



## Wyvern Sport Term 3 - Week 9, 2015

### 2016 Summer Sport Preference Survey

By now all the Summer Sport Preference Surveys should all have been returned. These documents help organise and plan for the upcoming year of Wyvern sport. If you have not yet returned your preference please do so ASAP. Spare Preference Surveys can be found on Spaces on the Wyvern Sport Page.

### NSWCIS Primary Athletics Championships

The 'Golden Run' continues for sport in 2015! Newington Preparatory School took its largest contingent to the CIS Athletics Carnival this week. The squad of 11 athletes was the biggest to compete at this competitive stage for many years. In perfect conditions at SOPAC the young Newington brigade matched it with the best junior athletes in 8 different events.

The senior boys relay of Bili Robertson, Aidan Mostofi, James McGregor and Jake Goodhand were first to compete. Even after a sloppy baton change in the heats, the boys qualified for the final easily. In the final the boys ran the race of their life finishing 5<sup>th</sup> in an extremely close race. Their time of 54.05 seconds would beat any record for the senior relay at the lead up events. This is even more astounding when you consider every Newington boy is under 11's competing against under 12 boys in a senior event.

The 100m events were next with Jake Goodhand and Aidan Mostofi lining up in the 11 years. Our boys qualified 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest for the final with slashing runs in the heats. In the final, the boys held their form all the way to the line with Mostofi a close 3<sup>rd</sup> and Goodhand just behind in 4<sup>th</sup>. This placing guaranteed Aidan a place in the CIS athletics team to compete at the NSWPSA championships.

Matthew Torrible lined up next in the junior 800m. Matthew took an astonishing 10 seconds off his IPSHA time to finish in a super 4<sup>th</sup> position, just a second of 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Matthew's gritty performance surely inspired Bili Robertson in the 11 years 800m run next. Bili was a true professional during the race, tactically aware and experienced in a contest. Rounding the home turn the final time and Bili put 5 metres on his rivals in the blink of an eye. Bili held the margin to the line to win the race and become CIS 11 years 800m champion for 2015. This also qualified Bili for the upcoming NSWPSA titles.

Our field event participants were all highly competitive throughout the day. Lipina Ata 5<sup>th</sup> in junior shot put, Reuban Palmer 11<sup>th</sup> in 11 years shot put, Angus Ole 11<sup>th</sup> in 12 years shot put and Eric Carney finished 15<sup>th</sup> in the 11 years discus all displayed their dynamic power. Tom Stone finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the 11 years long jump, but unfortunately sustained a small injury that hampered his competition. As a result Tom did not compete in the high jump event. Alec Peterson finished with 7<sup>th</sup> in the junior high jump and Bili Robertson showed his diversity with 4<sup>th</sup> in the 11 years high jump. Aidan Mostofi stamped his class by once again qualifying for NSWPSA with a 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 11 years long jump.

The 200m was the last events for the Newington boys in what was already a successful, but gruelling day. Aidan Mostofi and James McGregor both ran fantastic heats to qualify 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest for the final. In the last throws of the day, Mostofi and McGregor readied themselves for one last effort. The gun went, the boys shot out of the blocks and took up prominent positions. Into the straight and Aidan had accelerated out of the bend and held a lead. James on the other hand, was in a battle for the placing's surrounded by opponents. Down to the line, it was Aidan Mostofi in 1<sup>st</sup> to cap off a superior performance during the carnival. James McGregor fought the whole way, displaying his dogged determination to make it a Newington 1-2! Both boys qualified for the NSWPSA carnival for the event.

In another fine display from Newington Preparatory School's, the wash up was 3 boys moving forward to compete at the State titles in October. Well done to the entire team for not only displaying great ability, but great sportsmanship as well. In particular, congratulations to Bili Robertson, Aidan Mostofi and James McGregor for their qualifications.



Senior boys relay



Bili Robertson - 800m



Lipina Ata - Junior Shotput



Aidan Mostofi 1<sup>st</sup> & James McGregor 2<sup>nd</sup> - 200m

### **NSW Snowsports Championships Success**

Over the past weeks, 12 boys from the Stanmore and Wyvern campuses represented the College in the NSW State Snowsports Championships at Perisher.

From this group, 7 boys qualified for the Australian National Championships to be held at Mt Buller from the 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> of September. This represents the biggest cohort of competitors that Newington has ever sent to the National titles. The following 3 boys from Wyvern are part of the selected few:

- Flynn Gannon (Snowboard GS and Snowboard X)
- Toby Phillips (Snowboard GS)
- Will Rumi (Snowboard GS)

Particular mention must go to Flynn Gannon who won a gold medal in the Snowboard GS. Congratulations boys! All the best for the upcoming National titles!

### **Milo Cup Cricket Report**

Wyvern entered 2 teams of 10 boys in the 2015 Milo Cup Cricket knockout this year. During the 2013 knockout, Wyvern made it through to the State Finals. If we are lucky enough to get that far this year and win, we will have the chance to play at the MCG. With such a large reward for a successful campaign, the boys were eager to perform at their best.

Both teams played extremely well throughout the first round of matches against sides from Christian Brothers Lewisham. The ball soared over the boundary off the Newington bats and wickets tumbled with the ball. The best aspect of the Wyvern performance early was in the field. The boys were on their toes, and with little regard for their crisp white pants, threw themselves around acrobatically. Catch of the day was taken by Lachlan Harmer at backward point, taking a classic at full stretch diving away to his left.

After 2 comfortable victories, it became evident that the Wyvern sides would meet in the 2nd round of matches. The tension was palpable as boys anxiously awaited the verdict of the toss. The Wyvern White team of Angus Churchin, Curtis Mackinnon, Addison Eastway, Owen Read, Sam Eagleton, Tom Hirst, Ridley De Lange, Joe Reilly Makovec, Angus Montrose and Hugh Migro were sent in to bat. Shot of the day was made by Sam Eagleton, blasting a fellow classmate straight back past the stumps all the way to the boundary. The White team amassed a competitive score, taking to the field with a chance at victory with tight bowling. So the Wyvern Black team consisting of Stefano Ottavio, Lachlan Harmer, Benjamin Crawford, Bili

Robertson, James McGregor, Edson Whattam, Gaelen Dorigo, Hugo Stanleick, Max Clarke and Rhys Miller took to the crease fully aware of the target needed. Early on the run chase was proving difficult with economical bowling from the White team. With 2 pairs of batsmen remaining it was anyone's game to win. Fortunately for the Black team, the last few overs were their best, chasing down the runs in a narrow victory over their fellow classmates.

The 3rd round of matches came and went, with 2 strong victories to the Wyvern teams over St Michael's Stanmore and Homebush West Public. This meant momentum leading into the final matches of the day was well and truly with the Newington teams. Newington Black was to play off in the Major Final for 1st and 2nd place, with Newington White playing off in the Final for 3rd and 4th place.

The White team was at their best during their finale. The team played with an exuberant attitude, leaving nothing to chance. Running between wickets was feverish and anticipation in the field was high. As a result, the boys finished a gallant 3rd on the day with some outstanding performances of note. In the major final, the Black team were classy with the bat, but even classier with the ball! The team took wickets at regular intervals, stalling any threat from the opposition. Bili Robertson was responsible for the bowling of the day, skittling the stumps numerous times during his over in the final. Largely due to the exceptional effort in the field, the team proved triumphant and will now compete at the Sydney South West Regional Final held next Term.

### **Tennis - Newington Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship**

This year the Newington Preparatory Schools' Inter-House Tennis Singles Championship will be held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> 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, nominations have closed for the event. We wish all competitor the best of luck and hope for an enjoyable day.

### **Newington Inter-House Biathlon**

The Newington Preparatory Schools' Inter-House Biathlon will be held this Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September at the Newington Senior School pool (7:00am start). It involves a 400m swim followed by a 1600m run. We look forward to an excellent event with some of our best athletes competing for glory!

### **Winter Sport Awards Assembly**

Our winter sports awards assembly will be held this Friday 18 September in Wyvern Hall at 2.00pm. Letters have been 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 are available on Newington Spaces and can also be collected from the display unit near the front office.

- Term 4 Swim Squad
- Wednesday Morning Basketball Skills Y3 -Y6
- Morning Cricket Skills Years 3-6
- Got Game basketball skills Year2

### **Shining Stars**

- Christopher Mina swam at the NSW Short Course State Championships last weekend. This is the premier event for the winter swimming calendar with winners crowned NSW Stage Age Champions. Christopher had a very successful meet winning gold medals in the 50m and 100m butterfly, silver in the 50m freestyle and bronze in the 100m freestyle. Christopher also finished a super 7th and 8th in the 50m and 100m backstroke in the state. Congratulations Christopher!



- 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**

- Saturday 12 September - Newington Biathlon
- Saturday 12 September - Newington Tennis Championship

- Saturday 12 September – 12.00pm NZ Tour training (Snr School)
- Friday 18 September – Winter Sport Assembly
- Monday 12 October – Milo Cup Cricket Regional Final (selected students)
- Saturday 17 October Rd 8 Summer Sport

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