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From the President

Dear South Bendigo Family,

With September upon us, our club remains a hive of activity. Whilst our Senior Football and A-Grade Netball are done and dusted for the year, we look forward to supporting B-Grade and B-Reserve netballers in their finals campaigns, as well as a swag of junior football and netball teams that will compete for Premiership honours. Good luck to all players that will represent South Bendigo at the pointy end of the season!

September also brings with it major fundraising opportunities. Once again, our club has successfully won the league tender to cater for the BFNL finals series. With 185 volunteer shifts to fill over six days of September action, this presents as a whole of club affair. Please check out our online signup service and find a time to get involved. It's a great opportunity to meet our senior footballers, netballers and club executives all of whom will be rolling up their sleeves for the cause. In addition to this, we are also hosting the BJFL for Grand Finals on Saturday the 14th of September, which presents as another excellent opportunity to showcase our SBFNC hospitality.

As Season 2024 draws to a close, we will take the opportunity to acknowledge our players that have competed with distinction. Our junior netball and football divisions are planned to hold presentations on the 13th and 15th of September respectively, whilst our Senior Club will conclude the formalities on Thursday the 26th of September. We look forward to celebrating the achievements of our playing groups and reflecting on the body of work that has gone into the last 12 months.

With plans for Season 2025 well underway, we are excited about what our future holds. We will soon be able to make several announcements about key recruits to our club. Please stay tuned to our social media pages and local sports media over the coming month.

Go Bloods.

Dujon Fuzzard





FOOTBALL Round 15 v Maryborough

Great conditions for the game against Maryborough with blue skies and while the sun was out not freezing. The thirds started later, and it was clear that from the start there was going to be a close contest. With Oli Turnbull, Brady Stroud and Luke Feuerherdt on senior duties the team included Seb Gray and Maysen Pettersen from the U16 who performed well. The opposition holding a slim lead throughout the day and it was a credit to the lads who fought on well in the last quarter to overcome a bigger team by 10 points. Better players on the day were Ethan McMahon, Oli Patton, Baden France, Sam Power, Campbell McKenzie and Adam Triplett.

With a raft of inclusions from last week due to injuries it was great to have Luke Feuerherdt make his senior debut playing a sloid game across the halfback line Luke was very clean with his hands and was full of run. The seniors bounced out in the first quarter Steven Stroobants leading the way with some accurate shots early setting up the game at the end of the first quarter with a 6-goal lead. Haddsy was picking up possessions at will at either end of the ground and Aiden Avery and Matt McNaughton were providing some other options up forward.

Cody Brooks dominated across the halfback line with some accurate long kicking, keeping the pressure on the opposition defence. Darcey Backway was another player finding plenty of the ball With Anthony Zimmerman unstoppable on the ball. The second half of the game saw Brock Harvey take his opportunity to hit the scoreboard with both he and Stroobs combining in many goals. A special mention to Jim Barri, Harvey Beale, Fraser McKinstry and Aussie Long who filled in for Maryborough on the day and were integral to their 5 goal scoreline.

NETBALL Round 15 v Maryborough

A Reserve knew it was going to be a tough game going down by 1 last time we played Maryborough. Unfortunately, Maryborough got the jump on us at the start, with them getting 10 goals ahead. However, the remaining 3 quarters saw a strong defensive effort, with Alison making her A Res debut. The margin Maryborough got on us in the first quarter we couldn't close. Keeping the scoreline to 10 for the rest of the game. Best on went to Amber and Jemma.

With the sun finally shining after many weeks of rain, B grade felt positive and pumped to come out with a strong win this week. With the return of Liv Leech back into our goaling circle set up a strong set up between mother and daughter who played alongside in the ring. The attack end was powerful and skilled throughout the entire court, everyone proving their determination for a win. Defence was strong, with intercepts and tips court wide leading to a pleasing win 58-22. Best on was Elisha Kubeil and Milla McKimmie.

B Reserve was very keen to get another win on the board on Saturday. Our goal was to start the game with a big effort and cement a strong lead. Thankfully we achieved that winning the first quarter by 16 points. We worked well as a team with great connections throughout the court for the whole game and came away with the win 74-29. Awards this week went to Kasey Button and Ella Russell.

The under 17s came out firing against Maryborough having a strong first quarter getting lots of turn overs ending the quarter only 1 point down. Unfortunately, the rest of the game wasn't ours with the score line slowly creeping out 51-33. However, South kept their heads up the whole game determined to not give up until the final siren. Best on's went to Phoebe, Mikayla and Jordan. Good works girls.

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FOOTBALL Round 17 v Golden Square

Well, final home game at HT and up against the powerful Golden Square team, there has been considerable progress with the U18's this year but we can only measure ourselves against the best and it was always going to be a challenge this week even with a few of the lads playing seniors. Our opposition bounced out to a 5-goal lead in the first quarter despite the best efforts of Tait Rojewski and Mason Thomas. Toby Hardingham showed further improvement since his return some weeks ago, what a season he could have had without that 1st game injury that has kept him out for much of the season. Another exciting aspect of this year has been the form of many of the U16's who have filled in, Jack Bell showed once again what a good player he is with yet another solid game. The lads fought on bravely but not a game we can look back on with any great pride. Other players to feature were Ethan McMahon, Logan Rutter and Sam Power.

The Twos really applied themselves to their game and despite some poor finishing and more than a few turnovers, played some competitive footy. Regan Harvey supplied the only 2 goals for the team with the usual suspects, Scott Stringer, Fraser McKinstry and Jim Barri putting their shoulder to the wheel while Harvey Beale was a rock in the backline and Bailey Waterman was once again adjudged best on the day.

Seniors had another opportunity to challenge a finals contender but fell short, our starts are either a case of dominating or being dominated and the early signs were not good. Our Backs featured amongst our best with Tait Poyser, Cody Brooks and Riley Walsh doing some hard work. Zac Sims returned after injury to perform well and the two ball magnets in Brodie Haddow and Anthony Zimmerman were among the

A big day to finish off the year and an opportunity to end the year on a positive.

NETBALL Round 17 v Golden Square

A GRADE

In an intense match between South Bendigo and Golden Square, both teams fought for the win in the wet. South initially dominated, establishing a well-deserved nine goal lead through disciplined, calm and possession netball. As the game progressed into the third quarter, we began to make unfortunate errors unlike our first half. These mistakes provided Golden Square with opportunities to close the gap, building suspense in the game. The final moments of the match were tense. Despite South Bendigo's efforts to build the pressure, Square managed to edge ahead in the last five minutes finishing with a two-goal win. All units on the court gelled and played consistent netball and it's a game we should be proud of.

A RESERVE

A Reserve had a close 3 goal win over Golden Square. Great to see a solid performance by the team throughout the game. Best Players were Sophie and Alison.

B GRADE

B grade came out strong against square in the first quarter making a good lead early on. Despite the rainy conditions they played their own game were able to keep control of the ball and move it down the court well. They strategically forced some high balls which allowed intercepts and increased their lead for a well-deserved win 45-27.

B RESERVE

B Res was in for an early morning this weekend, despite the earlier time, court change and unpredictable on and off weather, we still put out our best netball and really brought it against square. We built a lead and continued to build on it throughout the game by taking advantage of all turnovers, our defensive pressure throughout the whole court forced plenty of errors for our team to pick up the loose balls and convert them into goals. The game shown to be quite a physical one, however the whole team did well at keeping a level head and adapting to the conditions to continue to play our own game! Awards went to Montana Pinchbeck and Kasey Button who had an impressive 100% shooting accuracy in the second half of the game!

UNDER 17'S

After a bye round, our u17s found it hard to keep possession of the ball in the first quarter and made silly mistakes that led to a 4 - 24 lead golden square's way. Throughout the game they showed some great composure with the ball, work ethic, and short and sharp passing that allowed them to adapt to the unpredictable weather. But unfortunately, as the game progressed, square stormed away with the victory, 20 - 69. The the u17s pushed through to the final minutes with lots of defensive pressure and gains, despite the score and weather, and look to our final game next week against Eaglehawk for a positive end to the year. Awards this week went to Nevaeh and Jorja for their persistence and constant contribution to the team for the whole 60 minutes.

FOOTBALL Round 18 v Eaglehawk

Perfect weather conditions for our last game for the year at Eaglehawk and the U18s started the day off well with a convincing win. The lads moved the ball well picking their way through the opposition defence with some of the better football we have played this year. Campbell McKenzie was strong all day and a good target up forward alongside Baden France. Harrison Carter was another contributor using his long kicking to our advantage and Toby Hardingham was busy picking up a lot of possessions. There were several goal kickers for the side which was another good sign, Brady Stroud, Oli Turnbull and Luke Feuerherdt making a return after senior duties showed their class along with the reliable Ethan McMahon.

The reserves had a tougher assignment with limited numbers but played a competitive brand of football with Bailey Waterman adjudged our best on ground. Goal of the year would have to go to Flash Nalder with his scorcher from nearly the wing and getting further out as the day wore on. Aussie Long playing in a defensive role was outstanding with his long accurate kicking, good things ahead for him. Scotty Stringer played yet another consistent game along with the reliable Will Purcell.

The Seniors showed that if they were prepared to contest and scrap, they could bring enough pressure to trouble most sides with our first half having us within 2 goals of the talented opposition. Led by our coaches, Stroobs was dominant up forward and a bit unlucky not to have more goals on the board and Issy was providing some valuable link play. Great to see Fraser McKinstry play his first senior game for the Bloods and he performed well. Our other better players on the day were Ralphy, Haddsy and Zim while Rizza battled manfully in the ruck and Tait Poyser did a great job in his role.

ONGRATULATIONS

















Congratulations to these players on their milestones this season, South Bendigo FNC wishes these boys well as they continue their football careers and for some, move into Senior ranks.



Vale Hary Bakes

The club was saddened by the passing of Mary Bakes in August, on the eve of her 95th birthday.

Mary was, along with her late husband Roy, a Life Member of the South Bendigo Football Netball Club, Roy having served as Club President over many years.

Many who were associated with The Bloods during the club's successes in the 1990's would be aware of her magnificent contribution in both supporting Roy and in contributing herself both in an official role and as a volunteer, including at the Club's popular Bingo sessions over many years.

Mary's family are a South Bendigo family; sons David, Robert and Stephen having played football with the Bloods and daughter in-law Jane, currently our B Grade Netball Team Manager, and granddaughter Emily both having played netball and grandsons Darcy and Taylor representing South Bendigo in Football.

An esteemed life member and wonderful supporter and volunteer over many years. We extend our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences to all family on the passing of a Bloods icon and a special lady



NETBALL Round 18 v Eaglehawk

A Grade stepped out on court determined to finish the season on a high! The Burra and the Bloods had a tough round nine battle, and it was no different this time around. The bloods ended up going down by 5 but put out a 4-quarter performance in the heat. Best ons were Chloe Gray who played her 50th senior game for South Bendigo and the defence end.

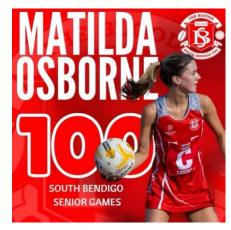
A Res was determined to finish off the season on a high going into the last round on Saturday. A quick start saw the girls 5-0 up at the beginning of the first quarter. Not wanting to take the foot of the gas the girls continued to widen their lead throughout the game. A strong 4 quarter performance from the whole team saw the girls take out a 19 goal win to end their season. Awards this week went to our beautiful team managers, Ailish Goodall and Leanne Campbell

With one round to go before finals, B grade was eager to make an intimidating impression going into the finals series. Taking a comfortable lead against Eaglehawk in the first quarter, South were still determined to maintain this lead. The defence was strong creating pressure and forcing errors across the entirety of the court. In a turnover and the attacking play, drives were strong, and plays were in set, adapting to Eaglehawk defence and changes on the court. The girls backed each other's mistakes and encouraged great efforts of work. South B grade came away with the win 46-37, best on went to Bella Eddy and Matilda Osborne, who also played her 100th senior game with South Bendigo!

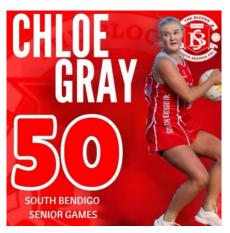
Heading into the final game of the home away season, the B'Res girls were wanting to put out a dominate performance. Our first quarter was not our best. A combination of the heat and poor connections left us at a deficit. Finishing the first quarter 5 down, we had some hard work ahead of us to close the lead Eaglehawk had created. We closed their lead and finished the first half 3 goals up. As the game went on, we built on our positives and had a really dominate performance across the board, especially in our transition and decision making. It was a fantastic game for us heading into final, seeing the fight in us to pull back a lead and push hard to increase our own. With the crowd edging us on we were able to make the games ours and get the important win heading into finals! We were also celebrating Ariana Ralph's 50th club game at the bloods. She put on a dominate performance in WA, calming the attack end and put on great defensive pressure. She received best on for the game with Ella Russell getting second best on, she also had a ripper game.

The under 17's took court in Eaglehawk determined for a win to finish off their season. It was an extremely nerve-racking game for the bloods sitting behind by around 3 goals for the first three quarters, with a motivational third quarter chat reminding the girls that they have 15 minutes left of the season together the girls truly left it all on the court, pulling the game together with a 5-point win! Amazing effort from everyone, best ons awarded to Mak and Amber both for adapting to feedback to change our second half, but everyone played beautifully!





Tilly Osborne is a tenacious midcourter who quickly became indispensable in B Grade. With 100 games for South Bendigo, her dedication, skill, and team spirit embody the club's values.



Congratulations to Chloe Gray on her 50th game this Saturday! A vital member of our A Grade team since 2022, Chloe's speed and energy are unmatched.



Congratulations to Ariana on her 50th game for South Bendigo! A key midcourter in our B Reserve team.



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Junior Netball

Well, we have reached the end of the home and away season and already played one round of finals.

Congratulations to our primary teams who finished their season a couple of weeks ago. Hopefully you all had a fantastic year, learnt some new netball skills and enjoyed the company of your teammates. Thank you to all our wonderful coaches, **Bella Eddy/Chloe Pyke** G3 Daly, **Sara Edwards** G4 McMurray, **Leah Frankum/Leisa Barry** G4 Hiatt, **Evie Egan** G5 Power and **Yas Colley** G5 Walker. You have all don't a fantastic job helping develop the future stars of South Bendigo.

Also, a big thank you also to our Team Managers and Team Carers. Without these wonderful volunteers our teams can't take the court. Big thanks, Jessica Tomlinson, Hayley Pepperell and Kathryn McDiven G3 Daly, Emma Bourke and Danae Rawlinson G4 McMurray, Stacey King and Emma Galea G4 Hiatt, Rasa Mason, Amanda Smythe and Michaela Evans G5 Power and Trisha McCann and Lauren Schultz G5 Walker.

And finally, a huge shout to our fantastic players, you have all been magnificent all year. Thanks also to all the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and supporters who have come along each week to cheer the players along!

At the end of the home and away rounds we had nine of our thirteen competition teams made their respective division finals which is a tremendous result. After the first week of finals, we still have seven teams vying for a Grand Final appearance.











Congratulations to our 3C Barrett and 13D Arnold teams who unfortunately lost their elimination finals so have finished their season in fourth which is still a fantastic result!

A huge shout out to coaches, **Trina Williams** 3C Barrett and **Stephanie Aghan** 13D Arnold and Team Managers **Rachel Voege** and **Daniel Holloway** along with Team Carers **Jenny Pinniger** and **Laura Raghunathan** for all your hard work during the season. Also, to each of the players, you all played so well on the weekend and should be very proud of your efforts. Congratulations on a very successful season!

3C Leech, 13A Bakes and 13B Baker all won their Elimination finals so will be playing again next week in the preliminary finals.

3A Symons, 13C Fry and 13F Brown finished first and second on their ladders so although they lost their semi-finals they will get the second chance next week.

And finally, 2A Bruhn had their final abandoned due to lightning so they will play off in an elimination final this week. If they get the win, they will back on the court a couple of days later in the preliminary finals.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR TEAMS FOR THE NEXT TWO WFFKS!





Exciting NEWS

In other very exciting news, we have found someone to take over the Operations role in 2025. Ben Dillon has had his arm twisted and in a momentary lapse of judgement said YFS!

Ben will be fantastic in the role, and I am sure will take the Club forward with youthful enthusiasm.

The official handover won't be until our AGM in early December so you will have to put up with me for a little longer, however I plan to include Ben in discussions going forward to ensure that his vision and ideas are considered in any decisions going forward. If you see Ben around the courts, please congratulate him on his new role!

Return of netball dresses and team kits

Sunday 15 September 10:30am – 12:30pm @ Harry Trott

KIT BAGS

All kit bags need to be returned regardless of whether your team will play twilight netball. You can request to be re-issued a kit bag for twilight. We will remove the Velcro bibs for repair, update the first aid kit and add over the shoulder bibs or stick on bibs to the kit. Kits can be returned and re-issued on the day.

DRESSES

All dresses need to be washed prior to being returned please. If you are returning multiple dresses eg. for another player or on behalf of the team please ensure you include a list of names with the dresses so we can mark them off as being returned. If we are unable to determine that your dress has been returned, we will charge you \$60 for a replacement.

Kit bags and dresses may be returned at the netball presentation, but we won't have capacity to re-issue the kit bags the same day so you will have to organise to collect on Sunday 15 September

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Abby Coffey, Alex Rodda, Alexa Clohesy, Anikah Cini, Annabelle Smith, Ella McCann, Inca Bolton, Indi McClure, Indie Colley, Ivy Bell and Rosie Sheldrick who have all celebrated their 50-game milestone during August!

A fantastic achievement and we look forward to you continuing your netball journey with South Bendigo!

























Did you miss out on Diamonds tickets?

Well, the South Bendigo Junior Netball Club are raffling tickets for the Bendigo game to be played Wednesday 25 September:

1st prize - 1 family ticket (2A & 2C - gold seats) valued at \$280 and 2nd prize - 2 adult tickets (diamond seats) valued at \$260

Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for six chances to win and will be drawn Thursday 19 September at 6:00pm!

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2025 SEASON

Registration

We are already working on our 2025 registration. Once this work has been completed, we will let you know that the registration for 2025 is open. Keep an eye on TeamApp and Facebook. We hope to see all of you back again next year.

Season Launch - Sunday 16 March 2024

Mark this in your calendars now. Like this year the plan is to launch the season with a round robin of games. This day is a great chance to meet your teammates, coaches. After receiving feedback our primary teams will all participate in round robin games. More information will be provided as the date draws closer.



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Junior Football

AUGUST MILESTONE GAMES

Congratulations to all the junior footballers who played milestone games during August.

Special mention to Jack from our Under 16 Reserves team who celebrated 100 games!



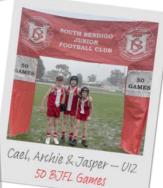












Junior Football Finals

We had four junior teams enter the BJFL finals for 2024: all three Under 12 teams and the Under 16 Seniors team.

In the first week of finals, our Under 12D (2) team secured a thrilling 1-point win over Mount Pleasant, earning a spot in the Preliminary Final on Sunday, 8th September. Unfortunately, our Under 12A team was defeated by Maiden Gully, despite a strong effort throughout the year. The Under 16 Seniors team also advanced to the Preliminary Final after an impressive 49-point victory over Maryborough.

Our Under 12D (3) team will face St Monica's on Sunday, 1st September in their semi-final.

Stay tuned to our social pages for the latest updates on games and results.





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Results

ROUND 15 – 3 August at Princes Park

FOOTBALL	SENIORS	U18'S
SOUTH BENDIGO	32.11 203	7.10 52
MARYBOROUGH	6.12 48	6.6 42

NETBALL	A RESERVE	B GRADE	B RESERVE	U17'S
SOUTH BENDIGO	36	58	74	33
MARYBOROUGH	46	22	29	51

ROUND 17 – 17 August at Harry Trott

FOOTBALL	SENIORS	RESERVES	U18'S
SOUTH BENDIGO	7.9 51	2.4 16	1.2 8
GOLDEN SQUARE	19.15 129	12.9 81	18.11 119

NETBALL	A GRADE	A RESERVE	B GRADE	B RESERVE	U17'S
SOUTH BENDIGO	40	51	45	43	20
GOLDEN SQUARE	42	48	27	29	69

ROUND 18 – 24 August at Canterbury Park

FOOTBALL	SENIORS	RESERVES	U18'S
SOUTH BENDIGO	12.13 85	5.4 34	17.9 111
EAGLEHAWK	21.11 137	12.13 85	3.2 20

NETBALL	A GRADE	A RESERVE	B GRADE	B RESERVE	U17'S
SOUTH BENDIGO	29	43	46	40	32
EAGLEHAWK	34	23	37	31	27



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