

# MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL CLUB

## DRIBBLING BALLS

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Sunday night finals and FOUR Uni teams invited along to play, a win in Mt Gambier for the girls and \$400 into the club coffers, you don't believe this is MUBC your reading about? The next few pages will alleviate that....

V. W. B. C. Div 4 - 20.03.91

Melbourne Uni (2) 39 d Melbourne Tigers 33

This game saw us lining up against a team whose average age was 18. However, experience won through and we were able to put another win on the board (unlike Fitzroy ... suffer any Roy supporters !!) It was the first game for Sandy Chin and hopefully not the last. The score speaks for itself and the team scoring was pretty even. I just want to point out that Michelle and Tracy had heaps of assists (like all good guards should !!)

Kim 10 Sandy 10 Cathy 7 Andrea 7 Michelle 3 Tracy 2

## C. Y. M. S. - THE FINALS

### Week One: The Semi Finals

The Sunday night CYMS finals and, believe it or not, Uni was out in FORCE with, wait for it, four (one plus one plus one plus one) teams. Is this some sort of club record? The first team off the rank was the A Reserve women who grabbed the first shop victory of the night with a win over Oakleigh Wolves. The D grade women played in front of a large crowd which grew throughout the game, and showed some nervous play, eventually going down by only 2 points. The A grade men followed with an impressive defensive display to crush a Jetz side. The Geri's played a valiant game against a quicker, fitter and faster (Oh, did I mention younger or do we just assume that these days) team, failing by a measly 38 points. So by the end of the evening, Uni's record was 2 and 2 but with 3 teams advancing to the next round in a fortnight.

D Grade Women: Us 21 v Them 23

If there was one thing this game had it was excitement with a capital "E" (ie Excitement). As a precursor, it must be said that this team had had some impressive games where scores of 40+ and 50+ had been achieved. Anyway, back to the game. The early going saw two very nervous teams play some finals basketball (finals basketball consists of nervous mistakes, missed shots and general below average skills with intensity (I know teams that play like that every week - Ed)) with Uni leading 6 - 0 with five minutes to go in the first half. Half time 8 - 7. Oops! The second half picked up the pace with more shots falling through

the net. Swish! The Uni crowd was also building until the court was nearly developing atmosphere. A spectacular coast to coast move by Dujela made Gary eat his recently spouted words. Matt and Kim arrived. Matt took one quick look at the game and did his Sally-Anne coaching impersonation, breaking the developing sombre mood overcoming the crowd as Uni slipped behind. A late rally in the traditional Uni style saw the girls have a chance to win with 15 seconds to go. Two missed shots later the game ended. No great drama as the girls will come back next round to make the grand final.

A Grade Men: Uni 72 d Jetz 59

Quote "Uni never beats Jetz" - Simon Brown-Greaves. How many times have we heard that one? Especially on a Monday evening training. Well now it needs some clarification Simon. Uni never beats Jetz when it doesn't matter. A defensively oriented game saw the Uni intensity turned up to high for 40 minutes. Schwarz was dazzling at both ends (the girls on the sidelines certainly thought he was dazzling at both ends - Ed) scoring and stopping the Jetz gun (Al) from firing. Not to mention taking rebounds over Cam. Where did that ball go Tex? Riq came to play, JC controlled the game and chewed the towel (coached for the ig-basketball lingo-norant). Possibly the biggest highlight was Cam's temperament. Tex was Mr. Cool, not questioning the umpire once (even as I write this I find it hard to believe. Can this really be true?) and only letting his guy hit three three pointers. A great win sees the A Men meet Princes Hill after Easter. Some advice JC, don't let that guy use your head again, and no buts about it (ha! ha!). I made a funny, mum.

B Grade Men: Uni 38 v Them 89

A very impressive team which combined height, strength and skill into a very effective package. Effective enough to overcome the considerable experience of Uni (considerable is a subjective term. It's like Stu's an idiot; many consider the connotation to be too weak.). The geriatrics (or is it the myths and legends?) showed that youthful enthusiasm can overcome experience. The young Pendles (it's all relative folks!) played well whilst Skippy (that's the recently returned MUBC legend and not Mike's furry friend. Admittedly there are some similarities. They both can do it all.) Anyway (deep breath), (more brackets); (I'm sick of these bloody brackets - Ed) did work (more basketball lingo. Pretty self explanatory) (only if you're Einstein - Ed). What was eventually deemed their downfall was lack of players (only six) and the fact that they got their arses kicked. A good performance all up (That's a Phil Beart positive statement). Anyway they did finish 4th for the season which must not be overlooked in the final analysis. Jolly good show old chaps (I thought they were young?!? - Ed)

## Week Two: The Preliminary Finals

### A Grade Men: Princess Hill More d Uni Less

Yes, once again we've missed out in the preliminary finals. What can one say about a game like this...well, nothing that can be printed anyway. We began playing badly then got worse and finally played the worst. Princess Hill just watched us foul, miss lay ups and throw away the ball. Oh well another season wasted - Thanks for coaching J.C. I suppose there's always next season (That's what you've been saying for 10 years - Ed)

## Week Three: The Big Ones

### D Grade Women: Uni 32 d BP 24

As an interested spectator and gambler, I had Uni starting at better than even money to win. After a couple of minutes and Uni up by 7 the odds were well in favour of a win. Ten minutes and an equal number of fouls later, things weren't so rosy and they went in at the half with Julie and Tasja on four fouls, a three point lead and evens to win. A few minutes later with Tasja fouled out and a one point lead the boys weren't worried (well maybe a little) but the betting was down.... Then, a sensation! Kate made a big three point play, Lisa hit two baskets on the trot and before the girls had time to realise they were a Uni team and should be looking to throw it away, time ran out and they won comfortably. A fine end to the season and great coaching by Sally who had as much to do with the win as the rest of the team and expended as much energy.

### VBHBA D Grade Men: Semi Final

Uni 42 d ??? 33

This was a game we should win easily - we'd finished on top and beaten them before. I've been in this position twice before and lost both games by a point...Everyone was at Albert Park early which was good, Sally said we'd win easily which was bad. We started off well with a pressing defence and were soon up by about 10. At this stage all was going to plan, so we decided to do what all the great Uni sides do - proceed to throw the game away. We could do nothing right and only a few timely baskets from Andrew Larkin kept us in the game at half time. We continued our horrendous play at the start of the second half but did enough to be down by about 5 with 3 minutes to play. From this stage we did a complete reversal and started to play well. Ben hit a basket and then Angelo, Dave hit one and one and we were up by a point. At the time out Sally told us to keep cool as the umpires were ready to call a tech on the next person who argued. Less than a minute later "Tech Foul!" ,What?, on them? Now there's a turn up for the books. What's more they acted like a Uni team with 2 more techs to go with an intentional foul. Ben had 8 foul shots, hit 5 and the game was over. Roll on Grand Final! (Famous last words - Ed)

VBHBA D Grade: Grand Final  
KPMG 65 d Uni 55

We'd had some close games against this team, winning one and losing one by small margins. We had to be aggressive to win this one and we started off that way. Dave hit a 3 pointer to start the game and we made some steals off the press to go to a quick lead. Like all good Uni sides we just as quickly threw that away. A good tussle ensued and it was close from then on although they always had the edge on us. Despite some good shooting from Andrew and some inspired play by Ben we couldn't quite bridge the gap. A lot of fouls by us meant that they had free throws each time we fouled, which was often, and we ran out comfortable losers by 10 points. A good season by all with every player contributing to making the grand final

Ben McHarg, Steve Randall, Dave Liddle, Mike Johnson, Angelo Lambrinos, Andrew Larkin and occasional appearances by Mike Pitt

#### THE MDS FACTOR'S '91 COMMENCEMENT TOURNAMENT REPORT

It was a day for the young guns (nice name for a film - Ed) to strut their stuff against some of the more established (old - Ed) players in the club. The men's competition was closely fought - as one would imagine with coaches of the calibre of Cam, Sleepy, Pitt and Stu. Strangely none of them coached a side in the finals - must have had bad players, hey? The final was between two college sides so who cares who won. Now lets get on to the real competition, the teams every guy wanted to coach - yes the women... The day started at 12:45 with a battle between Sally's old Flames and my spectacular Spectres. Spectres had the edge early due to two great coaching moves by me:

1. I stole Maureen Lee from Dave's team to make our numbers up to five
2. I gave the refs, Geoff and Mike, caramel easter eggs as bribes.

Carrying on from this great start the Spectres raced away from the poorly coached Flames. New player Heidi Baker controlled the ball well and with Cathy and Maureen dragging in all the boards we were unstoppable (how about undeniable as well? - Ed). On the completion of this game, with only a five minute rest, the Spectres had to take on Boomer's Dirty Devils (now coached by Dave Liddle as Boomer was too busy) (how could I refuse with a name like that? - Ed). Well since I'd already stolen one of Dave's players he went on a recruiting drive to get Kim to play (I only had 4 - Ed). Already it could be seen that the two cunning coaches were going to have a huge bearing on the outcome. The game started two minutes late because the Devils weren't ready but after lengthy negotiations we only were awarded one point, not the two that was our right (hmmph - Ed). From the start it was a close game with the spectres going to an early

lead thanks to great shooting by Cathy and strong boards by Harriette and Maureen. The Devils fought back bravely and then the bastards beat us by one bloody point! Shit! I might not win one of Henno's trophies. We had to rely on Dave's Dirty Devils beating Sal's Old Flames - they did (I didn't want to leave you in suspense!)

THEN THERE WAS TWO.....

The grand final was a tense affair with J.C and S.B.G reffing and me without any more caramel Easter Eggs it was going to be close game...It wasn't .... This could have been due to my outstanding coaching or Cathy's 90% shooting or Heidi's and Lisa's pressing defence but I think a contributing factor may have been that Kim didn't turn up and Dave only had four - Who cares, I won a trophy and Dave didn't.

I must just mention Henry Cooper to suck up to him and also to thank him for his terrific organisational efforts in getting this tournament up and running so smoothly. I think everyone would agree that it was a great day.

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V. B. A. Div 2 10.04.91  
Uni 73 d Hawthorn 67

YES! We finally did it, we won. In a strongly fought contest, we held off the Hawks with a combination of close checking defence and aggressive offence. In a game that was a must win for us, it was good to see that everyone went out onto the court with a positive attitude and this led to us gaining an early break on the opposition (in contrast to our previous games where we did everything possible to give our opponents a considerable advantage) It should be noted that this win was obtained without the services of J.C. or the Magical Mr. Jane, so watch out guys, you might have trouble getting back into the side!

Mike 21 Nick 13 Greg 12 Matt 12 Stu 9 Simon 4 Geoff 2

**T**HE great basketballer Michael Jordan, whose head is shaved and shiny, is not known to envy either Janet Jackson or Sea Cadet. The astounding M. J., whose name adorns basketball shoes, collectors' cards, T-shirts, caps, jackets and so on, now has the distinction of having a hamburger named in his honor.

Jordan plays for the Chicago Bulls, and in the Chicago area McDonald's have begun marketing the McJordan, a quarter-pound hamburger topped with smoked bacon, cheese, barbecue sauce, onions, mustard and pickles. Why is this named after the Airborne One? My guess is that, like the memories of his artistry around the hoop, this burger will keep coming back.



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## THE MDS FACTORS PUB CRAWL REPORT '91

UNI 1627 pots      CUB \$2521.85c

Once again the die hards from MUBC gathered after the AGM for the club's toughest match of the year... Uni versus Carlton Draught. The Uni side was confident as they had trained hard in the previous 12 months but without power forward Gary P and utility J.C and Coops, Uni was relying heavily on newcomers such as Stu and John to help carry the extra load. As usual Riq put in a fine allround performance although his pool playing was a little below par. Bomber Bowles had a fine game both at the Bar and in the streets Stu started slowly being named "Cam for the day" after trying to order Dim Sims for Geoff at the bar at Percys. Gill and Sal worked solidly from pub to pub and newcomer John worked extra hard later on as he collected munerous ashtrays in his pants along the way. Overall a convincing win once again to CUB although with no pavement pizzas to report and some solid piggy back fights in Lincoln Square, Uni put in a strong performance.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- \* Stu ordering Geoff two Dim Sims at Percy's Bar and being named "Cam for the day" after that
- \* Riq running around with Geoff on his shoulders
- \* Geoff sprinting down the concrete stairs in Lincoln Square with Stu sitting up there frozen with fear
- \* John playing pool with two ashtrays down his pants
- \* Riq trying to pick me up onto his shoulders while Sal was on my shoulders
- \* Stu getting caught tampering with the parking meters as he left the Canada

### QUOTES

- \* "A pot and two Dim Sims thanks" - Stu
- \* "Geoff, they don't sell Dim Sims here" - Stu
- \* "I know" - Geoff
- \* "Don't call me Cam" - Stu
- \* "I am the Hustler" - Greg
- \* "You girl" - Geoff
- \* "Is that meant to be an insult?" - Gill
- \* "Trust me Stu" - Geoff
- \* "What's that in your pants?" - Barman
- \* "Oh, it's only an ashtray ... but it's not one of yours, it's from another pub" - John

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GETTING IT IN !!!

Technique is important  
And the oldies excell  
In getting it in  
As the youngies know well

A particular oldie  
Who does it with glee  
His initials I'll tell you  
Gary Pendlebury

Gary lines them up  
With a look in his eye  
His tongue on his chest  
Oh, what a "nice" guy

Try if you like to  
Ignore him, he'll tarry  
Beware of the line  
That begins "Hi, I'm Gary"

Some can't believe it  
As he smiles and displays  
All his teeth, fondly thinking  
Of his past few forays

More demanding he is  
As the evening wears on  
He woos their attention  
Like hooch in a bong

With faces all flushed  
They stare at the man  
And the thing that is cradled  
in the big man's right hand

"You're holding it wrong"  
He'll tell you to help  
"And don't be embarrassed  
to loosen your belt"

His style is simple  
One finger and thumb  
And suddenly, there you are  
flat on your tum'

Always ready with plonk  
And that not so sly grin  
Then suddenly BONK  
And the bugger is in

The first time they say  
Is a bit of a shock  
But you can't tell the time  
If you can't see the clock

The first one is easy  
But if you don't quit  
Remember the next time  
Not to swallow too quick

His prowess admired  
He's forgiven this sin  
As he wipes with a tissue  
And BONK, he's back in

When the girls stay away  
I know he enjoys  
The occasional fling  
With the younger club boys

They don't know the reason  
The girls have all ducked  
Too late, he's in there,  
and again, and they're fucked

And you think after three times  
He's done this before  
Then the urge hits again  
For a roll on the floor

Any wet spot he makes  
He'll wipe off the stain  
And before you're awake  
He's in there again

I think you'll agree  
In the club, he's the king  
Some girls stay with him  
Some, just a quick fling

He stays up past midnight  
As he tosses them down  
And everyone watches  
Some with a frown

Now a lesson there is  
in reading this text  
Stay away from G.P.  
When his lust is so flexed

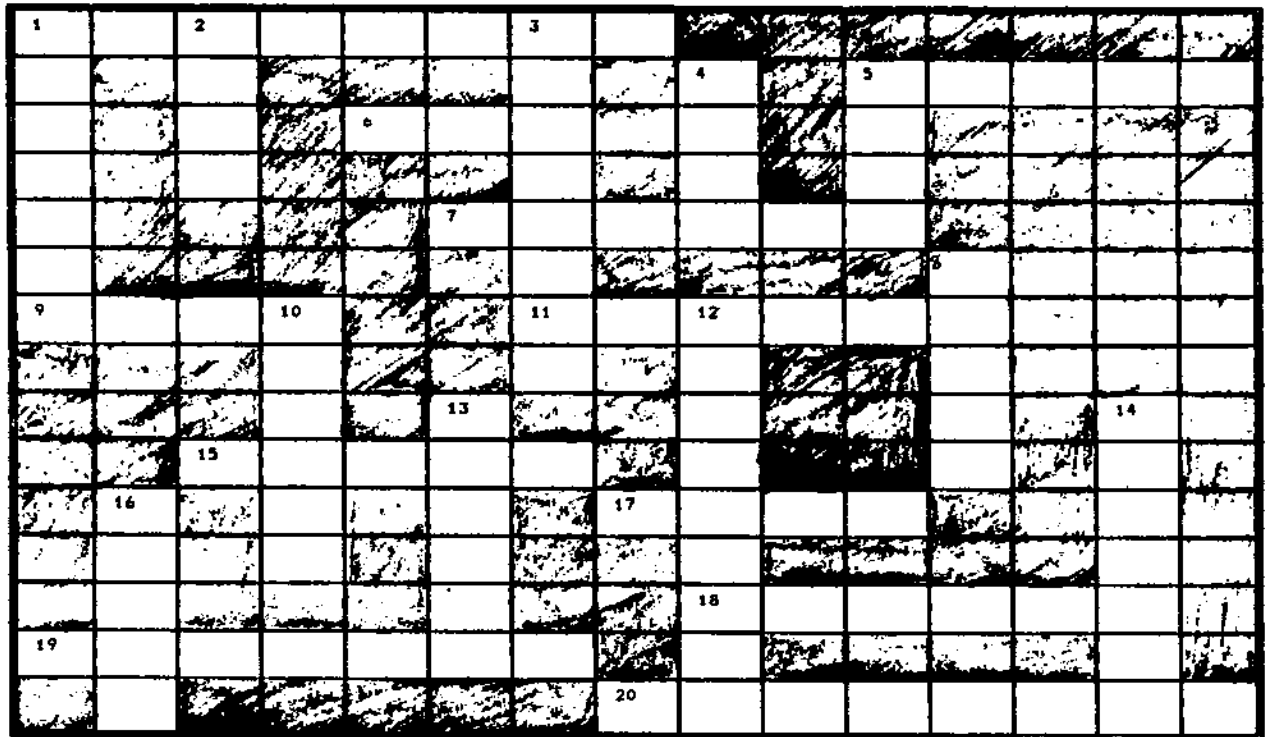
A warning to you  
(With your mind in your groin)  
Don't drink with Gary  
When he's holding a coin

Pitlock.



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# THE BALLARAT CROSSWORD



## Across

1. Quiet weekend with the better half
5. Too sick to play (hint: nickname FF24)
6. Receptient of Bad Taste Award
7. Only person to get into bed with Cameron (nickname)
9. An appearance by the Phantom
11. Who used this phrase, "namby, pamby, wissy girl"
15. The Gecko
17. Virgin tournament. Runs like it's his last 3 steps and up?
18. What can I say, you probably can't spell Kate's last name anyway
19. Cohort of Cam and the late Matthew Scholes (and then there were two)
20. The man with the see through elbow

## Down

1. 4000% wittier than at Warrnambool
2. The Bad Taste Award. Picked up someone other than Stu
3. The only person to have Cameron realise he's being heckled
4. Lumbered upstairs for a spit (nickname)
5. King Quartez strikes again
8. "Dry your hair for you, little girl?"
10. Proved breathing is necessary
12. Preferred name for Sandy
13. Had a BYO Pom weekend
14. The family that went to the Folk Fest on Sunday
16. Superceded at the point by a 2 metre Kiwi



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