



Another great year has seen 11 of our 12 sides make finals.

A big thank you to all our coaches, team managers, runners, volunteers and mentors who have done a fantastic job throughout the year to ensure that our boys and girls improve their skills and compete in a sportsmanlike manner.

Many thanks to those wonderful volunteers who assisted with the AFL Footy Show last Thursday Night. A great night was had by all and a big shout out to the boys and girls who behaved wonderfully on the night.

FOOTBALL:

| | | Home Rooms | | Away Rooms | | Shorts | Venue | Date | Time |
|-------------------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|--------|---------------------|----------------------|---------|
| U/12 Reserves | | | | | | | | | |
| 1st Elim Final | 3 | Ballarat | v | Lake Wendouree | 6 | White | Dick Fleming Oval | Sunday 24th August | 8.55am |
| U/12 Seniors | | | | | | | | | |
| Qualifying Final | 1 | Lake Wendouree | v | Ballarat | 2 | Green | Eastern Oval | Saturday 23rd August | 9.50am |
| Qualifying Final | | | | | | | | | |
| 2nd Elim Final | 3 | Mount Clear | v | Lake Wendouree | 6 | White | Marty Busch Reserve | Sunday 24th August | 11.05am |
| U/14 Seniors | | | | | | | | | |
| 2nd Elim Final | 6 | Sebastopol | v | Lake Wendouree | 3 | White | Marty Busch Reserve | Sunday 24th August | 12.20pm |
| U/16.5 Reserves | | | | | | | | | |
| 2nd Elim Final | 3 | East Ballarat | v | Lake Wendouree | 6 | White | Marty Busch Reserve | Sunday 24th August | 1.35pm |

Clubs named in the HOME rooms will wear their coloured shorts and clubs named in the AWAY rooms will be asked to wear white shorts.

NETBALL:

| | | Home Rooms | | Away Rooms | | Venue | Date | Time |
|--------------------------------|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|---------|
| 13 & Under Reserves | | | | | | | | |
| Qualifying Final | 1 | Lake Wendouree | v | North Ballarat | 2 | Eastern Oval | Saturday 23rd August | 9:20am |
| 13 & Under Seniors | | | | | | | | |
| Qualifying Final | 1 | North Ballarat | v | Lake Wendouree | 2 | Eastern Oval | Saturday 23rd August | 11:00am |
| 15 & Under Reserves | | | | | | | | |
| 2nd Elimination Final | 4 | Lake Wendouree | v | Bacchus Marsh | 5 | Marty Busch Reserve | Sunday 24th August | 10:10am |
| 15 & Under Seniors | | | | | | | | |
| Qualifying Final | 1 | North Ballarat | v | Lake Wendouree | 2 | Eastern Oval | Saturday 23rd August | 12:40pm |
| 17 & Under Reserves | | | | | | | | |
| 1st Elimination Final | 3 | Bacchus Marsh | v | Lake Wendouree | 6 | Marty Busch Reserve | Sunday 24th August | 1:30pm |
| 17 & Under Seniors | | | | | | | | |

Youth Girls Grand Final

Youth Girls premiership was decided on the weekend with Redan beating by 42 points on in front of a huge crowd. Despite the scoreboard showing otherwise, the match was a tightly contested game. Redan held a 6 point lead at quarter time and had Lake Wendouree converted several opportunities in the 2nd quarter, the match may have been a lot closer than the final margin of 42 points.

Best Players : Anna-Maria Rice, Indi Walker, Amy Jackson, Nikkita Alexander, Jordyn Gilmer, Kate Jackson

Milestone Games

Congratulations to Matthew McKenna and Oscar Pryor who play their 50th club games this weekend.

Robert Allan Medal

Congratulations to everyone at the Robert Allan Medal held on Wednesday Night at Ballarat Lodge. Lakers were well represented and congratulations to the following:-

Netball Best & Fairest Winners

15 & Under - Eva Gillett (Lake Wendouree) - 29 votes

It's back-to-back Best & Fairest awards for Lake Wendouree's Eva Gillett after this award in 2013. A slow start to season soon gathered momentum as Eva secured 8 best on court performances on her way to win another League award

17 & Under - Celie Hay (Lake Wendouree) - 22 votes

Celie Hay has capped another sensational year taking home the 17 & Under Senior Netball League Best & Fairest award for season 2014. Celie's year has been consistent polling votes in 9 of the 16 games played this year and establishing herself as one of the most dangerous players in the competition.

Netball Most Valuable Players

13 & Under Senior Netball Most Valuable Player - Paetyn Jarred (Lake Wendouree)

Paetyn Jarred has caught the eye of all Coaches in the competition taking out the 2014 13 & Under Senior Most Valuable Player award. Paetyn was fortunate enough to represent the BFNL at Interleague level this year against Bendigo and Geelong and was also runner up in the League Best & Fairest earlier tonight. Congratulations Paetyn on being named the first ever 13 & Under Senior Netball Most Valuable Player.

15 & Under Senior Netball Most Valuable Player - Eva Gillett (Lake Wendouree)

A League Best & Fairest earlier tonight and the 15 & Under Senior Netball Most Valuable Player award, Eva Gillett has capped off a remarkable season. Eva's eye catching style of play saw her poll votes from every club in the competition and is sure to play a huge part in her side's finals campaign which starts this weekend. Well done Eva on a great season.

Victoria Police Blue Ribbon Spirit of Sport Awards

For the third time in 2014 and through the leadership and guidance of Ballarat Police Officer and Blue Ribbon Foundation ambassador Jeff Whittaker, the Ballarat Football Netball League decided to continue the Blue Ribbon Foundation Spirit of Football & Netball Awards Program. The program is designed to improve the general conduct of players in the U/16.5 football and netball competitions whilst improving the relationship between local Police and today's youth

Netball Spirit of Sport Winner - Celie Hay (Lake Wendouree)

Coach of the Year Awards

U/12 Senior Coach of the Year - Peter Bath (Lake Wendouree)

Peter ensures that his training sessions are structured with a mix of fitness work and skill development providing his players with ample opportunity to prepare for games. Peter has surrounded himself with a fantastic team of Assistant Coaches and support staff to ensure his players are provided with the attention they require at such a young age. His approach is calm and consolidated and also commands attention when required. He constantly teaches his players how to be better people and act responsibly both on and off the ground.

11 & Under Coach of the Year - Barb Carter (Lake Wendouree)

For her Coach of the Year application, one of Barb's players submitted a letter to BFNL Operations Manager Aaron Nunn, which was read out last night...

Dear Mr Nunn

My name is Rhyley Bath and it's my first year of playing Netball. I would like to tell you about my Coach Barb Carter. Barb has taught me a lot about netball and also being a good sport. She lets us play in all different positions and gives everyone a fair go. She never gets angry with us even though we can be annoying sometimes! I like how she encourages me and tries to make me a better netballer. I always want to play for her. I hope that Barb will be my coach again and wins the Coach of the Year Prize. Go Barb.

15 & Under Seniors Coach of the Year - Lisa James (Lake Wendouree)

Lisa's outstanding tactical knowledge and netball experience as a player and coach allows Lisa to impart her knowledge in a way that the girls can easily understand and act upon. She is a role model and mentor to other coaches in our club and is looked to for coaching advice, which she willingly provides. Lisa was also an outstanding BFNL Interleague coach not only coaching her side to victory, but also helping out the development of all teams.

Best & Fairest Presentation Days



Football Under 12's and 14's
Netball 13's

Sunday 31st August at the clubrooms (Time TBA)

Football Under 16.5's
Netball Under 15 & 17's

Sunday 24th August from at 6.00 pm at the clubrooms

2015

Each co-ordinator is to vacate their positions at the end of this season as we are looking to implement a formal committee structure next year to assist the club move forward. Information will follow shortly with structure and dates for meetings that are to be held to appoint the committee for 2015 and beyond.

It's important that we get more people involved as many of the current co-ordinators and informal committee team are transitioning to the senior club as their children get older and we need to ensure that there is a smooth transition for the future of the club. It's also important to get fresh ideas and share the load.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Nat, Neil, Kate or Lisa to discuss.

Lost & Found

Reminder for all players and parents to check your surrounding before leaving the clubrooms at the conclusion of your game.

A number of jumpers, shorts, jackets and shoes have been left behind of late.

Due to the amount of lost or left over items at the end of the day, the lost and found box will be kept in the storage shed as it's taking over the trailer. Please come and check to see if your son has left items behind. The shed is open during training. We have footy boots, runners, mouth guards and lots of hoodies.

** TEAM APP **

Download the TEAM APP for your smartphone - when downloading be sure to choose our Lakers Juniors logo when installing. Circled here in red...



This is a quick and easy way for the club to pass on important pieces of news like changes to game times, training and social functions.

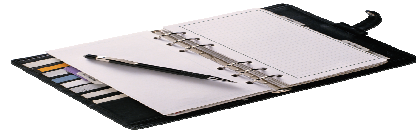
Sponsors...

The club has a number of excellent sponsors, and you wish to get involved please contact Nat or Neil to discuss. Many thanks to our match day sponsors:-

- McDonalds
- Pinkys Pizza
- Ballarat Leagues Club
- Stockland Wendouree
- Golf House Bistro

We also thank Brumbys Northway, Prestige Denture Clinic, Nashish Designs & Clark Lift Trucks for their assistance.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Under 16.5 Football & Under 15 & Under 17 Netball - Sunday 24th August from 6.00pm
Under 12 & 14 Football & Under 13 Netball - Sunday 31st August from 6.00pm

**ALL FOOTBALL & NETBALL RESULTS CAN BE FOUND
ON THE LAKERS APP. Choose 'standings' Then click on your team**