

# MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL CLUB DRIBBLING BALLS

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Just when you thought it was all over, reminders of IV come back to haunt you. The fact that it's now more than 6 weeks since IV finished and I've only just received not one but two IV match reports may go some way to explain our performance there.

## Women's Game 2

Melbourne 28 v Flinders 46

Flinders were a team of good players. This was the third game they had ever played together and the third game they had ever won. They had competent outside shooters and inside players who were too good for us on the day (we should have played them at night - Ed) We knew what to expect but we just couldn't match their pace in offence.

Kim 16 Sally 6 Lea 4 Michelle 2

## Women's Game 4

Melbourne d Macquarie

The scene was set, 45 degree heat, sweat dripped off the warriesses (? - Ed) like a fountain, especially off Heather. The umpires blew the whistle. Heather leapt like a gazelle and the tap went straight to Susan who chest marked and passed off to the Sexy Factor. Sally dribbled down the court like a person who dribbles down the court very well and drove to the basket like a Porsche - GOAL. What a legend. They took the ball for the throw in. Paula intercepted and slam dunked - GOAL. They managed to get the ball in and got to halfway. Rochellé was there to hustle and forced the cross court violation. Sal received the pass, the gun crew set up it's master plan offence. Sal passed off to Michelle who worked the ball around to Kim. Kim made the big base line drive and reverse passed to Heather in the centre who leapt like a grasshopper to the basket - GOAL. Macquarie the tried to dribble down the court. Lea intercepted with a huge leap and passed off to Paula who faked left, went right and drew away the defence. She passed to Heather who slammed it home - GOAL. We won by heaps, Sal got 21, Kim got lots too. Kim said that Macquarie were too pussy and needed to be hardened up (there must be a line in that somewhere - Ed) so she took out their star guard with a left hook to the nose. At half time we sent out a search party for the Melbourne boys. The posse returned unsuccessful so we payed them to cheer for us. This game was an indication of things to come. See next report for the continuing saga.



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Sunday CYMS 03.11.91 B Grade Men  
Melbourne Uni (3) 62 d Melbourne Uni (2) 33

It had been billed as the clash of the season, the (almost) living legends - Uni (2) against the up and coming living legends - Uni (3). There could not have been a more fitting place for such an event than court 7, 10:00 pm on a hot Sunday night. (except maybe "The Clyde", 1:30 pm on a hot Saturday afternoon). The team lists read like a "Who's Who" of University basketball. In the blue corner (they would have been in the white corner except Matt forget to bring the alternate set of singlets), Matt Wellington, Phil Beart, Gary Pendlebury, Peter Beaumont, Warwick Bray and Michael Clark. In the black corner Nick Wade, Marc Howard, David Morosoli, Andrew Jirik and Rob Tyler. Never before had such talent, experience and sheer good looks been assembled under the one roof. The "Gerries" as they're affectionately known were without a few of their more regular players (10 O'clock games are tough guys - Ed) but so were we with Dave Liddle off on a dirty weekend down at Philip Island and both Mick Lewis and Geoff Colson nowhere to be seen, but enough chit chat, let's get down to the game.

This was a game of two vastly contrasting styles, we played aggressive defence, ran the ball into offence, passed quickly between ourselves and found the open man for a high percentage shot, rebounded at both ends of the court and maintained pressure for forty minutes. They didn't.

In the final analysis, we outran, outshot, outrebounded and outplayed the opposition, but hell, like I always say, if you can't stand the heat, buy an air conditioner.

Moses 18 Marc 14 Nick 12 Andrew 10 Rob 8

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Here at DB, we like to keep abreast of current trends in basketball, both locally and internationally. In light of recent events in the NBA it is timely that we present for you now, at great expense, the Melbourne University Basketball Club's ...

### INFECTIOUS DISEASES POLICY

During a basketball game there is a risk, albeit small, of contact with blood or other bodily fluids (saliva, perspiration, etc) which can result in the spread of infectious diseases such as Hepatitis B, HIV (Aids) as well as other viruses such as influenza, glandular fever etc.

The following procedures are recommended by the ABF and the Australian Sports Medicine Association.

Bleeding should be controlled and all blood cleaned away. If after the initial cleaning further bleeding continues, the player should be requested by the referees to leave the court. The player can return once the wound has been treated/covered/ceased bleeding.

If there is significant blood on the uniform, the player should change.

Players should not spit onto the floor or onto towels.

Players should have their own towels and water bottles.

These guidelines have been given to all referees associations and will therefore be enforced so BE PREPARED



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VWBC Div 2 16/10/91

Uni Heaps d. Blackburn Heaps -6

Well, who says match reports only get written when teams win?? For the record, we haven't had a match report in DB since, well I won't mention how many months but April does come to mind. Thanks to a tough winter season in 1st Division, we have learnt some valuable skills and attitudes and these came into play during this game. We were tougher, stronger, more aggressive, in fact, just plain better than the opposition. And we maintained that standard for thirty-five minutes of the game. In what has unfortunately become an almost traditional Uni style, we attempted to throw it away in the later minutes of the second half with some sloppy passing, lazy defence and some incomplete 'finishing off' near the basket. However, we held on to the lead and in the dying moments even extended it to a comfortable winning margin with a basket on the buzzer. All up a very promising win for the women.

Everyone played well with offence characterised by strong inside work from Katie and Booma, accurate shooting from Bernie, a good controlling game from Sally M and nice passing from Sally B and Gill. Defence was tight with plenty of talk resulting in many rebounds and defensive turnovers. In retrospect, a convincing win over a team we should have beaten and did.

Thanks to everyone who has filled in over the past weeks while players have been on holidays, sick, at IV etc: Tracy, Andrea, Simone, Tasja; A splendid job done and we look forward to playing with them again,..... and to another match report soon. Roll on summer.....



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR: *M.U.B.C. DRIBBLING BALLS*

28 October, 1991

Dear Sirs,

The cliché "It only takes one rotten apple to spoil the entire barrel" certainly held true at the club's presentation night. The language, loudness and overall vulgarity of several of the club's members, all of who happened to have gone to IV, was appalling.

Let me first say that what follows has not been endorsed by the committee and is purely my sentiments. I am sure I will be seen as some what of a "spoil-sport", but my thoughts on the events of the evening are shared by many in the club. This was evidenced in the number of people who left once the John Bayliss award had been presented (thankfully Geoff gave the award the respect and the speech it justly deserved). One club member even came up to me and offered to take a certain person outside and pound him to a pulp.

If the behaviour that took place on Saturday night is not highlighted as being totally unacceptable, I am afraid it may continue. I can only hope those responsible will make the appropriate apologies and ensure that such behaviour is not repeated in *public*. This is the operative word; such behaviour would be fine out in the middle of the bush as no one else would be affected, but on Saturday night the slur was, and will be, borne by the entire club.

I felt personally disgraced to be associated with the club during the evening, and it was all because of a few people who thought the night belonged to them.

The Annual Presentation Dinner is the one night of the year that the entire club (friends and partners included) gets together to have a good time and honour those that have performed admirably over the past twelve months. It is not a night where the IV boys (yes this is a generalisation) get to show-off and make complete ass-holes of themselves. I say it is a generalisation as it was good to see those IV participants who are not regular club members at the dinner having a good time (at no one else's expense).

I apologise as a committee member to those partners who came to support a club that they no doubt hear a lot about throughout the year, and who possibly get sick of hearing about it. After the performance put on by several boys in particular (they should realise who they are) I would not be surprised if they refuse to attend any of the club's future functions.

I apologise to the staff of Linda Crescent Receptions, who along with every one else had to put up with an utterly vulgar display over the venue's PA system, who had to clean up vomit twice in the main dinning room, and who would have had to disinfect the entire men's toilet after two of the IV boys decided a piss-fight might be a good idea. (No one should now wonder why the committee changes the venue of the dinner every year.)

Finally I feel sorry for Sally-Anne (and the rest of the committee) who made every effort to make this one event a great night, one which could be remembered for all the right reasons. The venue was great as were the meals. While the night was still a success in general, it would have been that much more enjoyable for all had the language and antics of the already "named" persons been missing, and the evening as a whole was given the dignity that should go with it.

I sign-off with the hope that this letter wakes-up those responsible for ruining the evening for the majority to the fact that such behaviour is not acceptable, and that while we may have been laughing, we were certainly not laughing with them.

Andrew Jirik  
M.U.B.C.  
Assistant Secretary



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## **DRIBBLING BALLS INSERT**

### **Men's Seconds Coach**

The Club requires the services of a coach for the Wednesday Night Division 3 Men's team. The team, generally referred to as the Men's Seconds, contains many fine players, all of whom are aspiring to represent the club at the highest level, in the Men's Firsts currently playing in Division 2. The Men's Intersarsity Team which recently represented the club at the Australian University Basketball Championships was predominantly selected from players in the Men's Firsts and Seconds teams.

As well as coaching the team in match situations, the Men's Second's coach would be required to attend and contribute to Monday night training. The position would report to and require close involvement with the Men's Firsts coach, Henry Cooper. For further information on the duties involved in this important position, direct enquiries to Henry (428 8619 - Home and 318 2611 - Work). For any other enquiries regarding this or any other coaching position, please contact Trevor Andrew (347 1131).



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## APOLOGY

I apologise most sincerely and wholeheartedly for my action at the annual dinner concerning Karen Gillies who I slandered most inappropriately. I sincerely regret the incident and apologise to Karen for spoiling her night or anyone else's. I have offered my resignation to the committee as I feel this behaviour was inappropriate from an executive of the club

David Liddle



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