



# PANTHER PRESS



## Lavington Panthers Football & Netball Club

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Newsletter No. 1

### Coach's Message

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Welcome everyone to season 2009. To all new players and their families, we trust you will enjoy our great club.

It's great to have **Peter Bowen Homes** as our major sponsor again this year, and also congratulations to **Matt Hooper** and **Valvoline**, the winners of our major sponsor raffle for the back of the jumper. All of our sponsors are very important and we thank them for their support.

The only change to our coaching staff this year involves **Brett Sanson** (Boxhead) taking over the reins from Jason Hollard in the 2's. Box has played a lot of great football for the club and we look forward to his contribution now, as a coach.

**Kade Stevens** will continue on as captain of the club this season. There is no name more entwined in the history of this club than **Stevens!!** He is fit and raring to go and I look forward to him leading from the front.

I would like to congratulate our 5 boys who are in the Murray Bushrangers squad this season: **Dylan McNeil, Liam Johnson, Josh Hamilton, Chaz Sargeant** and **Chris Duck**. Good luck boys and well done.

Season 2009 also sees our 3rds looking very healthy, with a number of young players pushing through from the Junior club. The development program that was initiated some 8 years ago is certainly beginning to bear fruit. We look forward to those boys progressing through to senior level or higher with our club.

It has been a long pre-season, but now that we play for points the focus sharpens very quickly. That focus is clearly on our game against Yarrawonga today.

I think enough has been said!! Now it's about putting it out on the paddock.

Tim Sanson  
Senior Coach

### President's Message

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Welcome to another year of O&M Football & Netball I would like to thank our members ,supporters, and in particular our sponsors who make the running of our club possible.

Peter Bowen Homes is once again our major jumper sponsor this season and I thank Peter & Jane for their on going support, congratulations to Valvoline as the winner of our back of the jumper raffle and I thank all those purchased tickets and participated in the raffle.

Please support all our sponsors whenever possible.

To all our coaches and players both football & netball we wish you well for the season, you are the lucky ones who have the honour of representing our great club on the field and court, we have a great playing group and I know you will do us proud.

To be successful as a club you need good people and that is the strength of our club both on and off the field, make sure win or lose we all get together at Panthers after the game and enjoy ourselves, together we can make it a great season.

I look forward to seeing you all there and catching up,

**Go Panthers**

Ken Hallows  
President  
Lavington Panthers Football Club

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## PANTHERS FOOTBALL CLUB

## Social Events

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All **HOME GAME** after match functions are held at **LAVINGTON PANTHERS** - *Your lifestyle your club.*

All **AWAY GAME** after match functions are held at the **STAR BAR** - *Start at the Star Bar.*

**Tonight** after we host Yarrawonga is a **Meet and Greet Night**. Welcome the new and greet the old at the after game function. Theme for the evening is **Back to School**. So dig out the old school tie, dress up in your best schoolies gear and kick off the year in style.

**Saturday 11th April** after the trip to Corowa meet up at the **STAR**.

**Saturday 18th April** is the **Players Auction and Rock 'n' Roll** night. Get your bid sheets and your dance cards ready for this one. It should be one of the most enjoyable nights of the season.

Keep your eyes posted here for up-coming club functions

## Juniors and Little League

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The Lavington Panthers have 5 sides in the Albury/Wodonga junior competition. We have 2 x 13's and 14's sides and one 16's team. Juniors train Wednesdays and Friday nights from 4.30pm at Lavy Panthers oval and Urana Rd oval. The season kicks off this Sunday with all sides playing

at Lavington Panthers oval from 10am. So come on down on Sunday and support the juniors.

Simon Hodgson  
Lavington Panthers Junior President

Adam Butler testing the fitness of Grimmo, Hodgy, Nicko, Macca and Giggles during pre-season.



## Newsletter

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The club newsletter will be available at each home game. Any contributions are most welcomed and it is requested that they be forwarded by the Wednesday prior to the home

game. Point of contact for the newsletter is Steve Bryant email [steve.bryant1@bigpond.com](mailto:steve.bryant1@bigpond.com).