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Mimmo's Photo Of The Week



Caption: Winner of this week's Mimmo's Photo Of The Week Competition' is this atmospheric shot of the U6 Zebras and of Jack going in for the tackle. Photos taken by Kylie Sabine.



Sport Rage

Following the recent incidence of poor sportsmanship on our local soccer fields reported in the Manly Daily and as we approach the Finals it is timely we address the issue of sport rage.

Sport rage can come in many forms – an unruly parent abusing a referee, a player punching another player, or a spectator shouting racial taunts. These moments of madness can result in serious injuries, disciplinary action and even life-time bans. Dealing with sport rage is now a major challenge for clubs.

This week every team in the club has had multiple copies of the NSW Sport and Recreation's brochure titled 'Stamp Out Sport Rage: Tips for Players' placed in their team's pigeon hole for distribution to every player.



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The brochure invites you to take the self-test on which sort of player are you? (as seen in the image on the previous page): the dummy spitter (can't control their temper on the field), the quiz-master (questions and complains about all officiating decisions that don't go their way), the sledger (continually makes snide remarks about the opponents), the cheapshot (is cowardly and will resort to unprovoked behind-the-scenes foul play towards their opponents) or the five star player (focuses on fair play and being a good sport).

The brochure points out that sports rage is bad for children and bad for sport as a whole. At its worst, sports rage reduces a player's enjoyment of sport, tarnishes the club and can lead to the player dropping out of the sport.

The brochure aims to educate players, parents, spectators and officials on how to stamp out ugly sporting behaviour. Fair play in sport and contributing to positive sporting behaviour it is suggested, is achieved by being a good sport, respecting your opposition and respecting officials. Strategies are also provided for dealing with sports rage when it raises its ugly face. When confronted with sport rage, on-field or off-field, it's important you don't:

- ignore it and allow situations to get out of hand
- lose control of your emotions
- engage in aggressive behaviour.

The NSW Sport and Recreation suggests that the following steps for dealing with sport rage:

- reporting inappropriate behaviour – responsibility of everyone
- approaching the offender – responsibility of the ground official/club committee member
- issuing warnings – responsibility of the ground official/club committee member
- taking disciplinary action – responsibility of the club committee member
- removing people from the field of play or venue – responsibility of the ground official/club committee member
- suspending play – responsibility of the referee.
- involving the police – responsibility of the ground official/club committee member.

It is important that everyone involved in sport understands and supports the process as well as unites to combat sport rage. You can also learn more about fair play in sport at:
www.playbytherules.net.au



Do You Know The Rules?

Use Of Arms To Head Of An Opponent

FIFA and UEFA have both identified that the use of illegal challenges using arms and elbows constitutes an ongoing danger to player safety and to the reputation of the game in general.

In its 2006 seminar for elite referees UEFA noted that the situation had improved slightly but that in most cases referees and indeed, in some instances assistant referees and fourth officials were still not reacting appropriately to such tackles and this was a matter of concern to all parties.

Referees have a duty to the players and to the sport as a whole to recognise and punish correctly, strong unfair challenges that use the hands or arms; they should be aware of the particular danger of the movement of arms and elbows in an unnatural manner.

Many of us will have seen tackles where the player in front jumps for the ball with arms stretched out to the side and others where the player brings their arms and elbows rearward in a sharp jabbing motion at the time they are challenged by an opponent.

This type of behaviour constitutes a clear and present danger to the safety of players and must be eliminated.

Any challenge involving excessive force and therefore endangering the safety of an opponent is "serious foul play" and must result in the appropriate action being taken by the match officials.

Effective immediately, any player judged guilty of using hands, arms or elbows to the head of an opponent in such a manner is to be shown the red card and sent from the field of play.

Source: Soccer NSW. Referees Circular Issue 023/07

Junior Presentation Day For Under 6s to Under 16s

The club's 2008 presentation is set down for 14th September in The Garden at the back of the Time and Tide Hotel.

All players, coaches, managers, parents and supporters are invited to come along to receive their end of season awards. For all junior and sub-junior players this includes presentation of a season medal and a personal shield/plaque.

FREE drink & sausage sandwich for all players after their presentation.

Timeslots:

Under 6's - 1.00pm

Under 7's - 2.00pm

Under 8's & 9's - 2.45pm

Under 10's - 16's from 3.45pm

Team managers can also return complete team bags to their age coordinators.



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Grading Sheets

All coaches of teams from Under 8s to Under 18s (mixed and girls) will soon be receiving team grading sheets via their team pigeonholes or email.

The Grading Sheets require coaches to give an assessment of the ability of their players. The sheets are of enormous help in future gradings and assessments of players.

Return your completed Grading Sheet via a specific 'grading committee' pigeonhole at St Matthew's Farm or return it completed electronically via email.

Gear Collection

With the end of the season drawing nearer, managers are urged to think about collecting all team shirts at the last game and return them to the club along with the training bag, balls and other items. Year co-ordinators will advise managers on where and when to return these items.

Six-A-Side Summer Competition

- Wednesday afternoon/evening games between 3rd September to 5th November (including school holidays) at Cromer Park from 5.00pm to 9.00pm.
- Grades: Boys U6 to U16; Girls U12/14 and U16; Senior ladies (due to a shortage of grounds there will be no Senior Men's divisions).
- Registration costs \$400 per squad (GST inclusive) plus insurance.

Registration 27th August, 7.00-9.00pm Cromer Park.

Email: sixaside@ccstrikers.com

More details soon at: ccstrikers.com

New Committee Members Needed For 2009

The club is putting out the call for new committee members for 2009. Please give consideration to putting something back into the club. We are in need of greater numbers to spread the workload - as little as an hour per week is all that is needed for some jobs, with other jobs requiring only a short intensive period of time commitment. Your new ideas will also help to keep the club alive.

Come along to the AGM which will be on 20th October at Valentines (upstairs from Mimmo's) in Brookvale - please check these details on the website prior to the date to confirm.

If you wish you can email either Lou Caruso, the President or Kim Bevan, the Secretary, on their email addresses:

pres@ccstrikers.com

sec@ccstrikers.com

Match Official Identification

Team Coaches and Managers of all teams from Under 10s upwards are reminded that they must wear their 'match official' lanyard during the finals - and that they must remain in their technical areas.

MWFA officials will be imposing fines for teams who do not comply with having ID tags on or not using the technical area in the correct manner.

Canteen Roster for August			
8-9.15am	9.15-10.30am	10.30-11.15am	11.45-1.00pm
23/08/2008			
U6 Leopards	U6 Meerkats	U8 Bekhams	U8 Maradonas
30/08/2008			
U9 Gunners	U9 Hammers	U8 Peles	U13/2s



Match Reports



U11/1s 6 Vs Avalon 0

Well what a difference a week can make. Our team had found form again blitzing Avalon 6/0. Everyone played a great game moving the ball around and mixing it up. Player of the game was Max Q. While Coach Frithy was away enjoying the opening of the Olympics, Ang (A2) kept the team composed.

U11/1s 5 Vs Wakehurst 0

Backing up on the Sunday due to a missed round, we had another blinder. Lachlan scoring a hat-trick. Liam scored a goal by heading a corner from Lachlan. Great work, even better as Liam's position is in the back line. Thanks to David Gates for being referee on the day. Wakehurst had to be pulled up a number of times for their attitude. Player of the game went to Lachlan. Roll on the last game of the round.

U6 Hawks 1 Vs Narrabeen Comets 1

This week the "Hawks" met the Narrabeen 'Comets' and both sides were left seeing 'stars' after a tough and often physical game that would have put some U7 teams defence to shame.

Both sides came out strong and played hard with some great tackles and brave defence on both sides with our 'enforcer' Riley pulling off a big tackle to save a Narrabeen goal but at the half time break, the Comets were up 1-0 and the Hawks headed for their drink bottles and oranges while we worked out how we would get the next points.

After the break, Kai moved from sweeper to goalie and had a busy half rejecting plenty of shots sent his way and some strong goal kicks cleared the ball down the other end to give our attack some options. Solid games this week also from Joshua, Oscar & Brock doing all the hard work in centre field and Harrison had two fantastic shots at goal which just missed with one 'taking the paint' off the posts.

Our brave 'pocket rocket' Bailey put his body on the line and had the bumps and scratches to prove it and a shot at goal and a fumble by the Comets' goalie put us level in the 2nd half.

Our player of the week is Kai who puts the 'D' in defence for us each match. Kai joined the Hawks mid-season and he has proven himself to be a quality player who loves the game and we look forward to seeing him move forward and attacking the goal a bit more with that potent right foot. Well done Kai!

The final encouragement award for this year went to Oscar for a terrific game and giving the opposition plenty to worry about with those quick breaks he makes downfield. Good on you "Osi"!

At full time, we settled on a one all draw which was the only fair result as both teams deserved to win this week, see you at training!

U8 Platinis 2 Vs Avalon Foxes 0

With a long trip to Avalon, the boys had plenty of time to think about the game and they were switched on early. Damien was involved with a great cross to Sam which was just saved by the goalie and in the next play Mr Reliable Sam had us up 1 nil. The Foxes were searching for a goal and Blake chimed in with a goal line clearance to save the day. Lachlan had a busy time in goals and did well with strong support from Mathew. We had a second goal denied with a half time call just before the kick.

The second half Damien pushed a great pass to Sam for his second goal. Daniel was also in the action with a goal shot and Nathan cut down many of the Foxes' runs in the midfield. Cameron was his strenuous self with strong defence and Tom was full of running with some well positioned runs and passes. Mathew did well in goals for a clean sheet and blow me over with a feather, we had another goal denied as it was about to cross the line with a full time whistle.

Go The Might U6 Cheetahs

Well what a season the mighty U6s Cheetahs are having! After a rather nervous entry into the world of Strikers football last year the 2008 Cheetahs have really hit their groove.

Under the nurturing eye of super coach Eddie they have won every game this season. What's so amazing about our Cheetahs is that everyone in the team has scored at least one goal.

With only four games still to go it would be great to see this winning run stretch the whole season!

Go the Cheetahs!

The Cheetahs line up in the photo below includes:
Zac, Thomas G, Liam, Ronan, Chloe (2nd row)
Thomas B, Jack & Sophia (front row)



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