

Tanunda Netball Club



2017 SEASON ANNUAL REPORT

*Presented to the members and players for the
Annual General Meeting
To be held at the Netball Clubrooms
Tuesday November 28th at 7.00pm*

Season 2017

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2017 Presentation

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| Senior 6: Best & Fairest | - | Melissa Skarstrom |
| Senior 7: Best & Fairest | - | Paula Fechner and Anne Crouch |
| Sub Junior 3: Best & Fairest | - | Chloe Petersen |
| Senior Goal Throwing Trophy | - | Senior 6 – 1020 goals |

Tanunda Netball Club Awards



SHARON SEEDSMAN
Wohlers Club Service Award – 2017



REBECCA GOGOLL
2017 Wohlers Most Successful Senior Player



JORDI WILKSCH

2017 Thelma Murphy Memorial Trophy
Most Successful Junior Player



MELISSA SKARSTROM

2017 Marjorie Lehmann Memorial Trophy
Umpires Award

2017 TNC Player Milestones

The Tanunda Netball Club recognizes the milestones achieved by our players. This year the following player's achieved milestone games in our Club and were presented with a token medallion at the senior presentation dinner.

Karen Mitchell	300 games	Nicole Draper	100 games
Lauren Martin	200 games	Caitlin Scott	100 games
Sue Martin	200 games	Kate Osborne	100 games
Nicole Owen	200 games	Stella Fraser	100 games
Kate Skarstrom	150 games		

2017 Anniversary Cup

Every season Nuriootpa and Tanunda netball clubs play for the Anniversary Challenge Cup which alternates between both Club venues every year, the Club to win the most games for the day wins the cup. This year Nuriootpa Netball Club hosted the event on July 15th, both teams won the same amount of games this year and on the basis that Nuriootpa held the cup from last year, it was decided the cup would remain with them.



Sharon Seedsman (TNC President) and Tania Materne (NNC President)

2017 Priceline Pharmacy SA Country Championships

The Annual Priceline Pharmacy SA Country Championships were held at Priceline Stadium on the long weekend in June. This is the largest competition in the state. Teams from 26 regional associations compete across 4 divisions ranging from Seniors, U17's, U15's and U13's.

TNC team representatives were:

U17 – Ellie Clark and Stella Fraser – team finished 4th overall

U15 – Stacey Thom and Chantelle Linton – team finished 3rd overall

U13 – Jordi Wilksch – team finished 3rd overall

2017 SAPSASA

Mia McKee, Bonnie Graetz, Scarlet Schmidt & Halle Martin were our representatives in SAPSASA Netball playing on the 5th to 9th June @ Priceline Stadium.

The girls did extremely well winning 8 of the 10 games in division 6.... Finishing second overall

2017 SA Regional Championships

Previously we have been affiliated with Lower Light Academy but this year that changed and we are now affiliated with *Central Ranges Netball Academy*.

This year the structure of all regional academies also has changed. It was to be run in the three different age groups (u13, u15, u17) now it is being ran as one squad of ages 14 - 16.

The age requirements have also changed and you must have turned 14 before 30th September 2017 and cannot turn 17 before November 1st 2017.

This new age group has been decided as it followed the Develop a Diamond program as well as aligning with the State team age groups.

Academy players are selected through open trials that take place in February/March each year when a squad of between 20 to 40 players are selected. The squad trains once a month, following a National skills, fitness and netball theory program. From this all players are selected for one of the three divisions to participate in the Academy Games.

Our representatives this year were;

Stacey Thom
Chantelle Linton
Stella Fraser
Paige Pitman

The 2018 program is set to commence in February with selection trials with information available from Facebook as well as BLGNA association and TNC club correspondence. <https://www.facebook.com/centralrangesrna>



President's Report

2017 has certainly been a steep learning curve in my first season as President. I am very proud of how the Tanunda Netball Club has performed this year. This performance is a reflection of the effort and commitment of the committee members and volunteers who have a great passion for the club. The contributions made by everyone have been critical in keeping the club participating each Saturday.

The Club filled teams from Senior 1 to Senior 7, one Inter team, two Junior teams, three Sub Junior teams, 2 Primary teams and two Netta teams. The club also ran the Net Set Go program with over 20 participants. Thanks must go to those coaches and helpers who give their time to coach these teams. Coaching is at times difficult but without them the girls don't play. We had five teams play in finals (Senior 3, 6 & 7, Junior 1 and 2) with three teams playing on Grand Final day (Senior 6 & 7 and Junior 1). Congratulations to all those teams. A special mention goes to Senior 6 team who secured the premiership and won the Senior Association Goal throwing with 1020 goals for the season.

We had the privilege of hosting a semi-final this season, the weather was terrific. Many thanks to all of the volunteers that helped with duties or supplied items or just supported the teams and club on the day.

Games don't get underway without umpires, thanks to Bundy for doing the Umpire Co-ordinator role and the many text messages to ensure that the umpires are aware of their duties each week.

Another noteworthy mention goes to the combined events with the netball and football clubs, this year we added to the calendar with Magpie Mayhem in June and now the entire end of season presentations are combined. What a great foundation we have set for expanding on this next year.

Congratulations to all those players who won Association Best & Fairest trophies Chloe Petersen, Paula Fechner, Anne Crouch & Mel Skarstrom. Congratulations to all the Club trophy winners this year and lastly congratulations to Tracey Hoklas on being awarded Life Membership.

Finally I would like to thank the committee members for their support and their willingness to take on more tasks. Your contributions have been noticed – no matter how big or small. I look forward to improving our success next season.

Go Maggies!

Sharon Seedsman

LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED TO

Tracey Hoklas

Friday, 13th October 2017



2017 Life Members

L to R – Melissa Skarstrom, Sharon Seedsman, Kathy Marschall, Gayle Dawkins, Lyn Hoklas,
Tracey Hoklas, Gabrielle Marschall, Debbie Miles, Levene Fechner, Karen Mitchell

Front row – Jo Buck and Dianne Bartsch
(absent Sue Fuller, Lynne Lindner and Cheryl Kraehnstuhl)

Tanunda Netball Club would like to recognise and award Life Membership to a person who has been associated with the Club since 1994 – Tracey Hoklas.

Tracey began her netball career with the Tanunda Netball Club in 1994 as Tracey Oates. Not sure if she followed her man, tracked her man or found her man at Tanunda but within a couple of years she became Hoklas and the rest is history.

So in 1994 she began a four year stint in the Senior 2 team and also began her Tanunda Netball Club Trophy Collection by winning Most Improved. In 1996 a highlight was playing in her first Premiership Team for Tanunda. This Senior 2 Premiership was 26 years in the making and completed a double header for the Club that year, also capturing the Senior 1 flag in this season. Tanunda had not won a Senior 2 flag since 1970. The team was a mix of youth and premiership experience - Gayle Dawkins was her Captain and of course she experienced superior coaching!!

In 1998 Tracey was selected to play in the Senior 3 squad and almost immediately experienced success as this team played through to play off in the Grand Final but being the runner-up was all that was available that day. 1999 was a significant year for Tracey as she not only Captained a team to a Premiership but on a personal level also won the team's Best and Fairest Award. You have to cherish years such as this!! In 2001 she again played in Senior 3, was the Team Manager and won another personal award this time as Best Team Player. Tracey's name is missing from the books in 2000 and 2002 and I am thinking these were baby years.....But Tracey, what were you thinking? You played Senior 3 in 2001 and yet in 2003 you "dropped" to Senior 6. Whoever was on the selection panel knew what they were doing as Tanunda won the Senior 6 Premiership that year and Tracey scored another personal prize as Best and Fairest Runner-up.

Obviously ridiculed for “stacking” their team Tracey found herself back in the Senior 4 team for the next 8 years in what was to be a successful time for Tracey personally. In 2004 she won the Best and Fairest Runner-up Trophy for her team as well as polling similarly well in the Association and finishing 2nd Runner-up for the Association this year. In 2005 the Senior 4 team ran out Premiers and in 2006 Tracey once again won the Best and Fairest Runner-up Trophy.

In 2012 she once again Captained the Senior 4’s to the Grand Final but had to be satisfied with being runner-ups that year. She was once again a trophy winner this year receiving the 2nd Runner-up Award. 2013 saw Tracey selected in Senior 5, winning the Best and Fairest Runner-up trophy and playing her 250th milestone game during the season. Congratulations!

2014 was another big year for Tracey as she coached not one but two teams, Senior 6 and 7, played in 6’s and was awarded the Wohlers Club Service Award.

In 2015, Tracey perhaps felt her playing days were over and she settled into coaching the Senior 4’s. But the playing bug got to her and she returned to the court as a player in 2016 with immediate team success, playing in the Senior 7 Premiership team. 2017 saw her hit the court again and once again being in a Grand Finalist team and finishing the year with 298 games to her name.

As a player, Tracey has played 298 games and played 20 seasons of netball for her Club. But in her time with the club Tracey has also dedicated numerous seasons to coaching. In 1998 she coached Junior 2 with Michelle Graetz to the Grand Final; in 1999 she coached the Junior 2’s again, and again they were Grand Finalists; 2005 she coached Junior 1’s; 2010 she coached Senior 4’s; 2014 coached Senior 6 and 7’s; 2015 coached Senior 4’s. She has been a Team Manager, she has been a Committee member and she has consistently been an umpire for her club.

Despite living in a male dominated household, Tracey has maintained her connection to the Tanunda Netball Club for 24 years. She demonstrates a love of the game of netball; she is a loyal club member; she is a terrific example of a team player. She works hard at training; she encourages others; she is humble; she loves to win. And she has been prepared to share her skills and time for the benefit of others, both juniors and seniors over time.

I have experienced playing in a team with Tracey and have coached her. I know she is someone I can rely on; I know she puts team in front of herself; I know she gives all she can; I know she is a dedicated Tanunda Netball Club person. Membership of a Club is not just about playing games but also about giving back.

Tracey - congratulations on being recognised and awarded the highest honour in any Club, that of Life Membership.

Senior 1

Coach: Amy Hart/Makrina Mavropoulos



L to R back row – Lauren Martin, Stella Fraser, Jocelyn Teggerth, Lauren Hutton, Makrina Mavropoulos and Amy Hart (coaches)
L to R front row – Sadie Lienert, Tamara Crouch, Ellie Clark (absent Caitlin Scott and Stacey Evans)

The Winners: Best & Fairest – STELLA FRASER
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – LAUREN MARTIN
Coaches Trophy – ELLIE CLARK

This season started with high promise and a lot of excitement and enthusiasm in the pre-season trials and lead up to round 1. We knew this year would be tough after last season as we are in one of the strongest competitions in the state, however the players were determined to work hard and do the best we could do to finish better than the previous year. We saw the inclusion of some of Tanunda's youngest and brightest rising talents as we established what would be the youngest team to hit the Division 1 court in many years.

The first round of games were tough. We had moments where we put together strong showings and glimpses of what will come in future years if we can maintain our focus and dedication, and most importantly a stable squad. Players like Lauren Martin and Stella Fraser performed strongly week in and week out, and the strong improvement of Lauren Hutton and Ellie Clark saw some games be quite competitive for quarters here and there.

Our seasoned Division 1 veterans (Lauren Martin, Tamara Crouch and Toni Martin) were pivotal in providing the on and off court mentoring to younger players with the overall aim of this season to be as competitive as we can be and to build a strong culture that would see us retain a core division 1 body of players to build in the coming seasons.

We had some tough losses to swallow this year, and credit where it is most definitely due, we have a group of players at TNC who still show up each week and put their best on the court.

Unfortunately due to medical issues I was not able to see the players through to the end of the year and try and attain some of the goals we had set as a playing and coaching group. For the parts I was involved in this year I know the results were disappointing for all of us involved, however I was still extremely proud to lead a talented group of young players again in 2017 who just need to keep working hard to develop a strong core unit to build over the next few seasons to get back into a position to be top 4 contenders.

Following on from Amy, I came into the season half way through and the team was struggling, but the girls still were determined to prove their worth and they did. No wins but some very talented players who listened and followed my instructions well, which would have been difficult with a new coach. Thank you for the determination and commitment I was very happy with what I saw from you all.

Also thank you to the club for such a warm welcome and all your assistance, good luck in the future to the club as a whole and hopefully see you all again soon.

Amy Hart & Makrina Mavropoulos

Senior 2

Coach: Alicia Swincer



L to R back row – Lisa Crouch, Tam Auricht, Kyla Newman, Toni Martin, Alicia Swincer (coach)
L to R front row – Amy Mickan, Chloe Frentsch, Matilda Lienert, Elise Reed (absent Lucy Summerton)

The Winners: Best & Fairest – AMY MICKAN
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – TAM AURICHT and TONI MARTIN
2nd Runner-Up – KYLA NEWMAN

This year we started with a squad of 9 girls after a longer than usual selection process. Co-Captains Tam and Chloe were selected by the team and did a great job.

We were lucky enough to pick up another experienced goalie Lucy Summerton early in the piece which saw us trying to run with a team of 10, unfortunately Lucy wasn't with us long as she did her ACL against Barossa. Another new player to the club Deanna Schumacher started the season off with us before joining the div 3 side and she was a valuable defender.

Sarah Martin who was settling in brilliantly at centre was unable to finish of the season due to study commitments. Going from 10 to 7 players in a relatively short period of time meant that we needed to look for more players, Luckily Toni Martin and Matilda Lienert joined the team and we had our first win on the last game of the first round. We really found our feet in the second round and picked up more wins.

A struggle for our team was that not all the girls were available each week due to holidays and work commitments. This resulted in us not always being able to put on our strongest line up and girls having to play outside their usual positions.

Defence was very strong this year with Lisa, Chloe and Tam. Lisa played in most of the positions on the court and was great at strengthening our team wherever we needed her. Our youngest and very versatile player Elise settled in well in the mid court and did a great job playing both Centre, Wing Attack and Wing Defence. A very athletic Matilda did fantastic in centre and worked very hard. Our Amazing Goalies Amy and Kyla really found their feet as the season progressed and their Shooting percentages sky rocketed. The experience of Toni was a great asset in Wing Attack and she fed well into our goalies.

We had a challenging year with so much player movement within the club but great work girls! I hope we see you all back on the court next year.

Alicia Swincer

Senior 3

Coach: Sharon Seedsman



L to right back row – Linda Parbs, Brooke Etscheid, Harmony Chambers, Deanna Schumacher, Ashleigh Seedsman and Sharon Seedsman (coach)
L to R front row – Gabrielle Marschall, Jane Wilksch, Ashleigh Fox, Alex Hoffman and Ella Laucke

The Winners: Best & Fairest – LINDA PARBS
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – JANE WILKSCH
Coaches Trophy – ASHLEIGH SEEDSMAN

What a great season for the senior 3 team.

We had a core group of players from last year's squad for the season, only Alex Simon & Sue Thompson not playing this year and Rachel going from team manager to player. After trials and pre-season we had a great squad of 9. Many of these players I would consider as being versatile players that is they can play both attacking and defensive positions.

By Round 9 we had won 5 matches and lost 4 which had us in 3rd position in the premiership table. Looking ahead after the Bye I had thought we would be able to win those same 5 matches and even win a couple of others which we only lost by a couple of goals. We lost the next 5 in a row and the chances of making finals were looking less likely. Thankfully a few other results went our way and by winning our last 3 matches we finish 3rd on the premiership table on %. Winning 8 and losing 8 matches overall.

The Semi-final match against Freeling – the girls dug deep to take the lead in the last quarter and to be ahead by 1 goal when the final whistle went! Phew – very stressful for the spectators and the players were exhausted and happy at the same time. We hadn't managed to beat Freeling during the season.

The Prelim final match against South Gawler – who ended up as premiers – in the end we couldn't match their skills and defensive pressure down the court. We lost by 15 goals. Whilst this was disappointing on the day – looking back over the season the team achieved a lot. Whilst we had injuries (Brooke's calf) and absences (Harmony not able to play finals) and notification of pregnancy the girls have had a remarkable journey.

Thanks to Abby who did duties for us for most of the season.
Thanks to Brooke & Lexi for doing duties too – particularly the home matches.
Thanks to the players and those teams we trained against.

A big thanks to those who came out to support the team throughout the season and particularly during finals. That extra support for the semi-final was amazing.
I wish the girls the best of luck next season, whatever they turn their hand to. I am sure that some will be back playing.

Go Maggies!

Sharon Seedsman

Senior 4

Coach: Maria Fraser



L to R back row – Ali Feltus, Rachel Noack, Skye Underwood, Nikia Goers, Emma Haynes, Tracey Hoklas (team manager)
L to R front row – Maria Fraser (coach), Jemma Heuzenroeder, Belinda Rosenzweig, Rebecca Gogoll, Elisa Trotta
(absent Sophie Clark and Angela Quintel)

The Winners: Best & Fairest – REBECCA GOGOLL
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – ALI FELTUS
2nd Runner Up – EMMA HAYNES

With a good blend of players selected in the senior 4 squad we were optimistic at the beginning of the season that we could figure in the 2017 finals.

Unfortunately we only managed to get the 7 wins, 1 draw and suffered 8 losses which wasn't enough for us to make the final 4. We finished in 5th place which was a disappointing outcome given that we lost a couple of games that were very winnable.

From my perspective as the coach, it was a season that did see some improvement in the team play over the course of the year and I hope I was able to pass on some helpful advice to the players that will benefit them in the future.

We had a lot of laughs and shared some tears along the journey and most importantly we pulled together and stuck at it as a team.

I wish the Senior 4 players all the very best with their netball futures and I enjoyed the opportunity to be part of this group in 2017.

I would like to thank the committee, the umpires, scorers, trainers, supporters and the sponsors. Also a special thank you to Tracy Hoklas as the primary carer and team manager.

Finally, I would like to thank all of the team members for their great effort and unified support during the season.

Maria Fraser

Senior 5

Coach: Alannah Hausler



L to R back row – Kate Skarstrom, Julia Dalby, Sharni Barlow, Mariah Rossack, Nicole Draper
L to R front row – Alannah Hausler (coach), Ayla Evans and Karissa Cave (absent Krystal Schutz)

The Winners: Best & Fairest – SHARNI BARLOW
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – KATE SKARSTROM
2nd Runner-Up - KARISSA CAVE

Wow what a tough and challenging season. A strong headed bunch of ladies I had in my team, I really had my work cut out for me from the get go. We had some great trainings and when we were good we were great but when we dropped our heads it showed on and off the court. We got two wins under our belt this year which was a great feeling for everyone and a real confidence booster. When we worked as a team we were unstoppable but this was not a regular occurrence unfortunately which was a little disappointing.

As a player coach, I needed some outside help, I had the pleasure of having my grandparents Nancy and George alongside me for the most part of the season. Nanni as assistant coach with a wealth of netball knowledge to share and Grampi as primary carer most weeks. They helped every home game getting score cards, bibs ready, packing up the court at the end of the day and much more. I would like to thank them from the bottom of my heart as they helped me through the good and the bad weeks. They were both an asset to myself and the team and we as a team could not have gone through the season without them.

I would like to thank the club for all that they do and the people that make things happen, you all do a great job. I would also like to thank all the players that filled in for our team this year and thanks to their coaches for letting this happen. I would also like to thank the 6's and 7's team members that supported from the side line this definitely helped us have positive energy on the court.

Lastly, I will leave you all with this quote:

The way a team plays as a whole determines its success. You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they don't play together, the team won't be worth a dime.

Alannah Hausler

Senior 6

Coach: Jeanette Hooper



L to R back row – Levene Fechner (Team Manager and Patroness), Linda Morgan, Sarah Chipman, Belinda Petersen, Mel Skarstrom, Di Bartsch and Jeanette Hooper (coach)

L to R front row – Kate Ton, Lisa Manning, Natalie Payne, Nicole Owen

The Winners: Best & Fairest – BELINDA PETERSEN
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – MELISSA SKARSTROM
2nd Runner Up – LINDA MORGAN & SARAH CHIPMAN

The core group of these girls came together again this year with ONE goal in mind, and that was to win the 2017 flag. After feeling the pain of losing the 2016 Grand Final, finishing 2nd was never going to be an option this year. We were determined to do whatever it took to win the 2017 Senior 6 Premiership.

As a team, we put together a game plan which saw us work towards and achieve our ultimate goal. We made sure we could excel at a few basic netball principals and establish some consistency in our match play.

Throughout the season, we had our usual bouts of colds and flu, holidays/ weekend getaways, and minor injuries / niggles. We got off to a flying start this season, and remained undefeated for the first half of the minor round. The girls showed increasing confidence and belief in themselves & the overall team plan. One of our key phrases this season was “Start in front – Finish in front”. This was drilled in to each player week in and week out. (Along with the phrase “I love Netball”).

Our defensive game grew stronger and in particular our goal ring defenders became a formidable force with Mel, Sarah and Nicole combining well.

Round 11 versus Nuriootpa - saw our first game with a player out with injury due to finger surgery (Belinda Petersen). She was to miss 4 weeks (3 games in total, thanks to a bye) but this allowed a good opportunity for Di Bartsch and Linda Morgan to form a strong combination in our attacking goal ring.

Round 12 versus Gawler Centrals – saw us lose our first and ONLY game for the season (by 17 goals). It was a bitter pill to swallow and the whole team knew what they had to do both individually, and as a team to get back on top.

The determination, self-belief, maturity and experience that shone through, particularly in the second half of the season was exciting to watch. Not one of these girls was going to rest until the job was done.

Round 15 versus Kapunda – saw us land our first major injury. Kate Ton went down with a partial rupture of her (L) knee ACL. This was devastating for our mid court, we lost some versatility, but Lisa Manning and Natalie Payne stepped up to the plate and ran out the season as WA and C.

Round 16 versus Willaston – saw another season ending injury when Sarah Chipman went down with a complete rupture of her (R) knee ACL. Our formidable last line of defence was suddenly depleted. Di Bartsch, as a true team player stepped into the GK role to finish this game, and as it turned out to finish the rest of the season. We were essentially down to 7 players for the remainder of season 2017.

The entire team was gutted with these injuries, but everyone kept their focus. We dusted ourselves off and were more determined than ever to overcome these challenges and set out to achieve our ultimate goal.

Senior 6... cont..

Our final game of the minor round (Round 17) versus Angaston allowed the team to familiarise with and settle into the new combination. This combination was to remain unchanged for the finals series.

Second Semi-Final – versus Gawler Centrals – was a tight and very physical contest, as it had been all year. We successfully earned a place in the Grand final with a win – final score 45-41.

Grand Final – we were to meet our greatest rival for the biggest game of the year. Our strong start saw us storm away to an 8 goal lead by half time. The second half of the match was even and we came away with an 8 goal win, 33-27.

Premiers 2017!!!

A Special THANK YOU to Heidi Helbig who trained with us all season, for sitting on our bench for Round 17, the Semi Final and the Grand Final.

Also thanks to Keely Gaffin (Intermediate 1) who trained with us for the Finals Series and benched for the Semi and Grand Final. And Abby Brooks (Intermediate 1) who benched for the Grand Final.

A HUGE THANK YOU also to Levene Fechner who was out there most weeks, ensuring the score cards were correct, doing our statistics & research, patching up cuts and scratches, and providing support & expert advice.

What a wonderful season of netball it was. It certainly wasn't without its ups and downs, that's for sure! In the face of adversity, this team took the challenges head on, and ultimately came out CHAMPIONS, true CHAMPIONS!

Jeanette Hooper

Senior 7

Coach: Jo Buck



L to R back row – Jo Buck (coach), Tracey Hoklas, Anne Crouch, Paula Fechner, Sue Martin
L to R front row – Sonya Day, Karen Mitchell, Natasha Wilson and Kate Osborne (absent Mel Haines)

The Winners: Best & Fairest – ANNE CROUCH & PAULA FECHNER
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – KAREN MITCHELL
2nd Runner Up– SUE MARTIN

In 2015 Senior 7 made it to the Grand Final and lost by heaps to Willaston.

In 2016 Senior 7 made TNC history winning its first ever Senior 7 Premiership.

In 2017 Senior 7 won the minor Premiership but didn't nail the Grand Final losing again to Willaston but this time only by 2 goals.

Player retention rates have been instrumental in our recent success and once again this season we carried forward 6 premiership players from last season – Sonya Day, Sue Martin, Mel Haines, Tracey Hoklas, Karen Mitchell and Kate Osborne. We welcomed into the squad newbies Anne Crouch, Tash Wilson and Jacqui Roberts. Having had so much fun winning the Grand Final in 2016 our goal for season 2017 was once again clear – Win another premiership!

But the season did not begin well! Game One and Foxy was only available for a half and just after she left, Jacqui went down in what was to be the shortest season ever played by a Senior 7 player! While we won the game easily our squad was now a squad of 8....it seemed too early in the season to be struggling with injury. The recruiting officer, Skip, quickly got onto the job and by Round 3 we had Paula back in play. Round One saw us win all but one game v Willaston where they beat us convincingly.

In Round Two the girls had to work hard to earn their wins but equally had some amazing score lines against Freeling, 79/16, and Kapunda 76/11 and then finishing the round with a satisfying win against Willaston winning by 7 goals. Kristin Falkenberg made a much welcome return to the court early in Round 2 replacing an injured Mel and was hitting some famous form when tragedy struck in the final quarter in the game versus Willaston. With one game to go in the season I found myself again with a squad of 8 players and of these, Sue was heading to Bali and Anne to Melbourne. Angaston almost took the game and the minor premiership title with a tight tussle but the girls hung on to record a gritty win.

And so started our Finals campaign. Having a bye in the final week of the season was not ideal preparation for the second semi v Willaston but the girls came out of the blocks with vigour and almost stunned Willaston with their aggression and fire. The umpires were quick to penalise infringements and again Willaston were slow to respond and adjust. We went into the first break 7 goals up. Our second quarter was our match winner scoring 15 goals to 8 and totalling a lead of 14 goals going into the half time break. The third quarter was very equal, both sides scoring easily. The final quarter found us napping and the Willaston girls fought back but the lead was too great and we won the game by 7 and marched straight into the Grand Final. Willaston almost repeated their form from the previous year by nearly dropping the preliminary final to Gawler Centrals. But they hung on to win and the stage was set for a replay of the 2015 Senior 7 Grand Final.

Senior 7... cont..

Grand Final Day at Nuriootpa..... the sun was shining but it was windy. We found ourselves on the wrong team bench and then Foxy lost the toss! Not a good start for anyone who is a tad superstitious!! This was only our fourth game of netball in six weeks and three of these games were against Willaston. Once again we started strongly and led at the first break by 4 goals. Willaston made the change at the break and outscored us in the second term to only trail by 2 goals at the major break. I swung a change going into the third quarter and we finished the quarter to be back to a four goal lead. It was going to go down to the wire. All girls went out strongly. We knew we just had to score our own passes and to keep the pressure on and reward the turnovers. Typical coaches words!! With 90 seconds to go we were 3 goals in front and looking OK. But Willaston did not give up and they found something a little bit special and made up those three goals and some to be two goals up on the final siren. And there endeth the season for the Dream Team.

Congratulations to the trophy winners....Anne Crouch and Paula Fechner shared the honour of being the Senior 7's Best and Fairest and also shared the Association Best and Fairest Award, an amazing double! Captain Karen Mitchell won the Runner-up award and Sue Martin won 2nd Runner-Up Award. Congratulations also to the Senior 6 girls on their amazing Grand Final win and to the Junior 1's for representing the Club on Grand Final Day. A great achievement. Thanks to the whole team for all their work and commitment to each other and maybe we can get together again in March next year and begin another Chapter of the Dream Team!

Jo Buck

Intermediate 1

Coaches: Larene Dreckow & Sue Clark



L to R back row – Sue Clark (coach), Abby Brooks, Aspen Wood, Lane Blieschke, Hana Pitman, Connie Griffiths, Abbey Brooks, Larene Dreckow (coach)

L to R front row – Kelly Gaffin, Alanah Martin, Bethanie Lange, Jasmine Martin

The Winners: Best & Fairest – ASPEN WOOD
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – ALANAH MARTIN
Coaches Trophy – KEELY GAFFIN

Our season had many highlights and of course low lights, whilst our high lights weren't necessarily shown on the score board, we did have plenty, the individual triumphs and the great moments we all shared and the development of all the girls. The intermediate one had some very tough competition and we knew we had a challenging season ahead. We finished the season with 2 wins, having back to back wins against Freeling and Barossa in the second round, improving against each team in the second round.

Unfortunately we were plagued with injuries, with Abbey Underwood, Abby Brookes, and Aspen Wood all not been able to complete the season. Having low numbers during the season did mean the girls could really strengthen their key positions.

We welcomed Connie Griffiths into the team in Round 13, a massive thank you to Connie and family for the additional effort. Not having an Inter 2 team made training extremely challenging for training, so thank you to the junior teams for having a run against us on Thursday nights.

Struggling to fill a full team most weeks we heavily relied on our junior teams. Thank you to the Junior ones and twos for benching us, the junior twos who almost every week had someone sitting on the bench, or at times taking the court, your enthusiasm and willingness to do that didn't go unnoticed.

Thank you to the parents scoring and timing each week, and the parents that put their hand up at each game to be primary career. Your support was appreciated by us; it makes the season so much more enjoyable with your support. The season saw some of the girls stepping up and getting the opportunity to play and sit on the bench supporting the seniors throughout the year.

It was a tough season with the situation we were placed in, but we continued at all times, and just got on with it. We are both super proud of how these girls were so relentless game after game.

You were all a pleasure to coach, we had fun at trainings, and most importantly you all grew as individuals and as a team, you all had a great attitude right through the season, and that is a credit to you all.

Regardless of winning or losing games, it's the journey, experiences and life lessons that you have learnt on and off the court will last your whole life through.

Larene Dreckow & Sue Clark

Junior 1

Coaches: Toni Brooks & Lisa Crouch



L to R back row – Lisa Crouch (coach), Sophie Riethmuller, Paige Pitman, Jemma Linke, Betija Baikova, Chantelle Linton, Charlotte Bosward and Toni Brooks (coach)

L to R front row – Amelia Pfeiffer, Stacey Thom, Margot Pick, Emma Hartigan

The Winners: Best & Fairest – STACEY THOM
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – SOPHIE RIETHMULLER
Coaches Trophy – JEMMA LINKE

2017 what a season, we had a dedicated and enthusiastic group and at times absolutely crazy, even though it may be pouring with rain they wouldn't let us cancel training under any circumstances. Our Co Captains Stacey Thom & Margot Pick were elected by the team for 2017. We had plenty of ups and not too many downs with only 3 losses in the home and away rounds, except for one big downer on Grand Final day. We didn't quite finish how we would have all liked going down in the Grand final by only 2 goals. However in saying that, everyone in the club from the committee to the parents and all supporters can be extremely proud of the way girls played on Grand Final day. They gave it everything they had in hot and windy conditions until the final second of the game. Lisa and I were so proud of them and so disappointed for them when they had all worked so hard.

We had 10 players in our side this year and managed rotations well during the season but as you can imagine in finals it's hard to rotate so many girls. Everyone had court time either in the semis and prelim but come Grand Final day, some missed out. To those girls we have already told them how proud of them we were in the way they showed dignity and continued to be strong and vocal supporters for their team mates even though they were disappointed not to make the court. As disappointing as it was for not only yourselves but also your families, Lisa and I can guarantee it was just as gut wrenching for us to have to make that choice because you are all gorgeous and talented girls.

AWARDS

Junior 1 Runner Up B&F 2017- Sophie Riethmuller

Sophie is our quiet achiever. One of our very talented goalies Sophie has had a very consistent year. Her smooth movements around the ring combined with her accuracy at shooting make everything seem effortless to Soph even though she works damn hard at training and every time she hits that court. She always gives 100% of herself and does it with a smile on her face. Well done Soph!

Junior 1 Best and Fairest – Stacey Thom

One of our 2 Captains this year, Stacey has had an outstanding year coming 4th in the Association Best and Fairest. Stacey leads by example with her dedication and commitment to her fitness and getting the best out of herself. She is fearless in pursuit of the ball and her ability to run out a game in Centre even to the point of nearly collapsing after one game, showed her determination to not let her team down. Well done Stacey on a fantastic year!

Coaches award -This one proved to be a really tough decision this year because all of the girls deserve recognition and could have received this award.

Junior 1 cont...

Coaches' award- **Jemma Linke**. What stood out to us about Jemma is that every training and every game Jemma is like a sponge. This is only Jemma's second year of netball. Eager to learn, Jemma has such a positive attitude to learning new netball skills, always with a smile on her face and a can do attitude. She's the first on our netball page to offer up words of encouragement and support. But never were we more certain about our decision to give Jem this award than we were on GF day. Jem showed a strength of character and a resilience that would have been a tough ask of anyone. Jem went on to have a cracking game in GK showing she wasn't someone to be messed with. I admit to getting a bit choked up with how proud of her we were that day. Well done Jem!

To finish off there are many that Lisa and I would like to thank. To Sharon and Linda and the rest of your hard working committee for your unwavering support and all that you do to keep this club running. To Sue Martin and Jo Buck, the Junior Development Team for our many chats, your words of wisdom and your encouragement and support. To the senior players Tam Crouch/Schiller, Chloe Frentsch and Toni & Lauren Martin and especially Amy Mickan and Kyla Newman for taking the time to come out to teach and support the girls especially come finals time, giving us someone to train against. I think it is really important for our junior girls to be supported and learn from you girls. It would be great to see that continue on a more regular basis next season. They really love it and you are helping develop the future of the Tanunda Netball Club. To Stella, Ellie and the Junior 2's as well as Laurene, Sue and the Inter 1 girl's thank you as well for your support and Thursday night training runs.

To Serena Linton, our PC for the year. For trying to organise a court at the Rex at the last minute when it's pouring and the crazy girls want to still train, for the oranges and lollies particularly in the final when we knew it was going to be warm and Stacey was going to run herself into the ground and pass out if we didn't give her some sugar! And for doing the stats book when I knew I'd lose concentration after 5 minutes.

Thanks to Viene Gladigau who quietly supported us week in week out. Offered regularly to do the scoreboard and was our No 1 Supporter.

To Lisa, thank you for agreeing to be my Co Coach. I think we can say we've had fun with a great bunch of girls. Monday mornings at work were our debriefing sessions until our co-workers had had enough of our netball talk. You have been a valuable sounding board with many new ideas, as well as doing all the physical stuff this old chick can't do any more even though her brain thinks she can!

To the Parents' thank you for your support and doing your weekly duties with no fuss but more importantly thank you for allowing us to be a small part of your daughter's world for a brief time. We hope we have had a positive influence on them in some small way.

Last but certainly not least, to you girls. You are an amazing bunch of young women. As a team you all have a special bond that I hope continues in seasons to come. Together, we believe you could achieve great things. On behalf of Lisa and I, it has been a pleasure coaching you and watching you develop into mature and fearless individuals and netballers. Even though we won't be coaching next year, we will be watching from the sidelines and be two of your biggest supporters. Keep on enjoying your netball and having fun with your friends.

Toni Brooks & Lisa Crouch

Junior 2

Coaches: Stella Fraser & Ellie Clark



L to R back row – Ellie Clark (coach), Melody Klingner, Danielle Lange, Bethany Wood, Lydia Semmler, Madeline Fechner, Stella Fraser (coach)
L to R front row – Jacinte Grocke, Ashleigh Chishaya, Hayley Tonkin, Georgie Smart and Danielle Lange

The Winners: Best & Fairest – DANIELLE LANGE
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – GEORGIE SMART
Coaches Trophy – CAITLIN LANGE

Our Team....

Danielle Lange (Best and Fairest)

- Danielle always tried her hardest in the defence, and would take on any advice we gave her, she read the play extremely well and took amazing intercepts that helped us win many games.

Georgie Smart (Runner Up Best and Fairest)

- Georgie played mainly C throughout the season and ran the court well, always putting in hard and contesting balls which we loved to see. She always pushed herself and sometimes even beyond her limits.

Caitlin Lange (Coaches Trophy)

- Caitlin was our captain this season and worked hard every game. Her determination and positive outlook on the game was motivation to us all and she lead the team extremely well. She came out this season as a defender but ended up being our key GA and she moved well and had impressive accuracy.

Hayley Tonkin

- Hayley played WA and C, and worked hard every game. She took on all our advice and put in great effort at training as well to improve her game.

Melody Klingner

- Mel played GS mainly throughout the season, her height was helpful and her accuracy was good. She was an important player for our team.

Bethany Hayes

- Bethany is a very versatile player who found herself all over the court this season. She did exceptionally well where ever she was put, taking some amazing intercepts in defence and learning how to maintain a strong hold this season. Bethany should be very proud of all she has achieved this year.

Lydia Semmler

- Lydia always came out to every training and game with a happy, go get them spirit which we loved. She is a very positive person who improved heaps over the season and should be extremely proud of her efforts this year.

Jacinte Grocke

- Jacinte played mainly GK and also some WD. She was eager to learn and try new things. She took some really good intercepts throughout the season and it was good to see her develop throughout the year.

Ashleigh Chishaya

- Ashleigh always came out with a smile on her face and tried her hardest wherever she played. She mainly played WA and improved throughout the season with her passing becoming stronger and also finding her balance.

Junior 2 cont...

Maddie Fechner

- Maddie was an attacking player throughout the season and played GS, GA and WA. She worked well in the ring with her other attacker and had good movement. She is a good shooter but has to believe in herself. She turned out to be a good WA and had really strong leads, feeding well into the ring.

Bethany Wood

- Bethany was our GK mainly throughout the season and took amazing intercepts. It was good to see her learn to keep her arms down and become stronger in getting the rebounds. She read the play well and listen to us and improved greatly over the season.

We are both rather new to the coaching scene and being young we were unaware what the 2017 would hold for us coaching under 15's. We were privileged enough to be placed in a team of girls, who were very eager to learn and were extremely polite and understanding whilst we learned along the way.

The season was up and down, playing some very frustrating netball that was almost unbearable to watch and also some very good games where the team played incredible and everything just worked. Despite our bad games here and there we definitely did play some good netball, which got us to third place. In the first semi we versed Nuriootpa who we had both lost to and won to. Nevertheless, on the day we could not get over the line, and lost by one goal in the final seconds of the game, after it being our centre pass.

The girls should be extremely honoured to have made it as far as they did this season, and should feel privileged to have played and experienced a final as many players will go their whole career without making one. We believe all players have been able to take something out of this season and that is all we can ask for as coaches.

We would like to thank all the parents this season, assisting with the duties that needed to be fulfilled each Saturday morning and providing fresh fruit for the girls to have at half time. Both being adolescents we would like to thank our families for being so supportive of us throughout the season, taking us to training and to game day, it is very much appreciated and we couldn't have done it without you. We would also like to thank the club, umpires, sponsors and all of our wonderful volunteers who make Saturday run smoothly. AND a huge thank you to our girls, we had a very enjoyable season and can't wait to see where your netball takes you in the future.

Stella Fraser & Ellie Clark

Sub-Junior 1

Coach: Karen Mitchell



L to R back row – Karen Mitchell (coach), Ella Habermann, Bonnie Graetz, Scarlett Schmidt, Sydney Schild
L to R front row – Viene Gladigau, Jordi Wilksch, Mia McKee and Halle Martin

The Winners: Best & Fairest – JORDI WILKSCH
 Best & Fairest Runner-Up – SYDNEY SCHILD
 Most Improved – VIENE GLADIGAU

The 2017 Sub Junior 1 Team had nine members. Only Jordi had played Sub Junior 1 in the previous season, and the other players came from the Sub Junior 2 and Sub Junior 3 teams.

In our training sessions, we worked on footwork and catching and throwing skills. The Sub Junior 1 competition is quite fast and physical and the girls spent many sessions on learning to effectively use their bodies to their advantage. Defensive work in both the attacking and defensive goal circles was also a skill that needed to be developed. It is important that girls playing at this level have a good understanding of the game and its rules. The players need to be able to respond quickly and correctly to calls made by the umpire. Over the season, I was able to see how each of the players' knowledge of netball had improved.

The team had mixed success during the year. Unfortunately, two drawn games and some games where we lost by just a goal or two, meant that we narrowly missed the final four, which was disappointing for us all.

Many thanks to Jo Buck and the Sub Junior 2 team who we trained against each week. We also had the opportunity to play quite regularly against the Junior 2 team, which provided us with an extra challenge. The girls particularly enjoyed the tougher competition and it certainly allowed us to put into practise the skills that we had been focussing on that week.

Many thanks to Shannon Turner, our team manager for her help each week, and Louise Wilksch, who was our Primary Carer. I would also like to thank Sue Martin who assisted me with trainings and also willingly umpired our team most weeks at training. Thank you also to the parents for their support of both their daughter and other team members throughout the season.

Congratulations to our Best and Fairest trophy winner, Jordi Wilksch and Runner Up Best and Fairest, Sidney Schild. Viene Gladigau received our team's Most Improved trophy.

Next year, each of the Sub Junior 1 players will be moving up to the Junior grade, and I wish them every success in 2018 and thank them for a very enjoyable season of netball.

Karen Mitchell

Sub-Junior 2

Coach: Jo Buck



L to R back row – Makayla Docherty, Adelaide Schmidt, Chloe Petersen, Lexie Marshall, Jo Buck (coach)
L to R front row – Charlotte Tonkin, Abbey Auricht, Madison McKee and Teagan Manning

The winners: Best & Fairest – LEXIE MARSHALL & CHLOE PETERSEN
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – TEGAN MANNING
Most Consistent – MADISON MCKEE

2017 started with a completely new squad and it took the coach some time to sort players into their right spots. Five games in an injury to Sami Dutschke saw her out for the rest of the season and meant I had to re-think my defensive line again and play the rest of the season with 8 players.

Round One resulted in a mixed bag of results and converting goals was a prime issue. But by the end of the round we started to get that one sorted but we had only won 3 games out of a possible 8 and well out of the top four.

We started Round Two with a win against South and backed this up with wins against Nuriootpa and Centrals. Feeling gave us major grief in Round One and were sitting second when we played them and won by the narrowest of margins. Our Finals hopes were revived but top team Barossa were our next obstacle. In a 10 goal to 2 third quarter we looked like a Finals team and we eventually drew this game, keeping the finals well in our sights. Having lost to Kapunda in our first encounter we knew had to do something special to reverse this result and special it was to win 29 to 12. With 2 games to play the whole sub-junior 2 comp was poised for a dramatic finish, with multiple teams still vying for those top 4 positions.

We had beaten Willaston convincingly in the first round and a win in Round 2 would almost confirm a spot for us in the four. It was a close game until half time but then Willaston pulled away and we were unable to bridge the gap, eventually losing by 7. This was to be our only loss in the whole round. Our last game was against Angaston. Again Ango easily beat us in Round 1 but the girls were pumped and came out of the blocks with all guns blazing. With scores tied up at the first break the girls came out in the second term and went to a 4 goal lead at half time. Surging again in the third we went into the final quarter up by 6. Angaston made a last minute effort to get their noses in front but at the final whistle we were still 2 in front finishing the season with a big win. The fact that Angaston eventually went out to win this competition highlights just how far we had come during the season.

Congratulations to my trophy winners....Chloe Petersen and Lexie Marshall who were joint winners of the Best and Fairest Award, Teagan Manning won the Runner-up award and Madison McKee won Most Consistent. Congratulations to Chloe who also won the Association Best and Fairest Award in Sub-Junior 2 Competition– an amazing effort!

Thanks to all the parents for their support of their girls throughout the season. Thanks to Jodie Marshall for being Team Manager and ensuring we had all duties covered each week. Thanks also to Karen and Mariah for trainings and support throughout the season. Thanks to the committee once again for all their work behind the scenes to ensure we have all we need to get teams on the court each week.

Finally congratulations to all teams who made the finals series. It was great to have a significant number of teams representing the Club come Finals. Congratulations especially to the Junior 1 girls for making the Grand Final.....to only lose by a couple is a great effort. Well done to the Senior 6's and 7's for also representing the Club yet again on Grand Final Day, with the 6's taking home the ultimate team prize.

Jo Buck

Sub Junior 3

Coaches: Mariah Rossack



L to R back row – Mariah Rossack (coach), Meg Wood, Ruby Murray, Kimberley Cooper, Emily Stutley, Alannah Martin (coach)
L to R front row – Layla Grosser, Matilda Osborne, Lily Holmes, Chelsea Morgan, Zoe Schultz

The winners: Best & Fairest – RUBY MURRAY
Best & Fairest Runner-Up – LAYLA GROSSER
Coaches Trophy – CHELSEA MORGAN

It has been an absolute pleasure to be a part of the 2017 Sub Junior 3 team this year, to be their coach, their mentor and their friend.

After a very slow start to the season with 4 draws in a row giving the coach and all the parents heart attacks every week, we needed and wanted to win a game. It was obvious that we had tough competition as we kept drawing with nail biting games occurring every week.

We focused very strongly on our stepping at the start of the season as it kept letting us down. Our passing was quite poor, with no strength or direction behind them. These two simple things would help us improve to get that win we were longing for.

By the end of our season, our passing had improved 110% and our direction and passages of play were getting better and better as the weeks went on. Everyone knew where they should be by the end of the season.

It was terrible to find that Emily had broken her foot and was out for up to 6 weeks indefinitely. This meant we were back to 3 shooters. It was great to see her come back out and continue her netball after her injury, we were pleased she was a part of our team.

Our first win was against Freeling at Tanunda, we had an exceptional win of 16-0. This gave us the confidence booster we needed to continue our success.

We then focused on playing “in lanes” as I called it. This ruled out crowding, and the girls learnt how to time their leads. I know that sometimes they probably thought I was a broken record because I said the same things every week, and we did a lot of the same drills all the time but I hope they now realise that with repetitiveness comes skill.

With a few more wins up our sleeve, we were quite confident that we could make a real go of the season.

Sadly, the 4 draws we had at the start and a couple losses we had during the middle to end of the season meant we just missed out of finals finishing in 5th position by percentage. This is still an excellent achievement from my team.

The biggest thing I hope I have taught the girls is for everyone to focus on beating their direct opponent. Because if everyone on the team is beating their direct opponent the whole team will win.

Sub Junior 3 cont...

I had a team full of very position adamant players. However, after second glance we realised some of us (which actually meant almost all of us) were a lot more versatile than we thought and a lot of the girls on my team could play almost anywhere on the court. We tested out different positions and most of the team had played a position they probably thought they wouldn't. In particular, Lily in WD, Zoe in GK and Chelsea to WA. I hope this versatility is something they will be able to take into next season, and seasons beyond, as the girls did a really good job playing in these positions and it is an important skill to have to be able to play multiple positions.

The beauty about this team was whoever I did put in the ring to shoot (I had 4 to choose from) they all worked amazingly with each other.

Our whole team gelled so easily and so quickly. They always got along and always listened to what I said....99% of the time. We always made training fun, but they knew when they had to be serious too.

I feel like each and everyone of them have improved beyond extent and I am so proud of them all.

Special thanks to the parents, committee and other Sub Junior coaches for all your help.

I want to finish by mentioning, keep continuing on with your netball, it is what you make it. The more you put in, the more you will get out of the game and you will always be rewarded by hard work.

Mariah Rossack

Primary 1

Coach: Dianne Bartsch



L to R back row – Georgia Roberts, Poppy Combe-Ruwoldt, Dianne Bartsch (coach)
L to R front row – Ayla Loan, Alice Hall, Zoe Heidenreich, India Catford, Macaylee Verhees, Letisha Bartsch and Leila March
(absent: Chantelle Baumann)

What a wonderful bunch of girls. I did start however with some dilemmas.

No set goalies and most of the team had played mid court the season before.

So Poppy, Letisha and Ayla got selected to be my goalies, and to work at their new positions.

Georgia and Leila naturally became my defences due to their ability and height.

This left Chantelle, India, Zoe and Alice to be my mid court.

Unfortunately, Macaylee had broken her arm and was out for half the season. She did return and was slotted into goals and defence.

The first round was more about the girls getting used to each other and for some their new positions. It was also getting used to the coach as she yelled space, timing, lead and foot prep. All the girls listened and learnt my mantra, The first round saw us lose by 2 to both Freeling and Barossa, and then win to Willaston by 9.

Then 2 of the girls decided to go on long breaks and we missed them.

The second round saw us win 3 games, Gawler Centrals by 1 in a nail biter, Barossa by 6 and Willaston by 6. The girls had improved so much. Even the South Gawler coach commented at the second round.

ALL girls played well over the season and ALL had stand out games. To see you all work together as a team and to improve as you have is such a pleasure to me. So, THANK YOU for your dedication and commitment.

THANK YOU to the Primary 2 team for training with us and for benching for our team when we were low on players. Also thank you to Emma Petersen for filling in for our team and playing well.

Finally THANK YOU to the parents for doing the Saturday duties and supporting me. This is greatly appreciated and I have enjoyed your comradery.

Hope to see you all next season.

Dianne Bartsch

Primary 2

Coach: Shannon Rosenzweig



L to R back row – Sophie Evans, Ashleigh Schiller, Emma Petersen, Riley Swan, Mia Moen, Shannon Rosenzweig (coach)
L to R front row -Mia Schaefer, Lucinda Isaacson, Gordharna Wallace, Emily Thompson, Claudia Grocke,
Alexia Etscheid and Lily Murray

While we had a large team of 12 players, it was a fun and consistent season for the Primary 2 girls this season. With so many registered players in the Primary age group, it was fantastic for the Committee to provide some of our stronger Primary players the opportunity to play in the Sub Junior grades. This allowed the Primary 2 team to play every match, rather than sharing the draw with a second team and only playing every second week like we did last season.

So with 12 new players with varying levels of skill and experience, it took me a few games before I was able to settle the team into the most suitable rotation for the girls to play their best netball. Making 5 substitutions at half time was very unsettling and the girls weren't playing their best netball. It was after our third match I decided to run with only 9 players and listed 3 emergencies each week. This was very well received by both the players and their families. The 3 emergency players still attended the games each week which proved they were still forming a strong part of the team. The 9 players who took the court played to their full potential and the improvements they made each week were great to see.

Many of the girl were in a large team last season and were often playing half games so it was great for me to be able to provide them with the opportunity to play full matches this time around. I really enjoyed working with the girls and their parents, and particularly appreciate the support from Brooke Etscheid who assisted when my work or family commitments kept me from netball. Parents were very supportive and often expressed their delight in the development of their daughters throughout the year. This was vastly due to the increased number of games our girls were able to play.

I'm pleased to report the girls have learnt about rules, tactical passages of play and the team work and commitment required to advance in their netball. They wore their hearts on their sleeves every freezing cold Saturday morning and were rewarded with 2 wins and a draw. Every other game was very close and it will be exciting to watch this age group compete over the coming years.

Good luck with your future netball careers girls. I look forward to watching you develop over the coming years.

Shannon Rosenzweig

Netta 1

Coach: Lucy Madden



L to R back row – Lacey Linke, Kloe Bonner, Madison Boehm, Isla Schwarz, Estelle Dswonitsky and Lucy Madden (coach)
L to R front row – Matilda Laidlaw, Lara Manning and Zoe Baillie

This season I was lucky enough to coach 8 very talented netballers. The Netta 1 girls are all very naturally talented at netball and are all such a joy to coach. They were always happy to help out on training, getting the pole protectors, collecting balls and helping out the Netta 2's.

Coming into the season, being my first season of coaching, I didn't know what to expect. At the first training the girls impressed me so much with their skills and understanding of the game. When I was doing few basic drills with the girls I could see a lot of natural talent in all of them.

At trainings, we did a variety of different drills to work on different skills. At first we did more simple drills working on stepping and getting in front of their player. As the season went on I started working on game play a bit more with the girls. We looked at pathways from a centre pass and where each player should be at different times. We went through setting up for all different throw in's and pathways for getting to ball down the court. Each week the girls would impress me more and more with their skills and how much better they were understanding the drills we were doing. At most trainings, we would also play a short game against the Netta 2's.

All the girls improved heaps this season and I am very proud of them all. As the season went on I told the girls that they needed to work on their team work. I was finding that they wouldn't talk on the court and wouldn't encourage each other. In round 11 when we played Nuri and I told the girls to concentrate on talking on the court, calling for the ball when they were free and encouraging each other. I think that was one the best games the girls played. The way the ball came down the court was so great because of the girls using their voices. Their attitude when they came off the court at the breaks was so much better than the other weeks because they knew they were doing well because they were encouraging each other. This was one the biggest improvements I saw this season. As well as that the girls become more confident, rarely stepped, passing was a lot better and they knew what they had to do in each position.

A lot of people helped make this season successful. Firstly, the club and everyone that works so hard behind the scenes, thank you so much for everything you do and all the support this season. Thank you to Tam Auricht the Netta 2 coach, you have been a massive help this year. Thank you for helping me out and taking the girls if I couldn't make it. Lastly, thank you to all the parents. Thank you for driving your daughter to games and trainings every week and always being there on time. Thank you for helping at games, doing primary career, bringing oranges, timing and helping the girls and giving them tips to help improve their game. Every week you guys would be at the games supporting the girls and I think that that's important in kids sport so thank you all so much for braving the cold and coming out to support them.

Thank you to everyone who made this season so great. All the Netta 1 girls should be very proud of how far they came this season. Keep working hard girls, because I think you all are amazing netballers and I can't wait to see how good you will all be in a few years' time, as you get older.

Thanks again to everyone for this season and I can't wait to see you all out there again next season.

Lucy Madden

Netta 2

Coach: Tam Auricht



L to R back row – Bella Lehmann, Savannah Wohlers, Zoe Auricht, Taylah Morgan, Emily Rosenzweig, Tam Auricht (coach)
L to R front row – Summer Owen, Chelsea Jones, Ivy March, Ashlee Wilson and Piper Fidock

This year we started off with 10 Girls registered for Netta 2 which was awesome. A good little number to work with for this grade.

All the girls in the team were eager to learn and were great listeners too, which made it so much fun to teach them. As always it is challenging but that is why I love coaching this grade. It really gets me thinking and trying to apply games and strategies to help them with their game play and understanding of the game.

We started the season off a little short on players to get on the court due to broken arms, and feeling anxious about playing. There was so much talent amongst them all it was just a matter of time to make them feel comfortable to take the court. I have to thank Levene Fechner for helping a few girls at training by just throwing them the ball on the sidelines before they eventually felt comfortable enough to join in with the team.

A big thankyou to the parents too for being so helpfully throughout the season with timing and scoring the games. Thankyou also to the Netta 1 girls that filled in when our numbers were low.

This year during trainings we worked a lot on ball handling. We would often repeat the same drills each week until I thought the girls had perfected it. Piggy in the middle was a real turning point for the girls. We played this often and it really made the girls start to get hungry for that ball on court. Sounds funny but it really worked. Another great drill we mastered was a triangle drill where 1 player stood in the middle working on their reflexes and trying to read the play on who their team mates were going to throw to. I also made sure we had a lot of on court game play and would often put the girls in the position that they would be taking the court on Saturday. It really helped with them remembering where to stand and what they needed to do.

We have some really great players amongst the Netta 2 group with natural ability. I hope to see them all continue with their netball, I know that most of the team decided to take on Summer netball comp to keep on developing their skills. I look forward to seeing how much they have progressed next year when they go up to Netta 1.

Tam Auricht