

Combined Winter Sports Dinner 2024



Wednesday 21 August

Order of Proceedings

Acknowledgement of Country

Winter Sports Highlight Video

Opening Address

Joel Taylor

Sports Introductions

Joel Taylor, Max Angove and Will Spratt - Captains of Sport

Captains' Address

Badminton Alex Gao- Captain

Ms. Nan Zheng- Teacher in Charge

Shubham Gulati- Coach

Cross Country Alexi Vardoulakis - Captain

Mr. Josh Fisher - Teacher in Charge

Fencing Suhanayan Piratheepan - Captain

Mr. Jack Tho - Teacher in Charge

Football (AFL) Tom Gross- Captain

Mr. Craig Seckold- *Teacher in Charge*Tarkyn Lockyer – *Director of Football*Mr. Matthew Vacirca – *First Team*

Manager

Mr. Jonathon Knight- Coach

Winter Hockey Lachlan Hodgson & Joel Taylor -

Captains

Ms. Kate Fewster - *Teacher in Charge* Tom Carey & Aiden Van Staden-

Coaches

Grace

Oliver Brown - Captain of Faith and Outreach

Main Course served

Captains Address

Kayaking Lachlan Dal Sasso - Captains

Mr. Alan Daley - Teacher in Charge

Tom Ladson - Coach

Martial Arts Nelson Blake - Captain

Mr. Leo Hong - Teacher in Charge

Rugby Max Angove - Captain

Mr. Ewoud Botha - *Teacher in Charge* Conrad Ford, Mr. Alex Warne, Mr.

Morgan Evans- Coaches

Soccer Marc Petheriotis & Riley Fox - Captains

Mr. Mike Moreira - Teacher in Charge

Kogulan Sabaratnam, Kosta

Antonopoulos, Kasra Karamad- Coaches

Winter Tennis Spencer Elliot - Captain

Mr. Jason Mahmoud - Teacher in Charge

George Yang - Coach

Principal's address

Mr. Adrian Farrer- Principal

Dessert served

Badminton

Hugo Cheung Ethan Luo

Alex Gao (C) John Wang (VC)

Robinson He Derek Zhou

This winter season, the 1sts and 2nds badminton teams hit the courts of Melbourne Badminton Centre with unparalleled energy and determination, while the 3rds dominated at Unique Badminton Centre. Each team member contributed to unforgettable victories, making Trinity Badminton a formidable force.

Our 1sts team, with six strong players, faced a tough start against Camberwell but rebounded with wins against Camberwell 2nds and Mentone. Despite close matches, we secured third place, demonstrating our growth and resilience.

The 2nds and 3rds had remarkable seasons, with the 2nds clinching many 11-0 victories and the 3rds showing impressive performances. The camaraderie and support during training fostered each player's love for badminton.

Trinity badminton showcases determination, motivation, and continuous improvement. With a strong lineup and promising talent, Trinity badminton is poised for future success.

Alex Gao - Captain

Cross Country

Eshan Coelho Gautaman Shasitharan

Hugo Elliott Doyle Inigo Tropea

Lucas Greuter Alexi Vardoulakis (C)

Lachlan Morrison Alex Wong

Matthew O'Shea (VC) Lucas Worsam

Nicholas Rooney Eric Wu

The 2024 Cross Country Season was a success for both the team and all its members. This year Trinity has maintained a strong 4th in the standings and all boys in the team have seen improvements in their pace and placings across the season.

Rounds 1 through 5 before the holidays saw the team build their fitness, while the final rounds 6 and 7 after the holidays saw the boys finish strong. Round 4 at Braeside Park race was a standout, with over half of the team running a PB placing, while the celebratory barbeque after the run hit the spot.

There was also success at the various Athletics Victoria events, where the most avid runners could test themselves against the best in the state.

Overall, a great year of running and we hope the boys run even better in 2025.

Mr. Josh Fisher - Teacher in Charge

Fencing

Ryan Lui Suhanayan Piratheepan (C) Leo Min (VC)

The Fencing team have had an excellent year for both the Senior and Junior teams.

Some of our experienced fencers have also been competing internationally in competitions around the world with our most recent success being a Bronze in the commonwealth under 17's category.

Junior teams put on an excellent performance in the first round with two teams making joint Bronze. In the teams championships we had a Junior team take Silver and a second Junior team consisting of 3 year 6 students winning Bronze.

For our Seniors, after initially coming second in the first teams competition, our seniors took home the Gold at the teams championships.

Well done on an excellent 2024 season boys!

Mr. Jack Tho - Teacher in Charge

Football (AFL)

James Alleva Will Johnson

William Ball Will Katic

Will Bond Charlie Lockyer
Liam Callaghan Mack Martin

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Will Collinson Freddy McDonald

Charlie Comer Flynn McNamara

Archer Donaldson Riley Myers
Nikki du Toit Hugo Osmond
Campbell Dytor Nicolas Phillips

Max Gow Charlie Sammartino

Tom Gross (C) Kieran Soesanto
John Hargrove Will Spratt (VC)
Benjamin Harris Zac Van Den Berg

Antwan Huddleston Zayne Weis

Rowan Hunt Charlie Wenn (VC)

Alex Ingpen

Trinity's First Football season was a tale of resilience and determination. After a rocky start with a 1-3 record, the team regrouped and showcased their true potential, ultimately making it to the finals. The turning point of the season was a thrilling Friday night game against Ivanhoe, where we clinched a memorable win that revitalized our spirits and momentum. This triumph was not just a morale booster but a testament to the team's capability to perform under pressure.

Another season highlight was the historic win against Assumption on their home ground, a feat that hadn't been achieved in years. This victory was a significant milestone, reflecting the team's growth and strategic prowess. Throughout the season, Trinity's players demonstrated remarkable

improvement, teamwork, and an unwavering commitment to excellence. Their journey from underdogs to finalists was inspirational, setting a high standard for future seasons.

Thank you again to Mr Knight, Mr Vacirca, Tarkyn Lockyer and Will quirk for a great season. We, the players, appreciate the time and effort that was put into us.

Will Spratt - Vice Captain

Winter Hockey

Jack Bailey Nikhil Hendehewa

Marcus Brun Holman Sam Hilton

Dante Calcagno Lachlan Hodgson (C)

Hugh Chadwick Archer Jacobsen
Ben Chadwick Harry Johnson
Kye Davidson Alby Mahony

Campbell Hall Angus Murray
Declan Ham (VC) Max Schwal

Jacob Hardy Joel Taylor (C)

The First XI of 2024 had a courageous season that came to a somewhat premature end with a gutsy loss in the Semi-Final. We played a number of hard-fought games, had some big wins, 2 close losses and a draw. All the while, there was a strong belief that the team could go all the way and secure the 5th Premiership title in a row for TGS. Unfortunately, injury and illness thwarted our final run, but this team will nonetheless be remembered as a formidable force.

Replacing the 7 x Year 12 graduates from the Premiership team of 2023 seemed like a daunting task, but we were fortunate to uncover some gems to fill the gaps, as well as having some returning veterans step up into senior roles. Newbie Max Schwal, Year 7, announced his arrival with a hat-trick in his debut game, and is an exciting prospect for the years to come. We also welcomed the dynamic duo of Ben and Hugh Chadwick, Yr 8, as well as Alby Mahony and Archer Jacobsen, Yr 9, all of whom played important roles across the season. The Year 10 ranks were swelled by Kye "KD" Davidson, whose handy reflexes saw him score an opportunistic goal in the Semi, and a move to the permanent GK position for Campbell Hall, taking over from Premiership Keeper Dante Calcagno. Special mention must be made of Jack Lauder, who got a call up two days before the Semi and slotted seamlessly into the team.

The team was adeptly led by Co-Captains, Joel Taylor and Lachlan Hodgson, and lieutenant, Declan Ham. In an ideal game, where every player was fit and

available, Lachie controlled the midfield, Joel proved a potent force up front, and Declan guarded the backline. It was in this formation that we were at our most unbeatable – with both Nikhil Hendehewa and Gus Murray returning stronger than ever, and veterans Jake Hardy and Harry Johnson providing experience, we had a powerful framework to bring on our newer players. The reliable trio of Marcus Brun Holman, Jack Bailey and Sam Hilton, all returning for their second season, rounded out the regular starting 15.

None of this would have been possible without A+ coaching and we were fortunate to have Tom Carey (Premiership Captain 2019) return as Head Coach this year. His calm, professional and analytical approach worked brilliantly with this team. He brought into the fold Aidan van Staden as Assistant Coach, who provided invaluable insight, especially into the defenders' roles. Tom and Aidan are both Premier League players (finding themselves lined up against Lachy or Joel some weekends!)

This season we will farewell the following Year 12s – Dante Calcagno, Declan Ham, Jake Hardy, Lachlan Hodgson, Harry Johnson and Joel Taylor - and thank them for their combined years of service to the TGS hockey program. We will miss you all! Special mention to our amazing captains - Lachy and Joel, who have been in the Firsts since Year 7. They both made Victorian U18 State team again this this year, winning the National Championships. Both were also named in the AGSV squad. TGS hockey won't be the same without you.

Trinity had an unprecedented 5 players named in the AGSV Rep squad of 16 this year. Congratulations to Lachie (Vice-captain), Joel, Declan, Gus and Nikhil.

Thank-you to all the amazing parents and supporters who helped us get to the end of the season well-fed and (almost) unscathed! Your positivity and hospitality were a key contributor to our success and to my well-being! An enormous debt of gratitude goes to Ishani Hendehewa who took the reins as Team Manager for the first 3 rounds. She told me she loved it, and it wasn't stressful at all!

Ms. Kate Fewster – Teacher in Charge

Kayaking

Lachlan Dal Sasso (C) Aaron Lam Raphael Garriock Sam Shaw Felix Hallett Ethan Yang

As a year-round sport, kayakers need to make a choice between attending the summer sports dinner and winter – the winter guys are just lots more fun. We commence our "season", therefore, at the beginning of Term 4, 2023 when Lachie Dal Sasso competed in the K2 ICF Marathon World Championships in Denmark. While the event was won by an Argentinian pair, Lachie and Aidan acquitted themselves well, and it was an exciting experience for his friends to watch this event together on an October Saturday evening.

Term 4 concludes with the 40-mile (64-kilometre) Ben Ward Memorial Classic, with most of the squad competing in 6-person relay teams, and the challenge of completing the full distance, solo out there for our older paddlers. Lachie joined an illustrious list of former Trinity paddlers to have completed this feat, cheered on by outgoing Y12 kayakers and new arrivals to the squad. The increased numbers in the squad very much attributable to the active efforts of Michael Fan, Al Murphy and Justin Kwong to recruit a new generation of paddlers during their final year with us.

The highlight of Term 1 is often the Schools Championships in mid-March but we also saw many boys compete successfully in the Victorian Sprint Championships at the end of February. In the Schools Championships, Trinity narrowly lost the overall trophy to "combined Bendigo schools" with fine efforts from Lachie Dal Sasso, Aaron Lam and Ethan Yang. Less formal events continued through Term 2 and 3, culminating in the Bendigo Cup (just last weekend) with a full squad of developing paddlers testing their skills and endurance over the 11km course – 4 laps of Lake Weeroona.

I would like to extend my thanks to Mr Coleman, Mr Whitehouse and Mr Mahony for their support of the programme in my absence this year, and to Tom Ladson who bore a lot of extra responsibility also. We have a fantastic group of amazingly supportive parents prepared to drive extraordinary distances to support their sons and they, too, have my admiration and gratitude.

Mr. Alan Daley- Teacher in Charge

Martial Arts

Patrick Bao (VC) Oliver Li (VC) Nelson Blake (C) Matthew Lo

Bill Chen

This was the second year of the prestigious Trinity Martial Arts program. With brand new training facilities, the season began with rigorous training for the new team members as the old ones continued to progress their skills. As the weeks progressed, the Martial Arts team began running sparring sessions, putting their techniques and strategies together in preparation for the upcoming National All Styles (NAS) competition.

The new boys certainly showed promise but needed a little more training before participating in the tournament, fortunately all boys had the opportunity to grade, marking a significant milestone in their martial arts journey.

The NAS competition was a major success, as boys from all age groups showcased remarkable skill and unwavering sportsmanship. The year 8 boys achieved great results with Griffin Marsland achieving both gold and silver medals from his rounds and George Kiliadis and Darcy Fletcher placing 2nd and 3rd in their events too. The older boys had a clean sweep in their point sparring rounds by getting all medals as they were the only ones competing in the division! Additionally, there were impressive efforts made during their continuous sparring with Matthew getting second. Our team captain, Nelson Blake, who was in a different age group, managed to get 3rd in his respected division for point sparring as well.

Many thanks to Mr Hong, Mr Sisson and other staff and parents who allowed for the season to run graciously and well.

Patrick Bao - Vice Captain

Rugby

Max Angove (C) Ari Komninos Campbell Baddon Will Liosatos

William Ball Zacharias Lyndon
Zack Batty Patrick McInerney
Jack Brockhurst David Morris (VC)

Hamish Brown (VC) Sam Mulia

Dante Calcagno Dimitri Papageorgiou

Mason Cecconi Ben Reynolds Kye Clarke Toby Rickman Matthew Dedoncker Will Roff-Smith

Oscar Forte Wentworth Walker

Angus Gow Charles White Ruari Johnson Jake Williams Gus King (VC) Noah Wiltshire

On the back of a successful tour of Fiji in 2023, the team set its sights on success in 2024. Little did we know that the 2024 season will be the most competitive yet across the board for all school, with every team, apart from BGS and STKS beatable by those lower on the standings. It is this and with some close games that as far as out and out results go, we have maybe not achieved our goals. However, what we did achieve is to push our players every week to be better than the previous, to create an environment where they work hard, have fun, and fins value in what they do.

With leaders like Max, Hamish, Gus and Charlie, to guide the younger players and set the tone for GRIT and honour, you know you are on the right path. It is once again the legacy that these players and all year the other senior players leave behind that makes this team 'successful'. Highlights of the season would be the annual night game with all its supporters and the parking abilities of both staff and recently acquired licence holders....To all the Y12's thank you for your service to rugby, you leave the jumper and the program in a good place. As always Raise hell!

Mr. Ewoud Botha - Teacher in Charge

Soccer

Christian Alysandratos Johnny Lahanis George Antonopoulos Joshua McKenzie Hugo Ashe Hudson Mellos

Max Ashman Marc Petheriotis (C)

Ross Doufas Ben Pollock
Riley Foxe (C) Jasper Ross
Theodore Hrysomalis Oliver Schwarz
Kian Karamad Emilio Varelas (VC)

Zayd Kassaby Charlie Welling

The 2024 season began with three hard fought friendly games against Carey Grammar, Xavier College and Scotch College to lead in to Round 1 against Peninsula Grammar at home under lights. Marc Petheriotis left off where he ended last soccer season with a brace while Josh McEnzie, Zayd Kassaby, Emilio Varelas and Charlie Welling each scored a goal as the team won 6-1. A special mention to Jasper Ross, Hudson Mellos, Oliver Schwarz and Max Ashman for making their debut for the firsts. The re-match of last year's Grand Final against Marcellin was as expected as both teams didn't give an inch but a Riley Foxe screamer from 27 yards out was a clear highlight in the 2-2 draw. Marcellin retaining the Bulleen Cup for the first time in 6 years.

Mentone Grammar's start to the season was it's best in years and they came to Bulleen with confidence and in great form but it was the determination, effort and resolve of the Trinity team to have Mentone on the ropes at halftime 3-0 down. Goals to Marc, Riley and Ben Pollock helped the team get the 3 points. Hugo Ashe and Christian Alysandratos having stand out performances on the day.

In the Round 4 match against bottom placed Yarra Valley the stubborn and disciplined defence block of Yarra was difficult to break down after they suffered three heavy defeats in a row. Thanks to the best on ground efforts of Ben Pollock and George Antonopoulos as well as Max Ashman scoring his debut goal we saw out the game as 3-0 winners.

The week leading up to the Camberwell Grammar Reconciliation game will be hard to forget. The school announced their exclusive partnership with English Premier League Team Tottenham Hotspur which coincided with an academy coach training session at Trinity from Danny and Shannon that was loved by all. The highlight of the week was no doubt the Spurs Open Training session at AAMI park and the game at the MCG v Newcastle United. These experiences no doubt motivated the boys to play their best football to date with a 4-0 win away at Camberwell. Theo Hrysomalis providing the highlight of the game with a superb penalty save whilst Johnny Lahanis and Ross Doufas each had a breakout game on the wing and in defence.

PEGS provided the team with its hardest test for the season where a fresh and fired up opponent gave it their all to win 2-1. The loss, however, galvanised the squad in its preparation for the final game of the home and away against Ivanhoe in Term 2. With a superb week of training behind them the team played with intent, focus and concentration to go in to half time 1-0 up thanks to Hugo Ashe's head. Marc Petheriotis followed this up with wonderful goal off a beautiful assist from Christian Alysandratos but the game finished 2-2 ending our chances for a top 2 finish.

The final two games for the team, became without doubt, the most memorable for us all. In the Semi Final away to Ivanhoe we came from behind to win 2-1 thanks to goals from Christian Alysandratos and Max Ashman to put us in to our second Grand Final in a row.

Friday July 26 2024, will be remembered in history for this group as they became only the third team in Trinity's rich sporting history to become AGSV Soccer Premiers. In hostile conditions away at Mentone Grammar the team rose to prove their superiority in 2024 to win the final 6-1 with goals to Emilio Varelas, Hudson Mellos and doubles to Hugo Ashe (2024 MVP) and Riley Foxe (Finals MVP).

An enormous thank you to Kogu Sabarathnan for his expert tactical coaching, leadership and football education for the team this season. Equally a thankyou to Kosta Antonopoulos and Kasra Karamad for their commitment, engagement and support of the coaching staff this season. Lastly thankyou to the parents for their constant encouragement on the sideline of their sons and the team throughout the season, holidays and finals.

Mr. Mike Moreira – Teacher in Charge

Winter Tennis

Mahd Ansari Flynn Jacobsen

Mason Brewster Sage Lingam

Alex Campbell Sam Mazzei

Miles Divers Eason Yang (VC)

Spencer Elliot (C)

The Winter Tennis season was filled with triumph, embodying our squads energetic and enthusiastic culture. Winter Tennis is all about having fun with our teammates.

Sam Mazzei continues to impress with his dominant volleys, putting a smile on everyone's face at training.

Miles Divers and I continue to bring energy to the squad, as spiritual leaders, we often motivate the boys for their matches.

New addition, Madh Ansari, has begun to prove himself as a future leader, while Flynn Jacobsen and Alex 'Soup' Campbell continued to be a formidable pair with minimal losses this season.

Despite the challenges like weather delays, an initial loss, and Eason Yang hitting the ball into the netting at the winter assembly, the Winter Tennis team continues to have fun whilst participating in the wonderful game of tennis.

Spencer Elliot - Winter Tennis Captain

AGSV Representative Teams

Badminton Hockey

Alex Gao Declan Ham

Robinson He Nikhil Hendehewa

Derek Zhou Lachlan Hodgson (VC)

> Joel Taylor **Angus Murray**

Soccer **AFL**

Theo Hrysamalis Tom Gross (VC) Ben Pollock Liam Callaghan Marc Petheriotis

Charlie Sammartino Riley Foxe

Will Spratt

Cross Country Basketball

Austin Wyatt Alexi Vardoulakis

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