

What an amazing week of volleyball for Heathfield High School at the Australian Volleyball Schools Cup. The finals day was unbelievable with 2 teams qualifying for a grand final spot by Thursday with potentially 2 more making it with semi-final wins Friday morning. The Open Honour Girls were undefeated leading into the Final and faced a talented force in Brighton and each set was very close but Heathfield were able to finish strongly closing every set out and ultimately the match 3-0. Scarlett Doherty was named the MVP and was superbly backed up by everyone in the team. A classic example everyone playing well for the entire week, so a true team effort.

The U17 Honours Boys and Girls both had to fight for the chance of playing for gold on the Friday morning, with the boys taking Brighton out in the Semi and the girls overcoming a very tall and talented Santa Sabina team. The boys were able to back this up with outstanding volleyball and defeated the top team Mazenod 3-1. Lucas Mark Seymour was named MVP clearly dominating the competition with amazing support from the rest of the team. The girls had a classic five setter against Brighton but could not get over the line as the toll of playing so hard in the semi came into play and finished with a hard fought silver.

The U15 Honour Girls also played Brighton and as it turned out the winner of this match determined the winner of the overall Schools Cup. This match also went to five sets and with a massive crowd watching the young girls just hit hard in the fifth set, rattling the usually composed Brighton girls to take out the Gold. All of the girls played superbly with the MVP going to Mackenzie Revitt.

The Open Honour Boys had a heartbreaking loss to Brighton in the Semi Thursday night but recovered to overcome a very solid Craigslea outfit to take home a bronze. The U16 Girls and the U16 Boys both came home strongly to each go home with a bronze medal. The U15 Girls div1 team had a great week to finish with a silver medal in a very tough competition.

The overall school championship points came down to the wire with the last two matches left playing out of the whole week was the U15 Girls and the U17 girls, both playing Brighton. Heathfield had to win one of the matches to take the overall title with the U15 Girls doing the job. The top 6 results from each school were tallied and only 5 points separated the two SA schools with Heathfield on 612 and Brighton gaining 607 points. Four years ago a cup was created for the best boys and girls school to give single gender schools the opportunity to win a cup. This year Heathfield won both of these over Brighton; the Boys by 3 points 297 to 294 and the Girls by 5, 315 to 310. This is the first time this has happened in the history of the event and a very proud moment for everyone at Heathfield.

A huge thank you to everyone involved in the Heathfield big team but in particular Lachlan Abbott and Peter Giannes for their work and support over the year.

## **2016 AVSC Results**

**OVERALL SCHOOLS CUP – 1ST**

**OVERALL BOYS CUP – 1ST**

**OVERALL GIRLS CUP – 1ST**

### **GIRLS**

**OHG – 1st (MVP – Scarlett Doherty)**

**OG1 – 3rd**

OG3 – 11th

**17HG – 2nd**

**16HG – 3rd**

16G1(1) – 9th

16G1(2) – 7th

**15HG – 1st (MVP – Mackenzie Revitt)**

**15G1 – 2nd**

15G1(1) – 10th

15G1(2) – 7th

### **BOYS**

**OHB – 3rd**

OB1 – 4th

OB3 – 11th

**17HB – 1st (MVP Lucas Mark-Seymour)**

**16HB – 3rd**

16B1 – 12th

15HB – 8th

15B1(1) – 6th

15B1(2) - 7th

