

Briars Netball 2017

Presidents Report

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We entered our 5th season this year and it was yet another successful one for Briars Netball.

The club registered 28 junior teams and 4 senior teams as well as 26 Summer teams into the Inner Western Suburbs Netball Association.

There were 95 Netstar participants registered (aged 5-7 years) in our Friday afternoon program at Briars Sports. The youngsters enjoyed learning the basic skills of netball. We thank everyone who assisted with the program. We also thank the parents and families, most new to Briars who supported the club and bistro each week.

The club would not be successful if it was not for the 18 committee members all of whom made significant contributions throughout the season. Some of the many roles and responsibilities included recruitment, registrations, team management, umpiring, canteen and bbq duties, trivia night, photo day, uniforms and equipment, and many more roles undertaken by dedicated volunteers.

The 34 Briars netball games that occurred each week required an umpire. We simply could not play the games without the amazing support of the junior players, parents and supporters who all pitched in to ensure we had an umpire for each game. Many of the people who umpired reached their association and national umpire accreditation due to the help of the umpire convenor and her team.

All our club coaches were offered support and opportunities to learn through on line courses and we can proudly say that all our coaches received accreditation during 2017.

We greatly appreciate the efforts of our players, volunteers, umpires and sponsors who collectively helped to form the 32 committed teams participating each week in the IWSNA Competition.

Briars play in a competitive competition and whilst we like to win our club values participation, inclusion and playing with friends above trophies. This is the reason we grow each season and why we will always remain a club that will open our door to any young girl wanting to play netball.

We also thank our families, particularly parents who have endured cold winter mornings, so their daughters were able to play netball. Thank you for your cheering, your motivational pep talks and, particularly, thanks for your support on bbq's and in the canteen. Your continuous support to your daughters and to Briars Netball is greatly appreciated. The commitment and generosity of all our club sponsors has not gone unnoticed. Our sponsors have assisted our club in a number of ways, in particular our gratitude goes to our major sponsor, Crust Pizza at Concord. Jim and Kate Stevis have been with us since day one and we appreciate all the pizza nights, their financial contribution and importantly their support at games and social events. We also thank the Briars

2017 Briars Netball Premiers



Congratulations U10 Topaz team.



Congratulations U11 Corals team.



Congratulations U11 Rubies team.

board for their financial support this season and the staff at Briars who continually support Briars Netball.

Well done to the 6 teams who fought their way into the grand finals and congratulations to the 3 teams who became 2017 season premiers. A special mention must go to the Under 11 Corals for finishing their season undefeated.

Finally, the enthusiasm of the families associated with the club and the eagerness of parents and players to assist the young girls to be the best they can be is what separates Briars from the rest.

Thanks to everyone involved and we look forward to another successful season of Briars Netball.