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land on which our club is based, trains and play. We pay our respects to the Elders
past and present.***

Meera Coburn U20 NSW Team Selection

This month saw Melbourne University student and Melbourne University Basketball Club (MUBC) star player, Meera Coburn winning the “rose gold” bronze medal at the U20 National Championships. Although she lives and studies in Melbourne, she hails from Manly Warringah and therefore represented NSW.

Meera has been a welcomed addition to the club, using her high-level experience to assist our BigV Division One women’s team, the University’s UBL team, and the Uni Nationals’ team. Known for her shot blocking ability, she won the Best Defensive Player award at last year’s MUBC Awards night. This was no different at her nationals’ tournament, where she was pivotal on the defensive end for her team. Playing alongside one of the best juniors in Australia and former AIS scholarship holder, Isla Juffermans, Meera played her role to perfection and utilised her fancy footwork and finishing in the post at all the right times – something she has been coaching at our Saturday morning domestic trainings.

Our BigV women’s coach, Keith Noack, is very excited to have Meera back and can’t wait to see her use her experience to guide the team,

“Meera’s experience playing state level basketball will have lifted her IQ and court vision in a way that will make her MUBC teammates better - she is supremely skilled,” Keith said.

“More importantly, she is a fantastic and positive team teammate, we are lucky to have her playing for, MUBC.”

NSW won the gold medal at last year’s National Championships, and only just missed out on making it to the Grand Final this year, going down to narrowly to Victoria. Although disappointed that she couldn’t go back-to-back, considering it was her last National Championships before she ages out, she was still very happy with the result.

“Ending my junior state career with a medal finish was a bittersweet moment for me,” shared Meera.

After years of playing with each other, it was a long-deserved result, especially doing it with such a good group of girls.”

Let’s hope that as she re-joins the BigV team for 2024, that she can bring some of that success with her!

Phina Newton





BIG V Youth Division 1 Promotion

The 11th of February marked a monumental occasion for our Black Angels Youth League Men team as the day of their Youth Qualification Play-In Series. Coming off the back of a stellar debut 2023 season and finishing second in their Youth Two Men division, no losses in the two game play-in series would see the boys promoted to the Youth One Men division.

The boys faced previous years Youth One Men team Craigieburn in their first game which resulted in an extremely convincing 105-61 win. The Black Angels led throughout the majority of the game with an extremely dominating 31-11 3rd quarter and everyone who got on the court scoring points. Notable performances include Charlie Cumberlidge with 16 points off 62% shooting and 7 rebounds as well as Mitch Latimer hitting 5 threes off 71% shooting. Both Patrick Chen and Oliver Sheehan finished with a stellar +/- contribution of 41 and 35 respectively. A massive win and a vital boost of confidence as the boys advanced to their second game.

The 2023 Youth Two Men defending champions Sunbury emerged as our Black Angels second play-in game opponents. Having just clinched a win against Sunbury in their 2023 season clash by 4 points, tensions were high. The game initially saw the boys pull ahead in the 1st and 2nd quarter with a convincing 14 point lead while the 3rd and 4th quarter had Sunbury slowly closing the gap with scoring runs of 10 and 12 and multiple lead changes in the 4th. A clutch 2 point bucket from Harvey Moore in the last 30 seconds bought the game to an 84-84 tied and eventuated in an overtime.

Overtime period 1 saw Sunbury pull away to an early 89-84 lead with a quick 3 pointer and a tough 2 point fadeaway. Clutch buckets from Lachlan Maddern and Harvey Moore kept the boys in the game leading to a neck and neck 94-94 with 18 seconds to go as Sunbury called a timeout. Tensions were at a peak as the boys gathered in the timeout and instructed on how to nullify the inevitable Sunbury set play. Great defense forced a Sunbury airball and with only 4 seconds left on the clock, an impressive near full court pass from Ethan Wellington to Cooper Eves whose 2 point floater at the buzzer won the boys the game. Special mention to Lachlan Maddern who finished with 31 points and 92% from the free throw line as well as Harvey Moore contributing with 21 points.



2023 Domestic Competition Summary

I am thrilled to share the outstanding performance of our domestic teams in the Melbourne Central Basketball Association (MCBA) league. Week after week, our teams have showcased their skills and determination on the court at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC).

Our Thursday night men's A grade team, who are currently placed third in their division, is looking at defending their title from last season. Fun fact: both the oldest and the youngest active members of the club (the father-son duo) play on this team.

Coming to the Sunday night league, leading the charge is our senior men's team, the Melbourne Uni Wolves, who have proven to be an unstoppable force, remaining undefeated in the A grade. Their impressive performance, fuelled by the hard work, dedication, and highly talented players they have, reflects the relentless effort they've put into their training and teamwork.

Not far behind, the Rat Pack (Melbourne Uni 2M) has secured a commendable third position in A Reserve. Their consistent efforts and strong performance have earned them a well-deserved spot near the top of the standings.

In the B1 grade, the Melbourne Uni 3M squad continues to shine, holding a respectable fourth position. The team looks to cement their spot in the playoffs by winning the next couple of games. Furthermore, our Melbourne Uni 6M team has captured attention in the D1 grade, securing an impressive second place. They continue to improve and excel by being the most consistent team that attends Saturday training.

Turning our attention to the women's league, our Melbourne Uni 1W team is holding strong in fourth place, showcasing their talent and resilience. Meanwhile, our Melbourne Uni 3W team has positioned themselves well in third place, demonstrating the depth of talent within our women's program. A couple more wins can put both teams in a comfortable spot to make the playoffs.

The playoffs are set to begin on the 21st of April, and I am confident that our teams will rise to the occasion. As we continue to support and cheer for our teams, let us also take a moment to appreciate the hard work of our players, coaches, and support staff who have contributed to this remarkable season. Their dedication and passion for the game inspire us all and embody the spirit of the Melbourne Uni Basketball Club.

Let's continue to show our unwavering support as we head into the playoffs and beyond. Go Uni!

Gagan KP

2024 AGM Elected Positions

Below are the newly appointed club positions for 2024 following our recent Annual General Meeting. Please note that the Events Coordinator position is still vacant. If anyone is interested in this role, please reach out to a club member to discuss.

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Vice President – Amelia Smith

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Domestic Women's Representative – Mithali Rajagopalan

Domestic Men's Representative – Gagan KP

Open Day – Semester 1, 2024

We're thrilled to announce that during the recent hot and sunny Clubs Day, an astonishing 506 individuals visited our booth, shattering the previous record of 340. Each one of them received a warm invitation to our upcoming "come and try" sessions scheduled for February 24th and March 2nd, with further details available on our website, Instagram, or Facebook page.

Our dedicated volunteers, Alastair, Spud, and Shing, worked tirelessly to ensure every visitor departed with a positive impression of the Melbourne University Basketball Club. Some lucky attendees even left with a complimentary taco gift card for following our Instagram page—talk about a delightful surprise!

The diverse crowd included students, staff, and even exchange students here for just a semester. From total beginners to seasoned players eager to represent our club, we welcomed individuals of all skill levels.

Overall, the day was an overwhelming success, thanks to the efforts of Alastair, supported by Spud and Shing. It was truly worth braving the sunburn to welcome new members into our thriving community.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates from the Melbourne University Basketball Club!

Shing Shing Ho



Upcoming Events

Ballart Basketball Tournament

Saturday March 9th to Monday March 11th

MUBC Season Launch

Saturday March 16th – The Clyde Hotel, Carlton, 4

Big V Season Fixtures

2024 BIGV SEASON SCHEDULE

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BLACK ANGELS

@ Melbourne University Sports Centre

On campus @ The University of Melbourne!
Building 103, Tin Alley, Parkville (Upstairs - East Stadium)

Week	Date	Division	Opponent	Tip-off
1	Saturday 16 March	Youth Men	Hume	6:00pm
		Senior Women	Coburg	8:00pm
3	Saturday 6 April	Youth Men	McKinnon	4:00pm
		Senior Women	RMIT	6:00pm
		Senior Men	Hume	8:00pm
4	Sat 13 April	Youth Men	Sherbrooke	7:00pm
5	Saturday 20 April	Youth Men	Altona	4:30pm
		Senior Women	Blackburn	6:30pm
		Senior Men	Westernport	8:30pm
6	Sat 27 April	Senior Men	McKinnon	7:00pm
7	Sun 5 May	Senior Men	Blackburn	4:00pm
8	Saturday 11 May	Youth Men	Camberwell	4:30pm
		Senior Women	Wallan	6:30pm
		Senior Men	Bellarine	8:30pm
9	Saturday 18 May	Senior Women	Southern Peninsula	6:00pm
		Youth Men	Geelong	8:00pm
10	Saturday 25 May	Youth Men	Collingwood	6:00pm
		Senior Men	Keysborough	8:00pm
11	Saturday 1 June	Youth Men	Bulleen	4:30pm
		Senior Women	Surfcoast	6:30pm
		Senior Men	Shepparton	8:30pm
13	Sun 16 June	Senior Men	Sunbury	4:00pm
14	Sat 29 June	Youth Men*	Blackburn	7:00pm
15	Sat 6 July	Senior Men*	Camberwell	7:00pm
16	Saturday 13 July	Youth Men*	Bendigo	6:00pm
		Senior Men*	Pakenham	8:00pm
17	Sat 20 July	Youth Men*	Coburg	7:00pm
18	Sat 27 July	Senior Men*	Wyndham	7:00pm

CM = Championship Men, D1/2W = Division One/Two Women, YL1M = Youth League 1 Men

* Second half of Senior Womens Fixture not yet released

SPECTATORS WELCOME!

Game night events:

- Discount entry for UoM students and MUBC members
- Half time competitions & giveaways
- Cheap drinks!
- & much more!



2023 Club Christmas BBQ

Thank you to everyone who was able to come after their game to our 2023 Christmas end-of-year BBQ. It was a great event where all teams and all players from Melbourne University Basketball Club could come together to celebrate the end of 2023 and an exciting year of basketball. The event had an abundant turnout, with players from both male and female domestic teams able to unwind, enjoy a some socialisation as well as a burger, sausage sizzle and a drink to cap off the year.

To all future players or if you unfortunately missed out on the event last year, the end-of-year BBQ is on the last fixture round in the MSAC domestic league calander. Usually located at the public BBQs in Albert Park right next to MSAC stadium, the event is not one to miss so make sure to note it down in your calanders for 2024!

Peter Tunali



Social Update

Jen Naughton and Will Burrell Wedding

A massive congratulations to Jen Naughton and Will Burrell who recently celebrated their wedding.

Both being long time club members as well as involved across all facets of the club committee, BigV and domestic, we wish them all the best for the future.



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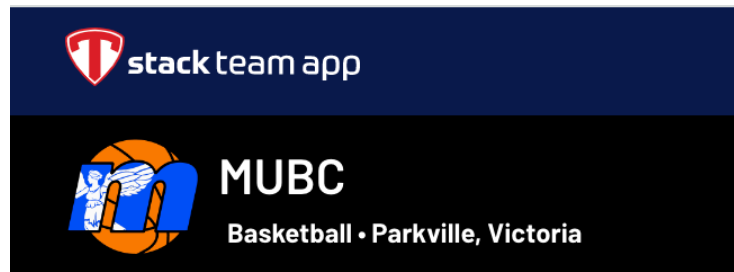
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