



# NEWSLETTER

*WELCOME* to the first edition of the Wantirna South Netball Club newsletter for the Winter 1997 season. This is what we hope will be a way of regularly keeping you informed of events etc. happening at the Club. We expect to issue newsletters every 2 or 3 weeks and they will be distributed to each team through the coaches/team managers.

Please make sure you get your copy to ensure you know what is going on in and around YOUR Club.

*WINTER 1997* will see the Club put 10 teams on the court on Saturdays. We will be fielding teams in the following age groups/sections and coaches for all teams have been appointed.

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>COACH</u>
..... 9 and Under Netta Wrens	Robyn Burgess
..... 11 & Under Section 3	Rachel Thurgood
..... 11 & Under Section 5	Jody McCredden/Kristen Russell
..... 13 & Under Section 1	Linda Wilde
..... 13 & Under Section 4	Alicia Wilde
..... 15 & Under Section 3	Marlene Coloretti
..... 15 & Under Section 4	Maree Thurgood
..... 17 & Under Section 2	Danni Vandersteen
..... B Grade, Section 3	Keith Russell
..... A Grade	Kees Vandersteen

Special thanks to our coaches and we wish you all the best for the season.

Whilst at this stage the Club is reasonably happy with the gradings assigned to each of the teams, opportunity does exist after 3 rounds for the MDNA to regrade teams based on performances in the games played up to that time. Where necessary and in consultation with the appropriate coach, the club will make the necessary representations to the Association for team gradings that realistically suite our playing personnel. **However, there is no guarantee that changes will occur.**

At the present time, most sides have adequate numbers of players. However, experience suggests that you can never have too many players - particularly in the younger age groups for a variety of reasons.

If you know anyone who is interested in playing netball this season, tell them about WSNC and let a committee member know of this interest. Details of committee members are included later in this newsletter.

ALSO, in past years, the Club has lost a number of players to Saturday competition because of conflicting interests, primarily work commitments. This year, the committee has indicated an interest in entering a team in **weekday evening competition** at the Ferntree Gully complex. If you are interested, or know of others who may be, keep an eye out for details in future editions of the newsletter or let one of the committee know.

Be sure to follow the Club's progress on the court through the team reports which will be a feature in each newsletter once the playing season commences. In addition, in future additions, we will have information on how the **Club's team and overall awards** are decided, Players' Code of Conduct as well as other Codes by which all clubs are expected to abide, ie coaches, officials etc. With this issue we have attached a '**Code of Dress and Rules for Players**'. It is important that all players and in the case of under age sides, their parents are aware of the requirements placed upon us. If you have any questions on uniforms generally, please contact **Marg. Jackson** on **9801- 7794**.

#### **THE 1997 COMMITTEE**

We have mentioned the Club's committee a number of times already in this edition. This year, I am pleased that we have a group of dedicated parents, both experienced in netball administration and some learning the ropes, looking after the affairs of the club. We would welcome your feedback - the good and not so good - as only through this can we better administer the Club for you and your daughters.

Please feel free to talk to one of the undermentioned if you want to make a point:

.....Peter Coloretti (President) 9801-5104  
.....Chris Taylor (Vice President) 9764-2859  
.....Rae Craven (Secretary) 9800-4872  
.....Terry Buchanan (Treasurer) 9801-4336

General Committee: Marg. Jackson (Uniform Co-Ordinator), Karen O'Moore, Marilyn Russell, Sue McCredden, Linda Wilde (Umpires' Convenor), Pam Morgan, Kay Morris and Janet Van Ree.

#### **UMPIRES**

One of the more difficult roles on the committee is that of Umpires' Convenor. Put simply, WSNC must provide 10 umpires each Saturday - one for each team we have registered.

Our current Umpires' Convenor, **Linda Wilde** would like to hear from anyone interested in 'whistle blowing', particularly in the 2.00pm / 3.30pm timeslots. Failure on the Club's part to provide the correct number of umpires will result in loss of points for teams.

**This is quite serious and any assistance will be greatly appreciated and 'rewarded' financially.**

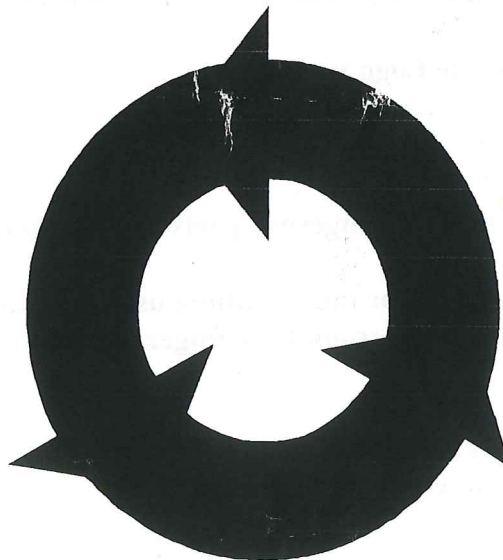
### **FUNDRAISING**

Finally, for this edition, 'Fundraising' is an important ingredient for any club and if WSNC is to keep fees etc. to a minimum, your assistance in this area during the year will also be appreciated.

Watch out for details of our fundraisers through the newsletter. Also if you have any great ideas, we'd love to hear from you.

Till the next edition, remember:

**NETBALL IS A CATCHING THING**



## **☆☆CODE OF DRESS and RULES FOR PLAYERS☆☆**

- \* **Tops must be tucked in  
Team tops and skirts/shorts must be the same**
- \* **Socks must cover anklebones  
Team socks must be matching**
- \* **No earrings/studs or body piercing rings allowed on any body parts. New piercing can be taped for six weeks from date of piercing on presentation of letter from Chemist or MD.**
- \* **Jewellery must be removed before taking the court, only a wedding ring may be worn if it a plain, flat gold band and taped**
- \* **Only soft/flexible hair accessories allowed**
- \* **Only soft brimmed hats can be worn**
- \* **Tracksuit pants to match skirts can be worn by NETTA players only**
- \* **No bike shorts/bikini pants to be worn. Briefs must be dark or matching**
- \* **Print on Shirts can be Logo size only**
- \* **No chewing of gum**
- \* **Any support braces with dangerous parts (metal clips etc.) must be covered**
- \* **Nails - must be cut short or taped (taping using soft tape must over the finger to the first joint and then around the finger. Long nails must be also padded under the taping)**
- \* **Metal bangles that cannot be removed must be covered with a thick bandage for padding and safety**
- \* **No abusive language/unacceptable behaviour/conduct to be exhibited on the court**
- \* **No deliberate or persistent breaking of the rules**