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2024 SENIOR NETBALL TEAMS



OPEN NETBALL

Coach: Kate Lindsey

Amy Wormald	Sarah Smith
Carly Peake	Eva Ryan
Isabella Baker	Mia Carter
Matilda Fitzgerald	Georgia Gilmour
Jordi Bidmade	Sarah Perry
Hollie Castledine	

DIVISION ONE

Coach: Ally Smith

Ava Bishop	Sarah Perry
Jess Perry	Kyla Groves
Anna Murnane	Mia Carter
Hayley Eldridge	
India Thomas	
Jayde Bertrand	

DIVISION TWO

Coach: Sarah Jansen van Beek

Cate OKeefe	Sophie Gluyas
Georgia Dalton	Sarah Jansen van Beek
Jenna Graham	Tanzania Carter
Lily Johnson	
Nicole Gynes	
Rhyz Greene Kelson	

DIVISION THREE

Coach: Mandy Dalton

Layla Wilson	Amali Lilley
Kirsten Thwaites	Ruby Bell
Abbey Mack	Ruby Absalom
Grace Bell	Ashlee Bennett
Grace Bennett	
Natasha Turland-Rhook	

2024 JUNIOR NETBALL TEAMS



17&U NETBALL

Coach: Lauren Colwell

Eva Ryan	Mia Carter
Ashlee Pavletich	Olivia Cope
Kyla Groves	Tash Barker
Layla Nicolson	
Lola McCarthy	
Matilda Burns	

17&U RES NETBALL

Coach: Hayley Eldridge & Anna Murname

Ava Rudman	Lexie Moncrieff
Caitlin Wood	Lilly Clark
Ella Bryant	Milly Albert
Ella Westley	
Kaitlyn Brown	
Layla McCarthy	
Lexi Lewis	

15&U NETBALL

Coach: Amy Wormald & Matilda Fitzgerald

Felicity White	Ruby Koch
Gemma Crowe	Rushleigh Jeffries
Lucy Howland	Sophie Brown
Lucy Kavanagh	
Milly Cooknell	
Nellie Boyle	

15&U RES NETBALL

Coach: Hollie Castledine & Jess Perry

Arlie Kelson	Sadie Main
Bellalie Martin	Sophie Thompson
Bonny Albert	Zoe Benson
Ellie McKenzie	
Evie Buckle	
Mikayli Hoffmann	

2024 JUNIOR NETBALL TEAMS



13&U NETBALL

Coaches: India Thomas & Bella Baker

Elli Ludeman	Layla Sherlock
Abbey Hermans	Taylor Membrey
Amelia Barnes	Aurora Johnston-
Daisy Greening	Pengilly
Georgie Lee	
Pippa main	

13&U RES NETBALL

Coaches: Michelle Nicolson & Kate McGrath

Bridie McCrohan	Natalie Turner
Daisy Martin	Sadie Boyle
Harper Rudman	Greta Lloyd
Lara Stewart	Shayla Chatfield
Layla Turner	
Lucinda Bishop	

DEVELOPMENT

Coach: Jayde Bertrand

Emma Ludeman	Emma Hatfield
Shayla Chatfield	Charlotte Patten
Daisy Talbot	Amber Van Ginneken
Sophia McCarthy	Ivy McDonald
Penny Taylor	Greta Lloyd
Poppy Main	Violet Greening
Gretel Beard	
Nellie Edis	



2024 SATURDAY FOOTBALL TEAMS



SENIOR FOOTBALL

Senior Coach: Dan O'Keefe
Reserves Coach: Matt Peake

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|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Thomas Ludeman | 13. Heath Morgan-morris | 25. Reggie Mast | 37. Isaac Duerden |
| 2. Jackson Bell | 14. Lochie Worden | 26. Fletcher Timms | 38. Ryan Fleming |
| 3. James Chittick | 15. Zac Dwyer | 27. Dechlan Hoffmann | 39. Aaron Black |
| 4. Luke Cody | 16. Rayn Warfe | 28. Nick Cowan | 40. Rhys Jasen Van Beek |
| 5. Darcy Graham | 17. Jye Turland | 29. Noah Turland | 41. Beau Turland |
| 6. Otto Opperman | 18. Mitch Bidmade | 30. Sam Morgan | 42. Jordan Walters |
| 7. Wil Lord | 19. Jed Turland | 31. Shaun Pulkalas | 43. Austin Steere |
| 8. Dan Weymouth | 20. Liam Bidmade | 32. Matt Sell | 44. Oliver Everell |
| 9. Sam Cowling | 21. Taylem Wason | 34. Jiah Cawthorn | 45. Anthony McCarthy |
| 10. Harry Ryan | 22. Charlie Moncrieff | 35. Amon Radley | 46. Alexander Fedley |
| 11. Jordan Foott | 23. Ben Cunnington | 36. Jaiden Wells | 47. Tyson Delaney |
| 12. Nick Hooker | 24. Steve Lampton | | 48. Tyler Duynhoven |

- 49. Joe Nelson-Hill
- 50. Harry McNamara
- 51. Zac Timms
- 53. Cooper Hoffmann
- 55. Jack Dowd
- 56. Tim Rhook
- 57. Darcy Nelson-Hill
- 58. Shannon Turland-Rhook
- 61. Hugo Artz
- 62. Riley Hollaway
- 63. Hugh Morgan
- 64. Sam Carter
- 65. Ryan Barnes
- 66. Sam Niklaus

U18 FOOTBALL

Coach: Damien Sell

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| 1. Harry Martell | 16. Lauchlan Clark |
| 2. Hugo Artz | 17. Justin Fleming |
| 3. Joe Dowling | 18. Will Main |
| 4. Nate Brereton | 19. Isaac Goodwin |
| 5. Nick Unwin | 20. Taijh Burns |
| 6. Pat Kenny | 21. Lewis Duerden |
| 8. Sam Carter | 22. Tommy Illingworth |
| 9. Toby Gedye | 51. Ryan Barnes |
| 10. Toby Bolden | 63. Hugh Morgan |
| 11. Joel Arms | 62. Riley Hollaway |
| 12. Henry Hoffmann | 25. Reggie Mast |
| 13. Marco Mentha | 35. Amon Radley |
| 14. Nick Main | 66. Sam Niklaus |
| 15. Harrison McCormack | 26. Jaiden Wells |

2024 JUNIOR FOOTBALL TEAMS



U10 JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Coaches: Sam Hickey & Shane Crowley

Hugo Auld	Finn Fogarty	Nate Orr	Joseph Tinkler
Luke Bennie	Jack Gladki	Kayden Parore	Noah Roberts Will Rogers
Archie Britnell	Patrick Griffey	William Pearson	Egan Hickey
Lenny Chiller	Oliver Gynes	Chance Roads	Louie Auld
Raph Clark	Kobi Hare	Ollie Romaniszyn	Banjo Auld
Max Couch	Charlie Isles	Darcy Schrama	Bowie Lynch
Hudson Crowley	Henry Looney	Archie Small	Charlie Bowman
Lachlan Crowley	Will McCarthy	Ryder Steel	
Archie Edis	Max Niklaus		

U12 JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Coach: Adam Main

Sam Arnott	Stanley Coverdale	Billy Main	Murphy Rea
Oscar Auld	Sam Gardner	Fynn McInnes	Jackson Rogers
Patrick Beard	Chayce Grinter	Madix Mclean	Jack Skilbeck
Elijah Bishop	Dusty Holloway	Mason Murrell	Arlo Sloane
Timothy Boyd	Billy Kent	Billy Nicolson	Theodore Smith
Darcy Burns	Sid Lewis	Liam Norton	Ethan Thomas
Lawson Chow	Kosta Maglaras	Jasper Pradella	Harvey Rodgers

2024 JUNIOR FOOTBALL TEAMS



U14 JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Coaches: Josh Walters & Adam Dowie

Hugh McCarthy	Jack Kitto	Sonny Moloney	Kobe Steel
Jack Griffiths	Mason Marshall	Kodi Ryan	Jack Beard
Fletcher Monaghan	Nate Johnson	Zavier Turner	Beau Gannon
Oliver Dowie	Xavier Smith	Henry Lloyd	Jay Moloney-Smith
Mitchell Holloway	Lenny Buckle	Blair Lyons	Charlie Zanos
Lachlan Walters	Matthew Bennie	Jagger Lynch	Charlie Williams
Mac Cooknell	Noah Burgoss	Jack O'Brien	Harry Brookes
Nash Talbot	Harry McDonald	Lewis Taylor	
Harry Arnott			

U16 JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Coach: Ben Parkinson

Cooper Austin	Brock Gannon	Archie McGrath	Oliver Turner
Harrison Barnes	Hamish Gardner	Elijah McLeod	Farron Urrutia
Joshua Bishop	Oscar Gardner	Locki Moloney	Cooper Vickery
David Boyd	Richard Glover	Jasper Moore	Rhys Wallace
Trae Brereton	Gilbert Harrison	Ryan Murcott	Angus White
Jake Carman	Spencer Hill	Finn Parkinson	Toby Hellessey
Max Carter	Jack Lee	Lachlan Rea	Archie Poumako
Dylan Delaney	Max Lewis		
Elijah Dowie	Tom Martell		

WFNC DRAW

Season opener Friday night Senior Netball & Football

APR 5

RND 1	Warrnambool Blues	VS	Koroit Saints	APR 6
RND 2	Port Fairy Seagulls	VS	Warrnambool Blues	APR 13
RND 3	Cobden Bombers	VS	Warrnambool Blues	APR 20
RND 4	Warrnambool Blues	VS	Camperdown Magpies	APR 27
RND 5	South Warrnambool	VS	Warrnambool Blues	MAY 11
RND 6	Warrnambool Blues	VS	Portland Tigers	MAY 18
RND 7	North Warrnambool	VS	Warrnambool Blues	MAY 25
RND 8	Warrnambool Blues	VS	Terang Mortlake Bloods	JUN 1
RND 9	Warrnambool Blues	VS	Hamilton Kangaroos	JUN 8

Super Saturday Warrnambool vs South, Reid Oval

JUN 15

RND 10	Koroit Saints	VS	Warrnambool Blues	JUN 22
RND 11	Warrnambool Blues	VS	Port Fairy Seagulls	JUN 29
RND 12	Warrnambool Blues	VS	Cobden Bombers	JUL 13
RND 13	Camperdown Magpies	VS	Warrnambool Blues	JUL 20
RND 15	Portland Tigers	VS	Warrnambool Blues	AUG 3
RND 16	Warrnambool Blues	VS	North Warrnambool	AUG 10
RND 17	Terang Mortlake Bloods	VS	Warrnambool Blues	AUG 17
RND 18	Hamilton Kangaroos	VS	Warrnambool Blues	AUG 24

OPEN NETBALL COACH: KATE LINDSEY

New Open netball coach Kate Lindsey is no stranger to Reid Oval, having played in and coached the Blues Open side in 2010 and 2011.

After a break from the game in Melbourne, and a 5-year coaching stint at rival Koroit, she is back as Blues head coach.

Her interest in the role was initially piqued through conversations with her old school friend Cate O'Keefe and husband Dan. While attracted by the possibility of coaching again at Open level, it was the developing Blues culture that sold her.

Those early conversations with Dan have continued since her appointment.

"Dan and I talk regularly. There is real interest from football about what netball are doing and vice versa", said Kate. "I love that lack of divide."

Kate is also loving the 'wonderful' netball culture she has stepped into.

"There is a strong connection within the whole netball programme. The standards our Open players set are vital to the kids who aspire to this level."

From day one Kate saw the potential of the Open group – personal commitment, strong desire to succeed and a receptiveness to new ideas.

"I hope I can help them fulfil that potential".

Round 1 ... Koroit ... back to you, Kate.

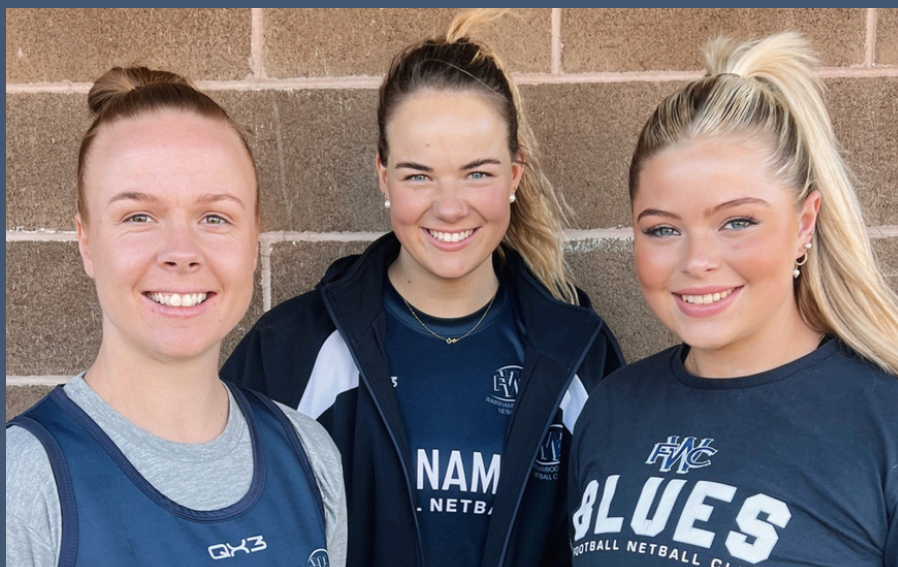


EXPERIENCE AND YOUTH BLEND ADDS BITE TO BLUES

2024 NETBALL RECRUITS

It was a decade ago that marquee player Carly Peake last graced the court in Navy Blue.

After a return to her junior base at Koroit, 'back to back' babies in 20/21 and a stint as player / coach at Merrivale, the former Mermaids champion is back in Blue.



With a desire to return at high level locally to suit her young family, Carly, joined by football coach husband Matt, did not deliberate for long when she got the call from new coach Kate Lindsey.

“The culture being developed here was a factor – that and the opportunity to come and help out with this young group who have so much potential.”

Joining Carly this year are exciting recruits Georgia Gilmour and Hollie Castledine.

Fellow mid-courter Georgia is swapping the red and white of rival South, where she played all her juniors, for the Navy Blue.

“When Kate called I thought it was a good opportunity to play high level netball and develop my game. I want to take on as much as I can.”

Hollie laughs as she recalls taking on Merrivale’s Carly when playing with Timboon.

That encounter didn’t end well for Hollie, who also played as a junior with Camperdown before crossing to Terang-Mortlake in 2023.

“You don’t get the opportunity every day”, says the rangy defender, when considering playing alongside Carly and Blues champion Amy Wormald in her decision to come to Reid.

Like Georgia, Hollie is looking forward to developing her game in such good company.

BLUES BATTON IN SAFE HANDS

2024 SENIOR FOOTBALL CAPTAINS

With a combined 19 years of senior football behind them, new co-captains Jackson 'Dinger' Bell and Mitch 'Biddy' Bidmade are feeling undaunted by the challenge ahead of them.

They would have every reason to be so.

Filling the shoes of club and league legend Sam 'Moo' Cowling, who has led the Blues with distinction and grace for the last 7 seasons, will be no simple task.



Moo was the last in a long list going back to 1872, when (almost namesake) B. Dowlings captained a Warrnambool Football Club team against a 'Bush' side at the recently opened Friendlies Society Park.

While Dinger and Biddy are aware of the rich history of one of the oldest football clubs in the land, and the ghosts of champions past, they will be leaning for support into the pedigree of the current senior coaching group - Dok, Ben C, Timmy, Pezza, Dan and Alex - as well as a host of seasoned senior Blues including Moo, Jordy Foote, Darcy, Ludes and the Turlands.

Our 2024 leaders are well known to supporters, not only as two of the league's elite midfielders, but also for their decency and humility. While we all look forward to watching them grow into their new roles, they will lead primarily with their actions.

"We'll be focussed on playing our designated roles, and living up to our team trademarks of 'mate' and 'fearless'," said Dinger.

Biddy, who will be tossing the coin in his 150th club game in Round 2, won't be "looking to change too much", but is planning on an increased role at training. "I'm going to try and have a bit more to say, as well as just continue what we've been doing over the last couple of years."

If recent years are anything to go by, Blues supporters will be licking their lips in anticipation for the season ahead.

With Biddy's intimidating physical presence and Dinger's 'catch me if you can' Robbie Flower impression alive and well, the stage is set for a new era.

We wish them well.

ROUND 1 MILESTONE

CONGRATULATIONS ZAC DWYER 100 CLUB GAMES!

Family matters at Warrnambool.

When Zacc 'Diesel' Dwyer runs out today for his 100th game for the Blues, he will be following the path trod by club legends father Mark and uncle Pat. With sister Danili the driving force behind Blues Women's football and brother Lachy a past player, the Dwyer name resonates at the Reid.

While Diesel loves playing under the current coaching group led by Dan O'Keefe, he pays tribute to his junior coach Roger Bade, who was a constant mentor from his arrival in the Under 14s.

Last year's reserves Grand Final was a highlight for Diesel – bring on 2024!



NEW & FAMILIAR FACES

NAVY BLUE CORE BOLSTERED BY NEW AND FAMILIAR FACES

The wait is over. The long pre-season is done. With 7 of the last 8 flags in their locker, Koroit awaits ... tonight. The club is buzzing with excitement for the season ahead. And that road ahead will be paved by a core playing group who have learnt their craft through Blues juniors, joined by a healthy influx of new talent.

Debuting tonight will be AFL pedigrees Ben Cunnington, a one-clubman of 238 senior games at North Melbourne, and Aaron Black, with quality time at both North and Geelong.

From just over the border comes Anthony 'Dogga' McCarthy, and from closer to home we welcome Taylem Wason, Fletcher Timms and congratulate Riley Holloway from U18s.

And we are of course thrilled to have back with us two prodigious talents – the fleet-footed, silky skills of Aussie Steere and the ultra-competitive, hard-bodied Jordy Walters. Both sons of Blues legends. Both determined to play their part in Warrnambool regaining its place of primacy in Hampden.

Look out in future editions for features on each of these players, together with others who are yet to make their Senior debut. We are in this together ... for we, all of us, since 1861, are the Old Dark Navy Blues.

STARTING LINE UP

SENIOR FOOTBALL

SATURDAY 2:00PM PORT FAIRY

COACHING GROUP:

INT:

35. A. RADLEY

36. WELLS

42. WALTERS

43. STEERE

COACH: DAN O'KEEFE

BEN CUNNINGTON

SIMON PERRY

TIM HUNT

ALEX GYNES

DAN WEYMOUTH



FB

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C

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FF

SENIOR COACHES THOUGHTS



Hear from our Senior Coaches..

The Blues are set to go up against the Koroit Saints in Round One, starting the season with a Friday night game for Open Netball and Senior Football!

Dan O'Keefe Senior Football Coach

After a long summer we are very excited to kick off under lights on a Friday night. I feel like the avid WFNC followers will see a different Blues football team this year. With many new faces and some vast improvements from individuals, it makes for a very competitive season ahead. Selection has been a big challenge for round one, but that's a very healthy sign for 2024.

We also unearth two new captains in Jackson Bell and Mitch Bidmade who are well supported.

Kate Lindsey Open Netball Coach

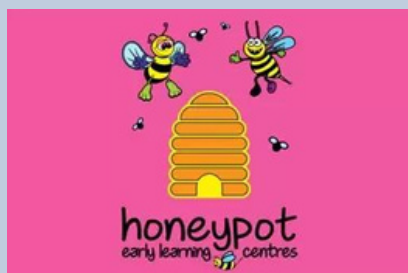
How exciting we are finally at round one! We are well prepared and ready to embrace the challenge that awaits us against an always formidable Koroit.

We have had three new players join our open side in the off season, complimenting our existing list and I'm looking forward to seeing their on court connections continue to develop. The team have driven high standards in the off season and we are looking forward to the season getting underway.

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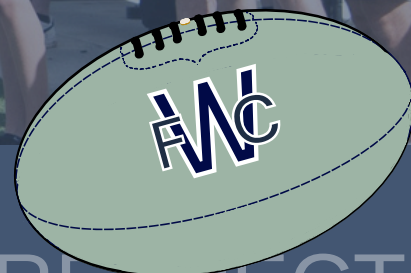


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Warrnambool Football Netball Club

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5th/6th of April

ROUND ONE

Blues

VS

Saints

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 - Christopher Gillin 2019

Round One is dedicated to Cassign Cup Muscular Dystrophy Round, supporting the Gillin Boys Foundation. Merchandise will be available for purchase near the footy rooms to contribute to this Important cause.