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Hi Ho all, and how are we all on this marvellous day for some. I hope that you have all now gotten over the disappointment of not winning the best and fairest as well as that almost uncontrollable urge to kill the scum bag who took it right out of your fingers, but that's life and we all live another day.

Well I have had my cry for the day and I hope you all feel the better for knowing it. So... on with business.

~ PRESENTATION NIGHT ~

The presentation night was quite a surprise this year, the amount of people there was a sight to see, and a good one at that., Last year was not a well patronised by the players but they were all their, if not in body then spirit.

~ RESULTS ~

MENS

Some what of an underdog was the winner in the mens division in Garth Cann from Phantoms. Many people have attributed his return to the front line on the hockey field on the effect of the woman in his life, Fiona Duncan. So I guess we must thank her for her efforts, more so phantoms must thank her.

Canny won the trophy on 12 votes two clear of the second place getters Stewart McLean, Technique, and Mike Silva, Mariners, both on 10. While I'm at it I may as well mention that I obtained 9 votes. Not enough for my liking, but not bad for

a goal keeper. Sorry had to mention it.

Well done to all of you people who did get votes and I'm sorry to Brett, I got it wrong again.

WOMEN

The result in the womens was not as close as the mens. The only thing that I got right about this one is the club that the winner came from, Technique. Rosalie Hoy was a clear winner on 17 votes with the nearest to her on 13, Natalie Wood from Submariners. I expected Woody to have more of an influence in the final count, but when have I ever got anything right. But that will change.

From the games that I saw this year of the Technique women, I would have to say that after some careful consideration I have to agree with the verdict. Well done to Rosalie and may she live long and prosper during the finals for Technique.

JUNIORS

I missed on guessing the junior winner by a country mile also. Kathryn Haynes from Mariners was a clear winner on 29 votes. After seeing her play during the finals and during Junior Country week it is no real surprise that she now has the rewards for her work this year. The closest to her was her team mate, Paige Lucas on 18. Paige also has also had a good year on the back line, after a great country week she has also carried her great form into the finals which was shown when she won the best on ground award for the grand final. On ya girls.

The junior boys winner was also from the Mariners club, and a team mate to te Kathryn, Tim Jeffcott on 25 votes. Tim was a close winner with the second place going to Brad Weston from the Combine juniors. I almost got this one right as I did mention Tim was a chance. Well done to Brad on his second place and bringing the bright light back to the combine club. One more thing, Tim, Yeah Maaate !

I must say sorry that I do not have any results from last weeks games because the 'Standard' did not put any in so thank you and sorry. The only result I have is the Junior Grand Final.

THE BIG ONE

Marauders have finished off a great year by winning the 1994 Junior Grand Final in yet another re-enactment of their first meeting at the semi-finals.

Marauders came out the winner in a hard fought game that went into extra time with Andrew Edgar the man to put Maraunders on top in the end.

Natalie Wood and Nick Crooks were the early heroes for their teams when they scored in normal time while Edgar was the main scorer for Maraunders.

Best players for Mariners were Natalie Wood, Matthew Deppler, and James Wirtanen. Page Lucas was judged to be the best player on the ground during the finals.

Best for Maraunders were Nick Crooks, Andrew Edgar, Nick Sapseed and Lisa Anderson.

Maraunders won 2-1

THE FINALS

Well, the finals are finally upon us and now we must all lift our game to ensure a place in the grand final, remember that only the best will survive.

MENS SEMI FINAL ONE

1:30 PHANTOMS

VERSES

COMBINE

This game may not be as one sided as some people may think. Last time these two teams meet they had a 3-3 draw and I think that this game could go the same way, but, we all know that it can not end with a draw.

The best and fairest winner will have to play yet another important roll in this game and take control in the half back position and feed Calvin Denning and Adrian Marr up front.

The three above mentioned players are play a very important roll in the Deakin line up and they must play at their best in order to frustrate Combine. As we all know, when Combine get upset they tend to throw in the bucket and start to fight amongst themselves.

Combine will once again rely on the services of Reece Zaunbrecher, Terry Spencer and Brett Coulson. They are all capable of playing well and throwing the spanner into the Phantom works as they say.

This game will be a close and toughly fought affair but I think that the Phantoms will be too tough and will have the better players to put Combine out of the chase for the cup. Phantoms 3-1

MENS SEMI FINAL TWO

3:15 MARINERS

VERSES TECHNIQUE

These two teams always have a hard and close game. Mariners are leading the head to head battle 4-1 and none of the games have been won by a bigger margin than one goal. This weeks result will be no different.

Mariners will rely on there back line to start with the positive play and keep the Technique forward line at bay. Mike Silva and Paul Arthur are the key to their defence.

The thing that the Mariners team has in their advantage is that their is no one person who they attack through. They spread it out across the forward line and give the other team more area to Trey and cover. David Phipps is their main goal scorer this year and he will no doubt be looking to add to his total.

Tim Bowser, Bryce Lowan and Phipps will be the players that Technique will have to watch. John Shortal will; also pop up when you least expect it.

Technique have a defence that is playing well at the moment and they will be called on to help and support the forwards to set up some strong attacks.

With a full line up on the forward line they can be hard to stop. Andy Miles, Andrew Bridge and Damien White are the players who can cause the problems but they will need the ball delivered to them well and they will have to do something with it.

Stewart McLean, Sam Tuck and Mark Bridge are going to be key players in the game and will have to be at their best.

I think that Technique with a full team are a lot stronger team and will have the man power to be able to get around the defence of Mariners and win 1-0. It will be a game of defences.

WOMENS SEMI FINAL ONE

1:30 TECHNIQUE

VERSES SUBMARINERS

Technique have slowly been dropping their scores each game in the last couple of weeks. They have had a few close games and Submariners have been one of the teamed that have really pushed Tech. this year and they could be the one to push Technique over the edge sometime. This week they will not do it though.

Submariners will have to try real hard this week to stop the best and fairest Rosalie Hoy in the mid field and shut down two main strikers Marea Crobett and Terri Burke.

Steph. Hann will be kept busy in the Submariners goal while it will be up to Nicky Maher and Elain Grey to create some fire for them to get back into the front.

Technique to go straight into the final 4-1.

WOMENS SEMI FINAL TWO

3:15 MARINERS

VERSES PHANTOMS

Mariners will be too strong for the Phantoms this week and that is all there is to it.

Phantoms are always very indifferent every week and I still don't think that they have the skill to win and take it into the grand final.

Mariners have been consistent all year, the have not won all of their games, but that have not lost them all either. They are always trying and in their fighting which they have proven early this year. They finished third on the ladder this year and will have one more game at least to play this year when they will play Subs.