

DRIBBLING BALLS

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18/10/78V.W.A.B.A. O Grade (Wed. 4th)

Uni 45 d Dukas 26

After two fine wins under Betty 11, Betty 1 took over the reins of our "underbubblers". Due to some 11th hour unavailability we took the court with only 4 players. As things turned out this was all we needed. Strong boards from Cathy and Lynda, fine passing from Sally and intelligent offensive thrusts from Doris saw us finish with a 19 point win.

Doris 18, Lynda 11.

(The thirds won again this week and look as though they could do to C grade this season what the seconds did to it last season. We hope so. - Ed.)

COLLINGWOOD B.A. Womens A. (Sunday 24th)

Uni won 24-16

Scores were close during the first half, with Uni only 2 points up at half time. We played a better game in the second half, and a few more fouls were called on the (rough) opposition, giving us a few foul shots and we won 24-16. We are on top of the ladder.

C.A.B.A. - Womens B. (Sun. 24)

Uni 19 d C.S.C. 7

Our offense was poor in the first half, and too many close shots were missed. Good defence, especially from guards Di F. and Di C. kept us in the game. A marked improvement in offense in the second half. Enabled us to beat C.S.C. 19-7, so we are still on top of the ladder.

C.A.B.A. Women's B (Sun. 1st)

Uni 28 d Spectres 27

We played a very good first half with some excellent moves and passes in offence. Lack of fitness caused us to play on much slower second half and Spectres led for most of the time. Aburst of energy at the end brought us from 3 points down to finally win 28-27, with a well timed long shot from Kerry with 20 seconds to go.

Kerry 12, Di F. 8, Sharron 6.

V.W.A.B.A. B Reserve (Wed. 11th)

Uni 37 d A.M. 18

In what was apparently a fairly back-lustre performance, the seconds maintained their unbeaten record in B. Reserve. There weren't too many highlights, as the half-time score was Barb Robertson 14, opposition 6. The rest of the team also played a bit in the second half and we ran out easy winners, despite the absence of our coach. We are at present languishing on the top of the ladder with a percentage of 250 odd, and it wouldn't surprise to see the seconds and the thirds pull of the B Reserve / C double over summer.

V.A.B.A. Division 2 (Wed. 11th)

Uni 35 d Coburg 34

This was another hopeless performance by the Men's firsts who aren't really excelling over the summer season. We broke open a close game with a string of fast breaks at the end of the first half and led 22-15 at the change.

Unfortunately we all forgot to play in the second half and our lead was gradually whittled away. With two minutes left we tried a "four out of five freeze" which was totally successful except for the two baskets Coburg hit. We hung on and fell in by a point for our second or third one point victory of the season. We aint playin' real good at the moment and if we ever get to play one of the top teams we could be in a bit of trouble.

V.A.B.A. Division 3 (Wed 11th)

Uni - a lot d St. Kilda - nowhere near as much.

The man's thirds cracked it for their first win in their quest to stay in Div. 3. Henry began the game by dobbing 8 or 9 thirty footers and the rest of the team followed suit. The hopeless opposition had no answer to our secret weapon (what's our secret weapon? Yoy ask. I'm not telling, cause if I told it wouldn't be a secret!) and we cruised to an easy win. Despite the presence of Phabulous Phil and a couple of other oldies, the average age of the team was down about 10 years due to the absence of Easy and Zeke, and if they can get back the extra experience will help us win a few more games, we hope.

V.W.A.B.A. A Grade (Wed. 11th)

Geelong d Uni.

Unfortunately Geelong ran lots of successful fast breaks in the first half and shot a lot of baskets from outside in the second half, resulting in a loss for the women's firsts. Everybody tried hard, Sue even went right a couple of times but we still lost. New move of the night award goes to Louis, who now takes a run up to get over the centre with the ball.

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- From the Social Notes department, there are a few functions in the near future. There will be a going away party for Easy Lay on Saturday, October 21st at his home in Sth. Melbourne. All are invited to come along and pay their last respects to one of the club's elder statesman. It maybe your last chance to see Easy before he leaves Australia to work in Queensland.

- The day after the "Easy-going party, there will be a BBQ on the banks of the river Yarra with some LaTrobe basketballers and Monash people(?). Starting about 1 pm or later near the Swan St. Bridge, it's BYO meat, grog etc., and we'd like to see as many people there as possible.

- An early reminder to keep the New Year's weekend free for the Swan Hill tournament - the best of the year - just ask anyone whose been to one.

- The congratulations department sends belated good wishes to Woody and Haggis who are engaged to be married early next year. Also congrats for the "H & W" awards at the Annual Dinner.

- Don Burns - alias Norm or the Whispering Grass, has returned from his overseas junket and we welcome him home and look forward to hear all his tales, told in the inimitable D.B. fashion.