

Dribble

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Spirit Magic's Weekly News and Match Reviews

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Magic News.....

Officeworks Fundraiser BBQ - 11th November

This year we were unable to secure the more lucrative Bunnings BBQ fundraiser but we have managed to organise one at Officeworks in Chirside Park (just a few doors down from Bunnings) who have commenced a similar program. This will take place next Sunday, 11th November from 9am until 4pm.

We are now calling on each team to help out for an hour or so with a volunteer or two on the day. If each team puts up 1 volunteer for an hour, we will have more than enough. Leon McKenna is organising the event & has recently asked all coaches to put forward a volunteer so if you can help out serving some snags for an hour next Sunday, please let your coach or Leon know. Your help will be much appreciated.

A great opportunity for kids to help out too - if you're tall enough to reach the hotplate and strong enough to hold a hot snag with tongs, you're going to be a great help! kids 14 & over would be ideal if mum & dad are stretched for time.

Next year we have secured another Bunnings BBQ for Fathers Day - Sunday 1st September, 2013. Many thanks to Lorelle Chapman for helping us secure such a fantastic date which is traditionally very lucrative in terms of snag sales!

Coaches Clinic - open invitation

Ringwood Hawks have organised a Coaches Clinic exclusively for Spirit Magic on Sunday, 18th November from 3-5pm at the Maroondah Stadium. The clinic will be run by Sam Belt, Hawks Coaching Director aimed at all age groups and levels. We encourage all coaches attend, as well as any parents who may be interested in coaching in the future.

Please let Howie know (spiritmagicpresident@gmail.com) if you are interested just to give us an idea of numbers. It is free and is a great opportunity for parents to get involved in supporting our club through volunteer coaching. No strings attached, just come along if you're thinking about giving coaching a go and see what you think!

Yarra Valley/Parkwood closed - 5th & 6th Nov

Please note that Yarra Valley will be closed for training on Monday 5th November. It will be open as normal for Wednesday teams.

Obviously, Parkwood will also be closed on the Tuesday, being Cup Day.



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First Club Goals...

Congratulations to...

- Kane Dixon– Boys Under 10/5 – 20th October, 2012

Match Reports...

Mixed Under 8/2 Vs E Bees 1

Won 29 - 0

Coach: Jarrod Long

Team Manager: Sandro Beltrami

It was great to have our first win of the season together and what a fantastic win it was. Thanks to Sandro and Col for taking the boys training during the week (maybe that's telling me something) The boys have started to get know each other's game plan and have worked hard to share the ball and talk with each other during the game. We led 11-0 at half time with everyone contributing, CJ and Lochie were dominating in the 2nd half and shared the ball with each other with some wonderful passing.

It was great to see Rhys getting more of the ball and it won't be long before he has his first basket, I gave the boys a challenge with 5 minutes to go and that was to hold their opposition scoreless, I was very proud of all the boys for their efforts and I am looking forward to next week's game to see whether we can continue our great form.

Goal scorers for this week were, CJ, Cooper, Kyan, Lucas and Sam.

Ps, we wish our little mate Corey a speedy recovery and hope to see him back out on the court real soon after a Tree ran into him on Friday that required 5 stitches to his head.

Boys Under 10/1 Vs Kangas 5

Won 26 - 17

Coach: Cath Stone

Team Manager: Lyn La Canna

The boys are feeling the pressure of being in a higher grade but are working hard and adapting really well. We have a group of very gutsy and determined players this season. A few inspiration reminders from the coach were needed during time outs and half time this week with the focus being on the need to pass the ball around and work as a team. The boys excelled when they followed this advice.

It wasn't easy but on the scoreboard, Magic stayed out in front the whole game with scores at half time Magic 10 to Kangas 5. Throughout the game, the boys were picked up quite a bit for fouling and with five minutes to go it was quite nerve wracking as the team had eight fouls and two boys on four fouls. The boys played a strong, albeit very careful, last five minutes of the game!!

Final score Magic 26 to Kangas 17.

Goal scorers this week were Ethan, Lachlan, Jia, Josh, Isaac, Nick and Harry (another fantastic whole team effort).



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Match Reports...

Boys Under 10/2 Vs Eastern Bulls 1

Won 21 - 17

Coach: Shannon Evans

Team Manager: Carolyn Fisher

Welcome back Jesse for the season. A tough match this week with some good pressure applied by the Eastern Bulls in the first half. The boys fought hard for the ball and had a lot of shots but the half time score of 9-9 showed that the Bulls were doing the same.

The second half started in the same tough fashion with the scores remaining deadlocked for the first 6 minutes of the second half. Magic then stepped up and shot 5 unanswered goals to take the score to 19-9 and out of the tiring Bulls reach.

A solid win with plenty of room for improvement.

Go Magic!

Boys Under 10/3 Vs Waverley Raiders

Won 29 - 28

Coach: Greg Skien

Team Manager: Andrew Gibson

We were at Forest Hill for the 9am tip off against the Waverley Raiders. Despite having a fair bit of the ball early our opponents were able to score first before Dylan got us on the board. This was shortly replicated by Damo and then a long goal by Joseph had us well and truly in the game, trailing 6 – 8. The game was tight and our boys were up for the contest with Josh in everything and Will reading the play and defending extremely well. Goals to Sammy and Cayden saw us locked together at 10 all before Waverley scored just before half time to take a 12 – 10 lead.

As had been a common theme over the last couple of weeks the second half opened up and became a bit of a shootout. Josh was ferocious at the ball and was able to set Adam up for a goal before Waverley steadied with a couple of goals. Cayden shot a nice basket followed by goals to Damo and Dylan. Joseph's accurate shot from the foul line saw us trailing 19 – 23 but we were just struggling to bridge the gap, with Waverley having all the answers and again they stretched the lead with a couple of goals.

Adam and Cayden shot their 2nd baskets for the half and Sammy's goal had given us a glimmer of a hope trailing 28 – 25 before Will stormed in for a good goal under pressure to bring the margin to 1 with under 2 minutes remaining. A great steal from Sammy and layup amidst a couple of Waverley players saw us hit the front with just over 30 seconds to go and the Spirit Magic fans erupted. With 5 seconds to go Waverley had their last chance when a foul saw them bring the ball in from the side line, but to our boys credit their defensive pressure was great and Waverley weren't able to get a shot in.

The boys showed what they can achieve with perseverance and a never say die attitude and are to be congratulated for their best win in a long time.

Final score 29 – 28.



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Match Reports...

Girls U12/2 v Waverley 2
Won: 12 – 44

Coach: Andrew Wade
Team Manager: Anthea Mitchell

First win for the season and the girls certainly went into this game with a win on their minds.

Laura scored the first goal within 15 seconds followed inside the next 10 seconds with another by Rose. Great teamwork was displayed throughout the game with excellent rebounding and much passing to all players. Goals were also scored by Sophie, Olivia and Sarah all putting points on the scoreboard. At the end of the first half the girls led 4 to 24.

Following up in the second half these five all scored again to bring the second term score to 20, while keeping Waverley 2 to only 10 points for their second half.

Congratulations to Olivia for racking up 14 points.

Girls Under 14/1 Vs Eastern Bulls
Won 29 - 15

Coach: Diane Greenwood
Team Manager: Trixie Kennedy

The girls had another solid win this week over the Eastern Bulls 29-15 (I think, can't remember will check and let you know). The girls have really improved gaining confidence every week, great improvement this week Danielle Shaw rebounding well and shooting under the basket.

The girls give 100% every week all game running their hearts out it's great to see them so determined. Well done all!

Boys Under 14/6 Vs Kangas 6
Lost 21 - 24

Coach: Laurence Meehan
Team Manager: Chris Dale

Another good hit out for the team. James was under a fitness cloud all week following a rolled ankle during our last game. Despite a valiant effort to pull on the singlet, it was clear early on that he wasn't going to be quite up to it and unfortunately had to sit out the remainder of the game.

The 6 remaining players struggled early against the zone defence and a couple of tough opponents and were down by 10 at one stage. As the game wore on our game improved and, assisted by our opponents resting their big guns for most of the 2nd half, we got the margin back to a single point late in the game. However, that was as close as we got. I was very happy with the effort all round but we still have some work to do if we want to be competitive at this level. I'm confident we can do it if we keep the positive attitude we have shown so far.

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