

The new editors have taken it upon themselves to introduce several (or possibly only one) new articles, one of which is the following...

**MUBC Team of the Week.**

(The aim of the TOTW article is to identify people with teams, give an idea of how the team is going, a player assessment, and some other rubbish. Enough said.)

Thursday night A grade men

Name: Gary Pendlebury

Height: 6ft4

Position: centre

Age: 30 something

Description: Gary 'the Gillette man' Pendlebury. Mainstay of the 'Hi I'm Gary band' and a regular nuisance around the club. Few can avoid him. An extraordinary rebounder\cherry picker who can hit\miss the open jumper and the occasional three pointer (if the editors find out who let Gary shoot a three in Portland we will do our utmost to publicly humiliate them before burning them at the stake). Old age and Tasja have curbed his wild and woolly days of sexual fervour, reducing his weakened pelvic thrusts to the dance floor (nice one peewee - Toots).

Name: Nick Wade

Height: 6ft2

Position: forward

Age: 23ish

Description: President Nick Wade, the Fuego man, the do-it-yourself man. Nick is probably unknown to the new members of the club as he has gone into self-exile since one hot, sultry, steamy, clammy handies, sweaty evening last year. Also a good friend of Libby. Nick specializes in long range bombing, where he even has range from the bench and could be a darkhorse in the three point contest at the IV sendoff (with good odds he would be worth a few bob). Nick has great fashion sense and can be seen sporting knee-length baggy red shorts when training.

Name: Lonni Bossi

Height: 5ft11

Position: guard

Age: 19/20

Description: Lonni 'Anyone for Tennis' Bossi was last years winner for the tightest shorts (he doesn't need no jockstrap - Toots) award at the annual dinner. Also gains the teams ugliest shooting style award and never ceases to amaze the allumini because of its accuracy. Not often sighted around the club functions but reliable sources say he frequents tennis courts and golf courses (even Royal Melbourne) and even attends university classes. Lonni is a slashing player who drives well, shoots from outside the arc and has the speed to avoid the sharks on and off the court.



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Name: Dean Whittling  
Height: 5ft10 on a good day  
Position: guard  
Age: 19/20

Description: Freshman Dean is a country boy from the Far East (Bairnsdale) and sported a beard at the start of the year. A college accident saw the beard removed, but his on-court impact was not lessened. Dean is a dedicated personality, even prepared to go to an early morning aerobic session to improve his chances, I mean fitness in pursuit of playing well (and often) (typical college student - eds). More scoring was expected of Dean at the start of the saeson but his court sense has proved invaluable to the team.

Name: John McKelvie  
Height: 5ft9  
Position: guard  
Age: estimate 26-28

Description: I believe John is a club member returned from exile somewhere or other so most people know him quite well (present editors excluded). Marriage is probably the reason for John's absense at social functions so we will excuse him (upcoming annual dinner excluded). His suspect past is unknown to the editors but his on-court deeds have been revealed this season. The teams point guard has all the desired attributes to play the point and he is also the best defensive guard in the league, if only the umpires would realise this and stop calling fouls on John.

Name: Dragan Antilus  
Height: 6ft3 (in your dreams Dragan), 6ft2  
Position: forward  
Age: 36+ (sorry Dragan, typo)

Description: Dragan 'shoot it' Antilus is the spiritual leader of Saturday morning trainings (after 8.20am) and a prime example of a basketball junkie. A dunking machine who is averaging 3 dunks per lifetime (all in the warm-ups) Dragan leads the team in scoring and offensive rebounds, although several of these rebounds come from bouncing the ball off the bottom of the ring a couple of times before scoring. Dragan is a real chance in the 3 point competition and no chance in the dunk contest come the IV sendoff where he may enter a third team, the DAAS, look out for them. Oops, was I meant to say that Dragan.

Name: Michael Germech  
Height: 6ft2  
Position: forward  
Age: 22

Description: First thing first, Michael has been imported to Singleton to play Basketball and Netball, but his contract is only for three months so he shall be back. I believe he also may try to blow up Singleton whilst he is there, must be a trainee terrorist or something. Whatever, his presence will be missed on the court as he was a terrific rebounder coming in from the wing or baseline and possessed a nifty hook shot. Michael will be easily recognised on his return as the clubs



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Molly Meldrum dress alike where his Giants cap never leaves his head.

Name: Tim Smyth

Height: 6ft2

Position: forward

Age: 20

Description: The Invisable Man this season due to an ankle injury combined with a trip to Europe and the States tim has played only a few games and has produced no dirt on himself for the editors to reveal, so we will make some up. News Bulletin: Tim Smyth arrested in France for illegal use of an Australian accent. A local resident described a young man (Tim) pretending to be a foreigner and asking a female shop assistant for a roll in the hay. Tim claimed that he was asking for a roll from the tray (he was in the bakery at the time). Smyth, not believed, was promptly thrown in jail for one day with the girl's grandmother. We are unsure if he survived the experience.

#### VBHBA C GRADE WOMEN (Thursday 21st July)

Melbourne University 33 d Suez 15

For once warming up didn't entail defrosting or developing frostbite at the mere mention of taking ones clothes off (which game is this Kate - eds). The opposition was looking megre both in numbers and in height, that is until the artiliary rolled in ten minutes late (14 stone ??? - not a pretty sight). We were feeling very much like we should win this a just for a change we did. ??? glances to see if Attila Voodoo is planning in 'dropping in' to blast us away (if someone can read Kate's writing please identify yourself). Continual glances in disbelief at the scoreboard. And spasmodic attempts to calm Sally-Anne ??? who when she wasn't starting an all in brawl was going berko - WE HAVE TO GET OVER 40 PTS, C'MON GUYS. Something else? Anyway, where did no.10 tell you to go Sally-Anne. Anyway, just for a change we did it right. Huge game from everyone. Thanks Steppin-coach-Randall.

Helen, Phillipa, Carolyn, Toots 6, B.G. 5, Sally-Anne 4, Sue zip.

Just because you can't bloody read my writing Michael, I'm not the one who is blind as a bloody bat. Hmmp.

#### CYMS A GRADE MEN (Sunday 1st July)

Uni 69 lt Floaters 75

Redemption time for Matt as he able stepped into the vacated off-guard position created when Michael (me - ed) moved across to the point in the becoming-more-regular absense of J.C. (No Brownie Points Clinique Man and definately no Scruffing Lotion either - Toots). It was one of those games where if two of the opposition hadn't turned up we would have won easily (50 pts between them). Matt began like a ball on fire scoring with the J or driving to the hoop and we moved out to an early lead. Scores about even at half-time saw the opposition panick and place a 1-3-1 defence in place for the second half. What do you know, it worked. A late rush lead by the Dominator Riq made the score respectable but without the kleenex man playing we were unable to wipe the opposition. This game also proves that even scoring does not win games.



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Riq 15, Matt 15, Michael 14, Geoff 13, Greg 12.

### Editors Hit List

This week's lucky star: John Campbell

Born: Classical Period, once upon a time John began his first degree at Melbourne University in 13 b.e. (before editors, 1989)

Classification: Pre-geriatric, pre-neo-classical, (old)

Height: Small and weeny

Character: Most definately

Good Points: Historical, (hysterical), value to the club. Watching J.C. train is a very educational experience for all members of the club. The never ending array of T-shirts which John wears gives the juniors a good grounding in the geography of Melbourne, Victoria and Australia. The materials of the T-shirts also indicates the development of the textile industry from the pre-neo-classical period onwards.

Bad Points: Not turning up for Sunday night games. Riq was sick too J.C. Using four letter abbreviations (for firetruck) to umpires after we had recieved notices asking for consideration to be shown towards them (although honesty is very admirable and one does have the right to ones opinions). Refusing to follow the popular trend of wearing long shorts to training; I mean, if Geoff and Mal can then there is no reason why you cannot J.C. In fact, even Simon has worn some great shorts (once). Yo Simon, Bodacious shorts man!!

Final Analysis: The saga goes on to epic proportions. How many degrees will J.C. get. It would nearly be worth running a book on it, but no-one would be around to find out the result. Hmmm! Hey, any takers. I'm prepared to negotiate odds.

### VBHBA C GRADE WOMEN (Thursday 6th July)

Melbourne University 29 d Cutters 15

Hmmm!! I only have some scores submitted so lets see what could of happened. The game was over at<sup>7</sup> half time as the well tuned uni. athletes had opened up an unassailable lead, it was time for some C grade showtime. It was one of those few times when the opposition had the ball in attack and were able to get off a shot. The ball had just come off the ring when Berger ripped the ball from the air, spun mid-flight and ignited the uni break. Sue caught the bullet, spun past the defence and with a behind-the-back no look pass found Helen. Helen's quick through the legs dribble foiled the oppositions attempted intercept and the following bounce pass opened up Carolyn on the side-line. A super-quick acceleration move saw Carolyn blow past the defender and flick a pass onto Kate S. Kate S took the ball, drew three defenders and the crowds attention as she showed true genius in moving the ball towards the hoop. Some flash coaching by Michael Germeck saw a sub-during-transition move placing Kate D in position for the ball. Three through-the-legs dribbles and a spin move allowed enough time for the other subs to get on the court. A pass to Sally-Anne in the corner drew



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the defence at the threat of the three pointer. The head-fake by Sal gave her enough room to slip along the baseline and bounce the ball between her legs high into the air. Phillipa, trailing the play, recognised that the pass was for her. Catching it in mid-flight she pulled the ball down to her waist, spun her back to the basket and jammed the ball home, cracking the backboard in the process. Great break girls!!!!

Phillipa 10, Berger, Sue , Helen 4, Carolyn 3, Kate S, Kate D 2, Sal 0.

VBA DIVISION 2 (Wednesday 11 July)  
University 73 d Knox 57

Scoooott Webber!!! An awesome game under extreme pressure (his mom was watching). Scott pulled down more boards than King Kong pulled down buildings and he was an inspiration to the team. This was a rare game in that everything went according to plan. Uni, in the capable hands of J.C., controlled the game from the start and gradually increased their lead throughout the game to record a comfortable win. Geoff was a great focal point at the start of the game and Simon blew the zone apart when Knox attempted to alter the tempo near the end. The bench contributed well and a great team effort plus Scott Webber equalled a comfortable win.

J.C. 15, Riq 12, Greg 10, Geoff 9, Michael 8, Dim 7, Scotty 6, Simon 6.

**NEWSFLASH: THE ONLY WAY YOUR TEAM WILL GET A MENTION IS IF THE EDITORS ARE INFORMED OF, AT LEAST, SCORES AND IF POSSIBLE A MATCH REPORT.**

VBHBA A GRADE MEN (Thursday 19th July)  
University 45 lt BP 51

The opposition was actually in the four, hard to believe when you look at them. The most positive thing you can say was at least we didn't dig a hole for ourselves in the first half. Yet another game which was there to be won in the final few minutes and yet again a Uni team was unable to muster the necessary willpower to overpower a less than devastating defense. No need to dwell on a loss (mainly because I cannot remember the details so here are the scores).

Dragan 20, Gary 9, Nick 6, Lonni 6, Dean 2.

**NEWSFLASH: I BELIEVE THAT THE NEXT DRIBBLING BALLS WILL CONTAIN THE MOE TOURNAMENT REPORT, EH SALLY? SALLY WILL GIVE US THE LOW DOWN ON ALL THE ON/OFF COURT ACTIVITIES WHICH OCCURED AT MOE. SHE WILL GIVE FURTHER EVIDENCE AS TO WHY FRESHMEN ARE YOUNG AND FOOLISH (AND SICK), WHICH PEOPLE LIKE TO HAVE THE WIND RUSHING PAST THEIR NEWLY ACQUIRED MOTOR BIKE HELMETS AND POSSIBLY EVEN HOW EACH TEAM FARED IN THE TOURNAMENT. STAY TUNED IN FOLKS!**

Hmmm! It seems to me that I have more of the same teams giving scores so I'll just record them and wait for a better spread of scores and reports in the next newsletter.



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Dear Eds,

Well, I'd like to congratulate you on your first attempt at Dribbling Balls. I'd like to, but I just can't bring myself to do it. You certainly made a brave effort, but I feel you have missed the point somewhere along the way. I know I did. May I be so presumptuous as to make a few observations and suggestions? No. Who cares, I will anyway.

- (1) What's this "volume 1 number 1" shit? Like I know the old Dribbling Balls went over your heads now and again but it did exist. Sometimes. I mean really Ray, "volume 1 number 1" is like starting the ten commandments at number eight - the last person to do it was Lot's wife and she was turned into a (Denton's) pillar of salt (pillar... pillow... Denton's... get it, I say it's a joke son). For future reference, your first Dribbling Balls should have been volume 18 number 2.
- (2) You guys watch too much television at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. How are Geoff and I supposed to understand all this? I mean when we were kids Michaelangelo was a painter (albeit a dead one), Atilla was a hun (ditto), Mondo moves used to be seen on Countdown (pre Chook's revolution), Cowabunga was a town just south of Tatyoon, Humphrey was a bear and Wocka Wocka Wocka was what you yelled at Warwick Bray when you were out on the fast break. Not to mention Toots - which I'm trying desperately not to mention. Get serious guys, the only TV worth watching is 5 p.m. Saturdays on Channel 7.
- (3) "Woolly" has two L's.
- (4) About this Clinique Man business. Can we leave the bizarre dreams of young women out of Dribbling Balls and in the men's showers on Friday nights where they belong? Thank you.
- (5) Basketball Playhouse. What more need be said? Well, okay, if you insist. Why is it all the wrong people get shot at McDonalds in America? This series has done for Dribbling balls what the Farrow Group has done for confidence in Building Societies. My donation to the "Stop mail from the U.S.A." fund is enclosed.
- (6) Despite points (1)-(5) above I think I actually enjoyed your first effort. Then again, I enjoyed Fred Stolle's commentary at Wimbledon, so what do I know?

I wish you all the best for future editions of Dribbling Balls. I'm sure it will be a raging success (especially if you keep printing my letters). Look at the bright side, you can only improve from here.

Yours in breathless anticipation awaiting the next edition,

An anonymous ex-Editor.



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SOCIAL EVENTS

**Happening**

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*AUGUST 1990*

FRIDAY, 31 AUGUST, 7.15pm - "ALL-STAR" NIGHT.

=> 1990 IV SIDES vs FIRSTS.

=> INAUGURAL M.U.B.C THREE-POINT SHOOTING &  
SLAM-DUNKING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

=> DRAWING OF RAFFLE.

*OCTOBER 1990*

SUNDAY, 14 OCTOBER, 10.00am - CAR OBSERVATION  
\* 14 TRIAL.

=> FROM UNI CARPARK (NEXT TO BEAUREPAIRE) TO A  
MYSTERY DESTINATION FOR A BYO PICNIC/BBQ  
LUNCH.

FRIDAY, 19 OCTOBER, 7.30pm - PRESENTATION DINNER.

=> BELLEVUE RECEPTIONS, EAST COBURG.

CONTACTS: TASJA BARELDS, ANDREW JIRIK, OR ANY OF  
YOUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

SEE NOTICE BOARD FOR MORE UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

VBA DIVISION 2 MENS (Wednesday 25th July)

University 75 d Auburn 65

Just a Quick word. Welcome back Graham, how was NZ?

Injury list: Scott Webber - ankle. Expected to be out for a couple of weeks and back for the finals.

Matt Scholes - ankle. Out for 2-3 weeks may make it back for the finals.

This game was a good, solid win and hopefully will be the catalyst to see the firsts enter the finals on a roll and take the premiership from sixth position.

Graham 22, J.C., Dim, Geoff 12, Greg 9, Michael 6, Simon 2.

#### NEWSFLASH

Cole's Law. Thinly sliced cabbage.

Just a final word of warning to club members. As of the next edition we, the editors, will be running a new segment - THE LAME FILE. To qualify for this segment all you have to do is be spotted at a game WITHOUT YOUR DENTONS TOP ON. You will then be revealed to the club as some-one who is the lowest form of life ever to have crawled out of the gutter and donned a pair of basketball boots. A slime encrusted, lily livered, four flushing, two faced, weasel breath who should never have been allowed to associate with MUBC members. If you feel you have an excuse, feel free to tell us so we can include that when we take the Mickey out of you (believe in freedom of speech? It's balony!).

Thus endeth the second edition from the new editorial regime.

Remember, you'll read our newsletter because you like it (plus, it's the only one you suckers have!).



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