



# News from the Lakers!



It was not the day we were hoping for, as finals nerves and strong opposition took its toll. In the end we say goodbye to our Under 12 Reserves and 16.5 Reserves, wish our 12 netballers and 16.5 Seniors all the best for this coming preliminary finals weekend and congratulate our Netball 16.5 girls who are through the Grand Final.

We held our final presentation night last weekend and thanks to the 160+ boys, girls and their parents who attended. It was a great night and it was lovely to see the boys and girls make a real effort with their outfits.

On the night we presented the most prestigious junior club award - The Best Clubman of the Year Award. This years' winner was Darrin Findlay and most worthy recipient.

Congratulations Darrin!!!!

Below is a message from Darrin:

*"To all club members,*

*I'd like to thank the Lakers Junior football Netball club for the recognition of my contribution to the club, with the "best Clubperson" award for 2012.*

*In accepting the award I thanked a few people on the night, however I would like publicly acknowledge the efforts of our fellow Junior Co-coordinators Neil McKechnie, Natalee McKay, Kate Raven and Fiona Edwards.*

*The work that they put in to steer this GREAT CLUB is enormous, the support that follows their direction can't be understated.*

*I won't singly name people, as we currently enjoy excellent support from numerous people, who have grown in numbers of the years, to allow the club to be a wonderful environment to develop our boys and girls not only in their sporting pursuits, but also family friendships.*

*We have enjoyed improved results on field, which has been evident with the progressive upward movement in the BJF leagues Merv and Mary Howard shield.*

*Whilst the winning has been appreciated by all, that can't be the only measure - When we look at the club gatherings and the huge numbers and enjoyment seen by all the families, I feel proud of the fact we are offering a full CLUB offering, which hits are key trademarks - Family, Fun, Professional and Development.*

*In 2013, we will continue to grow and welcome new people to our club, we'll also continue to rely on the support of many individuals through the season, which culminates in to one great team effort.*

*Thanks everyone!  
Regards Dangles"*

**Good luck to our boys and girls this week.**

### **Under 10 Round Robin**

The Round Robin will be played this Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> September at Lakers.

	Ground 1			Ground 2	
	U/10 Reserves				
Time	Ground 1	Ground 2	Ground 3	Ground 4	Ground 5
9:00am	Bacchus Marsh v Darley	Ballarat v East Ballarat	Golden Point v N/Ballarat	Lakers v Mount Clear	Sebastopol v Redan
9:30am	B/Marsh v North Ballarat	Darley v Ballarat	Golden Point v Lakers	Redan v Mount Clear	E/allarat v Sebas
10:00am	North Ballarat v Ballarat	B/Marsh v East Ballarat	Darley v Lakers	Golden Point v Redan	Mount Clear v Sebas
10:30am	N/Ballarat v E/Ballarat	B/Marsh v Lakers	Darley v Ballarat	Golden Point v Sebastopol	Redan v Mount Clear
	U/10 Seniors				
11:00am	Bacchus Marsh v Ballarat	Darley v East Ballarat	N/Ballarat v Sebastopol	Redan v Lakers	
11:30am	Bacchus Marsh v Darley	Ballarat v Sebastopol	North Ballarat v Lakers	Redan v East Ballarat	
12:00pm	Bacchus Marsh v Redan	Ballarat v Lakers	Darley v Sebastopol	East Ballarat v N/Ballarat	
12:30pm	East Ballarat v Lakers	Ballarat v Redan	B/Marsh v Sebastopol	Darley v North Ballarat	
1:00pm	Pack Up				

#### **Admission Prices are as follows:**

- Adult: \$5
- Child 8 - 16yo: \$1
- Child under 8yo: Free
- Car: \$1

This year the Lakers have the raffle to run on the day, which given the number of people in attendance is a great opportunity for the club to raise monies to invest back into the boys in 2013.

Also, Redan JFC player Ryan Friedrichs and his family will be seeking gold coin donations throughout the course of the day in support of Canteen. Ryan is trying to raise \$10,000 and is almost there with only around \$600 left to collect. Ryan will be shaving his head of long locks following his fundraising efforts and Ryan's family and the Redan FC would be grateful if all could get behind this worthy cause and support his to attempts to raise funds for young Australians living with cancer.

**NOTE: We ask that playing jumpers are returned at this time. A club volunteer will arrange to clean and wash all jumpers.**

## Finals

Please find below the details for this week's games.

### Football

	Shorts	Home Rooms		Away Rooms	Shorts	Venue	Date	Time
U/12 Reserves								
Preliminary Final	Coloured	Mount Clear	v	North Ballarat	White	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	8.55
U/12 Seniors								
Preliminary Final	Coloured	Sebastopol	v	Bacchus Marsh	White	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	9:50
U/14 Reserves								
Preliminary Final	Coloured	East Ballarat	v	North Ballarat	White	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	11:05
U/14 Seniors								
Preliminary Final	Coloured	Redan	v	North Ballarat	White	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	12:20
U/16.5 Reserves								
Preliminary Final	Coloured	Redan	v	East Ballarat	White	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	1:35
U/16.5 Seniors								
Preliminary Final	Coloured	Lake Wendouree	v	Bacchus Marsh	White	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	3:10

### Netball

				Venue	Date	Time
U/12						
Preliminary Final	Lake Wendouree	v	Darley	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	11:00am
U/14						
Preliminary Final	Redan	v	Darley	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	12:00pm
U/16.5						
Preliminary Final	North Ballarat	v	Darley	Marty Busch Reserve	Sunday 9th September	1:00pm

Please note that there is a cost for admittance as applied by the league as follows:-

Adults - \$8  
 Family (2 adults & 2 children) - \$20  
 Pensioner - \$5  
 8 - 16yo - \$5  
 U/8 - Free  
 Car - \$1  
 Footy Record - \$1

Remember if you leave the ground get a pass out to gain free entry later in the day.

## Under 16.5 and Youth Girls Best & Fairest

We held our Best & Fairest Presentation on Sunday and are delighted to announce the following winners:-

Football	16.5 Reserves	16. Seniors
<b>Winner</b>	Lachie McIntosh	Jordan Payne
<b>Runner Up</b>	Jack O'Brien	Harrison Robertson
<b>Most Consistent</b>	Andy Castles	Jack Salau
<b>Most Improved</b>	Luke Wren	Liam Edwards
<b>Coaches Award</b>	Paul O'Connell	Dan Butler

Netball	16. Seniors
<b>Winner</b>	Chloe Reese
<b>Most Consistent</b>	Sarah McCabe
<b>Coaches Award</b>	Courtney O'Connell

Football	Youth Girls
<b>Winner</b>	Jordyn Gilmer
<b>Runner Up</b>	Bec Cubbitt
<b>Coaches</b>	Riley Holloway

We say goodbye to the following players as they head into senior football/netball:-

<b>Service Medals (3 years with Lakers)</b>
Adam Creasey
Alex Parrôt
Tyson Randall
Brad Dunbar
Lochie Dodd
Sam Le Lievre
Matt Maher
Matt Blackburn
Jack Ferguson
Kyle Schweinzer
Brett Cook
Liam Edwards
Nathan McKenna
Dan Butler
Damon Sutton

Those who have played less than 3 seasons with the Lakers:-

Jack Salau
Harry Baker
Jack O'Brien
Dom Sliwa
Andrew Castles
Sammy Stephens
Nina Cowie
Caitlyn Morshead

Good luck to your all!!

### **Jumpers/Dresses**

Please note that once the boys and girls have finished playing for the year then jumpers/dresses are to be returned to the club. In most cases the jumpers/dresses will be collected after the final game and club volunteers will wash.

If your child has finished and have not yet returned their dress/jumper, can you please drop off to Lakers training this Thursday night from 4.15 at the netball courts.

### Survey

For those who have yet to complete the survey for all our female members, volunteers, players and parents we ask that you please take the time to complete as it will assist the league and our club address matters that are important.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/XDG7DRH>

## NETBALL RESULTS

### Under 12's

North Ballarat 22 defeated Lakers 12

As Jordan was playing in her own final against North Ballarat (in Darley) Nat took over and the girls started well though nerves were showing. Sara started in WA and quickly took control of the mid court and fed the ball into the attack third. Despite our good start the girls were down at quarter time.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, the defence held sway and continued to repel attacks, but the attackers were unable to capitalise on the good work up court and at half time the girls were down by 10 goals.

In the third, the Lakers girls managed to break a North centre early in the piece and put some scoreboard pressure on the North girls, with Grace Todd and Tessa Canny shooting accurately to score 7 unanswered goals. North panicked but a few umpiring decisions didn't go our way and North steadied to hold a 4 goal lead heading into the last quarter.

In the last quarter North changed up their goalers and despite the great efforts of Ellena and Paetyn, ran away with the game.

The girls played an outstanding game and the coaches and parents were very proud of their efforts.

Best Players: Sara Chatterjee, Paetyn Jarred and Ellena Raven

To those great supporters that came out to encourage the girls on the weekend, many thanks. Please note however that all spectators should only offer encouragement. As we know, the umpires decision is final and we want our kids

to play fair and be accepting of all umpiring decisions and having good role models needs to start with the parents and club spectators.

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### Under 12 Reserves

North Ballarat 9.4.58 defeated Lakers 0.0.0

Over and out:

And so it ends. What a year! Looking around the change rooms after the game there were tears in the eyes of kids who rarely show any emotion. In fact most of the time Coach Reidy was yelling at them to see if they were even listening in the first place. Well it turns out they were and they were as emotionally involved as the kids who hung on his every word without blinking. The race was run and we, the Under 12's Reserves had given everything and fallen short only to the better team on the day and no one could have asked for any more.

Hamish Bridges our Best and Fairest winner and finals captain with his army of defenders were under siege on the last line of defence all game. Tight manning up and staying goal side of their opponents worked like a charm in the first quarter. Our forward line was attacking strongly but could not convert endeavour into score board pressure. At the end of the first term the score board had not been troubled by either team and both teams thought it was going to be a slog in the mud like a game of rugby.

The second quarter we were kicking against the breeze, at least a two goal advantage. North pushed the ball into our back line and Harry Carter and Lachlan Deveraux tried their hardest to stop the surge. With a couple of early goals in the quarter we needed a spark to get us going. Our on ballers were

troubled with the dominance of North's no 6 until Lachy Pett manned him up and quelled his influence for part of the quarter. A great tackle by Petty to strip him of the ball showed our boys they were up to the competition and by half time we were only down by 3 goals.

Reidy's address during the break was about using the breeze to get back into the game. A breeze that offered a couple of goals advantage could now be used by our Lakers boys to pull back that lead. But with a big height advantage in the ruck our big men were no trouble to the taller opposition tapping it into the path of their oncoming running midfielders and again we were playing the chasing game. The Lakers were not giving up, Reidy in the middle was in and under and taking strong pack marks and Britty and Luke Castleman were corralling and tackling as best they could. The superior skills on the day allowed the opposition to give off to running team mates and put another 3 goals on the board by the end of the thirty minute mark of the game.

The Final quarter of the year had now arrived. Coach Reidy pulled the boys into the tightest huddle they had had. It more like one big cuddle than a huddle and his message was simple. "Let's play this final quarter for the Lakers Jumper boys!" "When you get the ball bang it on the boot and kick it long and get goal hungry and give yourself something to smile about when you walk off this field." One last big "ROAR" from the playing group and into position they went. Our opposition had not finished with us though. Oscar Pryor and Harry Carter had played out of their skin to no avail. The onslaught was continuing and our first year footballers were not able to stand up to the experience of the opposition. The input of the older and bigger kids from quarter time had exhausted our boys and we were nearly running on empty. To their credit the Lake Wendouree boys played their hardest till the final siren had sounded. They trudged from all positions of the field and lined up to shake our oppositions hands in a mature display of sportsman's ship. They were dominated in most areas of play throughout the game but walked off the field through the applause of parents, friends, siblings and foes back into the dressing rooms knowing they had done their best. They slumped onto the benches and the floor in front of the coach and slowly let the emotion of the game sink in. The finals and the 2012 season had come to an end. There were lots of people thanked and lots of new friends made, but best of all the start of a new future force, the new 2013 Under 12 Seniors. Look out the rest of the competition!!

Finally, a big congratulation and a much deserved winner of the Clubman Of The Year Award - Darrin Findlay.

**Best Players:** H. Bridges, O. Pryor, L. Pett, H. Carter, H. Fraser, L. Devereux





## **PPT Financial Under 16.5 Reserves**

Redan 8.8.56 defeated Lakers 5.3.33

The boys started poorly in reasonable conditions on Marty Busch No 2, but a lack of composure hurt them as they defended grimly against a stronger Redan. Redan had the fortune of being able to play some senior players and those injured during the regular season, and these players hurt our boys around the packs and in front of goal.

In the end the boys were never able to get their game together, and went down by 4 goals. This was a disappointing end to a great year and congratulations to Nick McIntosh for his work during the past couple of years.

**Goal Kickers:** M. Blackburn 2, L. Mc Intosh , T. Blackburn , T. Randall

**Best Players:** J. O''Connor, L. Mc Intosh, P. O''Connell, T. Randall, B. KEALL

## **PPT Financial Under 16.5 Seniors**

North Ballarat 11.14.80 defeated Lakers 4.6.30

In contrast the 16.5 reserves, the Lakers senior boys started like a house of fire. Dan Butler, Paz and Sam Britt all goaled early and the boys were up and about. With Jordan Payne controlling the mid field, and the defence in Eamonn, Jack Salau, Darrien Mann and Harry Baker all on top it finally appeared that we had buried those dreaded North Ballarat hoodoos!.

It wasn't to be however as the rest of the team struggled to have any impact on the contest from the second quarter, and North midfielders were able to find space at will and continually pump the ball into the North attack. Eventually the flood gates opened, and the boys were unable to hold on.

**Goal Kickers:** D. Butler 2, S. Britt, A. Parrot

**Best Players:** E. Mc Cuskey, D. Butler, D. Mann, H. Baker, T. Mooney, D. Sliwa

## FOOTY PHOTOS

Thankyou for all the photos being sent though, make sure you check the website each week for new additions. Keep them coming!

Email any photos directly to Felicity on [bfharte@bigpond.com](mailto:bfharte@bigpond.com).

All photo's sent through are uploaded onto our new website so make sure you check them out each week.