

# MT LOFTY DEVILS

SATURDAY 27 MAY 2017

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MT LOFTY V LOBETHAL

Welcome back to Arkaba Oval for Round 7 against Lobethal and our annual Reunion Day.

And a warm welcome to all Lofty Legends here for the reunion starting at 2pm. Today we celebrate the achievements of Mt Lofty and its heritage clubs Stirling and Heathfield Aldgate United from 1927 through to 2007. For the full story on these achievements, grab a copy of the Legends newsletter, available upstairs in the clubrooms.

The club has a number of social events coming up including A Night with the Devils at the Arkaba Hotel on June 3, Quiz Night on Saturday 24 June and Ladies Night on Saturday 15 July. For details on all events visit our website [mtloftydevils.com.au](http://mtloftydevils.com.au) or check out the Facebook page @mtloftydevils.

## Coming up...

Visit the club website or check out the Mt Lofty Devils Facebook page for more information.

**MAY 28** Women's B Grade at Kangarilla (1pm)

**JUN 3** U13s, U15s, U17s and senior men's teams at Onka Valley

**JUN 3** Senior women's teams at Arkaba Oval v Christies Beach

**JUN 3** Night with the Devils @ The Arkaba Hotel

**JUN 4** Women's U18s at Arkaba Oval v Blackwood

**JUN 10** BYE for all teams

**JUN 24** Quiz Night

**JUL 15** Ladies Night

## 100 Club

Cost of membership is \$100 and includes:

Entry to home games

Entry into 18 draws over the season (1st prize \$100, 2nd prize \$50 for each draw)

End of season draw (1st prize \$1500; 2nd prize \$800; and 3rd prize \$300)

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# A Grade

This year hasn't started exactly as planned for the A Grade. We worked hard in the pre-season on new offensive and defensive structures and that has translated in to a highly exciting and competitive game style for our club.

Unfortunately this has not been executed for four quarters of a game yet and therefore has not translated into wins at this stage, but the players and coaching staff are all confident that this will be a good platform for our future.

One of the exciting parts to start the season has been the fact that we have

had seven players 19 years of age or younger make their A Grade debuts for Mt Lofty. Other positives have been the continued good form of our senior players in Sam Miles and Mark Nielsen, both of whom represented the HFL in last weekend's win against the Riverland, and the continued development of Sascha Oehrli and Angus Winwood.

We look forward to the prospect of playing the Lobethal Football Club in front of our returning legends and past premiership players and promise to represent the club with a four-quarter effort.

SCOTT MADSEN, A-GRADE COACH

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# B Grade

We come into today's game with a win-loss record of 1-4. Four quarter consistency has been our biggest concern over the year matching it with most teams for at least a half of football.

Injuries and unavailable players haven't helped team structures with some players having to play out of position, however, we are providing great opportunities to those players putting in the effort on the training track.

We have seen multiple players selected for A Grade with some stellar consistent form and many others are knocking on the door. There have been some very promising signs

including Alex "Stirling" Robinson and Ben Lawson winning games off their own boot. Andrew Carthew, Michael Stapleton, Toby Oliver and Sam Broadbridge continue to be ever reliable with consistent season so far.

Young players including Sam Naughton, Nathan Nicholls, Harry Simmons and James Telford are only improving with the experience. Some senior players due back in coming

weeks will help with our on field leadership.

We need to continue getting out on the track and make sure, in each session, we are learning and pushing ourselves to improve. We continue to work on team structures and processes and know the next win isn't far away

TOM MORGAN, B-GRADE COACH

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# Milestones

In addition to celebrations of past achievements, today also marks 250 senior games for Michael Stapleton and 150 senior games for Mark Nielsen, while next week Brad Burch, six-time club best and fairest, will play his 250th A Grade game for Mt Lofty. Congratulations!



**Michael 'Nipple' Stapleton** will join the exclusive club of players to have played 250 senior matches for Mt Lofty today against Lobethal. He has been a constant in senior line-ups for almost two decades, having made his debut in the reserves during the 1999 season while still in senior colts. Michael has played 124 A-grade games, 124 B-grade games (a bunch as captain) and a solitary C-grade match in 2011. Congratulations on reaching this fantastic milestone Nipple and here's hoping we can celebrate the big 300 in a couple more years!



**Mark 'Buckets' Nielsen**, A-grade vice-captain, will play his 150th senior match for the Devils today against Lobethal. Nielsen started at the club in modified football back in the mid 1990's and in 2006 he graduated to senior football and made his A-grade debut. Mark coached our 2014 senior colts to a premiership alongside Sam Miles and won the club best and fairest award last season. Of Mark's 149 senior matches to date, 141 of those have been at A-grade level and he has booted 113 goals. A great club man and a great player. Congratulations Buckets!



**Brad Burch**, six-time club best and fairest, triple premiership player, life member of Mt Lofty Football Club and former club captain will play his 250th A Grade game for the Devils next Saturday against Onka Valley. One of the club's favourite sons, Brad leads by example and plays with skill, determination, courage and heart. He is respected by all and an inspiration to our juniors as well as his team mates. Make sure you get out to Onkas next week to cheer him on and celebrate this momentous achievement.

# Senior Colts

Welcome to all players and parents to the Mt. Lofty Senior Colts for 2017.

It has been great to see a large number of players continuing on at Mt Lofty this year as well as a number of new players and families moving over from Ironbank. We have managed to add some great people to the Devil's family. All of the boys are very receptive and make taking over the senior colts this year both rewarding and enjoyable.

The Senior Colts are currently sitting fifth on the ladder with two wins and three losses. Although we have shown some inconsistency, the boys have had a great attitude and have been working very hard over the last couple of months. This was evident in our

last game where that hard work came shining through, with the boys moving the ball quickly, looking to switch the play with some short 45. It was, as a coach, very rewarding as it was evident the boys are beginning to understand the game style that is expected.

The next few weeks are very important for us as we continue to develop and improve as a playing group.

There are a number of people who need to be thanked for helping me make the transition to Senior Colts Coach easier and enjoyable.

Glen Turner & Jon Jordans as invaluable assistant coaches.

Jon Jordans who also doubles as the teams Runner.

Mark O'Malley, aka MOM, who is the team manager, who takes on all the behind the scenes duties.

Jack Foale who has taken on the white board duties.

And last but not least, thank you to all boys families for all their support of not only their own boys, but the playing group as a whole.

Here's to making Mt Lofty proud.

GO DEVILS!

CHRIS MCTAGGART, U17 COACH

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# Mini Colts

The Under 13 group has had a great start to the year with three wins from our first five games. We have a group of 25 lads who all seem really close and willing to learn and are improving every single week.

We have spent the first part of the season working a lot on skills and individually playing our role for the team. For many of the boys it has been a giant learning curve coming from Under 11s to training twice a week, playing on a big ground and getting to a stage of their footy where it gets a bit more serious.

Our next three games, Lobethal, Onkas and Blackwood will be a real test for

our boys and we are looking forward to the challenge.

On Tuesday nights we have been training with the Under 12 team who are competing in the amateur competition on Sundays. We currently have over 50 boys in these two teams learning the same game style and hearing the same message from the coaches which is great for the future of our club.

Congratulations should go to the six lads who have been selected in the Sturt Under 13 Metro team – Bailey James, Will Biggs, Archie Cook, Blake Lewis, Max Bilsborow and Blake Harder. In addition to this we have a large number who have been selected to represent their region in the SAPSASA carnival starting on June 5.

JOSH BIGGS, U13 COACH



Mark Nielsen and Sam Miles celebrate the inter-league win against Waikerie.



Anderson Wood (front row third from left) and Bennett Wood (front row second from right)..



Georgia Swan (back row centre) has been selected in the State U15s squad.

# Congratulations!

Congratulations to our inter-league reps who played in successful HFL wins over the Riverland at Waikerie last Saturday. Anderson and Bennett Wood in the Senior Colts and Mark Nielsen and Samuel Miles in the Seniors.

Congratulations also to Georgia Swan, our youngest member of the women's U18s side, on making the final squad for the State U15s who travel to Perth for the national carnival in July! Great work and well deserved!

# Women's A Grade

It's been a very exciting start to the year for the A Grade with the girls winning three of the first four games and playing some great football.

This year so far we have had 11 new players, who have never before experienced football, play their first A Grade game.

We are starting to gel together as a team and continue to work hard on improving our game plans. I am excited to see our brand of football as it develops in the future! At the moment we still like to focus on being a lightning quick team!

We would like to welcome Ingle Farm to Ark Park for what should be a good hit out! Please come up for a chat, drink and a feed after the game in our clubrooms.

SHAUN GOULD, A-GRADE COACH

## Mt Lofty v Ingle Farm

Coach: Shaun Gould

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|----|------------------------|
| 1  | Holly Aiston           |
| 2  | Shae Pacifico-Hart (C) |
| 3  | Amy Wood               |
| 4  | Elsie Dawes            |
| 5  | Joanna Baltais         |
| 6  | Nicola Matulick        |
| 7  | Nikki Lamming-Slade    |
| 9  | Matilda Fagan-Schmidt  |
| 10 | Alex Czabayski         |
| 11 | Lucy Northcott         |
| 12 | Rebecca Rice           |
| 13 | Ellen Maple            |
| 14 | Bridget Lindsay        |
| 15 | Jeanie Papps           |
| 16 | Alexandra Mason        |
| 17 | Lauren Innes           |
| 18 | Siân Beavers           |
| 19 | Lane Trenorden         |
| 20 | Bridgette Needs (VC)   |
| 23 | Tess Maple             |



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## Super Bs

2017 is another exciting year for women's football at Mt Lofty.

With all of the hard work done with the introduction of the women's division last year, the opportunity to open up a second senior women's team and an Under 18's team was much to the credit of the girls we already had and to the power of social media. Our pre-season proved a huge success, attracting numbers of 50+ just in the summer months.

With the official introduction of our B Grade team into the SAWFL league, in only the first four rounds we have so far played 23 first time players, many of who are new to playing and even watching football. So while the learning curve has been dramatic for us we are only going from strength to strength. Having played the ladder leaders in the first few rounds, we have been extremely proud of the ability of the girls to stick to the game plan, play our own game, and to keep the strong teams to a set goal target.

Every game has been an exciting one with what we are learning about ourselves, right up to our most recent game where we played local rival Ironbank and secured our first big win. 7-8-59 to 4-2-26 which included six different goal kickers.

Tomorrow our three captains, Sophie Nicholls, Alicia Covino and Kirra-Lee Thomas will lead the girls out to Kangarilla for what will hopefully be our second win of the season.

Good Luck to all the teams today! Especially of course the women's A Grade. A big welcome to the Hills to the Ingle Farm girls.

Welcome back for the reunion everyone and congratulations Michael on your 250th, Mark on your 150th and Brad Burch on your 249th!

MEGAN BILLERWELL, B-GRADE COACH

## AFLW - Under 18s

Our new 2017 U18s Women's team are part of Mount Lofty club history and have started the season well.

They're a fantastic bunch of girls with over half having never played footy before.

A solid pre-season has seen them come a long way and their football skills, teamwork and match knowledge make them competitive on the oval.

They wear the red and white stripes with pride – special thanks to Ultra Tune, Mt Barker

So far they've met some tough opposition, clubs who have been playing for a season (or three), have won previous competitions and have teams in both under 16s and 18s.

While the results may appear a bit one sided, it certainly doesn't reflect the skill level, developmental progress and competitive nature they show on the oval. If they continue to train and play like they are, a win isn't too far away.

Congratulations to all the girls who play 'up' with the As and Bs

Congratulations to Georgia Swan (our youngest player) selected to represent SA in the under 15's competition to be played in Perth in July.

Thanks to all helpers and the club for getting this team and competition off the ground.

Under 18s players include Bailey Yap, Ella Callaghan, Allani Dawes, Sarah Sheedy, Natalie Subelli, Anna Evans, Grace Sajj, Elsy Westley, Laycee Dawson, Kate Johnson, Olivia Morbey, Georgia Swan, Layla Dorsey, Abby Naughton, Chloe Anderson, Bella Addison, Ella Crowhurst, Stephanie Schubert, Olivia Swan and Belle Longden.

PHIL WINWOOD, U18 COACH