HORNSBY SPIDERS REPRESENTATIVE NEWSLETER NO. 12 – 9 APRIL 2007

DRAW

I have attached a copy of the draw for the remainder of the season. There are still some queries, (marked with an **) which I cannot get clarification from BNSW on, but as soon as I do I will forward the corrected draw. Please note that the times shown on the BNSW website for 6th May and 1st July are incorrect and need to be updated.

I will continue to circulate the draw on a weekly basis, just in case some changes are not reflected on the "official" draw, but this should give you a good idea for the rest of the season.

SENIOR GAMES THIS WEEKEND

Fans of basketball are in for a treat this weekend at the Brickpit with the debut at home of the Hornsby Spiders Women's ABA Team and a full round of home games featuring all our senior rep teams.

This is the first year that Hornsby has been able to field a Women's team in the Waratah League and we are extremely proud of our line-up which includes Alicia Poto who was recently named in the Opals Squad, together with Flames team-mates Michelle Musselwhite and Georgia Woodyard. How often do you get the opportunity to see this calibre of players in a Spiders uniform on our home court at the Brickpit. It is now our turn to come along and support these players and thank them for chosing Hornsby for their ABA team.

All our men's teams also welcome your support. Our ABA team is filled with promising young talent with Josh Duinker and Ross Allsop stepping up to the top team, joining the older Hornsby juniors such as Dave Bastian and Tom Wilder. Both the State League Men and Youth League Men have met with mixed results so far and will be looking to consolidate with strong performances this weekend.

Our Youth League Women have had an amazing start to the season, being undefeated after three rounds. A double on the weekend would well and truly set them off on a path to the finals.

With no junior rounds on this weekend, this is a great opportunity to get along to the Brickpit and enjoy some great basketball.

The draw for the weekend is:

SATURDAY

3:00 pm	Youth League Women v Manly Warringah
5:00 pm	Waratah League Men v Maitland
7.00 pm	Waratah League Women v Maitland

SUNDAY

12:00 noon	Waratah Women v Sutherland
2:00 pm	Waratah Men v Sutherland
4:00 pm	State League Men v Penrith

CONGRATULATIONS TO HORNSBY SPIDERS SELECTED FOR WARATAH CAMP

The following Hornsby Spiders have been selected to attend the Waratah Camp to be held next weekend:

- Liam Andrew
- Declan Clark
- Marc Diewart
- Callan Grima
- Adrian Jaucian
- Eizabeth Jigalin
- Aonghus McEwen
- Alex Perkins

Congratulations to you all and we hope you enjoy the weekend.

NUTRITION

I have also attached some information on Nutrition for Young Athletes supplied by one of our parents that you may find interesting.

TEAM REPORTS FROM ROUND 4

12 MEN GREEN

Hornsby (48) Norths (74)

It was always going to be a tough assignment playing away against one of the top teams in the division. Although we lost 74-48 to Norths on Sunday, our boys probably played their best game of the season.

Maybe it was the disappointment of losing in overtime last week, but we started very slowly and were ten points down inside three minutes. We managed to claw our way back into the game in the second and third quarters, however, Norths were always in front and they played a very strong final quarter.

Our defence needs work and we conceded far too many lay-ups. We are, however, managing to consistently score points (this was our first week under 50) and all nine of our players got on the score sheet. Sukhman Bhinder once again led our scoring with 17 points, followed by Kai Healy with 9 points.

While we are not yet getting the results, the most pleasing aspect is that our boys are playing with a lot of spirit and they do not give up. Our coach is doing a great job in lifting the skill levels of the team.

Steve Baldwin, Team Manager

12 MEN BLACK

Hornsby (39) Glebe (60)

The Under 12 Div 3 Spiders team and their loyal supporters (agents and sponsors), made the trek down to Glebe for the big match against the "Magic" last Sunday morning. Another good fast start by the boys in green created an early lead, the Magic didn't know what had hit them...the first half belonged to the Spiders. Then a quick "magic" burst early in the 2nd half had Glebe up with a tough lead to claw back. The game see-sawed for the 4th quarter with a win for the Magic. Next time, it will be different! Daniel B and Will ran their legs off all game in defence and attack. Great rebounding from Patrick and the big man Francis. Ben and Callum put in some great goals and assists. James' determination in driving to the hoop was making holes in Glebe's zone. Daniel and Lachlan stuck with their men in defence all day and pulled off some great steals. Gary, dribbled fantastically and looked (and sounded) like he meant business…Well done lads, rest well over easter, but keep up the hoops! *Geoff Mance, Manager*

14 MEN BLACK

Hornsby (57) Norths (61)

Our boys played Norths Black today. It was going to be a tough day at the office with only 7 boys of which 2 were forwards. The boys played

their socks off after a slow start in the first quarter leaving us behind 13 to 7. They fought hard in the second and third quarters to be in front by 39 to 38 at the end of the third quarter. Despite their efforts in the final quarter with both our "bigs" in foul trouble and the limited numbers we had, thinks eventually took their toll and Norths won 61 to 57. Great effort by the boys particularly our only two forwards Declan and Sergio. Thanks to the parents for their support of the boys.

Duncan Knight, Coach

16 MEN WHITE

Hornsby (78) Macarthur (70) - OVERTIME

The 16 men's div 4 played a great game against Macarthur at Minto. At full time it was 69 all we went to a overtime playing for an extra five minutes we won by 8 points score being 78 to 70, our boys were a little fitter and they played as if they wanted to win they also played as a team. At some parts of our game the defense was not there and Roland Barros our coach took a time out and reminded the boys on what they had to do and they came up with the goods. Congratulations boys on a fine win. *Caroline Toth, Manager*

18 MEN BLACK

Hornsby (64) Glebe (100)

Yesterday the boys went down to glebe 64-100. We found ourselves up against a very tough side who proved to us that we have a lot of work to do if we are to beat them. The boys were within a couple of points for the first quarter but lost it during the second. The third and fourth were played much better and we gained a little more dignity but the score difference from the second quarter was too great. *Jason Rogers, Coach*