

Tanunda Netball Club



2023 SEASON ANNUAL REPORT

*Presented to the members and players for the
Annual General Meeting
Tanunda Rec Park Clubrooms
Tuesday November 21st at 7.00pm*

Season 2023

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2023 Presentation

Tanunda Netball Club Winners

Junior 1: B & F Runner Up

Lara Manning

Sub Junior 1: B & F Runner Up

Ruby Gogoll

Tanunda Netball Club Awards



JEANETTE HOOPER (presented by Sue Martin Life Member)
Club Service Award – 2023



MICHELLE MORPHETT (Snr 7) (presented by Karen Mitchell Life Member)
2023 Wohlers Most Successful Senior Player



RUBY FELTUS (Sub Jnr 1) (presented by Tony Thiel and family)
2023 Thelma Murphy Memorial Trophy
Most Successful Junior Player



**PAIGE RICHARDS (presented by Sharon Seedsman)
2023 Marjorie Lehmann Memorial Trophy
Umpires Award**

2023 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.

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| 350 games | - | Karen Mitchell |
| 250 games | | Megan Samain & Anna Richardson |
| 200 games | - | Linda Morgan & Kate Skarstrom |
| 150 games | - | Jacqui Roberts |
| 100 games | - | Bethany Hayes and Tam Schiller |



L to R – Megan Samain, Anna Richardson, Bethany Hayes, Karen Mitchell, Kate Skarstrom, Jacqui Roberts and Linda Morgan

2023 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.

Nuriootpa took out the Cup this year with 9 wins against Tanunda's 6



(Photo from a previous year Anniversary Cup presentation)

Jane Pink (NNC President), Sue Lanauze (donated shield) and Sharon Seedsman (TNC President)

2023 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.

Lara Manning was selected this year for Country Champs in the U15's team.

President's Report

Welcome to the 2023 Annual General Meeting for the Tanunda Netball Club.

Our Club remains healthy, vibrant and relevant for a grassroots community club. Many thanks to the committee members for the different qualities and abilities they bring to the table. Financially we are in a sound position due to the commitment of our Sponsorship team and some new fundraising activities throughout the season.

I wish to thank all our members and supporters for your patience over the last few months of the season. Over this time we saw our Clubrooms demolished and limited car parking around the oval and courts area. I am looking forward to using the contemporary facilities that are available and I am sure that everyone else will be too. There will be a small transition time for us to adjust to the relocated court office, but the view from there is going to be awesome.

Participation

We filled teams from senior 1 to 7 – the first time since 2019 - and all Grades from Inters down. Again we had squads of 9 or more in most junior teams – it is great to see so many players involved in the Club. We also ran the Net, Set program and it continues to be very popular. We had 3 teams participate in finals this season (Junior 1 & 2 and Sub Junior 2) with all 3 teams playing on Grand Final day. Congratulations to all the players, coaches and supporters you should be proud of getting there, unfortunately we didn't come away with a premiership – but there is always next year! It is a great experience for our young players to gain and I am sure that this will prepare them for future finals games. Additionally our Primary 2 team were presented with Association medallions for being 1st in their grade.

Facilities

As previously mentioned our Clubrooms were demolished and we are using a storage area within the show hall, thanks to those who helped with packing, moving and unpacking. Season 2024 will see us use the new clubrooms and change rooms. I am confident that everyone will be happy with the upgraded areas. If you have any feedback about improvements around the court precinct please let us know, so we can communicate with the Council. Tanunda will host the Grand Final in season 2024, so we will get an opportunity to show case the improved facilities at this major event.

Umpire, Coach & Player development

Thanks to all who umpired during the season and thanks to Bianca for taking on the coordinator role. We will be looking for more umpires this upcoming season – to help share the load. Support from the Club will be available; we are looking at what additional training can be provided in this space.

We are pleased to see many coaches work through the Netball Australia coaching pathways and receiving their accreditation. Many useful resources are available via these courses and online, to help plan trainings and develop player's skills. The Club will again look at supporting our coaches in their development.

The Junior Development day was another well supported day. This day is an opportunity for our junior players and coaches to get some tips/hints from Netball SA coaches and we have been fortunate to have Thunderbirds players also join us on the day. Fingers crossed that the weather is better for the 2024 event.

Buddy Day was a new initiative for the Club this season. I am sure that all players enjoyed the training and match day support. I have heard lots of positive feedback about this initiative, may it even be better next year.

Sponsorship

I must acknowledge and thank Mel Bignell and Nerida Allert for their efforts with finding sponsors for the Club. The role is a big one with approaching our sponsors at the beginning of the year and we see it all come together with "Sponsor's Day". This year the weather was against us and we had no Clubrooms to access, having said that there was great atmosphere and the location of the marquees might be something for future occasions. Please support our sponsors in the community when you can. I would like to give a BIG thank you to our kind and generous sponsors.

Awards

Congratulations to all the players who had milestone games this season

- 100 games for Bethany Hayes & Tam Schiller
- 150 games for Jacqui Roberts
- 200 games for Linda Morgan & Kate Skarstrom
- 250 games for Megan Samain & Anna Richardson
- 350 games for Karen Mitchell

Congratulations to Lara Manning who participated at Country Champs on the June long weekend and was part of the Adelaide Thunderbirds Talent Academy.

Additionally I would like to make a special mention to all the Award winners from a Club and Association perspective. It was good to see Tanunda feature in Association awards – Sub Junior 1 Runner Up B&F Ruby Feltus and Junior 1 Runner Up B&F Lara Manning.

The BLGNA Umpire Encouragement Award was presented to Gab Marschall.

I must also mention our Club Service Award winner Jeanette Hooper and two new Life Members in Janette Edwards and Ashleigh Fox – well deserved recipients I am sure you all agree.

The various on court achievements could not have occurred without the support of the numerous volunteers who put in a huge amount week to allow our teams to train during the week and play on Saturdays, help with rostered duties and support of our fundraising efforts. Thank you to each & every one of you.

Our off-field initiatives this season have focussed on social connections within our community, with post-match day social drinks, Progressive dinner and Paint n Sip events with all receiving great support. We implemented a Trial Selection policy and Club Information booklet. We are reviewing our Policies and Strategic Plans ahead of the 2024 season to ensure we remain current with Club operations.

Go Maggies in 2024!

Sharon Seedsman

**LIFE MEMBERSHIPS PRESENTED TO
Ashleigh Fox and Janette Edwards
Friday, 13th October 2023**



2023 Life Members

Back L to R: Tracey Hoklas, Mel Bignell, Nikia Scwarz, Toni Martin, Gab Marschall and Di Bartsch

Second Row L to R: Sonya Day, Nicole Owen, Kristin Falkenberg, Sue Martin,
Kathy Marschall and Jo Buck

Front L to R: Sharon Seedsman, Levene Fechner, Janette Edwards, Ashleigh Fox,
Karen Mitchell and Debbie Miles

(Absent: Sue Fuller, Lynne Lindner, Cheryl Kraehenbuhl, Gayle Dawkins and Lyn Hoklas)

TANUNDA NETBALL CLUB
LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED TO
Ashleigh Fox
Friday 13th October 2023

Each season the Tanunda Netball Club recognises players who have performed well over the season. We celebrate premierships, we recognise our umpires and we give awards for Club service. The highest honour anyone can receive is a Life Membership.

Currently the Club has awarded 25 Life Memberships. 4 Life Members are deceased – Kay Hueppauff, Edna Behrndt, Thelma Murphy and Marjorie Lehmann. We have 5 mother/daughter Life Members - Kay Hueppauff and Lyn Lindner, Kathy Marschall and Gabrielle Marschall, Marjorie Lehmann and Sharon Seedsman, Sue Martin and Toni Martin, Levene Fechner and Nicole Owen. Our other Life Members are Sue Fuller, Lynne Lindner, Cheryl Kraehenbuhl, Gayle Dawkins, Lyn Hoklas, Debbie Miles, Dianne Bartsch, Karen Mitchell, Mel Bignell, Tracey Hoklas, Sonya Day, Kristen Falkenberg, Nikia Schwarz and Jo Buck.

Tonight the Tanunda Netball Club would like to recognise and award Life Membership to a player who played her first game for the Club in 1999. 24 years on she becomes the 26th Life Member of the Tanunda Netball Club, and joins the Mother and Daughter Life Membership Squad – Congratulations Ashleigh Fox.

Ashleigh was always destined to play netball. She began her long association with the Tanunda Netball Club as a Magpie fledgling on the sideline in 1991, watching her mother play always dressed in the traditional club colours.

As soon as she turned 8 Ashleigh was on the court training as a Modified and just to make sure she learnt the skills well, her mother coached.

Ashleigh played 2 seasons in modifieds in seasons 1999 and 2000. In 2001 she played in a very successful 11 & Under team who finished the season on top of the ladder and received medallions from the Association.

Premiership success continued in the following season when she played in the Sub-Junior 3 team who went through to the Grand Final and won, defeating Gawler Centrals by 14 goals. Ashleigh played finals again in 2003 in the Sub-Junior 1 team but unfortunately they were beaten by the smallest of margins on Grand Final Day. In that year Ashleigh was selected in the Barossa and Light SAPSASA team.

2004 and 2005 Ashleigh played in Junior 2's and a highlight in her second season was winning the Best and Fairest Trophy.

A feature of Ashleigh's netball career is the fact she played 20 successive seasons from 1999 to 2018 – NO Gap years; NO time out for holidays; Work didn't impact on her availability each week nor did she ever get the S.... with a coach, or a decision, or a grading or the club general and run away to another Club. This in itself deserves recognition!

Since entering the senior ranks in 2007, Ashleigh has predominantly played in Senior 3. She played two seasons in Senior 4 in 2007 and 2010, found herself in Senior 2 in 2016 and 2018, made the Senior 1 side in 2022 and this year played Senior 2. She has demonstrated she is not precious about where or with who she plays with; she has accepted selection and grading decisions year in and out; she rarely missed a training let alone a game; she endured playing under an injury cloud; she always gave her best, she was reliable and she epitomises club loyalty and what it means to be a team player and above all else, puts the Club before herself.

Ashleigh received her 250 game status in 2021, and doing the maths, that doesn't include the 3 years she played unofficial netball. But Life Membership traditionally includes service and this too is a feature of Ashleigh's Club history. Ashleigh has always been willing to umpire and often was the one to put her hand up for the early games on a Saturday and/or doing more than just one game. She has been a junior coach, teaming up with the illustrious Alex Huffy to coach Junior 2's in 2011 and 2012. They stepped up to coach Junior 1's in 2013 and then she again coached Junior 1 in 2014 this time with Tash Ridley.

In 2018 she joined the Netball Committee and for the next 3 years served the Club with the portfolio of sponsorship. Volunteering time to serve on a committee is indeed a precious gift and again Ashleigh went about her duties diligently. Impressively she did this role at the same time as juggling her new role as a mum. And I now predict that 30 years on from the time Ashleigh first hit the court little Ruby may play her first official game.

Ashleigh has certainly demonstrated she is a dedicated and loyal Tanunda Netball Club person. The Club looks forward to seeing what else Ashleigh and Ruby achieves in the future but for now - Congratulations on being recognised and awarded the highest honour in any Club, that of Life Membership.

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Janette Edwards
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Tonight the Tanunda Netball Club would like to recognise and award Life Membership to a player who I calculate played her first game for the Club in the 1960's – Congratulations Janette Edwards.

Those of you in the room last year on presentation night would remember quite clearly that I mentioned "Our records are a tad thin during the 80s" referring to when I was conducting research on Nicole Owen's player history. Well, you can only assume they were near non-existent when looking for player records in the 60's and 70's! 2023's Annual Report will mark 30 years since the 1993 Inaugural Annual Report, a legacy of Kieran Roche. For the years prior to this we have relied heavily on a handful of minute books as a number of our earlier records were lost in a fire in what was our storeroom when the courts were located where the new little oval has been developed. There's history! The fact I still remember this.....a miracle!!

So what do we know? Before 1997.....not much and the only clue Janette left us can be found in her 1997 Coach's report where she wrote that she had "returned to the Club after a 22 year absence." Facebook tells me Janette was born in 1959.....she was then Janette Steinberner. I am pretty sure she was confirmed with my brother Phil and I went to Sunday School and played netball with Susan, Janette's younger sister. I started playing netty in 1974 as a 10 year old, Janette would have been 14 at the start of that season. So I predict she played juniors 1969 – 1975. In our chats she mentioned playing in rep sides and that she was the first Barossa junior player to be selected for the State team. She played her first "A Grade" game as a 13 year old and consistently filled in thereafter and looking at her senior playing history I tip she would have been a consistent trophy winner. I promise to update Janette's actuals for the Annual Report!! From our documented history now stored in the cloud and never to be burnt or stored in a forgotten shoe box in someone's cellar, we know that in 1997, Janette, no longer Steinberner but now Schwartzkopff, returned to the Club not just as a player or coach, but both. She coached the Intermediate 1's to a Premiership, played Senior 2's and won the Best and Fairest 2nd Runner-up for that team.

Never one to do things by halves, in 1998 she became Club President, she was the Association Delegate proxy, she coached and played Senior 2 and won Best and Fairest. A fair load in any one season but can you do more than that? If you are Janette, yes of course you can. In 1999 she continued in the role as Club President, again coached and played Senior 2 and also coached the Intermediates.

2000 was a special year. Apart from umpiring every week, she coached and played in Senior 3. This team was the Original Dream Team with quality "older" players – Dawkins, Fox, Horley, Hoklas, Buck and Schwartzkopff x 2, with Janette's daughter Kylie joining in. It was no surprise we were premiers that year.

Janette spent the next couple of seasons focussing on her umpiring which was a tad gentler on the body and the club appreciates having a regular and consistent umpire on the books. Umpiring has always been a passion and at some stage she also achieved her "C" grade Badge. But the lure of playing was too hard to resist and in 2004 found herself back in a frock and playing Senior 4. Janette originally put her hand up to play and coach Senior 4 but the Club was struggling to find, guess what? A Senior 1 coach! So in true Janette style she agreed to fill the top spot as coach and in the 4's she took out the Team Player Trophy and was also 2nd Runner-Up in the Association voting.

In 2005 she got her wish to coach and play Senior 4's and also won the Best and Fairest trophy. In 2006 work meant leaving the Barossa again and when she returned over ten years later she picked up where she left off last time only this time she had become Janette Edwards. In 2019 she coached the Senior 2's; in 2020 and 2021 she was appointed Senior 1 coach with Covid effectively cancelling the 2020 season.

Janette has developed a long term association with the Tanunda Netball Club, playing approximately 200 games and actively serving her club as a committee member and President, a coach and umpire. She never just played and willingly supported and mentored other coaches and umpires in their roles. She was a skilled player and competent and tactical coach and while her life journey has taken her away from Tanunda, not once but twice, her return has seen her uphold loyalty to her home town.

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

Senior 1

Coach: Toni Martin



L to R back row – Toni Martin (coach), Chantelle Linton, Lottie Higgins, Stacey Thom, Erin Schick, Lily Durnford
L to R front row – Mikaela Borgas, Chloe Petersen, Sophie Adams, Liz Peters (Absent: Karla Newman and Sadie Lienert)

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Lily Durnford
	B&F Runner Up	Mikaela Borgas
	2 nd Runner Up	Chloe Petersen

2023 was another hard year for our Senior 1 team. Finishing bottom of the ladder with 1 win in round 17. Obviously, our win was the highlight of our season. We deserved it and I am so glad our team got to experience it this year.

We had a great bunch of girls this year, everyone's attitudes and commitment to our team was outstanding and that is what got us through the year. It's very hard to be positive and keep showing up each week when so unsuccessful but credit to these girls for pushing through and being there for our team & club.

Round 4 against South Gawler who played in the grand final this year showed some of our true talent. Winning at half time and only going down by 12 goals in the end just showed we could be competitive.

Unfortunately, we suffered a few losses in the season which never helps. Both injury and work have seen a few girls not be able to finish their season.

I'd love to see everyone return in 2024, we will become successful in the future, but we need to be consistent and have girls playing together for a couple of years.

Thank you's....

Thank you to Stacey Thom for still coming out to training & games even though she couldn't play. I really appreciate you scoring each week and helping wherever you could.

Melissa Burnell for being our Primary Carer earlier in the season before welcoming a new baby to her family.

Thank you to the Senior 2, 3 & 4 teams.... ensuring we all had enough players each week was a task. Thank you coaches for being so easy to work with. Thank you to all our parents, friends etc for scoring weekly.

Thank you to the senior 2 girls who sat on our beach & played weekly. It was much appreciated, and I know it's generally the last thing you want to do after just playing a whole game.

Thank you to our umpires, as we all know we don't have a game without you.

See you all next year xx

Toni Martin

Senior 2

Coach: Lily Durnford and Stacey Thom



L to R back row – Sydney Wigzell, Jacqui Roberts, Megan Sherwood, Ashleigh Fox, Meg Wood, Linda Parbs
L to R front row – Ali Wiseman, Lily Durnford, Anna Richardson, Stacey Thom (Absent: Lauren Hutton)

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Linda Parbs
	B&F Runner Up	Meg Wood
	Most Consistent	Jacqui Roberts

The 2's had a competitive season this year finishing 7th, with 5 wins and 6 of our losses being within 5 goals! Which clearly showed that even though we couldn't always get the win, we provided a strong contest to the other teams.

We like most teams had our fair share of injuries with Syd and Ash unfortunately having a longer period of time off with injuries, which as well as being goalie heavy, meant that quite often our team was playing out of position! Most of you know, Anna Richardson as a goalie but she proved to be a very solid WD this year! With even a few cautions on her belt to prove it!

We also had a few milestones this year as Jo mentioned. with Tam Schiller filling in for 1 game and reaching her 100 games, Jacqui Roberts hitting 150 games and Anna Richardson playing her 250th game for Tanunda! Overall, I'm really proud of the dedication and friendship that was shown within the 2's team, I really enjoyed sharing my netball brain with you and I thank you all for such an enjoyable season!

I also want to thank Stacey for her assistance throughout the year listening to my consistent commentary on the sidelines, being a gun on the stats book, PCing and providing some well needed 'we can do this girls' in the team huddles when games were close. We appreciated your help so much!

A huge thanks to our captain Ali who provided some very proud 'yep righto lil just go with that then, she'll be right' after I mentioned yet another strange combination to put-on the court!

Lastly a huge thanks to Toni for allowing me to bounce ideas off even when we had no idea who was gonna touch the court in which grade some weeks, it was greatly appreciated!

Lily Durnford and Stacey Thom

Senior 3

Coach: Jeanette Hooper



L to right back row – Brooke Stiller, Shelley Hoklas, Bonnie Graetz, Megan Samain, Kara Story, Kate Bitter,
Jeanette Hooper

L to R front row – Elise Reed, Harriet Schuyler, Bethany Hayes and Rosie Robinson

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Kara Story
	B&F Runner Up	Megan Samain
	Most Consistent	Rosie Robinson

From the outset of the pre-season trials, there was a fantastic 'vibe' around the club this year. With so many new players to the club, together with some returning from a few seasons away, there was a real buzz around the place. Everyone seemed excited to get Season 2023 underway.

Senior 3 this year was a group that had never combined before. From the very first training it was evident that this group was motivated to make things happen this season.

Each team member set individual goals which helped give us direction with what specific skills we needed to work on. As coach, I developed a game plan around these goals, and we worked on the necessary skills week after week. Full credit to each member of this team as they learnt a new style of play and committed to it completely. Always willing to learn and ask questions along the way. Attendance at training was outstanding even when players were injured.

The team collectively established some team goals which have largely been achieved except for the top 4 finish (unfortunately with only 5 wins on the board this year, we finished in 6th place). For a first season together, I congratulate this team as I am so proud of how far they have come.

We kicked the season off with a win against Barossa United which made us all really excited about the season ahead. Unfortunately, the next 4 opponents we met, 3 of the 4 ended up being in the finals so we didn't win another game until Round 7 against Angaston which was a real cliff hanger resulting in a 1 goal win! Once again, we were reminded that the Gawler teams were going to be a force to be reckoned with. From Round 9, our season was definitely on the improve. It was evident that we scored more goals, and prevented the opposition teams from scoring as many goals as they did on our first meeting. Unfortunately, we just couldn't get the wins on the board against the top 5 teams. We finished the season with a solid win against Freeling and everyone is excited about taking on Season 2024 together.

This team did not once drop their heads, even in some matches where we lost by some significant margins, every team member always showed composure and determination to improve. It was these qualities that strengthened as the season progressed. We were tested with player absences due to injury, illness and planned holidays, but this group ploughed on through adversity. For the record - we did not have all 10 players available until the very last round of the season!

I am simply so proud of the way this team has conducted themselves this year. They have displayed strong team spirit and club spirit. On numerous occasions, players from this group were called upon to support the Senior 2 team. These opportunities were always accepted willingly. We relished in "Buddy Week". Our Buddy Team was Junior 1 this year and it has been fabulous being able to support them on game day and at training throughout the season and even through their finals campaign.

Within this team we had some wonderful individual milestones this year. Congratulations to Megan Samain, who played her 250th game and Bethany Hayes who played her 100th game for the club.

Support on and off the court was amazing. A special thank you to the players who supported us this season – Intermediate players - Chantelle Baumann, Chelsea Morgan, Ashleigh Schiller, Riley Swan, Sophie Evans, and Senior 4 player Sarah Goern.

Thank you also to Christine Robinson and Lyn Hoklas who donned the pink vest each week as Primary Carer, and kept the coaches book up to date each Saturday!

It has been an absolute pleasure coaching this Senior 3 team in 2023 and I hope they can stay together into next season to consolidate what they have developed this year.

Jeanette Hooper

Senior 4

Coach: Toni Brooks



L to R back row – Jodie Thomson, Toni Brooks, Ashleigh Seedsman, Jo Dutschke, Lena Hage, Gab Marschall, Brooke Etscheid

L to R front row – Toni Martin, Sarah Goern, Teagan Manning and Nikia Schwarz (Absent: Mikaela Marshall)

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Lena Hage
	B&F Runner Up	Jo Dutschke
	Coaches Trophy	Sarah Goern

At the end of last season I had convinced myself that I would not coach again this year even going so far as to informing the club of my intentions. Obviously I am easily swayed because after a fun presentation night, I was talked into going around again. Word was spreading about club people going out and actively recruiting, talking to past and new players into coming out again and an excited buzz was happening about potentially filling all sides for the 2023 season. Before long it was trial time and the numbers that turned out each week were fantastic. The positivity around the club was exciting. Well done to Tracey and Jeanette on the mammoth task of wrangling so many players into 7 teams. It wasn't a job to be envious of.

Again, with so many players coming out it would mean excess in teams but this would never prove to be an issue for most teams for a lot of the season. Teams were finally determined and team practice was underway. The girls approached the season with excitement and enthusiasm. 2023 promised to be a better year than previous years with the impact of low club numbers and the COVID years. However, COVID may not have been our nemesis in the 4's this year, this would come in the form of uncooperative ankles instead.

We started preseason focusing on some fitness and along with the Senior 3's put the girls through fitness and skill sessions as well as also working on bonding as a team. We had a good coverage of positional players as well as versatility. We welcomed Mikaela Marshall back to the club after a long break away who played in WD, we saw Teagan Manning come up for her first year in Senior netball from the U/17's as a key goalie. Jodie Thomson was also welcomed into the club providing height and accuracy in goals. The rest of the team was made up of Jo Dutschke, Sarah Goern and Ash Seedsman in defence, Lena Hage midcourt and the return of some club stalwarts in Nikia Schwarz in midcourt, Gab Marschall in WA/Goals and Brook Etschied also a goalie. By mid season, with dwindling numbers, we had talked Toni Martin out of retirement to come help us out as our ankle injuries mounted.

We also had a new recruit to the club in Abbey Ratcliffe. Unfortunately Abbey injured her ankle in the trials and never recovered sufficiently to play at all for the season. Ankle Injury number 1!

Our Captain as voted on by the team was Nikia Schwarz and Sarah Goern was our Vice Captain. We went into the first few games of the season without Brooke due to injury. Our first game was a warm one but we fought through and maintained our composure and came out with a gutsy win. Confidence and enthusiasm was high. Unfortunately from there, we couldn't continue to take that final step again.

As we progressed through the rounds, we showed what we were capable of but couldn't maintain the intensity for all 4 quarters. Brooke played her first tentative half game against Kapunda but unfortunately we lost Nikia mid game also against Kapunda to Ankle Injury Number 2 which unfortunately she was not able to recover from. She did however become a very valuable Assistant Coach with me on the sidelines.

Sarah took over as Captain but at training before the Willaston game, we then lost her to Ankle Injury Number 3! I was a bit worried to appoint another Captain after this! Was it a Captains curse??!! Thankfully, Sarah was able to make a very quick recovery and be back playing within a few weeks. This unfortunately was not to be the last, Jodie Thompson, Ankle Injury Number 4, first game of round 2 against Barossa, to which Jodie was unable to come back from as well. By this time, I thought I had more assistant coaches than players! Despite our lack of success, the girls improved each week, and the final margins were frustratingly close most weeks.

We were more confident every week that success would come especially in the second half of the season, unfortunately despite our best efforts this was not to be. Despite the lack of success, the girls fought hard every week and supported each other as a team. We limped toward the seasons end with injuries and some sore bodies and needed to call on a few Inters girls to fill in. With so much experience within the group, they helped coach each other, and when Toni Martin (Senior 1 Coach) stepped into our team, whether that be on the court or on the sidelines, myself along with the girls, really appreciated the guidance and input she gave.

Firstly, I must thank my Husband Tim for his support through the season and encouraging me to go again as well as my daughter Abby for our continued DISCUSSIONS pre and during the season. A big thank you to Jen Verhees for being our Primary Carer for the first half of this season and Jodie Thompson for taking over that role for the second half.

Thank you to Jeanette Hooper and the Senior 3 girls for their support, friendship and being our training buddies. To Bianca for her thankless job of providing umpires week in and week out. And as I said last year, To Sharon and her fabulous band of Committee champions. The amount of work you put into this Netball Club is greatly appreciated. The time and sacrifices you all make to keep this Netball Club running, has been exceptional. Thank you so much for all of your support this year. Thanks to the Social Club and Social media girls. You have done an outstanding job this year making the teams feel more connected socially and part of the club. To my Senior 4 girls. Firstly to Nikia, Thank you for your leadership as one of our Captains. Despite you not being on the court for most of the season, our little pre/mid/post game strategy chats along with your leadership off the court was very much appreciated. This is my first year getting to know you and I can see why you are incredibly respected as a Tanunda Netball Club champion.

To Sarah, for stepping up as Captain when Nikia could not play on. Your drive, enthusiasm and overall dedication to game, the club but most of all your team was outstanding. Your leadership and encouragement of your team mates and on and off court made you the perfect choice to continue to lead the team this season. Lastly, to the rest of my girls, even though success did not favour us this year, I felt truly blessed to have met and gotten know such a wonderful bunch of women. You made coming out on those cold and wet Thursday nights and Saturdays not so tough. At the start of the season, you all agreed to commit to each other and the club and you did just that. I am so proud of you all and I will miss you all.

I won't be coaching next season but who knows, I might pop up as a PC or Team Manager ! You all brightened up my winter! My hope for next year is that you all come back out again and are able to stick together as a team. Commit once again to each other and the club and I have no doubt success will come.

Again, a final parting comment to the club playing group as whole. I will reiterate pretty much what I said last year in my speech, come back and play again next season. We have created a fantastic foundation this year, continue to build on that. To be a successful club you need to show loyalty and commitment. If you put your name down to play, no matter what grade that may be, you need to turn up! Turn up for your coach, your club, but more importantly your team mates. Like I said success will only come with hard work, commitment and loyalty to each other. GO MAGGIES !!

Toni Brooks

Senior 5

Coach: Lisa Manning & Bel Petersen



L to R back row – Lisa Manning, Nerida Allert, Belinda Petersen, Bianca Smith, Halle Martin, Abby Brooks
L to R front row – Karen Price, Beck Hazeldine, Kate Skarstrom, Lexie Marshall, Olive Allert, Nina Rondello

The Winners:

Best & Fairest	Beck Hazeldine
B&F Runner Up	Bel Petersen
Coaches Trophy	Lexie Marshall and Kate Skarstrom

The Senior 5 Team, comprising a mix of new and seasoned Tanunda players consisted of Beck, Nina, Nez, Bel, Karen, Olive, Lexie, Kate, Bianca, Lisa, and Halle, had a growth season in 2023. The team had three remarkable wins and a thrilling draw in the second to last round with a team who made finals. This newly formed group of players did take the first half of the season to work out team dynamics and consistent combinations. Over the course of the season, they displayed an impressive ability to gel as a team both on and off the court. The season witnessed the development of strong team dynamics, impressive individual growth, and a renewed sense of camaraderie among the players with some close finishes and frustrating losses.

Juggling 11 players will always be a challenge but was required with multiple injuries, weekends away and some older fatigued bodies all impacting how we filled a team each week. Thanks girls for tolerating rookie coaches (but you haven't scared us off) and trusting multiple extreme changes of positions - usually mid game!

Thanks to team manager extraordinaire Abby for picking up the slack in washing bibs and writing game reports each week when the coaches were to grumpy, tired and sore after games. There is great young potential in this team whose growth will hopefully be noticed by selectors next season. But if you miss it we will happily play with them again next year.

Lisa Manning and Bel Petersen

Senior 6

Coach: Linda Morgan



L to R back row – Shannon Rosenzweig, Mel Bignell, Ruby Murray, Nicole Owen, Linda Morgan, Stephanie Docherty, Joslyn Hage, Lily Holmes

L to R front row – Raychelle Small, Elle McArdle, Brianna Stopps

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Ruby Murray
	B&F Runner Up	Melissa Bignell
	2 nd Runner Up	Raychelle Small and Nicole Owen

This season following the independent selections, our team consisted of Mel Bignell, Nicole Owen, Ruby Murray, Joslyn Hage, Raychelle Small, Elle McArdle, Brianna Stopps, Lily Holmes, Shannon Rosenzweig, Stephanie Docherty and myself. Our captain was once again unanimously voted as Mel Bignell and our Vice was Nicole Owen and our Team Managers were Levene Fechner and Abby Brooks who shared the role (sometimes fighting over it...)

We welcomed new player Raychelle Small and returning player Elle McArdle to Tanunda this season.

I was a little worried that having a team of 11 players was going to be difficult to manage but as it turned out with people away and injured etc there were some weeks where I was glad we had a large number.

For instance, in Round 1, we had our captain with a question mark injury, Shannon was still struggling with her calf injury and Steph was overseas. We played against Barossa at home which was a close game only winning by 1 goal in the last minute.

The next couple of games we knew would be hard work as we were up against Gawler Centrals and South Gawler. Shannon took the court at Gawler Centrals and managed to last around 30 seconds before her calf injury took her off. Unfortunately, this was the only time that Shannon managed to make it on the court on game day for the remainder of the season.

Our first win of the season was against Kapunda at Kapunda, winning by 5 goals, then up against Nuriootpa we nearly had our second win, but wasn't meant to be going down by 4. We also nearly had Angaston the following week with an awesome second half of netball but just didn't quite get there. Four quarters of netball are really needed to win games against strong opposition, we were successful in getting the ball from our defence end to out attacking end but we just needed to capitalise on that more with more accurate shooting.

Half way at Round 9 we had our Buddy Round which was something new this season. We went out early at our home game against Freeling and watched our Sub Junior 2 buddy team play their game and then those girls watched us later in the day. It was a great day but again unfortunately we couldn't quite get the win in front of our buddy team, going down by 8 goals.

Round 11 was one of our best games this season against Barossa at Barossa. We held the lead all game and finished off with a 16 goal win.

We celebrated Linda's 200 games in Round 14 on 5th August at a home game against Kapunda. This was also celebrated alongside of Kapunda's Pippa Mickan's 300th game with whom Linda stood against in the goal circle for the start of the game. Unfortunately, Linda tore her calf about 10 minutes into the first quarter of the game and was then stuck on the bench for the remainder of the game, and saw her out for the remainder of the season.

Nicole also suffered suspected concussion during that game and also spent the second half on the bench with Linda. The team did manage a great win however with the final scores being 41 to 32.

We finished off the season with a brilliant 19 goal win against Freeling, it was a great team effort on a very warm day. 5 wins for the season equalled in us finishing 6th on the ladder with 10 points, above Freeling, Barossa and Kapunda.

Rotating players each week did prove to be tricky at times, we were defence heavy which did mean that our defenders needed to play more half games some weeks and I thank them for being so understanding. Our defenders were Mel Bignell, Nicole Owen, Stephanie Docherty, Joslyn Hage, Ruby Murray. Our attackers were Linda Morgan, Brianna Stopps, Lily Holmes, Elle McArdle and Shannon Rosenzweig and our Eveready bunny in centre was Raychelle Small.

I hope to see you all back on court in 2024 bigger, better, stronger!

Linda Morgan

Senior 7

Coach: Karen Mitchell



L to R back row – Michelle Morphet, Lexis Rohrlach, Kate Hawley, Maegen Schiller, Tania Bailey, Nicole Moffett
L to R front row – Lane Blieschke, Sally McCarthy, Karen Mitchell, Kate Osborne (Absent: Jade Hawkes)

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Michelle Morphet
	B&F Runner Up	Sally McCarthy
	Best Team Player	Lane Blieschke

This season we had a wonderful team which was a mix of the old and the new. Tania, Lane, Sally, Jade, Lexis and Foxy had previously played for our club, with Jade and Sally returning after a few years away. New players to our club as were Michelle, Kate, Maegan and Nicole.

The team elected Michelle our captain and Sally as vice captain. Lane was keen to set a series of goals which the team helped formulate. It was important to the team that we were considerate and supportive of each other, that we arrived punctually to training and games and that each match we bettered our result from the previous round (which we generally managed to do).

We thank Bob for his support at trainings and on match days as he was particularly helpful to some of the injured and aging bodies. If someone wasn't quite punctual, it was usually because they were being attended to by Bob – ankles, knees and calves being the major sore spots!

The Senior 7 competition this year was pretty close. South Gawler were way ahead of every team, and then came out and beat Angaston in the grand final. Angaston and Gawler Central were the other big contenders and unfortunately we were unable to defeat any of these three teams during the season, although we did get pretty close to Angaston and Gawler Central.

We were lucky to have three goalies in our team – Nicole, Sally and Lexis. No matter which way these three players took the goalie bibs, they were very accurate and their statistics were impressive. Our mid-court players were Kate, Jade, Tania and Lane. The defence line up was Michelle, Maegan and Foxy.

We had a few big wins during the season against Barossa, Freeling and Kapunda (our biggest win was by 37 goal against Kapunda). Our biggest loss was to the eventual premiers, South Gawler and that margin was 23 goals.

We trained with the Senior 5 and 6 teams and did our stretches together, ball warm ups and some ball drills. Most weeks we had a match against these teams and they were always competitive and played in good spirits.

We were privileged to have the amazing Kate Osborne as our team manager and Messenger motivator. Kate made sure we were organised with umpiring and scoring rosters as well as providing us with pre-game motivational quotes. She provided our oranges and lollies and made sure we were all ready to go when each quarter commenced. Kate provided the coach with her observations of the game and assisted in making quarter by quarter changes – or not!

My thanks to our team for making Season 2023 such an enjoyable one. Although we didn't make the finals, we weren't that far off, finishing fifth. I am hoping that all players will return to our club in 2024.

Karen Mitchell

Intermediate 1

Coach: Shannon Rosenzweig



L to R back row – Chelsea Morgan, Shannon Rosenzweig, Sophie Evans, Ashleigh Schiller, Riley Swan, Chantelle Baumann
L to R front row – Mia Moen, Lexie Etschied, Zoe Heidenreich

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Chantelle Baumann
	B&F Runner Up	Ashleigh Schiller
	2 nd Runner Up	Riley Swan

We started our season with a team of 8. We were a relatively young team, 6 of whom will still be eligible to play Inters in 2024, and 2 were new to the inters competition. The team consisted of Ashleigh Schiller as Captain, Chelsea Morgan as Vice Captain, Chantelle Baumann, Lexi Etscheid, Sophie Evans, Zoe Heidenreich, Mia Moen and Riley Swan.

Having a team of 11 last year I was excited to have a smaller team, but I must confess, I found a team of 8 difficult to manage, especially after losing Sophie to a broken wrist early in the second half of the season. We were often short and needed girls from the Junior 1 & 2 and Inter 2 teams to fill in. It was the season for it, with many of our team playing their game and then going straight to a senior team to fill in as they too were short for the second half of the season.

We didn't win our first game until round 7 and we won 2 in a row. The second half of the season was just as hard, with only one win and a draw, but we made huge improvements by reducing our losing margin against most of our opponents and by as much as 25 goals against the eventual premiers in South.

Our success was not in the form of premiership points, it was instead about showing up no matter how hard each battle was. Every one of the girls showed leadership, individually they improved in aspects of their game and as a team they stepped up and fought it out week after week.

Defenders were amazing, it didn't matter who the opposition was. Riley, Sophie and Zoe constantly intercepted, rebounded and caused their opponents to second guess themselves which provided so many opportunities for the team. Lexi, Mia and Chantelle were our mid court stars, creating space, penetrating forward and feeding our goalies in spectacular fashion. Ashleigh and Chelsea had a lot of pressure on them being our only true goalies, but they never wavered. Each week they inspired their team by not giving in, converting the opportunities afforded by our defence and mid court and stepping up as our leaders.

It's been a great season of netball, thank you to the girls for their enthusiastic willingness to learn, and for their open communication. It was great to have the support of not only the players, but their families too. We've shared many laughs and the greatest reward is knowing you all had fun too.

Shannon Rosenzweig

Intermediate 2

Coach: Lottie Higgins



L to R back row – Lily Pedersen, Emma Petersen, Macaylee Verhees, Lottie Higgins
L to R front row – Emily Thompson, Lacey-May Finch, Claudia Grocke (Absent: Paige Richards and Lucinda Isaacson)

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Lily Pedersen
	B&F Runner Up	Emily Thompson
	Coaches Trophy	Claudia Grocke

Our first round game against Gawler Centrals saw us only lose by 1 goal which was a fantastic start to the season. We then also had a great win against Kapunda scoring 45 goals to 16. Round 6 we came up against Nuriootpa and we only went down by 3 goals, again a great effort by the girls.

Having a couple of games in a row against the Gawler teams is never easy and it wasn't until the end of the season that we had some more great wins against Kapunda again, Willaston and Freeling for the final round.

Overall we finished with 5 wins and 7 losses from 12 games played and ended 5th on the ladder. Well done girls.

Thanks for a fun season, I hope you all enjoyed the season as well and I hope to see you all back next year to continue on in your netball journeys.

Lottie Higgins

Junior 1

Coach: Sue Martin and Sonya Day



L to R back row – Sonya Day, Tameka Howard, Emilie Wundersitz, Emily Rosenzweig, Grace Wundersitz, Lacey Linke, Jacinta Howard, Sue Martin

L to R front row – Summer Owen, Matilda Laidlaw, Lara Manning, Bella Lehmann

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Lara Manning
	B&F Runner Up	Jacinta Howard
	2 nd Runner Up	Summer Owen and Matilda Laidlaw

It's been an incredible season filled with hard work, dedication, and teamwork. Our players have shown remarkable growth and sportsmanship on and off the court.

Managing a team of 10 presents unique challenges, however, this challenge has served a valuable lesson, teaching our players the importance of adapting to different communication styles and leadership approaches.

Before I go any further, I like to take a moment to express my deep gratitude to my right-hand man, Bundy Girl. She was my team manager, assistant coach, and PC. Having the support of Bundy has made my job easier as she made sure everything had run smoothly. From the entire team, we thank you for your tireless efforts and unwavering support; you're truly appreciated.

At the start of the season, I emphasized the importance of maintaining a strong percentage in case we finish the season with equal points. The strategy approach paid off as we encountered such a scenario, ultimately securing second place on the ladder based on our impressive percentage. I couldn't be prouder of what we accomplished together. This achievement highlights not only our on-field prowess but our tactical thinking and discipline.

We did have some thrilling moments and intense matchups despite the challenges we encountered along the way. In the prelim final, our journey reached an impressive peak with a place in the grand final. It was a tremendous achievement for our team to reach this stage and a testament to their hard work and dedication.

In the grand final, we faced a formidable Kapunda team, and although we gave it our all, we were ultimately bested by a stronger team.

It is disappointing when you put in your best effort and come up short, however, reaching the grand final itself is a significant achievement to your skill and determination. Let's use this disappointment as motivation to come back stronger next year. Thank you for your dedication and exceptional teamwork.

LARA: we want to take this special moment to congratulate you on your outstanding achievement this season, coming second in the Association is a remarkable accomplishment. Also making it into the Thunderbirds clinic is a testament to your skill, dedication, and determination. You show incredible talent on the netball court, and we're incredibly proud of your performance. Your hard work has paid off, and you have set a fantastic example for the whole team. Well done, Lara, keep reaching for the stars.

Thank you to the Jr 2's team for training against us each week also to the inter teams. Thank you to the senior girls who generously dedicated their time to help train with us during the end of the season and finals times. Their presents not only challenged us to improve but also fostered a sense of unity within our club we are fortunate to have such an inspiring role model amongst our senior players.

Thank you also to Toni & Lisa for umpiring most weeks for us at training, & Toni for going the extra mile by sharing her expertise through various drills was truly invaluable and her ability and approach to the game with greater understanding.

Selecting our trophy winners was no easy task this season each week we face the challenging decision of awarding 3-2 or 1 point to the standout player, the competition was fierce, and every player brought their best to the court making our job incredibly tough we commend all the players to the outstanding efforts and sportsmanship.

Award winners are:

In the third position we had a thrilling draw between two very different players, Summer Owen and Matilda Laidlaw. Summer face a few challenges with her feet this season but when she had those issues under control there was no stopping her determination and growth where evident, she was developing her skills beautifully.

Matilda, who was my goalie, may have been quiet on and off the court but her accuracy spoke volumes she was a true asset to the team with her precision.

Runner-up: Jacinta Howard,

Jacinta secure the runner-up position for the season. She was our goalkeeper her rebounding skills were nothing short of outstanding she consistently stood tall and strong on the court even though her intense game face occasionally caught the attention of the umpires, we offered reminded her to just smile but her determination remained unwavering. Congratulations to Jacinta.

Best and fairest: Lara Manning

Not only did Lara clinch best and fairest title but also led as our captain throughout the season. Lara is exceptional ability in the centre position marked by a strength, speed, and unwavering determination prepared our team forward. She never gave up, inspiring us all to push our limits. Lara's role modelling and sportsmanship's set at a high standard for our team. She demonstrates what it means to be a true leader, Lara your achievements and character made you a remarkable asset to our team. Congratulations on your well-deserved recognition.

Overall, our junior one team had a remarkable season filled with numerous victory strategy planning and moments of growth, I want to commend each member of the team for their commitment sportsmanship and perseverance is through these experience that we learn and grow as athletes and individuals. I look forward to seeing our team continue to excel in the future building on the foundations of teamwork strategy thinking and determination that was established this season.

Thank you for the season, I've had a memorable journey.

keep shining both on and off the court.

Sue Martin and Sonya Day

Junior 2

Coach: Bonnie Graetz



L to R back row – Taylah Morgan, Zoe Baillie, Sahvanna Wohlers, Olivia Dickson, Isla Schwarz, Gracie Heneker,
Bonnie Graetz (coach)
L to R front row – Chelsea Jones, Estelle Dswonitzky, Lakeesha Howard, Kristina Bailey

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Estelle Dswonitzky
	B&F Runner Up	Zoe Baillie and Lakeesha Howard
	Coaches Trophy	Olivia Dickson

It was a very successful 2023 season for the Junior 2 side, made up of a group of 10 highly dedicated and strong netballers; it was a pleasure coaching the girls and watching them develop throughout the season through to the grand final.

The girl's commitment to the team this season largely attributed to their success. With a side of 10 there were 3 players on our bench each week which has helpful when we had players away but also meant court time had to be shared around. I commend the girls on their sportsmanship and positive attitudes throughout the season and really appreciated their dedication to trainings and showing encouragement to their teammates even during their weeks off. It was evident the girls truly combined as a team this season and developed a trust in each other's ability which was so important for the team's overall achievement.

I would like to credit each of the girls on their eagerness to achieve and improve this season. At the beginning of the rounds the girls requested to start training twice a week on both Tuesdays and Thursdays, which was very beneficial for our team as it gave us time to focus on individual player development and run more fitness and specialized skill-based trainings. It was a focus at trainings this season that all drills were relevant to player's individual needs, development and game-based strategy, aiming to extend every player. It was a bonus this season to have life member, Tracey Hoklas also come to trainings and mentor some of the players, especially the goalies, her support allowed the defence and attack line to divide at trainings and spend more time on individual focuses. Reflecting upon the player goals the girls wrote at the start of the season and their progress from the first game through to finals, I believe every player's netball skills have improved this season and I commend their focus and dedication.

Our team had a very successful season overall and our efforts as a team were consistently reflected by high margin wins. The girls played strong and always fought with 100% intensity from round 1, which lead to some amazing achievements throughout the season. We began our season with a high 66-3 win and only progressed from there, our best margin being 85-16, the girls safely secured the 2nd spot on the ladder by finals.

The team played the grand final against Centrals who were the only side we lost against all season and unfortunately went down 27-26. The grand final was the girl's strongest game of the season and they all lifted to the challenge, I was so proud of their efforts, the whole game was goal for goal and in the end it came down to the team who was up when the whistle went.

The girls pushed themselves every week at trainings and games to improve as individuals and as a team and earned every achievement they made this season. Every player proved to me that they have a bright future at Tanunda Netball Club and I really look forward to watching them as they continue to develop into senior netballers.

Bonnie Graetz

Sub-Junior 1

Coach: Ashleigh Seedsman



L to R back row – Ashleigh Seedsman, Ruby Feltus, Ava Reilly, Sophie Petersen, Mya Richardson
L to R front row – Ruby Gogoll, Zoe Lindner, Peyton Verhees, Makayla Goers, Amalia Evans

The Winners:	Best & Fairest	Ruby Feltus
	B&F Runner Up	Ruby Gogoll
	2 nd Runner Up	Zoe Lindner and Mya Richardson

This year the team consisted of Amalia Evans, Ruby Feltus, Makayla Goers, Ruby Gogoll, Zoe Lindner, Sophie Petersen, Ava Reilly, Mya Richardson, Peyton Verhees.

These girls have been nothing short of a joy to coach this season. While there were some challenging games and we took some hits these girls were always ready to go again the next week. They were always a little sad when we had a bye or a week off, all they wanted to do was play netball.

Their infectious laughter and smiles were all anyone needs to get through the week. They listen, they learn, they just want to be the best versions of themselves each and every week. Whether it was a team goal or an individual goal, these girls tried with all their might to reach these for each other and for themselves.

All of them improved so much from our first training together to our last game. There were a few highlights to our season, four big games come to mind. Our first battle against South Gawler in Round 4 we won 16-13. When we meet them again in Round 13, we won with an outstanding score of 30-5. Every single person in our team played an amazing game. We kept South scoreless in the third quarter and we grew on our lead. It was a full team effort and a real turning point in the second half of our season.

Against Angaston in Round 7 we lost 25-5. When we came up against them in Round 16, we had them rattled, taking the win 26-20. Everyone was so excited, knowing and proving that we could play our best netball against a top 4 side.

Another incredible game to watch was against Willaston in Round 17, taking another win 32-8. Our highest goal scoring game for the year. Another game where our defence were able to keep a team goalless in the first quarter and our attackers rewarded this hard work.

The last game I want to highlight were when we meet Freeling, Round 9 we went down 18-23 a very close game, but again we surprised them in Round 18 we took the win 29-20. Every single player worked hard, worked together and made sure they secured a win in their final game for 2023. This win moved us from seventh on the ladder to fifth.

The girls knew they could finish here at training that week, and they didn't want to let that opportunity slip. After every training they said thank you. After every game they said thank you. Thank you to each and every single one of my girls. Thank you for being a wonderful group, making my job as a coach feel like a dream.

I'm excited to watch these girls grow and become future netball leaders at our club. Thank you for letting me be just a small piece of your netball journey.

Ashleigh Seedsman

Sub-Junior 2

Coaches: Alice Lindner



L to R back row- Rebecca Tolhurst, Alice Holmes, Isla Helbig, Eden Schwarz, Claire Holmes, Adele Jones, Alice Lindner
L to R front row- Tali King, Chelsea Flynn, Imogen Tolhurst, Sasha Skinner, Sienna Palmer

The winners:	Best & Fairest	Chelsea Flynn
	B&F Runner Up	Sasha Skinner
	Coaches Trophy	Sienna Palmer

This season started with a team of ten players with some players having played up in Sub Juniors the year before but majority coming up from Primaries. I decided early on the easiest way to juggle a team of ten was to roster an emergency for each week which worked well as it meant the girls that came out got a good amount of court time.

Throughout the season the girls work really hard to enhance their skills on the court. Two areas of focus was addressing the issue of crowding and footwork. With continuous practice and focused drills on these areas the girls improved so much which lead to some great passages of play on game days.

All of the girl's hard work paid off and come grand final day we played Gawler Centrals who we had played three times and lost twice but won once so it was anybody's game. It was such a great game with the team fighting hard each quarter and making a comeback in the final quarter. Unfortunately it wasn't our day and the team went down by 2 goals. I was very proud of how the girls not only carried themselves with excellent sportsmanship but how they continued to encourage each other and fight hard.

Thank you to Nikia Schwartz and Abby Brooks for their support with coaching throughout the season I really appreciate it. A huge thank you to Rebecca Tolhurst for her tireless efforts as Team Manager and Primary Carer. Thank you to Ashleigh Seedsman and the Subbie 1s for training with us each week we have had a lot of fun. Finally a massive thank you to the parents for all of your support and getting the girls out to trainings and games and for cheering from the side lines each week.

Alice Lindner

Primary 1

Coach: Kate Pedersen



L to R – Karen Price, Amelia Gibbons, Summer Bonner, Demi Reilly, Georgie Hazeldine, Lucy Martin, Olivia Wood, Olivia Schiller, Lucy Pedersen, Isabelle McCarthy, Molly Roberts and Kate Pedersen

The Primary 1 team was made up of 10 passionate, determined and energetic netball players. Lucy.M, Lucy.P, Oliva. S, Sasha, Olivia.W, Georgia, Demi, Summer, Amelia, Molly and Isabelle were a talented group of netballers who all loved to play the game.

This season Karen again worked with us as a co-coach. Karen is a skilled netball coach who had a lot to offer our Primary 1 players. The girls were very quick to pick up the drills that were taught and although they loved to chat, were ready and willing to respond to feedback given by both coaches.

Each week presented a challenge for the girls, and it always gave them the opportunity to improve on skills that they were learning. The year started off with a lot of challenges and our girls finding their positions. We came up against some tough teams in Barossa and Kapunda and the girls worked out that they had to work together and play strong netball to be able to win the games that they easily won last year. Our team worked each week on tightening their skills in attack and defence. The girls come to each game with a fighting spirit and full of energy!

Each training we were lucky to join with Heidi and the Primary 2 girls. The trainings were structured and always worked on skills that needed to be developed. Match play was an important part of training to get the girls used to plays and player positions. By the second half of the season each player was flourishing in developing new skills and applying these into match play.

All players were given the opportunity to play in a variety of positions and we could see players developing strong connections to positions. The confidence and self believe in all players was wonderful to witness develop. Towards the end of the season the players were playing more in positions that suited their skill level and their abilities as well as what they liked.

The Primary 1 girls should be proud of the season they had. Thank you to Kath Martin for being an amazing team manager, to Toni Martin for stepping into coach when Karen and I couldn't be there and to all our parents and supporters for coming out each week to cheer our netballers on. Congratulations on a great season!

Kate Pedersen

Primary 2

Coach: Heidi Thompson



L to R back row – Heidi Thompson (Coach), Trini Henry, Billie Prior, Lola Richardson, Eden Honner
L to R front row – Indie Flynn, Harper Wall, Pia Davis, Sienna Buczko, Kate Heinrich

The Primary 2 netball team had an exciting and successful year of netball in 2023, finishing premiers in their division. Our enthusiastic players, and supportive parents made this season a memorable one. All nine players were dedicated from the beginning, rarely missing training and making themselves available every Saturday. It made coaching much easier having parents and family members who were happy to assist each week. Thank you to all who supported myself and the team each week, from the umpires and committee members to the volunteers who make community sport possible.

My aim for the season was to ensure players had a good understanding of the rules of netball, the fundamentals of the game, positioning, instilling values of fair play, respect for opponents, and good sportsmanship. My belief is that junior netball should be about creating a positive and enjoyable atmosphere where players look forward to practices and games and ensuring that all players have opportunities to improve and develop their skills and partake in equal match play regardless of their current ability. Their success this season was a testament to their attitudes and the friendships made on and off the court.

The improvement of skills throughout the season, including shooting, passing, defensive techniques, and teamwork was outstanding. The growth and development were evident each week, and I was so proud to coach this amazing young team.

Heidi Thompson

GO 1

Coach: Lexi Marshall



L to R back row – Lexie Marshall, Gracie Rochford, Sage Feltus, Harper Samain
L to R front row – Evie Underwood, Lila Mosey, Kate Barnes
Absent Lucy Brockhoff

This season I coached the Go 1 team, when I came into the picture, Kirsten and Linda had made the teams already, which made it easy for me! We decided to put our group of 13 girls into 2 teams, 7 girls in Go 1 and 6 girls in Go 2. Megan Samain was kind enough to make a roster for the Go squad, so as everyone got to play every week. All our girls were more than happy to put their hand up to fill in for the other team and play 2 games in the day. The Go squad were such an amazing group of girls, they were improving more and more each week and I know they will all grow to be the superstars of Tanunda Netball Club. My Go 1 team wouldn't hesitate to ask the umpires on Saturdays to pick them up on everything including, stepping, contact and obstruction.

They would tell me at half time how they wanted more of a challenge to help them improve their skills. These girls adjusted themselves to the umpires and I am 100% certain they are all ready to move into Primary's next year, and they are so excited about getting to score their games. The parents this season were some of my biggest supporters, I couldn't have asked for a better group of mums and dads to be not only cheering on their girls but also cheering me on and helping me wherever I needed it. Kirsten was my number one supporter, if I didn't have her helping me and guiding me through this season, I would have been a mess.

These girls have been an absolute blessing to coach, from their manners to their skills they have been amazing little netballers. I formed the closest connection to them, and I hope to be able to follow them to primary's and coach and guide them through next season too.

Lexi Marshall

GO 2

Coach: Kirsten Schiller



L to R back row – Ashleigh Schiller, Kirsten Schiller
L to R front row – Eden Wood, Phoebe Gibbins, Milla Wohlers, Matilda Schiller, Ava Helbig, Maddison Stiller

We started this season with 13 girls and two GO teams to fill. After consulting with Linda, the decision was made to run with 2 teams – 6 girls in GO2 and 7 girls in GO1 with a roster in place to ensure that both teams had enough girls to play each week. We soon realised that we had no reason to be nervous. Our 13 superstars put their hand up each week (sometimes they begged) to play 2 games of netball or sit on the bench for the other team. Girls came early to support the GO2 team or hung around afterwards to cheer the GO1 team. Lexie and I were truly blessed to have a great bunch of supportive and encouraging girls. They worked wonderfully together and showed amazing improvement throughout the season. The benefits to this arrangement was that the girls got an amazing amount of court time this season. This was appreciated by both the players and the parents.

The girls started to show great initiative throughout the season, wanting to concentrate on stepping and contact at training and asking the umpires on Saturday to pick up their stepping all the time so they could improve. We also set a goal to be able to successfully run the four corners training drill, which we did!! We finally had our buddy training towards the end of the season, the girls thoroughly loved training with the inters. This was a wonderful opportunity for both teams (GOs and Inters) to interact with each other, and there were many smiles from all the girls. A wonderful initiative that will only grow over the coming years.

I had great support from the parents this season. They were flexible getting the girls to earlier games or sticking around later. The season would not have been as easy without their support. I also had Ashleigh Schiller helping with coaching again this season. She formed a beautiful relationship with the girls, and her confidence grew throughout the season helping run training drills and running the warm-ups on match day. Thanks Ashleigh for your help.

And to my girls – Thanks for an amazing season, I have truly enjoyed coaching you this year.

Kirsten Schiller