

HORNSBY SPIDERS REPRESENTATIVE NEWSLETER NO. 9 – 19 MARCH 2007

TEAM PHOTOS

Team Photos will be taken this Sunday at the Brickpit prior to games. I am sorry that the 12 Men 3 are not at home this week (we did try), but would be grateful if you could meet the Brickpit for a photo at 9:45 and then proceed down to Campbelltown. It is essential that every team member is present punctually for the photos. Timing is tight and if anyone is running late it will cut into the warm-up time of all teams, so please co-operate.

For the photo players are to wear their Spiders shorts and Spiders playing singlet which the manager will bring with them. The photographer will be selecting a site outside for the photos as close to the front door as practical.

Money for photos is to be handed to the manager prior to the photos being taken in an envelope clearly marked with the following:

- Player Name
- Team
- Coach
- Package being ordered

Cost of the photos is: \$15 for a team photo and \$20 for a package (package includes one team photo, two individual photos (3 x 4) and one individual photo (6 x 4)).

DRAW FOR THIS SUNDAY – 25TH MARCH – ROUND 3

VENUE	TIME	CRT	GDE	HOME TEAM	V	AWAY TEAM	PHOTO TIME
B'PIT	10:30	2	12M1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Penrith Panthers	9:30 AM
MSC	12:00	2	12M3	Macarthur Heat	v	Hornsby Spiders Black	9:45 AM
B'PIT	9:00	2	12W1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Penrith Panthers	8:00 AM
B'PIT	10:30	3	12W2	Hornsby Spiders Black	v	Penrith Panthers	9:15 AM
B'PIT	12:00	2	14M1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Penrith Panthers	11:00 AM
B'PIT	9:00	3	14M2	Hornsby Spiders Black	v	Penrith Panthers	8:20 AM
B'PIT	1:30	2	14W1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Penrith Panthers	12:30 PM
B'PIT	9:00	1	16M1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Macarthur Heat	8:10 AM
B'PIT	3:00	2	16M3	Hornsby Spiders Black	v	Ryde Bulls	2:00 PM
B'PIT	3:15	3	16M4	Hornsby Spiders White	v	Bankstown Bruins	2:15 PM
B'PIT	10:45	1	16W1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Penrith Panthers	10:00 AM
B'PIT	12:30	1	18M1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Penrith Panthers	11:30 AM
B'PIT	4:00	1	18M3	Hornsby Spiders Black	v	Ryde Bulls	3:00 PM
B'PIT	2:15	1	18W1	Hornsby Spiders Green	v	Penrith Panthers	1:30 PM
B'PIT	1:30	3	18W2	Hornsby Spiders Black	v	Penrith Panthers	12:45 PM

TEAM REPORTS

12 MEN GREEN (DIVISION 1)

The boys went down 79-54 on Sunday to a good Bankstown side.

Like last week, we started very slowly but came home strongly. Behind 48-14 at the end of the second quarter, we were facing a very heavy defeat. Our boys, however, are a determined bunch and we proceeded to draw the third quarter 18-18 and win the final quarter 22-13.

A highlight of the day was that all eight of our boys got baskets and the scoring was also evenly spread. Sukhman Binder led our scoring with 16 points, followed by Josh Kooroor with 12 points and James Teoh with 10 points.

Sam Baldwin, Manager

12 MEN BLACK (DIVISION 3)

The Under 12 Div 3 Spiders team played a great game against the Parramatta Wildcats in front of a big crowd at the Brickpit. The Spiders were in the lead at the end of each of the first three quarters, but couldn't stop the Wildcats storming home in the last quarter to win 56-45. These Rookie boys just need to learn how to keep "cool under pressure" - not an easy lesson even for the pros. Callum Toohey took the boys out to an early lead with strong moves to the hoop. Lachlan Fuggle was deadly with his outside shots. Great boxing out and rebounding from Will George, Dan Babb, Ben Mance and Daniel Szobozlay. Francis Phillips and James Calacochi shot well from the free throw line.

14 MEN GREEN (DIVISION 1)

Win over Bankstown! What a difference a week can make. The guys gave us a glimpse of their potential with a solid win over a quality team. All 9 players contributed and the lift in effort from the previous week, particularly defensively was most pleasing. The whole team should be proud but also aware it's a long season. Consistency is the key. Special mentions for Justin Daoud, who was in everything defensively and Fabijan Krslovic who showed us some nice offensive touches. Sean Handlin's 3 point buzzer beater right on half time was also a highlight. Thanks to all those who came to support us on the day.

Duncan Knight, Coach

14 MEN BLACK (DIVISION 2)

Our boys played at Bankstown on Sunday. The game was expected to be a tough one and it lived up to expectations. The boys started in a very unconvincing fashion in the first quarter where their offensive and defensive structure seemed to be all over the place. By the end of the first quarter they were down 20 to 10. They started the second quarter with better intensity and got their game organised on the court pulling back the score. They finished the quarter trailing 29 to 23. They continued in the same fashion in the third quarter resulting in them only being behind by 2 at the end of the quarter with the score at 36 to 34. We felt we had the momentum going into the final quarter but perhaps the boys over enthusiasm (including 11 turnovers in this quarter) or just the mental effort to pull the score back took a toll on the boys resulting in a disappointing final quarter with Bankstown running away with the game 62 to 42. Plenty of positives from the boys effort in the second and third quarters but still work to be done if they are to reach their goal of finishing in the top 4 teams.

Roland Barros, Coach

16 WOMEN GREEN (DIVISION 1)

The excitement from the 16 Women rocked the Bankstown stadium when we fought our way to a historic win in overtime. It was a great display to see the team fight off a determined comeback from the Bruins and despite our relevant inexperience, our spirit certainly got us over the line. Monica Bedwany stepped up in the final stages of the match with some great defence and Sheraton Flood was inspiring from start to finish. The girls would never have got over the line without the encouraging support from the parent in the crowd – your positive enthusiasm is greatly appreciated.

Vicki Fitzgerald, Coach

16 MEN BLACK (DIVISION 3A)

The boys played extremely well against Hawkesbury Jets on the weekend, playing great all round defense from start to finish. Although starting a little slow offensively leading only by five points in the 1st quarter, they came back fired up in the 2nd, scoring 29 points and stopping Hawkesbury to only 4 points, leading the half by 30.

Having all nine players already scoring in the first 3 quarters, they finished the game even stronger in the 4th, scoring with a blistering 39 points, with Nick Garcia making an awesome halfcourt shot to end the game.

Nick Georgiou (co-capt), Nick Garcia and Saamid Zikria top scoring at 21 points each, with five players in double digits, everyone showed alot of heart, determination and best of all unselfishness. It was fun to watch and a pleasure to coach.

112 Hornsby - 52 Hawkesbury

Mario Dingall, Coach

16 MEN WHITE (DIVISION 3B)

Unfortunately the 16 Men White were unable to back up last weeks success with another win, going down to Glebe. We were down and out without our big men today which meant our guards had to do all the work. We all played well but the buckets would not drop for us the score 79 to 70. Better luck next week boys.

Caroline Toth, Manager

18 WOMEN GREEN (DIVISION 1)

The 18 Women endured a tough encounter this weekend against the Bankstown Bruins. In a game which the Spiders held the lead for the majority of the match, the win had to be fought for with close defence and controlled attack. We focused on getting through a set offences and working through these to battle 5 on 5. In the end, the 18 Women won by 10 points.

Kristie Fitzgerald, Coach

18 MEN BLACK

Despite a couple of serious injuries through the week the boys defeated McAthur 69-55. Our new addition to the team, Tim, played very well. The Spiders dominated for most of the game until the last few minutes when we noticeably tired. But in the end we came away with the win. I look forward to next week when we take on Penrith at home.

Jason Rogers, Coach