

In house ladies group of the Hawthorn Football Club

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Ladies!

It is pleasing that so many have asked had they missed the June newsletter! Happy to know you are looking for it! It was a busy month wasn't it!

Still to come this month is Rippon Lea where 19 ladies will be enjoying the exhibition and lunch together, we are hoping for a lovely sunny day for you all. Thanks to Robyne for organising this event and arranging parking for those who needed it – hope you all enjoy the day.

A timely reminder also to you all, someone called Robyne after the cut-off date to be added to this day, but as with all functions Robyne had paid by the required date and was unable to add extras. Whilst we do our best, we have to adhere to the rules of these venues – so PLEASE let us know if you are coming to something ASAP and definitely before the final booking date, we hate to say NO!

Whilst on functions, please note refunds are not always possible, as most events we have to pay prior to event and non-refundable.

SUNDAY FAMILY LUNCH!

On Sunday the 25th of June a very happy, if not noisy group, enjoyed a big family Lunch at the Firechief. Sherrill Winkler spoke from the heart about her role as mother of our captain but also about family and her upbringing, such a lovely chat, thanks Olivea for helping us out here. Ross and Sherrill enjoyed the day so much; both want to come next year! Those in attendance agreed it was a day that we should continue annually, lots of fun, laughter, raffles and we raised a tidy \$700 towards sponsoring our players next year! Thanks to all those who attended! Sherrill was thrilled with her beautiful quilted Hawthorn cushion gift and some fast paced and at times dubious auctioneering from Ray Sutton, meant one lucky guest bought the other cushion!





SPONSORED PLAYERS DINNER

On Tuesday the 11th July, 40 of the Thornbirds ladies were joined by representatives from the Box Hill Women's VFL team along with OUR much loved Jack Gunston, for a dinner at Barolo Restaurant in Camberwell.

Patrick Hill - or Paddy as he is affectionately known – had everyone in the room in awe as he spoke about his difficult upbringing, his introduction to football coaching and how he started at Box Hill. Three of the girls then got up and spoke – Sarah Goode, Lauren Costello and Monique Trusler. It was wonderful to hear how much the girls enjoy both the sport and the club – due in the main to Paddy. His enthusiasm and passion for not only improving his players' skills but also making them better people, along with his gentle personality was clearly infectious.

After listening to the girls and Paddy, the committee announced that we were going to sponsor Monique for the year. Monique was unaware this was going to happen and she was thrilled to receive our sponsorship. The sponsorship covers the cost of her uniform and her registration – something they have to pay for if they don't get sponsorship. Both Alex and Paddy sent thank you notes and Paddy would also love to come again he had such a great night!

Whilst Marc and Ricky were unable to attend the night (both passed on their apologies) Jack got up and shared with us the moment Hodgey announced his retirement shared his thoughts on playing down back and of course had a dig at the two boys not in attendance! He then invited Monique to assist him with the raffle prizes – such a thoughtful young man! Thanks Jack you are as always just fantastic and we appreciate it!

Thank you to Alex Nanni (VFLW Football Administration Coordinator at Box Hill Hawks), Paddy, Lauren, Sarah and our sponsored players Monique and Jack for attending the evening!

Some of the committee with Lauren (next to Win), Sarah and Alex (seated in front), Paddy and our sponsored players Jack and Monique.





Congratulations to Paddy and the girls who won their first game on Sunday 16th July!!!

Glenferrie Gold Night:

Some members may be unaware that the Thornbirds are Glenferrie Gold members at the Hawks Museum. As part of this membership each year we receive an invitation to attend an evening and this year the night celebrated Michael Tuck. To reward her generosity, long service and dedication to the Thornbirds, Kath Youlten was invited to the night with me. Kath is one of Tucky's biggest fans so she was absolutely thrilled to be able to attend the night. As with many of the functions the Thornbirds are invited to, as I have promised, I want all members to be able to share in these and will always attempt to include members wherever I can. Lyn

SOMETHING NEW AND DIFFERENT!

MID MONTH COFFEE AND CHAT AT FOREST HILL CHASE SHOPPING CENTRE

As a trial we are having a casual morning coffee and chat <u>in addition</u> to our usual BHGC coffee mornings! On the second Friday of the month at Forest Hill Shopping Centre. Anyone interested the first one is <u>Friday 11 August 10am</u> at the café Yours D'Liciously on Level 3 opposite the gym! So if you need a coffee midmonth come along and then perhaps do your shopping or catch a movie! No need to book just turn up!



Many ladies attended the funeral of Barbara Collins recently and what a celebration of a life well lived! The room was filled with mourners in brown and gold and of course the HFC theme song played a couple of times!! The Thornbirds were mentioned as Barbara loved being part of our group and attending our functions. Barbara's motto was Life, Laugh and Love - A fitting farewell to a lovely lady!

Vale Barbara

UPCOMING THORNBIRDS DATES FOR JUNE - DECEMBER 2017	
DATE	VENUE
July 28 th	Coffee Morning <u>& Draw of Major Raffle are your tickets in?????</u> - Box Hill Golf Club Bistro
Friday August 11	Forest Hill Coffee and Chat 10am Yours D'Liciously Level 3
August 25 th	Morning Coffee, 10.15am – Box Hill Golf Club Bistro
September Wed 27 th	Grand Final Morning Coffee - Box Hill Golf Club Bistro
October TBA	Coffee Morning - venue to be decided.
November 9 th	Oaks Day
December 6 th	Christmas Party at Fire Chief Restaurant, 169 Camberwell Road, Camberwell

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