

Dominant Demons decimate CMS Crows

MOONTA MAGIC

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REPORT BY

In front of a record Yorke Peninsula Football League grand final crowd of 2260 people at Moonta Oval, the Demons secured their status as the most successful A grade side in the past decade, after they took care of CMS Crows by 101 points in a Dee-structive display on Saturday, September 21.

When Moonta's Dylan Mansell slotted his fifth goal into the Moonta netting, pushing the margin beyond 80 points, Moonta confirmed it had no demons remaining from last year's grand final loss.

YPFL president Brad Haylock said, although the A grade match was one-sided, the day ran smoothly.

"I thought it was run magnificently. I thought Moonta had enough stalls around the place and when you've got a huge crowd like that, it is always hard to cater, so under the circumstances, I thought they did very well," Haylock said.

In fact, Haylock said the entire finals series was a success as the YPFL enjoyed record crowds for the second semifinal, and preliminary and grand finals.

However, Moonta's victory, which was achieved using no approved player points (one of the only teams in South Australia to do so in 2024), was arguably overshadowed by the CMS Crows, which won a fourth consecutive A grade premiership in the netball.

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> The winner... **Paskeville**

SENIOR COLTS Wallaroo v **CY Cougars**

> The winner... Wallaroo

JUNIOR COLTS Moonta v **Southern Eagles**

The winner... Moonta

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THE MATCH

After a shock loss in last year's grand final, Moonta overcame its demons to secure its fourth premiership in eight years in front of a record crowd at its home oval, on 2024 YPFL grand final day, Saturday, September 21.

This season's triumph was against CMS Crows.

Crows coach Jamie Kemp described his players as "flat footed" in the first quarter as Moonta kicked seven unanswered goals to set up the match.

Troy Colliver, Ryley Maitland and Jake Turner were among Moonta's early goal kickers. In the warm, blustery weather, the Crows had the wind advantage but were unable to capitalise. registering only eight inside 50s to Moonta's 16.

The Demons also heavily rotated their bench, bringing for-

Karpany into the action and previous YPFL Mail Medallist Dvlan Mansell onto the ground; both had started on the bench. Mansell had an immediate impact, kicking two goals from his first two touches back after missing four games with injury.

Ryley Newbold was admirable in the ruck, as were Brett Baillie and Adam Jolly for the Crows against the Moonta barrage. Mavrik Harper-Zerna (CMS) also found the football; however, most of the Crows' possessions were ineffectual due to the pressure Moonta applied.

Late goals to Matthew Appleton and Oliver Mullins, who had the task of trying to nullify YPFL star Angus Glazbrook, demonstrated the Demons' dominance and foreshadowed the impending result.

In the quarter-time break, Kemp pleaded with his team to enter second quarter as a desperate and driven unit. To their

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Jolly, A Glazbrook

MOONTA \vee CMS CROWS

Played at Moonta Oval

7.2 10.7 15.11 **MOONTA CMS CROWS** 0.2

3.2 6.2 (40)BEST - Moonta: R Maitland, D Mansell, T Hancocks, M Appleton, M Altmann, M Karpany; CMS Crows: J Hickman, H Facy, G Litster, A

GOALS - Moonta: D Mansell 5, M Appleton 3, T Andrews, T Colliver, M Karpany, J Turner 2, A Elsworthy, R Maitland, O Mullins, A Turner, J Warmington; CMS Crows: A Glazbrook, H Litster 2, M Harper-Zerna,

credit, Crows challenged Moonta and increased their pressure.

Glazbrook got one back on Mullins and kicked a goal to narrow the margin. Suddenly, the Crows' intensity had lifted and the match became more physical.

Baillie was once again impor-

tant in CMS' defence, along with teammate Jacob Hickman. Tyler Andrews responded for Moonta with an excellent crumbing goal at pace, only for Glazbrook to kick another goal.

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Leading into the match, Mullins had kept Glazbrook to only one goal in their previous

Glazbrook had booted eight goals in their last two matches, the Crows still had belief.

Harry Litster kicked another goal for CMS and Murphy Short and Jolly found the ball, but Moonta trio Maitland (2024 YPFL Mail Medallist), Karpany (past West Coast Eagle) and Appleton (former SANFL player) repelled the Crows' forward pursuits and kicked two late goals to lead by 47 points at halftime.

The third quarter was evenly contested, with both sides winning the same number of centre clearances. While the Crows were once again more competitive, Moonta scored two early goals (including one to Appleton) to reach an unassailable margin.

Todd Hoyle was solid for the Crows in defence, which had defended more than 35 inside 50s to this point. Goals to Callum Saunders and Harry Litster helped CMS' morale, but

Elsworthy, Appleton and the Turner brothers (Aidan and Jake), meant Moonta was clean when in possession and controlled the ball for large passages of play.

Unfortunately for the red and blues, A Turner was taken off the ground carrying an injury.

At three-quarter time, Moonta led by 63 points.

Three last-quarter goals to Mansell was symbolic of a dominant performance from the Demons. Although Jolly and Henry Facy continued to work tirelessly for the Crows, Moonta owned the last term and pushed the margin to 101 points at the final siren.

After CMS finished the regular season in third place, improving on last season, Moonta was more efficient with the ball, applied elite pressure and dominated in the key areas of the match, finishing with 20 more inside 50s than



YPFL A GRADE... Malcolm Karpany, Moonta, leaps away from Mavrik Harper-Zerna, CMS Crows, to get a handball away.



YPFL A GRADE... Best on ground Ryley Maitland, Moonta, YPFL A GRADE... Moonta's Dylan Mansell kicks between CMS Crows players Frederick Wilson and





marks on the run in front of Todd Hoyle, CMS Crows.



YPFL A GRADE... Moonta's Tyler Andrews listens intently to coach Gavin Adams at quarter time.

RYLEY MAITLAND'S XTRAORDINARY RÉSUMÉ

THE MEDALLIST

Three Mail Medals, four premiership victories, premiership captain and a Yorke Peninsula Football League grand final best on ground, Moonta's Ryley Maitland is developing a pretty extraordinary résumé.

Maitland was among a host of Moonta players who performed impressively in the side's 101-point victory on grand final day.

Maitland played primarily in the midfield, where he won multiple

clearances, and despite pressure from his opposition, found several possessions, earning the best on ground honours.

Maitland said he was ecstatic with the team's victory, as it was also his first grand final win as cap-

"I felt pretty good out there. It was just really good teamwork actually, it makes it pretty easy," he said.

"(We had) no passengers. I think everyone contributed.

"I got that today (pointing at his

best on ground medallion), but it could have gone to half a dozen blokes. We had so many guys that just played their role and just did what they had to."

While Maitland injured his hand during the game (possibly nursing broken fingers), he said the winning feeling was surreal.

"None of the individual stuff comes into it. To be able to win a grand final with all your best mates on the same day is just brilliant," he

This was the 27-year-old's sec-

ond grand final victory at Moonta, after moving to the club three years

"It's really hard to say (where this win sits amongst the other grand final wins) but it is right up there," he said.

"I played in three at Kimba and they were all up there as well... I hold them all very highly."

Maitland also won the YPFL Mail Medal earlier this month, was selected in the Central Zone team and featured in the YPCT team of the year.



YPFL A GRADE... Best on ground Ryley Maitland, Moonta.





YPFL A GRADE... Moonta players Jayga Warmington, Matthew Appleton, Dylan Mansell, Matthew Altmann, Braden Aldridge, Patrick Fry, Harrison Hatcher, Brodie Maitland, Alex Elsworthy, Tom Hancocks, and supporters, celebrate in the rooms with a beer shower after their



YPFL A GRADE... Moonta's Dylan Aldridge drinks from the premiership cup with teammates Malcolm Karpany and Tyler Andrews.

Rounding out an historic season



YPFL A GRADE... Senior coach of the year Gavin Adams, Moonta.



YPFL A GRADE... Respect between Moonta player Jayga Warmington and coach Gavin Adams after the game.



YPFL A GRADE... Moonta coach Gavin Adams and captain Ryley Maitland embrace after the game.

In a historic season for one of the oldest football clubs in Australia, Moonta added its fourth A grade premiership shield in the past eight years (six in total from 1961) to their collection.

Moonta coach Gavin "Spider" Adams was overwhelmed with emotion at the end of the match and labelled his side one of the best country teams with lots of local

"I love these boys that much, they mean the world to me and what you saw today is one of the best local-talented sides in the competition," he said.

"These kids grew up with my daughters and I've coached them at senior colt and A grade level. It is more to me than just coaching, it's about relationships."

In fact, Moonta is one of the only country teams in South Australia to use no approved player points in a winning grand

The side, comprising entirely local players, was littered with ex-SANFL and AFL talents, including Malcolm Karpany, Matthew Appleton, Dylan Aldridge, Ryley Maitland and Aidan Turner. Adams said, in the lead-up to the match,

he had been confident his side would challenge for the premiership because of the players' preparation during the week.

You could tell with the group during the week they were switched on," he said.

"We went into the start of the year with the focus about developing our young ones and seeing them coming through and winning like that today, shows if you put time and effort into your younger ones, the results can come.

"And they work hard at training, we're doing eight to 10 kilometres on a Tuesday night, and you can see it."

Going into the weekend, Moonta had lost two of its past three grand finals (2023 against Kadina and 2021 against CMS Crows).

However, Adams said this season's build up to the grand final put them in good stead and, while the Crows challenged Moonta at stages (particularly in the second quarter), the Demons' response epitomised their season.

"Yeah they (CMS) got on top of us in the midfield a little bit and then we turned it back again late in the quarter, and that's what we've done all year."

Adams attributed some of Moonta's ability to apply pressure on its opposition to training drills supplied by former North Melbourne player Brent Harvey.

Kemp: 'They were | Demons dominate iust wav too good'

THE LOSERS

For the second time in the past four years, CMS Crows made the grand final but fell short at the final hurdle at the hands of Moonta.

After Moonta kicked seven goals to the Crows' two points at the end of the first quarter, CMS coach Jamie Kemp wanted a lift from his side. While they responded, Moonta dominated most of the play. Kemp praised his opponent's quality style of football and was frustrated in his team's

"Their local players are a lot fitter than us and a lot stronger than us. They looked like they'd been playing together for a long time," Kemp said.

"They were just way too good, and way too quick for us."

Kemp said although his side's preparation was high quality, Moonta's superior skill and fitness shone through.

"Our preparation was good, we were just blown away in the first quarter, because we were just a bit flat footed," he said.

"They sort of ran us off our feet. They've been training together, and been playing together for

CMS Crows finished in third

place at the end of the regular season and, despite a three-game losing streak in the middle of the year, they made the grand final.

Kemp said the Crows had significantly improved on last year's season, when they finished fifth.

"We've come from a long way back. It was our worst season last year, and it is a whole new group this year. We've probably over achieved where we thought we were going to be," he said.

Kemp said some of the focuses of the off season would be to recruit another premier midfielder and keep the core group of players together.

finals series

"Eric 'Tippy' Tipwood" REPORT BY

What a game the YPFL A grade grand final was!

The Demons were simply too good, capping off their dominant finals run with a resounding grand final win.

They were switched on from the start, and the Crows couldn't stop the bleeding.

The Demons set up their victory with a blistering sevengoal first quarter. Moonta got on top in the midfield, delivering quality forward entries with sharp hands around stoppages. They converted these opportunities, posting a big score early.

The Demons' ability to release handballs out the back of every contest helped them absorb the Crows' pressure and use the ball efficiently

Defensively, the Demons piled the pressure on, tackling fiercely and earning multiple free kicks. They also managed to keep the Crows' ball movement under control throughout the match.

It was a bit surprising the Crows didn't do more to curb the Moonta midfield. A tagger on Ryley Maitland could have been a good start, or perhaps a half forward coming up to create some congestion and nullify Moonta's clearances.

When the Crows did manage to get their hands on the ball, they resorted to kicking long down the line too often. They struggled to move the ball through the corridor and failed to maintain quick ball move-

Demons' finals run is one of the most dominant I can recall. with three wins all by more than 50 points. Remarkably, they conceded only 12 goals across those three games. To top it off, winning on their home ground would be an added triumph.



Magpies make major final statement

Wilson McShane REPORT BY

After finishing fourth at the end of the minor rounds and having lost their previous three grand final appearances, Paskeville Magpies swooped on their first premiership in 12 years, defeating minor premiers Southern Eagles.

Leading into the match, the Eagles had lost only three games throughout the season (including one to Paskeville), and it showed early in the contest as they kicked the first three goals. Through goals to Blake Gutsche and George Bond, Eagles enjoyed a 17-point lead early in the match. This was reduced when Paskeville's Ben Davies goaled near quarter time, reducing the margin to 10 points at the first break.

In the second term, Michael Beelitz got the Eagles to a desired start after he booted a goal, through useful midfield work by YPFL Mail Medallist Jordan Carrocci.

Paskeville's Glen Mulders responded well for his side, helping the Magpies win clearances by valuable ruck work and allowing Davies to kick another goal and close the margin to five points.

For the Eagles, Dylan Gutsche was busy in the midfield, as was B Gutsche, along with Joshua Pippen-Edwards who was solid in defence.

While the match started with a favourable breeze to the southeasterly end of the oval, this began to dissipate as the physicality increased.

A Shem Crawford goal extended the Eagles' lead to 17 points, before Mulders responded and kicked an important major on the siren for the Magpies.

At halftime, Southern Eagles led by 12 points.

Paskeville carried momentum with Mulders' late goal into the third term with goals to Ayden Smith and Joseph Daniel closing the margin to single digits. Through Llevton Roberts, Paskeville also started to win clearances and had repeat forward

The game's atmosphere also improved with Magpies and Eagles supporters making their voices heard. While both sides did not always transition the ball efficiently due to skill errors, the pressure on the ball carrier was elite. Goals to D Gutsche and Bond ensured the Eagles had a 15-point lead at three-quarter time.

While the match had been evenly contested to this point with Southern Eagles leading forward entries, Paskeville owned the last

Important marks to Daniel and Smith gave Paskeville targets in their forward half and allowed them to lock the ball in. Samuel Holman and Daniel goaled to get within six points.

Luke Thompson worked valiantly in the ruck and, although Paskeville had won clearances this quarter, the Eagles' defensive pressure was elite. A set-shot miss to Smith levelled scores, before Michael Beelitz had a chance to put the Eagles back in front. However, he too missed.

With less than 10 minutes left in the match, Smith grabbed the ball out of the ruck at a forward stoppage and goaled, giving Paskeville the lead. Daniel and Mulders also goaled to ensure the Magpies' upset victory.

Although the Eagles had controlled large passages of play and led at every break, a 34-to-twopoint last quarter gave the Magpies victory. Lleyton Roberts was announced best on ground.



YPFL B GRADE... Bram Schiller, Paskeville, fires a handball past Dylan Gutsche, Southern Eagles.



YPFL B GRADE... Andrew Daniell, Southern Eagles, leaps from behind to try and spoil the marking atempt of Corey Price, Paskeville.



YPFL B GRADE... Daniel Tilbrook, Southern Eagles, kicks for goal as Brett Loveridge, Paskeville, leaps with eyes closed to smother.



YPFL B GRADE... Son and father Tom and Brett Loveridge, Paskeville, with their medals after the game.

GRAND FINAL



STHN EAGLES \lor **PASKEVILLE**

7.7

PASKEVILLE 3.2 5.3 **STHN EAGLES** 4.2 7.3 10.4

BEST - Paskeville: L Roberts, B Schiller, J Price, B Davies, M Dittmar, J Watson; Sthn Eagles: M McEvoy, K Hancock, A Daniell, B Gutsche,

GOALS - Paskeville: J Daniel, B Davies 3, G Mulders, A Smith 2, S Holman, B Millward; Sthn Eagles: M Beelitz 3, G Bond 2, S Crawford, B Gutsche, D Gutsche, C Hoare, L Hoare.



YPFL B GRADE... Best on ground Lleyton Roberts, Paskeville.



YPFL B GRADE... Premiers Paskeville (in no prticular order) coach Daniel Hutton, assistant coach Caine Humphries, team manager Lachlan Schumacher, runner Tom Bussenschutt, Tyson Adams, Jonathon Price, Ben Davies, Luke James, Michael Dittmar, Tom Loveridge, Glen Mulders, Bailey Turner, Henry Correll, Corey Price, Bram Schiller, Brett Loveridge, Brodie Millward, Joseph Daniel, Jack Davies, Blake Roberts, Samuel Holman, Jake Watson, Dylan March, Lleyton Roberts, Mitchell Moyle, Ayden Smith.





YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Wallaroo's Luke Russel and Hunter Wellgreen fly as they celebrate a goal by Wellgreen.

Defiant Doggies go back-to-back-to-back

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Central Yorke Cougars defeated Kadina in a blockbuster preliminary final to take on the undefeated Wallaroo in the grand final, played at Moonta on Saturday (September 21).

The last time these sides met (in the second semifinal), Wallaroo defeated Cougars by 82 points. A similar result was impending as the Dogs kicked with the breeze (non-netball-courts end) and booted two goals (Hunter Wellgreen and William Marshall), seven behinds, to no score.

Hunter Mumford and Joshua Bull were useful in the centre, as was Wellgreen, who started on a wing and was influential early in the match. He also channelled his inner Harley Reid, fending off an oncoming Cougars player onto the ground and kicking a running goal from long distance. Luke Russel and Nathan Fletcher were also useful in the ruck and at full forward. For the Cougars, which had lit-

tle possession throughout the quarter, it was Angus Beston, Barnaby Wheare and Hugo Thyer who were among their highest possession getters.

The second quarter was played in similar fashion as the Dogs extended their lead. However, inaccurate kicking kept Cougars in the game as Wallaroo kicked nine consecutive behinds after their second goal.

Another Wellgreen goal stopped this trend, as did majors to Russel and Mumford to give Wallaroo a 40-point lead to Cougars' zero.

Jack Southwood was busy for Cougars along with his teammate Cooper Jarrett, who finally helped Cougars hit the scoreboard, kicking their first major. Late in the quarter, Cougars generated repeat forward entries and scored another goal through Thyer but trailed by 31 points at halftime.

Wallaroo shut down any hope of a Cougars' comeback when Wellgreen kicked a quality goal under pressure. Rashawn Agius, who was influential all day, **GRAND FINAL**





2.7 5.13 **CY COUGARS**

BEST - Wallaroo: J Bull, W Marshall, H Wellgreen, R Miller, L Russel, R Beech; CY Cougars: C Jarrett, J Southwood, B Wheare, R Agius,

9.16

GOALS - Wallaroo: H Wellgreen 5, N Fletcher, W Marshall 2, T Gray, J Mumford, L Russel, E Trott; CY Cougars: H Thyer 2, R Agius, C Jarrett,

responded not long after for Cougars to narrow the margin to 30 points. Wallaroo's best player Bull worked hard in the midfield for the Dogs and assisted goals to Wellgreen and Fletcher. Cougars' Wheare, Jarrett and Beston continued to find the ball for Cougars, and Tyler Mills took a spectacular mark, but Wallaroo still led comfortably at three-quarter time.

In the final term, Russel (Wallaroo) and Wheare (Cougars) were impressive, along with Bull and, while Cougars had more forward pursuits this quarter, they were unable to claw back the margin, losing by 59 points.

This was Wallaroo Under 17s' third consecutive premiership; they will bid farewell to almost 10 top-age players for next season.



YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Riley Miller, Wallaroo, takes a flying mark in front of Hugo Thyer, CY Cougars.



YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Premiers Wallaroo (in no particular order) coach Paul Northeast holding Parker, team manager Megan Liddy, runner Scott Gray, Charlie Hines, Nathan Fletcher, Ethan Trott, Riley Beech, Jack Mumford, Riley Phelan, Hunter Wellgreen, Shann Hanson, Mitchell Miller, Caiden Richardson, Anthony Paxton, Luke Russel, Kolbi Weight, Jayden Mwoyounotsva, Adam Dempster, Farren Finn, Brodie Steer, Riley Miller, Cohen Mummery, Tyson Gray, Ryan Zimmermann, William Marshall, Curtis Kuhndt, Josh Bull, Ash Wakelin, Curtis Boundy, Blair Cunningham, Brodie Hines, Daniel Geyser.



YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Best on ground Josh Bull, Wallaroo.



kicks as Jack Southwood, CY Cougars, attempts to smother. Dog's win against CY Cougars.



YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Best on ground Josh Bull, Wallaroo, YPFL SENIOR COLTS... Wallaroo's Nathan Fletcher leads a cheer after the



Demons' delightful day

Wilson McShane JOURNALIST

Southern Eagles junior colts started well against the undefeated Moonta side, with Eagles' Maxwell Johnson kicking the first major against the breeze.

Johnson, who kicked 10 goals throughout the finals, was amongst a host of Eagles players crucial in getting their side to the grand final after they'd finished fifth at the end of the home-and-away rounds.

While the Eagles started well, the Demons worked their way into the match and dominated centre clearances through Jack Christian and Reef Mackereth.

The home side proceeded to flex its muscles, booting six consecutive goals and controlling play. Goals to Imogen Phillips, Liam Weatherley, Ryder Dunlop and Hudson White meant Moonta enjoyed a 29-point lead at quarter time.

While understandably a little shellshocked with the barrage of Demons goals in the first term, Eagles' coach Mark Aitchison implored his team to keep fighting as they were not yet out of the contest. However, another Dunlop goal early in the second quarter deflated Eagles' spirits and pushed the lead beyond 35 points.

Through Kalani De Roos' impressive forward pressure, Johnson's forward activity and Jayden Lloyd's defensive running, Dunlop's goal was the only of the quarter as the Eagles had evened the play.

Moonta's Eli Lawson was a useful target at centre half forward and was efficient with ball in hand. Christian, Moonta, also pled his case for best on ground honours, as he played as a midfielder but set up behind the ball and took several intercept marks.

At halftime, Southern Eagles trailed by 36 points.

After the break, two more goals to Dunlop helped Moonta reach an unassailable lead. These goals were two of Dunlop's seven for the day and 18 for his past three matches.

Lachlan Dart (Southern Eagles) won a free kick and kicked a goal, but at three-quarter time Moonta led by 50 points.

In the final term, Kobi Wheadon and Mason Bunney won some crucial possessions for the Eagles as did White and Christian for Moonta. A last-quarter goal to Bede Mackereth, who had dyed his hair red and blue for the grand final, summarised the Demons' day and they finished 68-point winners against a formidable Eagles outfit that had a stellar finals series.

Jack Christian, Moonta, was awarded the best on ground medal.

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YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Premiers Moonta (in no particular order) coach Ricky Mackereth, runner Ryan Jarvis, team manager Jade Christian, Reece Osborn, Bede Mackereth, Seth Lee, Xander Jarvis, Jave Ramsey, Imogen Phillips, Ryder Dunlop, Jayden Goddard, Connor Osborn, Anthony Marchetto, Dale Leicester, Reef Mackereth, Jack Keleher, Aiden Christian, Liam Weatherley, Eli Lawson, Nathan Griffin, Lachlan Gray, Hudson White, Jack Christian, Aidan Galley, Kye Smith, Lachlan Williams, Lawson Benn, Declan Wiltshire, Callum Carter, Jaiden Groben.

GRAND FINAL



STHN EAGLES

7.2 10.4 11.6 1.0 1.2 2.2 2.2

BEST - Moonta: J Christian, R Dunlop, H White, R Mackereth, I Phillips, E Lawson; Sthn Eagles: K Wheadon, J Lloyd, M Bunney, S Phasey, J Webb, C Murdoch

GOALS - Moonta: R Dunlop 7, B Mackereth, I Phillips, L Weatherley, H White; Sthn Eagles: L Dart, M Johnson.



YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Jayden Lloyd, Southern Eagles,



their banner pre-game.



YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Nathan Griffin, Moonta, can't get a hand to the ball before it crosses the goal line, with goal umpire James Angove in perfect



YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Moonta junior colts burst through YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Best on ground Jack Christian, Moonta, kicks clear YPFL JUNIOR COLTS... Junior coach of the of Darcy Aitchison and Angus Slade, Southern Eagles.





year Ricky Mackereth, Moonta.



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Moonta "amazing" hosts

YPNA president Meagan Daniel said, while all matches were played at a quality standard, the Crows deserved their win due to their dominant season.

"Overall, the day was definitely a success. The games were all played to high standard, and the play was clean and at a high skill level," she said.

"There was a high level of sportsmanship between all sides with many grades joining together to do the cheers.

"(In the A grade), Paskeville never gave in, but the CMS Crows proved too strong with a 14-goal win. CMS Crows were undefeated all season (minor rounds) and are always a tough side to play."

While Paskeville and CMS Crows faced each other in four of the eight YPNA grand finals, five clubs went home with at least one premiership shield.

Daniel said, in this competitive display of netball and record crowd conditions, Moonta was an impressive host.

"Moonta Netball Club did an amazing job with their set up.

"(There was) plenty of access to facilities such as food, drinks, toilets, and the crowd was able to sit all around the courts, getting a good view of the action and providing a great atmosphere.

"At times we had a hard job keeping the spectators back so the umpires had enough space to safely perform their duties.'

Daniel praised the umpires who adjudicated at a high standard and said the close matches in D and E grades engaged the crowd and made for enjoyable



YPFL GRAND FINALS... Moonta supporters Kai Wahlstedt, Nikkita Aldridge, Adele Andrew and Brittney Miller with the faces of players Aidan Turner, Braden Aldridge, Dylan Aldridge and Jake Turner.



YPNA G GRADE... Moonta coach Libby Adams had badges made of her team and wore them proudly for their game against CY Cougars.



YPFL GRAND FINALS... Taya Linke shows support for Moonta junior colt Jack Christian.



YPNA A GRADE... Will Rogers made a poster in support of his sister Joria, who played for Paskeville.



YPFL GRAND FINALS... Moonta A grade coach Gavin "Spider" Adams with daughter Libby, coach of Moonta Netball Club's G grade premiership team.



YPNA F GRADE... CY Cougars player Penny Kohlhagen with a poster made by Maisie Honner.



YPFL GRAND FINALS... Young Moonta supporter Zaharra Lovakovic.



YPFL/YPNA GRAND FINALS... Part of the record crowd at Saturday's grand finals.























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Four in a row for CMS Crows

The crowd was anticipating a great game and neither team was about to disappoint.

CMS Crows had first possession of the ball and slick passing from midcourt players Tegan Goldsworthy and Tyla Cook had the ball in the hands of GA Tasmyn Biddell for the first score of the match.

Paskeville found it difficult to penetrate the Crows defence on the next centre pass and contacts against WA Lauren Maxwell and WD Taylah Wurfel had Crows GS Bronwyn Farrow put on the next two goals in succession.

A strong rebound by GD Amie Price, from a missed Crows shot, had the ball move the length of the court to be converted to by GA Chloe Cook. Defence was strong at both ends of the court. Paskeville's Price and GK Jorja Rogers pounced on any wayward shots from the Crows shooting duo of Biddell and B Farrow, while at the other end, GK Georgina Farrow and GD Melissa McSkimming worked hard to counter the work of Cook and GS Fiona Bussenschutt in the Pasky attack.

In the midcourt, the contests between centres Goldsworthy and Taitlyn Tilbrook, Crows WD Felicity Kemp and Paskeville's Maxwell, and Crows' Cook and Wurfel were intense, with players from both sides providing plenty of spectacle for those watching.

At the end of the first quarter, Crows

had the better of their opponents and took a narrow four-goal lead.

The intensity increased in the second quarter with players competing fiercely for the ball. A strong defensive rebound by G Farrow, from a Bussenschutt attempt, allowed the Crows to transition the ball again into Biddell who scored.

An intercept in the midcourt by Crows' Cook provided a turnover to put another score on the board by B Farrow, followed by another in quick succession off the centre pass.

At the four-minute mark Crows had put on four unanswered goals before Paskeville responded through the sure hands of Chloe Cook.

Halfway through the quarter, Paskeville had clawed back some of the deficit; however Crows retained the upper hand and went into the long break with a five-goal advan-

Crows remained unchanged for the third quarter while Paskeville's Tilbrook moved to WA and Eliza Kitschke came into C.

Goals were hard to come by, such was the intensity of the contest, and there were long passages of play without scores.

At both ends, teams had to work hard to feed the ball into the circle and the goalies found it difficult to

The respective keepers, Rogers and G Farrow, worked tirelessly to repel the ball, and the passage of the ball

along the length of the court was fiercely contested.

Paskeville made several rolling substitutions throughout the quarter, but fresh legs and new combinations made no impact on the course of the game. At the end of the third quarter, Crows had extended their margin to seven.

Crows made a decisive start to the final quarter with three unanswered goals in the first two minutes. Biddell rebounded strongly under the ring to contest the leap of Rogers and Price.

At the other end, Cook was unable to sustain her fine shooting from earlier in the match, and the Crows defensive trio of G Farrow, McSkimming and Kemp kept the pressure up and denied many Paskeville attacking plays.

Paskeville continued to use their bench throughout the quarter, while Josie Rudduck made a cameo appearance for the Crows to finish the

It was an excellent contest thoroughly enjoyed by the large spectator contingent and was well controlled by the two visiting umpires.

In what must have been a difficult

decision given the excellent netball on display, Crows WD Felicity Kemp was judged the best player on court for the game. Congratulations to players on both teams for their



YPNA A GRADE... CMS Crows coach Tegan Goldsworthy accepts the premiership shield and pennant from YPNA life member Alison Meier.



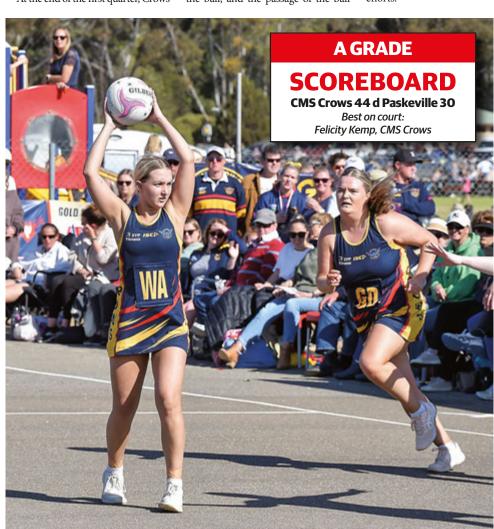
Felicity Kemp, CMS Crows.



YPNA A GRADE... Best on court YPNA A GRADE... Eliza Kitschke, Paskeville, wrestles for contol of the ball with Tegan Goldsworthy, CMS Crows.



YPNA A GRADE... Best on court Felicity Kemp, CMS Crows, passes to teammate Bronwyn Farrow against Paskeville.



YPNA A GRADE... Tyla Cook, CMS Crows, looks to pass against Paskveille.







Crows soar over Pasky

CMS Crows kicked off the game with the centre pass, facing off against a tough Paskeville team.

Both teams applied tight defence early on, causing turnovers in the first quarter.

Crows WD Josie Rudduck drove the ball out of defence with determination, while Pasky's goalkeeper Cassie Mills put up a strong rebounding effort.

In the second quarter, Crows' defenders Erin Hoare (GD) and Amy Lennreth (GK) were pivotal in creating turnovers. Pasky made a rolling substitution at WA, bringing Katie Koster onto the court. Crows WA Kari Jones and C Elle Moss showcased impressive ball movement, delivering great feeds to their goalies.

Pasky shuffled their positions, moving Koster into WD and bringing Christine Mulders back to WA. Pasky's defenders fought hard giving them opportunities to score.

There were strong connections in the third quarter between Crows WA Kari Jones and GA Erin Cock. A good contest developed between Crows C Moss and Pasky centre Brittany Harmer.

Crows goalies, Tani Farrow and Erin Cock, shot with accuracy, while Pasky goal shooter Sally-Anne Heinrich worked hard to keep her team in the

In the final quarter, Crows defenders Hoare and Lennreth continued to cause



YPNA B GRADE... Best on court, Erin Cock.

disruptions with tips and turnovers.

The Crows made strategic subs, bringing Matilda Wheare into WD and shifting Rudduck into WA. Pasky GA Daniel displayed solid movement in attack, and Pasky's defenders worked hard to create opportunities. However, the Crows' tight defence and fluid ball movement secured a strong victory over Pasky. A well-fought game from both sides, but the Crows came out on top with a convincing win.



YPNA B GRADE... Kari Jones, CMS Crows, grabs the ball on the run against Paskeville.



YPNA B GRADE... Premiers CMS Crows, back: Vicki Lukeman, Tani Farrow, Amy Lennerth, Jessica Farrow, Erin Hoare, Felicity Kemp; front: Erin Cock, Matilda Wheare, Elle Moss, Kari Jones, Josie Rudduck.



YPNA B GRADE... Paskeville's Katie Koster at full stretch to grab a pass.



YPNA B GRADE... Tani Farrow, CMS Crows, and Cassie Mills, Paskeville, stretch to grab a pass in the goal circle.





Crows run out victors

The first centre pass went to Crows, and they converted. Paskeville's GA missed, but four turnovers up and down the court finally resulted in another Crows goal.

Pasky goalies struggled early, missing their attempts, but patient play got two straight goals. A fumble at the Crow centre pass resulted in another goal to Pasky to get the scores back level. Quarter time: CMS Crows 14, Paskeville 7.

Teams were unchanged heading into the second. Both sets of goalies improved their shooting.

An intercept by the Pasky WA resulted in an opportunity to peg back a goal only to see the goal missed and Crows then capitalised.

Crow defenders grabbed any misses which got them out to a six-goal lead. Pasky made changes bringing on Layla Wilksch at GA; this paid off resulting in two quick goals. Errors in the Pasky attack resulted in costly turnovers. Pasky again made swaps at GA with Leanne Wait returning. Halftime: CMS Crows 17, Paskeville 11.

Crows started the next half as they finished the first, getting early turnovers. The Pasky defence tried hard and was rewarded with some timely rebounds.

The Crow team upped the pressure and caused a held ball and another goal. All the momentum seemed to be going with the

The defensive pressure over the whole court started to show with uncharacteristic fumbles and Pasky made more changes.

Crows goalies hardly missed allowing them to extend their lead going into the

The Crows played outstandingly and could taste victory. They combined and backed up well and, with their goalies on song, ran out victors.



YPNA CGRADE... Sarah Pridham, Paskeville, defends

a shot at goal by Rosalind Short, CMS Crows. Right:

Best on court, Rosalind Short, CMS Crows.

YPNA C GRADE... Sarah Browne, CMS Crows, reaches to knock the ball away from Cassidy Bowley, Paskeville.



Pasky holds on to win

D GRADE

SCOREBOARD

Paskeville 57 d CMS Crows 55 Best on court: Lucy Dare, Paskeville

Nerves showed as the game commenced, with Paskeville being the first team to settle after a great intercept from GK Bec Wardle.

Crows GS worked herself into the game and shot well in the first quarter and was fed well from her midcourt players.

Lauren Connell was leading well at WA for Paskeville and created great opportunities for her goalies, GS Teagan Evans and GA Lucy

As both teams settled into the game, play went goal for goal and the scores were even, 15-all.

Paskeville started the second quarter with good passages of play with midcourters WA Connell, C Emmie Stark and WD Ellie Brand applying pressure and creating turnovers.

Crows adjusted to the early pressure well and the game continued to go goal for goal.

Neither side was letting up and Paskeville had the narrowest of leads at halftime, 30-29.

Teams were unchanged going into the third. Crows stepped up their game with everyone on the court giving it their all. The Crows GS was still holding strongly and shooting well with their GA creating space in the goal circle.



CMS Crows 46 d Paskeville 24

Best on court: Rosalind Short, CMS Crows

YPNA D GRADE... Paskeville's Grace Inman grabs a pass in

An injury to Paskeville's GS held up play as Paskeville was forced to make positional changes.

Connell went to GS and Annie Correll came onto WA and did a great job feeding her goalies.

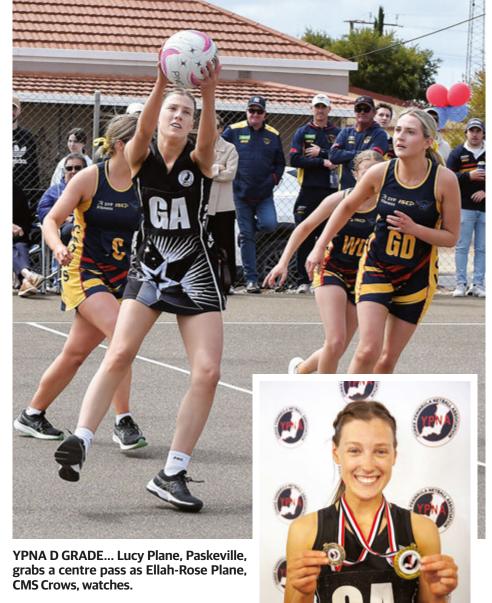
GA Dare stepped up and controlled the goal circle. Crows had a great quarter and led by one at three-quarter time, 43-42.

Paskeville regrouped during the break and headed out for the final 15 minutes with intent to take home the premiership.

The game continued to go goal for goal and the spectators were beginning to think this one could go to extra time.

Paskeville GS Teagen Evans reentered the game and WD Brand took a fabulous intercept which changed the momentum.

Paskeville went ahead by two goals which they maintained until the end of the game winning 57-55. A great game to watch and a credit to both teams in the way in which it was played.



Right: YPNA D GRADE... Best on court, Lucy Dare, Paskeville.



Eagles back-to-back premiers

It was a beautiful, sunny day to start the grand final.

Lily Johns, Southern Eagles, took the first centre pass and got the ball quickly to GA Georgia Harvey, who scored. There was great defence from Moonta GA Tahlia Woodward up the court.

Moonta made an early change bringing on Rebecca Norton into GK against Eagles shooter Jess Bunney. Quarter time: Southern Eagles 15, Moonta 7.

Eagles brought on E grader Tara

Easter into WD supporting her defence in GD Charlize Bunney and GK Jess Kammerman.

There was a tight tussle in the midcourt between Moonta's Amelia Bugg and Eagles' Zara Loechel, and good movement in the Moonta circle from Ruby Champion and Chole Formosa. Halftime: Southern Eagles 28, Moonta

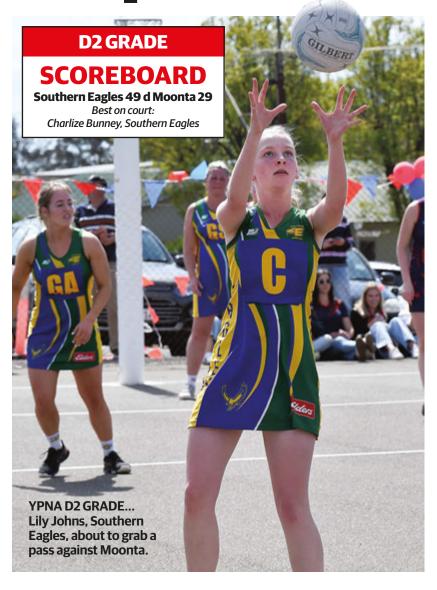
Eagles utilised their junior players in the third, GD Bunney and WA Jade Player. There was fabulous pressure from Moonta GD Bugg resulting in a turnover and goal for her team.

Moonta used their rolling subs regularly to keep fresh legs on the court. Heading into the final term the Eagles had extended their lead.

In the final quarter, both teams upped the pressure resulting in turnovers both ways. Great movement and shooting by both Eagles players Bunney and Harvey helped secure their win and back-to-back premier-



YPNA D2 GRADE... Best on court, Charlize Bunney, Southern Eagles.





YPNA D2 GRADE... Amelia Bugg, Moonta, looks to pass against Southern Eagles.

Moonta makes it a three-peat



YPNA E GRADE... Best on court, Jayme Koch, Moonta.

E GRADE

SCOREBOARD

Moonta 34 d CMS Crows 21 Best on court: Jayme Koch, Moonta

Crows started the game off with the first centre pass, followed with the first goal through GA Mia Warrior. There was high pressure from both teams down the court from the get-go.

Crows scored strong in the first few minutes of the game and both teams had great defence. At the first break scores were even.

Crows GD Maggie Walsh deflected the ball in the circle multiple times in the second quarter and both teams were taking valuable intercepts in the goal circle. Halftime: Moonta 16, CMS

Crows remained consistent in the goals, working the ball around the circle and utilising their outers.

With some balloons flying onto court, not putting anyone off their game, Moonta C Jayme Koch took a valuable intercept at the third line. Crows got a run of goals in the last few minutes, but Moonta held onto their lead.

Moonta's defence came out hard in the last quarter, while GA Summer Koch rebounded shots well. Crows C Harriet Parsons and WA Kitty Wilson worked hard to get it to their shooters. Moonta's Koch twins bounced off each other with precision. The Crows defence line was a strong voice down the court for their attackers, but were unable to match Moonta's efficiency.

It was a memorable win for the Moonta girls in loving memory of Sally Hackett, former E grade premiership winning coach.





YPNA E GRADE... Chloe Formosa. Moonta. looks to pass to a teammate against CMS Crows.



YPNA E GRADE... India Rowntree, Moonta, fires out a pass against CMS Crows.



Cougars pull away in the second half

The 2024 F grade grand final kicked off in Moonta under a blanket of clouds, with sunshine breaking through in the second quarter. Both teams brought their A-game, setting

the stage for an intense showdown. The Crows started strongly, scoring the first two goals with notable contributions from

Sophia Hickman, who excelled in rebounding. The first quarter had a back-and-forth battle, with both teams exchanging goals.

Midway through the first, the Crows utilised a rolling substitution with Kourtney Hanley-Woods coming on at WD, aiming to shake things up.

Nervous stepping and fumbles were evident, adding to the tension on the court. Quarter time: CY Cougars 12, CMS Crows 9.

In the second quarter, the Cougars found their rhythm, with WA Alice Butler zipping past her opponent and creating opportunities.

The Crows made another rolling sub, bringing in Georgie Brown at WA for Marley Jefferies. While Cougars pulled ahead, Ellie Polkinghorne's spectacular flying intercepts interrupted the Cougars, flow a few times.

There was a fierce contest between centres Ioria Bennett and Amara Pedler, both creating opportunities for their team down the court.

Lily Davies was cool and calm shooting with confidence, solidifying the Cougars' lead. Halftime: CY Cougars 22, CMS Crows 15.

As the third quarter began, the Cougars continued to dominate, maintaining their momentum. The Crows struggled to convert turnovers, with their goalies losing confidence under pressure. The third-quarter scores reflected the Cougars' control.

FGRADE

SCOREBOARD CY Cougars 39 d CMS Crows 26 Best on court: Lily Davies, CY Cougars

Association best and fairest Brianna Warrior, in GA, and runner-up Sophie Burrows, in GD, were inseparable throughout the game, both taking their turns to stand out for contact. Crows utilised their bench with the rolling subs while Cougars were unchanged. Cougars Isabelle Hucks took to the court in

the final five minutes but unfortunately took a fall and had to come off.

The Crows fought back valiantly in the last quarter, but their efforts fell short as the Cougars defence tightened. Umpires had to step in on a few occasions to calm the players amidst the high stakes of the match.

Ultimately, it was a fierce contest that had the Cougars pull away in the second half, claiming victory as the Crows struggled to recover. Best on court accolades went to Lily Davies, from the Cougars, with Sophia Hickman best for the Crows.



YPNA F GRADE... Best on court, Lily Davies, CY Cougars.





YPNA F GRADE... Sophie Burrows, CY Cougars, passes as Brianna Warrior, CMS Crows, stands out.

YPNA F GRADE... Matilda Southwood, coach Neve Smart and Penny Kohlhagen admire a poster made of the team by Zoe Holman and Poppy Dyett.

Moonta maintains eight-goal



YPNA G GRADE... Savannah Gurr, Moonta, grabs a pass in front of Annabel Adams, CY Cougars. Right: YPNA G GRADE... Eliza Ackland, CY Cougars, looks to pass to teammate Libby Bagshaw as Moonta's Mackenzie Carter defends.



YPNA G GRADE... Best on court. Na'Delle Matz, Moonta.



CY Cougars won the toss to have the first centre pass, but their nerves were evident, and the ball soon landed in Moonta's hands.

It took a few attempts, but Moonta was the first to goal for the match.

Good movement down the court by Moonta GA Amani Summerton helped get the ball into the goal circle, but the nerves from both sides meant a few misses by both teams making it difficult to find their groove.

Eva Palin, Cougars GD, worked hard to stop the ball and Cougars GA Olivia Adams was the first to score to get them on the board.

Moonta got the early jump on Cougars, leading by 10 at the quarter

Moonta missed its first goal opportunity of the second quarter to allow Cougars GS Libby Bagshaw to find the goal ring.

The Cougars showed extra fight, and Zavanna Martin in GK was dominant in turning over the ball on numerous

Moonta C Deliliah Tutthill moved the ball exceptionally down the court, and fed well into GS Isabelle Crawford throughout the quarter, but Cougars weren't going anywhere.

Annie Adams WD for Cougars, forced a turnover at a crucial time to help get them within eight of Moonta, but with tight defence from Moonta GD Na'Delle Matz, the Cougars had to work hard to score. Cougars won the second quarter, but Moonta still led by eight.

Cougars started with the centre pass, but Moonta quickly converted for the first score of the third. Zavanna Martin

G GRADE SCOREBOARD

Moonta 33 d CY Cougars 25 Best on court: Na'Delle Matz, Moonta

> working hard to turn the ball over in the middle third. A few footwork errors allowed further turnovers and the Cougars clawed back to within six Ongoing pressure from both teams presented an even fight to the threequarter break, and Cougars again won the quarter to have it back to a six-goal

> and Eva Palin worked overtime to try

and slow Moonta's attack who looked sleek. Moonta's sharp shooting kept

them in front despite the Cougars

the centre pass, which was quickly converted. Moonta made a few changes in attack with Summerton and Matz working well together with their evident experience. This made them even quicker, moving the ball swiftly and accurately in the circle.

deficit when the whistle blew.

Moonta's lead quickly moved out to 10 however, Cougars continued to con-

Moonta stepped up the intensity converting their turnovers quickly blowing the score out to a 13-goal lead halfway through the final quarter.

Unfortunately, this couldn't be maintained and the Cougar girls fought hard all quarter to keep in the game. At the final whistle Moonta had won by eight goals, 33-25, with all girls playing a great game in good spirit.



YPNA C GRADE... Premiers, CMS Crows, back: Hannah Short, Emma Lukong, Rosalind Short, Hazel Bittner, Nelly Bittner; front: Nikki Hoyle, Sarah Browne, Liliana Alafaci.



YPNA D GRADE... Premiers, Paskeville, back: Grace Inman, Lucy Dare, Chelsea Homan, Teagan Evans, Jasmine Ritter; front: Rebecca Wardle, Elly Brand, Emerson Stark, Lauren Connell, Annabel Correll.



YPNA D2 GRADE... Premiers, Southern Eagles, back: Amy Loechel, Georgia Harvey, YPNA E GRADE... Premiers, Moonta, back: Kelly Harris, Jayme Koch, Summer Koch, Eryn Jessica Bunney, Charlize Bunney, Joanna Rowe, Jessica Kammermann, Michelle Thompson; front: Nicola Parker, Tara Easther, Lily Johns, Zara Loechel, Jade Player.



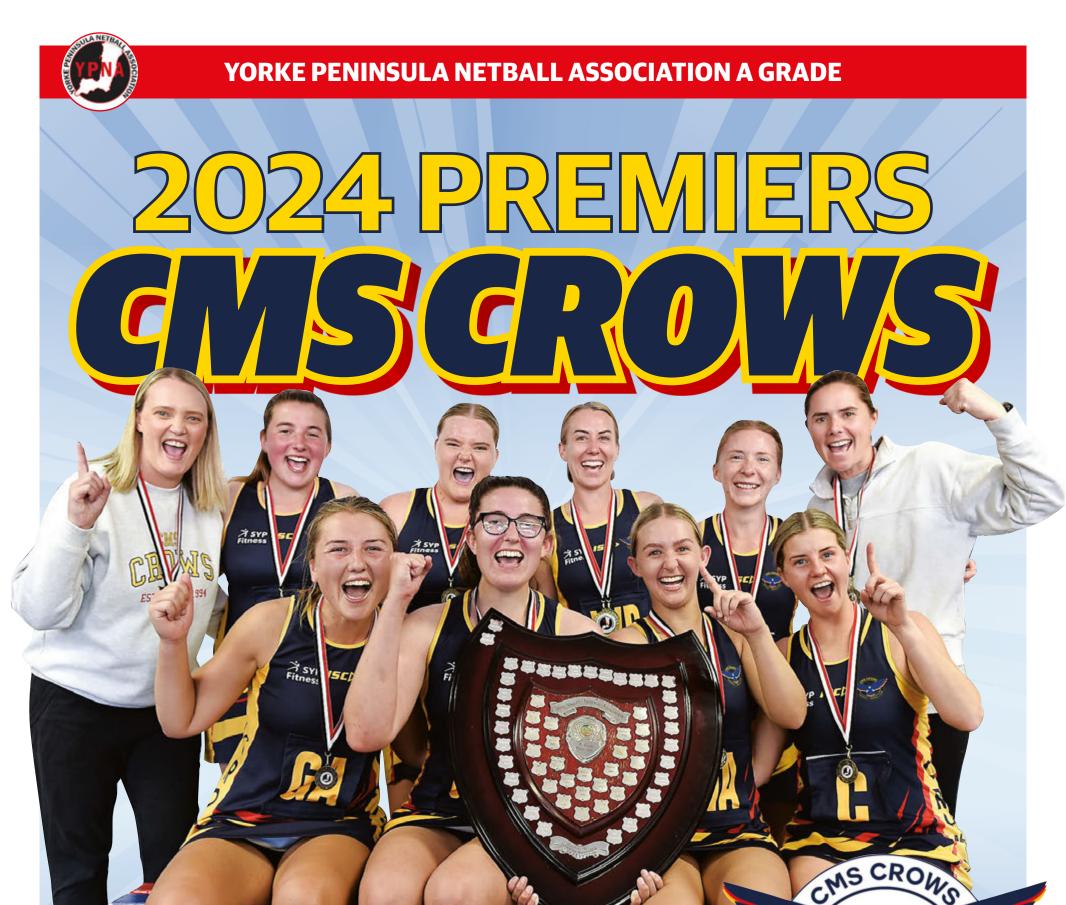
Nason, Evie Pohlner, Bella Congdon, Tammin Hughes; front: India Rowntree, Violet Cooper, Chloe Formosa, Amelia Bugg, Blair Ramsey.



YPNA F GRADE... Premiers, CY Cougars, back: coach Neve Smart, Lily Davies, Matilda YPNA G GRADE... Premiers, Moonta, back: coach Libby Adams, Na'delle Matz, Jade Gray, Southwood, Amara Pedler, Isabelle Hucks, coach Janine Burrows; front: Alice Butler, Penny Kohlhagen, Sophie Burrows, Mia Davies.



Amani Summerton, Ava Penna; front: Isabelle Crawford, Savannah Gurr, Eloise Crawford, Delilah Tutthill, Liana Johnstone, Mackenzie Carter.



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YPNA A GRADE... Premiers, CMS Crows, back: assistant coach Rebecca Harris, Bronwyn Farrow, Melissa McSkimming, Felicity Kemp, Josie Rudduck, assistant coach Amanda Pitt; front: Tasmyn Biddell, Georgina Farrow, Tyla Cook, playing coach Tegan Goldsworthy.

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