



WYVERN SPORT TERM 2 – Week 4, 2017

Winter Sport – Saturday 20 May, 2017

The winter sport fixtures for 2017 are available on Newington Spaces.

Please remember that on occasions these fixtures are subject to change, so always refer to this document before the upcoming round of matches. Wyvern’s weekly sports draw is another way to get up-to-date details regarding the weekends round of matches.

NSW FUTSAL Championships

Wyvern was represented by 15 boys at the NSW Schools FUTSAL Championships this week. 2 teams were chosen to contest the Sutherland region to play teams from many other schools in the area. Throughout the day the Wyvern teams displayed great skill, teamwork and courage to challenge strongly in every match.

The Black team in a highly competitive Pool 1 started well with good victories against Amity College Auburn and Laguna Street Public School. The goals rained down with every player involved to help the team record 2 solid wins. The 3rd match against St Spiridon Junior College was easily the toughest match of the day. Despite falling behind early, the Wyvern Black team rallied hard to post 2nd half goals to snatch the lead away. Unfortunately St Spiridon snuck in a few late goals to thwart Wyverns challenge, with the score-line 4-3 against. Another large victory over Amity College Illawarra saw the boys head into a must win match against Laguna Street Blue to progress to the finals. In a spine tingling fixture, the score fluctuated in favour of both teams, with awesome goals in abundance. Once again Wyvern were left a goal short as the whistle blew for full-time, down 5-4. With this loss the Black team narrowly missed the semi-final stages, but the standard of play produced during the day was to be applauded.

The Wyvern White team played in Pool 2. The first 2 matches saw the team win in close contests against Amity College Illawarra and The Illawarra Grammar School. The floodgates opened in the 3rd match with a large win over Laguna Street Boys Yellow. The final match of the pool rounds saw revenge for Laguna Street as their Green team won in a tight 5-2 battle. Throughout the pool matches the White team were gritty and determined resulting in a few hard fought wins. The teamwork and selfless play allowed the team to win through to the semi-final stages to play Laguna Street Blue. Down early goals, the White

team could have easily have given up hope, but this team was clearly made up of resilient spirit. Wyvern hit back with 2 quick goals to jolt the opponents into the contest. The intensity was maintained until the whistle, despite the match going the way of Laguna Street, in a display of great sportsmanship.

Both teams are to be congratulated for their efforts during the day. Some of the skill and interplay was a joy to watch, but the “never give in” attitude was surely Wyvern’s strongest asset. Well done to all boys involved and thank you to Mr Pollard for coaching the boys so well.

Wyvern White – Oscar McLeod, Toby Torrible, Jahn Knoph, James Rodgers, James Lydon, Finlay FitzSimons, Peter Koumoulas, Vasili Filippatos

Wyvern Black – Thomas Blanken, Marcus Pearson, Taliesin Dorigo, Matthew Torrible, Frankie Alafaci, Arlo Merewether, Joshua Lakkis





NSW School Rugby 7's Knockout – State Championships

2 teams from Wyvern, made up of boys from Year 5 & Year 6, ventured to Sylvania for a thoroughly exciting day full of rugby 7's action. Despite fewer teams than usual in attendance at the Southern Sydney gala day, the Wyvern boys enjoyed the opportunity to play and learn. Before games commenced, all boys involved were put through their paces by NSW Waratahs development officers as a warm up/skills session. Every boy enjoyed the opportunity to not only improve, but to meet some new like-minded friends from other schools.

Wyvern Black team started strongly with wins over Our Lady of Fatima PS 1 and OLFPS 2. Wyvern White team went down in narrow contests to the same opposition, before the Wyvern White and Wyvern Black met each other in a schoolyard battle with bragging rights at stake. The match was played in good spirits with an even contest ensuing. The Black team got over the line late to secure their 3rd win for the day and go into a playoff match for 1st and 2nd. The White team would contest the playoff spot for 3rd and 4th, with a renewed confidence from the solid match prior.

Wyvern White team certainly saved their best performance for last, winning 3rd place with a whole hearted performance from every player. The team played with a selfless and resilient attitude, and walked off the field very proud of their efforts. It was clear to see that the understanding of the game was beginning to develop in the White players, with the ball moving well at times to give them the edge.

Wyvern Black team took to the field for the top place playoff, only to find themselves under pressure from the outset. Down 3-0 at halftime, the team looked alarmingly dejected and beaten. Nevertheless, the boys changed their mindset to approach the 2nd half with a different attitude. The coach questioned the boys if they would be happy to walk off as 3-2 losers, to which they all took a moment to think, and then responded with a firm yes. The coach reaffirmed these sentiments, as it would mean that regardless of the final result, the boys would walk off with a determined pride in their performance, knowing they never gave up the fight. To the Black team's credit, this is exactly what happened. Wyvern were storming home at the whistle only to go down 4-3, with self-respect in-tact.

CIS AFL Representatives

Congratulations to Harry Earwaker for his selection in the CIS AFL team to compete at the NSWPSA AFL Championships next week. Unfortunately Lipina Ata has withdrawn from the NSWPSA AFL Championships through injury. We know Harry will do himself and the school proud at the tournament held in Parkes NSW.



Well done to all boys who participated, players and water-boys alike. Both teams are still learning the skills and awareness to play rugby 7's at a more competitive level, but the passion is certainly there. The most important lesson to remember is that mistakes happen, every player makes them as does the referee. The strongest teams ride over these errors together with positivity and unity.

Wyvern White – Maxim Willis-Davis, Rowan Bhatia, Stirling Williams, Lucas Pollard, Adam Hassen, Isaac Zoud, Billy Mougios, Charlie Roberts, Arlo Merewether

Wyvern Black – Oscar Martins, Charlie Foster, Ryan Palmer, Eric Carney, Sam Hallit, Hamish Spedding, Xavier Borrhalho, Thomas Kosmas, Quinn Mersal, Josh Cartwright





Athletics Trials

The Newington Preparatory Schools Inter-House Athletics Carnival is to be held in Week 2 of Term 3 on the 26th of July. Heats and Finals of all but 2 events are contested on the day. In order to complete every event on the day, we need to trial for the 800m before the carnival. This event is run as a straight final on the day for the 8/9, 10, 11 and 12 year age groups. Trial times are below. The High Jump is the other event not included during the athletics carnival. This event is decided prior to the carnival during school time. In the coming weeks, boys interested in competing in either the 800m or the high jump will be asked to trial. Details are found on the sports notice board for the age group that they turn this calendar year.

Term 2 – High Jump Prelims (rooftop recess)

Boys are asked to check the sports notice board for details on dates to trial.

Term 2 – 800m Prelims (senior school before sport) – Monday 5th June Leaving Wyvern at 1.00pm

Boys are asked to check the sports notice board for details.

Newington Team for 2017 Balmoral Burn – Sunday 28th May

Humpty Dumpty's annual Balmoral Burn is a wonderful community event that Newington has proudly supported in the past.

Wyvern House Principal, Mr Ian Holden has conquered the Balmoral Burn, racing up a 410m incline for charity. The race helps the Humpty Dumpty Foundation raise money to purchase vital children's medical equipment for over 200 children's hospitals and health service centres across Australia and in 2 in East Timor. Created by Wallaby great Phil Kearns, the Balmoral Burn is a

fun family day out with races for all levels of fitness, runners or walkers, school children, corporate teams, disabled athletes and parents with prams. You can even take your dog or goldfish up the hill in the pet and owner race – there is something for everyone! It's not just about conquering Awaba Street – there's entertainment, music, food stalls and activities for the kids which makes the Burn an ideal family day out.

It would be great if the black and white of Newington Prep School could have a presence at this community event.

The event takes place on Sunday the 28th of May at Balmoral. The start line for the Balmoral Burn is at the bottom of Awaba Street, Balmoral.

Boys & Girls Years 3 – 6 (Including Primary School Challenge) starts at 9.25am.

To register in either of these races, the parents or guardians of the students must register individually online at –

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/PersonalDetails.aspx>

To register your child for the Primary School Challenge, go to humpty.com.au & use the category '**Register as an individual & or family**'.

Please select your child's school when registering, to ensure their individual entry is part of the Primary School Challenge.

When prompted, add the school name for the Primary School Challenge as **Newington Prep School**.

Please email me when you have registered to participate. jwilson@newington.nsw.edu.au

The four fastest runners from the one primary school make up the winning team for the Primary School Challenge. Please check the results board in the Humpty Dumpty Marquee to see which runners made up the winning team.

The entire event begins at around 8.30am. If boys have a Newington athletics singlet they are asked to wear this during the race, otherwise PE uniform should be worn. www.humpty.com.au



Newington College Rugby Association (NCRA)

Season Launch

Benn Robinson, 72 caps for the Wallabies 2006-15, confirmed as guest speaker for this year's launch, with the 'voice of Rugby' Gordon Bray as our MC.

June 2nd at Dockside, Darling Harbour - join us to celebrate the 20th year of this annual event.

[Click to book online - select 'Rugby Launch'](#)

First AFL Support Group Meeting

Monday 29th May, 6.00pm at the Petersham Public Hotel, Stanmore Rd, Petersham.

6.00pm welcome and 6.30pm commencement

All Wyvern and Stanmore parents welcome.

Calling for nominations for the following positions:

1. President
2. Vice-president (up to 3 positions but minimum of 1)
3. Treasurer
4. Secretary
5. Communications
6. General committee members

All enquiries and nominations to Samuel MacDessi
samuelpmacdessi@sydneyknee.com.au

Winter Sport

Please be aware that the team your son has been selected in may be subject to change at any time during the course of the season.

Depending on the size of the squad, it may be necessary to roster some students off each week. This ensures that all boys in attendance at the game receive adequate on field time and do not spend a large amount of the match sitting as a reserve. We will do our best to ensure that all boys that have been selected for a particular game will be rotated throughout the game and play equal time. This may even itself out over a number of games so please do not become worried if it does not happen over the course of one game.

If your son suddenly becomes unavailable for a match due to unforeseen circumstances on a Friday night/Saturday morning, it is expected that you contact your son's coach as early as possible. Absence from sport is the same as absence from any school activity and it is

expected that your son bring in a letter explaining his absence when he first returns to school. This letter should be addressed to the coach and a copy sent to the Wyvern Sport Coordinator (Mr Joel Wilson).

Finally, we ask that all boys be:

- Punctual for games – arriving **at least 3** minutes prior to the start of the scheduled game.
- Ensure that correct Newington sports uniform is worn (this includes playing equipment and safety equipment).

Flyers

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

- Term 2 Swim Squad
- Football Skills Year 3 – 6 (registrations closed for Year 3 & Year 4)
- Rugby Skills Year 3 – 6

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.

Coming Up

- Saturday 20 May – Round 4 Saturday Sport
- Tuesday 23 – 25 May – NSWPSA AFL
- Monday 29 – 30 May – CIS Rugby Trial
- Wednesday 7 June – AFL Paul Kelly Cup (selected boys)
- Saturday 10 June – No Sport (Long Weekend)
- Thursday 15 June – CIS Cross Country

Joel Wilson

Newington College – Wyvern Sports Coordinator