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"Great Shot!"

Basketball at Scotch College

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Polar Fleece Vests



Polar Fleece Vests for Sale

The Slam Dunk Club has a limited number of Warm Polar Fleece Vests available for parents and coaches to purchase for \$40 (a bargain). The vests are red and embroidered with the Scotch Basketball logo. Contact a year level coordinator or email eeadie@bigpond.net.au for more details.

Basketball at Scotch

The end of year **Basketball Presentation Night** is scheduled for Wednesday August 11th with a 3 on 3 competition immediately after school, followed by an exhibition match with the current Scotch College 1sts challenging former basketball captains and dinner to follow in the Cardinal Pavilion. Player awards will be presented including the **new** Slam Dunk Club Trophy. More information is provided in this newsletter. You **must** reply before August 9th. Reply slip included in the newsletter.



above: the conclusion of the 8A game

Photo Submissions: Do you have access to a digital camera? Do you want to see all the action **from your team** pictured in the 'Great Shot!'. At the moment we have only 2 or 3 parents taking photographs for the newsletter. These are parents with involvement in the senior teams. . Please send jpeg images to Ellen by noon Monday at: eeadie@bigpond.net.au

Game Reports for July 17, 2004

The Scotch College 1^{sts} and 2nds, 5ths and 8C1 teams had BYES this week. The 7C3 game was cancelled. There were 11 wins and 8 losses. Below, thanks to Mr. Neville Taylor, is the APS ladder for the 1^{sts} and 2^{nds}.

1sts Ladder (after Round 9 –revised 20/7)

1. Haileybury College
2. St Kevin's College
3. Caulfield
4. Scotch College
5. Xavier College
6. Wesley C
7. Carey
8. Geelong
9. Melbourne Grammar School

2nds (after Round 9)

1. Carey
2. Scotch College
3. St Kevin's College
4. Wesley College
5. Xavier College
6. Caulfield Grammar
7. Haileybury College
8. Melbourne Grammar School
9. Geelong



above: Images from the undefeated 3^{ods} team as they played Xavier at MSAC, July 17th

3rds Scotch 43 defeated Xavier 26

This team has maintained their unbeaten record with a great team effort. They are always looking to pass and even when falling they tap the ball to a mate as they go over. Overall the boys show intelligent play, with no "glory seekers". **Aleksy Bialeki** was top scorer with 11 points this week. Although the 3rds were lacking much recent training, we were still able to produce an outstanding performance. All players were great. Great presses from **Chris Colman**. Well done everyone. *Report by Coach Mr. Stephen Pallot and player Francis Leung*

4ths Scotch 32 defeated Xavier 28

Scotch was clearly the better team even though the scoreboard did not reflect this. **James Ramsey** and **Randal Nolan** both scored 10 points. The team played well but got a bit rattled by Xavier's aggressive man defence. Excessive fouls in the 2nd half made things difficult, as we had to treat the opposition with "kitty gloves". **Randal Nolan** was everywhere, anticipating play brilliantly. *Report by Coach Mr. Stephen Pallot*

5ths BYE

6ths 20 lost to Xavier 5ths 25

Facing a tough Xavier team the 6ths started off brilliantly building a 10-0 lead. Tough defensive pressure and great passing from **Gary Li** allowed the 6ths to get out to such a commanding lead. Unfortunately the defensive pressure was equally met from Xavier in the second half and the pressure on our offense caused too many turnovers, leading to easy Xavier points. A valiant effort from **Josh, Gary and Geoff** who tried to rally the team in the final minutes, but a re-energized Xavier team was too strong for the 6ths in the second half this weekend. *Report by Coach Peter Jackowski*



Left: The 10s verses Carey at Waverley

10A 23 defeated Carey 17

The 10As played reasonably well against a strong Carey team who worked very hard in defense and made scoring difficult. Scotch won a tough game 23 – 17. Like the 10Bs the As were rusty and found it difficult to get their flowing game going. They worked hard to run their plays and their patience was often rewarded. They were strong under the boards and were unlucky not to score more often. The best were **Oliver Baxter 7, David Taylor 3, Simon Teo 4, and Nick Allen 1**. I hope the boys are looking forward to the next three tough games and are prepared to work very hard at training over the next few weeks to get back to their best. They remain undefeated for the season but will have to stay focused to remain so. *Report by Coach Mr. Mark Mason*

10B 18 lost to Carey 41

The 10Bs lost their first game of the season against Carey 41 to 18. A very disappointing display of basketball saw the Scotch team totally capitulate except for a few minutes before half time when they scored freely, applied pressure and showed some of the form that had seen them undefeated for the season up to then. This was short lived and they returned to their apathetic and unskilled performance for the rest of the game. The only plausible explanation for such a disappointing game is the long period of layoff without consistent training including the holidays and work experience. I am sure the boys will expect some hard work at training for the next few weeks. The only shining light for the game was the efforts of **Andrew Trinh** who

worked hard all game and scored 10 points. With three hard games left for the rest of the season the team will have to work hard to get back to their best. They will have an opportunity in the next few weeks to meet with Carey again and to show them how they can really play. *Report by Coach Mr. Mark Mason*

10C1 15 lost to Wesley 37

Lots of shots were taken but only a small percentage converted to points. Top scorer on the team was **Jamie Robertson**. As one player said "After a week of work experience we really need some training sessions!". *Report By Coach Mr. Glen Robins*

10C2 14 lost to St Kevin's 20

The 10C2s had already beaten St Kevin's this season, but were always going to be up against it, having not played or trained for some weeks. After a week on work experience only four players managed to make it for the game, but fortunately the team was ably assisted by Year 9 player **David Yeung**, who valiantly played a second consecutive game. After falling behind 9-3 at half-time the Scotch players were able to compete well in the second half and managed to match St Kevins 11-11 despite tiring legs. **Jamie Robertson** top-scored with 7 points and **Jordan Ridgewell** scored 5 points, all in the second half. **David Yeung** added 2 points. **Stuart Thomas** and **Gordon Koh** played their hearts out. **Stuart Thomas** reflected somewhat bitterly after the game, "Why do sinners' ways prosper? and why must disappointment all I endeavour

end?" Although Stuart's disappointment is understandable it was an admirable effort given the circumstances. The team will look to regroup for the coming weekend's game. *Report by Coach Mr. Blair Mahoney*

9A Scotch 39 defeated Wesley 30

The team was a bit rusty after a substantial break with little training. Nevertheless they did enough to score a comfortable win. **Sam Cossar** top scored with 9 points and was awarded MVP. *Report by Coach Mr. Keith Oatley*

9B Scotch 57 defeated Wesley 12

The shooting left a lot to be desired but generally the team maintained possession and had little trouble at the other end. **Ben Marks** top scored with 18 points but **Nick Johns-Wickberg** with 12 points and 15 rebounds was awarded MVP. *Report by Coach Mr. Keith Oatley*

9C1 32 defeated Xavier (2) 8

Once again Scotch triumphed relatively easily over a depleted opposition. Again we had to 'lend' the opposition a player so the match could proceed - thanks to **Victor Lei** for 'volunteering' to play (very well) for Xavier. While Scotch won comfortably 32 to 8, there were aspects of our game which have slipped back - especially fitness, passing and in particular passing around the key to get the best shot off. However our big men - especially **Andrew Wilson** dominated. I hope that with all students attending all practices, we can work on these aspects and improve our game. Congratulations

on another meritorious win. *Report by Coach Mr. Ron Anderson*

9C2 20 lost to St Kevin's 27

8A 22 lost to Wesley 34

As Mr. Peters put it, Scotch looked like a team that had been on holiday for a few weeks. Unfortunately, Wesley looked like a very good team that had come back from the break focused and cohesive, and, although Scotch threatened early in the second half, we were never really in a position to take over after giving up an early lead. An inability to make good use of our height advantage hurt at both ends of the floor and Scotch was eventually overwhelmed 34 - 22. A reasonable defensive effort allowed us to hang around and to create a few opportunities on the break, but all too often we failed to capitalize. **Steven Lo** provided the only real spark in offence, and **Tom Matthews** and **Hayden Cox-Walker** (once he decided to turn up) combined to shut down Wesley's main offensive threat, but there was little fluency as a team and Wesley deserved the victory. *Report by Coach Mr. Stuart Pirie*

8B 44 defeated Wesley 20

After a tight start, Scotch established itself as the stronger of the two teams through aggressive rebounding and an effective running game and ran away with the victory. **Peter Tear** and **Tom Otter**, having both played a big part in recent 8A's victories, dominated, with Peter's control at the point a decisive factor in the game. **Jack Naughton** also had his best game of the year, controlling the ball when in control and hustling hard in defence. In the end Scotch ran out 44 - 20 victors. *Report by Coach Mr. Stuart Pirie*

8C1 BYE

8C2 20 defeated St Kevin's 14

The 8C2s played an excellent game against St. Kevin's on Friday afternoon. After being 2 points behind at the end of the first half, the team put forth an excellent effort to come out 6 points on top. Their improved defensive skills kept a lid on St. Kevin's score and the 8C2s had plenty of shots for goals which paid off. The top scorers were **Ed Dick** with 8 points, **Vincent Raboude** with 6 points and **Simon Black** with 4 points. *Report by Coach Mrs. Donna del Porto*

8C3 52 defeated Carey 23

An excellent team effort! Scotch was the stronger team and kept the pressure on from the start. **Andy Wang**, **Lachlan White**, **Ryan Bowman** were top scorers for the game. *Report by Coach Ms. Zelijka Hamza*

7A 70 defeated Wesley 20

The boys made a strong start, with several quick baskets before Wesley opened their account. Scotch then changed into a higher gear and cruised away to establish a strong dominance which was maintained throughout the match. A 27 point lead at half time was pushed out to a 50 point buffer by the final whistle. Again, the team exhibited excellent defensive play. Everyone scored some baskets. **Cameron Lowe** and **Jeremy Chaves** in particular, had good games. However, 'well done' to the whole team. *Report by Coach Mr. Jeff Watson*

7B 99 defeated Wesley 2

This squad has evolved into a very close knit team, which enjoys a fast open style of game. Unfortunately Wesley was under-strength, with players away on school camps. Consequently, Scotch scored a runaway win with heaps of baskets for everyone. **Andrew Lim** and **Charlie Hancock** in particular, racked up big totals. The team displayed good sportsmanship by thanking the Wesley boys for organizing the game. *Report by Coach Mr. Jeff Watson*

7C1 Scotch 12 lost to Wesley 50

Scotch started slowly against a very strong Wesley C team. Wesley's strong defence kept our shooting power to only 2 points at half time. The score was 2-36. To their credit Scotch lifted and only allowed 14 points to Wesley in the second half, themselves scoring 10 points. Well done especially to **Myles Cronin** and **Mark Lym** for their baskets and **Hayden** and **Hugh** for their good defending. *Report by Coach Mrs. Grace Cardaci*

7C2 16 lost to St Kevin's 34

After a long mid-season break, the Scotch 7C2 team did not achieve the team cohesion required to mount a competitive defence against St Kevin's on Saturday. Scoring was evenly shared across the team, with 6 different players scoring 2 points and **David Signorino** scoring 4 points. *Report by Coach Mrs. Narelle Sheeziel*

7C3 CANCELLED

right: Players from the 8B team with Coach Mr. Stu Pirie playing at MSAC



★★★ Player Profile ★★★ **Michael Frame** ★★★ Player Profile ★★★



Hello, my name is Michael Frame. I have been playing basketball for as long as I can remember and I will continue to play until it stops being fun. I am in year 12 this year and am playing in the open seconds, which is also where I played last year. I played in the Hawthorn league while growing up, in a team by the name of the Jets. The Jets were made up of numerous Scotch boys all of whom are now in year 12. Basketball does make up a big part of my life but during the summer playing club basketball became a balancing act because I also played all day cricket. Apart from cricket and basketball, skiing is my other great passion. I have been fortunate enough to travel a lot which has allowed me to ski in some of the greatest places the world has to offer.

Traveling has also allowed me to see many great sights throughout Europe and America. This has meant giving up many summer holidays in the sun but has definitely been worth it. For any skiing enthusiast out there I would greatly recommend Jackson Hole, Wyoming, as it is number one for steep and deep in the USA. I have greatly enjoyed playing in the seconds this year as we have only lost one game.



Michael Frame, number 33, in action at MSAC, 2004, captain of the Scotch 2nds.

The Slam Dunk Trophy – ‘Best and Fairest’ – donated by the Jets 2004

This year will mark the inaugural presentation of the SDC ‘Best and Fairest’ Trophy to be presented to a player from the 1st or 2nd open team as voted by their peers and coaches. This perpetual trophy will be housed at Scotch College. The trophy is sponsored by the parents support group for basketball at Scotch College and was purchased with funds donated to the club by the Jets basketball team. Jim Frame, president of the SDC has provided a brief history of the Jets and their link to Scotch College.

In 1996 I approached Rob Hortin with an idea that would ensure he had an experienced basketball team in 2004 with the aim of winning the APS Basketball Premiership. The idea was to form a nucleus of boys in Year 4 with the best basketball skills, enter them as a team in the Hawthorn Junior Competition with an ex-Captain of

Scotch basketball as their coach and to teach them to play basketball. This culminated in the boys not only winning the 1998 Premiership in the Hawthorn Competition, where they played in Division 1 in a higher age group, but also resulted in the team remaining undefeated in the APS at the junior and middle school levels. The boys had a very strong mindset and decided to call themselves the Jets. Many Scotch boys have played in the Jets over the years and the following Jets players are currently playing in the Firsts and Seconds: Chris Anderson, Wes Cronin, Julian Deschepper, Michael Frame, Danny Lee, Charles Low, Chula Na Rong, Troy Sandley, and Leo Tang.

Be at Presentation Night 2004 to congratulate the recipient of this very special award presented by Jim Frame.

Scotch College Basketball Presentation Night 2004 Wednesday August 11, 2004

You are invited to attend an evening of basketball fun to conclude the Scotch basketball season of 2004.

The **Scotch College Presentation Night** will commence with a friendly **3on3** basketball competition in the Glenn Centre, with mixed age teams and prizes from Kickz101, followed by an **exciting match** between the Scotch College 1^{sts} and former captains of Scotch basketball. **Team awards and presentations** will commence at 6:45 in the Cardinal Pavilion with a buffet style **dinner** served from 7pm. The night will conclude with presentation of the **Slam Dunk Trophy**, a 'Best and Fairest Award' as voted by players and coaches of the 1st and 2nd squad.



above: images from the 3 on 3 competition from 2003, including the winners and runners up group.

- Boys and parents welcome from 4:15pm in the Glenn centre with the main exhibition game scheduled for 5:30 tip off. Presentations and dinner commencing at 6:45, in the Cardinal Pavilion with the evening concluding approximately at 8:30.
- Boys encouraged to play in the 3 on 3 competition. Players will be placed in a team to ensure that all teams are balanced in terms of skill, height and age. Those not wishing to play are welcome as spectators or officials.
- Players from the winning and second placed teams will receive prizes from Kicks101.
- Support the Scotch firsts as they battle for a win against the 'Old boys' of Scotch College.
- There will be recognition of players from all year levels with special awards.
- Presentation of the 'Best and Fairest' SDC trophy to a member of the 1st or 2nd squad.
- Enjoy a buffet dinner amongst friends, old and new.

Send in your reply ASAP (see the last page of the newsletter or download from the basketball pages of the Scotch College website).

SCOTCH BASKETBALL END OF SEASON PRESENTATION NIGHT; 3 ON 3, EXHIBITION GAME AND BUFFET DINNER

Get set for an exciting finale to the Scotch Basketball Season.

Scotch College Basketball, in association with the Slam Dunk Club, presents an exciting game of Basketball between the 2004 1sts and former Scotch College Basketball Captains. Tip off at 5:30.

Prior to the game, boys are invited to participate in a 3 on 3 competition commencing at 4:15pm, with great prizes to be won.

The game will be followed by a buffet style dinner in the Cardinal Pavilion, and end of season presentations. Do not miss out; send in your reply slip and register for the 3 on 3.

Date **Wednesday August 11 2004**
Time **3 on 3 right after school, game tip off 5:30, dinner immediately after the game**
Venue **The Glenn Centre and Cardinal Pavilion**
Cost **\$20 per person, children under 12 free**
RSVP **Via Reply Slip by Monday August 9 2004**

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Reply Slip Scotch College Presentation night

Name _____

Year Level(s) _____

Telephone number _____

Number of People attending _____ **at \$20 per person (children under 12 free)**

Total Amount Enclosed (cheque payable to Scotch College) _____

3 on 3 Competition Registration (optional) Below please write player name(s) and current school team (i.e. 7C1) *(Bring a light and dark singlet or your school singlet and reverse as necessary)*

Cheque Payable to: Scotch College
Mail payment to Mrs. Ellen Eadie, 10 Murdoch Street, Camberwell 3124