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NETBALL CLUB

1991 - 2000



10th YEAR CELEBRATION BOOK

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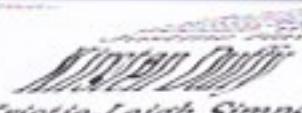
TEAM:

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Kristie-Leigh Simpson

CLUB TROPHY AWARDS

Junior Best & Fairest:	Sophie Trevillian
Intermediate Best & Fairest:	Emma Fisher
Senior Best & Fairest:	Katie Bolton
Encouragement Award:	Lyndsey Simcoe
Most Improved Player:	Lisa Trevillian
Best New Player:	Rebecca Trevillian
Family Award:	The Gibbs Family
Club Member of the Year:	Johanna Grey
President's Award:	Monique Beniamini
Spit the 'Dummy' Award:	Sean Roche & Kate Lauchland
The 'Your Kidding' Award:	Nicole Kidman
Crazy Critter Award:	Lara Bownds
Manager of the Year:	Ruth McManus
Coaches of the Year:	Kate Lauchland & Helen Cain
Umpire Encouragement Award:	Sandie Leemhuis
Supporters of the Year:	Mr Clarke & Mr Wilson



OFFICIALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2000

President:	Erica Lauchland
Vice President:	Helen Cain
Executive Members:	Lyn Maclay, Sean Roche,
Committee Members:	Helen Bateman, Lorraine Tarling, Joanne Winn

CLUB COACHES IN 2000

Little Miss Maddies	L. Wohl, J. Nedeljkovic
Maddies Monster Mashers	K. Duffy, R. Biglia
Maddies Magical Mushrooms	A. Cole, A. Gibbs
Maddies Martinies	J. Bateman, L. Thorn
Mad Maddies	A. Quinn, N. Kennedy
Maddies Marangles	S. Roche
Maddies Mongers	N. Robinson, J. Grey
Maddies Mazings	K. Lauchland
Maddies Molotovs	K. Lawler
Maddies Murtle Turtles	K. Duffy
Maddies Minglers	S. Roche
Maddies Mojo's	H. Cain
Maddies	G. Pearson

SELECTION IN 2000 TNA TORNADOES STATE LEAGUE TEAMS

K. Lauchland, K. Simpson, M. Williams, K. Duffy, J. Fitzpatrick, J. Burrows, N. McManus, R. Trevillian

SELECTION IN 2000 TNA REPRESENTATIVE CHAMPIONSHIP AND CHALLENGE TEAMS

U17's: J. Bateman, A. Cole, R. Kelly, F. McLaughlin, A. Gibbs

U15's: R. Biglia, L. Simcoe, S. McKay, A. Sweeney, K. Trevillian, C. Weiss, J. Linehan, S. Crombie, K. Brown

U14's: S. Barker, M. Beniamini, J. Benussi, S. Driver, S. Leemhuis, E. Fisher, D. White

U13's: S. Barrington-Smith, R. Cole, E. Roche

U12's: J. Gibbs, J. Robinson, L. Trevillian, S. Reynolds, S. Tarling

U11's: S. Trevillian, E. Leiper-Cawley, L. Bownds, J. Farrell

C. Howman, N. Kidman, J. Burrows

2000 ACTNA 21'S & UNDER TEAM

C. Howman

2000 ACTNA 19'S & UNDER TEAM

C. Howman, N. Kidman, J. Burrows

2000 ACT UNDER 16'S SCHOOL GIRLS

S. McKay, L. Simcoe, R. Biglia

2000 ACTNA ROLLERS SQUAD (15'S)

S. McKay, A. Sweeney, R. Biglia, L. Simcoe, K. Trevillian

2000 TNA REPRESENTATIVE TEAM COACHES

K. Lauchland, S. Ingram, H. Cain, N. Robinson, S. Roche, J. Grey, C. Howman, K. Duffy, J. Bateman, K. Lawler, T. Davies

2000 ACT PRIMARY SCHOOLS NETBALL TEAM

S. Trevillian

TNA DISTRICT UMPIRE BADGE LEVEL THREE RECIPIENT

S. Leemhuis

TNA DISTRICT UMPIRE BADGE LEVEL TWO RECIPIENT

E. Fisher

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER - INTERDISTRICT A GRADE COMPETITION

C. Howman

BEST PLAYER IN GRANDFINAL - TNA A GRADE COMPETITION

B. Harris

BEST PLAYER IN GRANDFINAL - TNA CADET A COMPETITION

J. Linehan

OFFICIALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2000



Jenna Linehan from the Mazings Cadet A team received the TNA Best in Grandfinal Award in her Cadet A Grandfinal. Congratulations Jenna.

Bridget Harris from the Mojo's A Grade team received the TNA Best in Grandfinal Award in her A grade Grandfinal. Congratulations Bridget



Carla Howman was voted Most Valuable Player for the Interdistrict A grade Competition. Congratulations Carla. Annette Ellis (TNA Patron) presented Carla with her award.

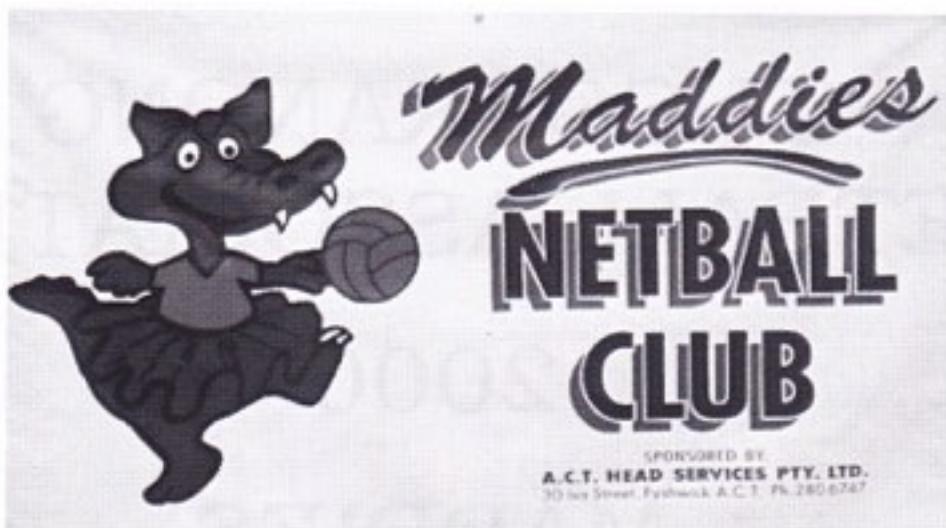
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TUGGERANONG NETBALL ASSOCIATION 2000 MADDIES JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVES



This gorgeous bunch of talented netballers and official all belong to our great club, and played a major part in TNA's Junior Representative Teams successful year in 2000.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Maddies netball club proudly celebrates its tenth season in the new millennium. The club has had a fantastic ten years, with many achievements on and off court. We have been fortunate to have so many players, coaches, managers, umpires and officials continue their involvement with the club throughout these years. The club yet again fielded thirteen teams comprising three juniors, four intermediates, three cadets and three senior teams.

The club again had much success this season, with eight teams making the finals, and five teams going through to the Grand finals of their competitions. Success came to two of our teams, the Cadet A 'Mazing's' team and the A grade 'Mojo's' team taking out the honours. Congratulations to all players and coaches on your achievements this season.

The three junior teams performed extremely well in their competitions, and from all accounts, the club can look forward to having many talented netballers coming through the ranks. These teams were assisted by very dedicated coaches who at all times encouraged their players to enjoy the game of netball. A great effort by all. Thank you to the parents who gave up their Saturday mornings to support the teams.

Our four Intermediate teams had varied experiences and achievements throughout the season, with all teams having to play in very strong divisions. To their credit the teams put up fantastic efforts each week, and this was also backed up by their coaches' efforts. Mongers lead the Division One competition all season, only to find the going much tougher in their Grand final, going down by a goal, however we know that they will bounce back to reverse the score next season. The Marangles were the dark horses of the competition coming from fourth to having a place in the Grand final. No one was more excited than myself, believe me, they just turned it on in the final series, defeating opposition

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teams for the first time of the season. By the time they arrived in the Grand final, the wear and tear started to tell, and although they put up a great effort, they were beaten by the better side of the day. Great season for all teams, coaches, and players.

In the Cadet A competition, our two teams Mazings and Molotovs had to compete for top position of their competition with the lead changing throughout the season. Molotovs took out the first honours by beating them in a very close semi final, only to have Mazings come out blazing in the Grand final and win the game. The positive outcome from both these teams playing in the Grand final is that Maddies definitely has some fantastic depth coming through to senior ranks next year. Inspirational netball and coaching by both teams and coaches. In the Cadet B competition, our Murtle Turtles had a mixed season, some weeks playing fantastic netball, next week, not so good, however to their credit, they were there in the finals, winning their first semi, only to go down in the preliminary by a few goals. This was a great effort considering most of the team had not played together before. The girls enjoyed their netball, and this was a credit to their coach.

The seniors teams played in the A grade competition and the new Interdistrict Elite competition this season. Mojo's and Minglers had to compete against each other, and treated this as playing for sheep stations. Both teams had wins against each other during the season, however it was Mojo's taking out the honours in the semis and making it through to the Grand final against last year's archrivals Blue Jays. However, they turned the tables this season, and managed to keep in front of Blues Jays throughout the game, to win by a small margin. Their coach was elated, and the club ever so proud.

The Maddies A grade team from last year played in the new Interdistrict Elite A grade competition made up of three teams from Tuggeranong and three teams from Arawang. All teams were extremely competitive. Maddies lead the competition for the majority of the season, only to fall apart in the finals due to injuries, accidents, and loss of form. This was indeed a disappointment to all concerned, and we can only improve on this, as most of the players like to play in Grand finals each year.

From all accounts, the club had a great season with many mixed achievements. The club had many representatives from within its ranks chosen to representative Tuggeranong in its Representative, Reserve and Major League teams this season, and all these players performed creditably. Many of the club coaches were also involved with coaching ACTNA, and TNA teams.

Over the years, Maddies has acquired a reputation for developing young determined and skilled netballers aspire to their goals of playing for their District and State. This has been proven with Carla Howman now in her ninth year at the club, being selected for the past three years in ACTNA State teams. Nicole Kidman, Julie Burrows, Lynsdey Simcoe, Sally-Anne Mckay, and Rachel

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Biglia have also had state representative selection. Great effort girls, we are very proud of you all.

Another achievement that the club can be proud of is Tuggeranong Netball Association recognising Kate Lauchland for her outstanding achievements in coaching by presenting her with an award at this year's Junior Representative Teams Presentation Evening. Kate has coached Representative teams for the last seven years, and successfully coached the current ACTNA 15's Championship team to their fourth title. TNA is extremely proud of Kate's achievements and talents, and likewise Maddies. From this team, four players were selected to play in the ACT U16's High school team.

Over the ten years, Maddies has been lucky to have had some great players, umpires, and coaches join its ranks. This year, the club proudly recognises its first ten-year life members, with Lyn Maclay, Kate Lauchland, Peter Lauchland, and myself taking out the honours. The club has a long list of members heading into their tenth season next year, and hopes that it can add them to the life member ranks. I would like to thank Lyn, Kate and Peter for their valuable assistance throughout the ten years, and hope that they continue their association with the club for future years to come. These people have given up endless hours of voluntary assistance on Thursday evening, and Saturdays to ensure that the club maintained the success it has enjoyed and provided to its members over the years. I can only encourage other members to become involved and offer their services. Another plus for the club is that twenty-five players will receive their five-year service awards this season.

Another accolade of the season would have to be our club members, Lyn Maclay and my husband Peter receiving their life memberships from Tuggeranong Netball Association. Yet again, recognitions well deserved. At the TNA Presentation Evening in September, I had the pleasure of presenting Lyn with her Life Membership award, and became very emotional in doing so. I was very touched to have been given this honour, and very proud of our two devoted Maddies members. Congratulations Lyn and Peter.

During my reign as President for the last nine years, I have been fortunate to have received great support from coaches, players, umpires, committee members and last but not least, friends. This year has been no different, and as usual the majority of the work running a large club has yet again fallen to the same few, however, as friends we have all enjoyed the tasks involved and the friendships formed. Special thanks to Lyn Mclay, Sean Roche, Helen Cain, Helen Bateman, Lorraine Tarling, and Joanne Winn for their assistance as committee members this season. Your efforts were greatly appreciated.

Last by not least, I will be stepping down as President of the club at the end of this year, and although I am sad to do so, I am extremely pleased to announce that Sean Roche has indicated that he is willing to take on this position, and knowing Sean as I do, I feel that the club will be in great hands. I believe that

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the club now needs to take a new direction, with new faces at the helm, and more players involved in the committee positions. We have said over the last few years, that as committee members we are slowly burning out, and need some new energy and enthusiasm to keep this great club going. I can only encourage all our members to offer their services to Sean to ensure that the club can go forth and continue to be the great club it is today. Maddies is a very proud club, and prides itself by having a very close rapport with its players, coaches, umpires and parents.

Finally, I would like to thank all those at TNA who have assisted and supported the club in its on and off court success throughout the years. There are too many to name, but their efforts and assistance has been much appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you all next season, and hope you all enjoy our tenth birthday.

Erica Lauchland
President



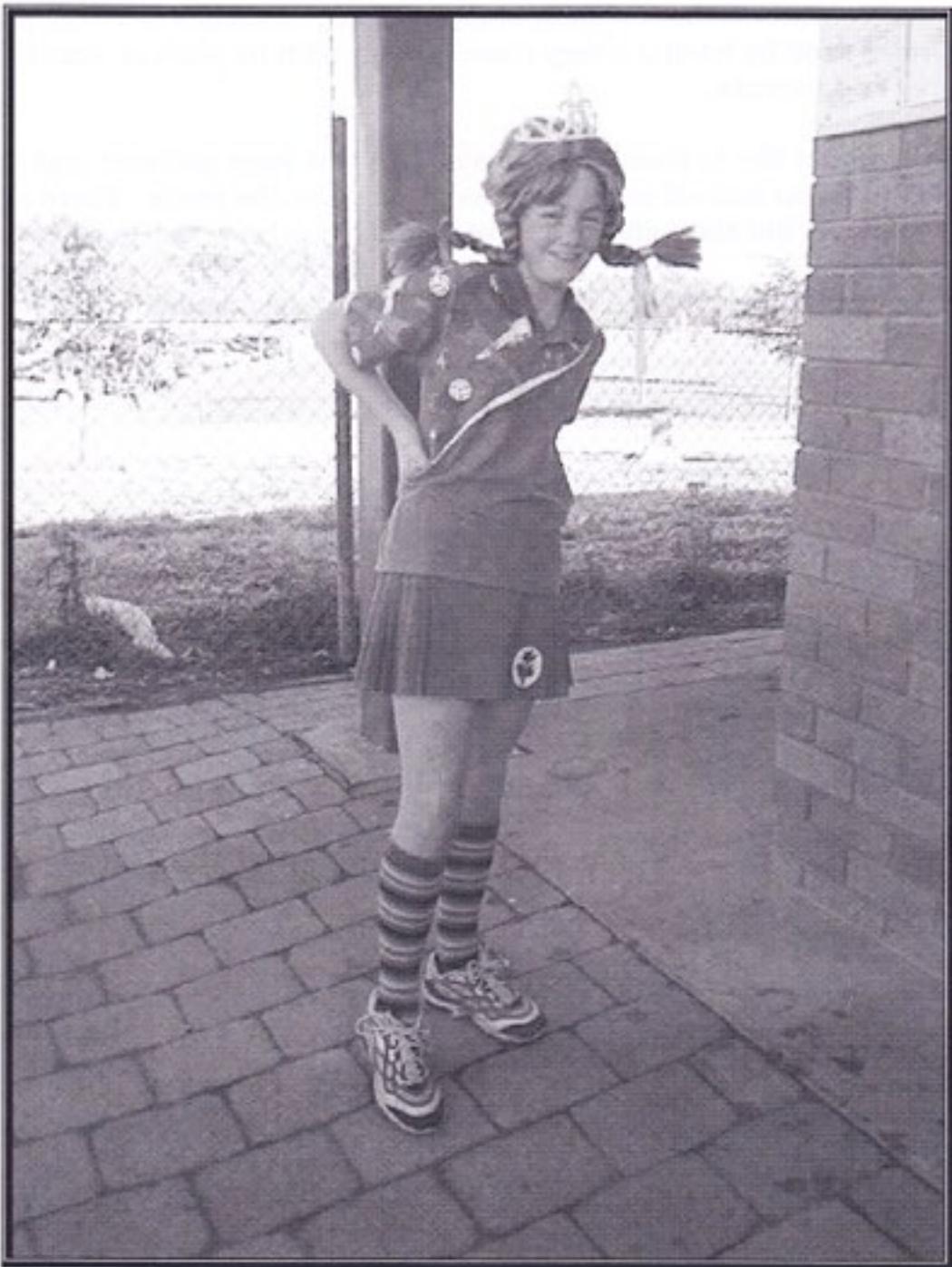
Our double Life Member, Lyn Maclay receiving her TNA Life membership award from Annette Ellis (patron of TNA) at the TNA Senior Presentation Evening.

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CRAZY CRITTER RECIPIENT



MISS LARA BOWNDS



They don't come any crazy than our 'Lara' who just loved turning up to her games dressed in all her crowning glory. On this Saturday morning, she added the Rainbrow brite socks (not club issue) to her uniform, and dyed her hair blue. Lara, we love you just the way you are (whatever that is).

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UMPIRE SCENE



After being on the receiving end of the coaching and coordinating of umpires for so many years the time finally came for me to get in and have a go at it. And what a season it was! This year was a mixture of old and new faces on the umpiring scene, and what a talented bunch they were and are, to say the very least. I'd like to thank Erica for taking the time out every Thursday night to help me allocate umpires so we could at least *try* to look organised come Saturday. And a huge thanks to Helen Cain, Kristy Leigh Simpson and Kate Lauchland for all the help they gave me with coaching and developing club umpires throughout the season.

Two Maddies Club Members improved on their badgings from last year, both looking to go on to bigger and better things. They were:

Sandie Leehimus Level Three
Emma Fisher Level Two

Congratulations girls, they were both very hard earned and well deserved.

Along with the normal Umpiring coaching programs run by T.N.A was the introduction of the Active Australia Program this year. A number of Maddies Club Members were a part of this program, improving their umpiring skills through out the season. They were:

Rebecca Cole
Sara Driver
Jacqui Gibbs

CLUB UMPIRES JUNIOR UMPIRES

Emma Fisher, Sandie Leehimus, Rebecca Cole, Sara Driver

INTERMEDIATES

Sam Crombie, Kim Trevillian, Jenna Linehan, Helen Cain, Aimee Trevillian, Kate Lauchland

SENIORS

Aimee Trevillian, Sara Driver, Sandie Leehimus, Lauren Roche, Jo Grey, Tracey Baz, Helen Cain

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UMPIRE SCENE



Thanks also to all those other umpires who umpired throughout the season whenever we needed them, or when they were told to! It was very much appreciated. These umpires were:

Monique Beniamini
Dani Dobson
Rachel Biglia
Kirsten Duffy
Justine Hawke
Nicole Kidman
Sean Roche
Greg Pearson
Vicki Driver

Big thanks also to those girls who took the time out this season to umpire for Fadden Primary School. They were:

Sara Driver
Linley Parker
Jacqui Gibbs

If there's anyone I've missed in my thanks and congratulations, my sincerest apologies. Thanks once again to all those people who contributed to the club's umpiring scene to make this season run smoothly and most enjoyably!

A special round of thanks to all those amazing umpires from TNA!

Graeme Cottrell, Sue Dwyer, Ellie Dwyer, Jo Sparkes, Andy Taylor, Janelle Wheatley, Rosa Cotta

Lauren Roche





COACHES COMMENTS

It was a very interesting season for the the coaches and the girls, even though the team at times found the transition from Year 3 to Year 4 a little daunting. To their credit, they soon settled down, and got the swing of the change in rules. There were quite a few chatterboxes in the team and this made some very interesting training sessions, with both coaches trying to get a word in. The girls performed well throughout the season, and we wish you all well in your netball in the years ahead. Keep enjoying the game, no matter what bib you are given. Thanks to our umpire Rebecca Cole, and our managers, and the parents who supported us each week.

PEN PICS

KATIE CLARKE: Katie was one of our quiet achievers this season. Katie has great talents in defence, and throughout the year, she improved 200% and was a key player in the team. Katie's quiet nature and easygoing nature made her a real pleasure to coach and to have in the team. Good luck for the future.

TARYN O'BRIEN: Taryn was another link to our shooting team. Taryn never gave up when trying to get her shots in the ring, and she rarely missed. She was a great team member. Her placid nature, and great netball skills and determination were a real bonus to the team. Great season Taryn, keep up the good work.

HAYLEY DWYER: Hayley was definitely one of our strongest defence players. Her strong hands made many intercepts and this lead to many turnovers.



Hayley also played in the centre position, and performed at a very high standard. Her speed and skill were inspirational, and a bonus for the team. Her efforts were rewarded when she was selected in the TNA Under 11's Rep squad. You have a great future ahead of you Hayley.

MEGAN DALY: Megan had a great season of netball this year. Although she was one of the chatterbox's in the team, she always gave 110%. Megan's skills improved throughout the season, and she became one of our strong center court players. Well done Megan, we hope to see you next year for another great season.

SARAH WILSON: Sarah is an excellent player who was the quiet achiever of the team. Sarah always gave her best at trainings and the games. She never complained when allocated her bib for each game. She managed to convince us that her defence work was excellent in and out of the circle. Her skills improved throughout the season, and she definitely has a great netball future ahead of her.

JESSICA DOWDALL: Jessica was one of our littlest and quietest players this year. She improved immensely throughout this season. Jessica always listened at training and this showed in her games. With her great dodges, Jessica always produced strong leads down the court to her teammates. You had a great season Jessica, and please don't give it up; it's not that cold in the mornings. Best of luck.

LAURA HUNT: Laura has had a brilliant season this year. She plays a great goal attack, making many leads in the circle, and never missing her shots. By the end of the season, she was one of our strongest attack players. Laura listened at training and at the games, and she is turning into a great netballer. Great efforts.

AIMEE BAKER: Aimee did extremely well this season, with her playful personality and hard work at training; Aimee became one of the team's assets. She was very versatile playing both centre court and shooting positions. Aimee's skills really improved throughout the season. Keep up the good work, and we look forward to seeing you next year.

REBECCA POWER: Rebecca was one of the team's strongest players and was well appreciated by her teammates. Her strong hands and leads to the ball led to many turnovers and kept the ball in our possession. Rebecca is a coach's dream, she never complained when given a bib, she just went out and played netball to the best of her ability, which was great. Keep up the great work, and you will go far.

Leonie Wohl and Jamie Nedlejkovic



COACHES COMMENTS

What a mixture of girls we had playing in this team. From TNA Reps to one that had never played before. They are a great bunch of girls that when they wanted to could train hard, but they always played harder. Going through the season without a win doesn't show how much these girls all improved. Girls, just remember that the way you train is the way you play. We would like to thank the parents that came down on the cold mornings to support and help out and to the umpires at the games. Good luck next year girls.

PEN PICS

JESSICA CLARKE: Jess is a very motivated player. Mainly specialising in goalkeeper, she applied every tip she was given. Her skills have dramatically improved and her ability to read the play is excellent. Jess has become more determined and as a result manages to get countless tips to the ball. She is an amazing team player and produces impressive results, keep it up Jess.

EMMA READ: Emma's height is certainly an asset as I'm sure she knows. Emma is also a defensive player but when needed, she took on the goal shooting role. Her confidence grew throughout the season, which contributed to the vast development of her skills. Although quiet, Emma certainly pulled her weight in the team. Good season Em.

LARA BOWNDS: Lara was forever entertaining the spectators, from her blue wigs and tattoos (fake of course!) to her impressive knowledge of the game and when she set her mind to it, could play anywhere on court. Her ambitious passes kept



everyone on edge, but when successful they were incredible. Remember: Bend your knees Lara!!

SAMANTHA THOMPSON: Unfortunately due to her traveling and illness we didn't see much of Sam this season. When she was there however, she was a delight to watch. Sam is a thinking player and uses this to her advantage. It is easy to see her enjoyment in the game as she always puts in a top effort. Sam utilises all of her skills when playing which helps her in the attacking positions. Great work Sam.

DANNIELLE FISHER: Danni is a motivated, team player. Her unselfish plays in the attack end open up a lot of space for other team members. She had plenty of determination, which was a key factor in the talent she showed. Her concentration when playing and at training have contributed to her development. Your attitude is something to be proud of.

SARAH MAZZER: Sarah had a lot of confidence both on and off the court, which helped her display her netball skills with determination and pride. Sarah's speed on court proved very helpful when moving the ball down court. She is able to play any position on the court efficiently. Her will to succeed is admirable. Great work Sarah.

ERYN BEATTY: This was Eryn's first year of netball. If you were to watch Eryn's first and last games I think you would agree that the improvement was astonishing. Eryn had a bit of catching up to do with experience and she rose to the challenge. Determined to develop her own game she proved what she was capable of. Keep working hard.

JESSICA FARRELL: Put Jess together with Sarah and Lara and you wouldn't be able to put a word in either way. Jessica started playing at the defence end but moved into the centre position, with the ability to get many intercepts - this was an asset.

HAYLEY FENELEY: Hayley was one of the quiet girls on the team, always listening and giving her best both at training and during a game. She played mainly in the centre court area, improving on her defence skills every game. She made it harder for the opponent to get the ball. Like many of the girls on the team Hayley improved over the season.

Kirsten Duffy and Rachel Biglia



COACHES COMMENTS

This year the girls have had a fantastic season. We started off a little slowly and Nat's accident scared everyone a bit. But after a few training sessions and some position changes we were on a roll, and won the majority of our games. The girls all tried extremely hard and it paid off, the girls winning their division by a fair few points. It was great to see so many of the parents down at the courts supporting the girls every Saturday. Special thanks to Mrs Tarling, Mrs Trevillian, Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Reynolds who helped us a great deal this season. And to Sandie Leemhuis who did a fantastic job as our umpire, thank you very much. The girls put in a good effort and should all be very proud of themselves.

PEN PICS

SHONA TARLING: Though she is one of the shorter players in the team she has still managed to be one of the highest jumpers. She has consistently put in 100% effort at training and games. She has had a great shooting season although she probably doesn't agree with us on that. She has been an asset to the team. Well done Shona!

SOPHIE TREVILLIAN: Sophie is a great player who can be relied upon to play anywhere on the court. Her shooting has had some ups and downs but for the majority of the time it was fantastic. Sophie and Shona make a lethal combination in the circle and there hasn't been a defence yet who has been able to stop them. Keep up the good work Sophie you have a bright future ahead of you.



SALLY REYNOLDS: Sally became a double ender this year and did a fantastic job, alternating from her usual defence position to GS and sometimes even centre though not to her liking. Sally always has good comments to put forward and will always encourage her team members. Keep on smiling and congrats on a great season, Sal.

ZAFREEN RAHMAN: One of our tallest players, Zafreen had a great season in defence. She got a lot of touches and many great intercepts. She has learnt a lot this year and is always enthusiastic both on and off the court. Good work Zafreen we are both very pleased at how well you have done this season.

NATALIE FOLEY: Definitely the most enthusiastic player on the team, Nat puts in 100% both in games and training and it has shown through her skill and ability. After her accident at the start of the season, we are glad to see her back, recovered and enjoying herself. Just remember Nat, don't give up!

KATE MITCHELL: Probably the quietest member of the team, Kate has improved out of sight this season. The aggression drills we did have worked well and now she has a go at almost everything. Keep up the great work Kate, you should be very proud of yourself after the season you have had.

HAYLEY CULLEN: A new member of the team Hayley adapted well to the girls style of play and now she fits in as if she has been playing with them for years. She did really well in the centre court and never complained about where she was put. Hayley never gave up on court and with a few skill corrections, improved greatly, pleasing both her coaches.

HAYLEE McGLYNN: Another new member to the team and often quiet, Haylee is a very talented player. Usually a centre court player, though she can be relied on to play as a shooter or defence, she improved steadily throughout the season, with a consistent effort in training and games.

LISA TREVILLIAN: One of our more out spoken players Lisa is never at a loss for words. She too has become a double ender and has done extremely well as a shooter. She is always cheerful and is willing to have a go anywhere. Whether she is on or off court she always has some encouragement for her team mates. The team wouldn't be that same without her.

KRISTY DAWES: Kristy has become one of our main defenders this year and has been doing a really good job in the circle. She is always willing to listen to what we have to say and once she has been told something we don't need to tell her again (well most of the time anyway). Good work Kristy, you have improved a lot this year.

Amanda Cole and Adrienne Gibbs



COACHES COMMENTS

The year 2000 saw Neill and Anne set off into the mysterious world of intermediate netball. We expected sunshine, warmth and innocent physical endeavor, free of the dirty dealings so common in modern sport. We got more rainy Thursdays than naturally possible, temperatures at Calwell guaranteed to cause frostbite and players tipping the legal red cordial limit. Worse, we found ourselves in the middle of an infamous ring of team supporters, accused of inciting violence one week and dealing in pay for play the next. We'd like to thank all of the parents for the entertainment and their tremendous support, with a special thanks to Ian Gibbs for his managerial help. Thanks also to Erica, mafia boss of Maddies, for her support and inimitable sock patrol. Most importantly, we'd like to thank the Mad Maddies players for their enthusiasm, patience, boundless humor and the many lessons they taught us. And now, in reverse alphabetical order to save any disputes, questions, queries, and debates.

PEN PICS

EMMA WILSON: Emma's pass choice into the goal circle is a dream. While playing well at all centre court positions, Emma has emerged as a force at Centre. She's developing a great sense of timing in attack and, in defence, she's astounding with her court coverage. She demonstrated an impressive ability to withstand heckling from the sidelines ... mainly from her dad!

EMMA ROCHE: Emma is a strong attacker with a natural sense of space and timing. Although she's totally 'feralled' out by playing Goal Keeper, she can



really intercept the ball (Sarah counted). When she adds that defence to her attacking game, she's really jiving (or was that the tango?). Emma is renowned for her incisive comments (we wonder where she gets that from ... Sue?).

JANAY ROBINSON: Another dream circle feeder, Janay quietly drives to the goal circle, successfully seeks out space and slips sneaky passes into the shooters. At Wing Attack or shooter, her sense of positional play is quite remarkable. She holds the distinction on the team of being a shooter that can rebound – not that she needs to rebound all that often. Never seen without Skye.

SKYE MASTIN: What a coincidence that Skye should follow Janay! Skye has a natural awareness of the ball's location in both defence and attack and treated us to some amazing intercepts. Her footwork and body control are developing beautifully. Warming up and stretching, on the other hand, are obviously not on her list of top ten favorite things!

ELLIE LEIPER-CAWLEY: For a player who doesn't want to play anywhere on the court ('Oh no! Not Goal Keeper! Not Centre!'), Ellie plays well anywhere, particularly as a circle defence. She's one of the leapiest, most dynamic defenders on court with an eye for the intercept. She's so good she even has her own drinks waiter/personal trainer (or was that her little brother?). Takes the season's Best Beanie award and shares the Best Cake Baker award with her defensive teammate, Beck.

JACQUI GIBBS: Jacqui is a zippy centre court player with charisma. She's speedy in attack, always making a lead for the ball and always keen to fire a bullet pass into the goal circle. In defence, she's determined never to give her opponent an inch. Jacqui also loves to cha cha cha and is more than willing to engage in philosophical debate at quarter time on such topics as the outrages of the GST.

REBECCA COLE: Beck loves to intercept and is an awesome rebounder. She's always keen for the ball and has shown great talent for the double play in attack, a real achievement for someone who would much rather throw a long ball! Beck was one of the seasons most supportive team members and, with Ellie, shares the Best Cake Baker award. Gives fantastic fashion advice ... flannelette shirts are okay for the farm but Saturday netball?

MEGAN CLARKE: Megan is a natural play reader in attack and defence. She was this season's surprise attacking package, showing off her timing and space-creating skills as a shooter. Megan has also developed great court coverage as a defender, marking her opponents tightly and going for intercepts. She was the centre of our pay for play scandal and, coincidentally, plays cricket when she's not playing netball. Move over Hansie!



SARAH BARRINGTON-SMITH: It's also a coincidence that Sarah should be last. She was usually the last player to arrive on Saturdays, struggling with the 12-noon thing - it's far too early when there's sleeping in to work on! When she's not sleeping, Sarah is a natural netballer in attack or defence. She knows how to find space as an attacker, especially as shooter, and she reads the play beautifully to come up with intercepts in defence. Has a defensive shot lean to die for!

TARA HALL AND ASHLEY TRONERUD: Although Tara and Ashley didn't play with Mad Maddies on Saturdays, they showed their devotion to netball by joining us for training. Their talent matches their commitment to the game and pure enjoyment. What a combination!

Neill Kennedy and Anne Quinn



Emma Roche and Jacqui Gibbs were one of many Maddies players who, under the TNA Active Leaders Scheme, assisted local school team Fadden by coaching and umpiring. Great effort Girls!. I was privy to overhear one of Jacqui's coaching lessons one Saturday morning, where she was instructing the girls not to talk when she was talking. I wonder from whom has she acquired these words of wisdom.



COACHES COMMENTS

The Marangles had a disrupted start to the season, losing their coach due to work commitments. When I became coach half way through the season the team's performances left me doubtful of their chances of making the finals. I'm delighted to say that they proved me wrong. They applied themselves at training and on the court, started to put together some wins and made the play-offs. On behalf of the team I would like to thank Lisa Trevillian and Sophie Trevillian for reserving for Marangles, Erica Lauchland for her help and guidance and an especially huge 'thank you!' to Debbie Haines, our Manager. Debbie was the perfect manager, always had everyone and everything organised so that all I had to do was coach the team and complain about the umpiring. Thanks also to the many parents who gave great support from the sidelines week after week and during the finals. Last but certainly not least, thanks to each of the girls on the team for an enjoyable (half) season with the Inter's. Their support for each other, their enjoyment of the game and their (mostly) hard work to get to the Grand Final are a credit to them, their supporters and the Maddies club. If they can keep the team and the spirit intact, next season is looking very good.

PEN PICS

RACHEL HAINES: Rachel made great contributions to the team at C, WA and occasionally in the shooting circle, as well as providing the team with the club's best manager. Good skills and an ability to read the game well made her an effective player in both defence and attack. Rachel does have a tendency to lose communication between her brain and her feet but we'll nail her joggers to the court next season.



GABRIELLE WEISS: Gabbie specialised in GA all season with good shooting percentages and a nice understanding with her goal circle partner and the centrecourt players. Always strong on the centre pass and quick into the circle, she did need some reminding about driving out from the goal line (mostly from Erica) and going for rebounds! Performed consistently well all season. Based on the umpires' votes, Gabbie has been awarded 'Best on Court for Maddies' in the Grand Final. You can now smile Gabbie!!

SAMANTHA RUSSELL: As with the rest of the team, Sam improved in confidence and skill as the season progressed. Playing almost exclusively in WD, she shut down many opposition attacking moves and was terrific when bringing the ball out of the defensive end. One of her best performances was in the first semi-final, sharing honours as best on court in the win against Stilettos. She was missed when not able to get to a game.

SARAH MOSS: Sarah was a great contributor, mainly sharing the role of WD. Very quiet (when the coach was around), she was a consistently good team member and contributed greatly toward the season's successes. Unfortunately, Sarah injured her ankle playing netball (NOT FOR MADDIES!) and although she was there to support Marangles, she couldn't take the court and was missed in the Grand Final.

KARIE MOORE: Taking permanent spot at GS, Karie had a great season with high shooting percentages and the memorable 'final seconds' goal against Dolphins, which saw Marangles into the Grand Final. She showed cool, even temperament all season and improved her rebounding with every game. As with her shooting partner, she worked on her movement in and around the circle but will probably still be hearing about it from her coach (and Erica) next season.

EMILY HEUGH: Emily played GD for most of the season but a late switch to GK proved to be an excellent move for both her and the team. As a vital part of the team's defensive line-up Emily contributed greatly to the season's successes. The improvement in Emily's skills and self-confidence could be measured week to week. Her on-court attitude and performance and her work at training were terrific and are even more remarkable considering this was her first ever season of netball! In a very close finish, Emily has been judged the most improved player for Marangles. (Hold the skirt Emily!)

ADEANA GUYLAS: Playing in C & WA, Adeana showed consistent improvement in her game. By the end of the season her leads on the centre passes, her ability to find the open space on the court and a willingness to work just as hard in defence as in attack proved valuable assets to the team. If there could have been a tie for most improved player Adeana would certainly have shared the trophy with Emily.



LAUREN CARROLL: Lauren was one of the lynch pins of the Marangle's defence. The switch from GK to GD brought dividends to the team with Lauren using her height and speed to stifle attacks and bring the ball quickly and safely out of defence. Her prowess as a state-level cyclist took her away occasionally and she was sorely missed in the grand final.

GEORGIA DAVEY: Georgia proved to be one of the most versatile members of the team, playing C, WA, WD & GD as and when needed. Her efforts during the season were outstanding, as she seemed to fill any role with total commitment and great ability. Her consistently high playing standard on-court and her efforts at training have earned her the Coach's Award for the 2000 season.

1st Semi-Final - Marangles v Stilettoes

In first semi final, the team finally started playing to their full potential, comfortably defeating Stilettoes by 9 goals.

Preliminary Final - Marangles v Dolphins

The pre-liminary final against Dolphins saw Marangles keeping close in the first 2 quarters but down by 5 goals at three quarter time. In their best display of teamwork and determination for the season, they fought back and, with the timekeeper out of the chair, Karie Moore shot a goal to give the team a win by one.

Grandfinal - Marangles v Rebels

The grand final against the undefeated Rebels team was always going to be a big ask and the team did not start well, being 7 or 8 goals down before getting on the board. As usual, they refused to give up or give in and after some inspiring words from Auntie Erica, fought back hard in the second half and held their own but the lead was too big to haul in. Rebels were quite obviously a class above the other teams in their division and deserved their win.

Sean Roche



COACHES COMMENTS

At the start of the 2000 season we were told that we were getting the 'nice and quiet' group to coach. We guess you could say that most of them proved us wrong. Our first training and game didn't exactly show the full talent of our team, but this soon shone through in all our players. With a bit more aggression (and Erica on the sideline scaring them) this team is sure to win more games, and hopefully continue through to the finals next year, as we were only a developing team. Most of the girls in the Martinies hardly knew each other, being new to the club. However, for their first Maddies season, these girls were lucky to be placed in a team full of kind and caring people. Overall our success on the score sheet was not indicative of what happened on court or within our team, by mid way through the season, we bonded and played together as a whole. It truly was an absolute pleasure to coach this team; we have many fun memories of this season, and wish the girls all the best in the future, whether it be netball or other interests.

PEN PICS

JULIA COLLIN: Julia has had a mixed up season, being stolen away from our team and then given back again. Julia's forgiving nature has allowed her to succeed in netball to her capable standard, although we felt she was more comfortable in our team. Being a wonderful defender Jules was able to pick off outstanding intercepts, she had this ability to see the ball coming down court while keeping her player at bay. Always having so much to say during the breaks, Julia never failed us, the rest of the team, the umpires, the parents and



occasionally the opposition and anyone else standing around, knew what hardship she went through defending her player, putting up with them standing on her toes or using their elbows on her a few times. However, we greatly enjoyed her antics. Julia, you have an awesome personality that will take you places, whether it be netball or other 'summer sports' (if you are able to find any). Remember to use your whole body in all aspects of play. Good luck with what life brings you, we were glad to have you returned to our team.

MAEVE O'MALLEY: How long exactly are your arms, go-go gadget? Phenomenal season, your defence skills have been a great asset to the team. Your uncanny ability to reach any ball, left spectators lost for words. Maeve always played a consistent high standard of netball wherever she was placed in our court line-up. Although it was obvious to most that goal defence was definitely her forte, with her court alertness, she was a pleasure to watch. As a person Maeve is one of the kindest people you could meet, and seemed to us as not having one mean bone in her body. Maeve, remember to believe in yourself and speak up, with God-given assets like your height, commitment and acquired skill, your future is alarmingly bright. Good luck and we would be delighted to have you in our team once again.

TEGAN DOLSTRA: At the start of season, we were a bit skeptical about Tegan and Danny, we thought that they would stick together and not mix with the rest of the team, however to our advantage Tegan was able to perform without her loyal friend. Tegan has measured up to every requirement we expected and asked of her and has tried awfully hard this season. Tegan was definitely the quiet achiever of the team, never over-rating her unbelievable play, often quite modest about it. Tegan is an excellent defensive player, who left the opposition fuming with frustration. Her gift to subtly use her hips made her a tall feat for any attacker. Her intercepts, and hands over pressure on the ball were exceptional. Tegan, it truly was a pleasure to coach you this year and hope that you will return to Maddies for at least another season. The one thing that we really want you to take away from this season is that you are a really good aspiring player and all you need to do is have a bit more confidence in your netball ability, we do. Good luck.

SARAH McCARRON: Sarah has a happy go lucky attitude if you have ever seen one, she is so down to earth that you can't help laughing at her every move, especially her incredibly dopey jokes, she seem to have at least one at training a session. Her fun loving, friendly attitude relaxes the team in its tensest times. Sarah's enthusiasm is overwhelming, sometimes we have to remind her that she can play every position, this kind of enthusiasm is a benefit to any player, in the future you'll use it whatever you do. Sarah started off as a shooter, but by a bold move from the coaches she was placed in a defensive position for one game, and played brilliant netball, we were amazed at her ability, this area is definitely where her talent lies. Sarah the one thing that we'll never forget about you is the



training session when you entertained us with your obsession of the song "giddy-up baby, say whhaaaaatt", it was a classic, you were an absolute pleasure to coach, thank you for joining Maddies. Best wishes in your future endeavors.

GABRIELLE STITT: Although it seemed a daunting task to be the youngest and most timid in the team, Gabbie was able to hold herself within the team both on and off court. She showed great versatility in all positions on court, being a coach's dream to be able to pop her anywhere in the line-up and be assured that she will give her best. With time and space to settle into a team, and a lot more confidence in herself Gabby will prove to be an asset to any team that she plays with. Gabby all you need to do is believe in yourself and your abilities, and forget about what others are doing and concentrate on yourself improving. Gabby's personality and essence was a delight to our team and the coaches, she constantly amused with her 'late' stories (as we have come to call them) whether it was being forgotten by her parents, or the fact that that she had to run to training in the rain, her misadventures always put a smile on our faces. Gabby is a friendly girl, who never has a bad word to say about anything and will always look out for everyone's best interest. Thanks Gabby for trying your best this year, we had a great season coaching you, hope to see you next year.

BROOKE MURPHY: How could we miss the shooting potential of this girl at the start of the season, we must have been blind. Brooke stunned both coaches and team supporters with her hidden talent as a great circle mover and accurate shot when her confidence was high. Slow down and be comfortable when you shoot, and you'll be a pro in the shooting circle in no time. Brooke also showed off her competent attacking skills, by playing WA and C for most of the season. One playing point we would like to stress, Brooke is when you are going for a centre pass, try and be on the inside of your player before the whistle goes, that way you are already in front of the defender. Don't worry about touching the other team, stand up for yourself, and hold your position. Hey, its netball, you have to be aggressive on the court. You can still be a great person off the court. Brooke has this composure that draws people in, she is one of the easiest people to get along with that you'll ever meet and always has a smile on her face. We know it's been a hard year for you Brooke, but we admire the way you were able to handle it. Just keep your head up and keep being strong and you'll achieve anything you strive for.

SOPHIE LANE: Athletic is the word that first pop's into mind when you watch Sophie play. She has a natural ability, not only at netball, but at other sports too. Sophie is one player that will improve greatly with coaching, as she is very easy to direct, with the coaches knowing that whatever we suggest, she will go out and try it to the very best of her ability. These assets will take her a long way. Her natural athletic ways tend to force her to do everything fast, we suggest Sophie that you slow down, perfect your skills, and then attempt to speed your game. Make sure you have confidence in those around you, and use them to



your advantage on the netball court. Sophie was popular with the team, quietly leading them by example. She was always up for a joke, but was able to be serious when she knew the time was right. Sophie tried her hardest this season and we appreciate the effort that she showed, thanks for listening to us and we hope that you will continue to be the outgoing and fun person that you are.

DANIELLE DOBSON: Has anyone ever heard of a year seven that actually liked to play WD? Well we have one, Danny's passion for the defensive position caused a hassle late in the season when we found that Danny can get a shot in from anywhere in the circle. Although we didn't really get to know Danny this season, with her absence, for whatever reason, for part of the season, her ability on court was a tribute to the training sessions she was at. Danny, being quite young you don't have to commit yourself to a specific position on court, try a few out, and then decide where your talents lie, and most importantly what position you enjoy most, not trying to influence you at all, but you were a great asset to the line up when you were in the shooting circle. Danny had a quiet, kind nature, which meant that her teammates and the coaches instantly liked her. When Danny was on court her skills and persistence certainly paid off for her. Remember Danny, how big is 3 feet? Thanks for being part of our team.

PRUE FULLER: Prue was a pleasure to coach this year. Her natural ability in netball allowed her to excel in the game. Prue is another of our social bugs in the team, but when it comes to any sort of netball Prue is determined and well driven. Prue stood out all season with her excellent talents, especially her movement within the circle, which was exceptionally good. Your commitment to training and games were outstanding and proceeding with this dedication will continually improve your netball skills. With a bit more practice, Prue's shooting stats will increase thus adding an overall improvement to her game. Always with something to say, Prue never failed to entertain us. She constantly told stories about some dope at her school which amused us considerably. Her friendly chatter made the training more relaxed and fun. Thanks for your time this season, hope to see you back at Maddies next year.

Jennie Bateman and Linda Thorn



COACHES COMMENTS

We were very excited to be given the opportunity to coach this group of girls. As a team, they have an abundance of natural talent and experience in playing together. As coaches, this was a dream come true, as most of the hard work had already been done, and we were able to focus on some of the more complex aspects of the game. Although we tried to maintain some kind of order and seriousness to the season, the girls always managed to see the lighter side of things, often reminding us of what the game is all about. It was this attitude, which also provided us with our biggest challenge for the season, i.e. keeping the team focused and their feet on the ground. Our thanks to Helen Cain, our umpire for the season who assisted in keeping the girls feet on the ground some Saturdays. Thanks to all of the parents for their fantastic support throughout the season. Girls, you have been a pleasure to coach this season. Your talent and team spirit is an asset to you all. Congratulations on a fantastic season and we hope that you will all continue to play for many years to come.

PEN PICS

SANDIE LEEMHUIS: Sandie has played the role of captain to the team this season, a role that has suited her well. She has played strongly in any position she has been placed in, however, her dynamics in the shooting circle have complimented the rest of the team's game extremely well. Sandie is always bright and cheerful but manages to remain calm and level headed on the court. Her attitude on the court often influences that of her teammates, which shows what a good leader she has been for them. Sandie, keep up the good work and you will have a very bright future in netball.



MONIQUE BENIAMINI: Monique has been our ever strong and ever reliable shooter for the team. She shoots consistently well and her rebounding skills (when needed) are equally strong. Monique has worked hard on her holding game this season and when she holds the front space, she is a sure option in the circle. Although Monique has a strong holding game, some opposition players have been able to cut her off, however, she has been able to adapt her play and maintain her strong presence in the circle. Her cunning, quick passes to Sandie under the post have often left the opposition floundering. Monique, as always, you have been a pleasure to coach, keep on trying new things as you have the skill and ability to pull them off.

LYNLEY PARKER: Lynley has definitely been the quiet achiever of the team. Beginning the season as one of our shooters, she took a little while to settle in to playing with the other players. A positional change to the centre court after the first few weeks saw continuous improvement from then on, making her a vital link from our defensive to attacking play. Lynley has been a versatile centre court player with fast breaks and strong drives in attack, and clever positioning in defence. It has also been extremely handy to know that there is another player who can shoot for us if things aren't working the way we want them to. Lynley, you are a respected and reliable team member and your temperament on the court is an asset to you and the team.

SUZIE BARKER: The improvement in Suzie's game this season has been outstanding. She always had very strong attacking drives but it has been the improvement in her positional play which has shown the most. Playing in the centre court, favoring the positions of centre and wing attack, she has worked extremely hard and reads off her team mates well. She is always looking for the available space on court and to balance the play. These attributes on the court have been most effective feeding the goal circle. She works hard to position herself as best she can to work with the goal shooters. Suzie your hard work this season has definitely paid off as the improvements to your game has shown. Well done.

DANIELLE WHITE: Danielle has been yet another versatile member of our centre court team. We have been able to place Danielle anywhere in the centre court positions with the reassurance that she will play well. She is a strong driving player with a good fitness base, which has been very useful when we have needed someone to fill the centre position. She is a quick thinker on the court and has quick hands, which has been extremely effective in her feeding of the circle. Her quick hands and reflexes have also assisted in her defensive play. Danielle has worked very hard on her hands over defence this season, which has paid off for her as it has forced many turnovers for the team. Danielle, you have had a consistently good season, just keep working on that defence, as you can see it has paid off this season.



EMMA FISHER: Emma, as usual has had a fantastic season. Emma is a strong player all over the court with the confidence to try anything. She is very solid in defence and often comes from nowhere to pull off some amazing intercepts. She has also distracted many opposition shooters with her intimidating hold.

Towards the end of the season, Emma has had an occasional position change to centre, which has had a very rewarding result for the team. She was always a strong driving option down the court dominating the goal third. Another advantage of having Emma in centre court was that she would look to pass to the goal circle from anywhere, which surprises both the opposition and her team mates. Emma, keep trying new things. You have the confidence and ability to go a long way in the game of netball, just take it more seriously.

SARA DRIVER: Sara would have to be one of the most dedicated players we have ever seen. She always puts in 100% at training and in her games and is always working to better herself. Sara has worked hard on sticking with her player and has been rewarded by cutting off her player as an option for the other team. She has worked very hard on her attitude on the court and with this has come a major improvement in her game. Sara has the ability to distract the shooters with her intimidating hold. Sara would have to be one of the most alert players on the team. She is aware of the umpires' calls and is always ready to chase down lose balls. Sara, keep putting in the effort and you will have a bright future in the game of netball, whether it is as a player, coach or umpire or all three.

JANA BENUSSI: Jana is a very deceiving player on the court. She does not appear to be very intimidating to the opposition but uses her quick thinking and alertness to beat her opposition. She is always working hard to block out her opposition for rebounds and trying to get the best position for our team. Jana is also a strong backup option for our team when bringing the ball out of our defensive end. Jana is a respected member of the team who can always be counted on to play well in any position on the court, however her forte is in defence. Jana, you have a lovely temperament both on and off the court, and have been a pleasure to coach this season.

KEELY ROBINSON: Keely was a late addition to our team and had the even harder task of settling into this strong team. This was indeed a challenge, however, she soon fitted into the line-up. Keely offered the extra drive through the centre court that the team had been lacking at times. Like Suzie, Keely works hard to balance the play, especially on our attacking circle. She is always on her toes and seems to pick up loose balls on the circle edge and is always there as a back up option for the shooters. Keely's style of play teamed with our other centre court players has provided us with a formidable attacking team. Keep up the good work Keely.



JULIA COLLIN: Julia began the season with us as a reserve when we were short of players, and ended up remaining with us for the majority of the season. Unfortunately for us, we lost Julia mid-season to another team. Thanks you for your assistance this season, and your efforts were greatly appreciated.

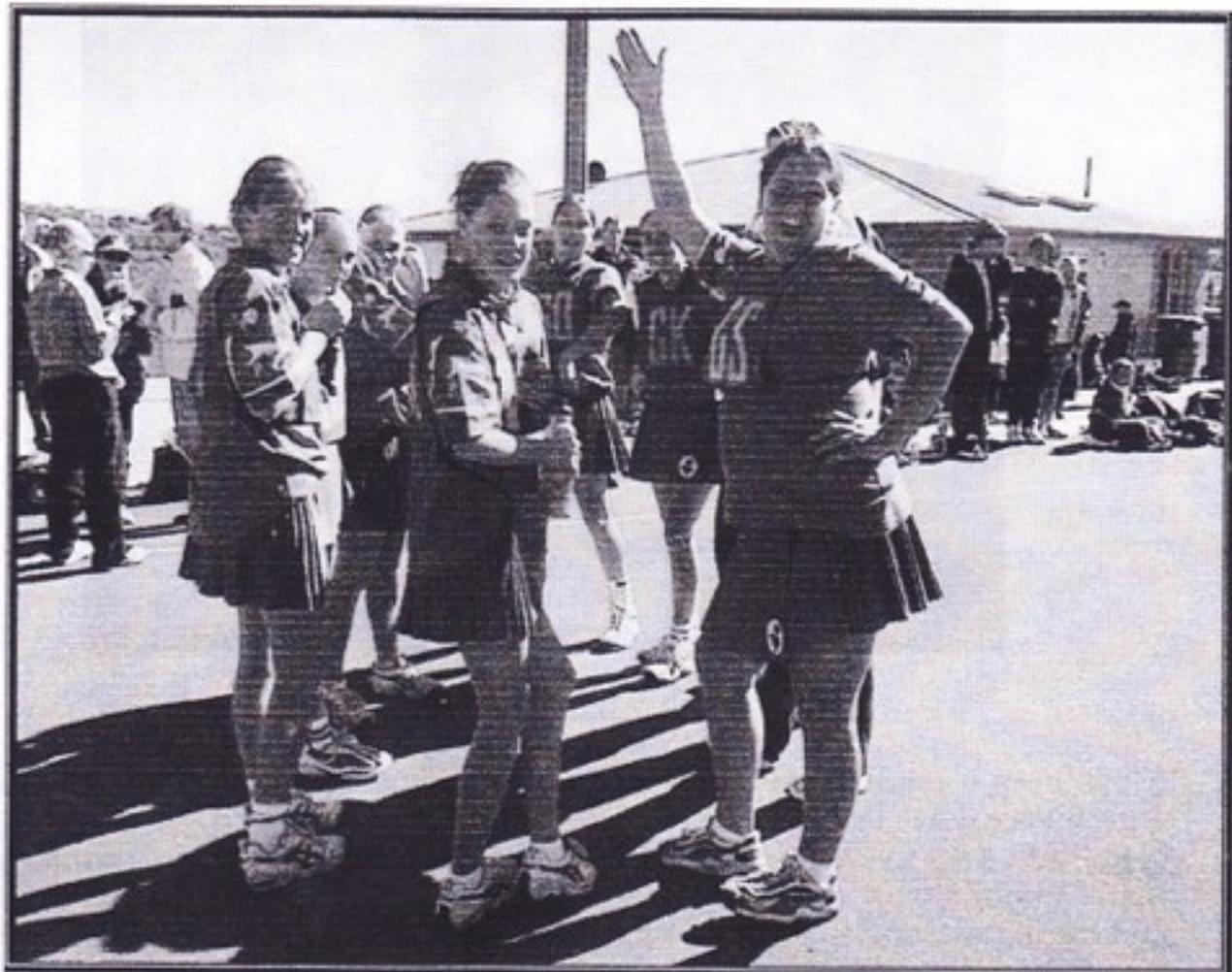
1st Semi-Final – Mongers v Panthers

After going through the season undefeated, the girl's sprits were high and they were ready to take on anything that the other team could throw at them. Unfortunately this attitude led to a little complacency within the team, which meant a shaky start to the game. As we watched on nervously, the first quarter produced some very 'unorthodox' netball. After a major team shuffle in the line-ups the girls settled down and began to play the kind of game that we had come to expect from them. This quarter was followed by an extremely strong third quarter to give the girls an unbeatable lead. Whilst the girls relaxed a little in the final quarter, they managed to maintain the momentum of the previous quarters to blow out the final score line and win comfortably. The game was very entertaining with both sides playing some 'classy' netball, Mongers showed that they could maintain their composure on the court for the better part of the game. The result of this game gave the girls a well-earned rest before the Grand Final.

Grand Final – Mongers v Panthers

We had said all season that it would be how our girls play that would determine whether or not they took out the season, as no one had come close to them all year. Unfortunately for us, we couldn't quite put it together on this day and as a result went down by one goal. The game was all very even with both teams leading at various points in the game. Mongers became extremely fatigued and couldn't keep their momentum going for a full quarter and their game let the side down when it mattered in the final quarter. To Panther's credit, they played a strong game of netball and managed to capitalize on our errors. To the girls while it's easy to make excuses for our loss, we need to put this behind us and put it down as one of those games. You have been a pleasure to coach this season, and it has been amazing to watch you develop as a team. You can take many positives from this season, and feel proud that you have earned the respect of all at Maddies and TNA. You all have bright futures in the game of netball and this loss should make you all more determined to come back and take it out next year. We only hope that we are privileged enough to be there with you when you do.

Nick Robinson and Johanna Grey



She's a star! and gorgeous, and a great shooter, Monique Beniamini along with many of her Mongers team mates had a great season backing up in the Cadet A division most weeks this season. Congratulations Monique on receiving the 'President's Award' for your great club barracking and support on the sidelines each week. Thanks also to Emma, Sandie, Sara, and Suzie for your efforts as well.



COACHES COMMENTS

It has been a pleasure to coach this bunch of talented girls. First impressions were a very quiet team - something new for me! The season started slowly but didn't take long to speed up as their confidence increased. Firstly I would like to thank Emma Roche and Suzie Barker for sitting on the sideline most weekends, and during the finals, AND to everyone else that filled in for us. To the parents that came and supported the girls each week, I would also like to give a big thank you. My thanks also to Erica for keeping me on track this season.

PEN PICS

LEONIE WOHL: Captain. Leonie played most of the season as the C but as I found out she can play GD too. At the beginning of the season Leonie had to have been the loudest person on the team (and that wasn't even loud), so she became the captain. She filled the captain's shoes very well, always giving 100% and encouraging her teammates. Leonie has the ability to read the play and because of that she was able to get many intercepts.

SAM CROMBIE: Sam was a newcomer to the club this year and she fitted into the team very well. Sam was one of my shooters but she became my double ender - and why not put some centre court in there too! In other words she played where I needed her and she didn't complain once, always giving her best. Sam always had the confidence to put up the shots from anywhere in the circle and 9 out of 10 times would get them in - she never gave up.



She performed even better when Erica was on the sidelines 'spurring her on'. Crossing over from Stilletoes this year, she has fitted into the club as if she has been with us longer. Keep up the good work Sam, you had a great first season.

ANDREA DEVLIN: Andrea is one of the defence duo. Andrea's main position was GK and she played very well. If Andrea didn't make her opposition work for the ball before it reached the circle, she was over-powering the shooter with her long stretch. All she has to remember is to grab the ball with two hands for the rebounds.

RENEE MYERS: Renee was my WD and when I was feeling mean I would put her into the centre. Renee is a strong, fast player that puts pressure on the ball and her opponent coming down the court, and most of the time she would still get a touch to the ball or an intercept. Renee's encouragement to her teammates always evident on and off the court.

JAMIE NEDELJKOVIC: Jamie was the other half of my great defence duo. This season her position was GD, it only took Jamie a few games to come out of her shell. With her fast feet, Jamie was able to get around her opponent to get many intercepts. She also has a great stretch, which made it hard for the shooters to see over her hands.

NERIDA PARKER: Nerida was one of my shooters that also played a bit in the WA role. Nerida's movement and creation of holes in and around the circle made it easy for the feeders to get the ball into her so she could finish it off with a goal, which she did most of the time. Remember you can do it.

MELISSA WINN: Last but not least, there's Melissa, new to Maddies this year who showed a lot of promise in the shooters position, and she could play a bit of centre court too. Taking to the position of WA, her feeding and positioning around the circle made it easier for the shooters to get the ball. Like all my shooters, Melissa could just turn and shoot, and it would go straight through. Great Season Melissa! You have the potential to go further, just have confidence.

LILY MENEGHEL: Lily started the season with us as one of our shooters. She was a strong attacking player, but sadly had to give up her netball due to work commitments. We hope you can work something out next year and will be back Lily. We missed you.

1ST Semi Final Maddies V Blue Jays

Finishing off the season by coming fourth the girls had a do or die game but went into the game pretty confident and it showed. We had played Blue Jays twice during the season and we came off with only one win. From the start of the game



the girls were in control and they led the whole way. Playing good controlled netball from the first whistle the lead just grow each quarter. Maddies won 31-17.

Preliminary Final Maddies v Rebels

Playing another do or die game to get into the grand final, the girls started off slowly and didn't seem to click as they had played the week before. Going into the last quarter 5 points down the girls decided to give the Rebels team a run for its money coming to within two goals but couldn't quite convert. Maddies ended up going down by three goals. It was a great season and I hope the girls were happy with the way they played. They did a great job.

Kirsten Duffy



Coach at work – Kirsten Duffy coached two teams this season, the Monster Mashers (Year 5) and the Murtle Turtles. Kirsten is one of our longest serving players and coaches, having been with the club for nine years. Thanks for all your hardwork and efforts throughout the years Kirsten, the club looks forward to you receiving your ten year Life Membership next year.



COACHES COMMENTS

Well what a season! The 2000 netball season turned out to be a real surprise for the Maddies Mazings, and as coach I knew the girls could do it! We started the season off with flying colours beating most of the teams in our division by at least 10 goals. However, a few injuries and our three ACT School Girls players being unavailable to play for a number of weeks interrupted our season. Towards the end of the year every one was back, although not quite playing to full potential. I believe the girls showed real spirit and all worked hard at training to ensure that we were back to full form for finals to show everyone just how good the Maddies Mazing really are. (Next time I will make sure I am not standing in the back row beside the tall players for the photo, as they make me seem short!).

PEN PICS

LYNDSEY SIMCOE (captain): Lyndsey is a player with a very bright future. This year Lyndsey was a member of the ACT School Girls team. She is a player with great determination, when she sets her sights on something she always achieves. As our Goal defence, she amazed us every week with her brilliant Intercepts. I have to admit as coach I have always had a soft spot for Lyndsey, as I have been her rep coach for the last 4 years, I found that I have rarely had to yell at her, however, in the last three games of the season, I don't think I stopped. I didn't know what had happened to my Lyndsey, boy was I cursing the ACT School Girls' Coach! To her credit, in our grand final the Lyndsey that I knew and needed was back. She controlled our defence end and shut down the



opposition's main shooter! Lyndsey has it all! The physique, the skill and the attitude to be a top netballer, we have no doubt that she will represent her state again in the future.

RACHEL BIGLIA (Vice Captain): Rachel was another member of the ACT School girl's team. Rachel is a great shooter who reads the play very well. Her shooting statistics are always high (except when someone tried to change her shooting style). Rachel has controlled our attacking end this season, and on court she gains a lot of respect from her teammates and opposition teams. We really missed her when she was away representing her state. In the many games that we have won, Rach always played a major part by shooting a great goal or taking a solid rebound. Rach, you have had a tough season this year but you have bounced back so well from disappointment. Remember we all have ups and downs in our netball careers, but the true champions are those that can learn something from them and continue to play great netball, you have done this!

JUSTINE HALL: Juzzie what a season! Justine was the other member of our shooting team. At the start of the season Justine didn't want to shoot a goal, she kept looking to pass it off to Rach, but at the end of the season she was putting them up and getting them in from everywhere. Justine is not a tall player but she has great ability to read play very well. Her movement in the circle this year was a delight to watch. During the season when we were without several players, Justine stepped up and took the challenge leading us to many wins. She has worked very hard this year both on and off the court. Her effort at training was evident, as Justine kept getting better with every game. Well done Juz, we could not have done it without you! Remember confidence and NO SOOKING.

ALISON SWEENEY: This season Ally was our Super Star. She played centre, centre and more centre all season with instructions from the coach to RUN, RUN and keep running. Well, she did it with no problem, in fact most teams we played this season had to change their centre at half time because they were worn out and couldn't keep up with Ally. Alison is another player who reads the play very well. Her passes into the goal circle are a spectator's dream. She is a very determined player who hates to lose (that's why this coach loves her). When the going gets tough, you can always hear Alison encouraging her team to a win. She has worked very hard on her defence this season, which has resulted in many intercepts. Her defensive game in our grand final was superb. Alison it is only time until you represent your state, you have the talent and desire to do so, be patient and don't give up.

KATE BROWN: Kate is a player whose talent has been underestimated by many coaches in her netball career, including myself! Kate certainly proved to me this season that she has what it takes to be a great player. Kate was a member of



our defensive team, playing WD, GD and GK, and managing to play them all exceptionally well. She has great height, long lanky arms and very good knowledge of the game. These attributes of Kate's have made her a coach's dream. She has great anticipation, which resulted in many intercepts every game. As a defensive player Kate likes to attack, often backing up down court to help her attacking teammates, but remember Kate, don't step on! Kate you have had a great season. I believe you have the talent to take you further but your commitments will be the key to your success!

JENNA LINEHAN: Jenna is the smallest member of our team, (next to myself) but I am sure she has the biggest heart. Jenna this year has had to play a more physical and mature style of netball and she did it like a true champion. Although we are not quite sure what happened to our nice Jenna towards the end of the season, as she had adopted a killer instinct approach. Boy did this surprise her coach, mother, and fellow teammates and really annoy our opposition!!! We have worked hard on Jenna's positioning on court this season, and she has taken on board all instructions from her coach. Poor old Jen got picked on a bit because she has a short coach who plays WA to perfection!!! Jenna's height or lack of it did have some advantages this year. She was too fast for many opponents, her strong leads onto the goal circle and her centre breaks were unstoppable. She proved to be a great defensive player, with her sneaky intercepts, as many opposition players didn't see her coming. Jenna's feeding improved dramatically this season, she was holding the ball nice and high, always delivering her shooters a great pass. Well done Jenna, you have had a fantastic season. Yes I know you used to be a shooter but you're just too good at wing attack now!

KIM TREVILLIAN: Kim had a great start to the season. Kim was another member of our defensive team but she proved to be quite a handy centre court. Kim is a player with great strength. Her sheer physical presence on court intimidated many opposition players. When Sal and Lyndsey left us for a few games, poor old Kim was forced back into the goal circle, she hadn't played circle defence since year five. Kim certainly held her own with her great positioning, anticipation, reach and rebounds. Kim also shared the WD position with Kate; Kim is a WD specialist now she plays this position better than anyone I know. I think WD must run in the family because her sister Lisa is also becoming a champion WD. Kim unfortunately did not have much luck with injury this season, hurting her ankle a few weeks before finals. However, she worked very hard off the court to get better. She was always there to support her team, and it was great to see her play in our grand final. Well-done Kim, another achievement to add to your collection!

SALLY-ANN MCKAY: Sally-Ann was another Maddies player to represent the ACT in 2000. Sally is our goalkeeper who always has a smile on her face. Sally's height, anticipation, and solid rebounds made her a shooter's nightmare.



Sal has the longest arms at TNA; if she only used both of them to full advantage she would be unstoppable. She received a short sharp blast from the club president about this! This definitely had an impact on Sally, and she immediately start to use both hands (in fear of losing one). In our grand final she went out to prove us all wrong. Jennie and Adrienne from the Molotov admitted they were scared shooting the ball over your long arms. Sally-Ann is a player who is always cool, calm and collected in any situation. This attribute has helped us in many of our close games as Sal rarely gives away penalties. She has a great ability to read play. Her passes are never off target and she helps out her teammates by always backing up down court. She has a great attitude, always smiling! We know that Sally-Ann will go far in this game.

CARLY WEISS: Carly started off the season in style, with awesome displays in the circle, however, after the ACT Junior Championships, Carly started to lose interest in netball, with her ambitions and goals in another sport. Sadly Carly didn't finish the season with us, but we hope that she will return next season. Best of luck for your future goals in sport Carly.

RESERVES: Thank you to our reserves this season, Sandie Leemhuis, Emma Fisher and Monique Benamini who backed up from their intermediate game to help us out in many games. Your support on the sideline was great. At such a young age you coped with this level of competition with ease. Thank you, you are all great netballers of the future!

Another thank you must go to Vicky Driver who gave up her time to work with our defence before our Grand Final. Our defence played the best they had all season. Vicky you made such a difference and they learnt so much in one hour. You played a big part in our win.

1st Semi-final - Mazings v Molotovs

We knew this game was always going to be close. The girls all warmed up well and were very keen to win this game and have a week's rest. The game was neck to neck all the way, with both teams playing nervous netball at times. The game was very fast and physical, something that we were not used to. We played some good netball but the Molotovs were just too experienced beating us by 1 goal. This result was upsetting for all of us, including the coach who had to fight hard to hold back the tears. However, our defeat made us very determined we were going to meet this team again in the grand final and make amends!

Preliminary final - Mazings v Rebels

We thought that this game was going to be very close just like our semi-final. Rebels were the under dogs and very determined and fired up to beat us. They were so fired that while practicing her shots BEFORE the game their main shooter rolled her ankle and could not play. This made a real difference to the game. The depleted Rebels side tried hard but we were just too confident and skilful, eventually winning the game 37-19. In this game we did the little things



right. Our timing and leads were good, our passes exact, defence back to full strength and our shooting percentage very high. The girls were ready to meet Molotovs in the grand final but this time we were going to win.

Grand final - Mazings v Molotovs

We trained very well during the week and everyone was feeling very confident, including the Molotovs team. The girls were a bit nervous before the game, especially because Rach turned up a few minutes late and we thought we were without our star shooter. We got a great start to the game being 4 goals up at quarter time. We knew that to win this match we had to play consistent netball and build on our lead each quarter. Everything was going our way. Our defence was unbeatable; centre court unstoppable and our shooters were on target. We played a very fast, mature game of netball, which frustrated our older opponents. In the fourth quarter of the game the Molotovs started to make a come back. We showed great courage and determination to hold onto our lead and eventually win by 4 goals. A great win and a deserving end to our season. Congratulations to Jenna who was awarded best in final by TNA. Girls, at such a young age you have all achieved so much for our club and your district. It has been a pleasure to coach you and I just hope that you all keep up with your netball because your futures in this game are very bright. Enjoy your rest over the summer and I am sure we will achieve even bigger and better things next season.

Kate Lauchland



Smiles all around for some of the players from Mazings who were members of the successful TNA Under 15's ACT Championship team this year. The team has been undefeated for the last four years. With players like these girls, and with many more talented Maddies players to join their ranks, TNA's and Maddies futures looks very bright.



COACHES COMMENTS

I really enjoyed the season coaching the Molotovs. Everybody who turned up to training on any given night put in 100% effort, our major problem was not being able to get everyone to training due to other commitments. The girls worked well as a team and at times displayed passages of play which amazed even me. I'm very proud of what these girls accomplished and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank them for a very enjoyable season - not often does a coach get the opportunity to lead a group of girls who are totally passionate about their game. I'd also like to thank the 'hundreds' of girls who filled in for us throughout the year.

PEN PICS

JENNIE BATEMAN: For a while there, Jennie was in my every waking moment, with both the U17 and Maddies, but it was a pleasure. Jennie is a born leader (and talker). She started the season on the wing, with her strong centre court movements and accurate feeding to the shooters, although her true position was realised, probably a little late in the season, at GA. What Jennie lacks in height she makes up for in commitment and tenacity, on numerous occasions she was seen out rebounding a taller defensive player. Jennie, I love the passion with which you play the game, don't ever lose it.

MICHELLE GRAYSON: I didn't know Michelle before this season and was shocked by the hair, which was checked by Erica in the semi to ensure it wouldn't cause damage, and the nose ring, which was carefully hidden. Michelle



turned up to our first game with a hangover, which was duly punished by me with her playing C for $\frac{1}{2}$ a game. Needless to say Michelle never did it again. Michelle is a determined player who fights for every ball. Good Luck in the future, you're a great little player Michelle.

AIMEE TREVILLIAN: Aimee is a quiet achiever. She played out of position for the later part of the season on the wing but when called upon to shoot, because our shooters couldn't sink one, she came in and dropped them from everywhere. It's easy to get lost amongst a noisy bunch like we had but you are a real team member who raised your level of game when called upon. Keep enjoying netball, and let's try not to include injury in the final series next season.

LINDA THORN: We always knew Linda was around, our little chatterbox, but admittedly it was nice to have her around. Again, I didn't know Linda before the start of the season but she came out with guns blazing. WD is definitely Linda's position; she would come out of nowhere and intercept passes, intimidate her opposition and generally have lots of fun doing it. I enjoyed coaching you Linda and the positive comments that you contributed to team discussion were great. Keep focused and keep playing good netball.

RENEE KELLY: Well what can I say about Renee except I don't think she particularly likes training, as we didn't see her as often as I would have liked. Renee was another of the more quiet members of a rowdy bunch but I do think she enjoys her netball. I feel that Renee has the potential to be a stronger player as glimpses of this was seen throughout the year. Renae put in the full effort and you'll reap the rewards.

AMANDA COLE: Here's another player who didn't secure a permanent position until late in the season. With those arms and legs, straight into shooter she went but it was soon evident that defence was the place for her with leaping intercepts aplenty. Amanda responds quickly on court and is a determined player. I have enjoyed coaching you Amanda and you should be pleased with your continued efforts both on and off the court, congrats.

FIONA McLAUGHLIN: What is there to say about Fiona except I saw glimpses of her true potential throughout the year but I just wish I could find out how to keep her fully focused for the whole game. With Fiona's height and agility she has the makings of a great defensive player. Fiona was another of the girls who seemed to be in my every thought with both the U17 and Maddies, and I did enjoy watching her play at her best. Fiona, I am eager to see you totally committed on court for an entire game, as you'll blitz them all.

ADRIENNE GIBBS: Adrienne did not join us until half way through the season but when she did she certainly made an impact. Adrienne was a key link in our strong attack line up as GS, she moved well, could catch a Jennie flick pass (mostly) and could miss a goal (usually a few times in a row) from right beside the post. But honestly, Adrienne you have been a joy to coach, yes cheeky on



occasion but focused nonetheless. Your commitment on court is to be admired and I would coach any team you're a part of with pleasure.

KATE MAIR: Kate has presence both on and off the court. Off court I'm sure Kate could speak with her head under water but on court she is a leader. Kate is Miss Versatility; she can play any position on court and is committed to making sure she does it well. She might complain and winge about not being able to run another quarter at C but she pushes herself to her limits for the good of the team. Although Kate had other commitments and wasn't able to attend most trainings, she fitted in well with the rest of the team. Good Luck in the future Kate I did enjoy coaching you.

RESERVE: SARA DRIVER: And I nearly forgot our 'ring in' who attended all our training sessions and every game. Sara did not always get a run on court but she was there supporting us all the way. Although Sara is an Inters player she fitted in well with the Molotovs who offered her encouragement and support. Sara keep up the good work, your effort and commitment is showing.

1st Semi Final - Molotovs v Mazings

Going into this game as the underdogs – having not truly beaten the other Maddies team all season – was good for the girls. They had determination and a passion to win that I have very rarely seen. We had a few lapses of concentration but overall I would have to say that it was the team effort that got us straight through to the Grand Final. Molotovs do have a strong presence on court, they play a physical game and do not give up in a competition for the ball – all of these traits paid off on this day. When the final hooter sounded I did not know whether we had won or lost, but there is one thing I can say and that is on this day regardless of the outcome I was so proud of the way these girls came together as a team.

Grand Final – Molotovs v Mazings

Our Grand Final preparations seemed to be going along well, but on the day we just couldn't repeat our performance from a fortnight earlier. I don't know if it was nerves or over anxiousness but we seemed to lose our sense of team, until the final quarter when we showed that we were deserving of our place in the Grand Final. The final quarter commenced with a rev from the coach (me) about the pride of playing for this team and ended with a feeling of satisfaction, although disappointed to have lost, that we did produce some very good netball. Had this effort been consistent for the whole game it would have been much closer. Yes, I was disappointed not to have won the Grand Final, but I can truly say that I was proud of the girls who showed me the true meaning of being a team. They supported each other on and off court throughout the season. However, they have to be able to put four quarters together to win the big games. See you all next season.

Kelly Lawler



COACHES COMMENTS

The Minglers had a mixed season this year, losing to teams in the first round and then beating them in the next, and vice versa. Team training was difficult due to the players' other commitments but we did manage a few sessions at the end of the season. (This will be addressed next year!) The line-up changed as well, with Tracey Baz, Gillian Duffy, Kristy Roberts and Angie Moore all overseas but we gained some great players in Renee Shepherd, Belinda Mair and Justine Hawke. I would like to thank Tim for his contribution as Manager/Assistant Coach and the girls for their team spirit and the support they showed for each other. A special thanks to Justine, Renee and Joh for their commitment to training even when there wasn't a great deal of motivation for them. A big 'Ta Very much' to all of the Cadet players who helped us out during the season (and there were plenty of them), especially Emma Fisher in the finals. Thanks also to Erica and Helen for their support and advice (as always), and to all of the umpires - it wasn't personal! If we can get the whole team in the country at the same time and actually train together we will have a great 2001.

PEN PICS

JOHHANNA GREY: Although struck by the dreaded lurgey, suffering a bout of tonsillitis and an injury during the season, doing final year at uni and having coaching responsibilities, Joh performed to her usual high standard at C & WA and even filled in at GS (once). What she lacks in loftiness, she more than makes up for in skill and positional awareness. Her assessment of games and thoughtful input were a great help. Joh also supplied the team manager and ended the season with a high percentage for the toss-of-the-coin.



SARAH HONEY: Sarah was our permanent GS this year and, after a slow start, ended the season with respectable shooting percentages. She developed a very good understanding with her shooting partner in the circle, always looking to give and receive that quick pass to improve the position and made a valuable contribution to the success of the team. We look forward to luring her back from the coast for next season.

TRACEY BAZ: Tracey has become our specialist WD, being one of the most improved players in the club over the past couple of years. After another strong start this year she suffered an ankle injury during a game, was further injured in a car accident and then went overseas halfway through the season. They'll do anything to get out of a game! Tracey's solid defence and high, game-long work rate were missed.

REBECCA GORMAN: Rebecca again took on the hardest positions in any team - those in the defensive circle. The remarkably cold, wet winter this year played havoc with her asthma, which affected her training, but she was always there when we needed her. Wonderfully supportive of the other players on court, and improving her game all the time (except for Running On Bec!) she was an important part of what proved to be a very good defensive line-up.

LEANNE HOURIGAN: Playing in GD & GK, Leanne had yet another terrific season with the Minglers. She played to the high standard that she set for herself last year, working hard in defence and always fully involved when moving down court from the defensive third. Her anticipation, rebounding and quick thinking made her a problem for any opposition. Leanne learned a new rule this year and is practicing her vow of silence in the off-season.

JOHDI HOURIGAN: Johdi went from strength to strength this season. Always fast, strong and with a high work rate, she improved the technical aspects of her game to better suit the netball court. Her height, speed and competitiveness on court caused her opponents much grief, whether defending or attacking. Johdi had the misfortune to sustain an injury a few days before the maJohr final (bloody basketball) and the team was the worse for her absence.

RENEE SHEPHERD: New to the Minglers this year, Renee proved to be an asset to the centre court line-up. At WD & WA she showed lovely skills and great composure on court. Her commitment to training, and her support and contribution during games was invaluable. Struck by a mystery illness late in the season (they're still trying to give it a name - 'Roche's Kiss-of-Death' is being considered), Renee was not in the best of health at finals time but always made herself available and played herself to a standstill.

BELINDA MAIR: Another new starter for season 2000, Belinda gave real strength in the attacking third and the shooting circle. Playing at GA she



showed quick thinking, strong hands and a high work rate, which made her a formidable assignment for most defensive players. Developing a great understanding with her shooting partner, Belinda was not beyond dropping the ball through the goal from just about anywhere in the circle. When they worked, some of the 'Lay-up' shots looked spectacular, but we might work on removing them for next season (bloody basketball!).

JUSTINE HAWKE: The third addition to the Minglers for season 2000 proved to be one of the most valuable. Justine played centre court and, with Joh and Renee, gave much needed strength, skill and control when linking the defence and attack. Even though she was the 'old woman' of the team (birth certificate details are available for a small fee), she showed total commitment at training and during games and maintained a positive attitude and high spirits throughout the season. For her contribution to the team both on and off the court Justine receives the Coach's Award for the 2000 season.

1st Semi-Final - Minglers v Rebels

The team made the finals and faced Rebels first up. The honors were pretty even during the season and in a close game the Minglers picked up a 1st quarter deficit to win the game by 2 in a thriller.

Preliminary Final - Minglers v Moro's

The pre-liminary final saw what we all dread - 2 Maddies teams playing for a spot in the Grand Final. With 2 losses and a win against MoJoh's during the season it was always going to be tough, especially with Johdi Hourigan out injured and only one reserve on the bench. Helen's team came out firing and soon had a comfortable lead. Mingler's second half was a better effort, outscoring MoJohs by 1, but the horse had bolted. MoJohs outplayed Minglers on the day and went on to a well-deserved win over Bluejays in the Grand Final.

Sean Roche



COACHES COMMENTS

It has been a good experience working with this team. The team basically consisted of players from last year's Mashooters, with the loss of some and addition of others. This change of players meant that we lost some of the impetus from last year's combinations and relationships. However, we quickly established some effective options, which strengthened the team and their week to week performances. Mojo's line-up was always a promising one, however, the impact of reserve duties and very few dedicated defenders meant that we struggled at points throughout the season. To the credit of the players we overcame these problems to put together enough wins to finish the competition rounds in the top position. To those players who willingly undertook playing in non-preferred positions a big thank you from me. A big thank you also to the parents and supporters of this team, particularly Frances Hart, Ruth McManus, Mr and Mrs Burrows and Bev Biglia. All of the supporters provided myself and the players with encouragement and support week in and week out.

PEN PICS

SHANNON WILLIAMS: Shannon was our one and only full-time defender for the majority of the season. Shannon has always preferred to play in a shooting role, however, her consistent performances in the defence circle have now established her as an effective defender and rebounder. Shannon's additional value as a defender is her ability to safely deliver the ball to her teammates down court, thus capitalising on a valuable defensive turnover. Unfortunately for Shannon she suffered a nasty ankle injury and missed several games. However, this did



not stop her from putting in solid performances during the final series. A good season Shannon.

KIRSTEN DUFFY: Kirsten's contribution to this team has clearly demonstrated her capacity for great team play and a new maturity, which will translate into her game as a player and a coach. Kirsten was one of the players who were asked to play in a non-preferred position week after week. She has done this with great composure and willingness and has proven to be a highly valued defender. Kirsten's defensive skills consistently improved throughout the season and her enthusiasm on court was only contained by a nasty ankle injury during the first final. This did not prevent her from making a fabulous contribution to the team from the sideline. Kirsten you have had a great season and I congratulate you on your performance throughout the year.

REBECCA TREVILLIAN: Rebecca's skill as a defender was quickly recognised and she spent the majority of the season in the Inter District Maddies team. Fortunately for the Mojos she was available for the Grand Final against Blue Jays and, as expected, her contribution was invaluable. Thanks for your efforts with the Mojos.

NATALIE McMANUS: Natalie was a valuable addition to the Mojos and the Maddies Netball Club. Natalie has been a consistent performer in the Wing Defence position. Her speed and agility, combined with her athletic ability, enable her to provide an impenetrable barrier for opposition teams. Towards the end of the season Natalie also demonstrated her talents as a circle defender. Natalie brings an energy and enthusiasm to the court, which provides a strong support for teammates. A fabulous season Nat.

KATIE BOLTON: Katie was another player who willingly (sometimes not so willingly) took on a defensive position. She has had a good season and her contribution to the centre court positions has continually strengthened. Katie is a versatile player and was well able to adapt to either WD, C or WA and was just as effective in any of these positions, she even backed up in the defence circle when asked to. Katie has worked hard all season and her efforts for the team contributed significantly to the Grand Final win. Well done Katie.

DEBBIE HART: What can I say about Debbie that I haven't already said over the years that I have had the pleasure to coach her? Debbie is one of the most committed and talented centre court players that I have encountered. Her on-court maturity enables her to perform for the full four quarters of netball and she never allows her emotions or frustrations to get the better of her. Debbie has again provided invaluable support to the team's shooters and a steady influence around the circle. Unfortunately for the team Debbie's career has now started to impact on her availability which meant that she was very missed. Thanks again for another season Deb.



BRIDGET HARRIS: This was a good season for Bridget. She managed to avoid injury (and her mother would like to thank her for that) and she contributed significantly to every game. For a good part of the season she was used in the wing attack position, which was new for Bridget. She proved to be a solid presence in this position and it has enabled her to establish her versatility as a player. However, her major contribution was in the attack circle, particularly through the final series. Her percentages suffered from time to time, but her movement and rebounding skills provided valuable support for her fellow shooters and her percentages lifted well towards the end of the season. So much so that her last quarter performance in the Grand Final was a significant factor in our win. A great season Bridget.

KATE PORTER: Kate has had a mixed season in the shooting circle, however, her overall contribution to the team's successes was significant. Kate was another player who was asked to extend her experience into the centre court as a WA, and this she did to good effect. During the final series Kate provided a drive and ball movement in this position that was invaluable. She is a fast and enthusiastic player and this was a positive for the team. Kate's contribution in the attack circle was also good. While her percentages may have dropped (for the time being) her rebounding and teamwork was as reliable as ever. Well done Kate.

JULIE BURROWS: Julie was new to Maddies in the 2000 season, however, her friendships with a number of Maddies girls meant that she quickly adapted to the team. Julie is a very experienced player with height and strength. She was never intimidated on court (even though some tried) and as a result she was able to put in a solid performance for the full four quarters. Like our other shooters, Julie's percentages were sometimes not great but her rebounding and movement enabled her to have plenty of shots at goal. Julie used her experience in ACT and Academy to assist this team to a well deserved win. Thanks Julie it was nice to have you join us.

JENNIE BATEMAN: Jennie was our regular reserve and her efforts were greatly appreciated. Jennie would always make herself available immediately after she finished her our Cadet game and, more often than not, we used her. Jennie's strength and presence provided a significant contribution in the centre court. She even took on the challenge to shoot for us which she did very well. Thank you for your efforts Jennie you were very much a part of this team.

RESERVES: Our thanks to the reserves from the Katie's Cadet team who enabled us to field a team each and every week. **RACHEL BIGLIA** was a welcome support and back up shooter when the girls were not on target and very often was the difference between us and the other team. **LYNDSEY SIMCOE** was used frequently to support the defence end as we were often short on



players in that area due to injury. Lyndsey's skill and contribution was highly valued. SALLY-ANN McKAY also assisted with the defence end if needed and like Lyndsey her valuable contribution was much appreciated.

1ST Semi-Final - Mojos v Blue Jays

A repeat of last year's final series and, again, we always expected to meet them in this game. It seemed that we played this team every second game during the rounds. In reality it was four times. As always the results were mixed. On our good days we could get the better of them, but if we were feeling fragile they could out-psych us. The result this time around was a 5 goal loss. We started out very slowly and within the first three minutes Blue Jays had outscored us 6 goals to nil. From then on we were playing catch up netball. By half time we were down by 7 goals, however, a strong third quarter saw us outscore them by 3 goals, which positioned us well for a final quarter challenge. Unfortunately we couldn't outscore them when it counted. The end result was 33 to 28. The difference proved to be the poor start, which we could not overcome. However, as a believer in the benefit of playing the additional game, I was not too worried. I felt the team would benefit from the additional run and be better prepared for the main game in a fortnight. We also learnt a valuable lesson about the importance of being committed from the first whistle and this became the focus for the next two games.

Preliminary Final - Mojos v Maddies Minglers

We met our fellow Maddies team in this final. As a result of a beating in the rounds, no one took this team lightly. There was always a strong possibility that they could put in a good performance and deny us the opportunity to meet Blue Jays in the Grand Final. The lessons learnt from last week proved helpful and we got away to a good start with a 7 goal lead at quarter time. We continued to build on this lead through the next quarter, however, they challenged us in the second half by containing us to a one goal advantage. The end result was 35 to 19, however, the result was not a reflection of the game. It was a good one.

Grand Final - Mojos v Blue Jays

This was always going to be our game. All of the team had a determination to win that was inspiring. We trained as a team in the last few weeks, which developed better relationships between the players which translated to a team effort on court. The game started out pretty even and Blue Jays had a 1 point lead at quarter time. We lifted the work rate a little and reversed this at half time. The third quarter did not break the dead lock and we were even at the three quarter break. A solid last quarter from our shooters and defenders saw us outscore them by 2 goals, which was enough to secure that game. A great win which was well deserved by all of the team and our fabulous reserves. Congratulations to all.

Helen Cain

**COACHES COMMENTS**

As a newcomer to the ACT I can only consider myself to be very lucky to have been not only offered the opportunity to coach the current Tuggeranong Open champions, but to also guide Maddies into an inaugural inter-district competition. To further my luck, and the team's, we had Erica as the team manager. The doyen of the Maddies Club not only kept the players in line, but as I am sure she will vouch, I am one of those coaches who needs an organised manager to keep me in line as well (and those who know Erica know that "organised" is an understatement). A special thank you from me, and the girls.

Coaching, I have found, often provides a learning experience for the coach as well as the players, and it proved to be no different here. Whilst they may play netball for Maddies Netball Club, I am sure that they are either founding members, full members, or apprentices, of the "Party Hard Club". Whilst military service has prepared me well for the big night out exploits, the tattoos and body piercing on such "delicate" young ladies, I must admit, kept me a bit wide-eyed. On a more serious note though, whilst we did have our hiccups during the season, we managed to come through it all to be a real force in the competition, finishing on top of the ladder. It is a credit to the girls to be able to work through upsets and disruption, and still perform consistently at this level. I would also like to take this opportunity to express the team's gratitude to a few others as well: Helen Cain and Sean Roche for the shared club coaching, and Vicki Driver for physical training. Scorers, timekeepers, and supporters; everyone's combined input has had a very positive effect on the team, and consequently the results.



Looking back on the season, if we were to have a "lessons learned", it would have to be - *Umpires: When they're right they're right, when they're wrong they're still right, and the only time they change their call is to advance the penalty!* We all know it; we just need to put it into practice.

PEN PICS

I would like to start this by giving mention to those players who have been the support players throughout the season. Whilst their "Pen Pics" will appear for other teams, our special thanks to Julie Burrows, Natalie McManus, Kirsten Duffy, Justine Hawke and Debra Hart. These girls all took the field at some stage through the year, and the first three girls in particular were also on the bench most weeks after having already played for their own teams. To the girls mentioned, and the others who sat on the bench for us as well, thank you very much.

KATE LAUCHLAND: (Captain). Kate is a most dynamic centre court player who places high expectations and demands on herself, and on her day has the measure of any WD in this competition. As the team Captain, Kate leads by example, while personally shouldering any shortfalls that the team may exhibit. Working hard to overcome injury at this late stage of the season, Kate, with her talent and experience could well be the key to the team's finals success.

KRISTY-LEIGH SIMPSON: A player with a high work rate, whose speed and agility in the centre court is a great asset to the team. Kristy-Leigh has, probably like most of her netball career, been called upon to cover many gaps in the team, such is her talent and versatility. This year she has played all positions from GD to WA, never complaining, just getting on with the job. Kristy-Leigh is a great example for young players to emulate, trains hard and plays as well as she can every week.

CARLA HOWMAN: The quiet achiever. Never says boo, just gets on court and gets the job done. A talented player with plenty of experience playing at both local and State level, Carla is a committed club and team member. Her consistency in the shooting circle, rebounding power and positioning will, especially after a good nights sleep, have a great impact on our finals aspirations.

MELISSA WILLIAMS: Melissa started the season as our premier circle defender, and was great for young Rebecca Trevillian to learn from. Melissa, the girl with the infectious laugh, has played well through the season, and her performances have played a big part in determining our top position on the ladder. It is unfortunate that other priorities and commitments have kept her away from netball more than we all wanted, but as we enter the finals her presence will provide stability and strength in defence.



JO FITZPATRICK: "Jo" has had a very good year. So good that I had to nominate a specific statistician, just keep track of her rebounds. THREE in one year, and two of those is one game - you're just amazing!! Jo, in reality, is the other half of the shooting end. When she is on (which luckily for us has been most of the time) Fitzy is a terrific shooter, cool under pressure, who can shoot goals from anywhere in the circle (which is also lucky because she can't rebound). Consistency is the key to Jo's success, and if that is maintained, we can only do well.

NICOLE KIDMAN: An enigma - doesn't like training hard, doesn't like the umpires decisions, just wants to play the game - and she does that pretty well. Last years pen pics stated that Nicole had a move called "Mouth Wide Open" - a physical reaction to umpires whistles. Well this year Nic has again had regular practice in her "move", which then gave her some 'non-voluntary' umpiring practice as well. Whilst it's time for Nicole to develop attributes to leave that "move" behind, as we enter the finals I expect, playing with her natural ability and a little discipline, Nicole could possibly decide our outcome. A player who reads the play very well, and has the ability to organise, direct and control play.

REBECCA TREVILLIAN: Rebecca, I think, is the find of the season. A newcomer to Maddies, she came into the team as a regular a bit later than the others, but has become our stalwart GK. Relatively inexperienced as a circle defender, Rebecca has played some great games against sometimes bigger, but always more experienced players. Rebecca, with Melissa, and also Nicole at times, has combined really well with these more experienced players and improved with every outing. Rebecca has already played a big part in our season, and along with the entire team, I am sure will be culminating 2000 with a good finals performance.

1st Semi-Final - Maddies v Dominoes

After 14 weeks we ended the competition proper in first place, and entered the finals series with high expectations and aspirations. Unfortunately it was not to be. The major semi-final against Dominoes was a one horse race from the first whistle, and we were simply never in the game. Whilst I could of course find excuses for our poor performance, (Carla crashing her car on the way to the game, Rebecca not eating during the day, Kate and Melissa's first game for some weeks, Natalie McManus starting for us straight after playing a full game for her own team) we were simply not good enough on the day. We were soundly beaten across the court, but at least we had another chance next week.

Preliminary Final - Maddies v Jets

We then met Jetsetters in the final. We had trained well during the week, had the strongest line-up on court, and started like a house on fire. A few goals up at quarter time, the team was playing with keenness and inspiration. The second quarter however, saw Jetsetters settle, and we lost our rhythm. For the remainder of the game, whilst defensively we had enough rebounds and

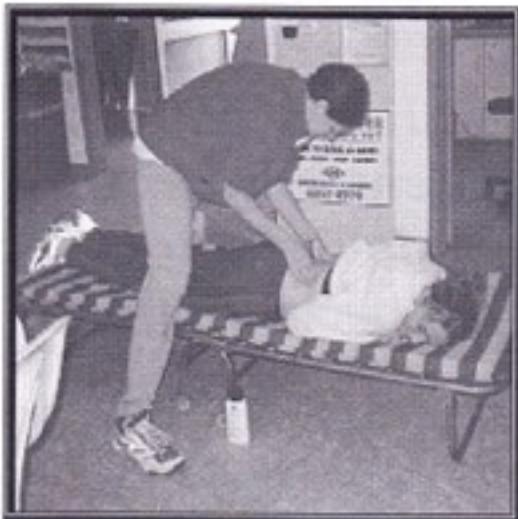


intercepts to be competitive, in attack we let ourselves down with poor decision making, poor passes, and we couldn't buy a goal to save ourselves. Frustrated and easily beaten in the end, our season had come to an earlier than anticipated finish.

As you can see, the Pen Pics were written before the finals series, and I decided to leave it that way because they are indicative of the players' performances during the year. We were the top team throughout the season, but faltered at the wrong time. On a positive note, I have no doubt that Maddies will be back big-time in 2001, and make up for the one that got away this year.

Greg Pearson

PARTY GIRLS



Pictures never lie. Our girls do know how to have fun and party, party, party!



FIVE YEAR SERVICE AWARDS

Presented to:



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Lisa Trevillian
Rebecca Cole
Danielle White
Alison Sweeney
Jenna Linehan
Sally-Ann Mckay
Tracey Baz
Renee Myers
Jennie Bateman
Jo Fitzpatrick
Rebecca Gorman*

*Kate Mitchell
Sophie Trevillian
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