



NEWS LETTER OF THE SOUTH BENDIGO FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

December 2016 Edition

Welcome to the December edition of "Blood Lines". The intent of the Club's newsletter is to keep members, players and supporters informed about what's happening at South by recalling the highlights of the month just passed and informing on what's coming up in the month to come.

If there are any other areas or aspects of the Club that you would like to see us cover please feel free to submit your suggestions via a return email.



Notice is hereby given that
The Annual General Meeting of the
South Bendigo Football and Netball Club Inc.
will be held on
Wednesday 14th December 2016 at 7.00pm
SBFNC Social Rooms, Queen Elizabeth Oval
All SBFNC players, members and supporters
are encouraged to attend

2016 SEASON REVIEW

We were fortunate to see the return of Brady Childs to the club to take on the senior coaching role for season 2016. Whilst it was disappointing that a late season knee injury at his former club Shepparton Swans saw him unable to take the field as a playing coach, we felt it gave him more of an opportunity to hone his coaching skills without the added pressure of playing in his first season as coach which we believe lead to him developing rapidly as the season progressed, along with the young playing group.

We were also fortunate to gain the services of Bryce Balsille as Reserves Coach and Neale Torpey as our Under 18's Coach, completing a whole new coaching panel for season 2016.

We are pleased to confirm that Brady, Bryce and Neale have committed for the 2017 season.

The focus on the year was development and continued improvement and those objectives were met in all grades. It was also great to see a number of Under 18 players perform well in the Seniors. Whilst the seniors registered only 5 wins, the team were very competitive throughout the year, being in positions to win several more games with experience being the major factor. It was pleasing to finish the season with 3 straight wins and a great platform for season 2017.

Another pleasing aspect was the increase in depth at the club which saw our Reserves team make the finals. We were also very pleased with the progress of our Under 18 team. With most of the lads being bottom age players, they acquitted themselves very well to finish just outside the top 5.

On the Netball side of things it was fantastic to have two teams play off in the Grand Finals with B-Reserve taking out the Premiership and B Grade runner up in their division. Our congratulations go to the respective coaches Sally Sheehan and Kiralee Beecham, along with of course the players.

Our A and A Reserve teams did not have the season they were hoping for, however we were really pleased with the excellent job Benita Swatton did in taking over the reins just prior to the season starting and now has the opportunity to mould the side into a competitive unit for season 2017.

Whilst our Under 17 squad did not fare well on the win / loss ratio, their endeavor and commitment could not be questioned and the group is in excellent hands with our experienced development coach Liz Taylor.

With regard to our junior football and netball divisions we are very happy with the development and progress we are making as a club. The Junior Football and Netball Divisions lead by Gareth Tawton and Michelle Forrester who have both worked tirelessly along with their committees to ensure the smooth operation and quality standards across all levels of our junior program. A big thanks to all of our coaches, managers, volunteers and parents for your support.

We continue to see the progress of Harry Trott Oval with the Netball Courts to be ready for season 2017. This is very exciting for the club as we continue our progress to relocate fully to this venue over the next couple of years. We are currently in discussions with council and architects with regard to our new pavilion and social rooms which is the next step in the overall development.

Finally I would like to thank and acknowledge the fantastic group of volunteers we have at South Bendigo including our committee, along with the wonderful group who run our Bingo. It is very enjoyable and rewarding to mix with such a wonderful team and look forward to our progress into season 2017.

I would also like to acknowledge our sponsors who are integral in the growth and development of our club and we value the partnerships and relationships we have developed.

Rick Townsend
President.

EXCITING NEW NETWORKING AND COTERIE CLUB TO BE LAUNCHED AT SOUTH BENDIGO IN 2017

Led by President Rick Townsend another step in building the South Bendigo community will be launched in 2017 with the establishment of the Bloods Networking & Coterie Club.

The marketing material promoting this exciting new concept at the club reads:

As a Bloods Networking & Coterie Club Member of the South Bendigo Football Netball club you will be partnering with one of the Bendigo Football Netball Leagues premier clubs. Winning 24 premierships since our inception we have been well known for our success on and off the field.

The objective of this exclusive club is to bring like-minded people together who wish to leverage their business opportunities and networks while enjoying the environment of an inclusive sporting club with a strong culture and values.

This membership is also for club supporters, members and past players who are committed to their club and wish to enjoy the many benefits this Coterie Club provides.

It is an exciting time to get involved with the South Bendigo Football Netball Club as we have embarked on an our relocation strategy into the southern suburbs of Bendigo by transferring our training base to the Harry Trott oval in Kennington. This has included our juniors who play their home games at this venue.

Currently the senior group play 3 home games at Harry Trott Oval as the development continues. To date we have had new lights erected, strategically placed to suit the next stage of the ground development to be extended to Etihad Stadium size. Our new netball courts are nearing completion to be ready for preseason in January 2017.

Plans are currently being drawn up for our new Social Rooms and sporting complex which is very exciting. Upon completion of these works we will fully relocate to Harry Trott Oval which will be a state of the art venue in regional Victoria.

We have the opportunity to engage with the community in the surrounding suburbs from East Bendigo, Strathdale, Kennington, Quarry Hill and Spring Gully to support our club and partners going forward which is a fantastic position for our club going forward and will set our club up for long term future success.

South Bendigo is one club, combining the Juniors and Seniors in both football and netball. We are excited in the direction we are taking both on and off the field and this membership is a big part in building the success of our proud club.

As a founding member you will enjoy many privileges as outlined below, however more importantly be welcomed as part of the Bloods family.

We look forward to having you on board.

Kind Regards,

Rick Townsend.

President SBFNC.



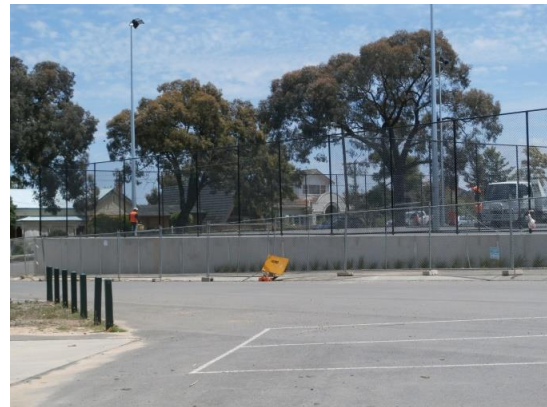
Membership benefits of the Bloods Networking and Coterie Club include:

- 2 x Adult Memberships of South Bendigo Football Netball Club. (Value \$240)
- Entry to complementary Half Time drinks and food in club social rooms at home matches (9).
- Business name listed in social rooms as a Bloods Networking & Coterie club member.
- 2 tickets to All-inclusive Coterie club networking lunch with guest speaker at a home match in 2017. (Value \$200)
- 2 x Social Club Drink Cards to be used at home games. Show your card at the bar in the Social Rooms after the game and the first drink is on us
- 2 x Tickets to club Annual Ball.
- 2 x Tickets to clubs Season Launch
- 2 x Tickets to clubs Best & Fairest Presentation night
- 10 x complementary tickets in the clubs annual major raffle (value \$100)
- Bloods Coterie Club Member Keyring.
- Business promoted on club Facebook page
- Private Coterie Group Facebook page for Business Networking

The annual membership fee to become a part of this exciting new Bloods Coterie Group is \$550 (includes \$50 GST)

If you are interested to hear more about the Group or would like an application form you can contact President Rick Townsend on **0417 037 572**

HARRY TROTT OVAL UPDATE



Work continues apace on the new netball courts at the Kennington Recreation Reserve. The base and retaining wall have been completed, the lighting has been erected and the playing surface has been sealed. Construction of the perimeter fence is currently underway and you are now able to see what the final facility will look like when finished.

We look forward to the 2017 season when both our netball and football teams will be able to participate in home games played at the Harry Trott Oval.



RED & WHITE AT THE TOP END



Our Medical Manager John Clyne organised the donation of 6 South Bendigo junior football jumpers to a friend of his who took them on a trip to a tiny island off the coast of Darwin where he ran some AUSA KICK sessions with the local kids.

The island, called "South Goulburn Island" is approximately 300km north east of Darwin, off the coast of Arnhem Land. The school teachers have indicated that they were enormously excited to have John's colleague get involved with the indigenous students, as anything AFL is like gold to them.

The staff of the small school said they run a small "Shop", (for want of a better word), which works on the principle of them "Paying" the kids in Monopoly type money, to attend school. As the students earn this play money, they can then spend it in the shop. The system seems to work well.

Attached are a couple of photos of the kids proudly displaying their South Bendigo jumpers.



Sports Chaplaincy @ South Bendigo FNC

Bringing HOPE from the Sidelines...

A number of years ago, a submarine was unfortunately rammed by another submarine; sending it quickly to the bottom of that particular ocean. As boats rushed to that area to assist, no one really knew if the crew of that submarine were still alive. One diver who came to the rescue heard a strange tapping noise coming from the hull of the damaged submarine. Thinking this was a little odd he listened more intently before realising that someone was banging out a message in Morse code. The message contained a question: *'Is there any hope?'*

That's a question we all ask from time to time: *'Is there any hope?'* It's the question on the lips of grieving parents I recently met who have fled the war torn countries of Syria and are now living with their families in swollen refugee camps in the Middle East. It's the question on the hearts and minds of families who tragically lost loved ones this past week as a result of the terrible asthma crisis. And it's the question that was possibly circulating some two thousand years ago as a young couple made their way towards the village of Bethlehem to take part in a Roman census: *'Is there any hope?'*

While it's hard to fathom the events surrounding that very first Christmas in that sleepy village of Bethlehem, history tells us that hope entered our world in the form of a child to remind us that God is for us and cares deeply about every aspect of our lives. While Christmas is always a great time of festivity, it ultimately reminds us of the hope that we can have and experience in life. I trust that each of you have a wonderful hope-filled Christmas as you celebrate it with family and friends.

As we move into the new season, it's my pleasure to introduce a new member of our Sports Chaplaincy Team to players, members and supporters. Chris Thornton will be working intentionally as a chaplain in the Junior Clubs to provide care and support to kids, parents, coaches and supporters. Chris grew up in Melbourne and spent his teen years in Perth. He moved with his wife to Bendigo in 2010 and they're expecting their first child during the middle of next season. Chris enjoys Aussie Rules, League and Cricket so please make him welcome and encourage him in his new role around the club.

Merry Christmas

Dave Lovell
South Bendigo FNC Chaplain
0408 413 026



Loitering with intent: South Bendigo FNC's Sports Chaplaincy Team Chris Thornton on the left with Dave Lovell on the right

CHRISTMAS IS COMING AND YOU'RE SHORT OF A GREAT GIFT IDEA! – WHAT ABOUT THIS?



We've all been there; you've been buying each other Birthday and Christmas gifts for years. There's nothing they really need but you want to get something they will enjoy plus you want to surprise them with something totally different.

Well we've got the answer; a South Bendigo FNC 2017 Membership.

Value for money, something they've been meaning to get for themselves for a few years now but just haven't got around to it and as a bonus, it keeps on giving right through until September when they get see the Bloods going around in finals action.

Check out the 2017 Membership packages below, I'm sure you'll find an option that's just right for you

CLUB MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES IN 2017

Red & White Player Sponsorship – Football \$250

1 x SBFNC Standard Adult Membership (Value \$120). (Admits free to all home games and ½ price entry to all away games)

Entry to complimentary half time drinks and afternoon tea at home games in Social Rooms.

1 x Social Club drink card for use at home games. Show your card at the bar in the Social Rooms after the game and the first drink is on us.

A copy of the Club's monthly Newsletter

2 x Tickets to the Club's Season Launch with recognition when your player is introduced.

An invitation to the Club's Best and Fairest/Presentation night.

1 x framed player photograph for your business premises or other personal/family use.

Personal or Business name on a Players Sponsors Acknowledgement Board hung in Social Rooms

5 x Complimentary Tickets in the clubs Annual major raffle,

Acknowledgement in the Clubs Annual Report as a player sponsor.

South Bendigo FNC Full Merchandise Pack: includes Club Scarf

Sponsors can either elect to sponsor a player of their choice or alternatively a player chosen by the club.

The second option provides great support for young players or players new to Bendigo with few contacts such as students who have traditionally found it difficult to obtain sponsorship.

Red & White Player Sponsorship – Netball \$150

1 x SBFNC Standard Adult Membership (Value \$120). (Admits free to all home games and ½ price entry to all away games)

Entry to complimentary half time drinks and afternoon tea at home games in Social Rooms.

1 x Social Club drink card for use at home games. Show your card at the bar in the Social Rooms after the game and the first drink is on us.

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Adult Membership \$120

1 x Full Adult Membership Card (admit to all home games and ½ price entry to away games)

1 x Social Club Drink Card for use at home games. Show your card at the bar in the Social Rooms after the game and the first drink is on us.

A copy of the Club's Monthly Club Newsletter

South Bendigo FNC Standard Merchandise Pack: (Does not include Club Scarf)

Family Membership \$200

2 x Adult Membership Cards

2 x Social Club Drink Cards for use at home games. Show your cards at the bar in the Social Rooms after the game and the first drink is on us.

1 x Club Newsletter

2 x South Bendigo FNC Standard Merchandise Packs (Does not include Club Scarf)

Special Membership Categories

Past Players Membership \$75

1 x Past Players Membership Key Ring. (Admits to all home games)

Free Admission to Graeme Wright Day

1 x Social Club Drink Card for use at home games. Show your card at the bar in the Social Rooms after the game and the first drink is on us

A copy of the Club's monthly Newsletter

Note: *Past Players who take out a Full Adult Membership for \$120 can also access these Past Player entitlements as well as receive a South Bendigo FNC Standard Merchandise Pack.*

Please email davidmcmurray1811@gmail.com upon completion of your application with the date, reference number for the transaction and your postal address.

Bloods Beyond Bendigo \$50

(For people outside of Bendigo/Interstate who want to show their support for the club)

Home game Membership Card

Club Logo Bumper Sticker

Club Monthly Newsletter

Concession \$60

(Concession Memberships are available for holders of a Student, Pension or Healthcare Card)

Home game Membership Card

Club Logo Bumper Sticker

A copy of the Club's Monthly Newsletter

Life Members

1 Adult Membership Card is issued annually to all Life Members along with

1 x Social Club Drink Card for use at home games. Show your card at the bar in the Social Rooms after the game and the first drink is on us

A copy of the Club's Monthly Newsletter.

In addition, for a fee of \$50, Life Members can also receive annually:

South Bendigo FNC Standard Merchandise Pack: Does not include Club Scarf

PAYMENT OPTIONS

OPTION 1: Direct Credit through Bendigo Bank

Account name: South Bendigo FNC

BSB: 633-000

Account Number: 105 675 235

Please include Name as Reference for Payment.

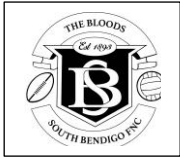
Note 1: Please email Christine at faugh@westnet.com.au upon completion with the date, reference number for the transaction and your postal address.

Note 2: Past Players please email davidmcmurray1811@gmail.com upon completion with the date, reference number for the transaction and your postal address.

OPTION 2: Cheque or Money Order

See invoice attached for details

Make cheques, money orders payable to South Bendigo Football Netball Club



SOUTH BENDIGO FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB Inc.

2017- Membership Invoice

Name/s: _____

Address: _____

Telephone (H) _____ Mobile No: _____

Email: _____

Membership Package	PRICE	QTY	TOTAL
Bloods 500 Member	\$500		\$
Red & White Sponsorship - Football	\$250		\$
Red & White Sponsorship – Netball	\$150		\$
Family	\$200		\$
Adult	\$120		\$
Past Player	\$75		\$
Concession	\$60		\$
Bloods Beyond Bendigo	\$50		\$
TOTAL DUE			\$

By Being a Member of the SBFNC I hereby agree to comply with the Club's CODE of CONDUCT. Payment of Membership will be deemed as an acceptance of SBFNC Code of Conduct.

PAYMENT DETAILS – Option 1

Transaction Date: _____ Reference Number: _____

PAYMENT DETAILS – Option 2

Total of Payment Due \$ _____ (includes GST) CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER

Please update details on the form as required and mail, along with payment to

Mail address: SBFNC Memberships, PO Box 127, BENDIGO, Vic 3552

NETBALL NEWS

2016 NETBALL BEST & FAIREST & AWARDS

A Grade

Best & Fairest - Steph Goode
Runner Up - Sarah Nash
Coaches Award - Carly Moloney
Most Consistent Award - Holly Frew

A Reserve

Best & Fairest - Molly Johnston
Runner Up - Amy Morrissey
Coaches Award - Molly Mathison
Most Consistent Award - Amanda Walters

B Grade

Best & Fairest - Steph Greene
Runner Up - Zoe Johnston
Coaches Award - Makedah Clarke
Most Consistent Award - Abbey Hayes
Best in Finals Award - Steph Greene

B Reserve

Best & Fairest - Yelana Jennings
Runner Up - Paige Stephenson
Coaches Award - Bree Naldar
Most Improved Award - Maddy Townsend
Best in Finals Award - Shelby Thatcher

Under 17's

Best & Fairest - Laura Valentine
Runner Up - Taylor Mann
Coaches Award - Maya Van Es
Most Consistent Award - Kayley Stewart



Our Best & Fairest in action: On the left A Grade B&F winner Steph Goode defends strongly against Kangaroo Flat at the QEO while on the right Molly Johnston shoots for goal out at Dower Park

CONGRATULATIONS to all of our players who won awards at our Vote Count as well as to all our players for your efforts in our 2016 season

Tryouts Success

We had a great turn out at both our Under 17s & Development tryouts with over 50 girls attending the 3 sessions; our core players have been selected for these 2 teams & are looking to be a very strong squad.

Our senior tryouts were a great success with the selection of many new players to the club, this is such an exciting time for the club introducing new blood to the playing group – South netball will be one to keep an eye on in 2017 ☺

Preseason Kick-off

Our preseason kicks off with an Adventure Camp trip in Mid-January; the girls are staying 2 nights at Campaspe downs & will take on some tough but fun activities to start of their full preseason in preparation for our 2017 season.

Netball Operations

Congratulation to Melissa Dillon who has been appointed our Netball Operations Manager for season 2017, we are thrilled to have Mel back on board. A big “Thank You” to Phil Mann for all his hard work this past 2016 season.

SNAPS FROM THE SIDELINES



Above: The victorious B Reserve side after winning their Grand Final

Below: Yelana Jennings, complete with her own Cheer Squad, celebrates the victory and being voted Best on Court in the Bloods 3 goal win over Golden Square



BLOODS NETBALLERS BUILD UP FOR 2017 SEASON

Article from Bendigo Advertiser 12 Nov 2016,



IN CHARGE: South Bendigo's netball coaches Benita Swatton, Kiralee Beacham and Liz Taylor with President Rick Townsend. Picture: NONI HYETT

SOUTH Bendigo has set the goal of having all five of its netball teams playing in the Bendigo league finals next season. The Bloods this year won their first netball premiership for 16 years with their B reserve team and are hoping that can be a catalyst for more success on court in 2017. The first step in that process is confirming their coaching panel.

Coaching the A grade and A reserve sides will again be Benita Swatton, who joined the Bloods this year having previously coached at Strathfieldsaye and Heathcote. The Bloods' A grade side has plenty of work to do if it's to challenge for a spot in the top five next season after winning just four games – all against Castlemaine – the past two years.

In charge of the B grade and B reserve teams will be Kiralee Beacham. The B reserve team was the premiers this year after defeating Golden Square by three goals in the grand final. And combining the role of coach of the under-17s and the Bloods' development team will be Liz Taylor.

“Our ultimate goal is to have all grades sitting in the top five in 2017. We are under no illusions we have a lot of hard work ahead of us, but we are up for the challenge,” Taylor said at the weekend.



JUNIOR NETBALL

End of Season Presentation Night

The Junior Netball Club held its Presentation Night at the QEO Club Rooms on Wednesday 14th September. Many families braved the cold and wet night to come together to celebrate what it means to be a part of the South Bendigo Football Netball Club – a sense of belonging, the opportunity to meet new friends, the chance to learn new skills, the opportunity to improve fitness and overall health and wellbeing, and a reason to get up and get going....to get to training and to get to games!

Awards were presented to players in the following categories:

- Coach's Award (Grade 6 Team only)
- Best and Fairest (all other teams) – this award was based on the season tally of votes awarded by the opposition team to the three best players in every game
- Player's Player Award (all teams) – this award was voted on by the players for the girl in their team who they believe exhibited the best team spirit and values
- Most Consistent Award (all teams) – this award was voted on by the coach and team manager for the girl who showed the most commitment, motivation, enthusiasm and effort over the season

Well done to all the girls for the way they represented the Club this year. Particular congratulations to our very deserving award winners:

Team	Section	Best and Fairest	Player's Player	Most Consistent
SB White	Grade 6	Abbey Seaward	Madi Fry	Taylah Murphy
SB Red	13/U	Grace Bales	Neve Canfield	Hannah Squires
SB Black	13/U	Georgia Irwin	Sophie Harris	Sophie Giles
SB Purple	3B (Res.)	Abbey Klemm and Portia Canfield	Chloe Harding	-
SB Silver	3B	Matilda Osborne	Matilda Osborne	Alexandra Cornish-Dreschler
SB Yellow	3A	Bridie Hall	Lucy Townsend	Sarah Wilkes
SB Blue	3A	Ella Doble	Katie Sertori	Chloe Bowles

AFL Central Victoria 13/U Netball Tournament

The Junior Netball Club entered a team in the AFL Central Victoria 13/U Netball Tournament which took place on Friday 30th September – Friday before the AFL Grand Final public holiday. The Tournament was part of a bigger AFL Finals Football Festival. The girls played five games against teams from the Bendigo, Loddon Valley and Heathcote Leagues. Despite the miserable weather – there may have even been hail at one stage – the girls had a great time and enjoyed taking part in a different style of competition.

Bunnings Fundraising BBQ

The Junior Netball Club hosted a fundraising BBQ at Bunnings Kangaroo Flat on Saturday 1st October. In the middle of the call of the AFL Grand Final (go Doggies!), our lovely group of volunteers served up a great batch of delicious sausages, onions and sauce and contributed to a very successful fundraising event for the Club.

BSNA 2016 Twilight Season

The Junior Netball Club entered four teams in the BSNA 2016 Twilight Season – a Grade 5/6 team, two 13/U teams and an Open (18/U) team. The season commenced on Thursday 6th October and finished on Thursday 24th November. It was great to see the girls maintain their friendships following the winter season and continue on with their netball.

AFL Central Victoria Junior Netball Academy

Congratulations to Matilda Osborne and Alex Cornish-Dreschler who have been nominated by the Junior Netball Club to try out for the AFL Central Victoria Junior Netball Academy in 2017. Trials were conducted in the last week of November and the girls should know soon whether they have been accepted into this elite development program for young netballers across the region. All the very best girls!

Junior Division Committee

Following a review of the South Bendigo Football Netball Club's overall structure, the Junior Football and Netball Divisions have combined and are now working more collaboratively together to ensure our junior players continue to enjoy their sports in a fun, healthy and supported environment. This partnership will provide the Club with the means to grow and develop the Junior Division and to continue to build on its strong and proud Club tradition. We have recently called for expressions of interest to join the Junior Division Committee and look forward to a positive response, particularly from our families involved in Junior Netball – the Junior Netball Division will host teams in the BSNA Winter Competition for only the third time in 2017 and additional support from this area of the Club will be very welcome.

2017 BSNA Winter Season

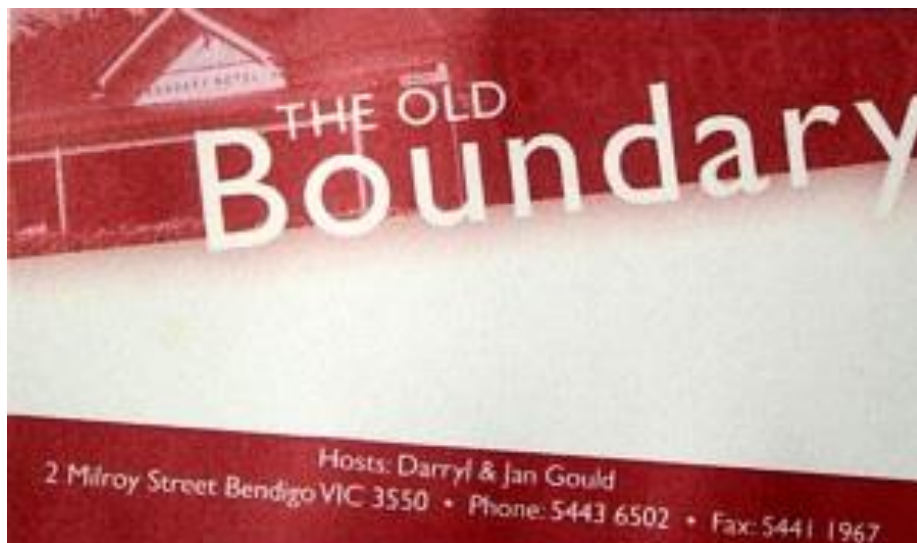
Planning is well underway for the 2017 BSNA Winter Season and we are busily recruiting players to field teams in the Primary, 13/U and Open Sections. Already we have had a number of new players express interest in playing with South Bendigo next year and we look forward to a long and rewarding association with all our families – both new and current.

As part of the registration process, we are co-hosting an Open Day with the Junior Football Division at the QEO between 10.00am-4.00pm on Sunday 4th December. This will provide an opportunity for current and prospective players to come along and officially register their interest in playing with the Club in 2017. The main feature of the day will be a netball clinic lead by some of our senior players followed by a free BBQ lunch.

Team selections will then take place over a number of open training sessions in late January/early February.



SPONSOR OF THE MONTH



The Old Boundary Hotel

The Old Boundary Hotel is located on Milroy Street. Having been renovated inside it features a warm red brick interior with mining and gold rush memorabilia. Large red gum timber bars accompanied by high back stools await the thirsty ones. A variety of ales, both heavy and light are on tap.

Open gas fires feature in both the bar and the lounge. Friendly staff will welcome you on arrival at the Old Boundary Hotel Lounge which is a separate area from the bar and is also open 7 days a week.

A feature of the Hotel is at the back where you can be seated in the Terrace. This area is more relaxed and during the day the sun streams through the windows. In the evening the garden comes to light.

The Terrace is fully air conditioned and heated for patrons. Call into the Old Boundary Hotel where the bar staff and chefs will look after you with a cheery smile and the good old fashioned hospitality of yesteryear.

The Old Boundary Hotel

2 Milroy Street
Bendigo, VIC 3550, Australia

Phone: 5443 6502

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FOOTBALL NEWS

2016 FOOTBALL BEST & FAIREST & AWARDS

Seniors

Best & Fairest - Kieran Strachan
Runner Up- Liam Bartels
Coaches Award - Mathew Chisari
Most Consistent - Daniel Nalder
Most Improved - Nick Howe
Best Clubman Award - Brad Wright

Reserves

Best & Fairest - Mitch Hocking
Runner Up - Tom McGhee
Coaches Award - Ethan Gibson
Most Consistent - Jaryd Strobaus
Most Improved - Jack Nalder
Best Clubman Award - Dan Farrelly

UNDER 18s

Best & Fairest - Brayden Sheahan
Runner Up - Ben McKinley
Coaches Award - Riley Walsh
Most Consistent - Joshua Cox
Most Disciplined - Tallis Miles
Most Development - Sam Characher
Best Clubman Award - Tyler McLeod



Our Best & Fairest in action

Left: Kieran Strachan well on top against Sandhurst.

Below: Mitch Hocking about to send the ball forward.



CONGRATULATIONS to all of our players who won awards at our Vote Count as well as to all our players for your efforts in our 2016 season.

BLOODS KEEN TO LAUNCH FROM POSITIVE FINISH

Luke West Bendigo Advertiser 25 Sep 2016,



EYE ON NEXT YEAR: Reappointed South Bendigo coach Brady Childs, co-captains Aaron Connaughton and Kieran Strachan and Joel Swatton.

Reappointed South Bendigo coach Brady Childs is confident the Bloods can use their positive finish to the season as a springboard into next year. While the Bloods ended the BFNL season with just five wins – which was one more victory than 2015 – they won their last three games against Gisborne (33 points), Castlemaine (1) and Maryborough (77).

“The club hasn’t had a lot of stability in recent years – I’m the fourth coach in three years – so to have that stability going into next season is a positive,” Childs said. “We’ve already resigned 19 of this year’s playing list, so we’re well advanced on where we’ve been in recent years. “To finish the season with three wins in a row, which the club hadn’t done since 2013, was a positive, and with a really exciting young list with an average age of 22 or 23 and having played five under-18 kids this year, we think it’s an exciting time. “We know we’re going to have to find a way to kick more goals, so we’ll be out looking for forwards.”

In making the reappointment, South Bendigo president Rick Townsend said Childs had grown into his coaching role well throughout the season. “He has been really good for the group, so we’re looking forward to him continuing next year,” Townsend said.

The Bloods will have co-captains next year, with Kieran Strachan to join veteran Aaron Connaughton as joint skipper. Strachan this year continued to build on his reputation as one of the emerging young guns of the BFNL, with the ruckman finishing equal fourth in the Michelsen Medal with 15 votes. Strachan was also named the ruckman in the *Bendigo Advertiser* Team of the Year. “With where we’re at as a footy club, we’re trying to really develop our younger guys, which includes leadership, so it’s a great opportunity for Strachany to co-captain with Azza,” Childs said. “Strachany has shown a lot in that area this year with his leadership capabilities, so we look forward to him continuing to develop next year.”

The Bloods have also announced their first addition for next year, with Joel Swatton returning to the club after a year away in 2016 with university commitments. “Joel will add a lot back to us next year... he’s stronger and fitter and ready to get back into it again,” Childs said. Also keen to get back on the park in 2016 is Childs, who was forced to coach from the sidelines this year following a knee reconstruction. “I’ve got the all-clear from the surgeon that everything is fine, so I’m looking forward to stepping things up and getting fit again,” Childs said. And after missing the last seven games this year with a torn medial, Connaughton says he will be right to go from round one next season.

GVFL GOALSNEAK KAIDEN ANTONOWICZ SIGNS WITH BLOODS

Luke West Bendigo Advertiser 4 Nov 2016,



CLASSY ADDITION: New South Bendigo forward Kaiden Antonowicz in action for the Shepparton Swans, where he is a premiership player in the powerful Goulburn Valley League. Picture: SHEPPARTON NEWS

SOUTH Bendigo has taken the first step in addressing its goal kicking deficiency by adding Goulburn Valley league premiership player Kaiden Antonowicz. Antonowicz joins the Bloods for the 2017 Bendigo Football-Netball League season from the Shepparton Swans.

The 22-year-old is a 2014 Swans’ premiership team-mate of South Bendigo coach Brady Childs who has kicked tallies of 40, 43, 36 and 43 goals over the past four seasons. “Brady and I played in a premiership together at the Swans, so that was a big attraction to coming here,” Antonowicz said on Friday. “We were part of a rebuild at the Swans and it’s exciting to be part of another one here.”

Antonowicz – a La Trobe University education student – is also a former Murray Bushranger, kicking 33 goals in the TAC Cup in 2012, and was an emergency for the GVFL's inter-league team earlier this year.

The Bloods, who won five games in 2016 and haven't played finals since 2012, have bolstering their forward line as one of their top priorities over the off-season.

Only Leroy Miller (23) kicked more than 20 goals this season, while the Bloods' average scores of 70 ranked 8th in the BFNL.

"We were pretty good defensively and through the midfield this year, but we need more forwards," Childs said. "We struggled to kick more than 10 goals in a game, so bringing in Kaiden, who is a proven performer in the GVFL, is going to be a positive for us.

"But it's also about recruiting really good people and Kaiden brings that to the club as well.

"Even though he's still only young himself, he brings a lot of experience in terms of how the Shepparton Swans went about it." Antonowicz joins the Bloods as a three-point player.

South Bendigo also has midfielder Joel Swatton returning to the club in 2017, Childs will be back on the park after being sidelined this year following a knee reconstruction, while the Bloods have also added White Hills' Tom Brereton, Golden Square's Regan Harvey and Koondrook-Barham's Zac Hare to their list.

The Bloods will kick off their pre-season training at Harry Trott Oval on Monday, November 21.



JUNIOR FOOTBALL

The 2016 season seems like yesterday's news as we head into Cricket, Futsal, Tennis, Athletics, Swimming and all sorts of other sports that footballers do in the summer months.

For the few that couldn't make our end of season awards nights please find below a list of our 2016 awardees. It was a great night to recognize some personal achievements as well as some team high lights. Unfortunately, the U16 Reserves side lost the grand final but what a huge effort to make it that far. Congratulations boys and the coaches who made it all possible.

Preparation is well underway for the 2017 Season with a few very welcome new faces on the Junior Committee. Mike Bulmer, Gin Johnston and James Forsyth have all put their hand up for the 2017 season. Returning for next year is all of the 2016 committee made up of myself as Junior president, Carolyn Ross Treasurer, Lisa Douglas Registrar, Mick Sheill Coaches Coordinator/ Football Operations and general committee Siobhan Tawton, Rachelle Fisher and Natasha Rowe. Natasha doubles up as our AusKick Coordinator and will be looking for someone to fill her shoes by the end of 2017.

Subject to the BJFL not increasing its fees next year we expect playing fees to remain the same for the 2017 season. This has only been made possible thanks to an outstanding effort in our canteen which continues to be an important part of our fundraising. A huge thanks to my wife Siobhan who managed all the stock purchases and canteen organization. Thanks also to the parents who made the effort to come along and help out.

Thanks to Mick Sheill and Peter Tyack we are already in the position to announce our key coaches for 2017:

U16 Seniors Peter Tyack
U16 Reserves Mick Easton
U14 Anthony Purcell
U12 Dan Wright
U10 Nev Clarke

It is our intention to field two teams in the U12 and U14 age groups. So hopefully we will be looking to fill some extra coaching positions once numbers are confirmed. We are also on the lookout for a Girls Football Coordinator and Girls football coaches.

Anyone interested in hearing a bit more about these positions please feel free to contact Mick Sheill on 0428 004 026.



2016 SBFNC JUNIOR FOOTBALL AWARDS

U12

Best and fairest	Billy Meade
Runner Up	Lewis Fisher
Most Consistent	Zac Wescott
Most determined	Zanydr Barilari
Most improved	Seth Hoskin
Most disciplined	Mason Wright
Coaches award	Mitchell Coll

U14 Reserves

Best and fairest	Tyler McGlashan
Runner up	Andrew Bennett
Most determined	Jack Hopley
Most Improved	James Brown
Most Consistent	Jack McArthur
Coaches Award	Max McMurray
Most disciplined	Oscar Kofoed

U14 Seniors

Best and Fairest	Hamish Wild
Runner up	Thomas Martin
Most determined	Will McCaig
Most Improved	Connor Shepherd
Most Consistent	Jackson Hufer
Coaches Award	Isaac Carracher
Most disciplined	Darcy Radford

U16 Reserves

Best and Fairest	Harry Wright
Runner Up	Tasman Greenfield
Most Determined	Lachlan Shiell
Most Improved	Thomas Hopley
Coaches Award	Thomas Stewart
Most Disciplined	Huon Webb

Under 16 Seniors

Best & Fairest	Mitchell Goodwin
Runners Up	Jarrett Miles
Most Consistent	Joshua Connolly-Gaunt
Most Determined	Thomas Hobson
Most Disciplined	Jack Hetherington
Most Improved	Riley Osborne

Youth Girls

Best and Fairest	Kate Douglass
Most determined	Lucinda Smyth
Coaches Award	Lissie Taig
Most consistent	Meg Parker
Most improved	Maddy Simpkins

AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE JUNIOR FOOTBALL & NETBALL DIVISIONS

Dear Players, Parents and Supporters,

While the 2017 Football and Netball season might seem light years away, in reality it is just around the corner and we are hard at work preparing for an exciting year ahead.

Following an independent review of the South Bendigo Football Netball Club's overall health, the Club has embarked on a restructuring process which will evolve over the next few years. As part of this process, the Junior Football and Netball Divisions have combined and are now working more collaboratively together to ensure our junior players continue to enjoy

their sports in a fun, healthy and supported environment. This partnership will provide the Club with the means to grow and develop the Junior Division and to continue to build on its strong and proud Club tradition. Although we will retain a “Junior President” of each Division, the combined Junior Committee will effectively become a subcommittee of the SBFNC.

Anyone is welcome to join the Committee and then to be involved in an election process for the various positions if required. These positions will be put forward to the SBFNC’s executive for ratification.

We are now calling for expressions of interest to join the Junior Division Committee and we encourage you to get on-board to help influence the future direction of the Club. We have approximately 10 meetings per year and the workload is very manageable, especially if we have a few more hands on deck. Currently, the Junior Netball Division only has two representatives on the Committee. In order for the Junior Netball Club to continue to grow and prosper, we desperately need more input from the parent group.

If you are interested in joining the Committee to represent either football or netball, or you would like to find out a bit more about what is involved, please feel free to contact either:

Gareth Tawton gareth@steamaticbendigo.net.au or

Michelle Forrester southbendigojnc@gmail.com

We are excited to announce that we are hosting a **Junior Football and Netball Clinic/ Social Day** at the QEO on **Sunday 4th December** – please keep an eye out on social media, team app and emails for further details.

This will be an opportunity for the U9-U12 footballers to sharpen their skills under the guidance of the Senior footballers, while the U14 and U16 players will be able to meet their coaches and have a pre-Christmas kick and get together.

The Netball Club will be seeking expressions of interest from players to register for the 2017 season – this will help us to confirm our expected team numbers for next year. There will be some skill sessions for the younger players and a chance for the older age groups to catch up for a pre-Christmas get-together. A free BBQ lunch will help finish off a great day.

We warmly welcome all current and prospective players to come along and join in the festivities.

The 2017 season is shaping up to be better than ever! So please come onboard and get involved with a Club that is committed to both on and off field success.

Thank you.



KEEP IT COOL THIS SUMMER - CLUB STUBBY HOLDERS NOW AVAILABLE

The Club now has in stock the latest range of stubby holders featuring our new logo. Available from the Social Rooms at only \$10 each you can continue to show your support for the Bloods over the off season while remaining refreshed at the same time.



SUPPORT THE SOCIAL ROOMS AND THE CLUB



The South Bendigo Social Rooms at the QEO have been a big asset for the club over many years. In addition to being a great facility for club gatherings and social events they also provide the club with an opportunity to raise money through the hire of the venue for external functions.

The club maximises the revenue opportunities the Social Rooms provide by running these external functions wholly with volunteers. Unfortunately, as with many things, this responsibility is starting to fall onto fewer willing workers.

In line with the principle that “many hands make light work” the club is looking for expressions of interest from people who would be in a position to help out serving behind the bar and/or generally assisting at these functions from time to time.

No experience is necessary and you won't be locked into any roster. Emails go out requesting assistance the month before and if you're available then great, if not, well then maybe next time. It's not an onerous task and often can be a lot of fun.

So if you think you are in a position to help us (and the Club) out please get in contact via Alan Ellis on 0427 427 627 or at alan_ellis@bigpond.com

PROBABLY A LITTLE EARLY BUT WE WON'T GET ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY



Also in this final edition of Blood Lines for 2016 we need to take the opportunity to pass on season's greetings to all our supporters.

From President Rick Townsend, the Committee, Members, the Coaches and Players we would like to thank you all for your support throughout 2016. We hope you all enjoy a merry and relaxed Christmas and we wish you a happy and healthy 2017.

2017 will be another a year in which you will continue to see "Bloods on the Build". We'd love to see you more next year; either as a supporter at our games, by becoming a member or even getting more involved and volunteering for a role.

Whatever you do, stick with us in 2017, it's going to be a good year!

FIXTURE & RESULTS

Qualifying Final: 3rd September at QEO

Netball

	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	B Reserve	U17's
South Bendigo				56	
Eaglehawk				48	

Elimination Final: 4th September at Q.E.O.

Football

	Seniors	Reserves	U18's
South Bendigo		7.6-48	
Golden Square		10.11-71	

Netball

	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	B Reserve	U17's
South Bendigo			39		
Eaglehawk			37		

2nd Semi Final: 10th September at QEO

Netball

	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	B Reserve	U17's
South Bendigo				47	
Golden Square				37	

1st Semi Final: 11th September at QEO.

Netball

	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	B Reserve	U17's
South Bendigo			41		
Strathfieldsaye			36		

Preliminary Final: 17th September at QEO

Netball

	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	B Reserve	U17's
South Bendigo			43		
Golden Square			38		

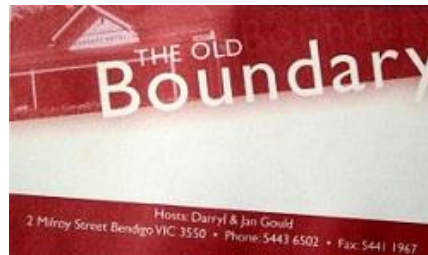
Grand Final: 124th September at QEO

Netball

	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	B Reserve	U17's
South Bendigo			36		
Kangaroo Flat			49		
South Bendigo				41	
Golden Square				38	



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