



Wyvern Sport Term 3 - Week 5, 2014

NEWINGTON COMBINED PREPARATORY SCHOOLS' ATHLETICS CARNIVAL: SOPAC - HOMEBUSH:

If you read my report from last year, this may sound familiar (or more like a broken record) but the Newington faithful were greeted to a spectacular day for what was to be the most successful Athletics Carnival in recent memory. Well over 400 boys from Lindfield and Wyvern packed the stands for a new look and improved carnival program.

As usual, we started with the 800m and we were greeted with a familiar sight once again as young Bili Robertson scorched the track to win the Junior event, ahead of a fast finishing James MacGregor. Clearly hampered by illness, the young Wyvernite showed every bit of courage in the gruelling event. Matthew Torrible was first home for the 9 years, with Nicholas Venetoulis nipping at his heels. In the 11's race it was a classic finish with Fletcher Jakes leaving it to the last 50m to overcome Will Creighton, whilst in the 12's it was Cross Country king Oscar Moody having to dig deep to pass a vastly improving Harry Bell in an all Lindfield battle.

With the 800's finished and all the boys assembled in the stands, it was time for the fun and games to begin. With only four rotations to negotiate this year, all involved were very confident that relays would be the blue ribbon event for the end of the day.

On the track, the 8's and 9's showed why the future looks bright at both campuses with some stellar performances. In the 8's it was Richard Hunt (100m) and Will Nicholas (200m) sharing the honours in the 100m and 200m respectively, with Cameron Davey-Webb closely behind in both. Cameron would then go on to win the Age Champion award in this age group, with both Richard and Will sharing the runner up title.

In the 9's Alec Peterson (100m) and Mitchell Cope (200m) took out the sprinting crown with Harry Stuart and Matthew Torrible close behind. In the field it was Lipina Ata who starred, taking out the Turbo Javelin, Shot Put and Discus events, helping himself to the age champion crown. Sprint star Peterson was close behind in second, with Torrible 3rd.

In the 10's young Bili Robertson did not have it all his own way, with new kid on the block Aiden Mostofi sprinting his way to victory in the 100 and 200m events, before taking out the long jump. Robertson hit back with victory in the high jump and a strong placing in the turbo javelin to take out the age championship ahead of Mostofi. Up and comer James Whiteing finished 3rd overall.

The 11 years saw multi-talented athlete Willem Rumi show he is not just a talent in the pool as he won the 100 and 200m double. But if he was brilliant on the track, young Atticus Bertrams was so in the field events,

winning the shot put, discus and finishing 2nd in the high jump. This earned him the age championship, just ahead of the consistent Oliver Kleppich in 2nd with Rumi in 3rd.

In the 12 years it was a race between two, with Harry Bell and Anthony Papadimitriou jousting it out for the top honours. Harry finished 1st in the 200m and 2nd in the 100m, whereas Anthony's 1st in both the High Jump and Shot Put, plus 2nd in both the Long Jump and 100m had him crowned 12 years winner, with Harry in 2nd. Ever improving Will Flannigan was 3rd.

The highlight of the day without doubt was the relays, and the buzz from the stands leading into the event was electric. First out of the blocks was the Junior 4 x 100m and Coates led from start to finish in a Jamaican-style victory with Bili Robertson crossing the line in first, ahead of Lucas and Howe. In the seniors it was a much tighter affair, with all 6 houses changing together at the last change. With Harry Bell and Sebastian Vardavas swapping the lead, it was the powerful finish of Vardavas that won out in the end. Howe were first, Kingswood 2nd and Lucas 3rd. A fantastic end to what was a spectacular day. Thank you to all that were involved and for the parents who ventured out and cheered on their budding athletes.

ATHLETICS RESULTS 2014

HOUSE POINT SCORING

| Final Placings | Houses | Final Scores |
|----------------|-----------|--------------|
| 1 | Kingswood | 4.28 |
| 2 | Coates | 4.06 |
| 3 | Rydal | 2.75 |
| 4 | Howe | 2.74 |
| 5 | Williams | 2.52 |
| 6 | Lucas | 2.43 |

AGE CHAMPIONS

| Age | Age Champion | Runner Up |
|--------|--------------------------------|---|
| 8 yrs | Cameron Davey-Webb (22 pts) | Richard Hunt (16 pts) Will Nicholas (16 pts) |
| 9 yrs | Lipina Ata (30 pts) | Alec Peterson (28 pts) |
| 10 yrs | Bili Robertson (48 pts) | Aiden Mostofi (40 pts) |
| 11 yrs | Atticus Bertrams (30 pts) | Oliver Kleppich (22 pts) |
| 12 yrs | Anthony Papadimitriou (36 pts) | Harry Bell (30 pts) |

| 2014 Newington Prep Athletics Team Invitationals and IPSHA | |
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| 8 Years Richard Hunt Will Nicholas Vasili Filippatos Cameron Davey-Webb | 9 Years Alec Peterson Mitchell Cope Samson Tuqiri Harry Stuart |
| 10 Years Jake Goodhand Bili Robertson James McGregor James Whiteing James Davison Aiden Mostofi | |
| 11 Years Will Rumi Sam Sullivan Vincent De Souza Joe Reilly Makovec Fletcher Jakes Oliver Kleppich Gabe Poidevin Atticus Bertrams Conor Corcoran Hamish Danks | 12 Years Sebastian Vardavas Anthony Papadimitriou Thomas McCoubrie William Li George Goodman Zack McGeechan Will Creighton Oscar Moody Harry Bell Alex Short |
| Invitationals Only | |
| Reuben Palmer Liam Spiropoulos Sam Lydon Jack Newton Tom Chanter Matthew Torrible | Grayson Richardson George Houvardas Simon Latham Flynn Leung Nicholson Ben Walsh |

Uniform and Equipment: Boys will be required to wear House Polo shirt, shorts & runners as well as provide their own tennis racquet.

Format: There will be a round robin competition to begin with. Boys will play 5 x 10 minute matches with the number of games won recorded. The winner of the most games in each pool will progress to the knockout draw to determine an overall singles champion and runner up.

The standard of competition will be challenging and it should be an absorbing battle to see which House will be the Champion House for 2014 and who will be this year's individual tennis champion.

Newington Inter-House Biathlon

The Newington Preparatory Schools' Inter-House Biathlon will be held on Saturday 6th September at the Newington Senior School pool (7:00am start). It involves a 400m swim followed by a 1600m run.

Entry: Any boys who wish to compete in this 'Open' competition must first check with their parents and then they need to fill out a permission note which can be collected from Mr Martin or from the Wyvern Sport page on Spaces. This note must then be returned to Mr Martin. It must be returned by Friday 29th August to indicate your son's availability for the event. Please remember that the Championship is on a Saturday morning. A final confirmation of entry will be sent home prior to the event to notify the boys who are required.

Wyvern Summer and Winter Inter-House Competition Years 3 – 6

Over the next 3 weeks during sport time on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon, the boys in years 3 – 6 will be competing in a series of summer and winter Inter-House sport matches. Sports that will be played include: football, touch rugby, cricket, basketball, tennis and softball. Rules are modified for the safety and enjoyment of all the boys and at the conclusion we will be able to determine who our winning House teams are in each sport for 2014. The boys will not be required to bring in equipment apart from their PE uniform and House coloured polo shirt.

Winter Sport Awards Assembly

This year our winter sports awards assembly will be held on Friday 12 September in Wyvern Hall at 1.30pm. Letters will be sent home prior to the assembly informing parents if their child will be receiving an award. Parents are welcome to attend.

Flyers:

The following flyers can be collected from the display unit near the front office.

- Swim Squad
- Y 5/6 Cricket Skills
- Spring Holiday Camps

Wyvern Captain of Athletics/Cross Country 2014

Congratulations to Anthony Papadimitriou who has been named as the 2014 Athletics/Cross Country Captain. Anthony represented Newington for cross country at the IPSHA carnival and is also representing Newington at the IPSHA athletics carnival later this month. Anthony was also named 2014 12 Years Athletics Champion.

Tennis - Newington Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship

This year the Newington Preparatory Schools' Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship will be held on Saturday 6 September at the Newington Senior School tennis courts (8:00am – 12:00pm). This tennis championship is open to all boys in Years 3-6 from both the Wyvern and Lindfield campuses. However, numbers participating in this competition will be restricted.

Entry: Any boys who wish to compete in this 'Open' competition must first check with their parents and then they need to fill out a permission note which can be collected from Mr Martin. This note must then be returned to Mr Martin. It must be returned by Friday 29th August to indicate your son's availability for the event. Please remember that the Championship is a Saturday morning. A final confirmation of entry will be sent home prior to the event to notify the boys who are required to play. Unfortunately not all entries can be successful and preference will be given to boys in the higher grades.

Shining Stars:

- 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.
- **Dean Hannah - 6M** (front fourth from left in photo below)
From the very start of the season the battle ground was being laid for this epic battle between the Concord Comets and the Greenway Giants with very little separating these two teams. The Comets came into the Grand Final in second position on the ladder and had only played the Giants once during the regular season which had resulted in a loss to the Comets.

The Comets got off to a slow start and the first inning finished with a 5 - 1 score in favour of Greenway. The boys continued to battle and by the third inning the score was tied and by the sixth it was 8 - 5 Greenway. In the top of the sixth the Comets turned it on were leading 9 - 8. Tensions were high and both teams battled through the remaining innings with few errors and no further runs for either team so a win for the Comets!

The baseball season is starting soon, for information on try baseball days, musters and registrations see club websites - Concord Comets, Five Dock Falcons or the West Boomers Baseball or one near you.



- Year 2 student Marc Grillakis ran with his mother Vicky Grillakis in support for his mother who had a knee reconstruction in January and Marc encouraged her to train and participate in the event as a driver to regain her strength and fitness. Vicky was very proud of Marc as he jogged the first 10km of the 14km event, even a quarter way up Heart Break Hill! His official time was an impressive 1hr 59s. Marc was both an inspiration and an encouragement to his mother and other runners on the day. He had a wonderful time and enjoyed the day.



Coming Up:

- Saturday 16 August – Newington Invitational Athletics- SOPAC (selected students)
- Saturday 23 August – South Harbour Athletics Carnival- SOPAC (selected students)
- Tuesday 26 August – IPSHA Athletics - SOPAC (selected students)
- Saturday 6 September – Newington Preparatory School Inter-house Biathlon and Tennis Championships
- Monday 8 September – Summer sport training begins
- Friday 12 September – Winter Sport Assembly

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