

NETBALL SUPPORTERS' GROUP REPORT 23/03/2015

Our last meeting was on Monday 16th March and we had seven attendees. We received apologies from Glen Archer, Mel Liessi, Bonnie Retief & Leanne Morgan

On Friday 20th we held our Netball Development Day for all girls wishing to play netball this year in Years 7 - 12. There was a change of venue this year and the event was held at the SPSA indoor courts, Brendale. The girls were taken by bus straight from school at 3:30 and the program started at 4pm. We had 90 girls in attendance and all were enthusiastic and professional in their approach to the event. 10 independent selectors were brought in to grade the girls and professional coaches were on hand to run the Development program aimed at improving the skillset the girls already have. On arrival the girls were re-fuelled with fruit and muesli bars and plenty of cold water as the temps. were still in the mid 30's.

The Development Day was a huge success and we are blessed to have so many highly skilled netballers at St. Paul's. The trials for a place on the Open's teams were at an extremely high level leaving the selectors presented with a hard task. The day would not have been such a success without the huge effort put in by our Head of Netball, Mrs Kathleen Power, supported by Mr Justin Hill and Ms Kathryn Kolb and all the selectors and coaches that gave up their time. Mr Hilton was also on hand running small groups of the girls through some strength and conditioning drills to improve performance and prevent injuries. In whole, the Development Day highlighted the strength of Netball as a sport at St. Paul's, the huge level of skill our netballers in every age group possess and made me very proud to be part of our St. Paul's netball community.

Fundraising events for the year were discussed and planning of each is moving ahead on schedule. The committee has decided to no longer continue with our Boost Juice fundraiser as the company decided to put into action a 100 cup pre-order requirement and the NSG deemed this too high a risk for a relatively small return.

We have also had a change in the TAS draw and now have an extra Home game on 30th May against St. John's! This will now be our Pink Day instead of 13th June, creating a sigh of relief for all our Year 12 girls as that is the day of their Formal!

Pre-season training is now under way for Years 4-12 and the Net Set Go program is being run for Prep to Year 3 students to develop the understanding of netball and groom our future St. Paul's Netball super stars!

Regards

Rebecca Kerta, President NSG 2015