

# *On the Sidelines*



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## Cover Story:

# The Mighty Ducks Make History!

Moorooduc break the Duck!

Another great sporting fairytale unfolded this time last year at Casterton!

The Moorooduc Polocrosse Club broke through for its first A Grade Victorian Championship title with a tough and convincing win over Trafalgar.

Starting out as the Moorooduc Saddle Club, located just a few minutes out of Mornington Victoria, 1 hour south east of Melbourne and catering to riders of all ages and styles. The Saddle club provided an opportunity for its members to try many different horse sports including trail riding, novelty eventing, tent pegging and polocrosse.

Founded by Alan Sibley around 1980, the polocrosse teams of the saddle club featured many young players from the local area including Alan's children Roger & Teresa Sibley, Michael & Matt Morgan, Michael Galvin, Steve Poulton, Sharon Roach, Shane Price, Grant Mitchell and Dave Barry. The club would quickly establish itself as a force in the junior and lower grades and as importantly, a hub for developing and entertaining teenagers.

The 1980's saw much success for the club as it continued to ascend through the grades and by the 1990's it had acquired Koonung great Alan Saltmarsh as a playing coach along with his daughters Kim & Kristy and new players of the era including Clinton McDonald, Tim & Ben Szonyi, The Lees Family, Peta Laffy, Greg Barry, Ingrid Rice and many more.

The club boasted 6 teams at most tournaments at its height and was hosting their own very successful annual tournament at their facility in the heart of Moorooduc where they have a 99 year lease agreement on the grounds with the local family owners. The Moorooduc Polocrosse teams would start to represent in the A Grade competition with some success in the 1990's but would often find the talent they had raised move on to play at other clubs in the pursuit of quicker success, a vicious cycle.

The 2000's saw native Western Australian Jeremy Marriott who married local girl Peta Laffy join the Moorooduc club and apply his passion by inventing the 'money tournament' with the focus on Mixed competition. It is now a major event that has endured at the picturesque Moorooduc Polocrosse Grounds.

But come 2025 after a decade of being thereabouts, with a couple of close losses in the big one, a new generation of Moorooduc players has finally delivered the club its ultimate triumph - Winning the A Grade at a Victorian Championships!

Lead by a talented and ultra competitive first generation player in Elliot Avis, who has captained the Victorian Mens team and was Moorooduc's first ever mens nationals representative and together with good mate Jesse Walsh, a third generation Moorooduc player and fellow Vic mens player they formed the core. **Continued next page.**



# WHITTAKER FARMS

## The Mighty Ducks Make History! Continued.

Along side them was Jesse's partner Tori Sherriff, a former Queensland player with good South Australian bloodlines, a former multiple championship winning Trafalgar life member in Michael Jolly who made the hard choice a couple of years ago to start again in new colours, Tyson Armstrong another former Trafalgar championship winning player (married to Michael's sister Kelly) who crossed in the mid season trade period from Ballan, a move that came with some heartache of it's own, leaving a club he had worked hard to get going, his sister-in-law Kylie Jolly (Michael's wife) sacrificing her spot, stepping aside in the Moorooduc A Grade to help the team pursue it's dream of a first pennant. Finally to Elliott's partner Kelly Allen, who is the product of 2 Polocrosse loving and multiple state representing parents in Gary Gurney and Jan Allen, and having famous Australian representative siblings in Scott Allen and Sam Allen. Riding Elliot's horse 'Foxy', as she had done successfully on a couple of occasions this season, Kelly put together a match winning performance for the ages in the final playing in the No.3 position! Winning 5 consecutive hard ball gets from the line-out in the last chukka was the stuff of legend!



Special mention to the Moorooduc Club's lifetime supporters, John & Helen Galvin who were on hand once again to run the drinks and encourage their players on to victory!

At the presentations Kelly became just the 3rd female behind Annette Radford and Julie Koch to be awarded the coveted 'Pip Wilson Perpetual Trophy' for Best & Fairest in A Grade at the Victorian Championships, along with the 'Brian Coridas Best No.3', 'Joan Ingram Best lady player' and of course best overall horse 'Foxy!' - A clean sweep!

While on the women players, it was not lost on me that the A Grade final featured 4 female players in Kelly Allen, Tori Sherriff, Kim Templeton and Taylor Radford! Another record I am pretty sure. Tyson Armstrong's impressive conversion rate helped him jump clear of the shooters to win the 'Bones' Anthony Coridas Memorial' for Best No.1 while brother-in-law Michael 'Buster' Jolly took home the Big Steve! 'Steven Coridas Memorial Best No.2 award'. In this age of money tournaments and 'guns for hire' team events it's great to see a near 50 year old genuine Polocrosse club finally reach the ultimate success! Moorooduc - Victorian Champions for season 2025.



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# A Grade Teams

## A Grade 6x6 chukkas

### Section 1

<u>Sale 1</u>	<u>46.5</u>	<u>Central Districts 1</u>	<u>41.5</u>	<u>Casterton 1</u>	<u>39.5</u>
Harrison Semmens	8.5	Annie Forbes	6.5	Bowes Kelly	6.5
Michael Semmens	8	Maggie Forbes	6.5	Dillan Carlin	7
Ike Murray	7	James Forbes (C)	7.5	Hamish Carlin (C)	7.5
Corey Buys (C)	8.5	Brian Davidge	7	Olivia Berkin	5.5
Thomas Wilms	6	Todd Edwards	6.5	Phoebe Carlin	5.5
Lance Anderson	8.5	Ted Forbes	7.5	Richard Smith	7.5

### Section2

<u>Trafalgar 1</u>	<u>44.5</u>	<u>Moorooduc 1</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>Corio 1</u>	<u>39.5</u>
Bryce Templeton	7	Emily Wamsley	6.5	Brad Cooper	7
Tom Jolly	6	Jim Henry	7	Owen Hamilton	5.5
Toby Radford	8	Kasey Henry	6.5	Ben Turner	6
Daniel Puglia (C)	8	Maya Scott	6.5	Jon Hart	7
Taylor Radford	7.5	Michael Jolly (C)	7	Ruby Freeman	6
Angus Templeton	8	Tyson Armstrong	7.5	Angus Cooper (C)	8



**Introducing the:**

# **The Anthony Boulton Medal**

## **For Best on Ground in the A Grade Final**

There is a brand new award this Victorian championships to recognise one of the great Victorian players of all time!

Former Sale City No.1 Anthony Boulton will present the medal named in his honour to the player judged 'best on ground'. The medal will be presented along with a cheque for \$100 on field at the completion of the match. There will be only ever be one Anthony Boulton Medalist, the following year another champion of our game will be honoured!

Anthony Boulton was a lightly framed left handed No.1 who stood about 6 feet tall, an elite rider with outstanding racquet skills with an uncanny ability to turn a match on it's head, a big game player who was genuine box office entertainment.

Anthony started his career at the Sale Polocrosse Club as a junior and represented the state at the junior Nationals at Glen Innes finishing runners up. At 17 years of age Anthony won the first of his five 'Pip Wilson' Trophies for Best & Fairest in A Grade riding Beacon Light for the Sale Polocrosse Club at the 1980 Victorian Championships held at Sale.

In 1983 Anthony was a start up player with the Sale City Club, they would finish runners up to Trafalgar in a play-off at that years Vic Champs with Anthony winning his second 'Pip Wilson' this time riding 'Little Red.'

1985 saw Sale City break through to win their first Victorian Championship at Portland, the following year Anthony along with older brother David and Sale City team mate Stephen Ford represent Victoria in the Mens at the 1986 Australian National Titles at Naracoorte South Australia where they were Runners-up to NSW, playing as a section the trio were unbeaten and took home the award for 'Best Section'. At 23 years of age Anthony was at the peak of his powers and riding his greatest horse, a buckskin gelding by the name of 'Houdini'. A month after the Nationals Anthony would lead Sale City to back to back Victorian Championships and sweep all the awards on 'Houdini'.

Watch Anthony Boulton and Victoria at the 1986 Nats, click link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/536816160332867>





# B & C Grade Teams

## **B Grade**

<b><u>Sale 2</u></b>	<b><u>35</u></b>	<b><u>Ballan</u></b>	<b><u>32</u></b>	<b><u>Trafalgar 2</u></b>	<b><u>30.5</u></b>	<b><u>Casterton 2</u></b>	<b><u>30.5</u></b>
Hughie Anderson	4.5	Laura Michelmore	5.5	Ryan Dyke	6.5	Brydie Carlin	5
Jessica Angell	5	Annette Radford	6	Klancy Templeton	3.5	Holly Wittig	6
Luke Lossberg (C)	7.5	Annabel Michelmore	5	Lenny McMahon	4	Jessica Bowman (C)	6
Jed Murray	5.5	Colin Reid (C)	5	William Radford (C)	6	Molly Dennis	4
Patrick Coleman	7	Kelly-ann Armstrong	4	Michael Templeton	6.5	Robert Pilmore	4.5
Hannah Wilms	5.5	Hugh Armstrong	6	Lacey Radford	4	Sarah Carlin	5



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## **C Grade**

<b><u>Sale 3</u></b>	<b><u>28.5</u></b>	<b><u>Corio 2</u></b>	<b><u>28.5</u></b>	<b><u>Ballarat/CD</u></b>	<b><u>27</u></b>	<b><u>Trafalgar 3</u></b>	<b><u>24</u></b>
Benjamin Wright	5	Brian Romaior (C)	5	Brett Walker	6	Jaxon Templeton	3
Patrick Gallagher	5.5	Oliver Rahles-rabula	3	Kelly Walker	4.5	Dean Crichton	3.5
Rick Buys (C)	4.5	Philip Porter	6	Nicholas King	5	Gillian Templeton	4.5
Ella-rose Taylor	5	Amy Hart	4.5	Christopher Henkel (C)	4	Paige Carroll	5
Victoria (Vicki) Semmens	4	Kristy Cooper	5.5	Steve Smith	3.5	Patrick McMahon (C)	5
Catherine Buys	4.5	Sienna Kukulj	4.5	Jasmine Shields	4	Skye Templeton	3



# The Pip Wilson Perpetual Trophy

Since 1973 the Pip Wilson perpetual trophy has been awarded to the player judged to be the best and fairest in the A grade competition at the Victorian Polocrosse Championships. Every year the prestige of the trophy grows as another deserving player has their name added to an outstanding list of names! Those that have won this award have performed at the highest level on the most important weekend of the Victorian Polocrosse season; The Championships! This weekends tournament at Sale will mark 53 years since the famous trophy was first awarded. The oldest players on the Victorian Polocrosse scene can still remember Keith 'Pippy' Wilson, but there are far fewer of them now. The story itself is a tragic one, it's a story of a Polocrosse player who died as a result of injuries sustained in an on field accident playing the game that he loved. Keith Wilson had a 15 year Polocrosse career playing for Warragul, Buln Buln, Trafalgar and Moe. Wilson was described as extremely modest about his many achievements in Polocrosse including representing Victoria at the Australian Polocrosse Championships and winning his club's best & fairest for the season.



Pip Wilson was born on the 20th May 1939 and began riding horses at age 4, he was educated at the Trafalgar and Willow Grove primary schools before attending Warragul High school. When his family was farming at Darnum, Keith began his 15 year Polocrosse career with the Warragul Polocrosse club. When Keith and his wife Valerie were married they started farming on their own at Armours Rd. Warragul. Keith then joined and continued his career with the Buln Buln polocrosse club.

In 1967 Keith and Valerie purchased their own 202 acre property at Willow Grove and Keith transferred to the Trafalgar polocrosse club. Keith and Valerie Wilson had 3 children: Jamie, Jacqueline and David.

Keith then joined the Moe Polocrosse club where he won the club's best & fairest player for 1972. It was the following season while representing Moe against Koonung at the old Sale Polocrosse grounds down by the Canal, that Keith 'Pip' Wilson was involved in a collision that saw his horse 'Mare' roll and land on top of him. **Continued next page.**

# The Pip Wilson Perpetual Trophy

Keith was rushed by ambulance to the Gippsland Base Hospital in Sale, where he sadly passed away that day, the 27th of January 1973 at age 33. The Victorian Polocrosse Association asked the Wilson family if they would agree to an award being struck in Keith's memory, and a couple of months later at the 1973 Victorian Polocrosse Championships the Pip Wilson Perpetual Trophy was presented to the best & fairest player in the A grade competition for the first time. Alan Saltmarsh of the Koonung Polocrosse Club became the first winner, the award was presented by Keith's father Don. A few years down the track Keith's eldest son Jamie took over presenting the award on behalf of the family and after a few more years he started playing the game that his Dad loved. Jamie Wilson has become synonymous with the presenting of the trophy named in his Dad's memory, and on Sunday he will be on hand once again to award the 2026 winner!



## The Pip Wilson Perpetual Trophy Winners

1973 Alan Saltmarsh - Koonung  
1974 Julie Koch - Yarraweyah  
1975 Lawrence Malady - Trafalgar  
1976 Julie Koch - Yarraweyah  
1977 Julie Koch - Yarraweyah  
1978 Championships Cancelled  
1979 Geoff Jolly - Trafalgar  
1980 Anthony Boulton - Sale  
1981 Geoff Jolly - Trafalgar  
1982 Rodney Anthony - Koonung  
1983 Anthony Boulton - Sale City  
1984 John Buchanan - Trafalgar  
1985 Grant Olsson - Casterton  
1986 Anthony Boulton - Sale City  
1987 Anthony Boulton - Sale City  
1988 Anthony Boulton - Sale City  
1989 Hugh Radford - Trafalgar  
1990 Troy Henry - Koonung  
1991 Hugh Radford - Trafalgar  
1992 Grant Olsson - Corio  
1993 Geoff Jolly - Trafalgar  
1994 Graeme Jolly - Trafalgar  
1995 Steven Boulton - Sale City  
1996 William Radford - Rosedale  
1997 Annette Radford - Rosedale  
1998 Ricky Henry - Corio  
1999 William Radford - Rosedale  
2000 Dallas Coridas - Corio  
2001 Geoff Jolly - Trafalgar  
2002 Championships Cancelled  
2003 Craig Cameron - Casterton  
2004 Brian Davidge - Ballarat  
2005 Greg Davidge - Lake George  
2006 Ricky Henry - Corio

2007 Kenny Grimmond - Trafalgar  
2008 Brian Davidge - Rosedale  
2009 Michael Semmens - Sale  
2010 Hugh Radford - Rosedale  
2011 Hugh Radford - Rosedale  
2012 Cameron Templeton - Trafalgar  
2013 Corey Buys - Sale  
2014 Luke Lossberg - Sale  
2015 Championships Cancelled  
2016 Jared Martin - Trafalgar  
2017 Matt Jarmain - Ballan  
2018 Luke Lossberg - Sale  
2019 Corey Buys - Sale  
2020 Season Cancelled Covid19  
2021 Corey Buys - Sale  
2022 Jared Martin - Ballan  
2023 Championships Cancelled  
2024 Lance Anderson - Sale  
2025 Kelly Allen - Moorooduc



**2009 Winner Michael Semmens**

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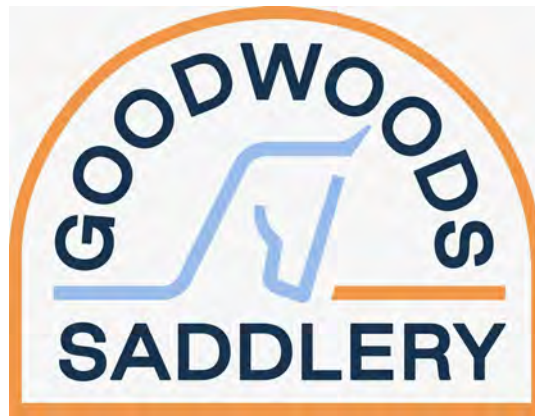
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# D & E Grade Teams

## D Grade

<u>Western District</u>	<u>21.5</u>	<u>Moorooduc 2</u>	<u>19.5</u>	<u>Sale 4</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>Casterton 3</u>	<u>18.5</u>	<u>Corio3</u>	<u>18</u>
Vicki Morris	3	Dale Smith	3	Mark Semmens (C)	4	Bailey Carlin	2	Max Rahles-Rabula	3
Stephanie Scott	2	Jazz Smith	3	Kimberley Wright	3	David Caulfield	5	Max Hart	1.5
Tony Astbury	5	Jairaj Rajaram	4.5	Adrian Whittaker	3.5	Fiona Wittig (C)	4	Wendy Falconer	4
Andrew Cameron (C)	6	Kiara Dalton	3	Renee Taylor	3	Hayley Bowman	1.5	Lucy Hart	1.5
James Mckenzie	1	Scarlett Jolly	2.5	Danielle Buys	3	Mason Hunter	2	Madelaine Porter	3.5
Symon Wilde	4.5	Jake Jolly (C)	3.5	Alice Smith	2.5	Rebecca Francis	4	Denis Richards (C)	4



## E Grade

<u>Naracoorte</u>	<u>15.5</u>	<u>Central Districts</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Sale 5</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>Ballan 2</u>	<u>13</u>
Ava Cottle	3	Anna Thompson	2	Bailey Mcnamara	1.5	Patrick Mulcahy	3
Peter Ker	3.5	Tiann Wright	2	Dakota Semmens	1	Sadie Garsed	2
Mackenzie Ker	1.5	Brady Davidge	1.5	Darcy Mcnamara (C)	3	Skyla Armstrong	2.5
Hannah Schultz	1.5	Leigh Carroll (C)	3.5	Patrick Goggin	3	Kim Garsed	2.5
Justin Schultz	4.5	Andrew Forbes	4.5	Andrew Forbes	4.5	Anthony Mulcahy (C)	1.5
Amber Schultz	1.5	Noah Templeton	1	Raymond Smith	2	Peter Phillips	1.5



# The Anthony 'Bones' Coridas Perpetual Memorial Trophy

Anthony John Coridas was just 10 days past his 27th Birthday when his body succumbed to the ravages of cancer, 10 months after doctors had diagnosed that he only had 3 months to live!

Half a year earlier, 'Ant' as he was lovingly called by his family had captained the Victorian Mens team at the 1988 Australian Polocrosse Nationals held in Darwin NT.

The gun No.1 player from the Corio Polocrosse Club in Victoria who lived at Breamlea overlooking the ocean near Torquay was cut down in his prime!

'Bones' - a nickname given to him because of his slender build, had lived an exciting action-packed life in his 26 years, and he played more polocrosse than most. In his memory, the player judged to be the best No1 in A Grade at the Victorian Polocrosse Championships receives the award named in his honour.

The 'Bones' Best No1 in A Grade was first presented at the 1990 Victorian Polocrosse Championships at Werribee Park, it was won by a young man from the Northern Territory - Troy Henry who referenced in his speech the influence Anthony Coridas had made on his polocrosse when visiting the NT!

This weekend at Sale, another name will be added to the honour roll of Best No1s!

- 1990 - Troy Henry, Koonung
- 1991 - Hugh Radford, Trafalgar
- 1992 - Grant Olsson, Corio
- 1993 - Geoff Jolly, Trafalgar
- 1994 - Geoff Jolly, Trafalgar
- 1995 - Steven Boulton, Sale City
- 1996 - William Radford, Rosedale
- 1997 - Hugh Radford, Rosedale
- 1998 - Ricky Henry, Corio
- 1999 - William Radford, Rosedale
- 2000 - Geoff Jolly, Trafalgar
- 2001 - Troy Henry, Rosedale
- 2002 - Cancelled
- 2003 - Craig Cameron, Casterton
- 2004 - Researching
- 2005 - Robert Sibley, Lake George
- 2006 - Michael Jolly, Trafalgar
- 2007 - Rick Smith, Rosedale
- 2008 - Rick Smith, Rosedale
- 2009 - Rick Smith, Rosedale
- 2010 - Matty Jarman, Sale
- 2011 - Hugh Radford, Rosedale
- 2012 - Michael Jolly, Trafalgar
- 2013 - Luke Lossberg, Sale
- 2014 - Luke Lossberg, Sale
- 2015 - Cancelled
- 2016 - Cameron Templeton, Trafalgar
- 2017 - Jimmy Grills, Albury
- 2018 - Luke Lossberg, Sale
- 2019 - Tristan Cooper, Corio
- 2020 - Season Cancelled
- 2021 - Elliott Avis, Moorooduc
- 2022 - Luke Lossberg, Sale
- 2023 - Cancelled
- 2024 - Harry Semmens, Sale
- 2025 - Tyson Armstrong, Moorooduc

