

NEWS LETTER OF THE SOUTH BENDIGO FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

May 2018 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 ahead. 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.

125 YEAR REUNION GALA DINNER

Lock in the dates – **Friday 27th July and Saturday 28th July 2018** – for SBFNC's 125 Year celebrations.

The weekend starts with a casual gathering in the Clubs Social Rooms from 6.00pm on the Friday night, 27th July. This will provide the opportunity for an informal catch up with old team mates and to have a look at some of the club memorabilia which will be on display.

The big day of events starts with a home game against traditional rivals Golden Square at the QEO on Saturday 28th July. All current and past players/partners, committee, coaches, support staff, supporters as well as sponsors new and old are invited to the event. The Social Rooms will be open from 11.00am, again to provide an opportunity to catch up with people as well as giving a chance for those unable to make the Friday night to view the memorabilia display. Following the game, a Gala Dinner for all connected with the club over the years and their partners will be held at the All Seasons Resort Hotel, 171 -183 McIvor Hwy, Strathdale to celebrate and reminisce.

Lock away this weekend in your diary and make it the **MUST** attend event of 2018. In the meantime, spread the word to those old South Bendigo team mates / colleagues to watch the Newsletter, the Clubs Facebook page and website for further updates. We need you to help us find past Bloods so feel free to forward through contact details of anyone who you think may not be on the Club's database.

Become a table captain and organise a table of 10 of your team mates from your era. We would love to see you even though it may be many a year since your involvement with the club. Let's re-connect and continue to be proud of our Club's history and become part of sustained future success.

Stephen Dean 125 Committee Chair



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	e South Bendigo Football & Netball club
Option 1	RSVP Tickets available on line via 'TRYBOOKING.COM'
Option 2	CHEQUE Please make cheque out to 'SOUTH BENDIGO FNC' along with this signed form Mail to SBFNC, PO Box 127, Bendigo Vic 3552
Option 3	DIRECT DEBIT Amount Credited \$ Account Name: South Bendigo FNC BSB: 633-000 (Bendigo Bank) Account number: 105 675 235 Include NAME as a reference for payment Please email receipt to events@southbendigofnc.com.au
If you choos	e option 2 or 3 please FILL in the below form and return to the club by 22nd JUNE 2018 Postal address: SBENC, PO Box 127, Bendino VIC 3552

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Please Note: ATTENDANCE AT THE GALA DINNER IS STRICTLY RSVP ONLY

More info please contact,

Stephen Dean - 0437 299 063: Email - msdean@bigpond.com Alan Ellis - 0427 427 627: Email - alan_ellis@bigpond.com

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BOOK TICKETS VIA TRYBOOKING.COM

* Enter https://www.trybooking.com/374709 which will take you directly to site

(otherwise enter Trybooking and this will arrive at their site. Click on BUY TICKETS. Where you see SEARCH EVENT (KEYWORD) type in South Bendigo and click on FIND MY EVENT button. Click on the South Bendigo reunion site that appears as an option)

*Click on BOOK NOW button

* A list of Tables 01 thru Table 50 will appear

* Click on SELECT button next to the table you want to sit on.

(Prior to this you need to co-ordinate with your table captain a table name and then advise event administrator, Stephen Dean on msdean@bigpond.com or 0437 299063 so that he can change the Table name to your Table captain's name, Eg Table 01 -Steve Dean, so that your table is easily identifiable. This part involves a bit of coordination between table captain and his/her guests)

* Select quantity of tickets required by clicking on + or - button

* Click on NEXT button

* Enter Ticketholder information - i.e, Guests name and Dietary information and then click on NEXT button

* Enter your details in the Booking Details section

Then enter your Credit Card details to make payment for the booking

Click on PURCHASE button

* You will be advised that you have successfully purchased the tickets and allow you to print tickets.

An email will be sent to your email address as confirmation and allow you to print tickets (if you choose not to do immediately) at a later stage once email is received

NOTE: Table locations have not been set yet and can be changed by the administrator after bookings close on Friday 22nd June, if requested. This will allow friendship groups, etc to be close to each others tables.

Guests can book individually or in any number up to a maximum of 10 per table. All individual guests must be entered if booking and paying for a group of 10 at one time. Bookings will not complete unless payment is made at time of booking via Credit Card.

Once payment is made, an email receipt will be issued and the seats available will be reduced by that amount in the allocated table to show guests how many seats remain available on each table.

It is important that you co-ordinate with your table captain as per instructions in red above.

Any queries contact Stephen Dean on 0437 299063 or msdean@bigpond.com



CALL FOR MEMORABILIA

As part of the 125 Celebrations we intend to set up the Social Rooms with a display of past memorabilia. If you have anything old and pertinent to the history of SBFNC (e.g. photos, jumpers, membership cards, lapel pins, etc) we would love it if you would be able to contact us and loan it to us for the display.

As we are mindful of not losing/misplacing such valuable keepsakes, we would insist that all items are provided in a clear plastic sealed storage bag along with your name and contact details. A brief description of the item and its owner would also be appreciated.

To enable Scott McLeod time to upload photos, etc so that they can be shown on screen on the night, we URGENTLY need these memorabilia items NOW.

For further information, please email Stephen Dean on <u>msdean@bigpond.com</u> 0437 299 063 or Alan Ellis on <u>alan_ellis@bigpond.com</u> 0427 427 627



PAST NETBALLERS WANTED

An important part of the SBFNC's history was the introduction of Netball into the Bendigo League in 1991. For all past Netball players and officials, we ask that you engage your former team mates and get as many as possible along to the Gala weekend (July 27 - 28). Let's reconnect and get together to share memories of days gone past at SBFNC. Netball's contribution to the Club over the last 27 years has been enormous and we would love to recognise that contribution by inviting all past (& present) Netballers to re-engage with the Club. For further details see Invite/Flyer earlier in this newsletter.

"2018 Getting back to the Club, it's in the Blood"



SOUTH	BENDIGO
NETBA	LL TEAM

Netball was introduced by the Bendigo Football League in 1991, when each Club had to enter one team. Each Club had to enter two netball teams in 1992 as there was in A&B Grade competition. In the first two years the girls only had moderate success and probably need a few more taller girls to be more competitive.

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HELP US HELP YOU – MISSING PLAYERS

Due to incomplete records, a small number of past players and officials are not included on the club database that has been established over the last few years. Examples of players the Club has lost contact with from the 80's are John (Goody) Goodwin, Ron (Squizzy) Taylor, Ian (Ducka) Malseed. There are many across the decades not on the database. If you are in contact with old team mates that you suspect may not be on the club database (whatever the era), please contact them and ask if they could forward details along to the club so they can be kept updated on the goings on of the SBFNC. Email details to Alan Ellis at <u>alan_ellis@bigpond.com</u>

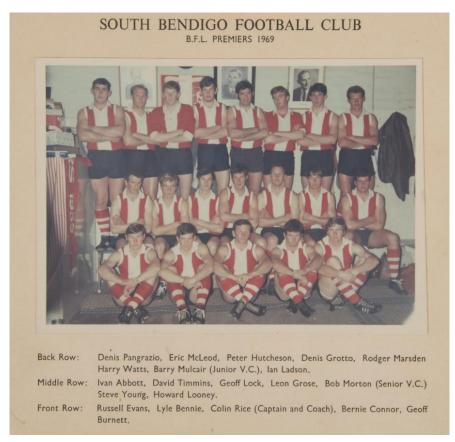
VOLUNTEERS WANTED

As we approach the 125 Reunion weekend in late July, there are many little tasks/jobs that require doing (e.g. Memorabilia display setup, door people at Gala Night to check tickets and show people to tables, etc, etc). Don't leave it to the same old few. Many hands make light work – if you can help out please contact Stephen Dean on <u>msdean@bigpond.com</u> 0437 299 063 or Alan Ellis on <u>alan_ellis@bigpond.com</u> 0427 427 627. Your support is needed to make this huge event happen. Help us help you.

125 STORIES

Howard Looney

One of the great pleasures of planning and organising the 125 celebrations has been the opportunity to connect with some great people from the Club's rich history. Purely by chance Stephen Dean realised that he was the next-door neighbour to 1969 Premiership player Howard Looney's brother and consequently was able to contact Howard via email. Reproduced in part below, Howard's reply provides an insight into just one of the stories from 125 years of history.



"Really great to hear from you with all the news regarding the South Bendigo Football Club. I read the Newsletter with great interest and have had a look at the club website - particularly the Life Members List to recall some great names.

I came to South when Alan MacDonald was coach and got to play alongside Harry Watts in my first game in 1964. Bernie Connors was a 'hero' at that time and continued to be a great player into our 'grand final years' in the late 60's.

Great to hear that you played with South and enjoyed the thrills of a premiership. I have kept an 'eye on' the fortunes of the club over the years and had contact with various past players over the years. We enjoyed a 'reunion of sorts' on the Sunshine Coast a couple of years ago through the diligence of Steve Young."



Members of the 1969 Premiership side on the Sunshine Coast in 2016. L to R Front: Howard Looney, John Sutcliffe, Geoff Burnett, Lyle Bennie, Harry Watts, Steve Young L to R Rear: Ivan Abbott, Peter Hutcheson and Denis Pangrazio

"I would certainly like to be included on your Newsletter list and keen to attend a 50 year reunion of Ricey's team premiership. It would certainly bring back some great memories.

I still have a couple of bits and pieces from that time - bring them out to show the grandsons to raise a laugh or two but don't get much 'hero worshiping'. I still have my No.4 short sleeve jumper, a few Advertiser articles, my badge and persistent hamstring soreness from those years.

Thanks for thinking of me in this way and best wishes with your project."

I'll be back for South Bendigo's 125 – It's in the blood

CLUB THEME SONG

Unique and important in any Club's culture is the theme song and there is nothing better than a rousing rendition by the team and supporters following a win. Sung to the tune of the Leslie Stuart song "Lily of Laguna" the South Bendigo club theme song has probably been around for the entire 125 years of Bloods history.

Like most things over the course of time small changes have evolved and some parts have not withstood the test of time. Examples such as;

- is the 3rd line "the team that never lets you down" or "that comes from miles around"?
- is the 3rd last line "They're never near us" or "They can't get near us"
- and I think we would all agree that the 2nd last line of *"we are the insert relevant year premiers"* was not always accurate and a verse which, other than premiership years, was more often than not mumbled rather than sung with gusto.

So, in our 125th year, the club has decided to adopt the words below as our official version going forward. Remaining very "true" to the original, the only change is in that awkward 2nd last line and we still get to finish off with those great lyrics –

"WE ARE THE GOOD OLD RED AND WHITES!"

A big thank you to past player Ben Edwards from Edwards Signs for donating sign boards with the new version to both the junior and senior divisions of the club.







STILL NOT TOO LATE TO BECOME A MEMBER IN 2018

Memberships continue to be an ever-increasing and important aspect of the Football Netball Club.

Our club strongly encourages all existing members, supporters, past-players and families to financially support the club and become a member in 2018 – If you love South Bendigo, we'd love to count you as a member!

Every member will receive their own club membership card which will gain them free entry into every home game as well as ½ price entry to away games.

Membership also has it rewards and a member's merchandise pack is provided to each Bloods supporter who takes out a 2018 Membership.

This year's Standard Merchandise Package, provided to all Adult, Family and Special Category members, includes a club branded bumper sticker, pen and drink bottle so you can show your support for the Bloods when you're driving, writing or refreshing. The 2018 Enhanced Merchandise Package, provided to all Coterie Club Members and Player Sponsors, adds a Red and White Club Beanie to the standard pack.

Your financial support via a Club Membership is as vital as it's ever been in country Football / Netball. So that YOUR club can continue to grow and prosper, PLEASE consider taking out a Club Membership package in 2018.

Take a look at all the 2018 Memberships options on the Clubs website at <u>http://www.southbendigofnc.com.au/membership/</u> we are sure there will be a Membership Package just right for you!

WE NEED YOU - BE INVOLVED

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BENDIGO BANK CLUB REWARDS (REFERRAL) AGENCY PROGRAM

Bendigo Bank is a proud sponsor of local football as well as many other local community sporting events & activities. With the 2018 football season well underway now is a great time to for all clubs to raise awareness of the Sponsorship and Club Rewards (Referral) Agreement Bendigo Bank has put in place with AFL Central Victoria.

The Sponsorship component of the agreement provides annual funding to AFL Central Victoria and the AFL Central Junior/Youth Academy over the 2017, 2018 & 2019 to support the 6 leagues and their respective clubs affiliated with AFL Central Victoria;

- Bendigo Football Netball League
- Bendigo Junior Football League
- Heathcote & Districts Football Netball League
- Loddon Valley Football Netball League
- North Central Football League
- AFL Central Vic Junior/Youth Academy

Club Rewards

In addition to the Sponsorship Agreement the Bank has also established a Club Rewards (Referral) program. This is unique in that income derived from any new business written will be shared by local clubs and AFL Central Victoria as follows;

- Lending: A 0.40% Upfront Commission will be paid on Loans settled
 - 0.20% will be provided to the club providing the referral, and;
 - 0.20% will be provided to AFL Central Victoria
- **Deposit**: A 0.25% Trail will be provided to AFL Central Victoria on the average monthly balance of deposits once \$5 Million in tagged business is reached as follows
 - \$0 to \$4,999,999.99 Nil
 - **\$5,000,000 and over** 0.25% pa

Any trail income received by AFL Central from deposit business will be used to fund wellbeing programs for the abovementioned leagues as determined by AFL Central Vic.

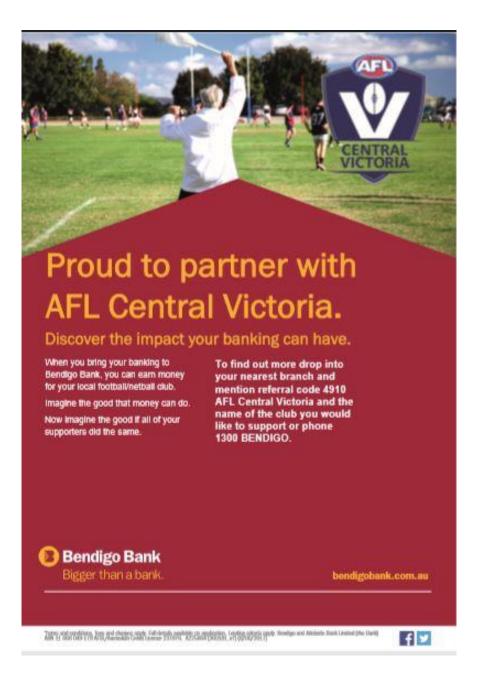
Example: A \$250,000 Home Loan would generate \$500 back to your local football club upon settlement.

What do we need from you?? Banking is an essential service, by banking with Bendigo Bank you are able to gain personalised service regarding your individual, small business or commercial financial needs. But in addition to this you can take advantage of the Club Rewards program by simply letting the friendly Bendigo Bank branch staff know that you would like to support **South Bendigo Football Netball Club**.

There are a number of Bendigo Bank staff involved with South Bendigo, if you have any further queries do not hesitate to contact Jodie McLeod – SBFNC Assistant Treasurer but also Regional Manager at Bendigo Bank for Bendigo & North-West Victoria.

Thanks,

Jodie McLeod on behalf of South Bendigo Football Netball Club Email: Jodie@mcleods.id.au Mobile: 0419 305 208



NETBALL NEWS

Round 1 we travelled down the freeway to take on Kyneton at their home courts, unfortunately Kyneton do not field either an Under 17s team or an A Grade team but our B Reserve, B Grade & A Reserve teams hit the courts to kick off the season. The girls did a great job to battle through the games in the horrible weather conditions, at times raining so hard it was coming in sideways, but they pushed through & came away with the 3 wins for a solid start to the season.

Round 2 seen our A Grade & under 17s hit the courts for the first time this season, unfortunately the only win for the netball was our B Reserve who managed to top Sandhurst by 8 goals. Our A grade had some tough competition against a very strong Sandhurst side, but the girls showed resilience & had a goal to win the final Quarter in which they achieved. Round 3 we travelled across to Maryborough to take on the magpies at their home courts, again another club not fielding all teams so our A Reserve girls had the weekend off to watch from the sidelines. Our under 17s played a fantastic game & came away with a convincing win as did our B Reserve & B Grade girls. Unfortunately, our A Grade girls couldn't get the 4 points against the determined Magpies team.

BFNL INTERLEAGUE

Congratulations to our Under 17's mid-courter Carissa Brook who was selected as an emergency & training partner for the BFNL Interleague team, it is a great achievement to be selected out of so many players trying out for positions, well done Carissa.

50 GAME MILESTONE

Congratulations to Maddy Townsend who played her 50th club game with us in Round 1 against Kyneton.



PLAYER PROFILES Brianna Maddern



Brianna returns to South after playing here in 2012.

Brianna has a vast netball CV which includes stints at Shepparton Swans, premiership player at Golden Square and most recently as Assistant Coach of Mitiamo A Grade team in 2016. Brianna had been selected by her peers to be A Grade captain at South in 2018, a role which she will thrive at.

SNAPS FROM THE SIDELINES (ON & OFF COURT)



A Grade Netball, Round 2 V Sandhurst



B Reserve Side team photo at the Season Launch



JUNIOR NETBALL

After a very busy few months, the junior netball season is finally upon us! We are now looking forward with great anticipation to watching the girls play, develop their skills and enjoy being part of a great Club!

BSNA 2018 Winter Competition

This year, we have 10 junior netball teams registered to play in the Bendigo Strathdale Netball Association (BSNA) Winter Competition in the following sections:

- 2 x Grade 6 teams
- 3 x 13/U teams
- 5 x Open teams

We have close to 100 girls registered to play junior netball with South Bendigo this year – this is almost 20% more than last year. We are delighted and proud of how our junior netball division is growing and look forward to sharing a successful, enjoyable and rewarding year with our players and their families.

Round 1 Results Section 2 South Bendigo Gold 18 - 22 Golden Square Blue Section 3A South Bendigo Silver 14 – 33 Sandhurst Vikings Section 3B South Bendigo Bronze 22 - 19 Storm Twister Section 3C South Bendigo Black 20 – 7 Storm Frost South Bendigo White 12 – 35 Jets Crystals Section 13A South Bendigo Red 34 – 5 Golden Square White South Bendigo Orange 16 – 11 Flames Scorchers Section 13B South Bendigo Yellow 5 – 9 Girton Diamonds Grade 6A South Bendigo Blue 7 – 26 Girton Navy Grade 6B South Bendigo Green 12 – 7 Storm Thunderbolts **Round 2 Results** Section 2 South Bendigo Gold 31 - 16 Kangaroos Diamonds Section 3A South Bendigo Silver 17 - 15 Zodiacs Gemini Section 3B South Bendigo Bronze 8 – 18 Girton Bronze Section 3C South Bendigo Black 23 – 27 Jets Crystals South Bendigo White 15 – 17 Zodiacs Supernova Section 13A South Bendigo Red 24 - 17 Jets Rubies South Bendigo Orange 12 – 25 Storm Lightening Section 13B South Bendigo Yellow 4 - 5 Zodiacs Neptune Grade 6A South Bendigo Blue 10 – 15 Spring Gully Starlets Grade 6B South Bendigo Green 4 – 23 St Francis Pumas

Uniforms



As part of the Club's 125-year celebrations, the junior netball players have moved into new playing dresses. The dresses are the same style and design as the Senior Netball Club dresses and is another way we are bringing all netballers at South Bendigo together!

To celebrate 125 years, all junior netball and football players received a training top as a gift from the Club. These have been a huge hit with the girls and it is great to see them all fitted out at training!

125-Year Gala Day

The Junior Division will be holding its own 125-year celebrations for the Club at Harry Trott Oval on Sunday 20th May. The junior netballers will be celebrating by hosting a Fast 5 tournament – please keep your eye on TeamApp and our Facebook page for further details.

NETFIT Clinic

The Club will be hosting a NETFIT Clinic at Harry Trott Oval on Thursday 5th July. There will be two clinics:

- 1. Junior Netballers 5.00pm-6.00pm
- 2. Senior Netballers 6.15pm-7.15pm

Again, please keep your eye on TeamApp and our Facebook page for details on cost and how to register.

Pie Drive

This year, the Junior Division is partnering with Elmore Bakery to host its major fundraiser for the season – a Pie Drive! We encourage all members of the Club to support this fundraising initiative by purchasing some pies through a junior club member. The drive starts on Monday 21st May and finishes on Friday 1st June with delivery to take place between 4.00pm-6.00pm on Friday 15th June at Harry Trott Oval. All pies are baked fresh for the Pie Drive which makes this an ideal opportunity to stock up your freezers! Pies make a great easy dinner for those busy training nights – and there's no cleaning up to do!

Coaching Development

The Netball Club's Director of Coaching, Jannelle Hobbs, hosted a very valuable Coaches' Workshop on Sunday 25 March. The junior and senior netball coaches came together to hear and see Jannelle demonstrate and explain coaching points on various aspects of the game. Activities such as this continue to highlight how much value the Club places on the development of our junior coaches. This will, in turn, benefit our players as they learn new skills and techniques.

Dates to Remember

EVENT	DATE	TIME	VENUE
Breast Cancer Network Pink Ribbon Round	Friday 11th / Saturday 12 th May	n/a	Flora Hill Stadium
125-year Gala Day	Sunday 20 th May	To be advised	Harry Trott
Pie Drive Open	Monday 21 st May _{to} Friday 1 st June	n/a	n/a
SALT Presentation – 14yo-18yo	Wednesday 30 th May	To be advised	To be advised
SALT Presentation – 10yo-13yo	Wednesday 7 th June	To be advised	To be advised
BSNA no play – Queens Birthday Weekend	Friday 8 th / Saturday 9 th June	n/a	Flora Hill Stadium
Pie Drive Pick-up	Friday 15 th June	4.00pm-6.00pm	Harry Trott
NETFIT Clinic	Thursday 5 th July	5.00pm-6.00pm 6.15pm-6.15pm	Harry Trott
BSNA no play – School Holidays	Friday 6 th / Saturday 7 th July ^{and} Friday 13 th / Saturday 14 th July	n/a	Flora Hill Stadium
Pizza/Pie Night	Wednesday 18 th July	To be advised	Harry Trott
BSNA Final Round	Friday 24 th / Saturday 25 th August	n/a	Flora Hill Stadium
BSNA Grand Finals	Friday 14 th / Saturday 15 th September	n/a	Flora Hill Stadium
Junior Netball Presentation Night	Wednesday 19 th September	To be advised	QEO Club Rooms



SPONSOR OF THE MONTH



WELCOME!

While regulars might be enjoying a casual drink in the Sports Bar, people are arriving for a gala banquet for 450 people. As guests are waking up to breakfast in their 4 star Quality Hotel rooms many others are being welcomed to an important conference. While friends plan to enjoy a catch up lunch in the Bistro, someone has decided to book dinner for the whole family. And somewhere a bride is planning her wedding.

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FOOTBALL NEWS



It's been an interesting start to season 2018 for the senior group as sit 1 draw, 1 loss and 1 win after round 3.

Round 1:

The season started with a draw against Kyneton (5 goals 10 points apiece) away in cold, wet and windy conditions. Kyneton adapted better to the wet weather conditions, however the boys played some great patches of football and then fought back late in the last quarter game to draw the game. It did take a pressure kick from Kaiden Antonowitz to kick a goal after Jake Miller took a gutsy mark before landing awkwardly and injuring his shoulder with only minutes left. Best players were; Kieran Strachan, Isaiah Miller and Quade Johnstone. Round 2:

After a promising start in the Graeme Wright Cup Vs Sandhurst at home, the boys unfortunately dropped off while Sandhurst stepped up their intensity and work rate to run away with a 4 goal win. The loss was disappointing in front of the home crowd and many past players however, we did see some patches of the brand of football the group can play which is exciting. Best Players were; Quade Johnstone, Cal Crisp and Brock Harvey. Round 3:

We travelled to Maryborough and recorded our first win for season 2018 by around 7 goals. Far from our best the boys continued to improve as the day went, while Maryborough showed great improvement and applied good pressure over most of the game. Best players were; Mitch Roberson, Brady Haddow and Tom Brereton.

The senior group in summary is still settling with several new players and some changes in game plan/structures, and we have seen some great signs so far with some high pressure and fast exciting football. The boys are working extremely hard to ensure our performances are improving and consistent over four quarters. It's an extremely exciting list we have with talent across all areas, we have a lot more depth this year, so as coaches we have enormous belief in the group of players and we know they will achieve great things this year as a united group in the clubs 125th season.

Go Bloods!!! Brady Childs Senior Coach



SNAPS FROM THE SIDELINES Round 2 V Sandhurst at QEO – Pictures: Scott McLeod



JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Isn't it great to finally have the footy back...? After weeks of preseason training the Junior Football Division got off to a flying start. Round 1 saw wins to our U12, U14, U16 Reserves and U16 Seniors. A special mention should be made of our U15 girls who played their inaugural game for the club going down to an experienced Kangaroo Flat out fit by just 15 points. While I didn't get to the U12 and girls footy matches I did have the pleasure in watching the U14 and U16 sides who all played an exciting brand of team football.

Our committee is seeing the fruition of a few years of challenging work and we have immense pleasure in providing some interesting stats. In 2013 we had 87 listed players by 2016 this had increased to 134 and now in 2018 we have 201. While some growth can be attributed to girl's football there is no doubt we have seen growth across the board. Our work is not done, it never is, but we are certainly in an excellent place to continue yet another 125 years of the bloods. The 2018 season will see us field sides in U9, U10, U12 and U14 age groups along with 2 sides in the U16's. In the female football sphere, we have sides in the U12, U15 and U18 competitions.

Milestone games are always an exciting time for the junior division players and we are proud to congratulate Austin Long (U14's) for playing his 100th game for Souths in Round 1. In an era where player movement between clubs is at an all-time high it's fantastic to see that loyalty is still alive and kicking at the Bloods.



Austin Long with coach John Barilari on his 100th game for South Bendigo JFC

As part of the clubs 125-year celebrations we are holding a Gala day at Harry Trott on Sunday 20 May. Hopefully the draw will be favourable to us and we will see a full day of junior division teams playing at home along with a Fast 5 netball tournament hosted by the Junior Netball. Stay tuned...





YOUTH GIRLS FOOTBALL



Under 12's

Coach Shaun and the Under 12 South Bendigo girls football team are super excited to get out and start playing, training and having some fun learning new skills and playing some footy!

Training is Wednesday at 4pm and games will be on Friday evening starting on May 4th

We need some more girls to make up the team and join our very excited and enthusiastic players so come along to training on Wednesday's at Harry Trott Oval or call coach Shaun on 0413 922 625 to join!

Under 15's

Maddie Townsend is coaching the Under 15 south footy girls this year. Currently we have 18 registered with more possibly to come which is great.

The girls had their first game 2 weeks ago against Kangaroo Flat and only lost by a couple of goals. For our first game, and for most of the girls their first ever game of footy ever, they showed a lot of promise and no doubt very exciting times lie ahead. Most importantly they had so much fun which was great to see.



FIXTURE & RESULTS

Football	V Kyneton at the Kyneto	on Show Grounds	
	Seniors	Reserves	

Round 1: 14th April V k	Kyneton at the Kyneton	Show Grounds
Football		

Football							
	Se	eniors	Reserves		U18's		
South Bendigo	5.10-40		11.8-74		12.15-87		
Kyneton	5.10-40		2.3-15		0.2-2		
Netball	Netball						
	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	BF	Reserve	U17's	
South Bendigo	BYE	33	47	38		BYE	
Kyneton		29	8	11			

Round 2: 21st April V Sandhurst at The Q.E.O. Graeme Wright Cup Football

	Seniors		eniors	Reserves		U18's		
South Bendigo		9.8-62	6.4-40		5.4-107			
Sandhurst		13.11-89	9 8.13-61		14.23-107			
Netball	Netball							
	Α	Grade	A Reserve		B Grade	BF	Reserve	U17's
South Bendigo	30		36		26	48		39
Sandhurst	52		47		38	41		55

Round 3: 28th April V Maryborough at Princes Park Maryborough Football

	Seniors	Reserves	U18's
South Bendigo	15.15-105	24.13-157	BYE
Maryborough	9.8-62	2.6-18	
Netball			

	A Grade	A Reserve	B Grade	B Reserve	U17's	
South Bendigo	46	BYE	47	51	51	
Maryborough	56		37	28	31	

Coming Up

Round 4: May 5 th	Castlemaine	At Q.E.O.
Round 5: 12 th May	Golden Square	At Wade Street Golden Square
Inter-League Match: 19 th May	V Hampden League	At Warrnambool
Round 6: 26 th May	Eaglehawk	At Canterbury Park Eaglehawk



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