

HOSPICE HOOPERS

It's always nice to see teams develop their skills over a period of time. Hospice Hoopers in Division 7 has caught my eye this past year, as they have the passion to improve their game and have sought help from fellow players since they finished winter 2010/11 in 8th place (out of 11) with 25 points and 306 goals. They realised that they had problems around the goal thirds, in particular getting the ball in or out the circle. They've focused on this during the summer and to date have already won 3/5 games, making them currently 5/11 in the division.

One of their most recent win was very entertaining, a good game in each quarter with results 5-3, 14-8, 17-16 (couldn't be much closer!) then stormed ahead in the last quarter to deserve a 26-19 win!

This team, in my opinion, is the one to watch in Division 7. Not only have they got a taste for winning the games now but have adapted their minds to learn from each game, as well as maintaining that fun factor that Netball is all about.

WOODIES

It's not every day that a team is able to draw, especially when 3 of the players are brand new to the team! This happened to Woodies in division 4 recently, proving that the key to any successful team is communication. With a 45-45 result it was a great match to watch – even injury didn't phase the team players as the game continued.

DOLPHINS A v LARKFIELD BELLES

Dolphins A in division 5 played against Larkfield Belles who were Division 6 runners up from Winter 2010/11. For this outstanding performance, both teams were put to the test as they'd never played each other before, resulting in 33-33

What a refreshing sight! Although the games were getting tight, and players were feeling the pressure there was no change in attitude on the court – other than the determination to keep it a clean, entertaining game, which I think was a key component for the girls being able to enjoy the results.

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