

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL CLUB

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Thank you for the many letters and words of encouragement following the release of our first edition, particularly those two one-way tickets to Baghdad, however, we've decided not to migrate to the Middle East, instead, we bring you another edition of this revered chronicle, bursting at the seams with match reports, competitions and amusements.

V. B. A. Div. 3 Men: 16/01/91
Diamond Valley More Than We Normally Get d Uni Normal

The last time I played for the men's seconds we threw the ball away and watched the opposition run layups. A year later and only the faces in the seconds are different! The first half was close with Jamie playing well, Greg doing some nice things offensively (is that like helping an old lady across the street while picking your nose - Ed) and Sandy controlling the defensive boards. We must have left at half time, but forgotten to take our bodies with us. Jamie continued to play well but the rest of the game was reasonably forgettable. Thankfully(?) our bodies were then able to leave.

V. W. B. C. Div 5 Women: 16/01/91
Uni 36 d Waverley 34

Well, first game back for the year and we actually had more than five players - it was looking good! The first half saw us playing good defence (it'll never catch on - Ed), but unfortunately it wasn't good enough to stop #32 from shooting multiple 3 pointers (the girl was shooting from further out than Sally M) and by half time we were down by 18 to 11. Some inspirational coaching from Michelle saw us fire up and decide to win the game - they didn't stand a chance! Julie and Janet dominated the boards while Kylie, Carolyn and Sue went on a scoring rampage. With 5 minutes to go we had the lead and not even the desperation factor from Waverley could take it away. Great game girls!

Thanks to Sue for filling in once again, Steve R. for scoring and Michelle for coaching (nice subbing M. J. even if it was c/o St. Albans!?)

Kylie 14 Carolyn 10 Sue 6 Julie 4 Tammy 2



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V. B. H. B. A. B Grade Men: 17/01/91
Lakers 46 d Uni 41

A determined yet undermanned Uni side could not last the distance against the more experienced Lakers. We were in it all the way until lack of fitness (if it wasn't true I'd take offence at that comment - Ed) finally put to rest any chance of a "good" start to basketball 1991.

Coach's tip - If you're going to the Metro, go on Saturday night, you may score more on Thursday night.

Gavin 14 points (see, he scored on both nights - Ed)
P. S. Good luck to Arco who leaves for Sydney for 6 months.

V. B. H. B. A. B Grade Women: 17/01/91
Uni 30 d ASC 25

At the start we had 4 and they had none. By the 15 minute mark we had 4, they had 4, and it was 5-0 to the good guys. By half time we still had 4, and a handy lead, and they had 8 - now that's sure quick breeding! Despite the numbers against us, and the fact that Sue had 4 fouls everyone continued to play well, hustling hard and taking and making the good shots. A very good win to start the New Year with Julie shooting well, Sue controlling the ball well (and fouling), Michelle driving at every chance and Melissa cleaning up what anyone missed.

Jules 8 Sue 8 Michelle 5 Melissa 4 Late Start 5

C. Y. M. S. B Grade Men: 20/01/91
Uni 55 d Jetz 23

What better way to start off the new year than with a 10:00 pm game? - with a 10:50 pm win, what else? We did of course, get off to a poor start and against a team that lacked the basic fundamentals of the game, we were down 11 - 9 after about 10 minutes (clearly picking up where we left off last year). Then, in what may go down as one of the greatest coaching moves of recent times, Coach Wade called his charges together and uttered these memorable words, "Let's go to a press". From that moment on there was no stopping us. David M. was on fire scoring freely, Trevor exerting his influence around the boards and, in what is surely destined to become the standard of the future, we witnessed the birth of the Mark Howard "No Look Turnaround Jumpshot". With Nick, David L. and Jeff all shooting well from the perimeter and unselfish assists from Andrew and Mick, we had demoralised the opposition, bludgeoning them into submission, asking no quarter and giving none in return. A thoroughly polished and professional performance, highlighting the talents of the entire team.

David M 15 Mark 11 Trevor 9 Jeff 8 Nick, David L 6



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C. Y. M. S. A Reserve Women: 20/01/91
 Uni(white) 39 d Uni(black) 17

Cast: 2 Melbourne Uni teams, many Melbourne Uni spectators (a packed house). J.C. was scoring (no, not 3 pointers, on the bench). At one stage it looked like Andrew Rogers was going to ref and make it a real family affair, but alas, not to be. Hence, a couple of refs.

Scene: Albert Park Stadium, court 3, Sunday 10:00 pm (the Beaurepaire was locked)

Act I:

Scene I: A farce: After a long spell away from the stage, the players were not themselves. Both sides looked asleep and goals were only scored by accident

Scene II: Terri Canaly (Uni Blacks: Veterans) fell off the stage and did an ankle (exit left). The farce (tragedy?) played on.

Intermission: Score 8 all. (Yes, they were full 20 minute acts) Joe's usual coaching technique consists of running the subs and screaming "GO SHOP" at 10 second intervals (and the latter was pretty inane in this case anyway). Anyway, this time he did a bit of post-production acting coaching and I think the team woke up.

Act II:

Scene I: Uni Whites (AKA the Spring Chickens) finally stopped staring the footlights down and started improvising. Trish, Tania and Cathy dominated inside (treading the boards well) while Carolyn, Kim, Tracy and Michelle all vied for best supporting actress. Uni Blacks had forgotten their lines.

Scene II: A comedy: Once everyone picked the plot, a monologue ensued and the final scene was inevitable. Curtain.

Final plot developement: Uni Whites (Spring Chickens) - 39
 Uni Blacks (Veterans) - 17

Credits: Basketball (Uni) Promotions MCMXCITTTCKM

Cathy 12 Trish 9 Tania 8 Kim 5 Michelle 3 Tracy 2
 Carolyn and Tammy - lots of assists



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BASKETBALL PLAYHOUSE

A new hero has emerged from the darkness to confront those who think a bucket full of water falling on someone's head is funny, yes the anti-bad joke hero has come forth (better than coming fifth I suppose - Ed) into the world to encourage good taste in humour. His first mission - Basketball Playhouse, for obvious reasons. Disguised as a murky figure he has set fire to the previous characters and then found himself in a quandary

Murky Figure .. Ahhh...I should not yet reveal myself(he has a fixation with that, doesn't he) for there is much work still to be done. Never again will I say "I used to hang out in strange places" only to hear someone say "I hope you got that hole in your trousers fixed!" Now for my next target.....

Aha (we get a lot of that, don't we?), something resembling a plot? No? Did Shazza become a Shazzalick after the fire? Doreen a Doreen burger? Keep your eyes glued for more bad humour, or will it now be good? (We won't hold our breath - Ed). Read the next episode if you dare....

SHAME FILE

And now something especially cooked up to please our sponsors - "The Shame File". Shame! Shame! Shame!. The following people have been seen warming up without their Denton's warm up tops...

Julie Randall
Simone Dennington
Margie Jordan
Mick Lewis
Ben McHarg

Shame on you! Remember, if you don't want to be named, wear your Denton's warm up top at ALL games (including tournaments) If you don't have a Denton's top, see either Sally McMahon or David Morosoli You have been warned !!!

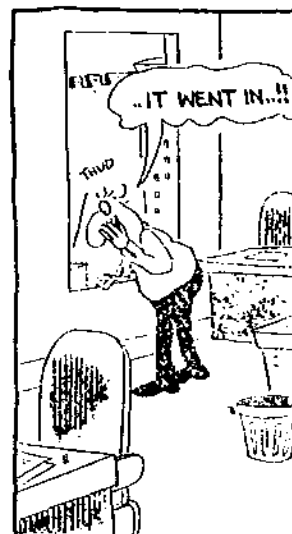
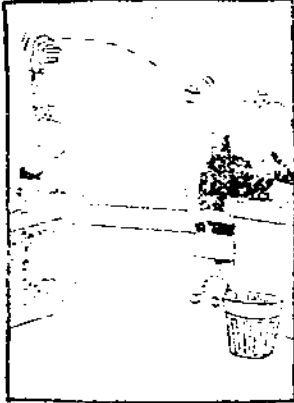


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PARTING SHOT DEPT.

A BASKET CASE HIGH UP ON THE 37TH FLOOR

ARTIST & WRITER DON EDWING



NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston Celtics	29	16	65%	—
Philadelphia 76ers	22	14	61%	7
New York Knicks	15	16	48%	14
Washington Bullets	11	16	41%	18
New Jersey Nets	10	21	32%	23
Miami Heat	9	26	25%	20
Central Division				
Chicago Bulls	25	10	71%	—
Detroit Pistons	25	11	69%	1/2
Milwaukee Bucks	25	11	69%	1/2
Atlanta Hawks	17	15	53%	5 1/2
Indiana Pacers	14	21	40%	11
Charlotte Hornets	11	22	33%	13
Cleveland Cavaliers	11	25	30%	14 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
San Antonio Spurs	24	8	75%	—
Utah Jazz	24	12	67%	2
Houston Rockets	19	16	54%	6 1/2
Dallas Mavericks	12	21	32%	12 1/2
Minnesota Timberwolves	11	22	33%	13 1/2
Orlando Magic	10	26	28%	16
Denver Nuggets	7	28	20%	18 1/2
Pacific Division				
Portland Trail Blazers	31	7	81%	—
Phoenix Suns	23	11	67%	6
Los Angeles Lakers	22	11	67%	6 1/2
Golden State Warriors	18	10	52%	11
Seattle SuperSonics	17	15	41%	11 1/2
Los Angeles Clippers	11	24	31%	16
Sacramento Kings	7	27	26%	20 1/2



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Now, just to please Matt, and no-one else, that long lost letter which we were finally forced to print or lose our sponsorship. Any subpoenas to Matthew Scholes and not the editors ...

Dear Dribbling Balls,

I'd like to complain about the harsh and certainly most unjust comments made by one Mr. J. Campbell (otherwise known as "John The Unjust") in a previous edition of Dribbling Balls. Mr. Campbell claims that it was after 600 beers that I had a minor accident at I.V. Well I'd like to remove this harsh smear on my good name, I know for a fact that I spilt at least two beers as I crashed into the ADFA table, so I expect an apology for his rash and unwise exaggerations.

Now that I have cleared my name I'd like to mention a few things that happened at I.V. since my last letter was ruined by that most dishonourable Mr. Pitt (from whom I also expect an apology)

So I'd like to give THREE CHEERS TO ...

- Cathy ... For celebrating her 22th (Twenty SEVENTH - Ed) birthday at I.V. - we got to eat cake and lollies ... Yum
- Mike ... For saving the toilet paper for everyone else
- Dim ... For waking me up at 6:00 am and breathing souvlaki breath into my face for 20 minutes while I struggled to say 20 words (I've been waking up with nightmares about toxic breath attack ever since)
- J.C. ... For lending me some butter and vegemite so I could butter the last 2 bits of bread that weren't beer damaged in our room
- Cam ... For pouring beer on me every night (I know it's good for my hair Cam, but hey!)
- Greg ... For changing rooms so he could stay in bed for the team meetings (a sign of experience - Ed)
- J.C. ... For making Greg a crumpet every morning
- Andrew ... For talking to Tim and I for hours even though we had both fallen asleep
- Dave ... For J walking across 4 lanes of traffic just to throw up (I blame it on the Berocca's - Ed)
- Karen's Undies ... For hanging out throughout the game against A.N.U. despite her repeated discreet attempts to stuff them back in
- Jo ... For bringing that Monash bloke into our room on Friday night
- Tasja, Row and Alanna ... For doing study during the week (unbelievable)
- Greg ... For marking 15 first year chem pracs in 3 minutes so he could hit the Tequila
- Cam ... For returning (if reluctantly) most of my possessions that he "found" during the week
- Sal ... For wearing sunglasses 24 hours a day for the week



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Bill ... For bringing me a drink of water Saturday morning
 Karen .. For throwing up on the caretaker's lawn and then
 calling him a "Fat Walrus"
 La Trobe .. For losing to us in overtime
 Henry .. For not taking Cam's comment about a "Bean Headed C..T"
 personally
 Cam For not taking 0 minutes the next morning personally
 Stu For the great sex - oops! (I hope your girlfriend is
 broad minded)
 Dave ... For stopping at the toilets on the way up to Canberra
 Alanna . For shoving a bean in my ear at the final dinner
 Row For putting her whole meal on my head at the final
 dinner
 Henry .. For driving me to the hospital after the final dinner
 Kev For the disco moves
 Greg ... For the guitar solo
 Tammy .. For having a spit every day
 Tim For...er...well...er...for being Tim?
 The MUBC Women's Team .. For nothing (Immune to seducto
 sultanas hey???)
 To everyone .. For a bloody great week!!!

HIP HIP HOORAY
 HIP HIP HOORAY
 HIP HIP HOORAY

The Matt Factor
 Undeniable, Irrepressible, Unstoppable.

THE GREAT BASKETBALL JOKE OFF !!!

Everybody knows jokes, some good, most bad, but how many
 basketball jokes do you know? In the first Dribbling Ball's
 competition for the year, the editors are looking for jokes
 either about basketball or changing a well known joke so as it
 has something about basketball in it.

An example of a basketball joke would be;

Q: "Why aren't basketballers good in bed?"

A: "Because they dribble before they shoot"

An example changing a joke would be;

Q: "Why did the basketballer cross the road?"

A: "....."

So start writing, send your entries to either David L. or
 David M. and you could win a terrific prize (We've got two plane
 tickets here somewhere). Every entry submitted will be published
 but don't let that put you off...



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