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Presidents Report

The weather may not have been too kind this season but I have seen some great netball from our teams. Platinum have once again qualified for RPL which is fantastic. Some of our new young players are really showing improvements and you can see the enjoyment. Good luck for Championship Rounds.

Jill Collins, Club President



PhotosWill be held on **Thursday 2nd July,** roster will be distributed as soon as possible

Club Duty - 8th August

Coaches will be asking for volunteers so please make their life easy and put up your hand. It is only an hour and a half of your time.

Prizegiving Saturday 5 September



After feedback from players and parents we have decided to try something a bit different this year.

As most teams have an end of season "event" we have decided to do this as a club this year by splitting it for the junior and senior clubs to allow each group to have their own fun. The junior event will be based around lunch time with an activity followed by

prizegiving. We are currently looking at venue options and will let you know as soon as we can.

Likewise the senior club will be a drinks and nibbles event after dinner and the venue will be confirmed shortly.

CLUB EXECUTIVES & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Conifer Grove Platinum

We're well into the season and thankfully, we've been quite lucky in that we've had no serious injuries to any of our team. Sileesha and Demelza have strengthened their connection and continue to maintain their high shooting stats. Kelly, Tash, Kiri and Kate's speed, fitness and agility have helped move the ball through the midcourt with pace. Jess, Sarah, Opal and Sherry have relentlessly rebounded, hunted and defended each pass or shot. We faced some really tough competition over two Sundays of gruelling RPL grading and were pleased to have secured the top spot in Division 2. We faced Southern Souls in our first RPL game. It was a nail-biter all the way to finish. The team never gave up and we came away with our first win - a great way to kick off our RPL season. We've got our eye on promotion back into Division one after the Presidents round so our first win is a real confidence-booster.

Head Coach Jeanette Ross, Assistant coach Miles Neighbour, Manager Kristal Pihama

Conifer Grove Diamond

Diamonds started the beginning of the Presidents round in Prem 3 after an average grading round. However that's where we left average behind! The girls have been training real hard with Miles and learning and trying new team plays, so a first up win against Marlins was a great start to the round. Further wins against Takanini and Meerkats resulted in the final game against another undefeated team Phoenix. What a way to finish! Probably one of the best team games from Diamonds this year and a well deserved 51-32 win means they are the winners of Presidents round. Great consistent shooting and determined defence and attack throughout the court has meant this team has earned these successes despite still struggling with injuries.

Mothers Day saw Diamonds trial for RPL and the first game saw the first win for this team in the tournament. A great start but they were not able to get another win despite some very close games. A very good effort though and there is always next year. Sadly the team farewelled Kiri who is now with Platinum again in RPL, they had her for a short time and were very sorry to see her go, good luck Kiri. Kirsten has taken extended time away as well to visit her mother in England, her enthusiasm and commitment will be sorely missed, we wish her all the best.

Coach Miles Neighbour, Manager Denise Eldridge





Conifer Grove Amethyst

The girls' have done tremendously well for the first round of the season! A team vote selected Vivian Perez as captain, and Emma Mackereth as vice-captain to lead the team into victory for the Championship round of the season. As coaches, Madison and I have seen great improvements in their passing technique, footwork, and the development of game play and flow. Winning two games of the Presidents round convincingly with two very close losses meant the team placed 3rd overall, only 2 points behind the grade winners! This means the girls will remain in U15 B for the Championship round, but we are sure we will take out first place this time around!

Coach Alana Berry & Madison Eruera, Manager Nicky Lundo-Nielson

Conifer Grove Garnet

A Grade proved to be a huge challenge. We didn't manage a win but a draw in the last game saw us finish on equal points with Ardmore but we have moved to B Grade on goal difference. The girls have worked hard for every minute of every game and kept their heads up. They have learnt lots and will take this into Championship Round with the goal to win B Grade. With versatility in the team it is giving us options. Danielle and Nicole continue to work well as a shooting combination with Grace and Pia also chiming in. All four players also taking time in midcourt. Our centres Tayla L and Tayla D are both working hard and running all day. The defensive duo of Jaime and Kataraina have shown their strength and have been equally well supported by Tina and Georgia. Strong performances by Kataraina, Jaime, Tayla L, Georgia and Danielle have seen them take Player of the Day awards.

Coach Jill Collins, Manager Lars Lundo-Nielsen

Conifer Grove Turquoise

Despite strong competition our girls had their first win last weekend in this round, Grading into the Junior A Grade was a huge accomplishment for the girls and has seen them learning and developing and lifting their game both at training and now we are seeing this translate on court and feeling positive as we move toward to the Championship round. The girls have adapted well to the rotation we have in place for our 10 player team and each girl is contributing to the team growth which is what this age is all about.

Coach Michelle Rees, Co-Coach & Manager Amanda Strong



Conifer Grove Gems

What a strong team Gems are proving to be, winning their final game and finishing on equal points with Alfriston but sadly missing out on second place due to goal difference. Every week the girls bring what they learned at practise and rain or shine they are ready to take on the game whole heartedly. What a pleasure to see such teamwork and developing skills being demonstrated on the court every Saturday. Bring on the Championship rounds, Gems are eager, willing and ready to win!

Coaches Danielle Collins & Hannah Bertram, Manager Catherine Scott





Conifer Grove Ebony

What a great round we had finishing second in our division to a team that was far superior to all the other teams. All the teams (except 1) were very evenly matched. They were great teams to play as most of the girls were all new to the game. Our girls learnt a lot about the game and acquired good skills that they will take into the Championship round. We are all looking forward to the next round of games and are practicing hard.

Coach Bronwyn Guy, Manager Gina Groshinkski

Conifer Grove Amber

Had a very successful start placing 2nd in the President's round. As the season progresses, the girls are working well together as a team and it is obvious to see that they're now understanding the game and really enjoying themselves. Some shooting super-stars are shining through coupled with players that have natural flair on defence. It's great to see how determined the girls are, and watching them learn and thrive on-court And always with great big smiles on their faces!

Coach Sina Seumanutafa, Manager Jane Tomlinson



Conifer Grove Pearl

Is a wonderful team of girls who just recently won their latest game by 9 goals. It is fantastic to see them transfer what they are learning at training into a game situation and they do so effortlessly and always with a smile on their dial! The girls skill in passing the ball, their footwork and overall teamwork is improving at a phenomenal rate, which is no surprise considering the commitment they show each and every week. I am a very PROUD coach!!

Coach Kate Assink, Manager Stacey Brown

