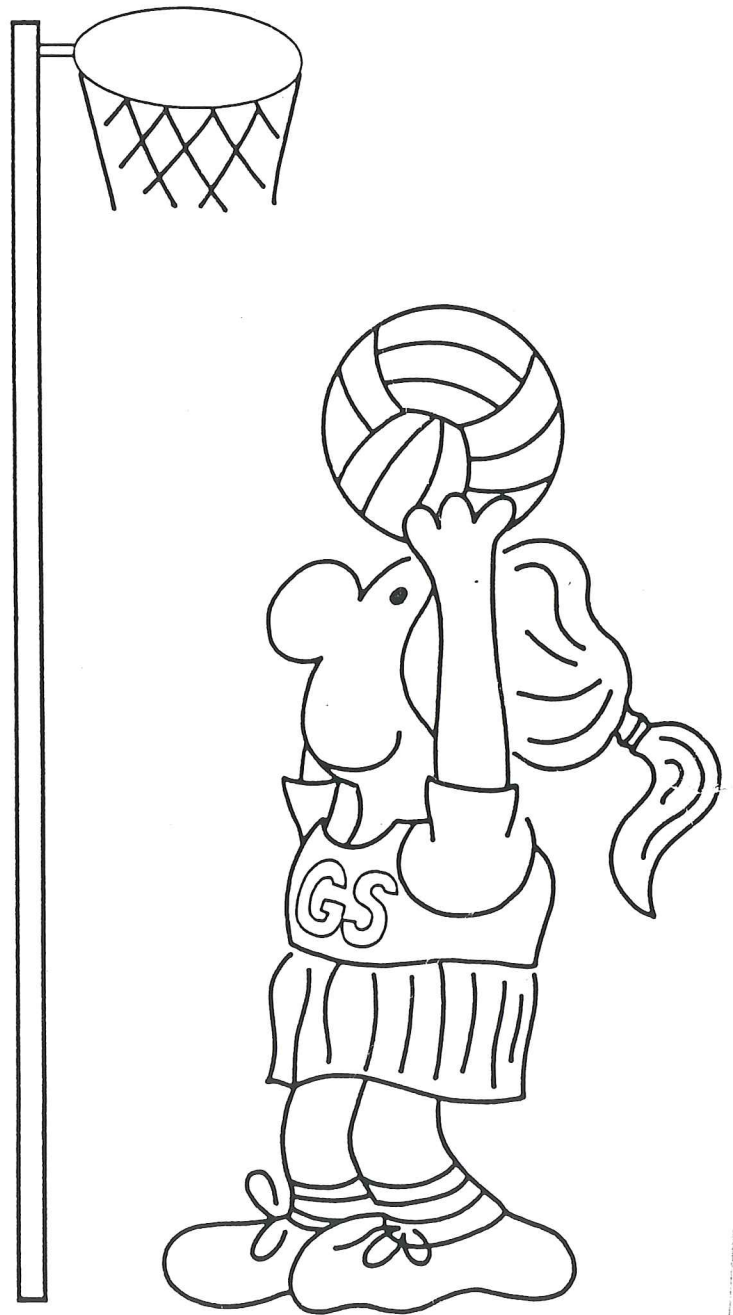


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WANTIRNA SOUTH NETBALL CLUB NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

GRAND FINAL DAY WINTER . SAT 12TH AVG.

CLUB PRESENTATION NIGHT SAT 12TH AVG.

SPRING SEASON STARTS SAT. 2ND SEPT.

I HOPE BY NOW YOU HAVE ALL RECEIVED YOUR FLYER REGARDING PRESENTATION NIGHT. IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE PLEASE CONTACT MYSELF, SUE WILKINSON ON 9801 5878.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE NOW FROM THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

PETER/MARLENE COLORETTI
CLIVE/DIANE SAVORY
KAREN O'MOORE
TERRY FRENCH

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL GIRLS WHO COMPETED IN THE HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT HELD AT FERNTREE GULLY.

OVR 15/1 TEAM FINISHED 4TH.
OVR 15/2 TEAM FINISHED RUNNER UP (THANKS TULLIE FOR FILLING IN)
OVR 13/1 AND 11/5 TEAMS PLAYED VERY WELL.

Editors note: Thank you to Noel Porter for donating his photocopier for the clubs use.

UMPIRES

Well done to all the umpires this season. I hope to see you all come back in the following seasons to come.

With special thanks to Karen O'Moore and Sue Wilkinson for helping some of our new girls earlier on in this year. Also Thanks to Annette And Amy Dunlop for Umpiring the last couple of weeks where we had a shortage of umpires and without people like this the girls wouldn't be able to play.

Welcome back to Amanda Blackwell who used to umpire for the club years ago when she used to play back then but now she has come back to wear her whites.

With the spring season coming up we are still required to supply 1 umpire for each team we put out on the court so I would like to thank Erin Bull, Breanna O'Moore, Melinda Teakel, Ashley Egan, Kerry Wailes and Rachel Burgess for offering their services to the club for the up coming season. It is very much appreciated.

-Amy Coloretti

...COACHES CORNER

NETTA RUBIES – SUE WILKINSON/ ELLEN TEAKEL

OUR GIRLS CONTINUE ON THEIR WINNING WAY. THE MATCHES HAVE BEEN GREAT TO WATCH, WITH ALL GIRLS PLAYING WITH MUCH ENTHUSIASM.

OUR GIRLS HAVE BEEN WORKING REALLY HARD AT TRAINING, LISTENING ATTENTIVELY. IT'S LOVELY TO SEE THAT THE THINGS WE LEARN AT TRAINING ARE THEN BOUGHT TO MATCH DAY. THE GIRLS TRYING REALLY HARD TO PRACTISE WHAT THEY'VE BEEN TAUGHT (THANKS ELLEN) WELL DONE GIRLS !!!!

NETTA JADES – KAY MORRIS/ DEBBIE CLARKSON

AFTER BEING PUT UP A GRADE OUR "JADES" ARE STILL WINNING. WE HAVE ONLY LOST ONE GAME AND IT WAS ONLY BY 2 GOALS. THE GIRLS ARE ALWAYS ENTHUSIASTIC AT 9.00AM IN THE MORNING IN THE FREEZING COLD AND ARRIVE WITH A SMILE ON THEIR FACE.

LAST WEEK WE WERE MISSING TWO OF OUR PLAYERS AND WERE VERY LUCKY TO HAVE LAUREN WILKINSON PLAY FOR US. WE APPRECIATE NETTA RUBIES LENDING HER FOR A DAY, IN FACT LAUREN PLAYED LIKE SHE HAD ALWAYS BEEN IN OUR TEAM. THANKS LAUREN THIS WEEK THE GIRLS HAD A CHANGE OF COACH FOR THEIR TRAINING SESSION. MARLENE COLORETTI KINDLY AGREED TO TAKE OUR GIRLS FOR A SESSION AND THE GIRLS HAD A GREAT TIME. MARLENE HAD MANY DIFFERENT FUN DRILLS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE GIRLS, WHO WERE SMILING THE WHOLE TIME. WE WOULD ALL LIKE TO THANK MARLENE FOR HER TIME AND EFFORTS ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

U/11 TOPAZ – TANYA WADDELL

WANTIRNA SOUTH TOPAZ SCORED A GREAT WIN OVER SELBY LAST WEEK, PUTTING US BACK ON THE WINNERS LIST AFTER A FEW TOUGH MATCHES. WE WERE ALSO FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO COMPETE IN THE RECENT MDNA INDOOR HOLIDAY TOURNMANET. ALTHOUGH WE ENCOUNTERED SOME VERY EXPERIENCED OPPOSITION, IT WAS A GOOD TEST OF OUR SKILLS AND A LOT OF FUN. I AM CONFIDENT THAT IF WE CONTINUE TO WORK HARD BOTH ON THE COURT AND AT TRAINING, WANTIRNA SOUTH TOPAZ WILL NOTCH UP A FEW MORE VICTORIES IN THE REMAINING MATCHES.

U/13 SAPPHIRES – PETER WIKINSON

WHILE WE ARE ALMOST AT THE END OF OUR WINTER SEASON, WITH NOT MUCH LUCK IN TERMS OF WINNING MATCHES THE SKILL LEVEL OF THE GIRLS SEEMS TO HAVE IMPROVED SIGNIFICANTLY. MOST OF THE GIRLS HAVE BEEN PLAYING IN A AGE GROUP SEVERAL YEARS ABOVE THEIR LEVEL AND HAVE EXPERIENCED GIRLS THAT ARE PHYSICALLY BIGGER AND STRONGER. HOWEVER THEIR ENDEAVOUR HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING WHEN BATTLING AGAINST THE ODDS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT SEASON WITH GREAT EXCITEMENT AND EXPECTATION. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

U/15 DIAMONDS - JULIE PAPPA

27.05.00 VS ST THOMAS MORE

CONDITIONS WEREN'T TOO GOOD FOR NETBALL BUT THE GIRLS MADE A STRONG START. A THIRD QUARTER COME BACK FROM ST. T.M. MADE FOR A CLOSE GAME. BUT THE HEAVENS OPENED AND THE SIREN WENT EARLY, SO WE CAME OUR WINNERS BY 1 GOAL.

3.6.00 VS ROWVILLE DIAMONDS

A FAIRLY EASY GAME THAT THE GIRLS PLAYED WELL. WINNING 53-14.

17.6.00 VS. SELBY

THE GIRLS PLAYED 3 QUARTERS OF NETBALL BUT FELL AWAY IN THE LAST, GOING DOWN 25-33.

23.6.00 VS. WANTIRNA HEIGHTS

THIS WEEK WE STRUGGLED TO FILL A SIDE, BUT THANKS TO TAEGAN'S SCOUTING SHE FOUND TWO GREAT FILL-IN'S TO HELP OUR TEAM. THE GIRLS MIXED WELL BUT AGAINST A STRONG OPPOSITION LOST 31-35.

29.6.00 VS. SCHOOL HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

IT WAS A GREAT NIGHT OF NETBALL ENJOYED BY ALL.

8.7.00 VS, STH. UPWEY

AN EVEN FIRST QUARTER SET THE SCENE FOR A CLOSE GAME, BUT BASIC SKILL ERRORS LET THE TEAM DOWN AND WE LOST 19-38.

WE HAVE JUST 2 GAMES LEFT AND WE ARE HOVERING JUST OUTSIDE THE FOUR. A STRONG FINISH WOULD BE A GOOD LEAD UP TO THE FINALS. SO I HOPE THEY ALL PUT IN 100% AND PLAY AS A TEAM.

13-3 EMERALDS

With a Couple of weeks until the finals these girls may have just cleared their chance of the finals. With another win over Ferntree Gully last Saturday 38-16, with a girl the same height as Amanda it gave me a chance to play her down in defence as GK mind you the GA was twice her height but Melissa was out of play in the centre third and Amanda was left with two goalers until she timed a beautiful intercept against the GA. Amanda was just flying in the air.

So while Amanda was doing so well in defence Kylie was playing Amanda's normal roll in centre where the girl she was on was taller than her. (The following training after this game Kylie did mention that she didn't really want to play centre again as it was too tiring.) In the Last quarter Melissa had the pleasure of playing Centre while Amanda was in GD but Melissa was having trouble seeing the ball as her fringe was not clipped back and it kept going in her eyes.

With Anneka's new hair colour she was off and running as WD and WA with some pretty good defence around the goal circle.

*But while we were killing Ferntree Gully Melinda was taking a penalty pass in the middle of the centre third where she threw the ball straight out of court **BUT** she didn't step.*

Nicole didn't get bashed around as much this week as she had her opponent fooled by her incredible speed and dodging around the court.

It has taken 12 weeks but it has happened Hayley was calling for the ball and I could hear her from the other end of the court but she didn't get the ball but we did get a goal from Nicole. But don't give up Hayley keep on calling nice and loud.

Sam's feet have finally come in contact with the ground when she catches the ball. Well done Sam for the great improvement.

Keep up the good work girls it will pay off in a couple of weeks.

-Amy Coloretti

U/15 CRYSTALS – RACHEL THURGOOD/ KERRY MCCREDDEN

SINCE THE LAST UPDATE, THE CRYSTALS EXPERIENCED THEIR FIRST WIN OF THE SEASON BY ONE GOAL, OFFICIALLY THE MOST EXCITING MATCH THE GIRLS HAVE PLAYED THIS SEASON. THE REST OF THE MATCHES WE'VE PLAYED, WE'VE LOST DUE TO A VARIETY OF FACTORS – THE OPPOSITION RESEMBLING SKY SCRAPERS, ONE OF OUR STAR DEFENDERS BEING OUT WITH A KNEE INJURY – BUT NOT ONE HAVE WE LOST DUE TO THE GIRLS PUTTING IN LESS THAN 100% IN THE MATCH.

WHILE NOT GETTING MANY WINS ON THE BOARD, THESE GIRLS ARE LEARNING VALUABLE SKILLS, TACTICS AND TEAMWORK, AND ALL I CAN SAY IS LOOK OUT FOR THE CRYSTALS NEXT SEASON....

"The Gems" - 15 & Under 3

RESULTS

Round 7

W.S. vs
St. Johns

Cancelled due to rain.

Round 8

W.S. 45 defeated
St. Lukes 12

A great effort girls!

These last 2 rounds in particular, the girls have actually started to play as a TEAM, which is very encouraging because; whether they realise it or not, it is something I have been working towards all season.

Round 11

W.S. 29 defeated by
Selby 39

Round 9

W.S. 41 defeated the top side
Studfield 32

Round 10

W.S. 61 defeated
FTG Dusty Blue 7
YES! We won by 54 goals. Well done girls!

The girls seemed to fall asleep through this game. They appeared to be playing in slow motion.

BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY - WHERE DID OUR "TEAM WORK" GO GIRLS?

There are 7 girls in a team on the court at any given time so all 7 players need to continuously offer themselves throughout the game and all 7 players need to be used throughout the game.

IT IS AFTER ALL A TEAM SPORT.

However, the balance of the team was uptipped slightly, with the absence of Erin, having rolled her ankle during the week in a "Rep" Grand Final. Gee! Some people have awkward children!

Round 12

We had a bye the first week back after the school holidays.

HOWEVER, during these holidays the girls entered into the MDNA Round Robin Night Time Tournament where they did extremely well – coming Runner's Up to Studfield and each receiving a medal for their efforts. Well done girls!

They did this without 2 of their regular players – Erin Bull because of her ankle injury, although she was there on the night to cheer the girls on.

Also Jennifer Lawrence was holidaying in Townsville and wouldn't fly home for the night and play. I don't know some girls just don't have any team spirit.
Only joking Jen!

We did however have Tullie Roberts filling in for us and what a wonderful job she did.
Thanks Tullie.

With only 2 more rounds to the finals we are now at the "serious" end of the season.

This TEAM has a great chance to do well in the finals this season but I can't stress enough the importance of a TEAM effort to pull off a Grand Final win.

Believe me when I say, "It can happen girls." I have every confidence in you.

MARLENE



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Open 4 - Week Seven - Wantirna South Opals (52) def. Bayswater (28)

Wow ! What a game. Our opponents today were the most physical we have met to date with *hips and the odd elbow* being thrown regularly during the game. However, we stood up to the challenge and concentrated on putting the ball through the goal - *scoreboard pressure is where the Opals gets their kicks*.

Whilst a good win, let's not get too carried away - **Bayswater Sparkles** (I could think of a few others names for these ladies!) did only have six players and I think we can expect more of the same, ie hips and elbows, next time we meet them.

What a defence ! **Hayley Waddell** and sister **Tanya** did a great job on a couple of rough house opponents for the whole game. What they left behind, **Julie Diender** mopped up. **Amanda Blackwell** turned in a **pearler** in the centre and is our *general on the court*. **Mey Fuon** is gaining more confidence with every week and was very good particularly in the second half today. Fill in **Amy Dunlop** played as we all know she can - *tongue out and hard at the ball*. Thanks for helping us out today. And last but not least, **Amy Coloretti** just kept '*swooshing*' the ball through the hoop.

A great team effort from all girls.

Open 4 - Week Eight - Wantirna South Opals (40) def. St Johns (23)

Played in **cool** conditions, this game was another good one for the Opals. The girls welcomed back **Mey Wun** for this game and thankfully, she was able to stand up for 3 quarters before taking well earned rest during the shortened last quarter.

We had some good passages of play in the game, particularly when we **slowed down** and **pin pointed** our passes just that little more. **Tanya** played a **blinder** and she was well supported in defence by Mey Wun, **Julie** and **Amanda**. In attack, **Hayley** and **Amy** combined beautifully using the wings **Mey Fuon** and **Alana** to good advantage.

We remain undefeated but have some big games ahead of us over the next few weeks. However, if we are hungry enough for success, I am sure we can continue with the relentless pressure we have been displaying.

Open 4 - Week Nine- Wantirna South Opals (52) def. Boronia (25)

Well now girls, lets go through those most valuable lessons we learnt before the game from the "**Beast of Boronia**".

Firstly, our scorer **Barbara Diender** - in future, lets not forget that as home team it is **our responsibility to take the scoreboard over to the opposition**. Yeah right. Secondly, all you **aspiring captains** out there, lets not forget that its the **home team who tosses the coin** !

All important facets of the game - **NOT**. Perhaps the '**Beast**' would have been better to concentrate on getting the ball because we all know who's "**full of it**".

Fortunately, the **Opals** saved the best lesson for the court when we gave them a good old fashioned hiding as the scoreboard showed. Up forward, **Amy C** and **Hayley** tore Boronia's defence apart - maybe their GK was puffed from exhaling a whole lot of **hot air** before the game ! **Alana** provided a **good option** up the middle from WA and gave us an extra set of hands around the circle. **Julie** gave us a lot of **run** out of the centre in the first half and was **steady** as WD for the remainder. **Amanda** was **tight** in the first half as WD and **intercepted** on countless occasions. In the second half, she ran so hard, she ended up with **blisters on the top of her little toes** ! Down back, we had a very efficient



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defence with **Tanya** and **Mey Wun** alternating in the key defensive positions. Tanya was all over the place as usual taking **rebounds**, **intercepting** and **running hard** to give a passing option while Mey Wun is slowly easing herself back after a season racked by injury. Mey too **intercepted** and **rebounded** very well today.

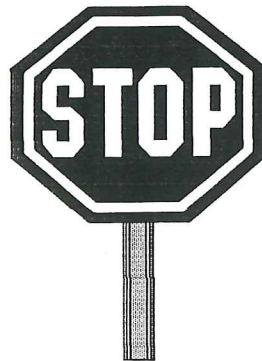
Lets keep the **train on the track** girls - there's some **big games** just around the **next bend**.

Open 4 - Week Ten- Wantirna South Opals (47) def. Bayswater Allsorts (32)

Whilst **Amy Coloretti** was getting a '**numb bum**' from her bus seat on a school trip to Central Australia, the rest of her team mates in the **Opals** were giving **second placed Bayswater** a **numbing experience** of their own.

Just when you might have expected a tentative start, **Julie Diender** burst from the blocks at WD to intercept the first centre pass and send the ball down for our first goal. She was ably supported by **Tanya 'tentacle arms'** at GD (and then GK) and **Mey Wun** at GK (and GD) after a big night on the town - er, I mean school social ! **Amanda** whether at C or WD played **inspired netball** with several deft touches to team mates in better positions. **Alana** at WA or C provided **good options** up forward and was helpful around the goal circle. **Mey Fuon** also provided a **steady avenue to goal** from WA and is gaining **poise** and **confidence** - and dare I say **controlled aggression** - with every game. Our **Guest Captain, Amy Dunlop** gave us **spark and drive** for 3 quarters from GA before resting her hand for scoreboard signing duties in the 4th quarter. Well done Amy and thanks for filling in this week and see you again next week while **Amy C is feeding crocs** (not goals) in the Territory ! Then last but by no means least, **Hayley** as GS. Hayley gave us a **tall shooting option** under the ring - or was that down on the transverse line (only joking !). Seriously, Hayley played a **great team game** with **strong re-bounding** if she did miss the goal.

Well done girls on a great team performance against the second placed 'Allsorts'. However, can we please remember to



OR AT LEAST SLOW DOWN WHEN WE HAVE THE BALL IN OUR ATTACKING HALF OF THE COURT. THAT WAY, WE CAN PIN POINT OUR PASSES WITH PRECISION THAT WILL MESMERISE OUR OPPOSITION BETWEEN NOW AND GRAND FINAL DAY!!

Open 4 - Week Eleven- Wantirna South Opals (42) def. Wantirna Heights (24)

I think I should have given you this Newsletter before today's game - maybe the **STOPSIGN** would have given you a bit of a clue. Seriously, I would have to say that this week's game is probably the first one this year, where I have been genuinely nervous before the opening centre. Our opponents are known for getting under the graders' guards - perhaps it has something to do with them having quite a



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few graders ! However, as I write this now, not sure why I was so worried. When you have a team of **dedicated, hardworking girls** such as you, what's there to worry about. Again to be serious for a moment, we must not get too carried away with our form. There is still five games to go - six if Tanya has her way and we lose the 2nd semi just to get in an extra game - and everyone will be trying to stop us from the big one. I am sure you will agree with me that our passing could have been better today and it was only our **never say die attitude** that won us back the ball on a number of occasions.

With Amy C still in 'you'll never, never know' land, and Hayley 'crook as a dog in bed' we moved the **dangerous Mey Wun** into the GS position today and she performed brilliantly - even got down early for a couple of practice shots. It's great to have such versatility in the side - one week GK, next GS and giving us a real target to hit. **Amy D** came back to help us out again this week and didn't she 'go'. I asked her before game for a **big one** and she certainly provided the goods at GA. **Alana** first half as WA was **as good as it gets** with some very good holding of the ball around the circle for the right option. She moved to C in the second half and gave us **fresh legs** up and down the court. **Caroline McCormack** (Julie Papa's sister) also filled in for us this week too. As C in the first half, she gave us **drive and muscle in close** before moving to WA where she continued to **mix it in the clinches**. At WD we had **Julie** who after a slower start this week, probably turned in **her best game** for the year with **countless loose ball gets** and **great sideways** options. **Amanda** played GD this week and again demonstrated her value to the team by giving us a **running option** down back. She **mopped up** countless times in defence **playing tall** where it counts - under the ring. Last but by no means least **Tanya** - the Gadget arms of the team - at GK. Tanya snuffed out any opponent, although I think she did learn a few nice words for her repertoire.

Open 4 - Week Twelve- Wantirna South Opals (46) def. Rustlers (40)

Whew ! The great escape. Rustlers are probably the one team this year that has given us the most trouble. Maybe its because of their **fast style** of play which then has us trying to **even play faster**. Seriously, we are a better team when we play **our game**. It is important to be **patient** in trying to bring the ball into the goals but more importantly we have to give the **first option** out of the centre. Remember we have to move forward to the ball but like I said today, it wasn't always the catcher that caused us problems today, the throwers let us down on a number of occasions too.

Mey Wun played her **best game** of the season today at GK. She fought hard for the ball, whether in the air or on the ground, and intercepted our opponents wayward passes on many occasions. **Tanya** played her usual serviceable game at GD and gave us **many options** either bringing the ball out of defence or from centre passes. **Julie** gave us some **good options** when bring the ball out of defence but let herself down occasionally with a **few soft lobbs** which were cut out by our fast running opponents. **Alana** had the difficult job in the middle two quarters, of running with Rustlers' quickest player. She did **well at winning the ball** and gave some good passes into the goals. However, like Julie, she also **let herself down** with a few passes which were telegraphed to our opponents. **Mey Fuon** returned this week and played a serviceable game as WA. Mey gives us **many options by running into space** and all other players need to look for her particularly in the goal third. On many occasions today, she was free but not used. **Hayley**, back from illness, played GA and GS very well today with a couple of **brilliant intercepts** and some **very good rebounding and goals**. **Amy C** returned to the Garden State earlier in the week and to the Opals GS position for the first 3 quarters before taking a **siesta** in the 4th. With a bit of practice between now and the next game, she should be back to her 'swooshing' best - even for those **ones under the ring** !! Finally, **Amy D** played for us again this week taking the place of **Amanda** who had work commitments. Amy showed her **versatility** by playing C, GD, Bench and GA over the four quarters - including a couple of '**look away**' goals in the last quarter !

The **major problem** with today's game was that we tried to play in a manner a little foreign to us. Perhaps it was a result of the lay off for the school holidays ! However, we have **two games left** before the **finals** to get back to the **Opals game plan** .

Name: Ellie Ingwersen

Netball Team: Jade

Favourite Netballer: Nicole Richardson

Favorite Football Team: Bulldogs

Favorite Footballer: Chris Grant

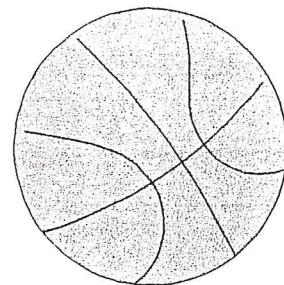
Favourite Singer/Group: Blink 182 & Metallica

Favourite Song: The Party Sang & Small Things

Favourite Movie: 10 Things I Hate About You

Favourite Food: McDonalds

Ambition: Hairdresser



Player Profiles

Name: Sharna Jones

Netball Team: Rubies

Favourite Netballer:

Favorite Sport: Netball

Favorite TV Show: Cartoons

Favourite Singer/Group:

Favourite Song:

Favourite Movie: Home Alone

Favourite Food: Pizza

Ambition: Dentist

Name: Brooke Andrew

Netball Team: Topaz

Favourite Netballer: Sharelle McMahon

Favourite Football Team: Richmond

Favourite Footballer: Nick Daffy

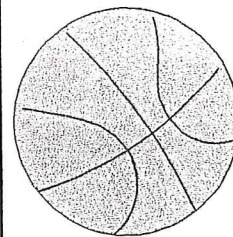
Favourite Singer/Group: S2S

Favourite Song: Sister

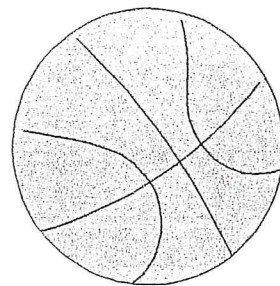
Favourite Movie:

Favourite Food: Hungary Jacks

Ambition: Traveller



Name: Natalie Savory
Netball Team: Sapphires
Favourite Netballer: Vicky Wilson
Favorite Football Team: Kangaroos
Favorite Footballer: Wayne Carey
Favourite Singer/Group: S Club 7
Favourite Song: S Club Party
Favourite Movie: Home Alone 3
Favourite Food: Pasta
Ambition: To Be A Millionaire



Player Profiles

Name: Kylie Clarkson
Netball Team: Emeralds
Favourite Netballer: Vicki Wilson
Favorite Football Team: Hawks
Favorite Footballer: Shane Crawford
Favourite Singer/Group: 5ive
Favourite Song: Tragedy
Favourite Movie: 10 Things I Hate About You
Favourite Food: Spaghetti
Ambition: Air Hostess

Name: Erin Bull "EZ"
Netball Team: Gems
Favourite Netballer: Me of course!!
Favourite Football Team: Mighty Blues
Favourite Footballer: Brett Backwell
Favourite Singer/Group: Destiny's Child
Favourite Song: Say My Name
Favourite Movie: Bad Boys
Favourite Food: Chinese
Ambition: To Be On Ricki Lake

