



**Narrabeen
Football Club**

Boondah News



Weekly Newsletter

Issue 9 - 30 May 2009

President's Report

As you know, we didn't have any games this weekend. So you'll have to put up with some random ramblings from me...

My earliest memories of watching World Cup games – Germany 1974 - are as a youngster living in Scotland. This was the first time that Australia played in the World Cup, the next opportunity being 2006, in Germany again. Unfortunately in 1974 Australia lost to East Germany 2-0, West Germany 2-0, drew with Chile 0-0 and progressed no further than the preliminary rounds. My team (Scotland) failed to get through on goal difference, and this was also their fate four years later in Argentina. I guess the only consolation was that they had actually qualified, unlike England, who lost their place to Poland in 1974 and Italy in 1978.

By 1978 I was living in England, but that didn't mean I'd changed allegiance. I'd grown up supporting Scotland and had no plans to follow a new team – why would you? So when the time came for Argentina 1978 I was up for it. The words of the team song are still indelibly imprinted in my mind:

*We're on the march with Ally's army
We're going to the Argentine
And we'll really shake 'em up
When we win the World Cup
'cause Scotland is the greatest football team*

Sadly, football is often a game of disappointments, for supporters as well as players. Especially Scotland supporters... But that's what makes it such a great game – the ups and downs, the excitement, the tension, the star players. For me names like Gordon Banks (who famously saved a near-certain shot on goal from Pele in the Mexico 1970 World Cup), Johan Cruyff, Franz Beckenbauer were all greats of

the game, not to mention gentlemen like Bobby Moore who lived and played through a classic era in the game's history. Moments in football produced by Kenny Dalglish and Archie Gemmill will always live on for me – the goal scored by wee Archie against The Netherlands in 1978 must go down as one of the best goals ever scored in the World Cup (you'll find it in a number of 'Top 10' lists on internet sites).

Roll forward 12 years to Italy 1990. I was living in London at the time and my over-riding memory is of a hot summer (yeah, it happens sometimes in England), walking past row after row of terraced houses with every lounge room window open (they don't have a lot of air-conditioning over there), hearing the World Cup theme tune 'Nessun Dorma'. The whole nation was caught up in World Cup fever, memorable for the World Cup debut of Roberto Baggio. Italy was the host nation and ended up getting to the semi-finals, losing to Argentina, who were subsequently beaten by Germany in the Final.

What does this have to do with Narrabeen FC, you may wonder? Well, we all have our heroes. Just think how impressionable young players are and how their early memories of playing and watching football will be with them for life. Coaches, Managers and all of us involved in the game have a real responsibility to those young players, so try to make it a positive and fun experience – because it will remain with them forever.

Next time you see me on the sidelines, tell me *your* football story. I'd love to hear it.

Chris Farguharson
NFC President

Match Reports - None for 23 & 24 May 2009 due to Rain

Notes

Pittwater Council have written to us regarding the numerous complaints they have received regarding electrical tape being left beside football playing fields. This electrical tape also means Council staff spend a large part of Monday morning removing tape from fields so that it doesn't catch in their mowers.

Could all codes whose players use electrical tape request that their players place the tape in the waste bins provided or dispose of the tape at home.

Council have further advised that if the complaints continue, they will investigate the sporting code utilising the particular field and they may be forced to charge the Association of the offending club a cleaning fee.

UNDER 9'S STRIKERS CUP 2009

Collaroy Cromer Strikers Football Club Inc. wishes to advise that entries are now being accepted for the 2008 Strikers Cup tournament. The 31st Strikers Cup will be held on **Sunday 12 July 2009** at Cromer Park, South Creek Road, Cromer. (A reserve date in the event of wet weather postponement is to be confirmed but is not likely to be until late September 2009).

Please note that Sunday 12 July 2009 falls on the first weekend of the July school holidays. Please ensure that your club/team is prepared to guarantee participation on this date to avoid last minute withdrawal of teams.

The Strikers Cup has grown to be one of the premier Under 9's events with a high level of competition and we look forward to your participation.

Please note, all players are to submit to an identification check prior to their first game. **Only** approved Association photo identification will be accepted. This includes MWFA clubs.

Entries close Wednesday 3 June 2009. Contact your Manager for more information

MWFA/MUFC U10/U11 Girls Development Squad.

At the conclusion of the Development Program, a squad of players will be selected to represent the MWFA in the North Harbour Tournament, which is held at Cromer Park on the 26th and 27th September. The North Harbour Tournament is widely recognised as the premier, non-representative, girls football tournament in NSW and we are proud to host the tournament at Cromer Park. We are the reigning champions of the North Harbour Tournament and as such are keen to defend our title this year.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could ensure that this information is distributed to all girls who are eligible (born 1998 and 1999) to attend the upcoming trials on Friday, June 19 at Cromer Park. They could be playing mixed football (U10 or U11) or they might be playing in the U10, U11 or U12 girls teams in your club.

The development squad is a great opportunity for your players to receive coaching by highly qualified football development coaches.

The MWFA is dedicated to ensuring that players on the peninsula have access to development opportunities like this and as such, we look forward to working with your players.

Sharon Egger
Head Girls Youth League Coach
Manly United FC

Narrabeen Football Club Sponsors



**ELECTRICAL
DISTRIBUTORS PTY LTD**
Est. 1999

BROOKVALE MONA VALE
37 Mitchell Road 2 Wilmette Place
Ph. 9939 2827 Ph. 9999 2827



Contact: Darrell Novaro
sales@teamrhino.com.au

Mitronics

Corporation Pty Ltd
90-94 Hermitage Road
West Ryde, NSW 2114

Tel: (02) 9807 7811
Fax: (02) 9808 4058
Email: bshanahan@mitronics.com.au
Web Site: www.mitronics.com.au



Sales, Supplies and Service of:

- * Minolta Photocopiers, Facsimiles
- * Minolta QMS Printers
- * Kyocera Mita Photocopiers, Facsimiles & Printers
- * Hitachi Koki imaging Solutions
- * Brother Printers & Facsimiles
- * Binders, Shredders, Laminators

Premier League Sponsors:

MAJOR SPONSOR



AIRCONDITIONING P/L
9979.3477

MINOR SPONSORS

Bosch Constructions Pty Ltd RSH Electrical Tornier Pty Ltd

Sponsorship Support:

A Tap Doctor
Absol Awnings
Bayfield Hotels
Bodyworks Physiotherapy
Bosch Constructions Pty Ltd
Dean Harding - ACN Australia
Denis Hole Insurance Brokers Pty Ltd

FPV Tree Services Pty Ltd
JAG Airconditioning
McCauley, Peters, Cripps Solicitors
McCreath Prestige Paint & Panel
Narrabeen RSL
Northern Sydney Tree Services
Northside Accountants Centre
Pittwater RSL

RFE Excavations
RNC Global Pty Ltd
RSH Electrical
Sequoia Tree Services Pty Ltd
The Newport Arms
Tornier Pty Ltd

