



## Wyvern Sport Term 3 - Week 3, 2014

### Saturday Winter Sport Round 9 – Saturday 2 August, 2014

The winter sport fixtures for 2014 are available on Newington Spaces.

Please remember that on occasions these fixtures are subject to change, so always refer to the weekly sports draw to get the most up-to-date details regarding the weekends round of matches.

### NEWINGTON COMBINED PREPARATORY SCHOOLS' ATHLETICS CARNIVAL: SOPAC - Homebush:

This Tuesday the Newington Preparatory Schools' Primary Athletics Carnival will be held at the Sydney Olympic Park Athletic Centre at Homebush.

### PLEASE TAKE SPECIAL NOTE OF THE BUS DEPARTURE TIMES BELOW

**7:00am:** Wyvern students competing in 800m finals leave on Bus 1 (names on Spaces)

**7:30am: SHARP:** Remaining buses depart with all other students in Years 3 - 6

### APPROXIMATE TIMING OF ATHLETICS PROGRAM EVENTS

#### 8:00am

800m events: 8/9 years event (Final)  
10 years event (Final)  
11 years event (Final)  
12 years event (Final)

**8:45am – Field event Rotation 1**

**9:30am – Field event Rotation 2**

**10:15am – Field event Rotation 3**

**11:00am – Field event Rotation 4**

**11:45am – Field event Rotation 5**

#### 12:20pm

100m finals 8/9/10 years  
100m finals 11/12 years

#### 12:45pm

200m finals 8-12 years

#### 1:15pm

Relays

#### 1:50pm

Presentations of trophies

The first events will be the 800m finals and they will commence at 8:00am.

**Students selected in the finals for the 800m events will need to arrive at school in time to catch the bus at 7:00am. These names are available on the Wyvern Sport page on Spaces.**

All parents may drive their children directly to the carnival provided they notify their classroom teacher before the morning of Friday 1 August.

### STUDENTS NOT IN 800M FINAL WILL BE LEAVING SCHOOL ON THE BUSES AT 7:30AM SHARP

Upon arrival at the carnival all children arriving by private transport will need to report to Mr Wilson to have their names marked off the roll.

Parents may also take their children home from SOPAC at the conclusion of the carnival provided they notify their child's classroom teacher beforehand.

### Athletics Carnival Parking

Parents please note that parking is available at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre in the Aquatic Centre car park. There is a flat rate of \$14 for the day. Tickets may need to get validated on the day and this will be explained at the Carnival itself.

### NCP Inter-house Athletics Carnival

The boys on this list will be required to be at SOPAC earlier than most with the first final starting at 8.00am. It is asked that if by travelling to SOPAC with parents, all finalists should aim to arrive at 7.30am. If travelling to the event by bus from Wyvern, finalists are required to leave school on the first bus departing at 7.00am.

### K-2 Athletics Carnival

A fine winter's morning greeted the Newington Prep School's K-2 athletics competitors to Old Boys on Wednesday morning. Many of the competitors had been working on their athletic prowess during GMS and PE. The training regimes had been tapering nicely and this was an opportunity to show all how far they have progressed and how much they enjoy healthy activity. It was evident that our K-2 boys do enjoy activity and also thrive on a bit of healthy competition.

With the blue sky as the perfect backdrop, the track was set alight with scorching sprints and relays. The coloured discs flew through the air, although a little wayward at times, the audience enduring some narrow escapes.

The fizzing sound of the vortex/javelin gave great enjoyment to the crowd as the young Newington competitors sent them into orbit and over the goal posts. Shot puts were pushed long and high with even a few grunts heard for that extra competitive edge from some kindergarten throwers. The most fitting event for the K-2 carnival once again drew the most entertained observers. Perhaps as all spectators are transported to a time where they too enjoyed the simplest things in life.....like a sack race!

### NSWPSSA Cross Country Success – Bili Robertson

Huge congratulations to Bili Robertson on his most recent sporting achievement! Bili ran in the NSWPSSA Cross Country Championships last week managing to finish an extraordinary 3rd and qualify for the National titles to be held in Albany W.A. in late August. Bili will be training hard until the Australian titles in order to be at his optimum fitness.

Bili will also be raising funds for the expenses for his trip at the school athletics carnival. If you get a chance, please support Bili's efforts with a small donation.

### **Kawanashi Japan Rugby Tour Match – (11's Rugby Players)**

On Monday 28th of July, Wyvern boys from Year 5 were involved in a rugby match against a touring team from Japan. The Japanese team was from Kawanishi Rugby School, who were enjoying an Australian tour.

Our Wyvern boys were obviously excited about the opportunity to test their skills against an unknown Japanese side renowned for their quick pace and handling skills. We were blessed with fine weather for the match. The National Anthems were eagerly sung with pride and the scene was set for an enthralling encounter.

On kick off, the hill of the Johnson Oval was peppered with the player's school mates lending vigorous support. Wyvern's 11's got off to solid start with penetrating runs from Will Rumi and solid defence from Toby Phillips. But it was forward of the match Gabe Poidevin who opened the scoring for Wyvern diving over in the corner after a 30m incision.

The Japanese style of play was expansive and skilled but Wyvern proved unrelenting early, starving the visitors of vital possession. Despite brilliant low tackles from the Japanese, more tries were scored after some outstanding lead up play directed by halfback Angus Churchin and 5/8 Flynn Gannon. Tom Oates, Will Rumi, Gabe Poidevin, Oliver Kleppich, Angus Ole added more tries before Kawanishi hit back with one of their own. It was great to see the sportsmanlike but raucous support from Wyvern spectators, was also afforded to the tourists after their try was scored.

With the excited and vocal crowd willing them on, the Wyvern boys refused to stop until the final whistle. The Wyvern forwards led the way with Tom Hirst proving a threat in tight. Ben Crawford and Callum Latham pestered the Kawanishi team with great all-round performances. With only minutes to go, the Wyvern team went over once more to seal the victory. A gap was spotted and with a blistering turn of speed, Jack Purkis left tacklers in his wake to score a fabulous try under the sticks.

All boys played with great attitude and also were gracious hosts to the Japanese tourists at the after match function. During the function Wyvern's Captain Sam Eagleton, gave a wonderful speech thanking parents and players, afterwards presentations were made to both teams. Congratulations to Tom Oates and Gabe Poidevin who were recognised as Wyvern's men of the match for their awesome efforts. Congratulations boys!

### **FUTSAL Schools' State Championships**

Newington had two FUTSAL teams that qualified for the State Championships in Penrith this week, an effort few schools could boast. Both teams were proved they were comfortable competing against the state's best FUTSAL players. Our Year 5 team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in their pool after having 2 wins, a loss and a narrow draw. Unfortunately this was not enough to allow them to progress to the finals. Aidan Principe was terrific in defence as were Oliver Kleppich and Stefano Ottavio who shared the Goal Keeping duties. Fletcher Jakes and Gaelen Dorigo showed what great competitors they both were, playing

every game with admirable determination in the midfield. Joe Reilly-Malkovec and Liam Spiropoulos had the opposition defence scrambling on numerous occasions with their clever skills and accurate finishing up front. Given this group of boys were competing in an U13's competition, it will be exciting to watch these boys next year to see if they can progress one step further. Our Year 6 team were pooled in proverbial 'Group of Death'. Like the Aussie Socceroos though, they won plenty of fans by the way they competed in every match and pushed their more fancied opponents. A draw, a win and two very respectable losses meant they were edged out of second place in their pool and unable to progress through to the quarter finals.

In their first match against Hornsby North PS the boys dominated play but were unable to capitalize with goals. A goal against the run of play threatened to derail their start but a determined goal by Tom McCoubrie after applying tremendous pressure skills helped the Newington boys salvage a draw. Against the International Football School Sebastian Vardavas and Jackson Sumich both managed goals in an impressive win to the Newington boys. Following that, Newington played the highly fancied King Park team that was full of representative stars. Newington matched their opposition all match. Anthony Papadimitriou and Jack Newton were workhorses through the midfield and Henry Goodfellow was brave in goals. Sebastian Vardavas scored another goal for Newington, however, King Park capitalized on their opportunities to take the win. The Newington boys were complimented by the opposition coach for their quality of play.

The final match against All Saints Grammar was a must win match for both teams who wanted to qualify for the quarter finals. Accordingly the game was played with a higher level of desperation than usual. Disappointingly an unsavoury foul by the opposition led to an injury which required our striker Jackson Sumich to be taken from the field. The disruption to Newington's line up unsettled the boys and they were down 4 - 0 before they were able to re-group. Once they re-grouped, they mounted an amazing fight back to drag the score back to 4 - 3 before the final whistle was blown. Time prevented the boys from salvaging a draw which could have promoted them into second place in their pool and a position in the quarter finals. Jake Peterson stood up to play his best game of the tournament as did Alex Solomou who managed two goals.

While disappointed, all the boys can walk away proud of their efforts, as at all times they played with great spirit and sportsmanship.

### **Flyers:**

The following flyers are available on Newington Spaces and can also be collected from the display unit near the front office.

- Swim Squad
- Y5/6 Cricket Skills
- AFL Auskick

### **Shining Stars:**

- Congratulations to Flynn Gannon (year 5). Due to his impressive results in the snowboarding this year, he has been selected to partake in the

NSW Interschools' Emerging Talent Program. We believe he is the first student to do so that has been selected from Newington.

- Congratulations to Aidan Principe on his gold medal from the Southern Highlands fencing competition. Aidan got the gold medal by default, because he was the only U/11 to enter. However, to earn it he had to fence in the U13 competition and this was the first time he'd picked up an epee, much less fenced in an epee competition. Aidan did well to score points in all but one of his bouts. After finishing the combined U/11 & U/13 competition, Aidan decided to enter the U/15 competition with the aim of scoring at least one point against his sister (who is on the Australian Fencing Team for Cadet Women's Epee). Not only did Aidan score two points against Emily, but he ended up finishing 7th out of 11 fencers in the U/15's. Aidan's usual weapon is foil in which he finished first in NSW for U/9 boys last year. Having moved up an age group this year, Aidan is currently tied for fourth place for U/11 boys foil in NSW (out of 15+ competitors from around the state).
- We wish Dominic Goonan and Gaelen Dorigo (Year 5) the best of luck as they have successfully qualified to swim in the ACT Championships at the Australian Institute of Sport (Canberra).
- If your son has had some successful sporting achievements outside of school, I would love to hear from you. They can be shared with the Wyvern community through this "Shining Stars" section of the Wyvern.

**Coming Up:**

- Sunday 3 August 2014 Bayrun
- Tuesday 5 August Newington Preparatory School Inter-house Athletics carnival- SOPAC
- Wednesday 6 August Milo Cup Timbrell Park (selected students)
- Sunday 10 August - City2Surf
- Saturday 16 August - Newington Invitational Athletics- SOPAC
- Tuesday 26 August - IPSHA Athletics- SOPAC
- Saturday 6 September - Newington Preparatory School Inter-house Biathlon and Tennis Championships