Term 2 Week 2 2014

Finally, regular Saturday Football is back for 2014!

This week sees the first full Saturday of fixtures for Season 2014, where all 7 of our teams are scheduled to play and I’m looking forward to getting out tomorrow morning and seeing some good games of football played around Adelaide, as well as coaching my Second XVIII Boys in the afternoon at PAC.

Most of our matches are on the South Parklands tomorrow, with only our two senior teams playing away. If possible, make your way out to either PAC or Rostrevor for the two 12.30pm games this week to show our senior boys some support too!

Aside from that, I might see you at the football tomorrow. Feel free to come up and ask me questions about Pulteney Football this year or just simply to say ‘Hi!’ It’s always good to meet many old and new faces every year! GO BLUES!!

Senior Football Leadership Positions 2014

With their first Saturday match happening this weekend, it’s my pleasure to announce that our 1st XVIII coach Gavin Wanganeen has made his decision on the leadership positions in the team, and these were announced before the Anglican Cup on Wednesday morning. Our Senior Football Captains this year are:

1st XVIII Captain - Harry Lumsden  
1st XVIII Vice-Captain - Will Chyer  
1st XVIII Deputy VC - Brad Sipek

In addition, I announced the 2nd XVIII leadership positions at training last night:

2nd XVIII Captain - Daniel Barnett  
2nd XVIII Vice-Captain - Oscar Van Duivenbode  
2nd XVIII Deputy VC - Henry Saxon

Congratulations to all these boys on their appointments.

Year 9 Camp - Week 5 2014

Coming soon in Week 5 (May 26th to 30th), the annual Year 9 Camp occurs here at Pulteney. Just a reminder to all Year 9 football players and their parents that all players are *expected* to be available/to play in the match the following Saturday, May 31st. The good news is we have...
a home game against Trinity on at the usual time of 8:45am, so there should be no excuses for not knowing that the game is on! Any problems or questions, please feel free to contact the coach, Mr Simon Sharley, or myself here at Pulteney.

State Football Representative

Congratulations must go to Year 10 student Isabella Ioanni, who (once again) has been selected in the South Australian Girls U/16 Football Team. Congrats, Izzy - well done yet again and I know you’re playing now, but I hope you’re doing really well at the National Carnival!

Sporting Code of Conduct for Pulteney Grammar School

This week, and for the next few issues, I will be attaching to the Blues News the Pulteney Sporting Code of Conduct for all Officials, Parents & Players. Please take the time to read through this Code of Conduct to familiarize yourself with and learn your roles and responsibilities. We at the school are looking to bring Pulteney Football back to a level which is both competitive and respected around Adelaide, and the responsibility for doing this lies with all of us in the Pulteney Community.

David Emms
PGS Football Co-ordinator

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So spread the word - get all your family and friends onto the 2014 Blues News!
Matches this week

Saturday May 10th 2014

1st XVIII  AWAY vs Rostrevor Thirds
Big Memorial Oval, Rostrevor College, Glen Stuart Rd, Woodforde - 11:30am report/12:30pm start

** NOTE EARLY START TIME **

2nd XVIII  AWAY vs PAC Fourths
Front Oval, Prince Alfred College, Dequetteville Tce, Kent Town - 11:45am report/12:30pm start

Yr 8/9s  HOME vs Trinity
Atkinson Oval – 8:15am report/8:45am start

Yr 5/6/7s  HOME vs Blackfriars
Vaughton Oval – 9:30am report/10:00am start

Yr 4/5s  HOME vs Highgate
Harris Oval – 10:10am report/10:30am start

Yr 3s  HOME vs St John’s Grammar
Harris Oval – 9:10am report/9:30am start

Yr 1/2s  HOME vs St John’s Grammar
Harris Oval – 8:10am report/8:30am start

Guernsey Care
I’ve had a request from the Pulteney Uniform Shop to all footballers that have a guernsey with one of the new sublimated plastic numbers on the back.

Please ensure that you wash your guernsey in COLD WATER. This is to ensure that the numbers do not peel off with the heat applied in a hot water wash (as the numbers were applied to the guernsey via heat).

Pulteney Football Song
(If you’ve ever heard the Carlton Football Club sing their song after a victory, you’ll know the tune to our song. It’s essentially the same song with “Pulteney” replacing “Carlton” in the 4th line, and a couple of other small changes)

“We are the Navy Blues
We are the Old, Dark Navy Blues.
(Yes we are!)
We’re the team that never lets you down;
We’re the only team Old Pulteney knows.
We are the champions.
We’ll keep our heads up;
(Ooooh!)
We’ll never give up.
(Aaaah!)
And then they’ll know that they’ve been playing
Against the famous Old Dark Blues.”

Phone Contact Details

The Football Co-ordinator can be contacted on the following number:
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Please do not text, as you will not receive an answer most times. Please call the number above and if I do not answer, then please leave a voicemail message.
PGS Sporting Codes of Conduct

Officials (Umpires, Linesmen, Goal Umpires, etc)
• I will place the safety and welfare of players above all else
• I will show concern and caution towards sick and injured players
• I will give all players a ‘fair go’ regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
• I will be impartial, consistent, objective and courteous when making decisions
• I will accept responsibility for my actions and decisions
• I will condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for the individuality of players
• I will avoid any situations which may lead to or be construed as a conflict of interest
• I will be a positive role model in behaviour and personal appearance and ensure my comments are positive and supportive
• I will be a good sport as I understand that actions speak louder than words
• I will always respect, remain loyal to and support other officials
• I will keep up to date with the latest ‘Laws of the Game’, trends and principles of their application
• I will refrain from any form of personal abuse towards players or other officials
• I will refrain from any form of sexual harassment towards players or other officials
• I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
• I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background

Parents
• I won’t pressure my child in any way – I know that this is their game not mine
• I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials or other spectators
• I will encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials’ and coaches’ decisions – no matter what
• I will teach my child to respect the efforts of their opponents
• I will remember that children learn best by example so I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child’s team and their opponents
• I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort
• I will focus on my child’s efforts and performance – not the score
• I will thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to conduct the event for my child
• I will help when asked by a coach or official
• I won’t criticise or ridicule my child’s performance after the game
• I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
• I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability or cultural background

Players
• I will always play by the rules
• I will never argue with an official. If I disagree with a decision I will inform the captain, coach or manager during a break or after the competition
• I will control my temper. I understand that verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players and deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in any sport
• I will work equally hard for myself and/or my team
• I will be a good sport and applaud all good plays whether they are made by my team or the opposition
• I will treat all players in my sport as I like to be treated. I will not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor
• I will cooperate with my coach, team mates and opponents
• I will display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat
• I will participate for my own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches
• I will not arrive at the venue intoxicated or drink alcohol at junior matches
• I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
• I will thank the opposition and officials at the end of the game
1st XVIII Report

ANGLICAN CUP 2014 REPORT

What a fantastic day it was for Pulteney Football on Wednesday! Fantastic weather and a good deck on Morgan Oval set the scene for a great day that lay ahead. We started the morning by presenting our leadership team for Season 2014 - Harry Lumsden was named captain, Will Chyer his vice captain and Brad Sipek as the DVC. A squad of 25 players gave us plenty of flexibility on the bench and allowed us on the bench to try a few different moves during the day.

The first game was against Pedare and from the opening bounce it was obvious that the Navy Blues were of a much higher quality than our opposition. The only thing that let us down was our finishing (or lack of) in front of the big sticks - some bad misses and a few other shots that fell short and were cleared by the Pedare Full Back line. We definitely should have been even further in front at the half time break. Our pressure was good with many smothers, Will Chyer was dominating across half-back and Ben Kalleske was one fire with his hands up forward, marking everything that was coming his way.

In the second half, we switched the team around and played many of our starting bench, but this didn’t lessen our play or our pressure, with all the boys playing their designated roles. Kalleske finally got his kicking right to match his marking ability, and slotted 3 majors in a row before having a rest for the last 5 minutes of the match. Thankfully, all our dominance was being reflected more accurately on the scoreboard, and only a very late goal to Pedare with the siren about to blow prevented our stingy defense from keeping them goalless.

Better players: Chyer, Kalleske, White, Adams, H Lumsden, Sexton.

Goal Kickers: Kalleske 3, Faulkhead 2, Bourchier, Martin, Monteath.

After a 15 minute break we were back on Morgan Oval again playing against Woodcroft. Unlike many Woodcroft sides of the past, this team was putting on far less pressure, and as a result we completely dominated our opposition. Ben Kalleske continued his incredible form, plucking every mark that came his way, but then let himself down with some wayward kicking. At one point in the half we were 2 goals 5, until we finally ‘clicked’ and piled on 8 of the next 9 goals! In particular, the centre square work was most impressive, with several times the ball being knocked down by our ruckman to a midfielder, a long kick to full-forward, then a mark and goal. It doesn’t get better than that!

In the second half we put on our entire bench and gave a few of the boys a rest in preparation for our final match against St John’s later in the day. Again, this didn’t stop us at all, with Tom Baldock snatching a terrific overhead mark and then finishing with a goal, and then Ben Martin stepping up in Ben Kalleske’s absence and kicking 4 goals of his own (and giving off another couple as well) for the half!

Better players: Martin, Kalleske, Adams, H Lumsden, Dudley, Chyer.

So after the first 2 matches, both Pulteney and St John's were both undefeated, with St John's having won both of their matches as well. We started a little slowly, and early on we seemed to be following behind our St John's opponents. The match soon ended up going going for goal, with both midfields having their moments. St John's then came close to breaking the game open with 3 very quick goals in succession, the second and third goals both being direct from centre clearances. However, unlike in years past, we fought back kicking the next 4 goals to take the lead at half time by 2 points!

The second half was very scrappy football for the first 10 mins, with a goal each and the ball going between half-back lines. After the 10 minute mark of the half we gained control and penetrated on the scoreboard to get out to a game high 22 point lead, before St John's got a final goal in the last minute. But no late nerves with this group of young men - and we held on for a great victory!

Better players:
Kalleske, Martin, Charalabidis, Sexton, White, Dudley.
Goal Kickers:
Martin 3, Kalleske 2, Bourchier 2, Faulkhead, Sipek, Charalabidis.

So a fantastic result for Pulteney, going undefeated in football and greatly contributing to our back-to-back victory in the overall Anglican Cup! Congrats to everyone who participated and/or helped out to make the day so successful!

David Emms
PGS Football Co-ordinator
The first blowout of the season and couldn't be more pleased with the full team football approach, which resulted with 14 different goal kickers and a donut scoreboard for the opposition.

Coming into the game I was quite nervous about the unknown, but the older heads of J. Miller and L. Geddes-Ryan really showed the way for the team's first hitout. Their dominance in the middle was vital on the small oval at Immanuel and especially we were only fielding 17 men.

The first quarter set up the win, with the boys hardness and first at the ball approach, saw us full of run. Team football was the word and of the day and from the onset, the boys worked hard for one another and was a very pleasing start to the 2014 season.

The third quarter we changed it up and let some other boys have a run through the middle and up forward and was pleasing to see the pressure and intensity stayed high and the scoreboard continued to turn over.

Remembering not every game will be like this is key for the boys as it is a long season ahead but I couldn’t have asked for a better start. Looking forward to the next challenge with Trinity at home this week.

Simon Sharley
A good game of football from both sides but Burnside were better in a number of areas. Their defensive work was excellent - they went to our players right legs and made it difficult for us to get a clear kick away. They were nearly always in front when a ball was kicked hence got first touch of the footy. Plus their kicking was exceptional.

These are all things that we need to work on improving in our game.

We had all players trying hard but a few standouts were Reilly Magazin who reads the ball beautifully along with Cameron Kelly who uses his athleticism to his advantage. Michael Trenwith often got himself in front and had many possessions. Oliver Holman, Georgio Gaganis, Mason O’Callaghan, James Apostolakos and Mackenzie Bruce were all strong around the ball.

Look forward to this week’s game at home, same time, same place, 9.30am start, report 9.10am.

Bill Davis

A great start to the season by the boys, with the first quarter going our way, it looked like the perfect start. After the realisation that we weren’t going to be a push over, Burnside charged out of the gates in the second quarter kicking 3 quick goals. Our Pulteney boys didn’t let this get to them and retaliated with 2 goals, almost matching them in the second quarter. The third quarter for us was a bit of a struggle with positional changes and getting used to playing in different zones, this resulted in a 2 goal win for the opposition in the quarter. During the last quarter Pulteney really stepped up and again matched Burnside, resulting in a 2 goal 2 loss overall. Even though we went down the boys learnt a lot about game play and we have carried that onto trainings to reconsider ways to approach the next game.

The boys showed that they could pick up the footy and take a few quick steps to get out in the open, and kick long - one of the things we had practiced at training. It was good to see that they had listened to what was asked of them and used it in a game setting. Goal kicking was fantastic, the boys only missed 2 of the 9 scoring opportunities; hopefully we can carry that on into next game. Some things to work on are staying in the zones, linking handballs to run and share the ball through the zone and finally getting everyone involved. Overall I was very impressed with the team and how the boys responded to instructions.

Josh Perkins
Saturday Football was back in a limited capacity last weekend, with only the Year 8/9s and our three Junior Teams in action. I made my way on a glorious autumn morning to the picturesque Harris Oval to check out the 3 teams playing there. I was quite excited when Emmsy told me that numbers in the Prep School and in Kurrajong were so big that we actually needed to *add* another team this year - that augurs well for the longevity of The Great Game for many years to come! When I arrived the Year 4/5s were doing battle in the first of the Triple Header against Burnside Primary. Unfortunately, it was more Hawthorn v Geelong, and not in our favour. After kicking the first goal of the match, we didn’t kick another until well into the 3rd quarter, and by that stage the game was effectively over as a contest. New coach Lachie Connell was doing a great job motivating his team and they were all trying their best, but the Burnside Tigers were too strong, and ran out winners by 75 points.

Next up were Billy Davis’ standalone Year 3 team. I love standalone year-level teams. That many boys wanting to play football together is just awesome! Wish there was more of it! (Yes I’m looking at you Years 5 though 9!! If any of you want to come and play footy that would be greatly appreciated!). What struck my eye at the start of this game was the implementation of actual zones to split up the backs, midfielders and forwards, and marked out with cones across the oval. This of course is to stop the ‘rolling maul’ so often found at this level of football. Mind you, I don’t know why the lawmakers are trying to stop these rolling mauls at this level of football - once these kids get to the AFL that’s all the game is anyway these days! At quarter time, listening to Coach Davis read out his team for the next quarter, I ended up somewhat confused. Name after name was: Reilly, Riley, Rielee and Rai-Lee! ‘Rileys’ everywhere! I was instantly reminded of the old Monty Python sketch with the ‘Bruces’, and thought about calling Mackenzie Bruce ‘Riley’, just to keep it clear! Half time showed to me how smart these Year 3 boys are too. A certain Football Co-ordinator told the boys to “keep going; you’re playing well!” in an effort to motivate them, when one of the boys turned to him and scoffed: “We’re getting smashed!” No getting anything past these lads this year methinks! Although, giggles did come out of the assembled parents when Bill asked them at both half-time and 3-quarter time: “Right, which way are we going this quarter?” and then half the boys pointed one way, and the other half, the other way!! Keep teaching them Bill!!

The final game of the Triple Header was the debut of our new Year 1/2 team. This is the first year that I can remember that the Year 1s have played at Pulteney, and it was very pleasing to see so many young boys dead keen on having a game of footy! Dominating early for this side was the very confident Mister Darcy, running cleanly through the midfield and kicking the ball long to his forwards. Bouncing the ball seemed optional in this match, with a number of very long runs being a feature! As were a few self-falcons! But my highlight of this game had to be at half time, when one of the boys asked Coach Perkins: “Can I kick a torpedo?” Josh replied: “If you can, yes”, to which our budding star footballer gave himself a big fist pump and an almighty grin! Love it!!

The other match on Saturday was the Year 8/9 team playing down at Immanuel. Supercoach Sharley, fresh off his undefeated season last year, wasn’t sure of how his team would play given he only had 17 available, yet he needn’t have worried. Led by a couple of ‘stalwarts’ from last year in LGR and The Fridge, the 8/9s keep going from exactly where they left off last year, and absolutely put their opponents to the sword! 14 different goal-kickers (and 8 sausages to The Fridge alone!) made our Supercoach a very happy man! Things were so good, that at half time Simon swapped all his stars to the backline, and all the rest of his team stepped up and just continued on! Great news too with Sam Hore pulling on the boots for this team for the first time, kicking himself a goal and declaring he’s happy to play footy for the rest of the year!

Thankfully only 3 days passed before I got my next footy fix, with Anglican Cup being held a couple of days ago. I was super impressed from what I saw from our Firsts - so much so, that I think we may actually be further advanced than I thought we would be! Some of the new Year 10 boys in to the Ones (but well known to regular readers of the Blues News) in Duds, Whitey, The Boy-Mountain and Octavius played exceptionally well, and new addition Gomez Adams has adjusted nicely to his new teammates. A couple of other old favourites of this column certainly stepped up in a big way too. Benny Martin showed he was always a full-forward that just had to ruck by slotting 8 goals across the 3 games, and Esky was absolutely on fire with a dominant display of overhead marking across half-forward, and kicking 8 goals himself for the day! Especially pleasing was the number of times that our Firsts scored quick goals out of the middle, with rucks taps to either Sexton or Martin, long kick clearances to The Horse, Whitey or Duds, and then strong marks and goals to a number of our forward 50 weapons in Faulky, Bouch, Esky, Sippa or the resting ruckman!
However ‘Play of the Day’ actually goes to our Footy Co-ordinator and Assistant Coach Emmsy, who, after interchanging Henry Saxon to a back pocket in the game against Pedare, shifted Xander Monteath from his back pocket to a forward pocket. As Xander was running through the middle of the ground, Emmsy shouted out “Kick me a goal, Xander!” Cue, not one minute later, Xander doing exactly that followed by a smug smile from Emmsy!

A big weekend ahead with all 7 teams in action! Hope to see you all out there!

Stay True & Stay Blue.

Rufus
Photos from the weekend
Year 1/2s v Burnside
(Thanks to Leeanne Johnston-Bryan for her photos)