Welcome to the March 2016 edition of the Melbourne University Sport Quarterly eNewsletter. This eNewsletter provides the latest information and updates about the University’s sporting community.

SHOW YOUR COLOURS!

INTERVARSITY FOOTBALL IS BACK ON CAMPUS

Support the University of Melbourne in a game against Go8 rival Australian National University! Join us on Wednesday 6 April at University Oval from 4pm. Enjoy a free BBQ, get your face painted and join in the pre-game kick-to-kick on the hallowed turf of the University Oval. A cash bar will also be operating during the game.

Receive a University Supporter Pack (cap, temporary tattoo, thundersticks and string bag) to collect on game day by pre-registering here. By doing so, you will also go into the half-time draw for an iPad!

NEWS

HAVE A SAY IN MELBOURNE’S FUTURE

The City of Melbourne is seeking community views on its future vision and goals. Due to the lack of open space on campus, University sporting clubs, residential colleges, students, and staff have utilised the sporting facilities, grounds and green spaces in the parks surrounding the Parkville campus for both organised and informal activities for many years. As the population in the inner city expands, demand for open space has intensified and future access for the University community is not assured. MU Sport calls on the University’s sporting community to take part in the City’s survey to stress the importance of providing and improving sport and recreation activities and facilities, as well as securing ongoing access for our students, sporting teams and clubs.

The Future Melbourne Survey will only take a few minutes to complete, and your feedback is confidential and anonymous. Please provide your feedback by midnight, Thursday, 31 March 2016.

CRICKET CLUB WINS PREMIERSHIP

Congratulations to the University Cricket Club on winning the 3rd XI Premiership in the 2015/16 Victorian Premier Cricket League! The thirds defeated the Monash Tigers by five wickets last weekend.

The Cricket Club’s 2nd XI was defeated by St Kilda Cricket Club in their Grand Final on the same weekend.

RUGBY CLUB LANDS NEW DEWAR SHIELD COACH

Melbourne University Rugby Football Club has recently appointed Andrew
Slyfield as their new Head Coach. Slyfield brings a wealth of coaching experience, having coached fellow Premier Division clubs Box Hill and Harlequin, as well as Scotch College in the Victorian Schools Rugby Union (VSRU) competition. Slyfield also teaches sports coaching at the University of Melbourne.

With this new coaching appointment, Melbourne University is looking to build on a successful 2015 in which the team qualified for the Dewar Shield Grand Final. Read more here.

INAUGURAL SCHOOL CAMP WINS OVER KIDS

On 18-19 January, MU Sport held its first ever multi-sport holiday program with 31 children (aged between 5-12 years) in attendance. The two day camp was a success, introducing children to a variety of sports including basketball, futsal, cricket and more at the Sports Precinct on the Parkville campus.

Register your interest for future school camps here.

MU SPORT EVENTS AND NOTICES

VARSITY CHALLENGE

The University of Melbourne takes on Monash University in the 2016 Varsity Challenge. The head-to-head competitions will take place on Wednesday 13 April at the University’s Sports Precinct and Wednesday 20 April at Monash in both Mens and Womens Soccer, Hockey, Basketball and Volleyball.

Two legs have already been decided in the Varsity Challenge, with scores even at one win apiece.

Visit varsitychallenge.com.au for more information.

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