



NEWS LETTER OF THE SOUTH BENDIGO FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

March 2017 Edition

Welcome to the March 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.

BFNL POLL: BLOODS THE BIG IMPROVERS

Bendigo Advertiser 22 Feb 2017,

South Bendigo will be the big improvers in the BFNL in 2017, according to BFNL fans. A *Bendigo Advertiser* on-line poll asked footy fans which club that missed the BFNL finals in 2016 was most likely to push inside the top five in 2017



**Which club that missed the finals in 2016 is most likely to push inside the top five in 2017?
In a Bendigo Advertiser Poll 38.91% nominated South Bendigo**

The Bloods will have coach Brady Childs back on deck in 2017 after he recovered from a knee reconstruction, while small forward Kaiden Antonowicz comes with big wraps from the Shepparton Swans.

Kangaroo Flat narrowly missed last year's finals, but the Roos' long list of departures has fans doubting their finals aspirations this season.

Castlemaine, under new coach Derrick Filo, is an unknown quantity, while Maryborough and Gisborne have a lot of ground to make up.

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

It is very pleasing to report that the work on the new netball courts at the Kennington Recreation Reserve has been completed. Both our Junior and Senior Netball Divisions have been training at the new facility and all are appreciating the improved amenity and greater access and flexibility it provides the coaches in scheduling training.

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.



KIERAN STRACHAN EARNS SPOT ON ESSEDON'S VFL LIST

Luke West – Bendigo Advertiser 10 Dec 2016,

KIERAN Strachan's two consecutive best and fairest seasons with South Bendigo have caught the attention of Essendon's VFL team.



After training with the Dons' VFL squad for the previous three weeks, ruckman Strachan has earned a place on the list for 2017.

"I have a mutual connection with the coach (Paul Corrigan) and my name was thrown up with what I've done at South and they invited me down to have a go," Strachan said on Saturday. "I don't think they knew too much about me, but it has gone from there and I've been lucky enough that I guess they like what they have seen at training. "I'm still fairly skinny, so I think it will be more of a development year... I'm not sure what opportunities I'll get next year, but it's good to be in that pathway now."

Essendon VFL operations manager Ashley Brown told the club's website the 20-year-old had impressed in training with his endurance and agility. "Kieran is able to get involved in play regularly around the ground due to his mobility," Brown said. "He even beat quite a number of our midfielders in our recent two kilometre time trial."

Strachan will be aligned with South Bendigo – where he has been appointed co-captain with Aaron Connaughton – meaning when he's not selected for Essendon he will still play for the Bloods in the Bendigo Football-Netball League.

"He's a 203cm big man, mobile and with good skills and it's a great opportunity for him," South Bendigo coach Brady Childs said. "He has developed really well over the past couple of years and we're really supportive of Kieran to take on this opportunity and we're looking forward to seeing how he goes."

Essendon bowed out of the VFL in the second week of the finals this year when defeated by eventual premier Footscray by 19 points.

Strachan was named the ruckman in the *Bendigo Advertiser* BFNL Team of the Year in 2016.

BECOME A MEMBER IN 2017

Memberships are an ever-increasing and important aspect of the Football Netball Club. Our club strongly encourages all supporters, past-players and families to financially support the club and become a member – If you love South Bendigo, we'd love to count you as a member!

Your financial support via a Club Membership is as vital as it's ever been in country Football and Netball. Look at the list of Club Memberships and Player Sponsorships available on the next page, there's sure to be one to suit 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)

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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 alan_ellis@bigpond.com 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

ANNUAL GOLF DAY

The clubs Annual Golf Day, hosted by the Past Players, "tees off" again on Sunday 2nd April. You can either enter a team or if you can't get enough together enter individually and you will be allocated a team.

For further details or to enter contact Trevor Wright on 0408 575 159 or David McMurray on 0438 070 206

SOUTH BENDIGO FNC GOLF DAY

BENDIGO GOLF CLUB, SUNDAY APRIL 2ND 11 AM-BBQ FOR A NOON TEE OFF
BBQ ALSO PROVIDED POST GAME

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ORGANISATION NAME : _____

ADDRESS : _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL : _____

Yes, I would like to:

SPONSOR A HOLE \$150 PLEASE TICK TO CONFIRM <input type="checkbox"/>	ENTER A TEAM FOR 4 PEOPLE \$200 PLEASE TICK TO CONFIRM <input type="checkbox"/>	SPONSOR A HOLE AND ENTER A TEAM \$350 PLEASE TICK TO CONFIRM <input type="checkbox"/>
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HOLE SPONSORSHIP: Signage delivery details to be confirmed closer to event date for sponsors.

BANNER / TENT ON HOLE : YES NO

DETAILS : _____

TEAM NOMINATION

TEAM NAME : _____

TEAM MEMBER'S NAMES AND HANDICAPS (IF APPLICABLE)

1 _____ 2 _____

3 _____ 4 _____

Please return completed form to:

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Bendigo.quotes@mmem.com.au
0408575159

DAVID MCMURRAY
Davidmcmurray1811@gmail.com
0438070206

SPORTS FOCUS PROJECT

Something for the mum's and other women at South Bendigo FNC!!

As part of VicHealth's Regional Sport Program, Sports Focus has developed 'Miss Me-time'. Miss Me-time is a chance for all women to get active while having fun. There will be a number of Miss Me-time sessions this year with the first scheduled for Tuesday 14 March at 5.30pm. All sessions are fun, free, child friendly and for women only.

We are writing to you in hope you could share this information with your valuable mum's and other women at your club! See the flyer below:
Further information is available on the Facebook page which has all the information and events listed there. The URL is facebook.com/MissMetime

Thanks in advance for your support.

Kind Regards,

Natalie Lake
Project Coordinator



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"Supporting the development of a sustainable sport and active recreation sector".

Join us in March, April & May to have fun and get active!

Our sessions will allow you to learn new skills while having fun. It's all about going at your own pace, meaning you don't need to worry about rules or not being fit enough. Come and have fun with us!

- > **March**
Free outdoor mystery sessions
- > **April**
Free school holiday sessions for the whole family
- > **May**
Free indoor mystery sessions

Session details will be posted to Facebook.



 facebook.com/MissMetime

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NETBALL NEWS

NEW SIGNINGS FOR OUR NETBALL SQUAD

We'd love to welcome our new players who have joined our squad for season 2017:

Senior Squad:

Elvie Kelly-Britten, Chloe Adams, Emily Cossar, Jordyn Sutton, Kiani Stewart, Suzie Cockroft, Tara Everist, Elise O'Callaghan, Morgan Lawson, Rachael Nicholas, Shaniah Clarke, Stacey Kingdon, Caitlyn O'Hara, Bree McLeod, Portia Whitehead & Emily Bakes

Under 17's & Development:

Lucy McNamara, Mikeely Baber, Ellyssa Hartland, Emily Mynard, Hayley McLeod, Morgan McLellan, Matilda Osborne, Holly Fletcher, Mattisse Appleby, Carissa Brooks, Darcy Scott, Alex Crouche & Claudia Millington.

We'd also love to welcome back our returning players; great to have you back on board for another great season.

FUNDRAISING

Our netballers will be running the BBQ at Bunnings in Epsom on Sunday 19th March with all proceeds going towards the girls preseason so please pop in & support our great club with buying a sausage in bread or two.

SNAPS FROM THE SIDELINES

PRE-SEASON KICK OFF

Our netballers headed down to Campaspe Downs for a weekend in January to kick start their pre-season. The feedback for the camp was fantastic & the girls got a lot out of it.





Since returning the girls have hit the ground running with sessions every Tuesday & Thursday nights with some practice matches coming up along the way.



JUNIOR NETBALL

It is very hard to believe the 2017 Netball Season is upon us – where did those six months go?? Certainly a good part of that time has been spent planning and organising ourselves for what we believe will be a fabulous year for the Junior Netball Club. Again, we are excited by the number of girls who have expressed interest in playing netball with South this year – both returning players and new girls to the Club.

BSNA 2017 Winter Competition

This year, the Junior Netball Club will field nine teams in the Bendigo Strathdale Netball Association (BSNA) Winter Competition – this is two more teams than last year and four more than the year before. We have almost 80 girls registered to play in the following sections:

- 1 x Grade 5 team
- 1 x Grade 6 team

- 2 x 13/U teams
- 5 x Open teams

These girls will be lead and supported by our great team of energetic and enthusiastic coaches under the guidance of our equally spirited Netball Operations Manager – **Mel Dillon**. Our sincere thanks to the following people for investing their very valuable time in our players:

Team	Coach	Assistant Coach	Team Manager
Grade 5 Pink	Izabella Mills		Kristy Rutter
Grade 6 Green	Chloe Bowles	Chloe Harding	Emma Power
13/U Red	Shania Clarke	Makaelah Clarke	Meredith & Brad Robinson
13/U White	Celeste Delizatzis	Kim Giles	Clare Bullen
Open Yellow	Makaelah Clarke	Shania Clarke	
Open Blue	Zoe Johnston		
Open Gold	Tara Everist		
Open Silver	Maddy Townsend		
Open 17/U Development	Liz Taylor		

Junior Committee

Over the summer months, we embarked on a restructuring process following an independent review of the Club's overall health. As part of this process, the Junior Football and Netball Divisions have combined and are working 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.

In particular, this year the Junior Netball Club has been strengthened by the addition of two new committee members. **Nerissa Fry** and I would like to warmly welcome **Haley Fetterplace** and **Bonny Gutteridge** to the junior netball committee and thank them for the great contribution they have already made!

Coaching Development

The Club is very committed to the development of our coaches and we consider this to be a very valuable pathway for our players – and some of our parents too! The Club has supported our coaches to complete the Netball Australia Coaching Foundation Course and to receive the accompanying training manual. On the 26th February, **Mel Dillon** ran a development session for our coaches. This was a great opportunity for the coaches to pick up some very valuable coaching tips and to focus on how to structure a training session.

Training at Harry Trott

We are very excited that all of our teams will be training at Harry Trott this year – this has given us a base and a place to call home! We are very grateful for the tremendous efforts of the General Committee to ensure we have access to great facilities and the opportunity to interact with other members of the Club – particularly our senior netball players and coaches.

Season 'Lift-off' Lunch

We are holding a season 'lift-off' lunch at the Bendigo Stadium on Sunday 23rd April. This will be a great opportunity for players, families and friends to come together to celebrate the beginning of our 2017 winter season journey!

SPONSOR OF THE MONTH



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FOOTBALL NEWS

FROM THE COACHES – BRADY CHILDS

Senior footballers commenced preseason training with much enthusiasm back in early November last year and, following a short break over the festive season, recommenced full training in early January. Numbers at training have been steadily increasing to a point where around 40 players are on the track on a weekly basis. Late February to early March will see the Uni boys back on the track, so numbers will continue to grow.

Dan Farrelly has the lads on a solid and effective training program and GPS data comparison shows the boys are fitter and stronger than the same time last year. It is amazing how effective wearing a GPS vest at training can bring the best out of individuals and the competition between the lads is very healthy, a recent session put the boys up to 11km!!!

Brady and the coaching panel have been very active in the “off season” and the club has strategically recruited some very high quality people and players to the club. These include Kaiden Antonowitz (Shepparton Swans), Reagan and Brock Harvey (Golden Square), Zac Hare (Koondrook Barham), Joel Swatton (Return from a year off), James Oliver (St Alban - son of Steven, our own SOS), Tom Brereton (White Hills), Nathan Devanny (Marong), Andy Van Hueman, Marty Nadort, Mitch Gardner (returns from White Hills) Ben Dreshler (soccer background), Daniel (Redda) Johnstone (Mooroopna). There is also a number of guys training who we hope will commit over the next week or so. In addition, the club is really excited to have 3 lads aligning with South from the Pioneers TAC squad. They are Riley Burns (Mildura Imperials) and Lewin Davis (Mildura Demons).

This weekend the boys head to Ocean Grove to the preseason camp, in which over 40 players will attend, over the two days they will participate in various fitness/skill sessions, hear from specialist coaches, and continue to develop game plans and the Bloods Culture!!!

The feeling and enthusiasm around the playing group is very strong and positive and all the lads and coaching panel are all looking forward to putting all the hard work onto the park in the upcoming practice matches for a fair dinkum hit-out. We can't wait for you to see the talent and potential of this terrific group of footballers that will represent South in 2017.

Practice matches are scheduled against Balwyn Tigers for the Shaun Bergen Memorial game on March 18th at Epsom, Bell Park on March 25th at Harry Trott and Colbinabbin on April 1st (location TBC). Get along and see the boys in action or even get over to Harry Trott to see the boys go through their paces on the training track. We would love to see you there.



PRE SEASON

Bloods working hard on the track | Photos

Bendigo Advertiser ADAM BOURKE 7 Feb 2017.



South Bendigo skipper Aaron Connaughton, middle, at the Bloods' pre-season training on Monday night.

Picture: DARREN HOWE

South Bendigo coach Brady Childs is expecting the Bloods' improvement to come from within in 2017.

The young South Bendigo squad only won one more game in 2016 compared to 2015, but it was the way they played that showed why Bloods fans have plenty to look forward to in the years to come.

"We're expecting 10 to 20 per cent improvement from the younger players that had a year of senior footy under their belt last year," Childs said.

"We'll continue to develop those younger players... that's why we haven't gone and out and recruited heavily.

"We've only lost three senior players (Rory Alexander, Charles Trotman and Matt Chisari), so we think we're well placed to improve again this year."

Childs, who missed 2016 because of a knee reconstruction, has trained strongly in the pre-season and will be a key addition to the Bloods' midfield.

South Bendigo's first pre-season game is against Balwyn in Bendigo on March 18. The Bloods then play Bell Park in Bendigo on March 25 before rounding out their pre-season campaign against Colbinabbin at a venue yet to be decided on April 1.

South Bendigo opens the 2017 BFNL season against Eaglehawk at the QEO on Good Friday.



Pre-Season effort at Harry Trott; building a foundation for success



Daniel Nalder



Brady Childs



Brad Wright



Nick Howe and Adrian Coad



Isaiah Miller



Jake Connaughton



Cohen Balnaves



Brad Wright

All Pictures: Darren Howe Bendigo Advertiser



JUNIOR FOOTBALL

YOUTH GIRLS FOOTBALL

The South Bendigo Youth Girls side has gotten off to a flying start. We have retained the majority of our players from last year which is great to see as well as welcoming plenty of new faces.

We have hit the training track the in the past couple of weeks and started building some fitness for the girls and in the next week or so we will start implementing ball skills to get us ready for the season ahead.

Emma Tomlins and Maddy Townsend will continue their coaching roll this year as well as the addition of Charlie Smythe who adds his experience to the group. We can't wait to get started and we're looking forward to having a good crack in the 2017 season.



Youth Girls Coaches Emma Tomlins and Maddy Townsend



**ABOVE AVERAGE TEMPERATURES
FORCAST FOR THIS AUTUMN
KEEP IT COOL WITH A SOUTH
BENDIGO FNC STUBBY HOLDER.**

The Club now has in stock the latest range of stubby holders featuring our new logo, now available from the Social Rooms at only \$10 each.

You can show your support for the Bloods at our upcoming practice matches while staying hydrated in the unseasonably warm autumn weather.



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

THE BLOODS 2017 BFNL FIXTURE

SUMMARY

The Bloods 2017 Season gets underway the same as it has over the past three years with a Good Friday game against Eaglehawk at the QEO on the 14th April.

Again we have three home games at Harry Trott Oval Kennington

- Kyneton Round 5 on 20th May
- Gisborne Round 12 on 15th July and
- Kangaroo Flat on 26th August

We have one night game against Castlemaine in Round 4 on 6th May and no Sunday games in Season 2017

A notable change to our 2017 Draw is the removal of the Queen's Birthday Monday clash against Strathfieldsaye. The Bloods have played this public holiday match against the Storm for the past three seasons.

ROUND 1 – Easter

Friday, April 14

South Bendigo v Eaglehawk

ROUND 2

Saturday, April 22

Gisborne v South Bendigo

ROUND 3

Saturday, April 29

South Bendigo v Maryborough

ROUND 4

Saturday, May 6

Castlemaine v South Bendigo (N)

INTER-LEAGUE

Saturday, May 13

Bendigo v Ballarat

ROUND 5

Saturday, May 20

South Bendigo v Kyneton (HT)

ROUND 6

Saturday, May 27

South Bendigo v Sandhurst

ROUND 7

Saturday, June 3

Golden Square v South Bendigo

ROUND 8

Saturday, June 10

South Bendigo v Strathfieldsaye

ROUND 9

Saturday, June 17

Kangaroo Flat v South Bendigo

ROUND 10

Saturday, June 24

Eaglehawk v South Bendigo

ROUND 11

Saturday, July 1

South Bendigo v Gisborne (HT)

ROUND 12

Saturday, July 15

Maryborough v South Bendigo

ROUND 13

Saturday, July 22

South Bendigo v Castlemaine

ROUND 14

Saturday, July 29

Kyneton v South Bendigo

ROUND 15

Saturday, August 5

Sandhurst v South Bendigo

ROUND 16

Saturday, August 12

South Bendigo v Golden Square

ROUND 17

Saturday, August 19

Strathfieldsaye v South Bendigo

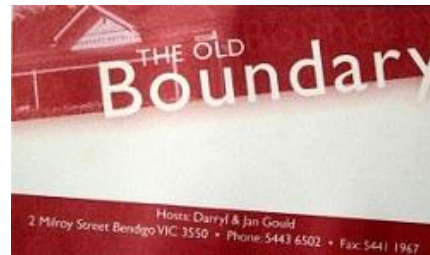
ROUND 18

Saturday, August 26

South Bendigo v Kangaroo Flat (HT)



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