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VABA. Mens's 3rd Division (Wed. 20th)

Uni 60 d Hawthorn 40.

The first half showed a few defensive weaknesses, mainly due to the formation of a "new" seconds side - we've yet to learn to co-operate with each other. There were odd patches which showed promise, and the team is sufficiently balanced to do well - If all make an effort to train together and discipline themselves into making team rather than individual efforts.

Easy 19; Ian 12; Henry 8.

VABA. Men's 2nd Division (Wed. 20th)

Coburg 49 d Uni 39.

Once again Uni's offence was found wanting against a reasonable man - to - man defence. The main problem appears to be the inability to turn the ball over more than once, and until the coach can sort this out we will have trouble in 2nd Division. One pleasing facet of the game was Andy Bett's instant promotion from the seconds to the starting five of the firsts and his good play during the game.

Ray 8; Skippy 7.

VWBA. Women's B Grade (Wed. 20th)

Birds 27 d Uni 17.

We were right in this game for most of the 40 minutes and only a short period of bad defence in the second half gave the opposition their break. The team is still trying to find its feet under a new coach but is showing a good deal of promise and the willingness to work at its game. This was well illustrated by their effort with a new offence in this game.

Helen 10.

VBHBA. Men's B Grade (Thurs. 21st)

W.S.H. 42 d Uni 36

With eleven players to our credit, we did not settle into the game. First half saw W.S.H. open up a break which was narrowed somewhat in the second half. Neville worked well for the game, and the second half saw John being effective in close. Nick and Peter showed they have potential to develop into good guards.

Neville 10; John 9; Alex 6.

VBHBA. Men's E Grade (Thurs. 21st)

Uni d ????

Uni had little trouble in beating a four man side. A break of 16 - 2 was opened in the first half - this slipped a bit in the second but we finished on top. Gary played very well inside, taking some good rebounds and playing good position defence.

Gary 7; Dave Kehoe 6.

CEBA Men's A Grade (Mon. 25th)

Uni d Latrobe by walkover.

VABA. Men's Division 3 (Wed. 27th)

Uni 56 d C.Y.M.S. 40

We started fairly sloppily with loose passing and little attempt to cover the first bread. The second half saw us run well in offence, with Peter and Easy having a scoring bonanza, helped by some good long passing by Mark and Ian.

Peter 16; Easy 15; Jeff 11.

VWBA Women's B Grade (Wed. 27th)

Uni 27 drew with DESTROYERS 27.

Having only five players, we played some excellent basketball to draw with the top team. After being four points down at half time a burst of great offence put us four up after six minutes of the second half. We maintained this lead right up until the last minute when two fast breaks cost us the win.

Helen 16.

VABA. Men's Division 2 (Wed. 27th)

Uni 57 d Dandenong 37.

With a substitute coach for the game we had little trouble in disposing of a sub-par opposition. Defence was slack at times, but it was good to see the offence run properly for a while. Ian Harrison provided some much needed muscle in a welcome return to the firsts and Ray's passing on fast breaks was lovely to watch.

Skippy 12; Haggis 11.

- Belated congratulations are in order for the Women's team that played at East St. Kilda on Thursday nights. Two weeks before Easter they won the grand final in their competition by a wide margin, despite losing Ann Compton in the opening minutes due to a badly sprained ankle.

- You may notice that no results of the Women's firsts appear here. This is because nobody is submitting reports of them. Its not hard to do, and you don't have to write with the same eloquent fluency as, say, Henry Cooper, but some details would be nice.

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