

Dribble

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Spirit Magic's Weekly News and Match Reviews

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First Club Goals...

Congratulations to...

- Stephanie Kirkwood – Girls Under 10/3 – 27th October, 2012
- Charlie Newton – Girls Under 10/3 – 17 November, 2012

Match Reports...

Boys U12/7 v Heathmont Hornets 11

Lost 28 - 15

Coach: Robert Hieber

Team Manager: Craig Gist

Well, back on the band wagon with the match reports after a few hectic weeks. Well, it was a tough game on Saturday against the Heathmont Hornets. Despite the boys giving it their best shot, we went down 28 to 15. It was a very athletic game as the Hornets had quite a few tall players that kept the boys on their toes, as well as their lungs full of puff. The bright red cheeks at the end of the game showed that the boys were well and truly spent.

Coach Hiebs rotated through the subs to keep fresh legs on the court whilst Caleb showed his fine form with an outstanding goal from a fast sprint through the key, to the base line, avoiding all of the tall timber to sink a beauty. He is definitely in for goal of the season contention. It was great to see Conner and Caleb providing the run and pace throughout the game, while Tristan, Samuel and Zac provided rebound opportunities in both defence and offence. Dylan and Ryan were instrumental down low and got many a steal resulting in a turnover. Hazza is doing a great job at taking the ball and having a bounce, he is developing as a very handy player with each game he plays. Well done!

Scorers for the game were:

Caleb	6 points
Connor	4 points
Samuel	3 points
Harrison	2 points

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Match Reports...

Boys U10/2 v Waverley 1
Lost 14 - 57

Coach: Shannon Evans
Team Manager: Carolyn Fisher

A fast game against an excellent team from Waverley who are 'smashing' all who dare to step up against them.

The boys tried hard but unfortunately they just couldn't match it with the Waverley team and it was all over at half time.
On the plus side...apparently our score of 14 is the highest ever scored against them!
Got to look for those positives!

Girls U12/2 v Waverley Wildcats 1
Lost 9 - 24

Coach: Andrew Wade
Team Manager: Anthea Mitchell

A positive note for this week was the return of Tamika to the court after her long recovery from injury after the first game. Unfortunately however Waverley gained an early lead that the Magic girls never quite caught up. Craig once again did a sterling job filling in for Andrew away this week. Lessons to be learned for Magic include that the use of dribbling to get to your own goal enable your opponents the opportunity to steal the ball back. Previous weeks have demonstrated that the ability to quickly get the ball down the court to the goal without the opposition provide better scoring opportunities. Waverley's ability to take control of the key and lock Magic out of their own goal caused much frustration and wild shots at goal, instead of the normal accurate goal shooting. In addition, this locking out of the key meant that Waverley were able to better rebound and take control of the ball.

Scorers this week included Olivia with 6, including a final goal moments before the siren, Laura with 2 and Sarah, thanks to effective lock down by Waverley being held to 1 point.

Looking forward to next week, the girls are continuing to improve



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Match Reports...

Girls Under 14/2 Vs Waverley Raiders 2
Lost 10 - 20

Coach: Shannon Evans
Team Manager: Michelle Swift

After doing my research on our opponent during the week, we went into this game confident that if we shut down their main goal scorer, we should come away with the win. Unfortunately, the Raiders managed to pull out a girl that hadn't played for them for the last few weeks who was a long range sharp shooter that managed to score 12 of their 20 points.

Over the last few weeks, there have been periods during the matches where the girls have fallen a bit flat and let their opposition pull away, but it was missing this week and the girls played hard right up until the final buzzer. This could have been partly due to having a full side for the first time in a little while, but the girls definitely showed us a bit more of a hunger for the ball than we've seen recently and if it wasn't for the shock of the raiders surprise sharp shooter, I believe the final result would have been a lot closer.

Although our defence and passing still needs a bit of work, the girls worked well together as a team to bring the ball up into our offence. Abbey showed patience and control with two nice jump shots from outside the paint, Taylor and Caitlin done some good work in offence as did Pheobe and Chloe in defence. Alicia showed her usual determination in making it hard for her opponent to get inside the key and is also starting to show a lot more control. But the stand out for me on the day has to be Shayne, who looked as though she is starting to realize that although they call basketball a non-contact sport, you can always use a bit of muscle to push your way through the pack.

Final score 10 – 20

Great effort girls, looking forward to next week!

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