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A Message from the President

Hi All,

On behalf of the Management Committee I would like to welcome all the players, their families and our supporters to Roselands Raptors Soccer Club for the 2007 soccer season.

A special welcome to those men, women, boys and girls who are joining us for the first time. We sincerely hope your time with us is both enjoyable and productive. For some of you, this will be the first time your children participate in a sport. We hope that this is the beginning of many years of fun and excitement. Whether you are 6 years old or 46 years old, we are now in a position where we can offer players of any age and standard, a team to play in.

Once again this year we will have the challenge to provide our members with the best possible program. This could not be achieved, without the entire volunteer core that gives so much of their time, commitment and dedication to help the players develop the skills of the game of soccer and to encourage these boys and girls to have fun while learning the sport.

The Club is also striving to create the safest environment possible for all the members and to do so will adhere to Zero Tolerance of Violence.

I would like to encourage those of you with a volunteer spirit to get involved with Roselands FC. Be a volunteer: it's a social and personal rewarding experience.

In closing I would like to wish you all the best of luck for the up-coming season and once more wish to acknowledge our committee members, coaches, managers, volunteers, parents, players and sponsors for their critical role in the success of our Club.

If you have any enquiries at all, please contact any of the committee members. We are available at the club most training nights and match days to help. Let your time here with us be enjoyable.

- Nonda Nitis

A message from the Executive Committee

Recreational sports have always required a high percentage of volunteers. The list of things that need to be done to make a club or other organization run smoothly can easily exceed the capacity of one person or a small group of people.

Roselands FC would like to personally extend a big THANK YOU!! to all for your contribution of time, week in week out in the canteen/bbq and field set-up, and ensure that it all runs smoothly.

The benefits of having several volunteers helping out cannot be over stated. The valued help from our many volunteers who donate their time ensures our club remains a success.

THANK YOU

Special Interest Articles:

- Team Results
- Social Events
- Coach & Manager Information
- Quote of the week

2007 Committee

- President: Nonda Nitis
- Snr Vice President: Kon Fotakopoulos
- Jnr Vice President: Steliy Georgiou
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COME & GET INVOLVED!!!

As you are no doubt aware this club is run by its many dedicated volunteers, including the Executive Committee, without whom the Club would not be able to function.

If you can help even a little it will help to keep the club effective and vibrant. Volunteering doesn't always require a long term commitment.

Sometimes we need extra volunteers for a specific short term function such as, helping out with the BBQ, the canteen and even setting up the playing fields.



AN IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARENTS:

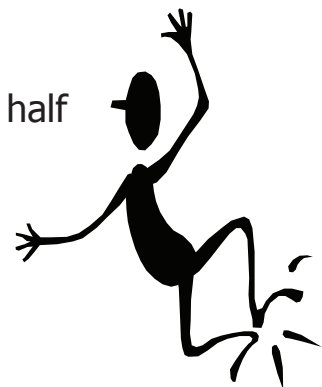
It is for the safety of your child and his or her team mates that absolutely no jewellery is to be worn during games and practices. This includes earrings, watches, chains, studs, etc. It is not even acceptable to place band-aids over earrings. All referees will be asked to enforce this policy. Please respect their requests if they ask your child to remove any jewellery.

Executive Committee

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Soccer is a game in which a handful of fit men run around for one and a half hours watched by millions of people who could really use the exercise.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

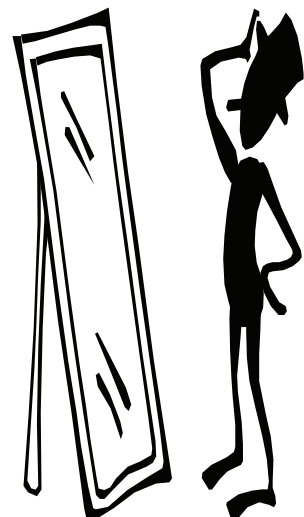
Team Photos:
For teams who have not had their photos yet the date is 16th June, Bennett Park

Trivia Night:
Saturday 16th June at Kingsgrove RSL

Coaches & Managers Dinner:
Saturday 28th July at Kingsgrove RSL

Mcdonalds family fun night:
Tuesday 7th August, 5.30-8.30pm at Punchbowl store

Junior Presentation:
Sunday 16th September 2007 at Bennett Park



CATCH UP GAMES FOR WASHED OUT ROUNDS

Round 28/29 April will be played during long weekend 9-10 June.

Round 19/20 May to be advised.

Please check with your coach or manager for details.



JERSEY WASHING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. DO NOT IRON JERSEYS!
2. wash all jerseys together inside out
3. cold machine wash.

If you experience any problems with the shirts please let us know ASAP

ATTENTION! MATCH REPORT WRITERS, COACHES AND MANAGERS

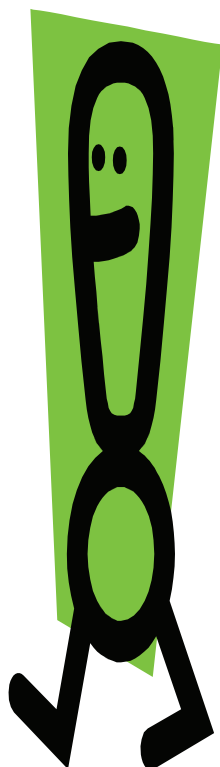
...across all grades and ages

we'd greatly appreciate all teams having a match report submitted. It takes just a few minutes and is enjoyed by most players and parents. With so many teams trying so hard to break into a winning run and others overcoming all sorts of difficulties, many people read all the match reports. Keep them coming and if you feel it appropriate to share the workload around, that's ok, but we do ask that this be organised through your manager.

Striker Editors

CAN'T FIND YOUR TEAMS MATCH REPORT LISTED IN THE FOLLOWING PAGES?

Then refer to your teams coach or manager, chances are that they haven't submitted one yet. It's very simple to do... go to our home page, click on "Coaches corner", click on "match report/best & fairest" ... and fill in the blanks!!



Minis – U6 to U9 Results

U/6-4 vs Balmain

Coach: Wayne Morris

Manager: Angela Soliman

Score: 8-1 (lost) No report submitted

U/6-5 vs Earlwood

Coach: Arthur Athanasiou

Manager: Maria Athanasiou

Score: 3-0 (won) Another great game from a team who look like they are enjoying their Football. It is becoming hard to find a man of the match as everyone is improving with each game. Finding interchanges was becoming difficult, on one hand it was hard but encouraging on the other, knowing the players were having fun. But this week we interchanged every five minutes which worked very well. We even noticed a couple of passes by some players, which was almost as exciting as scoring a goal.

U/6-6 vs Balmain

Coach: Nidal Ahmed

Manager: Randa Elhassan

Score: 7-0 (lost) No report submitted

U/6-7 vs Marrickville

Coach: Louie Antaky

Manager: Bridgette Antaky

Score: 5-0 (lost) No report submitted

U/7-1 vs Belmore Hercules

Coach: Allen Daizli

Manager: Fay Sleiman

Score: 1-0 (won) It was a hard game but we came out on top. The other team were tough but we won. Adam got injured towards the end, but he is fine. Player of week went to Jihad. Well done u/7-1's, special mention to James for stopping those goals. Thank you to Khalil for refereeing the game.

U/7-6 vs Lakemba

Coach: Richard Kent

Manager: Mark Wake

Score: 0-9 (lost) What an effort. Despite the score line being what it was, the kids never gave up and kept trying till the very end. Excellent keeping from both Theodore's kept the score down. The team that we played today were obviously a better team, and this is borne out in the fact that they have been re-graded up to the 7/4's!. We managed the odd foray into Lakemba's half and had a couple of shots on goal but unfortunately nothing went in. Man of the Match went to Luke Compton for his effort and perseverance today. Well done kids, everyone was proud of you today.

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be a Raptor

U/7-9 vs Hurlstone Park

Coach: Karim Safa

Manager: Suzie Tartak

Score: 0-4 (won) No report submitted

- honoured to

be involved”

U/8-1 vs Marrickville

Coach: Lee Cooper

Manager: Rosie Kassis

Score: 0-1 (won) No report submitted

U/8-4 vs Leichhard Tigers A

Coach: Angelo Houliaras

Manager: Stratos Glezakis

Score: 2-0 (lost) No report submitted

Minis – U6 to U9 Results

U/9-1 vs Hurlstone Park

Coach: Steliy Georgiou

Manager: Lisa Fotakopoulos

Score: 7-1 (won) Another polished performance from our unbeaten 9/1 today ,the boys are showing that by training with the right attitude you will play at a winning standard ,from kick off we were on the ball frustrating our opponents by winning the ball & quick passing to have 4-1 half time lead ,great game by Karrim Kaddouh our left back who kept stealing the ball & passing to our midfield who in turn created many scoring opportunities for our front line to score ,a final score of 7-1 showed how committed were today. Special mentions also go to Terry Cronis Perry Fota 1 goal. & a great effort by George Mourani with 5 goals ,Dean Xenos 1 goal ,but our true test will come this week against Enfield our nemesis from last year



U/9-7 vs BYE

Coach: Ali Salame

Manager:

Score:



Juniors – U10 to U17 Results

U/10-1 Girls vs Hurlstone Park

Coach: Chris Mitsias

Manager: Mia Mitsias

Score: 1-2 (won) No report submitted

U/10-1 vs Strathfield

Coach: George Daskalopoulos

Manager: Richard Ramos

Score: 1-0 (won) A very good performance by all the team. The score was not an indication of how dominate the team was. With a little luck the score could have been a lot higher. What a terrific goal by Jordan from a set piece a goal you would see from a senior team. It keeps us in the hunt in a very competitive comp.

U/10-5 vs Strathfield

Coach: Bill Beattie

Manager: Katherine Salazar

Score: 1-0 (won) No report submitted

U/11-1 vs Earlwood

Coach: Nonda Nitis

Manager: Helen Skourtis

Score: 2-0 (won) The boys came out strong as we did in our mid week game. They showed a lot of enthusiasm and played some great soccer. We recorded our first win of the season. Well done boys. Lets keep up the good work.

U/12-2 Girls vs Hurlstone Park A

Coach: Dimitrios Chisarlis

Manager: John Mitchell

Score: 0-0 (draw) No report submitted

U/12-1 vs Leichhardt Tigers

Coach: Kon Fotakopoulos

Manager: Maria Kalantzis

Score: 1-3 (lost) A fast paced match which had us back peddling for the first 25 minutes. With the tigers scoring first 2 goals. Down 2-0 at half time, we were unlucky with 2 goals coming off the woodwork. No excuses the tigers were well disciplined and confident with the ball. I must say that it was a well balanced game with plenty of opportunities going astray. Boys it really shows when you muck up at training and treat the game as a joke. This is 1st division not 6th!! Credit to the better team who backed each other up, complemented each other instead of swearing when a ball accidentally went astray. You boys don't realise your potential, but without discipline and respect for each other, you can kiss your chances for the semi's goodbye. Final score 1-3. Good effort as always to Johnny, Benny, Thomas, Petar, Peter Scott, and new boy Jeremiah. Congratulations to Leichhardt Tigers, well played. Also a thank you to the Referee and linesmen, for once we had a well refereed match.

U/12-3 vs Concord

Coach: Con Potsou

Manager: Gary Ford

Score: 0-2 (lost) Today we found ourselves playing against our voodoo team "Concord". We played the same team on 2 separate occasions last year and lost on both. A team with 90% girls, our team just never had wanted to engage against them, I put it down to our boys being gentlemen. But today was going to be a different day, the boys came out hungry, and with determination. You could see two teams there and the only team that wanted to win was the team in Green & Gold. We had the best chances in the first half and in the second half. Roselands was the team showing the appetite to win the game, but that's history now. Concord had a short period in the second half where they were in control, but after that I felt it was always Roselands in control and trying to win once again. Clearly today the better team lost, even Concord concurred. "You outplayed us for most of the game and deserved to win, we were just lucky," said the Concord coach. The Roselands boys did everything right today, they passed well, defended well and attacked well, unfortunately on the dying minutes of the game, 2 errors by us gave Concord 2 opportunities to score and they put both away. As coach you would think it was heart breaking to see your team put in a solid effort and still walk away with a loss but on the contrary the boys made me proud on the way they played the game and could not fault any of them on their game, we were the best team on the day and deserved to have won. I, Gary and the parents are proud of Roselands performance today and I know if we play like we did today and in training the results will soon follow. Keep it up boys!!!

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involved"*

Juniors – U10 to U17 Results

U/12-5 vs Marrickville A

Coach:

Manager: Mario Tristinotis

Score: 5-0 (lost) No report submitted

U/13-4A vs Hurlstone Park

Coach: John Mamatsi

Manager: Timothy Gissing

Score: 2-2 (draw) A hard fought game today. In the 1st round we ran away with this game 6-2 and today we knew it could be different. The last couple of weeks we have started slow and had to come from behind for victories. This week we spoke about that before the game and how it was important to start on a positive. Unfortunately we cannot be blamed for inconsistency being down 0-1 midway through first half, and yes we were lackluster. Ball watching, slack marking and inadequate defending, was not the way we needed to start. We pulled one back after great lead up work to see Sam bustle his way through for the equalizer. Christopher was kept busy in the first half pulling off some great saves, but he could do nothing after a cross came through and the unmarked attacker put one away out of Christopher reach, 1-2. We had our chances in the first half as well, but our shooting let us down, the whistle blew for the end of first half and we were 1-2 down. In the dressing rooms we pointed out our mistakes and if we cut them down we could get away with the win. The boys started the second half with more purpose and we were gaining the upper hand. Our back four were nullifying the attack with solid defence and clearing balls into the midfield and beyond. We started controlling possession and territory and soon after our equalizer came through Sam. This spurred the boys on and they could smell another victory, raid after raid we attacked only for our goal shooting to let us down, either sailing over the cross bar or wide of the upright even coming off the upright post. Victory was not to be ours even though we deserved it. Well done boys on your second half effort, if we can start the games like that we will give this division a shake. Thank you to Nonda Nitis for refereeing and once again to our parents and supporters.

U/13-4B vs Inter Lions

Coach: Mick Abel

Manager: Mark Wake

Score: 1-3 (lost) As we said last week, if the kids played with the same determination Mick and I couldn't ask for anything more. An unfortunate result that was brought about by two brief lapses in defence. We must challenge the ball first time, even in the air, and we must keep looking over our shoulder for unmarked players. Some strong running and passing today, with the players combining well and looking for the ball. Just a bit more firmness with some of the passing and more of the moves will come off. Good to see solid tackling out there today. Another well worked goal today with the ball being played down the side line before Renae put Matthew Gwynne through for him to put the ball underneath the keeper and into the net. We're getting there but we're also running out of games, keep up the good work and the rewards will come. Thanks to Renae, Danielle and Matthew Gwynne today. Mitchell Sancandi was awarded Man of the Match today, after the usual Coach/Manager post-mortem, for a good solid game in the centre of defence.

U/14-2 Girls vs Lakemba

Coach: Nagi Fahmy

Manager: Maria Hatzidakis

Score: 0-1 (lost) Well, well, what can I say. We lost this game by silly errors. We need to read the game better. Their defence line was very strong, we need to concentrate on our passing techniques and our kicking abilities. Even though we lost remember girls it can only make us stronger. Thank you to John for refereeing the game. Thank you to all the parents and supporters.

U/16-1 vs Stanmore Hawkes

Coach: Trevor Ratcliffe

Manager: George Hantzis

Score: 0-3 (won) No report submitted

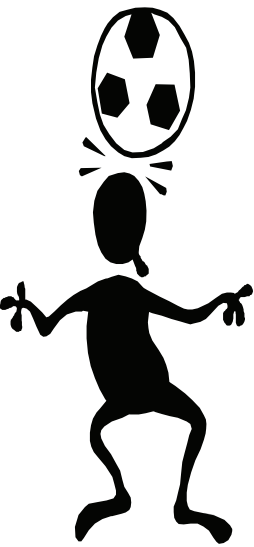
U/17-1 vs Fraser Park B

Coach: Nino Melato

Manager: Allen Daizli

Score: 3-2 (won) Well folks, this u/17's team has been created from a mix and match, with the ages from 15 through to 17, and we started off the season in the dumps and with injuries. There was not much going our way especially when we played at outside venues with no official refs, but the boys have started to bond, as half of this team is new, and not played together prior to this season. Last week we came through with a 4-3 win and the boys were on top, the smiles were everywhere. This week we were

Juniors – U10 to U17 Results



up against the team we lost the semi finals to last year, and guess what, it was a tough game, the coach was out of coffee, manager lost his voice, but we came through with a 3-2 win. Our boys were exhausted, the keeper had a whopper, every single player on our team played to win and did so. Well done boys we played a good clean game and the many thanks to all those parents and supporters who came to support us and helping with the field duties. Thanks to John for refereeing and the EC for helping out also.



Seniors Results



AA-3 Ladies vs Balmain A Coach: Damiano Nigra Manager: Irene
Score: 3-0 (won) No report submitted

AA-3 vs Marrickville Coach: Dominic Spano Manager: John Negas
Score: 1-2 (lost) No report submitted

AA-4 vs Balmain Coach: Mark Ratcliffe Manager: No one wants to be
Score: 2-0 (lost) No report submitted

AA-6 vs Five Dock Coach: Jason Silva Manager: Leon Vergelatos
Score: 2-1 (lost) No report submitted

O35-1 vs Burwood A Coach: Tony Lazaropoulos Manager:
Score: 0-1 (lost)

**Do you have any news you'd like to share?
Do you need to contact us?
Do you want the latest news and information?
Keep this for future reference:**



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Your say.....bits and pieces.....trivia....

Fruit in the bedroom is usually an excellent omen. Slices of rockmelon in a pillowcase will enhance your chances of promotion.



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