## **ORANGE TRIBUNE**

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What a year we have had, and it is only October.

We have had to call in Dr. Bernstein because our banner wall is having some extra weight issues.

XC – The coaching team of <u>Price, Power and Trembley</u> had the Trail Gunners physically and mentally on the top of their game when they toured Cochrane for cities. The Orange Terminators took no prisoners thieving 1 Bronze, 1 Silver, and 4 Gold from the rest of Calgary. Aaron A, Savana J, Anna P and Emma S topped the city charts bringing home 1<sup>st</sup> place in each of their races.

The words of the great Arnold Schwarzenegger "I'll be back," echoed throughout the Outward Bounders. The battle for XC sovereignty in Alberta was on the line as Orange Trail Hoppers boarded the westbound train to the lovely city of Cochrane.

The scene played out like a Hollywood movie, with Scona (Edmonton) the clear favorites – based on a 25 year history of winning provincials. The unsung heros of Abe on the starting line – battle tested and ready to usurp the Lords from their title. Abe down 200 pts with the Sr girls on the line; cresting the hill Savana J comes striding gathering speed as she senses victory followed closely by Emma H and Rebecca J. Outstanding efforts from top finishers Emma S and Aaron A as well as the other 15 juggernauts assisted in nailing the coffin on the past champs and ushered in a new era of ORANGE.

Thanks to the coaches *Mr. Power, Mr Price and Ms. Trembly* for all their hard work.

SOCCER – As this is being written <u>Coaches Bruno</u> and <u>Craig</u> are busy cleaning dealcoholized champagne off the locker room walls.. Not unlike their predecessor Qin Shi Huang, the girls devised their own Great Wall of Orange. The Lady Footies went to the South Soccer Centre to face the Carroll Birds in the epic 2016 City Finals. 11 women in, 1 banner out was the mantra of the Orange.

5 minutes in – the Socceroos found the net for the 1<sup>st</sup> time. Strong net minding and defensive play kept the Cards out of scoring reach. Late in the 1<sup>st</sup> half, a second ball found the back of the net for the Orange. The girls, now inspired from the ½ time speech, came out smoking and kept the Cards deep in their end. When the Whistle blew, it was the Orange holding a City Banner.

Dutch Footballer Johan Cruijff has been following the amazing effort and skill demonstrated by the Abe team and sent congratulations from the 1<sup>st</sup> land of Orange.

Thanks to *Mr. Bruno and Mr Craig* for all their efforts this season.

VOLLEYBALL – the Skyhoppers are well underway in their season. Both the Jr and Sr boys continue their successful seasons with dominating wins over St Martin de Porres and St Francis.

Sr player Louis, is confident in his team in the second half of the season. His Superman abilities assisted the team in defeating the #2 team in the province last weekend. The Orange Crush Juniors are heading to Sherwood Park to face the best of Alberta next weekend. Coaches from both Jr boys and girls teams are excited to see how the teams fair.

The Women Orange Cannons have back to back wins against Manning and Churchill. The Thumpers will be facing Centennial and Carroll next week, and need your support.

SWIM/DIVE – if you smell the swwwwweeeetttt scent of chlorine in the school – it means the Orange Dolphins have passed by. The Group of 120 + water sprites are in fine form and ready to take on the world (or at least Calgary).

Grandin and came out victorious once again. The Defensive acting like the security force at a Trump Rally – held the Ghosts at bay. The following game the boys were outmatched by Henry Wise Wood. The Boys of Fall are back on the field Monday against Centennial.

For 40 days and 40 nights (or so it seemed to <u>Coach P</u>), the Sr Men bobbed aimlessly – only to find their way home with a huge victory over the Grandin Ghosts. The coaches were so excited they were heard exclaiming – "ice cream for all" – how cool are they?? The Srs with the taste of blood fresh from the kill were ready for battle vs Lacombe. Nolan G had a great night, showing his speed and agility. The Night belonged to the ORANGE with another win.

FANS – The Orange Blitzkrieg comes in fast and furious – the fans at ABE are making their mark as the most dominate and feared 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup> man. The organisers of the Rio Olympics will be attending some of the Orange events to see how the bleachers truly be filled for an event. THANKS – ABE FANS LOTS – EVERYONE ELSE – NOT MUCH.

## IT'S OUR ORANGE