

Bunbury Newsletter

Well what a weekend it was. Picture this.....The time is 7.15am on Saturday morning, the first day of the tournament. The mist is rising up off the fields of Hay Park in Bunbury, the temperature around six degrees. The turfs and grass fields silent and ready for the weekend, the smell of bacon and egg burgers beginning to cook on the BBQ in the main pavilion. Then the UWA buses arrived. The sea of green spilled out onto Hay Park, the silence was shattered and every UWA player headed straight for our tent. Managers rounded up players, GK bags, match cards and umpires. Then that wall of green took to their fixtured fields, put their game faces on and took on everything that was thrown at them over the next three days.

Our UWA teams did us proud and were great sportsmen and women all weekend. From our J5/6 first timers to our seasoned Year 10's at their last carnival, they supported each other, ate too much fairy floss, cheered, finished every home made treat in the Uni tent, made lots of friends and played every game like it was their last. With great results across the board, it was one of the most successful carnivals EVER! Full credit to all of you who were part of the 'Green Machine' - you were awesome.

We all know how much work and preparation go in to a carnival like this. We thank the Bunbury Carnival organisers and in particular Fiona Kirk for her efforts in putting such a huge event together successfully. To our Bunbury Coordinator, Courtenay Harris, you are a legend - there is no other way to describe you. Our Year 10 players thanked Courtenay at our traditional Sunday Night BBQ and their speech is included below - thanks guys! A few words from Courtenay below....



FROM OUR BUNBURY COORDINATOR..

Bunbury carnival is sadly over for another year. What a great weekend we all had filled with sunshine, friendship, 80+kg of Dardanup mandarins, and loads of hockey – 95 games across all teams over the weekend (some of the older players had 11 games!).

The weekend's success was due to the outstanding efforts of the 165 UWA players together with the very committed and enthusiastic UWA families. So, so many parents and junior players teamed together to facilitate this wonderful carnival.

Special thanks to our enthusiastic and supportive parents / siblings / friends; outstanding UWA junior umpires; cake and biscuit bakers and suppliers; Tracy Connolly and her crew of bus travelling parents for keeping order on the buses; a team of very brave gymnasium sleeping parents; positive organising team managers; encouraging and patient coaches; very organised



Age Group Coordinators; gym cleaners and food servers; our patient bus drivers Lester and Mark from Westwide Buses; and many parent helpers keeping the UWA tent well stocked with snacks and fruit.

Extra special thanks to our own UWA junior- Sarah Barber - for stepping up to take on the UWA umpire coordinator and also umpiring over the weekend – a fantastic job Sarah!

Big thanks also to Tim and Jo Beech for many, many years on the BBQ- there was an amazing camaraderie between all UWA players and families around the Sunday night BBQ whilst eating the best burgers in the world again this year (we were the envy of every other club that night!). We will miss you Tim and Jo!

Many thanks to the 9/10 players (Tim, Dan, Seb, Ariella, Catherine and Matt) for the special memories when they kindly thanked me for coordinating over the last 4 years. Lastly, to Lisa Reynolds for her big smile, hard work and assistance for weeks leading up to the carnival and during the weekend. The Bunbury carnival weekend really was a big team effort – something the UWA club is so good at doing!!



Courtenay



YEAR 10 THANK YOU SPEECH

We would like to take this opportunity to recognise the efforts of our Bunbury Coordinator Courtenay Harris. Year after year she organises this weekend with military precision. I am going to hand over to our Year 10's who have been coming to the Bunbury Carnival since Year 5.

Hi my name is Tim and this is my 5th carnival.

To put it in perspective, Courtenay in her time as Coordinator has organised:

50 teams

700 players

100 managers and coaches

3 500 meals

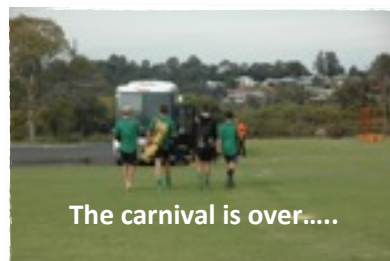
180 parent helpers

4 tents, lots of buses

16 crates of home made cakes and biscuits for the UWA tent

And nearly \$100,000 in players registration fees

Gives you some idea of how tough the job is...



My name is Dan and this my 6th carnival. This carnival is one of the highlights of the hockey year and we all love coming down. It is probably the only time we will happily get up at 4am in the morning to catch a bus. Courtenay - we wanted to say thank you for all of the years that you have slept in the gym, fed us and patiently put up with us not wanting to go to sleep on the first night. Every single player over the past 4 years appreciates what you have done for us.



Hi my name is Seb and his is my 6th carnival as well. Courtenay we love the way that you are so organised back at the gym. There is always heaps of pasta for us, as well as the healthy salad stuff that not many of us eat! There are lots of snacks, milo's, biscuits etc. I know all the boys really appreciate all of the food - thanks Courtenay!

Hi my name is Ariella and and my name is Catherine.

Together we want to thank you for:

- Putting up with the Year 9/10's coming back late to the gym and making so much noise.
- Keeping food warm for us, so that we can get something to eat after we get back from late night games.
- Picking up all of the lost property and taking it back to Perth for us.
- Getting us out of the gym and to our games on time each morning AND coordinating the big cleanup after we leave

Courtenay, we would like to show our appreciation with this small gift that Matt will now present to you.

Three cheers for Courtenay...

THANKS COURTS!



Girls	Result	Boys	Result
J5/6 Carnival	3rd	J5/6 Championship	4th
		J5/6 Carnival	5th
J 7/8 Championship	7th	J7/8 Championship	1st
J7/8 Carnival	5th	J7/8 Carnival	2nd
J9/10 Championship	4th	J9/10 Championship	1st
J9/10 Carnival	3rd	J9/10 Carnival Green	5th
		J9/10 Carnival Blue	7th

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE J7/8 BOYS AND J9/10 BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS



The J7/8 Boys won the Championship division. Coached by Hamish Carnachan they ended their Grand Final playoff in a 1-1 draw with Wolves, but took out the championship on a count back by scoring more goals throughout the tournament.

Well done boys!



The J9/10 Boys also won their Championship division with a very solid 2-0 win over Wolves in their Grand Final. Coached by Rob Golding and Pete Connolly over the weekend they kept on improving to put on an awesome display in the final. Congratulations boys - a well deserved win.

The J9/10 Grand final also saw Justin Schonken win a commemorative award named in honour of a young Bunbury Districts junior hockey player who is no longer with us. His father presented Justin with a new stick, bag and ball. Well done Justin.



Gotta love those Harvey mandarins...

DOMESTIC MATTERS

Our domestic fixtures resume this weekend and we have five rounds of fixtures leading up to the July school holidays. **Please remember that we only have bye weekends on the 10-12th July and the 17-19th July.** It is really important that we maintain momentum and field teams across our holiday fixtures. Also during the July school holidays, the Smarter than Smoking State Championships take place for the following age groups:

6-8 July J7/8 Boys

8-10 July J7/8 Girls

13-15th July J9/10 Boys

15-17th July J9/10 Girls

Your Age Group Coordinators will be calling for interested players during the next few weeks.



CONGRATULATIONS

Year 12 junior player, Pippa Morgan has had a very busy few months. She has just returned from Germany and playing with the National U16 School Sport Australia girls team. They placed 3rd in the tournament. Pippa has also just been named in the WA Diamonds Squad as well as the Australian Women's National Futures Group. Congratulations Pippa - that is an awesome effort and well deserved.

Another Year 12 making his mark is Tim Andrew. In the last couple of weeks he has made his debut with the Mens 1st Division team. Another great achievement.

BUNBURY PHOTOS

One of our junior dads has taken plenty of photos of all of our teams over the Bunbury weekend. Jump on and have a look! Thanks Chris!

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/chrisbartle/sets>

Here's some more!
Looking forward to seeing you all out there this weekend,

Damian, Lisa and Kerry

REMINDER

BLOCK 2 - MONDAY SKILL DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

JUNE 8TH, 15TH AND 22ND

OUR MONDAY SKILL SESSIONS WITH TJ WICKHAM
RESUME NEXT MONDAY 8TH JUNE. GIRLS 5-5.45PM
AND BOYS 5.45-6PM - JUST TURN UP TO TURF 2!

COST IS \$10 PER SESSION



J9/10

Pasta Night







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\$500 Voucher
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home sold or
sale referred
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