

MACKILLOP'S WORLD CHAMPION

ALEX WINS WORLD CUP

AS A YOUNG CRICKETER, Alex Floros of Year 11 dreamed of becoming a world champion in the sport – and his dream came true as his Australian U20 team held aloft the Indoor Cricket World Cup in New Zealand during October.

Alex played a major role for the Aussies, picking up man-of-the-match honours against South Africa and boasting solid statistics throughout, but an influenza bug caught hold of his team and left Alex and a number of his teammates unable to participate in the final.

Luckily, the team was able to overcome the host nation in the final despite their star absentee, meaning the Australian side finished the competition undefeated.

Alex said missing the final was disappointing but he was happy with his contribution – especially as the youngest member of the

squad – and described the feeling of winning a World Cup as 'special'.

"I had a pretty good tournament, but it was a bit disappointing to get sick and that played a part in my missing the final," he said.

"Having said that, being part of a World Cup winning team was a special feeling and I was grateful to be a part of it.

"It's something I've dreamed about, it's hard to explain the feeling."

The experience of winning a World Cup has only made Alex hungry for even more success in the future.

"The dream for any cricketer is to play outdoor cricket for Australia," he said.

"For now, though, I'm more than happy playing and focusing on indoor cricket and I'm setting a goal of representing the senior team at the World Cup in six years time."



BEC BAGS BRONZE

THERE WAS AMAZING NEWS out of Glasgow in July, with ex-student Rebecca Henderson (Class of 2009) getting her hands on a Commonwealth Games Bronze Medal in the MTB Cross Country event.

Bec was a successful rider during her time at MacKillop and she has gone on to be one of the top mountainbikers in the world, representing Australia at the London Olympics in 2012 and winning the 2013 U23 Mountain Bike World Cup before bagging bronze at the Glasgow Games this year.

To read about her Commonwealth Games adventure, visit: bechenderson.com.au.

We congratulate Bec on such a remarkable achievement and wish her even more success in the future.



ARU SAYS LEO'S A LEADER

ANOTHER MACKILLOP STUDENT has received an Australian Rugby Union Refereeing Scholarship, with Leo Kaczmarek of Year 11 becoming the latest member of our community to be recognised for his leadership skills.

These scholarships are aimed at promoting refereeing as an athletic pursuit and as a tool to develop leadership skills. Leo will receive mentoring and support as part of the scholarship, as well as the appropriate apparel for his work as the man in the middle.



ENGARDE AT MACKILLOP

MACKILLOP'S fencing club, Engarde at MacKillop, had a successful 2014, with a number of the MacKillop fencers winning medals and becoming state champions. Much of this success came about because the club ran at maximum capacity for much of the year.

At the end of Term 3, Year 8 student Ashy Kinsella won a Novice Foil competition (for those who have less than two years of fencing experience). The winner was allowed to donate the entry to the charity of their choice, for which she chose Doctors Without Borders.

COTRIC COLLECTS ORIGIN CALL-UP ◀



CONGRATULATIONS TO NICK COTRIC of Year 10 who played for the U16 NSW State of Origin team in the curtain raiser to Origin I at Brisbane's Suncorp Stadium on 28 May. Nick was selected for the team after a successful summer season with the Canberra Raiders' U16 team and a series of trials earlier this year.

Only a last-ditch ankle-tap denied Nick from scoring a spectacular 70m solo try that would have handed NSW victory as Queensland held out to win 22-20.

Nick, who was selected on the wing despite usually playing fullback for the Raiders, said he was grateful for the experience.

"The experience was crazy," he said.

"It was faster and more physical than I'm used to, especially in the first 15 minutes.

"Playing at Suncorp was good, and I learnt a lot, especially from the coaching staff."

It was another massive achievement for Nick, who was selected for the U15 Australian merit team last year, following an impressive showing at the 2013 National Schoolboys Championships.

Nick said his selection in the NSW squad was another step in chasing his ultimate dream of playing in a First Grade State of Origin series.

"My goal is to play first grade for the Raiders, but to play Origin one day would be a dream come true," he said.

In the lead up to the match, Nick participated in a three-day training camp before being presented his playing jersey by NSW First Grade representative Will Hopoate the night before the game.

Nick will now turn his attention to next season's SG Ball Competition, in which he is prepares to play for the U18 Raiders.



THE COLLEGE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2014



THE 2014 ST MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE Athletics Carnival ended up being a very much anticipated event for both staff and students this year. This is due to the cancellation of the Swimming Carnival earlier in the year because of bad weather. Many observers were watching the forecast closely leading up to the day hoping that we weren't going to miss another of MacKillop's very popular community days. Luck was on our side and it ended up being a beautiful day out at the Australian Institute of Sport Athletics Track. Everyone who attended was dressed in their House colours, excited as to what the day would hold.

In 2013 Ngadyung took a clean sweep of both the Championship and Spirit Trophies from both the Athletics and Swimming Carnivals. This year it was clear that the other three Houses were very keen to end this reign and win the trophies back. The enthusiasm of the students and staff was amazing, with the House cheers being loud and proud, and each House gaining lots of points towards the Spirit Cup. This is attributed to all of the work of the College House Patrons who worked tirelessly with the College Leadership Team and SRC members from both campuses to make the day the best it could be.

Ngadyung though, with a very proud history of participation in all events and House spirit, did again win the Spirit Cup for 2014. Congratulations to House Captains Tegan Lorkovic, Brendan Yeo, and all Ngadyung students.

Could Ngadyung also win the Championship Cup to make it a clean sweep for a second year in a row? It was a very close result but, when the final points were tallied, Gurabang came out on top to win their first Championship Cup since 2002 and end Ngadyung's seven-year hold on the trophy. House Captains Monique George and Josh Rose were presented with the trophy by our Wanniasa Campus Head Sandra Darley. Congratulations and well done!

The Melissa Breen MacKillop Gift, named in honour and recognition of former student Melissa Breen, who competed at the 2012 Olympics, was run again for the third year. In what were two very close races, we saw Reilly Gibbs-Patterson of Year 11 and Jade Ewart of Year 9 take out their respective races. Congratulations to you both!

Thank you to the PE Staff for their assistance in setting and packing the venue up and also to all of the staff for their valuable contributions prior to and during the day.

Thank you to everyone who made the day the success - it was through your cooperation and participation - and I look forward to 2015 being bigger and better.

Mr Simon Kelly, Sports Facilitator



COLLEGE RECORDS BROKEN IN 2014

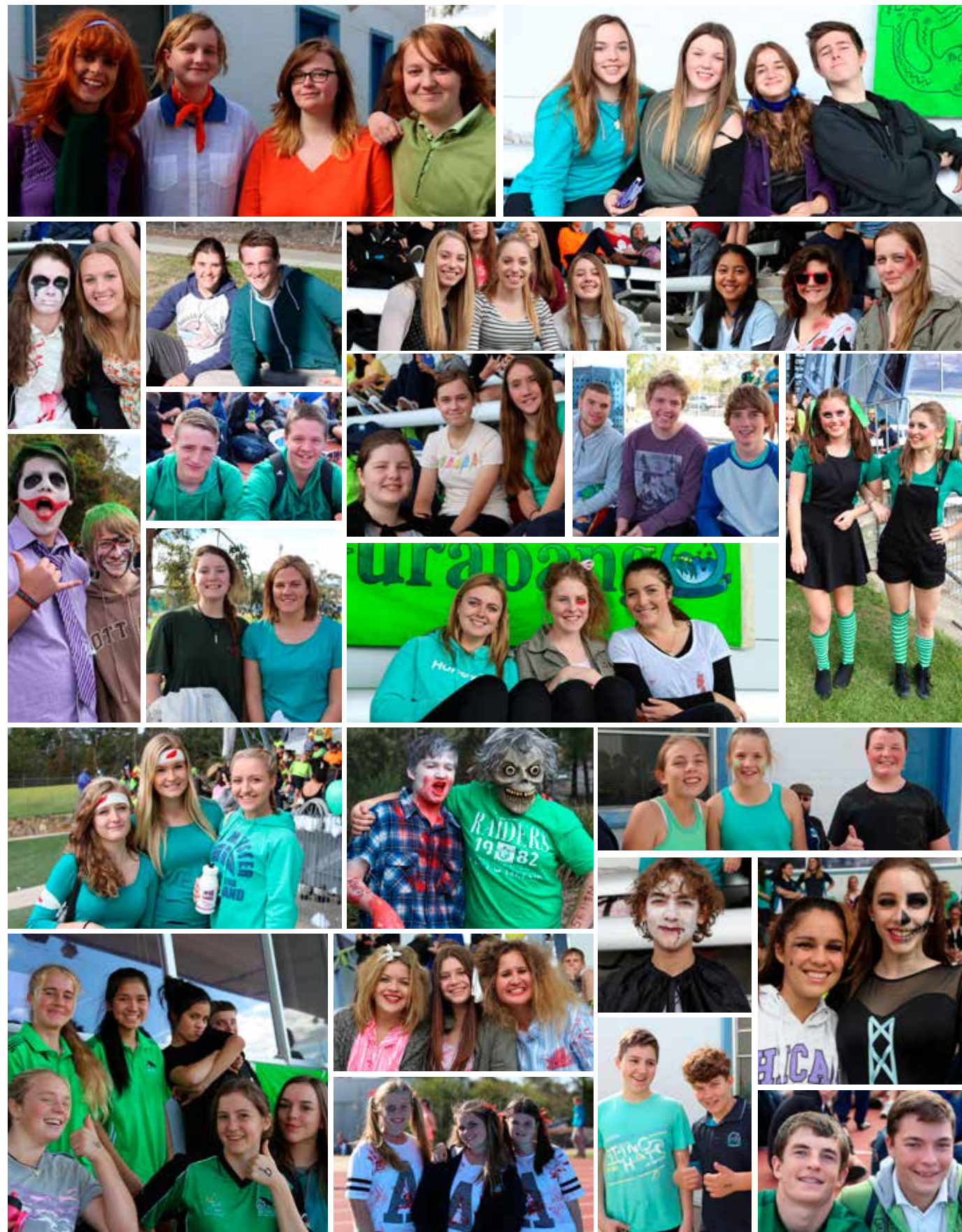
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16	Girls	Shot Putt	Taylah GRADY	10.4m
16	Boys	0200m	Christopher SHINGLES	24.32s
16	Girls	0200m	Laura SCOLLEN-SMITH	26.75s
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15	Girls	Javelin	Kelsey BARSLEY	32.37m
13	Boys	0200m	Tyson KELLY	25.94s
12	Girls	0200m	Gabrielle PETERSEN	29.29s
12	Boys	0100m	Zachary ROBB	13.24s
12	Girls	0100m	Gabrielle PETERSEN	13.1s
12	Girls	Long Jump	Gabrielle PETERSEN	4.14m

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL AGE CHAMPIONS

12 Year Male	Zachary Robb
12 Year Female	Melinda Oldfield-McClung
13 Year Male	Tyson Kelly
13 Year Female	Emily Jensen
14 Year Male	Arron Costello
14 Year Female	Amber Brophy
15 Year Male	Daniel DeSmet
15 Year Female	Maddison Banks
16 Year Male	Jacob Crowe
16 Year Female	Emma Clarke
Senior Male (17+)	Jayden Pollard
Senior Female (17+)	Hayley Ngametua



GURABANG AT THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



A WORD FROM THE CAPTAINS

AS GURABANG House Captains for 2014 we began the year aiming for Gurabang's best year ever, an ambitious goal that we believe we achieved and we couldn't be any prouder of the House.

Unfortunately, due to bad weather for the Swimming Carnival, we had to leave our 'Safari' theme costumes - which centred on movies from our childhood such as Jungle Book, Lion King, and Tarzan - at home and enjoy a day in class instead of by the poolside.

Our new task was the Athletics Carnival, and we had Gurabang going full steam

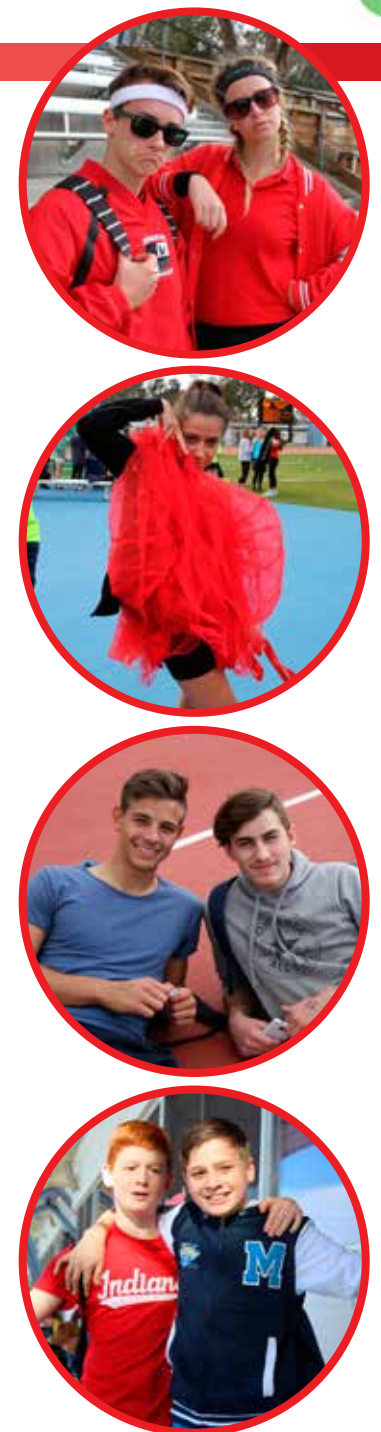
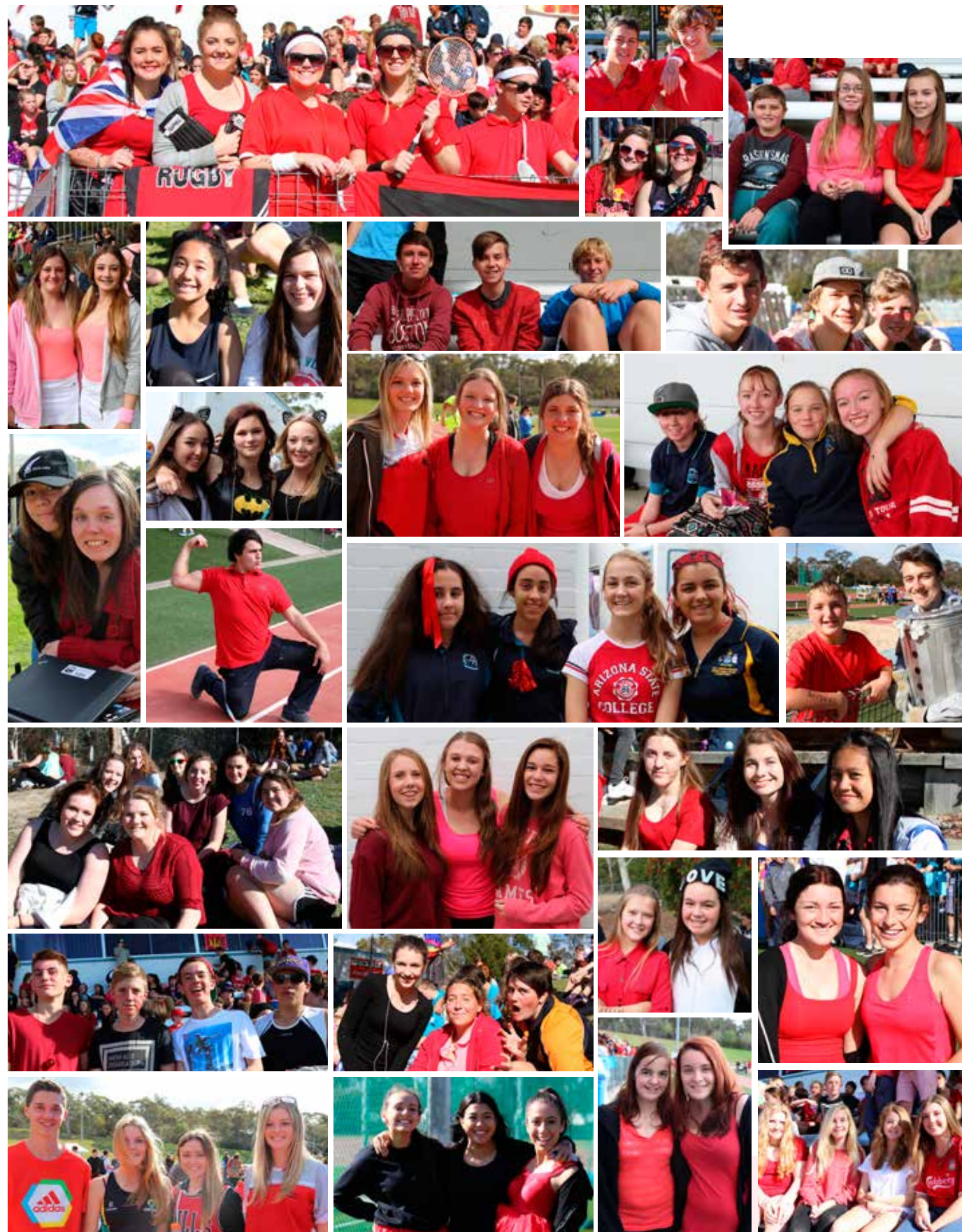
ahead with a 'Halloween Horror' theme. On 20 May, the Houses came together at the AIS track in Bruce to battle it out in a test of who can Athletic the best. At the end of the day Gurabang stood victorious with the Championship Cup, breaking Ngadyung's seven-year run. We were ecstatic.

If you factor in our dedication to Project Compassion and our House Charity, 2014 has been a great year for Gurabang. We are both thankful for the opportunities that MacKillop and our peers have given us as House Captains this year; we have loved every second of it.



Monique George & Joshua Rose

MEUP MEUP AT THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



A WORD FROM THE CAPTAINS ▶

IT WAS A YEAR of high hopes and heart break for Meup Meup. The year began with great confidence with the knowledge of our near victories in 2013, coming second in the majority of the cups. Our hopes for success in the Swimming Carnival had arrived as quickly as they left with the cancellation due to 'rain'.

Not far around the corner was the Athletics Carnival: our chance to end our seven-year dry spell. Our theme was 'Commonwealth Games' to celebrate the Glasgow Games. Members of Meup Meup were exhilarated on the day, especially

those from the junior campus. During the day spirits were high, with constant House cheers and encouragement. Meup Meup won more than half of the relays and was confident for the announcement of the final scores. Unfortunately, Fire House would have to wait yet another year for a trophy as we came 3rd for the Championship Cup and a heartbreaking 2nd for the Spirit Cup.

We loved being captains of this amazing House and we wish the future captains, Sophie and Bailey, all the best for next year and hope that they bring home a cup for Meup Meup!



Sam Quirke & Carly Symons

MINDYGARI AT THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



A WORD FROM THE CAPTAINS ▶

WOW! What an enormous year it's been, filled with priceless memories and new experiences. We thank Mindygari House and MacKillop for giving us the amazing opportunity to represent you as Mindygari Captains for 2014 - we are extremely proud of everyone's faith, spirit, contribution and participation.

Early in the year, we had to propose a theme for Mindygari for the Athletics Carnival; 'Tradies' was the winner. Having this theme made everyone wear their bright yellow fluros, which was a significant hit as Mindygari stood out from the crowd miles away. Once the starter's gun fired, so did Mindygari's spirit, filled with chanting, cheering, laughing and singing throughout

the day as the events took place. Even though we didn't end up on top, it was an extremely successful day overall.

We would like to thank Mr Kelly for his tremendous organisation of the Carnival, all the Mindygari staff who helped us to communicate with our House, and the other SRC representatives for helping organise and create an awesome atmosphere for our Mindygari. To everyone in Mindygari, we couldn't have done it without you. Lastly, we thank our SRC Coordinators: Mr Nulley and Mrs Doughton, as well as Mrs Durham on the junior campus. Again, thank you for allowing us to be your 2014 House Captains, and we wish all the best for Mindygari in the future!



Daniel White & Sarah Thompson

NGADYUNG AT THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



A WORD FROM THE CAPTAINS ▶

ONE OF THE BEST things about being a House Captain is being able to take responsibility for your own house during the Athletics Carnival. This involved not only organising the groups for races, but making sure everyone was high in energy and having fun, getting involved in events, and cheering in House spirit. We really enjoyed working with other captains, and tried to make the most of every moment at our last carnival as students of MacKillop.

At this year's Athletics Carnival, Ngadyung took out the Spirit Cup, meaning that our house had the most team spirit

and we had the most people compete in novelty events and races. We were close to winning the Championship Cup, too, but Gurabang managed to edge us out by only seven points. We believe we tried our hardest to supply the best for our house in competition against the other houses, so we were happy to win one of the two trophies on offer.

Obviously, it was disappointing that the Swimming Carnival didn't proceed, but we are really proud of how we did at our Athletics Carnival and had a lot of fun representing Ngadyung in 2014.



Tegan Lorkovic & Brendan Yeo

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year our luck finally ran out when it came to beautiful weather for our Swimming Carnival. The carnival was due to be held on Wednesday 12 March but unfortunately the tough call to cancel the event had to be made early in the morning when it was raining very heavily and from all reports would continue for the rest of the day. This was very disappointing due to the hard work the staff, SRC and students had put in to preparing for this great College event.

We did, however, have to run a small carnival for those students who were still eager to represent MacKillop at the next level and needed to qualify. This took place at Civic Pool, which had a roof, on Monday 24 March. Overall 50 students participated in this day and the Age Champion awards were decided. The winners were:

12 Year Male	Aiden McLachlan	12 Year Female	Tiana Alchin
13 Year Male	Ethan Lowey	13 Year Female	Mikaela Mbonzi-Geach
14 Year Male	Jackson Holdway	13 Year Female	Zoe Strzelczykowski
15 Year Male	Ben Stokes	14 Year Female	Alexie Boulton
16 Year Male	Lachlan Webb	15 Year Female	Kimberley Fehringer
17+ Year Male	Ayrton Kiraly	16 Year Female	Shannon Maloney
		17+ Year Female	Chloe Ironside

The MacKillop Marlin was also run for the third year with Ayrton Kiraly of Year 11 taking the honours in the boys and Shannon Maloney of Year 11 taking the honours in the girls.

A big thank you to Cathryn Thomas, Tracy Pearson, Jodie Higgins and the parents who assisted in the running of the day. Congratulations must also go to all of the students whose behaviour and participation were exemplary on the day. Well done to those students!

Mr Simon Kelly, Sports Facilitator

ACT/AUS SWIMMING

Seventeen students swam at the School Sport ACT Swimming Championships on 8 and 9 May 2014 to try to gain selection in the School Sport ACT team. The swimmers were Abigail Adera (3rd 100 fly), Tiana Alchin (3rd 50 Fly), Alexie Boulton, Alexis Cross (2nd 200IM), Rebecca Cross (1st 50, 100 Breast, 2nd 50 Free, IM, 3rd 50 Back) Jessica Curren, Charlotte Egan, Leo Heldon, Chloe Ironside (3rd 50 and 100 Back), Jack Kinsmore, Ethan Lowey (2nd 50, 100 Free, Back, Breast, 200 IM) Shannon Maloney (1st 50 Free, 2nd 50, 100 fly, 100 Free, 3rd 50 Breast, 200 IM, 200 Free, 400 Free) Mikaela Mbonzi-Geach, Lachlan Squire and Zoe Strzelczykowski. Braden Reid and Emma Redman both in Year 12 represented St Mary MacKillop College at the swimming championships for the last time. All swimmers were worthy representatives of the College and swam to the best of their ability against strong opposition. Tiana, Zoe, Ben and Rebecca swam at the School Sport Australia Swimming Championships in July, with Rebecca claiming five gold medals and many of the other MacKillop students recording personal bests.

Cathryn Thomas



ASC CROSS COUNTRY

The ASC Cross Country carnival took place on Monday 2 June. It was an experience for everyone! Even though the course was challenging, it was fun in its own way. Everyone gave it their all and had a fantastic time. We were all there to support each other and cheer loudly. The team was: Lachlan Squire, Harrison Palic, Nicholas Dibley, Will Granger, James McIntyre, Oliver Hall, Emily Jensen, Katie Whitecross, Gorja Dickie, Haylee Bell, Alanah Smith, Ebony Boulding, Samantha Bowles, Audrey Kent, Jack Adamson, Anwar Hamill, Thomas Emerson, Thomas Opie, Conner Brownlie, Arron Costello, Meave Green, Adelaide Quale, Lauren Thomas, Sophie Highmore, Emily Chifley, Ebony George, Isaac Patten, Ben Stokes, Samantha Thomas, Hayden Sasso, James West, Liam Jobson, Nathan Alferink, Sam Roestbakken, Maddison Stevens, Monique George, Claire Mackey, Emma Clarke, Emma Turton, Conner Brown, David Cahill, Jack Kinsmore, Larissa Bascunan, Matt Wallace, Tom Bermingham, David Blunden, Kelsey Shakespeare, Elise Paull, and Gabriel Anumel.



MACKILLOP'S REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS



CRICKET CHAMPIONS - AGAIN!

At the ACT T20 Blast Cricket Championships in November, both the Year 7/8 and Year 9/10 girls cricket teams progressed through the competition undefeated. Despite winning all five games, the Year 9/10 team was unlucky not to take the trophy after a count back of runs scored. However, the Year 7/8 team won the tournament for the second year in a row.

The girls in Year 7/8 won each of their games comprehensively, defeating Stromlo High by 93 runs, St Clare's College by 127 runs, St John Paul II College by 163 runs and Merici College by 44 runs. Standout performances included Breanna Payton, who hit 200 runs in four games and delivered an all-round solid bowling effort. In one game, nine wickets were taken in three overs without a run being scored by the opposition (Lauren Thomas 4/0, Amber Brophy 3/0 and Harleen Kaur 2/0).

Back-to-back titles were a great reward for the girls who committed to many weeks of training. The Year 7/8 team members were: Amber Brophy, Hannah Clarke, Caitlin Court, Ebony George, Abbey Jameson, Harleen Kaur, Sarah Nolan, Breanna Payten and Lauren Thomas.

The girls in the undefeated Year 9/10 team were: Grace Bowyer, Charlotte Egan, Tahlia Howard, Jasmine Lam, Toemii Lavender, Nikala Speed, Felicity Spratford, Katherine Thomas and Samantha Thomas.

Harleen Kaur and Lachlan McNicol



7/8 GIRLS AFL

On 1 April, a group of Year 7/8 MacKillop girls participated in the U14 Girls Giants Cup. We competed against other teams from around the ACT. Although we weren't successful in any of the games we played, we tried our best, met new people, had a great time, encouraged each other, and all got along really well. Our coach, Mr Hennequin, taught us many new techniques as the day progressed and encouraged us throughout the day. Overall it was a great experience. The team was: Amber Thornton, Sally Corey, Taylor Harnas, Breanna Payten, Kate Caruana, Cara Frost, Nadia Hatzismalis, Natasha Randall, Brianna Lazzari, Taylah Hull, Taylor Ruhen, Emma Benson, Jamie O'Hare, Holly Nolan, Abeny Nhial, Samantha Cooper, Jenna Cattanach, and Lacey Barsley.

Emma Benson and Nadia Hatzismalis

7/8 BOYS AFL

The boys started the day off really well with a hard fought win against Telopea. Positions were new to a lot of the boys, with some even throwing the odd rugby pass here or there. Lachlan Squire led the boys really well while Luke Adamson was converting in the forward line. Our next game was an arm wrestle with SFX, with the boys just going down in the final quarter. Big efforts came from Lochlan Chancellor and Ben Miller, who were solid all game. To finish the day off, the boys had another big challenge in playing Daramalan. There was plenty of good football being played, with goals being kicked from all areas of the field. Adam Walker and Lachlan Squire ran all day and finished the day off with some outstanding tackles and marks. The boys are commended for their efforts on the day.

9/10 BOYS AFL

Another cold day welcomed the Year 9/10 Australian Rules team to Gordon Oval, where a mix of experienced players and new comers to the game arrived for the Southside Carnival.

The team got off to a fantastic start, jumping out to a three-goal lead over Orana before eventually holding on for a four-point win. The team continued their winning ways in the 2nd game, easily beating a less experienced Calwell High by 35 points. With a finals berth becoming a prospect, the boys took on Karabar High, who were also undefeated after the first two games. It was clear early in the game that this was going to be a more difficult challenge, with Karabar racing out to an early lead. Despite a valiant showing in the second half, we could not come up with the win. A final loss against Melrose finished the day for the boys, who all played with great spirit and did the College proud. The team consisted of: Harry Packer, Zac Evans, Mitch Beissner, Cameron Laing, Tom Cameron, Bradley Crowe, Pearce Gibbs-Patterson, Connor Massen, Kyle Howson, Tom Seaman, Jason Matesa, Brendan Blakers, Tim Warren, Jack Williams, Nick Bruce, Ethan Van Rooy, Jamie Davidson, Chris Morrissey, Jack Adamson, Sarafino Julu, Ryan Altinger, Daniel De Smet, Liam Kennedy, and Adam Crowther.

Mr Argall



SENIOR GIRLS AFL

The Senior Girls AFL Competition was held on 2 April. The team faced the toughest pool of the competition with a team that consisted of a mixture of AFL and non-AFL players. Alfred Deakin was the first opponent, and the girls took to the sport like a fish to water. The day ended on a high note with a win over Stromlo High. Students took away new skills from the day and the passion of Australian Rules. The dream team included; Hailey Hatcliffe, Kirstin Oneill, Jane Galvin, Sarah Mayo, Charlee Cremerius, Amy Shakespeare, Amy Culhane, Ashley Irvin, Brooke Cooper, Nicole Wadwell, Jessica Wagg, Breanna Briggs, Sophie Piper, Jamie Berkeley, Steph Backer, Savannah Kris, and Emily Thomas. The coaches were Taylah Grady and Mr Kelly.

Amy Shakespeare



SENIOR BOYS HOCKEY

The College Boys Hockey team ventured to the Lyneham Hockey Centre to participate in the ASC Championships. Despite a number of challenges with personnel, the boys did as best as they could against schools that play regular competition games together. The first match saw a heavy defeat to Marist, however, the second match saw a fighting loss to Daramalan. Well done guys!

Team List: Corey Banks, Declan Clark, Bailey Dark, Reece Gurney, Euan Jones, Cameron Muir, Jamie Taylor. Assistants/Referees: Susannah Hoff, and Kaitlin Riley.

9/10 BOYS HOCKEY

On Monday 28 July, the Year 9/10 Boys team arrived at The National Hockey Centre in Lyneham for the ASC Hockey Competition. The boys had little preparation but still managed to put together a good display of enthusiasm and teamwork. The team had three games and were able to secure one draw, unfortunately losing the other two. The boys are to be commended on their effort and the way they represented the College. Congratulations to Jarred Bain, Adam Crowther, Zach Evans, Ciaran French, Blake Galloway, Jack Giles, Lachlan Hunter, Matthew Irvin, Mitchell Kelly, Cory McInnes, Samuel Long, Harrison Packer, Jayden Smith, Riley Thomas and Jack Wright.

Sam McCombe

BASKETBALL

The ASC Basketball Competition was held at the Tuggeranong Basketball Stadium in early September.

The Year 7 and 8 girls were fired up for the event, with many of the girls experienced in playing basketball in local division or state competitions outside of school. The girls hit the ground running, winning their first game easily. Throughout the day, the team demonstrated fabulous drive and teamwork to win three out of the six games, including one nail-biting game resulting in a one point win. The girls who represented MacKillop were Emily Hart, Sophie Thiele, Hayley Bell, Phoebe Holmes, Abeny Nhial, Tayla Grobbelaar, Abbey Jameson, Keira Jones, Amber Brophy and Jasmine Fraser. Special thanks also to Matt Wallace and Anwar Hamill for assisting as referees on the day.

The 9/10 Girls played well and showed great team spirit. Their team consisted of: Naomi Schirmer, Jessica Willimott, Emily Vagg, Anastasia Sysengthong, Emma Ryan, Riley Devoy, Lily Cunningham, and Jessica O'Connor, with coach Tom Bermingham.

The 7/8 Boys drew a very tough pool with games against St Edmund's, Burgman, and Canberra Grammar School. In the first game, the team was convincingly beaten by a very good St Edmund's team. A very close game against Grammar resulted in the boys going down by a couple of points. It was a great game and both teams showed some great skills. Burgman, the final opponent, put up a very good fight and it came down to the dying seconds where MacKillop was able to stay strong and win the game. The team was: Josh Arnold, Anwar Hamill, Greg Ryan, Braydon Toms, Miguel Sanchez, Reece O'Neill, Connor Hinds, Anthony Jensen, and Connor Brownlie.

The Senior Boys also drew a tough pool, with their opponents regarded as the top teams in the competition, so they knew they would have to put up a good fight. The first match saw MacKillop leading at half-time before St Edmund's made an impressive comeback, eventually downing our boys by a small margin. The match was full of impressive shots, some very good early defence and teamwork. During the break that followed, most of the boys took the opportunity to watch their opponents in action and work out which players posed the most danger. MacKillop began the second match with a very active offence, which caught Marist off-guard. Marist quickly recovered and, despite MacKillop's best efforts and good spirits, the boys were defeated. The day concluded with a large friendly match against the Year 9/10 MacKillop team, with most teams fielding around a dozen players. By the end of the day the boys were tired, but had enjoyed the experience.

Chris Offner, Ummehani Rangwalla, Anwar Hamill



GIRLS HOCKEY CHAMPIONS

On Tuesday 29 July girls from 7-12 competed in the ASC Hockey Carnival at Lyneham Hockey Centre. I would like to congratulate all the girls who participated with such enthusiasm on the day to be part of either the 7/8, 9/10 or 11/12 teams.

Big congratulations to our 9/10 Girls, who are the ASC Girls Hockey Champions for 2014. Results were 1-0 against St Clare's, 0-0 against Merici, 2-0 against Daramalan and 2-0 against Girls Grammar. Well done to: Abigail Aparicio, Sophia Arcus, Ashleigh Arrow, Maddison Banks, Leanne Golding, Grace Gregory, Gabriel Mann, Katelyn Pollard, Mikayla Polmanteer, Georgia Quirke, Taylah Shiell, and Nicola Williams (Captain).

The Senior Girls played games against St Clare's, Merici, Girls Grammar and Daramalan. The competition was very close and the team came away with 2 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. At the end of the day four teams were all on equal points at the top of the table. Unfortunately, due to goal difference the team placed 3rd. It was an enjoyable day with many highlights. Big thanks to Taylah for padding up and playing goalie for every game - she did a tremendous job and the girls appreciated it. Congratulations to those girls who have played every competition from year 7-12; your commitment is what drives the team. Thanks also to Amy Culhane, who came along as our team manager and learnt many new skills. The team consisted of Claire Huxley, Ashleigh Braysshaw, Tonya Costa, Susannah Hoff, Erin Van Den Dungen, Taylah Grady, Emily Bowles, Catherine Feint, Hymne Truter, Caitlin Riley, Jamie Riley, Lisa Fane, and Monique George.

Kelli Campbell and Jodie Higgins

9/10 GIRLS TOUCH FOOTBALL

On 6 May, the Year 9/10 Girls Touch Team competed in the ACT South competition at Deakin Playing fields. Our team was coached by the experienced Mr Lenarduzzi, who taught many new plays and passed on his knowledge to all of us. His expertise was the key to our success on this day. We went through the competition undefeated and were sent through to the grand final where we came head to head with our rival St Clare's. Unfortunately we lost that game and took the title of runners up for the day. This was still a great achievement.

Due to our success in May, we were asked to compete at the ACT finals in September, where we played the top two teams from every district tournament. We won our first four games of the day but in our last round game, Stromlo took the win with a lucky try in the last few minutes. This meant that we went through to the semi finals where we again came head to head with St Clare's. This semi-final had the same outcome as the Grand Final in May. It was a very tight game but St Clare's, unfortunately, came out on top.

These two tournament days were very rewarding. We all learnt something new and grew as a team and as players. We hope to come back bigger and better next year for the 9/10 Girls Touch comp. WATCH OUT ST CLARE'S!

Nikala Speed

SENIOR GIRLS TOUCH FOOTBALL

On Thursday 22 May the Senior Girls Touch Football team competed at Deakin Playing Fields in the ACT School Girls Competition. The team was made up of 10 senior girls - only one of whom was an experienced touch player. However, the combination of netball, rugby, soccer and AFL skills amongst the team saw the girls very competitive throughout the day. Playing in four games the girls came away with one win, one draw and two losses. Unfortunately, this was not enough to get them through to the finals. Well done to all the girls that competed on the day: Emma Clarke, Emma Redman, Carly Symons, Kayla Hervert, Taylah Grady, Hailey Hatcliffe, Jessica Wagg, Charlee Cremerius, Amy Shakespeare and Jane Galvin.

Miss Hogg

7/8 BOYS OZTAG CHAMPIONS

On Thursday 3 April, boys from Year 7 and 8 represented MacKillop in Oz tag at Kaleen playing fields. The boys all arrived early, very enthusiastic about the day.

They went through their pool games undefeated and were excited about the prospect of playing against St Francis in the semi-final.

St Francis was a very tough opponent but the boys managed to pull off a convincing win. The final was to be a rematch of their pool game against Calwell High.

By this stage combinations had started to form within the team and their confidence was sky high. Calwell did not stand a chance. MacKillop won the final in a resounding fashion.

Congratulations to Jamie Anderson, Joshua Brussow, Bradley Jones, Lachlan Squire, Jack Severs, Wezley Alexander, Ryan Chand, Jack Gallagher, Liam Dredge, Stratton Kris, Aaron Costello, Brandon Matijasevic, Ayden Senior and Noah Cornelius.

Sam McCombe

9/10 BOYS RUGBY LEAGUE

The Boys 9/10 Rugby League team participated in the ASC Southside Championships at Northbourne Oval in Braddon during Term 1. With what was a strong side on paper, with a number of students actively participating in this sport outside of school, there were a number of indicators that the side would do well. A mixture of schools from the south side of Canberra entered the competition. MacKillop played five matches over the course of the day, registering three wins, one draw and one loss. The loss came in the final match of the day, courtesy of a try right on the full time siren – a draw would've been sufficient to see the team progress to the next round. Despite missing the final, a third place finish was well received by the boys, who not only played well throughout the day, but also behaved and participated with respect and fairness. Well done, boys!

Team List: Ryan Altinger, Nathan Chudleigh, Josh Connelly, Adam Groth, Damien Manglesdorf, Tim Solari, Liam Warcaba, Sean Beudeker, Corban Connell, Daniel de Smet, Sarafino Julu, Isaac Patten, Lachlan Siedel, Jayden Smith, Riley Thomas, Tyson Walker, Josh Weir, and Jack Wright.



7/8 BOYS LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

The 7/8 Boys rugby league days were two great days for all of us. On the first day we were at Braddon Oval for the South Side Competition. It was a great success as we won every single game and had no tries scored against us. The second day we played was the North and South Combined Finals where we only played three games. Because this day was finals and we were playing the best teams around Canberra, it was a tough day. We again managed to win all our games, although, unfortunately, we had some points scored against us in the final. We managed to bring the trophy home, crowning the following boys ACT 7/8 Champions: Josh Henderson, Ayden Senior, Jack Severs, Lachlan Squire, Tyson Kelly, Jackson Gallagher (c), Tyler Hays, Jarad Clarke, Liam Dredge, Brad Jones, Jamie Anderson, Josh Brussoq, Sam Rusanov, Riley Vine, Ryan Daly, Jordan Van Aalst, and Brendan Matisevic. Thanks Mr Longo for a great day!

Jackson Gallagher



7-10 GIRLS RUGBY LEAGUE

On Monday 7 April, 14 Girls went to the Rugby League come and try day. On the day, the girls were mixed with different schools to develop skills on passing, catching and tackling. After drills they were put into small teams to play non-competitive games of Rugby League. The girls experienced what it is like to play the game and all had an enjoyable day. The following girls represented the College: Matlida Shipway, Emma Benson, Ellie Kennedy, Monique Kennedy, Gracyn Rodda, Brooke Arranz, Brianna Lazzari, Taylor Ruhen, Chanel Kamilo, Eliza Goddard, Lauren Frost, Morgan Margosis, Sara Taylor, and Emily Navarro. The girls were assisted by Taylah Grady in Year 11.

Mrs Jodie Higgins and Miss Kristy Hogg

9/10 BOYS RUGBY UNION

The Boys 9/10 Rugby Union team participated in the Brumbies Cup – Southside Division competition during Term 2. The top two place getters then moved onto the finals to be played the following week. A strong cohort dominated by Year 10s performed brilliantly in the preliminary rounds, going through the Southside competition undefeated, due to a number of excellent individual and team efforts. The squad then assembled the following week, winning their semi-final match to advance to the ACT final of the Brumbies Cup – a fantastic achievement in itself. In the final, despite leading 10-0 at half time, MacKillop went down 17-10 to eventual winners St Francis Xavier College. The boys were terrific on both days and played their hearts out. ACT Finalists was a fitting reward for all their hard work in both training and on the game days. Congratulations, guys!

Team List: Ryan Altinger, Tristan Aurisch, Jamie Davidson, Sam Galvin, Nathan Giannis, Adam Groth, Andrew Henskens, John Jacob, Anthony Le, Damien Manglesdorf, Jordan Nicholls, Jack Penny, Callum Ryan, Tim Solari, Sean Beudeker, Matthew Ficovic, Nick Kanellopoulos, Isaac Patten, Riley Thomas, Jack Wright. Assistants – Nic McDonald, Cameron Muir, and Liam Warcaba.



7/8 BOYS RUGBY UNION

Friday 23 May was a warm, sunny morning, an excellent day for rugby. The MacKillop Year 7/8 team was warmed up, excited, and ready to compete in the 7/8 Boys Brumbies Shield Rugby Union. Our first game was a disappointing loss to Lyneham High. Despite scoring three tries each we could not convert any of them and lost 15-19. The try scorers were Brad Jones, Jamie Anderson and Shaun Cossart-McGrath.

The second game that we played was against John Paul College, and we scored the same amount of tries as our opponents. However, it was another disappointing loss, losing by two points in the last minute. The final score was 20-22. The try scorers were Matt Seears, Brad Jones and Jamie Anderson with

two.

We were all upset with our efforts on our first day, but were keen, and ready to get back in a week's time to show what we were really capable of.

Friday 30 May, we returned to the oval, and played Monaro High for our third game. The final score was 24-7. It was a big win for us with some big hits, great ball skills and teamwork. The try scorers were Bailey Goymer-Peak (who also converted two tries), Jamie Anderson and Wezley Alexander with two.

Our last game of the day was against Campbell High, which was the playoff game for fifth and sixth place. We were really playing our best rugby the longer competition went on, scoring five tries

in our final match. The try scorers were Lachlan Squires, Wezley Alexander with two, and Jamie Anderson with two. Bailey Goymer-Peak converted three of these tries. The final score was 31-7 in our favour, which put us into fifth position overall.

The members of the team were; Jacob Aldridge, Wezley Alexander, Jamie Anderson, Bradley Baker, Jarad Clarke, Shaun Cossart-McGrath, Ben Garani, Bailey Goymer-Peak, Clayton Hawke, Brad Jones, Kai Koskinen, Jack McFadyen, Tim Moran, Jake Quilter, Zachary Robb, Matt Seears, Lachlan Squire, Jordan Van Aalst, Riley Vine, Jack Wilson, Luke Wright, Jack Wilson and Liam Wyllie.

Lachlan McNicol



7/8 GIRLS RUGBY UNION

The Rugby Gala day was fun and exciting. We all had to wake up early and most of us picked up other people to take. We weren't expecting the amount of competition that we had. The morning was cold but after we got moving and started to play our first game against Lyneham high, it warmed up. The competition was strong but all of the girls put in their best effort to win our first game against Yass High 42-0. We all worked together as a team and even though we didn't win the competition, we won in our hearts. We thought that we showed our school pride by showing our fighting spirit.

Samantha Cooper and Jamie O'Hare



9/10 GIRLS RUGBY UNION

The Year 9 and 10 Girls Rugby Union team represented the college at the Brumbies Shield Tournament. The girls played with a lot of spirit and heart on the day, working very well as a team. Unfortunately, the girls didn't come away with a win but had a great day playing three fantastic games. Good work girls!



SQUASH

Adam Gauntlett (Year 10), Hannah Smit (Year 8) and Lachlan Watt (Year 11) represented the ACT and MacKillop in squash at Green Shield in Coffs Harbour on 17 and 18 June. Lachlan and Adam competed in the 17 boys team and contributed to a strong ACT win in that age group. Hannah competed in the 15 year old girls team, which came second overall.



7/8 GIRLS NETBALL CHAMPIONS

The 7/8 Netball team was crowned champions at both the Canberra Goulburn Arch Diocese and the ACTSSSA Championships. This very talented team was undefeated at both competitions and were very deserving of the title of the best team in ACT and Goulburn area. Every player is to be congratulated on the manner in which they represented the College both on and off the court. The members of this very talented team were: Emma Benson, Grace Hammersley, Abbey Jameson, Lauren Phillips, Maddy Bennett, Amber Brophy, Jenna Cattanach, Ashley Scensor, Matilda Shipway, Breanna Payten, Jasmine Fraser, and Giann Rosin.

Kate Durham



7/8 GIRLS FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

On 20 August, the Year 7/8 Girls soccer team played in the Southside Competition at Mawson. We played five games against Orana, Lanyon, Alfred Deakin, Melrose and Stromlo. Our team was very nervous because we didn't know what we were in for. The first game we played was against Orana. It turned out to be a good result as we beat Orana 1-0. The second game we played was against Lanyon High School, who had some very good players, but we beat them 3-0. The third game we played was against Alfred Deakin. We were expecting to have a tough match, but we ended up beating Alfred Deakin 6-0.

We then went on to defeat Melrose (3-0) and Stromlo (1-0), ending the day happy that no teams had scored against us.

On 8 September, we arrived at the Mawson ovals again for the ACT Finals. Our first game was against Telopea. We knew it would be a hard game, and, saying that, we only won 1-0. The second game came and we knew it would be hard, too. This game was the hardest game so far: a draw with Lyneham 0-0. The last game of the pool was against Amaroo. We won against them 2-1, meaning that we were in the semi-finals. We were really shocked because we weren't

expecting to get this far throughout the day.

At half-time in our semi-final against St Clare's, we led 1-0. In the second half, we scored another goal. St Clare's also scored, but we came out of the game winning 2-1.

Finally it was our grand final. We were playing against Merici, who were very difficult. It was a great game and both teams played very well. By the end of the game the score was 0-0, which meant it was time for a penalty shootout. Maddie Garfath made a decisive save in the shootout and then Emma Bignell scored the final penalty. We were so

overwhelmed that we had won the grand final!

Thanks to Mr Rose, who worked so hard and did so well picking our team and working with us to become a strong, reliable team. We would also like to thank all the parents who came to support us. Everyone played with spirit, fair play and dedication to the team. Congratulations to: Sarah Nolan, Tayla Gobbelaar, Kaitlyn Dowling, Katie Buxton, Maddie Garfath, Lacey Barsley, Georgia Dickie, Emily Jensen, Sarah Purcell, Emma Bignell, Kate Caruana, Demi Nikias, Brianna Lazzari and Aroha Peri.

Brianna Lazzari



SENIOR GIRLS NETBALL

On Wednesday 30 July the Senior Girls Netball team competed at Lyneham Netball Courts in the Canberra Goulburn Netball Championships. The girls competed in six games throughout the day against Merici, Hennessy, Carroll, St Clare's and Trinity schools. The girls played competitively all day, however, unfortunately went down in five of their six games. Well done to the girls that competed on the day - Kate Shipway, Hayley Anderson, Laura Brown, Jasmine Bujalski, Laura King, Emily Pollock, Nicole Wadwell, Jess Wagg, Paige Williams, Jaimee Williams and Taylah Wittner. Special thanks to Josie Prior for umpiring and Steph Backer and Emma Clarke for assisting with coaching on the day.

On Tuesday 5 August we took a small team of eight Year 12 players to the ASC Netball Carnival to compete against five other colleges. Our first game was against Daramalan College, but, after a stressful start to the day with some last minute organisation, we managed to win that game with confidence. After two more convincing wins against Merici and Girls Grammar we came up against St Clare's, our toughest rivals since Year 7. After an unfortunate loss by seven points we managed to finish the round games with a very convincing win against Burgmann College. Coming into the grand final that afternoon we knew we were coming up against a side full of elite athletes that have played together for a long time. With a tough game that was very hard fought by both teams, we managed to lessen the margin to four goals but, unfortunately, came off second best. We would like to thank the teachers, parents and umpires who came and supported us on such a successful day!

On Wednesday 13 August, we took a team of Year 11 and 12 netball players to the Sydney Catholic Netball Carnival, where we competed against NSW teams. We arrived at the Wanniasa Campus at 3am to board a bus to Sydney. We played seven games on the day and came up against some very competitive teams. For a team that has not had very much experience playing together, coming up against teams that had trained together for a long time, we were quite surprised with the outcome of the day. We finished the day with five convincing wins, one draw and a somewhat controversial loss. There were no finals played in our division so at the end of the competition we ended up in equal second. We travelled home that night after a fairly successful day from all teams. The team consisted of: Jasmine Bujalski, Charlee Cremerius, Lauren Jameson, Laura King, Sarah Mayo, Kiara McMahon, Hayley Ngametua, Emma Redman, Amy Shakespeare, Carly Symons, and Josephine Prior. We would like to thank Mrs Seselja for coming and coaching us on the day, your positivity was much appreciated!

9/10 GIRLS FOOTBALL

The 9/10 Girls team played four games of football throughout the day. We won the first game 2 - 0, the second game 1 - 0 but then, unfortunately, lost the third game. It came down to the final game to see if we could make it into the semi-finals. Unfortunately it ended in a hard fought draw and we missed out by goal difference. All of the girls left with cuts and bruises, but the team left with their heads held high after playing and representing MacKillop exceptionally. The girls that participated were Jemma Toms, Sophie Kefford, Chiara Passari, Dakota Cairnduff, Madeline Tillack, Grace Stevens, Kelsey Barsley, Natasha Brittain, Jessica Bui, Sophie Bui, Susana Byrne, Amy Daniel, Sophie Dunn, Amarante Hesse-Swain, Raquel Lopera, Amy Summerfield and Hannah DeVries.

Mr Kelly



9/10 BOYS FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

The Year 9/10 boys Football team competed in the ACT Southside Boys competition and successfully qualified for the ACT finals carnival following victories over Mount Stromlo, Telopea Park and draws against Orana and Lanyon. Of the 30 schools contending across the ACT, MacKillop was one of only 10 that made the finals held at Mawson on September 10.

The first group game against Trinity finished in a 1-0 victory thanks to a dramatic late winner by team captain Kyle Ormeno. The second game against a physical and technically gifted Daramalan side was a much tougher game and, despite trailing 1-0 at half-time, the team scored two late goals, thanks to Jarred Bain. The group stage

finished with a hard fought draw against Campbell High School. At half-time in the semi-final against north side rivals St Francis Xavier College, the team trailed by a goal to nil. Following a formation switch to three forwards, the team took a calculated risk that soon paid off. Following an equalizing goal by Nikola Cotric, Jacob Crowe and Jack Grady both added goals to secure a memorable 3-1 victory.

Finalists Melrose High were confident, having just beaten Daramalan in a penalty shoot-out. Nevertheless, spirit and belief was high among the MacKillop

boys. Following some exemplary examples of skill and teamwork, the team scored three outstanding goals to take home a well-deserved victory. Congratulations to all of the boys and thank you to the parents who came along to support the team during what was a memorable sporting occasion for all of those involved.

Iain Robertson



7/8 GIRLS SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS

On Wednesday 26 February the 7/8 Girls softball team attended the ACT Softball Day at Hawker. Our first game was against Belconnen and the girls started out with a convincing 7-0 win. We then played Saint Francis Xavier and this was a much closer game, with the girls winning 6-5. The afternoon games were played against Telopea (10-0 win) and Merici (5-3 win). Some great pitching from Sarah Nolan, Breanna Payten and Lauren Crispin ensured the opposing teams did not score many runs. The top four teams from the day then had to play each other in the ACT Grand Final Gala Day on 6 March. The girls had three games against Lyneham, Belconnen and Merici. They won all three games - Lyneham 7-0, Belconnen 6-1 and Merici 5-4 to become ACT Champions. The girls played really well and represented their school with pride. The members of the team were Breanna Payten, Lauren Thomas, Sarah Nolan, Kajsa Radulovich, Natasha Randall, Katie Buxton, Liana Klischen, Isabella Mele, Genevieve Simpson, Tayla Harnas, Brianna Evans, Lauren Crispin and Amber Thornton. A big thank you to Mrs Payten for scoring and Kiralee Nolan, who helped out on both days.

Kate Goolagong

9/10 GIRLS SOFTBALL

MacKillop has a good reputation in softball and manages to place in the top four teams in the ACT every year. This year the Year 9/10 Girls did not disappoint. A strong cohort of ball players took to the grounds in Hawker on a beautiful autumn Canberra Friday. We managed to bat, catch, tag and high-five our way into the finals. Our biggest competition for finals day were Campbell High and St Clare's. Each team member contributed with skill, determination and a sense of fun, which made the day a great success for MacKillop. Congratulations to a talented bunch of sportswomen: Tahlia Howard, Nicola Williams, Nicola Speed, Grace Bowyer, Natasha Britton, Felicity Spratford, Nicola Howell, Toemii Lavender, Dakota Cairnduff, Leanne Golding, Maddi Banks and Phoebe Morrissey.

7/8 BOYS SOFTBALL

On Tuesday 25 February, the sun shone brightly at the Hawker International Softball Centre as the Year 7 and 8 Boys Softball team arrived. The boys were very excited and got the day underway with a win against Lyneham. This was also a good opportunity for those who had not played much softball to try a few different positions.

The second game was extremely close, with the boys just losing to SFX, with a win most likely if not for a slow start. The boys followed up from this disappointment with a win against Campbell High to keep their finals hopes alive.

Daramalan, who were undefeated for the day, were our final opponents. The boys tried extremely hard but were unable to match the experience of their opposition, finishing 3rd overall for the day.

Congratulations to all the boys on a great day and for the fair play and excellent behaviour they exhibited. Team list: Tyler Hays, Jack Wilson, Matt Sears, Ben Stokes, Callum Wardell, Jeremy Morrissey, Jayden Newson, Nick Hosie, Luke Wright, Bradley Spratford, Jarad Clarke, and Lachlan Cameron.

SENIOR FOOTBALL

The following boys represented the College at the Senior Football carnival on June 5: Jak Olim, Will Olim, Reece Gurney, Kieran Jones, Riley McGowen, Sam Roestbakken, Remi Guglielmin, Ryan Cawley, Jamie Taylor, Harry Shields, Ismail Hammond, Daniel Little and Isaac Wagner. The team had a day of mixed results and the short nature of the games meant that goals were difficult to come by. However, all the boys in the team represented the College with pride and finished in 5th on the ladder.

Phil Belcher

On 1 August, the Year 11 girls represented the College at the Senior Girls Soccer Gala. The girls played teams from all around Canberra. They all played well as a team and their rank was 5th overall. The team was: Allyson Bandle, Grace Barclay, Jamie Berkeley, Ashleigh Blake, Raili Koskinen, Courtney Boxall, Hymne Truter, Breanna Briggs, Brooke Hite, Adriana Rajic, Hannah Ingle, Sophie Pieper, Eve Moeller, Jasmine Bujaski. The team was coached by Jamie Taylor and Harrison Shield.

Ummehani Rangwalla

