



News from the Lakers!



Saturday saw the official opening on the new Lakers oval and netball courts. The City of Ballarat did a great job especially getting the netball courts ready to use and don't they look fantastic in the blue, green and gold!

Congratulations to Archie Geyle, Lily Gilbert & Tessa Canny who were involved in the official proceedings and represented the Lakers.

Thanks to everyone for their assistance with slices etc for the formal opening function and to Gary McKay for painting the old scoreboard in Lakers colours, and the Under 16.5 footballers and Under 17 netballers that assisted on the night at the Gala.

We had a large number of junior families attend the Gala Night at St Pat Cathedral Hall which was a great night for the club with over 380 in attendance and a great night was had by all.

This week we take on North Ballarat at North....a reminder that we will use the [away rooms](#) this weekend as we are the away team.

Starting times for the football will be as follows:-

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| Under 10's Seniors & Reserves | 8.00am |
| Under 12's Reserves | 8.55am |
| Under 12's Seniors | 9.50am |
| Under 14's Reserves | 11.05am |
| Under 14's Seniors | 12.20pm |
| Under 16.5 Reserves | 1.35pm |
| Under 16.5's Seniors | 3.10pm |

Starting times for the netball will be as follows:-

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| Under 11's Reserves | 8.00am |
| Under 11's Seniors | 9.00am |
| Under 13's Reserves | 10.00am |
| Under 13's Seniors | 11.00am |
| Under 15's Reserves | 12.00pm |
| Under 15's Seniors | 1.00pm |
| Under 17's Reserves | 2.00pm |
| Under 17's Seniors | 3.00pm |

**** CONGRATULATIONS ****

Congratulations to Campbell Drummond, Oskar Ford, Tom McKechnie, Sean Antrobus, Sam Coxall, Ava Valpied and Molly McLachlan who'll all play their 50th club games this weekend against North Ballarat.

**** FACEBOOK ****

We have a new Juniors Facebook page "Lakers Juniors", so please search for "Lakers Juniors: and keep up to date with news and photos. The old facebook page will be closed in the coming weeks.

**** BFL Raffle ****

Each family should have received a raffle book on Saturday and we ask that each family sell one book. The books are made up of 20 tickets at \$5 each. If anyone would like to sell additional books please let us know.

This is very similar to the Rotary Raffle and each BFL club will be selling tickets, so best to get in early and sell as many as you can.

Prizes are:-

- 1st Prize Toyota Yaris valued at \$18,490 from Ballarat Toyota
- 2nd Prize \$2,000 flooring voucher form Solomon's Flooring/National Tiles Ballarat
- 3rd Prize \$1,000 gift card from Tanya Daniels The Good Guys

We ask that the tickets and unsold tickets are returned to the team managers by 31st May 2015. Any sold books returned prior to 3rd May will be placed in a draw for a \$100 gift card.

**** 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
- Red Lion
- Grill'd

We also thank PPT Financial, PPT Accounting, Western Victoria Windows, Prestige Denture Clinic, Brumbys & Clark Lift Trucks for their assistance.

** 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.

Merchandise

Merchandise including bags, hoodies, jackets, old playing jumpers and track pants are still available for purchase. Contact Jodie Gilbert on 0438 301 027 for orders. Please note no orders will be taken after round 4.

Those who have placed orders will be able to collect tonight Thursday 16th April from the clubrooms. Forms are available on the website to download.

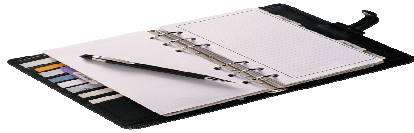
Auskick

Wendouree Auskick has commenced on Friday nights from 6.00 to 7.30 running every Friday night through second term, under lights, on the Lakers junior oval.

Coordinators Leah and Tracey are keen to see plenty of little Auskickers this season, along with Coach Paul, who are eager to create a fun environment for children to learn and develop their AFL skills.

Register online at www.aflauskick.com.au

DATES TO REMEMBER



Team Photos – Wednesday 20th May and Thursday 21st May from 4.30 in the clubrooms
Lakers Ball – Saturday 4th July 2015
Last Man Standing- 2nd August 2015

Netball News

The netballers had a fantastic day, winning all of our games on Saturday playing for the first time on our new courts. They look amazing and the girls particularly love the 'Lakers' colours on the courts!

Thank-you to the players and parents who assisted us with packing up and putting all the equipment away at the end of the day on Saturday. We will have new storage at the netball courts shortly so we won't need to cart posts etc. back and forth for long.

A reminder to everyone that training will now be held at the new courts and times remain the same.

Congratulations to Ava Valpied (U/15's) and Molly McLachlan (U/17's) who play their 50th games of netball for Lakers this week. Well done Ava and Molly!

Results

U/11 Reserves: Lakers **14** defeated Sebastopol **0**
Awards: Molly McDonald and Olivia Black

U/11 Seniors: Lakers **29** defeated Sebastopol **5**
Awards: Zarli Clark and Laura O'Connor

U/13 Reserves: Lakers **16** defeated Sebastopol **12**
Awards: Makalah Drew, Elise Amarant and Scarlett Nash

U/13 Seniors: Lakers **42** defeated Sebastopol **7**
Awards: Keely Ashton, Ruby Cheeseman and Charlotte Todd

U/15 Reserves: Lakers **26** defeated Sebastopol **7**
Awards: Laura Amarant, Sarah Murphy and Sara Chatterjee

U/15 Seniors: Lakers **30** defeated Sebastopol **8**
Awards: Alex Downey, Ellena Raven and Grace Todd

U/17 Reserves: Lakers **24** defeated Sebastopol **18**
Awards: Tia McLachlan, Georgia Edwards and Maddison Porter

U/17 Seniors: Lakers **37** defeated Sebastopol **16**
Awards: Olivia Arringo, Ebony McSparron and Isabel Fraser.

This week we take on North Ballarat and we are predicting there will be some great games across the day and encourage our supporters to get to the netball courts and cheer our girls on!

Go Lakers!

Lisa and Lucy.

REMINDERS

Rooms

A reminder to footballers, that footies etc are not to be taken from the rooms without permission from the coaches. Several game day balls went missing this past week due to players taking footballs without knowledge or permission and the club will now need to purchase additional equipment to replace same.

Footy Jumpers & Dresses

Footy jumpers and netball dresses should only be worn at the game, and removed after you have played if boys and girls are staying at the oval/netball courts for long periods after they have played.

They are not to be worn at footy training, but the club does have old playing jumpers (smaller sizes) for sale at \$20 each if you wish to wear the clubs colours at training.

Tape

Please note that the trainers will not supply boys with tape to hold down their laces during the season. If your son requires tape please ensure that you supply your own and that at the end of the game tape is disposed off in the bins rather than left on the floor.

Rubbish

Please ensure that all rubbish be it in the rooms or around the grounds is disposed off in the bins rather than left on the floor or around the oval.

Lost property

Please make sure that you keep items of clothing in a secure location and remember to collect your articles of clothing after you have played.

Any missing articles of clothing etc can be found in the lost and found tub located in the trailer.

Due to the level of merchandise, please ensure your sons or daughters name is noted on the article of clothing to ensure it can be returned. The club has some white markers if you require assistance.

Skins

Skins have become more popular in recent years as the boys try to emulate their favourite players. The BFL have a policy that skins must be skin colour. Boys who wear the incorrect skins will be unable to take the field without removing the skins.