

**"SLAM DUNK DAY"**

Some of our Year 8 students were lucky enough to participate in "Slam Dunk Day", a basketball session organised by Mrs Cox's Year 12 Physical Education class. The Year 12's promoted basketball as being an enjoyable sport where you can learn great skills and teamwork. On show were members of the Marlins/Taipans, who joined in with the students, teaching skills and giving away prizes.

The Grade 8's participated in fun basketball activities culminating in a slam dunk competition won by Hetty McLachlan who even beat the Taipans!

All the students walked away with a prize and a smile. " It was fun to learn another sport," said Viv Rowe.

Ms Mary-Ellen Cox  
Teacher

**Bill Turner Cup**

The Bill Turner Cup soccer championship involves interested schools throughout Queensland and New South Wales in a knockout style of competition. The students involved are between the ages of 12 to 15 years.

Schools in our area played off in a round robin competition at

Endeavour Park in May. The Smithfield boys' team played exceptionally well and were unlucky not to go through to the next round. The girls team won through, confidently defeating all teams in their competition.

Being the Northern Area winners the girls went onto play the winner of the Tableland district, Mareeba State High School. In a tough encounter the girls were defeated but managed



to score the first goal from a classy corner taken by Emma Cottet and finished by Emily Jelich. Christina Alifracco made a superb captain.

All the girls had outstanding performances particularly Emma Cottet and Kodie Beattie.

**Team members:**

Kodie Beattie  
Emily Ciccirello  
Catherine Brooks  
Christina Alifracco  
Tamika Cochrane  
Emily Jelich  
Viv Rowe  
Paige Rowe  
Karina Bass  
Tessa McClure  
Ayesha Cochrane  
Emma Cottet  
Emily Forova  
Molly Martin  
Jordan Wilson  
Maddison MacLeish

Ms Mary-Ellen Cox



### Success at Regional Netball Carnivals

The Smithy Crocs junior netball team were the runners-up in their division at the Marlin Coast Regional Netball Carnival. The team played seven games over the weekend, beating a number of school and club teams.

Unfortunately, the Radars club team were too strong for them in the top-of-the-table clash. Excellent shooting from Ranisha Sumathipala and Tahlia Crossley was backed up by the centre court work of Hetty McLachlan and Breanna Neil. We lost count of the number of rebounds and great intercepts made by the defensive team of Zoie Paret, Leonie Tribolet and Lavina Cockburn and another student who could not be named due to not having media release.

The Smithy Aces team have also been busy representatives for our school, competing in both the Townsville and Marlin Coast Regional Carnivals in the last month. Competing in divisions above their age group has given them fantastic experience in playing at a representative level and their skills have improved immensely.

Emily Jelich was awarded Most Valuable Play for the 16-18 top division for her centre court and defence work at the Townsville Regional Carnival, and Christina Alifraco took out the Most Improved title.

The Smithy Aces team is Christina Alifraco, Georgia Bayford, Cathy Brooks, Takesha Colpo, India Grayson and Emily Jelich (with two students from St Monica's).

Congratulations to both teams for their great sportsmanship and representation of our school. Their work ethic and involvement was fantastic.

## End of Term 2 AFL Report

By Mr Andy Kurth

### Senior Boys Team

Once again we were successful in making the semi finals of the Wednesday Interschool Competition, only to be defeated by a very fit and skilful Trinity Bay SHS team by 23 points. No matter – this year's senior team was a credit to the school for the way they performed all year and most importantly improved as a team. The year's highlights were very definitely belting Cairns SHS by 70 points in round 9 after they'd beaten us convincingly in round 2 and beating grand finalists Saints by 20 points in round 12 after they'd gone through the year prior to that undefeated. These games showed everyone what we were capable of as a team. Final results for Player of the Year and Most Goals are listed below.

#### Phil Thomas Medal Final Points (Player of the Year)

- 23 Points** - Josh Brinn
- 17 Points** - Alphonse Dau
- 16 Points** - Ben Graham
- 9 Points** - Giles Bezzina
- 8 Points** - Kane Hayter
- 7 Points** - Paul Hanlon, Joel Wilson
- 5 Points** - Nathan Williams
- 4 Points** - Trent Denman, Josh Stewart
- 3 Points** - Matt Fitzgerald
- 1 Point** - Nathan Baran, Kaine Presley, J.J.Herewini

#### Jesse Fewkes Medal (Most Goals for the Season)

- 23 Goals** - Josh Brinn
- 21 Goals** - Paul Hanlon
- 11 Goals** - Ben Graham
- 9 Goals** - Kaine Presley
- 7 Goals** - Alphonse Dau, Nathan Williams
- 4 Goals** - Matt Fitzgerald, Kane Hayter
- 3 Goals** - Giles Bezzina,
- 2 Goal** - Nathan Baran
- 1 Goal** - Josh Stewart

### Junior Boys Team

After last year's team made it all the way to Brisbane in the Northern States Cup, this year's team was always going to have a tough act to follow. Enthusiasm was again brimming and we regularly trained with a squad of thirty-five players, three lunchtimes a week in the leadup to the Cairns finals.

The boys were successful in making the semi finals after defeating Woree SHS and Saint Augustines but fell

short against a superb Trinity Bay SHS in the semi final. If it was any consolation, they went on to win the final convincingly and are a good bet to go all the way to Brisbane like our 2008 boys.

A big thankyou to all the boys who played and trained with the team and to Mr Manni Todorov, whose fantastic commitment to the team was greatly appreciated.

Our best players and leading goalkickers for the competition are listed below.

#### Best Players:

Kial Emond, Nathan Babia, Nick Meadows, Patrick Clements, Ben Culpitt, Tommy Newell

#### Leading Goalkickers:

**3** Kial Emond,  
**2** Tommy Newell, Jacob Davie

### Representative Honours

Following on in the footsteps of Jake Emery and Ben Graham, who were successful in making representative selection earlier in the term, many of our junior boys have recently been successful in making teams.

Congratulations to the following boys who have performed outstandingly both in club and school football recently and made representative selection.

**U/15 QLD Schoolboys Team** – Lachie Pearson

**U/15 QLD Country Team** – Lachie Pearson, Max McLachlan

**U/15 Peninsula Schoolboys Team** – Lachie Pearson, Max McLachlan, Declan Oliver, Daniel Grant, Daniel Boughton, Jesse Pattinson

**U/14 QLD Country Team** – Kial Emond

**U/14 Cairns Lions Team** - Kial Emond, Tommy Newell, Ben Culpitt, Jake Macey



**Phil Thomas - Sports Co-ordinator**

**"Interschool Ten Pin Bowling Challenge"**

As parents of some of the children who competed in the "Interschool Ten Pin Bowling Challenge" last Thursday 4th June, I thought you may be interested in the attached photo of the Smithfield High Team.

Although some students were not experienced players they all competed well and represented the school admirably in both endeavour and behaviour over the duration of the four and a half hours of the tournament.

They finished in third place behind Trinity Bay 2nd and Woree High 1st. Woree now progresses to the regional finals in Townsville. Although they didn't win they all had a great night and I believe some are considering taking up the sport in the future.

The Personal best scores were

- Sam Van Der Velden 54
- Shannon Donnet 142
- Alexandria Corbett 144
- Alana Kenny 87
- Bradley Crompton 69

By Gavin & Melissa Corbett and Donna Donnet



**National Baseball Titles**

Lachlan Clink, representing the Queensland Schoolboys, played in the National Titles in Canberra over the first week in May. The team finished in 5<sup>th</sup> position after losing some very close games in the early rounds. Lachlan played in several key positions during the tournament including – Designated Hitter, Pitcher and First Base, demonstrating his versatility as an all-round player.



**Peninsula Netball**

**APOLOGY!!!** Emily Jelich gained selection in the Peninsula Netball 15 & Under Team. My sources had suggested she missed out – sorry Emily and of course –well done! The Peninsula Team played in late May at the State Titles.



**State AFL Championships**

A group of seven students from Smithfield High represented the school in the Regional Team at the State Championships for 15 & Under AFL.



Although the Peninsula side struggled against the southern regions in some games, Lachlan Pearson was successful in gaining a "State Jersey". Lachie now travels to Maroochydore in July for the National Championships. Max McLachlan won the coach's award for best player of the Peninsula side, a great effort from both players and the rest of the team!

**Peninsula Cross Country**

Mr Andrew Gentle travelled with our successful TCN Cross Country runners to the Peninsula Championships in Atherton at the end of May.

Giles Bezzina had an outstanding 1<sup>st</sup> in the Open Boys Age Group while Travis Worthington, Matt Durden and Jeremy Walsh all made the Peninsula team as first choice or shadow representatives.



**Gymkhana**

Jodie Evertsen, Ailsa Cutler and Emma Gregory all participated in the first Interschool Gymkhana for 2009 in Mareeba earlier this year. There were over fifty participants from around the region, representing seventeen schools. The girls have the opportunity to ride in further events later in the year at Atherton and Babinda. Well done ladies!



## CISSA SPORT Finals

Teams finishing in the top four in their sport qualified for Semi-Finals which were held on Wednesday 10 June.

This included the following teams:

Boys AFL – Coach: Mr Kurth

Boys Basketball – Coach: Mr Todorov

Boys Touch – Coach: Mr Hancock and assisted by Ms Sherrington

Our students just missed out on several other finals positions having had to beat Saints in the last round to qualify – showing it to be a very evenly contested season in many sports. Well done to all our students who participated in the Secondary Interschool Sports Competition and a huge thanks to their coaches who have in most cases given up a lot of time and effort in support of their teams.

The AFL went down to Trinity Bay 4.6.30 – 8.5.53 in a tough battle (third against second) with several key players receiving early injuries! The boys had shown great potential throughout the year having beaten the number one placed team (Saints) in the round robin competition. Tough luck lads!

Best player on the field was Alphonse Dau.

The touch boys faced Saints (third against second) for the third week running, having played a “friendly” then the last pool round and having lost twice to them by only two tries. It was a chance to turn the tables, however missing their motivating coach, Mr Hancock, was too much to ask and they lost a good fight 10 - 5.

Best player on the field was a student could not be named - no media release, with Jakob Burns and Phil Nona also picking up points for the season's Most Valuable Player. Thanks to Ms Sherrington for helping the boys on the day.

Boys Basketball also faced an uphill battle against Saints with the “Cerise & Blue” having the home court advantage. Lead by Aaron Bin Tahal, our State U / 18 Representative, the boys struggled throughout the match to hold back a very strong attacking team and the resultant loss of 26 to 38. Well done to all the boys for a hard fought season and a special mention to Aaron who in fact coached the team all season!



## A Poem for you - Two Sculptors

I dreamed I stood in a studio  
And watched two sculptors there.  
The clay they used was a young child's mind,  
And they fashioned it with care.  
One was a teacher; the tools she used  
Were books, music and art.  
One, a parent who worked with a guiding hand  
And a gentle, loving heart.  
Day after day the teacher toiled  
With a touch that was deft and sure,  
While the parents laboured by her side  
And polished and smoothed it o'er.  
And when at last their task was done,  
They were proud of what they had wrought;  
For the things they had moulded into the child  
Could neither be sold nor bought.  
And each agreed he would have failed  
If he had worked alone.  
For behind the teacher stood the school,  
And behind the parent, the home.

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