

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL CLUB

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MATCH REPORTS:

Editor's error last week because the lsts had a win - not a 56-56 draw (as the scoreboard showed).

VABA - Men's 2nd Division (Wednesday 4th)

UNIVERSITY (1) 50 defeated TOSHIBA 56.

Top team Toshiba gradually built up a lead of about 10 points in the first half, but we were playing well enough, just missing shots. In the second half, and particularly the last 10 minutes, Uni slowly reduced the deficit with a mixture of good play on our part, including some judicious blind-side hacking, and injury and foul trouble for Toshiba. Uni was 54-56 down with well under a minute to play when Mike was fouled. He missed the first foul-shot but shot the second off the front of the rim to pop back the rebound and level the scores. With 15 seconds to play Toshiba rushed the ball down court under pressure and Les completed the steal. The ball got down to Haggis, about 25 feet out, who shot and was as surprised as anyone to see it fall through for a two point win.

Scorers: Mike Means 18, Les Walker 11.

VICBA - Women's (Sunday 8th)

SCV BURWOOD 26 defeated MELB. UNI 20.

In a really exciting girl's game, Uni led by one point at half time. Marion (or should we say Felicity) bombed a few but Burwood, finishing with four players) scored often through Angie Costigan who would probably have got the "man of the match".

VICBA - Men's (Sunday 8th)

MELB. UNI defeated SCV BURWOOD by Walkover. (very poor organization on Burwood's part since only one player turned up).

CEBA - Men's 'A' Grade (Monday 9th)

TOSHIBA 72 defeated UNIVERSITY 43.

Toshiba seeking revenge for their recent loss, had little difficulty in overpowering an undermanned Uni side.

Scorers: Chris MacPherson 20, Neil Sims 11, Mike Means 9.

VABA - Men's 2nd Division (Wednesday 11th)

UNIVERSITY (1) 41 defeated MELB. TIGERS 38.

Just enough effort was put in to scrape home - a very ordinary effort. Who cares if Coach Watson takes 16 shots and doesn't make any? Mike played better than most for a top score of 15.

VABA - Men's 3rd Division (Wednesday 11th)

MEIB Y.M.C.A. 56 defeated UNIVERSITY (2) 51.

In a close game marred by indifferent refereeing, Uni blew an early lead to trail by 3 points at half time. Y's half won the game as Uni's offence faltered.

Scorers: Graeme Clarke 18, John Campbell 17.

VABA - Men's 4th Division (Wednesday 11th)

COBURG (3) 51 defeated UNIVERSITY (3) 26.

The difference between the two sides was Coburg's two big men, who got most of their score. Nik fought hard on the boards and some semblance of an offensive pattern showed through.

Scorers: Don Burns 8, Geoff Stamp 8.

Women's 'D' Grade (Thursday 12th)

UNIVERSITY 39 defeated ABERFELDIE 26.

We are now in the finals which start next week.

Scorers: Ann Compton 10, Marion Higham 10.

Vic Business Houses - Men's 'B' Grade (Thursday 12th)

UNIVERSITY (1) 44 defeated ANZ (2) 41.

Uni overcame an early deficit to lead second top side A.N.Z. by 1 point at half time. Haggis bombed confidently from 20 feet and Simon hit a few in close, although A.N.Z. scored many times through the back door.

Scorers: Chris MacPherson 20, Simon Browne-Greeves 12.

Vic. Business Houses - Men's 'D' Grade (Thursday 12th)

UNIVERSITY (2) 60 defeated LABOUR (2) 38.

Uni consolidated their position in the four with a powerful win over second placed Labour. John dominated the rebounding, and with Dave emphasising the need for controlled play, a good team effort produced the desired result.

Scorers: John Neylen 22, Henry Cooper 18, Kevin Pye 10, Dave Keogh 8.