were getting physical in and around the packs. Joshua showed some determination and by doing so, was able to get a kick through the big sticks to earn another 6 points.

At half time the boys knew that there was still a lot of footy to go, but they were aware of the large improvements they had made from previous weeks.

In the second half Thayden, Benjamin and Rafael had a run in the midfield and showed real potential. Our resident substitute Max Taborsky was once again a big force on the ground and clocked up a hand full of possessions. Gabriel took a strong mark in the centre and demonstrated his ability to successfully dispose of the ball. Daniel, Thomas D and Thomas G were both in and amongst the play and got their kicks and handballs in.

The boys showed real promise in the second half and had some experience at playing in different positions around the ground. They are improving week after week with their team work and overall skills. Sandringham ended up being victorious on the day however, there were many victories won amongst the under 10 Browns with their skills development and team spirit!

After the game the boys were rewarded for their efforts thanks to Oscar A's mother who supplied the team with cup cakes. Happy 10th Birthday Oscar Azemat!

### **Bertocchi Under 10 Gold**

**Coaches awards:** Daniel Huggins and Nikolas Christodoulou

This week we saw the boys play at Columbia Park for the first time this year, a strong breeze was on hand to make things tricky, but the boys quickly adapted to the conditions. Captains for the day were Lachlan S and Daniel who both started off strongly. Malvern was kicking with the breeze and the boys down back had their hands full but to their credit Max, Tom, Zach, Luke, Ed and James held strong to restrict Malvern to one goal, while our midfield lead by Nikolas C worked tirelessly trying to push the ball forward helped by Daniel, Cooper, Lachlan B and Nicholas C.

Second quarter saw the Golds take advantage of the breeze and Biraj's ruck work with Tom, Ed and Luke pumping the ball long, Zac was causing havoc in the middle, while Lucas took the speki of the day over two players. The forward line of Franki, Lachlan S, Ethan, Tanas, Isaac and Sam worked hard to keep the ball in the forward half with some great pressure which resulted with the boys kicking three goals for the term.

Second half again saw defenders working overtime against the breeze laying some big tackles and Franki playing a sweeper role in clearing the ball over and over. The midfield won the contested ball lead by Tom and Josh which resulted in a number of shots on goal by Luke, Ed and Daniel.

Final quarter saw the boys run hard and spread, use the wind again to their advantage for some great team work between Cooper and Sam resulting in Sam's third goal for the day. We finished the quarter with some fierce tackling by Lucas and Tanas to record another win. Overall a solid performance by all the boys with everyone playing their role for the team.

Big thank you to the under 10 Brown boys who helped out Biraj, James, Josh and Isaac.

Go Hawks!

## **Under 11 Brown**

**Waverley Park Hawks 0.8.8 defeated by East Brighton Vampires 5.4.34**

**Goal Kickers:** Nil

**Best Players:** Paddy Schmitt, Liam O'Rourke, Savio Pirotta, Zach Tonkin, Lenny Hickey

**Coaches Award:** Paddy Schmitt

While the scoreline points to a bit of a whitewash, the game was actually a lot closer than the scoreboard indicates. Which is one of the reasons why it was such a frustrating game to watch. The Waverley Park Hawks Under 11 Browns are capable of so much more than we delivered on Sunday morning. Some very consistent football was played by Liam O'R and Paddy S. But in general the boys played a pretty lazy game of football. Had we kicked more accurately and if we played our normal high pressure style of footy, the score and the result could have been very different. This game demonstrated how important it is work hard out on the field. If you don't work hard, you will be second to the ball. If you don't work hard you won't be in a good position to tackle and put pressure on your opponents. If you're not putting pressure on your opponents, they won't make mistakes. And if we're not forcing them to make mistakes, we can't win back possession of the ball. Credit to the Vampires, they played a good game and they deserved to win. After the match we set a goal to beat this team next time we played them. Bring on the re-match! Go Hawks!

## **AAV Tiling Under 11 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 5.3.33 defeated by AJAX 8.18.66**

**Goal Kickers:** Thomas S, Orlando P, Cam F, Jacob S, Luke C

**Best Players:** Peter D, Max A, Orlando P, Shilo H, Jacob S, Dan K, Pat W

**Coaches Award:** Max A, Orlando P

We hosted Ajax at home and knew we were up for a tough contest as we have had many close encounters with Ajax over the last couple of years. We lost the toss and had to kick into a stiff breeze and the backline was under siege right from the get go. Max, Jacob and Brady E were tremendous in the backline of defence while Dan continued to provide a contest. Our best piece of play came from some great link up play from the backline through Mitch to Shilo to Alex to Brody and finally to Thomas who snapped a nice goal. This was a great example of running and working the ball forward in the windy conditions. Our 1.0 to 4.8 for the quarter was a reasonable result into the wind. The second quarter saw us with our fair share of possession in our forward line but the opposition clogged it up with several loose men. Ollie was able to find some space and roved a nice goal while Cam contested well for a mark and roved his own ball for a snapped goal. Peter had the midfield in control and was continually driving the ball in long. We couldn't quite capitalise fully but 3.1 to 4.10 had us well in the game at half time.

The third quarter continued much as the first with the opposition having most of the play in their forward line. Pat battled manfully in the ruck while Ryan and Damon contested well in the backline. Ajax put on 3.8 to nothing for the quarter but our only saving grace was their inaccuracy which provided us with a chance in the last. We put the first goal on the board quickly in the last through Pete's attacking play and nice pick up from Luke who found Jacob who slotted home the goal. This lifted the boys and they absolutely tried their hearts out. We managed another goal through a great centred ball from Jacob to Luke who converted from right in front. But the opposition settled and found a reply of their own. They boys tried hard for the whole four quarters but we were beaten by a better opponent on the day. This will give us some things to work on at training to make sure we improve our game.

## **Under 12 Girls**

**Waverley Park Hawks 17.12.114 defeated Cheltenham Panthers 0.0.0**

**Goal Kickers:** Maddy 7, Olivia 2, Amber 2, Charlotte 2, Bellami 1, Cadence 1, Megan 1, Nayla 1

**Best players:** Bellami, Charlotte, Maddy, Megan.

**Coaches award:** Bellami, Harmony

The girls continued to play as a team today with another player, Megan, getting her first goal. Having 8 goal kickers in a team of 15 demonstrates how well they are sharing the ball around.

The whole team has been working on their handball and passing and it is definitely improving each week.

The girls also showed great sportsmanship and were very humble in victory which was great to see.

This is the first time this team has scored 100 plus, well done to all of you.

## **Under 12**

**Waverley Park Hawks 4.2.26 defeated by East Malvern 9.5.59**

**Goal kickers:** T Warner 3, R Dakin 1

**Best Players:** R Dakin, T Warner, T Taborsky, H Morgan, B Argus

**Coaches Awards:** Enrique Soria and Zach Nuroo

The under 12s started really strongly on Sunday morning with a great first quarter against East Malvern at Columbia Park. After conceding the first goal we spent much of the rest of the quarter with the ball at our end and Tommy Warner capitalised with 2 goals. Enrique was providing good drive out of the ruck while Tommy Taborsky and Hunter Morgan were on top in the middle of the ground. I was really pleased to see the wall developing each time the ball went into our forward line so well done to Blake, Traps, Nath and Ric who were responsible for it in that quarter.

Unfortunately the rest of the day would dance to a very different tune. East Malvern came out in the 2nd quarter and played a great brand of football and unfortunately we were unable to keep up. Over the 2nd and 3rd quarters they would pile on 6 goals to our 1 and hold the control of play throughout. I thought that Rhys Dakin showed great spirit and endeavour throughout this period continuing to attack the ball and take chances to move it forward. There was nothing wrong with our effort throughout this period however, we just let ourselves down a bit with execution, a good problem to have as out of effort and execution we all know which one is the easiest to correct.

Before the game I had asked the boys to make a really strong effort to switch the play and to also use the huddle on our kick outs. They did not let me down in taking this instruction on board and tried both a number of times, while we made a few errors when executing I was still very proud that they had taken the chance to try something different from what they are used to. I am sure we can iron out the kinks over time.

We fought bravely in the last quarter which was a much more even affair. Zach Nuroo earned himself the coaches' award for a great contest out on the wing. He took on two opponents and when one of them beat him to the ball he didn't give up, he chased hard and laid a tackle to be rewarded with a holding the ball free kick. The second award went to Enrique who always gives his all although can sometimes focus on the man first rather than the ball. I asked him at half time to make a really strong focus on the ball first and he went out and did just that, eventually getting a heavy cork in the thigh after he and one of the East Malvern players ran into each other at full steam with neither taking their eyes off the ball. While bloody painful, the corky is a rite of passage that all young footballers must tackle at some stage and I'm sure it won't keep Ric down too long.

### **Under 13 Brown**

**Waverley Park Hawks 12.7.79 def Beaumaris 1.0.6**

**Goals Kickers:** Montano 3, Plaza 3, Pearce 2, Buzza 2, Fisher, Wieclaw

**Best Players:** Black, Gaudion, Skandalis, Wieclaw, Tan Son, Kolak

**Coaches awards:** Jake Soligo, Josh Boyle, Cayden Black, Spiros Skandalis, Anthony Tan Son

U13 Brown ventured out to Beaumaris on a windy day. We arrived to a big ground with only 18 available players available but were keen to avenge our loss to Beaumaris in the finals last year. Will Pearce led us out and we kicked with the wind in the first. The focus was not to waste the ball with this advantage and after some early points goals started to come. Some great work around the middle and some long kicks into the forward line put 4 goals on the board in the first quarter. Ethan Plaza was kicking truly and Luke and Josh B were dominating in the ruck giving Ethan, Will, Spiros, Jake and Cayden first use of the ball. Teamwork was a focus and we started to share the ball around which provided many more opportunities. A tough second quarter against the wind but to the boys credit they ran the ball well and with Nick Montano and Buzz in the open spaces we piled on another 4 goals. The defence held up strong with Harrison, Anthony, Josh, Noah and Deakin attacking the ball and running it out all day. It was only until the last 5 minutes when we had 17 on the field due to an injury that Beaumaris found a way through and kicked a goal.

A great effort by the team to come away with another win. Some of our new players are now finding their feet and playing up to their potential. Cayden Black was back to his best in the midfield / backline with his hunger for the ball and the contest winning him a coaches award. Another worthy winner of a coaches award was Anthony Tan son who had a great game in the backline, spoiling balls coming in and running them out, showing his ability in the air and on the ground. Spiros Skandalis has finally shaken off an injury and showed today what he can do. Spiros was the clearance king getting first hands on the ball and getting out into space or feeding the ball to the runners. Spiros helped us open up the game and earned himself a coaches award also for his efforts. Well done to all

We look forward to another game next week and seeing what the boys can produce!

Go Hawks

### **Under 13 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 3.5.22 defeated by Caulfield Bears 5.8.38**

**Goal Kickers:** King, Glass, Adams

**Best Players:** Athans, Plowman, Delahunty, King, Vormwald

**Coaches Awards:** Simon Glass, Michael Adams

On a windy Sunday morning at Lum Reserve we got off to a good start kicking 2 goals with the wind. 2nd quarter and the boys fought hard to hold on and kept Caulfield to 2 goals.

Christian Athans was working hard in defence while Henry King was giving us good drive into the forward line. With only a few points in it at half time we were looking for a big third quarter kicking with the wind but we lost our way and let a goal get through and didn't kick any ourselves. We finished off well in the last quarter with a goal into the wind but went down by 2 goals.

A lesson learnt by the boys that you have to play 4 quarters and all work as a team to get the job done. Each week we learn that team work and hard work is what we base our game on. We are moving in the right direction so keep training hard!!

### **Under 14 Brown**

**Waverley Park Hawks 1.4.10 def by Mordialloc/Braeside 17.20.122**

**Goal Kickers:** M.Cappuccino

**Best Players:** S.Kilgower, J.Mucha, D.McCusker, B.Heller, M.Cappuccino, B.Marsicano, M.Palmer, J.Gomatos

**Coaches Award:** S.Kilgower

Swings and Roundabouts.

We went through similar motions as the previous week and discussed what we needed to do from the get go in our pre-game talk and prep.

It was to be a tough day at the office. We didn't jump out of the blocks this week and let the opposition dictate the game from the first bounce.

The first quarter we found ourselves chasing – hard. It's always harder to chase than to be chased.

The boys looked flat and that spark wasn't firing. A few switches were made in the hope of at least slowing the opposition down.

We talked at quarter time about what we need to work on (being in front, standing tall, first hands etc) but I think the first quarter shook them up a bit.

The second quarter was more of the same and the boys looked down and out by half time.

It was the break they needed. We spoke about our expectations, how the boys need to lift, lift each other, play for each other. Put in 100% effort 100% of the time. By the time the 3rd quarter started they were pumped and ready to go again.

We had Ferra run loose down back providing some support to our backline who has been working hard all game. Gomma tagged one of their boys who was having a day out (and didn't have anywhere near the influence he had in the first half).

We went in hard and played in front, piled on more pressure than the first half and we slowed the opposition down. We had the ball in our forward half more this term as well.

We had to wait until the last quarter to see a major kicked by Cappa, but the boys still worked hard until the end.

Not all is lost from this game. We can take away positives and we can work on those areas we fell away in.

To use an old footy cliché – we take it one week at a time, so we'll reset for the next round.

The second half was polar opposites from the first half – we just need to play like the second half all game.

Keep it up boys!

## **Under 14 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 6.10.46 defeated by Bentleigh 13.9.87**

**Goal Kickers:** Cimino 3, McDonnell 2, Sullivan 1

**Best:** Cimino, McDonnell, Mariette, Long, Savage, Russo

**Coaches Award:** Pat Long, Justin Savage

Played home at Lum Reserve on a windy day and again we found ourselves kicking against the wind early. The lads were asked for a harder presence in the first quarter and early on they delivered, but a late lapse and some unfortunate bounces had us trailing by 5 goals at quarter time. Our turn with the wind in the second quarter was not so good and again the game winning margin pretty much ended on the quarter time score. Finishing the game with 16 players didn't help our cause. At the time this report was written, Lachlan King was getting X-rays, hopefully he gets some good news on his wrist. It was great to have Samson Cimino playing himself into some good form. Mariette and McDonnell worked hard with Savage.

We play the game a predictable way when under pressure and if we want to improve as a team, the lads need to move the ball with purpose. Work rate and team work is the only way to go, coupled with better disposal.

We will train this week with intent and come out on Sunday pushing hard for the 4 points.

## **Under 15 Girls**

**Waverley Park Hawks 3.2.20 defeated by East Bentleigh 10.9.69**

**Coaches Award:** Charlie

The Under 15 Girls suited up for a big challenge in taking on the Girls from Bentleigh last Sunday. The focus pre game was on making sure that every loose ball was going to be set upon by a Hawk player. In addition, where we didn't have possession, the instructions were to tackle hard and get a bit of your own footy. This was carried out to the letter by the girls and to their credit, they never stopped doing exactly that all day.

We were ably led by our Captain of the day in Charlie and what leadership she showed. Charlie was in everything and right to the very last play of the day where she laid three tackles in a row, Charlie was our barometer. Assisting her particularly in defence early and midfield later, was Mackenzie, who marked everything that came her way and constantly repelled many Bentleigh forays forward. In a similar vein, Anastasia continues to play above her size with great attack on the contest and showed no fear, despite some much bigger bodies opposing her. Likewise, "Little Jess" possesses a ferocity beyond her stature and years and left a number of Bentleigh girls in no doubt that Jess and her Hawk mates, were here to play. Beth had her own 'paddock' up forward at various stages during the game and made the most of it bagging two big goals at vital stages, one into a howling gale to get us on the scoreboard. Her partner in crime was Annie, who not only had a hand in creating a few goals, but had the hard job of filling the gaps around the ground and into the wind, in order for us to advance the ball forward. Classic 'one percenters'.

Tahlia followed on from last week and was rock solid in defence and at times, was one against two or three and prevailed most of those times. Caitlyn has grown in her footy and put her body on the line constantly and when you consider some of the size discrepancy in Under 15 Girls, that is no mean feat. Caitlyn created and ran at will into attack. Laura pushed through any potential separation anxiety by missing her injured twin sister and played really well. Laura has great skill and was able to exhibit that many times, especially when instructed to kick long from Full Back. Chloe too, battling injury, was our hit up option through the middle of the ground as well as carrying the bulk of the Ruck duties. Chloe carried the load really well and is developing beautifully into an athletic footballer. Maddy played a blinder and led the tackling count for sure. Not only did she create play for us, but she devoted part of her game to playing on the oppositions best girl by far. Both attacked the contests hard but in the end, I reckon Maddy won the battle on points. So much so that when Maddy laid a crunching tackle to free up the ball, it was clear this didn't go down well with her opposite number. Maddy kept her composure and her sportgirlship intact.

This week saw two first gamers take the field for the Under 15 Girls, in "Big Jess"(she is taller than Jess N, aka little Jess) and Charlotte, and what an introduction they got to footy. Charlotte's first piece of play resulted in her getting slammed in a tackle, a whack in the head, then a possession shortly after. Charlotte picked herself up, dusted herself off and got on with the job of getting involved. Charlotte got better as the game went on and seemed to really enjoy herself. Jess B also had a 'baptism of fire' and soon worked out that at times, footy is not for the faint hearted. Jess B is a competitive girl



and this was on display for all to see. Jess attacked every contest with vigour and her height and competitiveness are welcome additions. Welcome abroad Girls!

Whilst we were clearly beaten on the day, finishing with 12 players and the change rooms looking like a room full of walking wounded by games end, the girls showed enormous grit, fight and an admirable never say die attitude to the end. These girls are a credit to themselves and their families and are a joy to be involved with. We now just need to get a few more troops and all get to training and games as much as we can.

Great work Girls!

### **Advanced Office Interiors Under 15 Brown**

**Waverley Park Hawks 7.6.48 defeated by East Sandringham/Hampton 11.14-80**

**Goal Kickers:** Z Fisher 2, V Zagari 2, Fabian Stellarto 1, B Thomson 1, M Tighello 1

**Best Players:** Fabian Stellarto, Sean Watson, Haden Emerson, Jean-Luc Conte, Vincent Zagari, Clay Emery, Kya Gubatanga

**Coaches Awards:** Haden Emerson, Sean Watson

Footy is a tough game and I thought this week's game was no exception. Credit to East Sandy/Hampton they stuck to their game plan all day. We are a talented football team that can sometimes make silly decisions with ball in hand and the sooner we start making the right decision 90% of the time rather than 60% the sooner we start winning games.

That said I could not be prouder of the boys this week. Unfortunately we are very under manned at the moment playing the second half with one less than your opposition is always going to be difficult.

Our pressure on the ball carrier was enormous and the efforts of Robbo and Webb to remain on the field for as long as they did was inspiring. Also Jack and Chayce to butter up after finishing a Vic trial game only 1 hour prior shows the dedication of the group. Tiggs competed in ruck for most of the day, Fabian played his usual talented game while Watto gave his all in the air and on the ground. Vince tried hard to peg back the lead in the last as well and Jake started to get his body behind the ball but for me the constant repel of thrusts from Emo, Jean and Clay was the highlight.

We will continue to work on certain aspects of our game at training and if we can find an extra 10% effort will also be competitive next week.

### **JB Commercial Under 15 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 11.18.84 def Beaumaris 7.7.49**

**Goal Kickers:** Beck 4, Wensley 4, Noble, Jackson, Kokkinias

**Best Players:** Beck, Spiteri, Kreidl, Kokkinias, Burgess, Noble, McDowell

**Coaches Award:** Ben Beck and Jay Spiteri

The U15 Golds arrived at Lum Reserve raring to go after a bye the previous week. We faced Beaumaris and expected a tough game against a good opposition. Fortunately for us we came out and played our best half of footy for the year, completely dominating Beauy and taking a 21 point lead at half time. Inaccuracy cost us kicking 12 points in that half and made the scoreboard look respectable for Beauy. Jono and Eric were unstoppable in the first half whilst Joel and Jack, both back fresh from a school China trip played very well also. The third quarter is where we really did some damage kicking 5 goals with Poodle and Jay crashing packs and tackling hard and Benny up forward kicking multiple goals. Lachy Nobles first game back for the club in over a year after missing with injuries was impressive and Max Burgess' game was outstanding on the Division's leading goal kicker. Overall, it was a great team effort and the best game we have played all year and we ran out deserving 35 point winners. We now move to first on the ladder but no doubt some goal kicking practice is in order for training on Wednesday night!!

### **Display the Game Under 16 Brown**

**Waverley Park 7.9.51 def East Sandringham 7.7.49**

**Goal Kickers:** D. Tennent 3, H. Dimopoulos 3, A. Palleschi

**Best Players:** A. De Marco-Toro, R. O'Hara, T. Mannix, M. Cappello, A. Cappello, D. Tennent

**Coaches Awards:** Angelo Cappello

On a windy day at Columbia, we returned home to play Easy Sandringham.

We started the game with an intent that we haven't showed thus far this year blowing East Sandringham out of the game. Inaccuracy cost us dearly when we should've had a bigger lead at the break. The second quarter we played horribly letting East Sandringham back into the contest with a poor performance overall. Luckily fantastic defending from the Cappello brothers and good drive out of the middle from Tom Mannix and Adrian De Marco-Toro. After the break we came back out with a better performance regathering the lead and setting up an exciting last quarter. The last quarter was a very exciting affair with the game moving quickly both ways. We were down by 4 points and came back kicking a goal to set up a narrow lead. Some desperation at the end by Declan and both Lachie's ensured we ended up with the 4 points in a tough and tight encounter.

The game leaves us with plenty to take out of, both good and bad but shows us just what we can do if we play our best footy for 4 quarter! No report

### **RJ Ryan Partners Under 16 Gold**

**Waverley Park Hawks 18.16.124 defeated Beaumaris 6.6.42**

We travelled to Beaumaris on Sunday for a must win game after the unfortunate event of the previous week. The focus all week was on a fast start and this became all the more important after we won the toss and were kicking with a 4-5 goal wind. I looked at the stop watch 1 minute and 45 seconds into the first quarter and we already had 2 goals on the board. Up by 24 points at half time, Beaumaris hit back with the wind in the second quarter and

by half time the margin had narrowed. Troy and Mona were changing in the ruck and getting first hands to the ball and we were getting drive out of the middle and off the half back line from Lachie Mc, Jaxon and Francis.

The second half saw us outscore our opponents to run out over 10 goal winners after kicking 6 goals in the last quarter against the wind. Sully got plenty of the ball in the second half ably assisted by Kyle, Jake, Artu and Lachie Noone. Strongy and Matty Fewings were solid in defence and Beery gave us good run off the half back line, when he was changed back there in the second half. The one down side was the injury to Pooch in the last 15 seconds of the game with an ankle injury. He is likely to be out for 2-3 weeks.

A big test awaits us next week against St Kilda considering we are way down on troops. A win will get to the positive side of the win loss ledger.

### **Pinewood Community Bank Under 17**

**Waverley Park Hawks 11.8.74 defeated Beaumaris 8.6.54**

**Goal Kickers:** Long 4 , Payne 3 ,Wales 1 , Kanavos 1,Kreidl 1 , Palleschi 1

**Best Players:** Illic, Payne, Long Morgan , Tighello, Jago, Fernandes

**Coaches Award:** Phil Illic

**Milestone:** James Long 100 games

We went into this game confident if we played like we did in the second half last week, we were a great chance to win.

We talked about doing all the basic elements well and from the first bounce we were aggressive at the ball, tackled hard and used our outside run far better than we had in any other game.

As our confidence grew we continued to look impressive as we moved the ball into our forward line and our new full forward Riley Payne helped straighten up our entries into the forward half with his strong leading.

We had a handy lead at half time and while challenged in the third quarter we continued to play good instinctive football and ended up winning by 20 points

We need to continue to work on our stoppages as well as defensive pressure from the midfield however, it was a great overall team effort.

Our two ruckmen Phil Illic and James Tighello were strong all day and Matthew Jago showed great form in the unfamiliar role for him in the midfield

Congratulations to James Long on kicking 4 goals in his 100th game.

Also thanks to Alex Palleschi who helped out after his Under 16s game and kicked a goal in an impressive display.

A real sour note occurred in the last 3 minutes of the game when Jackson D'Angelo showing his normal courageous manner, fell heavily in a marking contest and unfortunately broke his ankle in two places.

He had an operation on Monday night and while all went well he will be out of any type of sport for a minimum of 4 months.

We wish him well in his recovery and I know when he feels up to it, he will become a valuable member of the sideline coaching team for the rest of the year.



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