

# Dribble

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## IT'S A GIRL!!!!!!

**Congratulations to Howie & Broiny on the birth of their new baby girl, Charlotte.**

## Team Reports

**Boys Under 10/1 Versus Wattle Park Saints**  
Lost 25 - 27

**Coach: Rohan Patterson**  
**Team Manager: Nicola Baker**

What a great game this week. Both teams only had the 6 players so all the boys got more than enough court time! The first half was frustrating as the boys had plenty of shots at the basket but the ball just wouldn't drop in however the opposition had the same issue so the score remained very tight and at half time scores were level 16 apiece. Plenty of fouls and we began to sweat a bit when 3 of the boys had 4 personal fouls against them and we still had 10 mins to go.

Lachie had his best game of the season so far with goals to his name and wonderful defence that had the coach cheering! The game remained tied up right until the last minute when the small 2 point lead that the Saints had, saw them over the line. Final score 25 -27. However the boys played so well as a team and the coach was very proud of all of them and it was a fantastic game to watch as they all gave 110%.

Well done and keep it up. GO MAGIC



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## Team Reports

### Boys Under 10/3 Versus Spirit Magic 2 Lost 23 – 34

**Coach: Greg Skien**  
**Team Manager: Andrew Gibson**

We were at Ringwood for the local derby against Spirit Magic 2 whom we hadn't beaten in 5 attempts over the last couple of seasons. The boys started off really well. Josh was combining his usual aggression at the contest with some polish around the hoop and shot the first goal of the match. Our opponents responded with a goal to tie it up. Shortly after Damo got out the back and charged down the court but unfortunately just missed. We then had a frustration period of about 5 minutes where we had a number of shots at goal but couldn't sink one. Our Spirit Magic opponents were able to punish us on the rebound and to their credit were shooting really well. Before we knew it they were out to a 8 – 2 lead. Cayden came on the court and had an immediate impact shooting a nice basket. We were still inaccurate and blew a number of opportunities to reduce the margin. A nice rebound and good shot by Will saw us trailing 6 – 14. Again our opponents were very polished around the hoop and were making the most of their opportunities. Josh was on fire and shot his 2nd goal for the half and Dylan shot truly to bridge the gap but again our opponents were able to respond with a couple of goals. Cayden finished the half with his 2nd goal and was unlucky not to get a first half hat trick when the ball rolled around the ring for an eternity but somehow failed to drop in. Half time we were down 12 – 22.

Our opponents start the second half with a goal but Sammy was able to respond quickly with a nice dribble and layup. As always Adam was defending really well and setting up play from the back half. Joseph was fouled and made both shots from the foul line. Sammy shot another basket and Dylan shot 1 from 2 at the foul line and we were making a late charge. Again our opponents were able to get a goal when they needed it and stretched the lead again. Whilst we matched it with our opponents in the second half we could not bridge the gap and despite both Josh and Cayden shooting their 3rd baskets of the match we went down 23 – 34.

Still the boys played really well and game would have been a lot closer if they made their shots so plenty of shooting practise at training coming up.



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## Team Reports

### **Boys Under 10/6 Versus Heathmont Hornets Won 17 – 7**

**Coach: Grant Randall  
Team Manager: Steve Thompson**

This week we came up against a very confident Hornets outfit who were still smarting about their 1 point win earlier in the season. Our plan was to reverse that result and the boys were very hungry for that to occur!!

We started brilliantly with an early goal to Schafe ably assisted by Jack Jones who ran with lightning speed to get the pass off!! Nathan, playing his first "full" game quickly chipped in with 3 lovely goals after receiving some awesome bounce passes from Lincoln and soon after by Liam, who was creating space and pressure on Heathmont. Zac was doing well in Defence by getting back quickly and applying pressure and Spencer was rebounding strongly and dribbling up the court like a madman!! We seemed to have stunned the Hornets early on but they picked up in the last 5 minutes and at Halftime we led 12 to 5.

The second half was a lot closer and Heathmont were applying a lot of pressure in Defence but not so much on the scoreboard. It took us about 10 minutes to score our 1st goal.....but what a goal-Spencer rebounded, passed out to Jack, who was killing them around the key, and popped one in from the free-throw area!!

Zac had an awesome 10 minutes where he chased, harassed, rebounded and ran hard up and down the court! He was helped out by Schafe who stole the ball on 4 or 5 occasions and popped in 1 from 2 at the free-throw line!

Lincoln then chipped in with a fantastic and well-deserved goal and Liam was unlucky not to have scored because he turned defence into offence on 3 or 4 occasions when we really needed him!! Nathan played a great game and continually drove the ball forward and moved it quickly to his teammates.

Well Done boys, a thoroughly deserved victory.....Go Magic!!

### **Boys Under 14/6 versus Blackburn Lakers 1 Lost 9 - 21**

**Coach: Laurence Meehan  
Team Manager: Leon Mckenna**

This game turned out to be a disappointment. We had played his team early in grading for a close result and, despite the absence of Zac, after making a lot of progress over the last few weeks I was expecting another good contest.

However, for a large part of the game we didn't play up to the level we are capable of and allowed them to dictate terms. We had a clear height advantage but failed to capitalize on it allowing them to get too many rebounds.

Let's bounce back this week with a better effort before the holiday break.



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