



Great Shot

Message from TIC Mr Jack Edwards:

Dear Basketballers,

I hope you are well and enjoyed getting back out on the courts last Saturday. I'm sure you were all thankful that you signed up for an indoor sport given the weather conditions! A special shout out to our 5ths team who braved the elements whilst playing on the Undercroft outdoor court at St Kevin's. I hope you have thawed out by now!

Our annual presentation night is fast approaching- please see the flyer attached. All boys in basketball, please save the date of Monday 5th August.

The usual 3v3 competition will commence the program at 3.30pm in the Upper Gym. This will then be followed by our Firsts vs Coaches match, commencing at 4.45pm.

We will then head across to the Cardinal Pavilion where presentations of season awards will take place from 6-7.30pm. We are lucky enough to have another guest speaker from South East Melbourne Phoenix so it promises to be a great event.

There is no cost to attend the night, BUT you must register using this link- <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1244032>

This will ensure there is a meal for you, so please register ASAP!

Parents- we do thank you for your support but this is a student-only event due to capacity limits in the Cardinal pavilion. Whilst we would love to have you come along, our sport is simply too big to accommodate boys and parents.

If you have any questions about the event, please feel free to get in touch.

Kind Regards,
Mr Edwards



Slam Dunk Club

Message from Peter Tainsh Slam Dunk President:

During the first week of the School holidays, 52 boys got to enjoy a Basketball Clinic at Scotch's Glenn Centre. The Clinic was coordinated and organised with NBL's popular Melbourne United Basketball Club. There were 2 sessions, and these were well represented across various ages from Year 7 to some First's team players.

We were fortunate to have Academy Head Coach - Nathan Crosswell and point guard Tanner Krebs with a height of 198 cm run these sessions, unfortunately another player was ill on the day and unable to attend..

The feedback was overwhelmingly positive with such feedback from the boys as "Nathan was fun and interesting" "got some good advice from the Coach" and for Tanner - "great to hear about his career", "a really nice guy" and "helped me with my shooting technique".

The only real complaint we received about the session was "it was too quick" and "I wanted to keep playing and learning"

We also had positive feedback from Melbourne United from Nathan Crosswell who said, "the group of boys were fantastic and have some great players."

Everyone got to enjoy a well-earned drink afterward each session and share their learnings.

The Slam Dunk Committee will look to do this again next year with an NBL team – thank you to those who participated.

Go Scotch!



Slam Dunk Club

Message from Slam Dunk Club:

Presentation Night - Monday 5th August

The Slam Dunk Club would like to invite all boys to our annual celebration of the 2024 basketball season. Festivities kick off directly after school with a series of exhibition matches including the 3x3 Tournament and 1sts vs Coaches held in the Glenn Centre followed immediately after by the Presentation night in the Boykett Pavilion. The evening will feature guest speakers, pizza and drinks, awards to recognise outstanding achievements and lucky door prizes. Flyer with further details and try booking link is at the end of this newsletter and will be emailed directly to parents. This is a free event but please ensure you register via Trybooking for catering purposes. Whilst we love the support of all our parents, please note due to capacity requirements at the Cardinal Pavilion this is a student only event.

Family Day - Saturday 14th September

The Slam Dunk Club will be running a stall at family Day this Year. Please come and visit us - we will be situated around the Main Oval outside the Glenn Centre. We are pleased to offer for sale delicious gourmet Rocky Road and Hot Popcorn. Support your boys through food and raffle ticket purchases there will be some fantastic prizes to be won.

Game Day Photo's

The Slam Dunk Club newsletter relies on photos from parents to capture the action of the games each week. We greatly appreciate all photos - you do not need to be a professional photographer. The best photos are those taken in landscape mode as they are easily edited to fit into the format of the newsletter.

Please email photo's directly to me - the editor at nicolebegley@icloud.com



Opens



Match Reports: Opens

1sts: Scotch Vs Carey

Carey (70) def Scotch (54)

Coach: Randy Shanklin

The Scotch First's played their first of two redraw matches last Saturday at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatics Centre. Scotch would face a tough Carey unit that gave them a loss in the opening round of the season. Scotch jumped out to a quick 7-0 lead in the first three minutes of the game behind good defence and great ball movement on offence. Carey would come storming back as Scotch went away from what got them the lead. Carey led 13-9 at quarter time.

Scotch settled back into a more team friendly offensive style, but struggled to defend Carey's relentless attack of the paint. Despite a solid quarter from Scotch, Carey still led 35-25 at halftime. The third quarter saw Carey continue to attack the paint and put Scotch on the back foot. Carey would push the lead out to 55-38 at three quarter time. In the fourth quarter Scotch showed a lot of fight but the damage was already done. Despite Scotch winning the fourth quarter 16-15, Carey would cruise to a 70-54 win beating Scotch for a second time this season. Top Scorers: (Langdon Tainsh 10, Lachlan Morrison 10, Archie Mc Sheffery 9, Tom Tisdall 7, Oliver Stirling 6, Campbell Bates 4, Oliver Furusa 4, Sacha Kennett 4)



Opens

2nds: Scotch Vs CGS

Scotch (50) def CGS (17)

Coach: Matt Slavin

After a month long break, the Scotch seconds returned to MSAC, looking to extend their winning streak to 4. Scotch jumped out to an early 15-3 lead off the back of excellent play in transition, with Ben Wallis (12 points) and Mitch Begley (6 points) picking up early baskets. However, cobwebs from the weeks without a game were evident as scoring in the half court became sparse as we relied too heavily on outside jump shots. Scotch eventually found their shooting touch with Monty McCann, Charlie Price, Charlie Hawker and Rohan Kinariwala all connecting from 3 point range. In the second half, Scotch found their rhythm and blew the game open. As always, Jono Baird provided excellent leadership and safe hands on the court. David Bendschneider was tenacious on defense and the rebounding of David Aziz and Paul Liu gave us the opportunity

for second chance points, which was a big contributing factor to the team finding its feet again. Ultimately it was a dominant win for Scotch despite it not being our most complete performance of the season. It was pleasing to see everyone scoring over the course of the match. Scotch defeated Caulfield Grammar 50-17.



Opens

3rds: Scotch Blue vs Wesley

Wesley (26) def Scotch Blue (22)

Coach: Harry Schneider

A disappointing loss for the 3rds Blue over the weekend who led for most of the game but couldn't hang on in the last few minutes. Great post work from Ronan and rebounding from Lachie really helped the boys get out to a handy lead in the first half. Unfortunately a lack of communication on defense allowed Wesley to keep in it. Overall, a good effort from the boys after the break.



3rds: Scotch Red vs CGS

No Report

Coach: Max Searle



Opens

4ths: Scotch Red vs Carey

Scotch Red (38) def Carey (32)

Coach: Sasha Jamieson

The boys were playing at Scotch for the first time this season, looking to defend home court against a strong Carey side. We started the game out impressively, with multiple defensive stops and fast break points, we found ourselves up big. A slight fall off in intensity allowed Carey back into the game, however, we took a comfortable double digit lead into the break. In the second half it was all Carey however, as they came back to trail by only 4 points at one stage. But once again the skill of our team powered through, and we ended up taking a close, but comfortable win, now improving our tally to six straight wins.

4ths: Scotch Blue vs Wesley

Scotch Blue (45) def Wesley (26)

Coach: Max Searle

Enjoyable win for the 4ths blue. After a well earned break for the boys, they came out hungry for a win. The game started with back and fourth scoring until Sean Tham took authority on the court to establish a comfortable lead. The second half of the game saw the boys building their confidence and trying out some new skills in game type scenario. The boys brought home the win with a decent margin and a fun game.



Opens

5ths: Scotch vs SKC

Scotch (39) def SKC (26)

Coach: Ian Lu

Wonderful revenge from the Scotch 5th team to St Kevin's since last defeat. As return from the holiday, our players are well prepared and showing their highly competitive attitudes. Layups from Nathan, TJ and Will create a lead. Their efforts bring back fouls and gain free-throws. At the end of first half, we are leading with 17 vs 12. After break time, St Kevin's players also show their strength. They have a few good shots and layups. However, rebounds from Kerry and Andrew helps us offense more effectively. When game finish, we win at 39 to 26

6ths: Scotch vs MGS

Scotch (47) def MGS (35)

Coach: Alex Lawson

Not even a 3 week hiatus could slow the Scotch 6ths' tear through the APS as Scotch faced a well matched Melbourne grammar squad in the Glen centre. Scotch started off with another brilliant scoring input from Charles' deep shooting and Kingston's shifty finishing, putting Scotch up 16-4 in the first 10 minutes. However, after a very damaging run by the Melbourne Grammar side, Scotch found themselves down 16-21 by the halftime buzzer. After making defensive adjustments, which resulted in terrific interior defence from Ray and great ball movement from Steven and Jacob, Scotch found themselves back in the lead by the final buzzer, winning in convincing fashion 47-35. The boys are looking forward to finishing off proudly for the final game of the season next week.



Year 10



10A: Scotch Vs CGS

CGS (31) def Scotch (29)

Coach: Guy Sidelman

The 10A Boys started off in a struggle against the Caulfield side who pushed the ball well early in transition scoring on all levels in the first 10 minutes leaving Scotch down 10-0. However, following a quick timeout and change defensively to an aggressive zone the Scotch group were able to flip the tables on the Caulfield side going on a 17-2 run leaving our boys up at half time! The game was drawn out and a close battle of transition pushes heavily relying on rebounding and good defensive efforts from both Caulfield and Scotch with our boys just struggling more in the half-court game in the long-run which ultimately allowed the Caulfield group to just creep ahead winning the game in the last minutes of the second half.

Outstanding efforts from the 10A group in containing 2 of Caulfield's 1sts boys who filled in to play!

10B: Scotch Blue vs Carey

Carey (58) def Scotch Blue (37)

Coach: Tom Steventon

The early morning didn't seem to affect the 10B blue team in the early stages of this contest, jumping out to a quick 9-2 lead and forcing a Carey timeout off the back of high intensity defence. However, Carey quickly found their footing and some miscommunications from Scotch led to open shots that propelled Carey to a 22-18 half time lead. Carey seemingly couldn't miss from the three point line in the second half, and some costly turnovers from Scotch produced a difficult equation to win. Nicolas Lodge dominated the second half and ended with 13 points, while Harrison Millar added 12 of his own. Bond Zeng hit some tough shots to finish with 6 and Henry Hardy was super aggressive, adding 6 himself. Will Findlay also contributed to the scoring off the back of a smart cut.

Year 10

10B: Scotch Red

BYE

Coach: Luca van der Sluys



10C: Scotch Red vs Wesley

Scotch Red (32) def Wesley (14)

Coach: Oliver Pereira

Scotch 10c red played their first match this term against Wesley College. The rust could be seen throughout the first 10 mins of the first half. As the game slowly continued the boys began to gain confidence and momentum, scoring goals became easier by good ball movement and pressuring defence. The final scores was 32 to 14 to Scotch College.



Year 10

10C: Scotch Blue vs BGS

Scotch Blue (30) def BGS (16)

Coach: Finn Lawson

After the very long mid-year break the boys were eager to showcase their improvement and boy did they perform. After a fairly even first few minutes an absolute scoring tear, led by Rory Booth offensively and Christian Wong and Sam Cohen defensively, putting the boys up at half time 22-2. With such a margin, the boys relaxed a little and Brighton came back cutting the lead to 26-1. However, Rory Booth's 20 points weren't enough for the boys of Brighton to get the win and Scotch came out on top for a second consecutive week. Great Job Boys! Let's finish this season off strong!

10D: Scotch vs MGS

Scotch (25) def MGS (13)

Coach: Lucs van der Sluys

The 10D team came up against Melbourne Grammar who had 12 players on their team to our 5!! The scotch boys were hoping for their first win of the season after the long holiday break!! We got off to a slow start as the Melbourne boys led 9-4 after making some very lucky baskets!! the boys kept working together and started to heat up bringing the score to 9-9 at halftime. I gave them a pep talk and some tips on how the 10Ds could take this game apart!! Sure did they take on the coaching, the boys went on a massive run, making some terrific defensive plays and scoring lots of transition buckets. Arjun was the star player as he was able to dive up the grammar defence and get out the back for fast break layups!! Super proud of the boys as they beat Melbourne grammar by double digits for their first win of the season!!



Year 9



9A: Scotch vs MGS

MGS (62) def Scotch (51)

Coach: Ben Fowler

The 9A's faced a formidable opponent in Melbourne Grammar on the weekend in what was set to be a fierce battle after our proceeding matchup this season, with only 6 players available due to injury/illness. MGS came out of the gates hard, seemingly not missing a shot from beyond the arc putting Scotch on the backburner early. Harry Loakes (8 points) was able to hit back at them with two huge threes whilst Wesley Prajogo (12 points) weaved his way through the defence of grammar to score at the rim with ease which gave Scotch a buffer going into the half as the teams went into the half with the scores tied. In the second half, MGS was able to get out to lead of 14 points before Hamish Gordon (17 points) became very active on defence which turned into layups whilst Damien Tey (6 points) continued his improving guard play. Sadly, fatigue got to Scotch, as MGS ran away with the win late. A great effort with only 6 guys available. **Go Scotch!**

9B: Scotch Blue vs SKC

SKC (44) def Scotch Blue (20)

Coach: Michael Zuckerman

We started off the game with some incredible defensive pressure which created steals, turnovers and fast break opportunities which we unfortunately struggled to convert on. Johnny Liu and Pierce Barnett applied some great defensive effort to create plenty of steals. We began rolling with a tough finish from Karthik Sundaralingam which lead to an 8-0 run to end the half. St Kevs were just too strong finishing with a 40-22 victory but we the game with some rhythm and nice plays by Rupert Mcaan having a 3 ball and crafty finish around the rim. The boys are playing more like a team each week which is helping for great ball movement so it's only a matter of time till we get our shots to drop!

Year 9

9B: Scotch Red vs CGS

No Report

Coach: Caleb Lingwood-Smith

9C: Scotch Red vs Wesley

Scotch Red (49) def Wesley (9)

Coach: Angus McCleery

The boys were down at Wesley for the first game back. With our 9 player turnout, it didn't seem like much of a challenge to defeat a Wesley side of 4 players. The boys demonstrated strong sportsmanship, offering to have one of them play for the other team in periods. The scotch team put on a dominant performance, smothering the opponent in half court on ball pressure, allowing for interceptions and east transition layups. They didn't take the foot off the gas, and collected a big win.

9C: Scotch Blue vs Xavier

Xavier (31) def Scotch Blue (21)

Coach: Max Tham

Despite the loss, the boys played a fantastic game on Saturday against Xavier. At the start of the game, the boys exchange buckets, going head to head as each team was trying to gain an advantage. Through our great ball movement and screen setting, the boys were able to set each other up for easy drives towards the basket. Additionally, our transition offence was another strength, as layups from Danny were able to keep us competitive throughout the game. However, to their credit, Xavier played a great game as well, as their offence was a bit too much to handle for the red and yellow. Although we did not get the result we wanted, the boys should keep their head high, as they played a wonderful team game this weekend, which unfortunately did not reflect the overall result.



Year 9

9D: Scotch vs Xavier

Xavier (27) def Scotch (10)

Coach: Miles Tan

On Saturday the boys played at Scotch against a very talented Xavier side. The boys showed good defensive pressure, forcing a lot of misses, however our defensive rebounding let us down as it acted as a pathway to most of Xavier's points. Eventually we faced defeat 27-10. Tiger Chen played great defence while Raymond scored a pair of good layups.



Year 8



8A: Scotch vs BGS

Scotch (29) def BGS (24)

Coach: Connor Nio

With their first game back from the holidays, the 8A's faced off against a strong Brighton Grammar side. The boys got off to a good start, bringing great defensive pressure and transition running, taking an early lead against the opposition. Brighton slowly started to make a comeback, but with great composure and poise the boys managed to finish off the game in front. Top scorers: Blake Bayliss (8), Leo Brown (7).

8B: Scotch Red vs SKC

Scotch Red (26) def SKC (22)

Coach: Kalen McInnes

Friday night at 4:15 the 8Bs kicked off against St Kevin's College on our home turf. Both teams started off slow with few scores but as the game progressed so did the intensity. The Skevs boys were playing a zone all game making it challenging to score in the first half, however with a few adjustments we came back ready for the second half.

Here we switched on, especially Leon who had many clean layups and tuff post moves to build our score. Defensively Tobey and Zach had a few steals between them along with clutch buckets from Alex and a sneaky "and 1" from Errol we ended up on top.

8C: Scotch Blue vs Xavier

Xavier (45) def Scotch Blue (4)

Coach: Max Tham

The boys played a very tough game against a strong Xavier side. From the start, Xavier was dominating, getting into the paint at will to score easy layups, whether in transition or half court offence. A key theme of the game was turnovers, as the boys' passes were easily picked by the opposing team, leading to wide open layups on the other side of the court. Despite the scoreboard, the boys still played hard. Special mention should go to Alex and Sam, who were able to slash through the defence and score fairly tough layups. Overall, the game this week highlighted flaws in our half court offence, something that will be worked on in training.

Year 8

8B: Scotch Blue vs BGS

Scotch Blue (47) def BGS (29)

Coach: Connor Nio

The boys were at home against Brighton for the first game off the winter break. With their coach (me) taking a holiday (my bad), the boys were in the very capable hands of 8As coach Connor Nio. The game was tight for the first half, as we entered the half time huddle up 19-12, off the back of a solid all-round team effort. The team then brought great ball pressure, forcing turnovers and getting out into transition. The lads demonstrated great skill, resulting in an excellent win. Although there were no real standout performers, Fletcher Sorensen (12 pts), Ford Feng (4 pts), and Llywy Schoenborn (6 pts) all made great contributions to the team's victory.

Looking forward to improving every week, and getting back on the sideline. Thanks once again to Connor for taking the boys this week gone.

8C: Scotch Red vs SKC

Scotch Red (34) def SKC (24)

Coach: Ed Blamey

After a nice holiday break 8C Red began with a blistering offensive display led by Kevin S (12 pts) to start the game. The ball movement was great with many cuts to the basket. The defence was solid to begin with, however, with some fatigue setting in, St Kevins were able to score some easy uncontested layups. After half time, the boys tightened up with the boxing out for rebounds and stuck to their opponent on defence. The offensive prowess continued and everyone got involved which was awesome to see. A great win to start Term 3!



Year 7



7A: Scotch

BYE

Coach: Guy Sidalman

7B: Scotch Blue vs CGS

No Report

Coach: Alex Parker

7B: Scotch Red vs Carey

Carey (42) def Scotch Red (41)

Coach: Josh Cutchie

The 7B Red team had a tough loss last week to a strong shooting Carey Grammar team, losing 42 - 41. The score swung strongly each way throughout the game, with scoring runs from Elliot and Frankie. The boys were strong on the offensive boards and put pressure on Carey with their consistent inside scoring. Unfortunately Carey made some tough 3s to close out the game in the dying seconds, but I'm sure the boys will come back strong to finish out the season.



Year 7

7C: Scotch Blue vs MGS

MGS (30) def Scotch Blue (12)

Coach: Toby Bierman

The boys showed a lot of improvement here and the scoreboard may not show it but they played quite well in some aspects of the game. It was a tiring back and forth game with a lot of fast breaks and the boys did great to get back on defence in time to contest the shots, especially Alvis and Aarav under the rim. We had just as many scoring attempts as MGS however just couldn't convert them into points and needed to take our time to take smarter shots. Hopefully we can get a win in the last 2 games

7C: Scotch Red vs BGS

BGS (29) def Scotch Red (17)

Coach: Seb Richardson

We played a very competitive game right from the jump against a strong Brighton Grammar side. We got off to an early lead but were eventually out matched through Brightons depth and a lot of turnovers bringing the ball up the floor. Ned Treeby had a great game on defence and Sam was very active on the offensive side grabbing plenty of rebounds and adding to our scoring. The final score ended in us down 29-17.



Year 7



SCOTCH COLLEGE SLAM DUNK CLUB



PRESENTATION NIGHT

COME AND
JOIN US

FREE
ADMISSION

MONDAY 5TH
AUGUST

6:00 - 7:30 PM

BOYKETT ROOM,
SCOTCH COLLEGE

ENQUIRIES:

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THIS IS A STUDENT
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3 x 3 TOURNAMENT

ISTS VS COACHES

3:30 - 5:45 PM

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