



# The Weekly Wrap



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The informal Newsletter of the Essendon Water Polo Club Inc.



## State Championships - Round 3 Match Reports



AlexS

When you enter a SL1 game with the bare 7 players it is often possible to stay competitive for a half if all players are having a dip. Usually after half time fatigue leads to error and error leads to goals for the opposition. With just 7, Essendon stuck to the script early on as they put the MC Monash goal under heat and guarded their own with vigor. Phoebe in goal, was stopping most shots with aplomb. A half time scoreline of 5 to 2 in our favour had our spirits high. At this point we deviated from the usual script. While our girls did tire against MC Monash, who continued to rotate their bench, our girls displayed the discipline needed to hold the line and were able to continue to find goals when needed. When the final buzzer sounded we were in control and recorded an impressive victory.

**WSL1**

Report by Brett Pullyblank

**Essendon defeated MC Monash : 8 – 6 Goals : Millie 3, AlexS 2, Lily 1, CharlotteB 1, AlexC 1**



Aileen

It was a cold and bleak night for the SL2 women... both with the weather and if the pool. We played last years winners Melb Uni with just 1 sub – which meant we swam hard all night with little rest. Darren continued to remind us to swim with our heads up, look for the ball and pass to the fast break and keep the ball moving in front of goal. We had many shots but with little success. Finally in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter we were rewarded with a 5m penalty which Aileen converted for our one and only goal. The fighting spirit never left us but fighting hard doesn't count unless we convert it into goals! There is always next week...

**WSL2**

Report by Cathy Steere

**Essendon were defeated by Melbourne University : 1 – 7 Goals : Aileen 1**



Brittany

As Tuesday began, we were expecting 8 girls for the DVE Aquatic clash, but as we jumped in the pool to get underway, there were only 6. And we all know how tough it is to play with now bench – and one player short! To our credit, we took this challenge on with determination, under the direction of coach Wee. Our defence in the first quarter was sensational, and allowed just one goal through. We were struggling to have shots, as they doubled up on CF, and marked the rest of us tightly. By the second term, DVE had figured out what to do with their extra player in attach, and snaffled 3 quick goals, whilst we started to play for the foul in attack – and shoot from outside 5m . Again we held them to a single goal in the third, and Susan managed to slot one from 6m. We were pretty stuffed by the final quarter, and our form and commitment fell off, allowing DVE to put away another 3. The only consolation for the night – a visit to Patone's afterwards, for warmth, chatter and good food.

**WSL3**

Report by Lisa Murray-Segal

**Essendon were defeated by DVE Aquatic : 1 – 8 Goals : SusanC 1**

The youth girls had a scheduled Bye this week, though most had to come into MSAC anyway, for their State League game.

**YthG**

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## MSL4

Report by Nick Sims

Essendon Vs DVE Aquatic : ? - ? Goals : ?



Brad

It was a disappointing performance by the guys tonight going down by a goal, in a tight one. There were some great opportunities to take the lead throughout the game but poor shooting let us down. Both regular goal keepers were out this week which didn't help our cause, but Matt and Chips filled in and did an excellent job. Our goals tonight came from Leigh, Eliot and Matt with 2, and then there were another 50 shots on goals that were missed. Highlight of the night was pizza at Patony's and Matt taking off on his Vespa. Looking forward to getting back on the winners list next week.

## MSL6

Report by Brad Stellini

Essendon were defeated by Melbourne University : 4 - 5

Goals : Matt 2, Leigh 1, Eliot 1

## 2014 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS – Ladders after R3

WSL1		WSL2		WSL3		YthG		MSL4*		MSL6*	
Richmond	8	Melb Coll	9	LaTrobe Uni	9	Richmond	7	La Trobe Uni	6	Essendon	6
Footscray	7	Richmond	8	NYP Dragons	9	Essendon	6	DVE Aquatic	4	Melb Uni	6
Ovens & Murray	6	Melb Uni	7	DVE Aquatic	7	MC Marlin's	5	Essendon	4	NYP Dragons	6
Essendon	6	St Cath's	7	Monash Uni	5			Melb Uni	4	M-Surge Gold	5
NYP Dragon	3	NYP Dragons	7	Essendon	3			Old Melburnians	4	Monash Uni	3
MC Monash	2	Richmond 18s	6	Melb Uni	2			Melb Coll	2	DVE Aquatic	2
		Monash Uni	5							Ajax	2
		Essendon	4							M-Surge Black	2
		Footscray	3								

Top 4 teams play finals

\*Ladder after R2

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# CLUB MERCHANDISE

The club is currently on a merchandise drive. To be in a position to place an order, we must meet a minimum requirement (in other words... we can't just order 2-3 items per time). Usually we have to achieve 10-20 requests per item (such as 10 hoodies, or 20 bathers, or 25 towels etc). The website prices reflect these kind of volumes. At present, we only have around 3 hoodie orders, 6 bather orders and several towel orders – so we really need to get more people on board so everyone can look the goods in Essendon gear. Please don't wait, and think you'll buy something later – NOW IS THE TIME!!! Check out all our stuff here :

<http://essendonwaterpolo.asn.au/product-category/essendon-merchandise/>

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