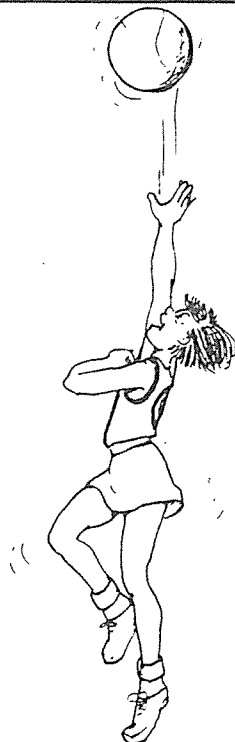


THE TANUNDA NETBALL CLUB INC.

1997

ANNUAL REPORT



Presented to the members for the
Annual General Meeting
to be held in the clubrooms

TUESDAY, 21st OCTOBER, 1997
7:30pm

Tanunda Netball Club

Annual General Meeting
AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of 1996 A.G.M.
4. Annual Report
5. Elections: Committee: President
Vice-President
Secretary
Treasurer
Committee Members (7)

Auditor:

Association Delegates: (2 + proxy)

Council Representative:

Patrons:

Umpires Co-ordinator:

6. Subscriptions For 1998 Season
7. Trophy Donations
8. Other Business: (a) New uniform

Tanunda Netball Club

Season 1997

Patrons / Patronesses:	Dr. A.C. Behrndt, Mrs. M. Lehmann, Mrs. M. Heidenreich, Mrs. L. Fechner.
President:	Mrs. Lyn Hoklas
Vice-President:	Mrs. Jackie Harvey
Secretary:	Mrs. Debbie Miles
Treasurer:	Mrs. Joy Wilksch
Committee Members:	Mrs. C. Kraehenbuhl, Mrs. M. Weymouth, Mrs. C. Hein, Mrs. E. Krieg, Mr. K. Klingner, Mrs. T. Hoklas, Mrs. C. Leske
Council Representative:	Mrs. C. Leske
Association Delegates:	Mrs. C. Kraehenbuhl, Mrs. E. Krieg, Mrs. L. Hoklas (proxy)
Tribunal Representative:	Mrs. L. Lindner
Canteen Co-Ordinator:	Committee
Umpires Organizer:	Mrs. K. Marschall
Records Officer:	Mrs. C. Hein
Newspaper Reports:	Mrs. T. Hoklas
Senior Coaches:	Mrs. Jo Buck (Senior 1 & 2) Mr. Tony Potter (Senior 3) Mrs. Cheryl Kraehenbuhl (Senior 4) Mr. Peter Hueppauff (Senior 5) Mrs. Debbie Miles (Senior 6)
Junior Coaches:	Mrs. Janette Schwartzkopff (Intermediate) Mrs. Fiona Hawkes (Intermediate) Miss Shannon Gepp (Junior 1) Miss Nikki Krieg (Junior 2) Mrs. Wendy Mattner (Sub-Junior 1) Mrs. Gayle Dawkins (Sub-Junior 2) Mrs. Janine Walker (Sub-Junior 3) Mrs. Lyn Hoklas (Modifieds & Under 8's)
Life Members:	Mrs. M. Lehmann, Mrs. L. Lindner, Mrs. S. Fuller, Mrs. K. Marschall, Mrs. T. Murphy, Mrs. E. Behrndt, Mrs. C. Kraehenbuhl. * Mrs. K. Hueppauff - deceased.

WOHLERS OF BAROSSA
MOST SUCCESSFUL PLAYER AWARD

In 1981 the Hentschke Trophy was introduced. This trophy was awarded to the player, junior or senior, who gained the highest Club votes for the season.

Some past history of this award is:- first recipient to receive this award was Leanne Samain who still plays with Tanunda as a senior player, our current President Lyn Hoklas was the winner of 1985 and 1987, Robyn Horley successfully won this trophy in 1989, 1992, 1993 and again in 1995.

Last year this award was not given as the Hentschkes did not wish to continue after fourteen years, our sincere thanks to Brian and Mary Hentschke for their valuable support to the Tanunda Netball Club for so many years. However many associated with the Club did not want this to cease but sponsorship is not always easily obtained never the less upon approaching Darryl and Marilyn Wohlers who have been major supporters and sponsors of the Club for several years have offered to sponsor this award. We thank Darryl and Marilyn for their generosity also of vouchers each week for our senior teams incentive awards.

The award will now be known as the Wohlers Of Barossa Most Successful Player.

Congratulations is extended to:-

Season 1996 winner - Elissa Leske (Sub-junior 1)

Season 1997 winners - Nikia Gepp (Senior 1)

- Gayle Dawkins (Senior 2)

President's Report - Lyn Hoklas

Here we are at the end of the 1997 season, and although 1997 may not have been as successful as 1996 I hope it was just as enjoyable.

We started the season with only two responses for coaching positions, Wendy Mattner and Peter Hueppauff. After a lot of scouting around we did eventually fill all positions. Thankyou to all our coaches for doing such a wonderful job. There is hardly a time when they have a small group of girls, most teams consisted of 9 or 10 players. Players are rotated evenly through minor round matches, and everyone given a fair go. Please support our coaches and their decisions when it comes to finals, as in any other sport the best combination of players are chosen for finals. I know as a parent it would be difficult to have a child sitting on the sidelines, but remember to encourage them as they have helped through the season to get to the finals. Your support and theirs from the sidelines gives that extra lift at finals. Coaches are accepted at the beginning of the season so let's continue to support them to the end with the finals.

Our wonderful season 1997 coaches were: Katrina Neldner, Lyn Hoklas, Janine Walker, Gayle Dawkins, Wendy Mattner, Nikki Krieg, Shannon Gepp, Janette Schwartzkopff, Fiona Hawkes, Debbie Miles, Peter Hueppauff, Cheryl Kraehenbuhl, Tony Potter and Jo Buck - Thankyou !

We started a skills training session for under 8's this year which seemed to be successful. I took on that job and enjoyed it very much. Those girls coming into modifieds next year won't be coming in without any knowledge. Hopefully these sessions can continue next year.

As usual we had plenty of players register to ably fill all teams this year. The problem this year was 24 players registered to play in U17's with only one team available. After other clubs indicating what vacancies they had it was decided to join Willaston with an U17 team, however after many headaches and messing around we ended up with joining Angaston as a senior 6 team for four weeks. Angaston decided to drop their teams down and it seemed inevitable that there was no position for us any longer. So after much discussion we looked at our Tanunda teams and decided to slot these players into the senior teams giving most teams 10 or more players, in the end all was worked out. Again many thanks to the coaches for coping with the situation and the players for being understanding. I would just like to make a special thankyou to Chris Hawkes who coached the second U17 team for the four weeks and Katherine White for umpiring them.

At the end of our minor round we had seven of our twelve teams in the finals. Three teams in the 1st semi final, Sub-Junior 2, Senior 3, Senior 1, with Sub-Junior 2 and Senior 3 winning. Four teams in the 2nd semi final, Sub-Junior 3, Sub-Junior 1, Junior 1, Intermediates, Junior 1 lost but had a second chance. In the preliminary final Sub-Junior 2 and Junior 1 won which meant they went straight to the grand final. Senior 3 our only senior team to get to finals unfortunately lost but tried their best on the day.

Grand final day saw us with five teams competing: Sub-Junior 3, Sub-Junior 2, Sub-Junior 1, Junior 1 and Intermediates. Congratulations to the Sub-Junior 2 and Intermediates who won, and an excellent effort by the other three teams to make finals. It would be great to see more support for our teams playing in the finals from those teams that aren't. If your team doesn't successfully make finals after the minor rounds then the season doesn't just end, we are a Club and the support is still needed whether it's scoring or supporting from the sidelines. Maybe next year we can make more of an effort.

This year Kathy Marschall was our umpire's co-ordinator, not only did she organize umpires for the matches each week she also trained and coached nine girls to become better umpires. For this we thank you Kathy for your time and effort. A special thank you to everyone who umpired, helped at the gate home matches, cleaned the clubrooms or assisted in the canteen.

Thank you to our sponsors:-

Wohlers Of Barossa (Darryl & Marilyn Wohlers)
Tanunda Football Club
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Barossa Garden Centre
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Tanunda Snack Shack & Deli
Tanunda Pharmacy
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Due to their generosity we have been able to provide incentive awards to players each week.

Thank you to Tracey Hoklas for doing the newspaper reports each week also the Tanunda Football Club for their support through the season, especially Noel & Dianne Goodman for the support for our fun run. I would like to thank all the people who supported our raffle and fun run. All those attending our fun run had an enjoyable day. Maybe next year we can support this more and make it a big fundraising social event.

Thank you to all the Committee for their support to me over the last two years. To Claire Hein for being our efficient records officer. A big special thank you to Debbie Miles for all her efforts the past two years. I don't think people realize how much work Debbie does, not just the little jobs but the big ones as well. This lady is a very organized person.

Hopefully with our new uniforms we can be just as successful and enjoy next year. Thank you to all associated with the Club in 1997. Good luck for 1998!

Senior 1 & 2 - Jo Buck

The team:-

Senior 1	Senior 2
Celia Fielke	Jo Buck
Nikia Gepp	Amy Checker
Renee Geue	Gayle Dawkins
Lyn Hoklas	Fiona Hawkes
Nicole Klose	Tracey Hoklas
Nikki Krieg	Renee McDonald
Emma Leske	Sonya Miegel
Aimee McKay	Michelle Pitman
Leanne Samain	Janette Schwartzkopff

How does one follow the huge success of 1996? Quite simply, with great difficulty !

I thought season '96 was tough with the consistent juggling of players due to illness, injury etc. but '97 proved even more challenging especially when I found myself coaching not just one team but two.

We began the season with a new-look line-up in both senior 1 & 2. From '96 we lost Robyn Westhoff, Aimee McKay, Lisa Atze, Kristen Falkenberg, Lesley Grieger and Carly Geister - nearly a team itself. Thankfully the Club also experienced an influx of new talent which helped balance the loss.

Losing four experienced 'A' grade players meant promoting a number of young players from the 'B' grade and congratulations to Emma Leske, Nikki Krieg and Leanne Samain who went into the 'A' grade this year. We also welcomed new Club member Renee Geue into the 'A' grade but unfortunately farewelled her halfway through the season when her father died suddenly and she returned to Ceduna, later having found a teacher position she remained. Almost by coincidence Aimee McKay, who started the season with the Adelaide Jaguars but through illness withdrew from the Club, returned to her old Club to fill a very important gap.

Obviously with the loss of players and promotion of others the senior 2 side could only boost four players from it's 1996 premiership squad. Some serious rebuilding began and we welcomed into our ranks Fiona Hawkes, Sonya Miegel, Michelle Pitman, Amy Checker and Janette Schwartzkopff - all new players to the Club.

And so season '97 finally got underway.

We began training twice a week for six weeks to get our fitness up to speed. This achieved we reverted back to one training a week but then employed Craig Fielke's services to help with building on our fitness, endurance and strength. He drove us hard and I enjoyed some time-out to personally train and develop my own fitness levels.

By this time we were nearly half way through the season. The A-grade were in the four and the B-grade were out of the four by 2 games. The A-grade had proven itself

against all teams except the top 3 - losing narrowly to South, drawing with Kapunda, and being beaten convincingly by Freeling. The B-grade had performed inconsistently through the first round and we knew if we were going to play the longer season we had to turn around a few game results early in the second round.

We did this first up by defeating Barossa. Unfortunately we didn't go on with the task and played out the rest of the season finishing sixth.

The A-grade continued to win games but again struggled with the top three sides and so we finished the minor round in fourth position. Notably we were the only team to put some extra pressure on Freeling, a team which really looked invincible coming into the finals.

We met Kapunda in the 1st semi at Tanunda. Our season record - a draw and a four goal loss. The girls were primed to make amends and were keen to play on. The game started well and we basically led all day. With 15 minutes to play the weather cut loose and dumped it's load at Tanunda. The girls struggled in the conditions, Kapunda quickly caught up and then took the lead, something we never regained. We were unable to regain the composure and strength of the first three quarters and we finally went down by the narrowest of margins.

I was disappointed but was also very aware that me team had performed well and had grown significantly over the season. I suppose ultimately I was hoping for one last go at that Freeling side. And so suddenly the season was over.

Personally this was a difficult season trying to coach two teams and still play and I thank the girls for their understanding. Throughout I always felt well supported especially from people like Lyn Hoklas and Celia Fielke who consistently encouraged and did things along the way. I also really appreciated all the efforts from my squad in terms of Club duties, umpiring, scoring etc. and most importantly I enjoyed their friendship.

Yes - it has been a challenging season. But we certainly sowed some good seeds in season '97 which already have shown significant growth and will no doubt bear much fruit in season '98.

Congratulations to the trophy winners:-

Senior 1

Best & Fairest	Nikia Gepp
Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Lyn Hoklas
Most Improved	Emma Leske

Senior 2

Best & Fairest	Gayle Dawkins
Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Renee McDonald
Best & Fairest 2 nd Runner-Up	Janette Schwartzkopff

Senior 3 - Tony Potter

The team: -

Melissa Flint	Sue Martin
Shannon Gepp	Jenny Noell
Emma Habermann	Jacqui Renshaw
Gabrielle Marschall	Marie Thom

Trophy winners:-

Best & Fairest	Marie Thom
Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Sue Martin
Coaches Trophy	Jacqui Renshaw

Senior 4 - Cheryl Kraehenbuhl

The team:-

Emily Crabb

Renee Hueppauff

Tara Kolhagen

Melinda Rosenzweig

Sarah Saegenschmitter

Emily Sandow (Vice Capt.)

Amanda Wilksch

Robyn Wilksch

Georgina Zander

Plus a loyal band of parents, who provided wonderful moral, vocal and scoring support.

A variety of squad changes early in the season meant we took a while to settle into a definite team combination. The 4's competition was quite grueling with many experienced and well seasoned players in the opposition. We were a young side, but soon learned not to be too intimidated. Despite having few wins the girls (to their credit) faced each Saturday with enthusiasm and tried their hardest. They produced some excellent netball, but lacked consistency. All girls did their team proud, wherever they played and will be stronger players for the experience.

Congratulations again to the trophy winners. Well played! I'd like to thank the girls for their friendship and the special memories of season '97 and there were many positive ones. I hope you all keep enjoying this great team game and strive to play in higher grades. Remember each season offers new challenges, combinations and successes.

Trophy winners:

Best & Fairest

Best & Fairest Runner-Up

Most Consistent Team Player

Tara Kohlhagen

Robyn Wilksch

Renee Hueppauff

Senior 5 - Peter Hueppauff

The team:-

Rachel Schmidt (Captain)	Linda Hein
Carolyn Frost (Vice-Captain)	Leanne Bentley
Caroline Liebich	Lauren Schrapel
Vanessa John	Belinda Billing
Emma Loechel	

The start of the season didn't go the way I planned it. After four games in to the season one girl went up to senior 4, two girls from the U17 road team then joined us, and then one girl went and joined senior 6.

By this time we were half way through the season, sitting on sixth place on the ladder and I couldn't get the girls to respond to my requests. (I think that they were all blondes ! just joking!).

However, we made a marvelous turn around in the last part of the season. They began to do what I asked of them, they played as a team and were having fun. With this change for the better, we won our final four games but unfortunately lost the fifth game. We lost to the top team by only two goals which was a top effort by the girls. Well done.

I felt we left our winning streak too late, but if this team were to play next season together they would definitely be up the top with the other teams.

Thankyou girls for a fantastic end to the season. It was once again a pleasure to be coaching such a pleasant team. All the best for the 1998 season of netball. Thankyou also goes to the Tanunda Netball Club.

Trophy winners:-

Best & Fairest	Vanessa John
Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Rachel Schmidt
Coaches Trophy	Carolyn Frost

Senior 6 - Debbie Miles

The team:-

Jodi Davenport	Jackie Harvey	Debbie Miles
Fiona Donald	Rebecca John	Michelle Murphy
Kirsten Giersch	Lisa Kuhn	Alicia Renshaw
Amanda Gilbertson	Wendy Mattner	Mary Weymouth

We started the season with nine in the team and increased to thirteen after the fourth match of the season due to the "road team" disbanding. We invited and inherited four young enthusiastic players in Jodi Davenport, Kirsten Giersch, Rebecca John and Alicia Renshaw to join our team. They were prepared to share the games on a rotation system with the other girls if needed. Then Wendy seriously injured her ankle ending her season and another player was unavailable to play due to work commitments - now a team of eleven. This team consisted of youth and experienced players (aged 14 - 30 ???).

My aim for the season was basically to co-ordinate this team; introducing some new skills at training and maintaining fitness - as many of our opposition teams were the older experienced girls who had played together as a team for several years. We had youth on our side but it took several weeks to settle into a solid team. So while trying to play each player fairly it was important not to change the team combination too drastically. I formed a stable team of nine using two players to interchange according to availability, and unbelievably some weeks we still only had the bare seven to play. All the girls formed not only a solid team but good friends in a team sport, encouraging each other during matches.

We won five matches in the first round, the second round the opposition had made changes like us to their teams and even though we only won two games those we lost were only by 2 or 3 goals which was encouraging as we had previously lost to them by 15 to 30 goals. We maintained fifth position on the senior 6 table.

I thoroughly enjoyed my association with all the girls and hope they too enjoyed their 1997 season with the Tanunda Netball Club.

Trophy winners:-

Best & Fairest	Michelle Murphy
Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Lisa Kuhn
Most Consistent Team Player	Jackie Harvey

Intermediates - Janette Schwartzkopff
Assistant coach - Fiona Hawkes

The team:-

Anna Boehm	Sarah McDonald	Melissa Schilling
Monika Fromm	Amy Rohrlach	Melissa Skarstrom
Megan Heidenreich	Heidi Roth	
Kate Klingner	Kimberley Schiller	

It's been a great season. We began with not knowing if we had one or two teams to select. Finally we could go ahead with two, but one was to become a road team to take Willaston's U17 spot. Serious training got under way.

We took the opportunity to take a team to Eudunda for a pre-season carnival, it was made up of a combination from both teams and turned out very successful winning all games plus finals.

With just one week to go before the beginning of the season Willaston decided they could fill a team. Which left our road team unsure of it's future.

Then Angaston gave us the O.K to take their senior 6 spot. Now all we needed was a willing umpire and manager to travel with them. Thanks to Cathy White and Chris Hawkes this problem was soon solved.

Unfortunately just four weeks into the season we were let down once again, so our road team disbanded and was absorbed into our seniors teams, one team taking more girls than they needed but willing to give them a go.

Meanwhile the Intermediate were doing exceptionally well. It wasn't until the second half of the season we lost our first game in dreadful conditions to Freeling at Freeling. Which made us regroup, rethink and go on to win all our remaining games.

August 10 Fiona and I took the team to Golden Grove for another carnival. We didn't expect to take out finals here but thought the experience would be great. Unfortunately; we had several injuries one resulting in Amy Rohrlach being hospitalized. Many thanks to Sue Roth who accompanied Amy in the ambulance. "A carnival so close to finals is not a good idea."

But we did it, Association goal scoring with 1016 goals, Kate Klingner won Association Best & Fairest and Saturday September 20 the Grand Final was ours with all 10 players taking part and Anna Boehm Best on court. "What a year". Thanks girls, as Fiona's first year with Tanunda Netball Club and my return after approximately 22 years, you have done us and the Club proud.

Trophy winners:-

Best & Fairest	Kate Klingner
Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Anna Boehm
Most Consistent Team Player	Kimberley Schiller

Junior 1 - Shannon Gepp

Season 97 has been a very interesting and exciting season for me with a team of ten girls who got along extremely well, I was taught as much about "boys and fashion" as they were about netball. Those girls are:-

Carly Ward (Captain), Sally Weymouth (Vice Captain), Claire Fromm, Jasmine Giersch, Anna Klingner, Elissa Leske, Taryn Miegel, Elsa Roesler, Sarah Rothe, Kelly Wilksch

We had a very successful first round, only suffering one loss to Nuriootpa. The second round saw us with two losses. The first to a new and improved Gawler Centrals side who we'd previously beaten by seventeen goals, and the second to Nuriootpa again.

Throughout the season the girls were rotated as evenly as possible. They each received an equal amount of court time based on availability. All girls were given a variety of positions to play each week. This enables me to develop them both in defence and attack making the team more versatile.

Our successful year saw us finish second in the minor round. This meant we were to face Nuriootpa, (who had been the dominant side for the year), in the second semi final. Although we led by seven goals at half time, Nuriootpa came back to pip us at the post by two. We then had to face Freeling in the preliminary final which we won by eight goals. A replay of last years grand final, Tanunda and Nuriootpa. The girls played brilliantly, leading at every change. We were looking like winners until the final quarter, but the grand final was a repeat performance of our previous three encounters with Nuriootpa. We were leading at three quarter time every time we played them this year, and once again we lost - by four.

Overall it was a great season enjoyed by not only the team, but the parents and supporters too. Thankyou to them for being there every week. Thankyou to Jane Rothe and Kylie Schwartzkopff for filing in with us at a netball carnival held earlier this season, you both played and fitted in very well to help the team finish fourth overall. Thankyou to Janette, Fiona and the U17 girls for all those hard training sessions and practice matches before the finals. Also to Wendy and the Sub-Junior 1 girls.

A big thankyou to Nikia for her help during the finals, I would have been a quivering mess without her there. Thanks also for umpiring most of our matches this season. I would also like to thank our sponsors for their incentive awards provided for every home game. The girls played hard and appreciated your donation.

There are many I thank for their support of our team, but my final and biggest thanks goes to the girls. You all worked hard through the season, doing everything I asked of you. You were all very supportive of decisions I made and were an absolute joy to coach. It was a rewarding year for me. And I wish you all the best for your future netball careers.

Trophy winners:	Best & Fairest	Carly Ward
	Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Elsa Roesler
	Best & Fairest 2nd Runner-Up	Elissa Leske

Junior 2 - Nikki Krieg

The team:-

Kimberly Braunack
Sally Garrett
Julie Lynas
Cassandra Mewett

Helaena Paech
Janelle Radley
Amanda Sandow
Tammy Schilling

Kate Skarstrom
Kylie Schwartzkopff

Last year I had the privilege to be assistant coach with Pauline John so this year I thought I'd brave it and do it alone.

Well I found coaching to be a huge responsibility looking after ten, thirteen year olds, as you could well imagine isn't the easiest task and these ten were no exception.

They were all fresh legs in the world of under 15 netballers. Not only did I find it hard to adjust but so too did they, especially going from 10 to 15 minute quarters. Many of these girls came up from sub-junior 2's and 3's and some hadn't been playing netball for very long.

However, the improvement in the team was immense. Some people may say that winning a lot of games was a successful season, well in that case you could say we didn't have such a good one. But if you look at it in the same light as me then you would have seen that we had an extremely successful netball season. If you could have witnessed the improvements in my team you'd have been amazed.

In the first round we would lose on average by about 40 goals, but come the second round we fought back to cut this margin by 20 or more goals. The team work improved, passing was a huge leap in skill and the girls learnt many new things - especially not to step.

Throughout the season all the girls improved in some way or another, and all deserved a trophy for this however we only have three awards to give so this made my task hard.

Trophy winners:	Best & Fairest	Janelle Radley
	Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Kate Skarstrom
	Coaches Trophy	Kimberly Braunack

Sub-Junior 1 - Wendy Mattner

The team:-

Carly Bergen	Alicia Liddell
Jamie-Lee Braunack	Melanie Rogers
Alex Hoffmann	Jane Rothe (Captain)
Erin Jones	Lauren Thurlow
Joanna Krips	Alison Wiseman (Vice-Captain)

We had a fantastic year all round. The girls always put their all in and was quite pleasing to see that they all got along very well.

We were only defeated once during the season. The last three games leading up to finals were either forfeited or byes which made it hard, but once the game got going they shone through just the same.

Many thanks go to the parents for helping with an array of duties during the season and also to all the other girls who we trained with.

Some of the girls also achieved personal achievements during the year, they were:-

- Jane and Erin tried out and were successful in making the country carnival team held on the June long weekend. They came third overall.
- Erin and Jane were also successful in making the B & L SAPSASA Netball team to play both locally against Western Airport a metropolitan team who were billeted throughout the valley and they both made the top B & L team to play against all the other country teams from SA in Adelaide. The B & L top team were entered in division two and the girls went through undefeated.
- Jane Rothe, Carly Bergen and Lauren Thurlow also took part in the SAPSASA Netball small schools knockout competition. This team from Tanunda Lutheran School played a series of matches to take them through undefeated to a grand final at the Powerhouse in Adelaide. They played Morphett Vale East and won.

Trophy winners:	Best & Fairest	Jane Rothe
	Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Alison Wiseman
	Coaches Trophy	Carly Bergen

Sub-Junior 2 - Gayle Dawkins

The team:-

Danielle Bailey
Kristee Bartsch
Marella Hart

Shelley Hoklas
Alice Kleinig
Stacey Kuhn

Emily Solomon
Jessica Walker
Lauren Zerna

The 1997 season has been an enjoyable and successful one with this group of young, talented netballers. My main aims at the beginning of the season were for the girls to enjoy their netball; to improve their netball skills; encourage team work and to improve their netball knowledge. With a lot of hard work and enthusiasm by the girls I feel that all the above were achieved.

The girls were rotated as evenly as possible through the season with all receiving at least half a game on a Saturday. As the minor round progressed it was pleasing to see the improvement with all players.

At the half-way mark we set a team goal of reaching the finals. This we achieved by finishing in fourth spot at the end of the minor round. A week before finals we received a setback with Marella Hart breaking her arm. This made the girls even more determined to try and reach the grand final. We had a tough 1st semi against Barossa; came from behind to beat Freeling in the preliminary final; and staged a "miraculous comeback" in the grand final to beat Nuriootpa by 1 goal !

Special thanks to Janine Walker for her help and support throughout the season. Thank you to all parents for scoring, timing etc. and being there on the sidelines to support the girls. Thanks also to the committee for all their hard work' Sue Martin for scoring on grand final and to Kathy Marschall and Lyn Hoklas for coming out to umpire at practice during the four weeks of finals.

Finally, to all the girls; congratulations on winning your premiership !! You thoroughly deserved it for all the efforts you have put in this season. Thankyou for being a wonderful bunch of girls to coach I hope you will continue with, and enjoy your netball next season.

Remember this season girls, it has been a special one.

Trophy winners:-

Best & Fairest

Emily Solomon

Best & Fairest Runner-Up

Jessica Walker

Coaches Trophy

Kristee Bartsch

Sub - Junior 3 - Janine Walker

The team:-

Amber Glastonbury
Bianca Giersch
Alex Lykke

Hayley Plowman
Renee Thorpe
Kayla Priest

Chelsea Mattschoss
Jodi Williams

With the start of a new season not knowing what is ahead of us we sorted out our teams. Sub- Junior 3 started with nine girls. After a injury start to the season (not all from netball) we needed to take a girl from modifieds to fill the gap. Out of the nine girls only a few had played netball before, so we worked on some basic skills of throwing a ball, catching and basic position play. Then came the hard work of leading and match play against Gayle's Sub-Junior 2 team.

At the start of the season we were to have eight byes but we were lucky and Riverton dropped there Sub-Junior 2 team down to 3's so that left us with six byes instead.

Our first big match, we were all wondering how we would go, was against Barossa. We played an excellent game and killed them 30 goals to 0. What a great start and a good boost to the confidence, let's hope it continues. The next few games were very similar with Angaston not scoring and Kapunda and Freeling only scoring 2 goals each against us. We then came across Nuriootpa, which we learnt a lot from, we did manage to hold our lead and win the game by a close 2 goals. The next round we did see a lot of other teams had improved but I think we fought harder to be undefeated throughout the minor rounds.

At this stage Tanunda found out that a new player who had not played netball before had come equal first for the Association Best and Fairest - well done our GA Hayley Plowman.

Into our finals on top of the ladder, with Nuriootpa second, we played our first final (for all the girls their first ever). All with butterflies in their tummies the game starts with a good lead by Tanunda. Then at the end of the first quarter down goes our GA needing to be carried off and get treatment before being taken to the doctor. The other girls played at 110% and managed to beat Nuriootpa again by 4 goals. This put them straight into the grand final.

The grand final is here but unfortunately our GA, Hayley Plowman, is unable to play due to the injury to her ankle. This game was a true grand final, with scores being even at every break, 5 each, 8 each, 11 each and then the timer rang the game was over, with Tanunda just missing out by 1 goal. The girls played to the very best of their ability and no-one could ask for any more.

I would really like to thank Gayle for everything as she made things work easier and helped me in many ways. I would also like to thank Lyn and Kathryn for coming out and umpiring for us when we were preparing for the finals. Thanks to the parents and families for their support and encouragement and thankyou Sandy Plowman who was there to do most of the scoring for me. Then I suppose I should thank all the girls for putting in a great year as they were willing to learn and work hard to make the grand final. Thankyou all I had a enjoyable great year.

Trophy winners:	Best & Fairest	Hayley Plowman
	Best & Fairest Runner-Up	Amber Glastonbury
	Coaches Trophy	Chelsea Mattschoss

Modifieds - Lyn Hoklas

The team:-

Rachel Agars

Kelly Buckby

Rebecca Dolan

Kate Fechner

Sophie Hage

Vicki Hein

Jessica Johnson

Kate Jones

Chanel Kahl

Lauren Kruger

Jocelyn Liddell

Alexandra Lubcke

Lisa Maude

Rebecca Murphy

Lauren Neldner

Bethany Rothe

Gemma Schrapel

Meggie Zerna

I coached the modifieds this year with the help of Katrina Neldner. Thankyou Katrina for your time and input in helping me to coach the modifieds.

We had eighteen very eager and wonderful little modifieds wanting to play each week. As most of you know it is our policy to play the older ones every week to gain experience to cope with the next years competition level. I hope most of you weren't too disappointed with the court time you had.

I enjoyed coaching and seeing the improvement develop with each and every one of the girls. There is a lot of good talent in this bunch of girls, and I hope they continue to play and grow into exceptional netballers.

Thankyou for having me!

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