

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL CLUB  
DRIBBLING BALLS

Vol. 9 No. 3

As we forge headlong into another year of whatever it is we are in this club for, the editor in his not quite infinite wisdom has seen fit to produce a short review of the year we have just pogoed (pogone?) through. The thrills and spills, highs and lows, successes and failures, not to mention quite a bit about the basketball, are all there (well almost all, I can't remember some of them - apologies - or congratulations - to anyone involved in an incident that doesn't crack it for a mention). So without further ado and piss-farting around Dribbling Balls unavoidably presents .....

1980 - THE STORY.

1980 was the year that ....

- .... Adelaide Uni. controlled half our club at IV -  $\frac{1}{2}$  our T-shirts and all our women.
- .... Beer gargling was declared the new national sport
- .... Hal Speed won the Enoch Powell Race Relations award for Sunday efforts.
- .... LaTrobe Uni. found a new secret weapon at IV to take our guards and our coach out of the game.
- .... Piggott's 3 week going away party caused a national beer & shortage.
- .... Simon's front end was demolished by a spade (pity it wasn't Bruton).
- .... Several people were baptised in the Thompson River, Sale.
- .... The rules to spin the bottle were changed, resulting in several wrecked people and a wall to match.
- .... Les and Julie did it, Neville and Carol did it, Clarkie said how often he did it and Betty thought a lot about doing it.
- .... David taught us to play 'hard' and a few other basic lines of basketball.
- .... CUB gave us 10 dozen tinnies to help(?) us at IV.
- .... A number of points were raised at the committee dinner.
- .... Lord Jim's became more popular than the football.
- .... Henry and Jacqui broke Lloyd Bridges' record for the longest stay under water.
- .... Piggott's sleeping was described as 'middle of the road'.
- .... Paul Burke's singing and tinnie shooting caused sensations all over the place.
- .... Simon's didn't.
- .... Sardines were discovered on the Lake Boga double lilo.
- .... Doodie flew back to Adelaide after IV and beat the plane in by 20 mins.
- .... Steve Nolan got lost on the car rally - somewhere in Tin Alley.
- .... Dribbling Balls exposed everything at IV.
- .... Drew got a bird for his birthday.
- .... Breakfast got a bit crowded at Mac's, Portland.
- .... Goal posts became extinct at Sale.
- .... Jerry's voice didn't break.
- .... J.C.'s did.
- .... Jan Langdon came across for the new year.
- .... Jane Carver didn't.
- .... Circular sculling at the Victoria gave the waiters dizzy spells.
- .... Jeremy broke several land speed records on the way to Portland.
- .... Hal displayed his giant whoofer and rather large tweeters at his comedy fancy dress party.
- .... Skippy wore a dress to breakfast at Swan Hill.
- .... The quiz night proved to be out of the question.
- .... Trevor contracted terminal kleptomania.
- .... Mary Bourke got a job relating to sex starved oil riggers.
- .... Melblblbn was born.
- .... Hal went humping in his car at Warrnambool.

- .... Jane Graeme scored the tech foul of the year with the famous 4 point tip out
- .... The drill Hall girls were a smashing success at Portland.
- .... Jean took up rowing and rated 40 at IV.
- .... Loose got to Portland in just enough time to get drunk, sober up and return
- .... We all felt a little fresher after the tournament at uni.
- .... The women worried about playing with men's balls.
- .... David had a crash and couldn't get to practice.
- .... Woody and Haggis were sensational at the Annual Dinner.
- .... Our boat racing teams were sunk faster than the first tinnie at a butcher's picnic.
- .... It rained for 40 days and 40 nights at Wangaratta, all in the space of 8 hr
- .... A similar amount of water fell at the end of year BBQ in Ashburton.
- .... Mal wanted to have the Annual Dinner at Ollie's Trolley.
- .... The coach was shot after the men lost their final at Collingwood.
- .... Normal tried to pick up somebody else's girlfriend at the dinner.
- .... Marg Jarvie got carried away at IV instead of being carried out.
- .... The Yarra Bank barbie was a great success except no one was there.
- .... Betty bought a race horse but didn't break his duck.
- .... The famous notebook went missing at IV.
- .... The famous Mary Preece went missing at Sale.
- .... Mal and J.C. had Warrnambool Hospital's patients in stitches.
- .... We all wore regulation togs at Swan Hill.
- .... The beer strike caused no end of trouble (Southwark, Coopers, West End).  
Ah yes, 1980 - that was the year that was (thank goodness).