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## *A message from the Executive Committee*

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Roselands Raptors would like to give a huge THANK YOU to The Mayor of Canterbury Robert Furolo and the staff of Canterbury Council for their generosity in supplying and laying the concrete pathway underneath the covered verandah.

It has certainly gone a long way in enhancing our Club and park for the benefit of our players, members and visitors to Roselands Raptors Soccer Football Club.

*Thank You*

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.

### 2007 Committee

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## ***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*

**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.

We are all parents, with many varied responsibilities and commitments. However we are all here for the same reason. **OUR CHILDREN..** We all take the kids to training and games, it doesn't take much more time or effort to lend a hand to the parents who dedicate most of their time to making sure that the club runs effectively for the benefit of **OUR CHILDREN.**

If you can help even a little it will go a long way to keeping 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.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"The boys did truly deserve to win. They played an awesome game of football,, but as the Greeks say the ball is round and can roll either way..."

*Con.....*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**Coaches & Managers Meeting

Tuesday 12th June, 7.30pm at Club room, Bennett Park

Team Photos:

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

Trivia Night:

Saturday 7th July at Kingsgrove RSL

Coaches & Managers Dinner:

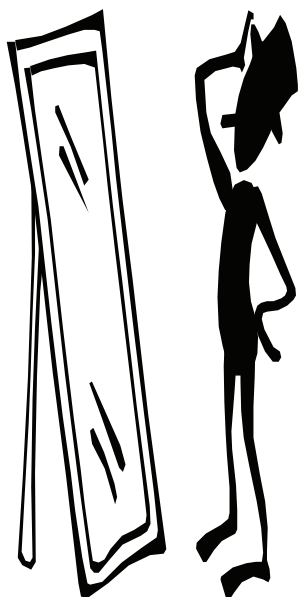
Saturday 28th July at Kingsgrove RSL

Mcdonalds family fun night:

Tuesday 7th August, 5.30-8.30pm at Punchbowl store

Junior Presentation:

Sunday 16th September 2007 at Bennett Park



# COACH TALK

*By Coach Con*

The art of coaching soccer to kids requires one thing in abundance...enthusiasm. It's your most important quality. Kids will respond to you if you're an eager; hard working leader. Some kids find learning boring, some don't care about winning, and some can't remember which goal they are kicking towards. But what unites them, what they all want is to have fun and play a game. And that's your job, making learning fun.



## **ATTENTION! MATCH REPORT WRITERS, COACHES AND MANAGERS**

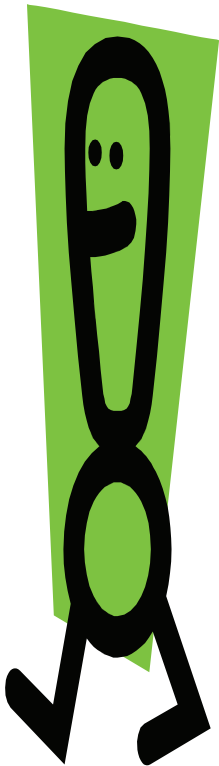
...across all grades and ages

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/6-4A vs Strathfield**

**Coach: Wayne Morris**

**Manager: Angela Soliman**

**Score: 2-3 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/6-4B vs Enfield**

**Coach: Nidal Ahmed**

**Manager: Randa Elhassan**

**Score: 5-0 (won) No report submitted**

**U/6-5 vs Belmore**

**Coach: Arthur Athanasiou**

**Manager: Maria Athanasiou**

**Score: 3-0 (won)** Looked a very professional outfit this week with even stretches and warm ups before the game, which the kids really loved. Belmore could only get 6 players so we dropped 1 to have a fair game which they were appreciative of. Belmore played a good defensive game so we got a lot of corner practice. One goal by Zane was excellent as he controlled the ball well and went around the keeper to put it in the back of the net. Our last goal involved 2 passes and a strike from Marco that ended up in the top of the back net. The whole team deserves a good wrap as these goals were the doing of a side that is starting to spread and not fight each other for the ball. Well done boys keep it going.

**U/6-9 vs Burwood**

**Coach: Louie Antaky**

**Manager: Bridgette Antaky**

**Score: 0-2 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/7-1 vs Enfield**

**Coach: Allen Daizli**

**Manager: Fay Sleiman**

**Score: 1-4 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/7-7 vs Fraser Park**

**Coach: Richard Kent**

**Manager: Mark Wake**

**Score: 0-1 (lost)** Our first game in our new division (U7/7) and what a game! Easily our best game yet of the season. We played on a midi field as the mini field was unavailable so the difference for the kids was huge. We played 8 aside but this meant that we didn't have any subs as two players unfortunately were ill (many thanks to Harrison who came to support us anyway). Fraser Park had 12 players which meant that they interchanged regularly, so we did exceptionally well to stay in the game.

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*be a Raptor*

Fraser Park managed to squeeze a goal mid way through the first half, but after that it was fairly even with both teams having opportunities. Unfortunately we just couldn't find that last touch to put the ball in the net. All in all a fantastic effort with all the players worthy of 'Man of the Match'.

*- honoured to*

*be involved”*

**U/7-9 vs Leichhardt Saints**

**Coach: Karim Safa**

**Manager: Suzie Tartak**

**Score: Forfeit**

**U/8-1 vs Leichhardt Tigers**

**Coach: Lee Cooper**

**Manager: Rosie Kassis**

**Score: 1-5 (lost)** A good match against a strong Tigers side who dominated in all areas. A good first 20 minutes from both sides saw the Tigers in front. However Roselands suffered in the second half and walked away disappointed.

## Minis – U6 to U9 Results

**U/8-5 vs Five Dock B**

**Coach: Angelo Houliaras**

**Manager: Stratos Glezakis**

**Score: 0-7 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/9-1 vs Burwood**

**Coach: Steliy Georgiou**

**Manager: Lisa Fotakopoulos**

**Score: 4-0 (won)** Another sunny day at Bennett Park and another victory to the Roselands 9/1-s. After a slow start to the game and not much goal activity with only the 1 goal scored in the first half, the boys turned up the heat in the 2nd half to score 3 goals and missing many other chances.

It was always going to be difficult to back up from Thursdays nights match against a Bexley under 10-s team, which we performed magnificently but took its toll on their little legs. But showing their character and wanting to keep their 8 match winning streak for the year, we finished the game on a strong note to show we have true steel. Well done to all, best on ground was "Charlie", Goals by: George 2, Steven 1, and an own goal helped over the line by Dean.

**U/9-4 vs Concord**

**Coach: Ali Salame**

**Manager: Hanan Amer**

**Score: 1-0 (lost)** The u9's team has recently moved from 7th Division to 4th Division - this is a very good result. It was a good match on saturday but the Concord team won the match (1-0); with more training the Roselands U9's team will improve and go on to win more matches as has previously happened.

keep up the training and fair game!!

### ***CATCH UP GAMES FOR WASHED OUT ROUNDS***

Round 3, 28/29 April and Round 6 19-20 May, will be played during long weekend 9-10 June.

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

## Juniors – U10 to U17 Results

**U/10-1 Girls vs Leichhardt Saints**

**Coach: Chris Mitsias**

**Manager: Mia Mitsias**

**Score: 0-3 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/10-1 vs Leichhardt Tigers**

**Coach: George Daskalopoulos**

**Manager: Richard Ramos**

**Score: 0-0 (draw)** Great game by both teams. It was a titanic struggle by both teams trying to get an advantage. Fantastic effort by all the boys to improve so much (they beat us 5-0 in first round). If we keep improving we should be there on the last Saturday.

**U/10-5 vs Concord**

**Coach: Bill Beattie**

**Manager: Katherine Salazar**

**Score: 2-0 (won) No report submitted**

**U/11-1 vs Burwood**

**Coach: Nonda Nitis**

**Manager: Helen Skourtis**

**Score: 0-1 (lost)** The boys started slowly and we were down 1-0 at half time. Some great defending in the second half ensured that the score remained 1-0. We were unlucky not to score an equaliser. Great effort from all the boys, considering this team beat us 8-0 back in round one. We have come a long way since then. Lets keep up the good work boys! Well done!

**U/12-2 Girls vs Russell Lea**

**Coach: Dimitrios Chisarlis**

**Manager: John Mitchell**

**Score: 0-2 (won) No report submitted**

**U/12-1 vs Inter Lions**

**Coach: Kon Fotakopoulos**

**Manager: Maria Kalantzis**

**Score: 2-0 (won)** Welcome back to the winners circle boys.. A shaky start saw us on the back foot straight from the kick-off. With Inter-lions breaking our defence certain to score, but fortunately for us Andrew our keeper foiled their plans with a great save. Again we lacked in basic principals, we could not hold possession. Instead we were playing "kick-ball".

Credit to our backs Thomas, Johnny and Benny finally settling and controlling the play. Our efforts were rewarded with a text book team goal. It started deep in our half with Benny beating one player and nicely placing a well weighted thru-ball straight to "flash" (Andre), who beat there defense and scored a great goal. Up 1-0 at half time helped our confidence.

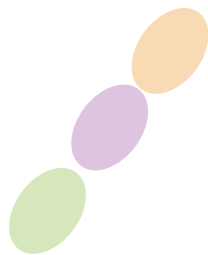
2nd half we came out strongly dominating most of the game. We are still very patchy, but when we concentrated we looked good. Once again big efforts from Peter Scott, Steven Kalantzis and Petar Milanovic. Also a big game from Geordie who had his best game all season, winning some very impressive 50/50's, chasing the ball, putting in some good crosses etc. All these little things that we do correctly result in an overall good performance. Good lead up work by George Azzi saw Steven Kalantzis finish with our 2nd goal. Boys, not our best effort. We are capable of so much more. This is what frustrates me the most! I can't wait for the day that I have full 100% effort from the entire team. See you next week.

**U/12-3 vs Lakemba**

**Coach: Con Potsou**


**Manager: Gary Ford**

**Score: 1-1 (draw)** Today was our 1<sup>st</sup> game for the second part of the season against Lakemba who we had beaten in the 1st round. But today we were guilty of going back to our old habits again. Our whole back line was caught sleeping from the blow of the whistle and we found ourselves struggling to clear the ball from a team that pushed forward at every chance causing a few concerns with unmarked players. Our team seemed to have "switched off" and we conceded a goal in the first 5 minutes of the game. We were clearly muscled off the ball and spent most of the time in the first half defending.



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## Juniors – U10 to U17 Results



Not only do we need to keep the ball away from their strong players we also need firmer kicks to clear the ball from our goal line. At half time we were down 0-1 and we were lucky not to have conceded more. A firm talking to the boys at half time seemed to have jolted them back to life and we were a different team in the second half. We showed signs of better attacking and we defended very strongly with all players having a good defensive and attacking game. Once again, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half our passing, although not perfect, was a pleasure to watch. My only thought was that we need more square balls to switch our point of attack.

Bad luck today guys, we really were never in the game in the 1<sup>st</sup> half from the first 5 minutes when they scored till half time. Let's pull it together and put in a solid effort next week. I don't need to come down on you all to put in a solid effort, if you played the 1st half like we did in the second the score would have been different, put the same effort in the game as you do in training and the results will come. Good game from Patrick in goals(1<sup>st</sup> half) and Samuel in the 2nd half and the centre midfielders Adrian and Patrick. Defensively great game by Dimitri and James. The second half was encouraging but more effort needed from the start, Let's get back to our winning ways boys.

**U/12-5 vs Hurlstone Park**

**Coach:**

**Manager: Mario Tristinotis**

**Score: 0-1 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/13-4A vs Marrickville**

**Coach: John Mamatsi**

**Manager: Timothy Gissing**

**Score: 1-1 (draw)** One versus two today with Marrickville one point behind us on the competition Table. In the first round the result was 2-2 with Marrickville edging out as the better team. The score today indicates another close game, but Roselands was by far the better side today. From the whistle we were straight into our tactics and the passing was first rate. It is when we got into their 18 yard area we let ourselves down.

It was not long into the match where a lapse of concentration let Marrickville ahead 0-1. The boys kept to the plan and we would continue to attack with no luck. At half time the boys were confident of a win as long as we played with the same enthusiasm and plan as the first. The equaliser came early in the second half after great lead up work through our passing. We dominated the second half but could not find the winning goal. No shots off the crossbar or upright posts today, they would either go wide, over, or to the keeper, who had a fine game today and kept Marrickville from losing.

Congratulations to the boys today for their excellent passing game, Mohommad and Daniel were kept busy today with the work they created out wide and getting the ball back into the opposition goal mouth. Congratulations to Alex for his man of the match although you all deserved it today. Thank you to all our parents and supporters.

**U/13-4B vs Hurlstone Park**

**Coach: Mick Abel**

**Manager: Mark Wake**

**Score: 1-2 (lost)** It can be a cruel, cruel game. We went down early (3.5 mins) to a break through goal and then despite having about 75% of the possession saw ourselves 2 down in the second half! 5 minutes to go and Joshua Abou-Sleiman scored a neat goal at the near post after an enterprising run along the bye line. We kept pressing but it just wouldn't happen. Solid effort from everyone again so no complaints from Mick or myself.

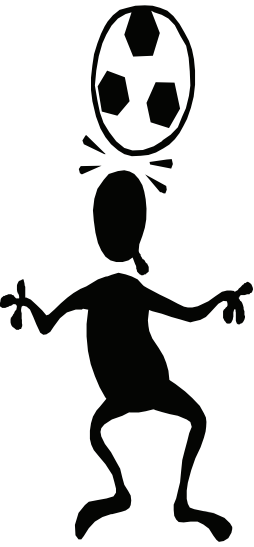


Need to work on our ball control a little as it got away from us at important times today.

Many thanks to Jonathan and Hariis from the 11/1's for helping out today, great games boys.

Man of the Match today went to Mitchell Sancandi again for his work at the centre of the backs.

## Juniors – U10 to U17 Results



**U/14-2 Girls vs Strathfield**

**Coach: Nagi Fahmy**

**Manager: Maria Hatzidakis**

**Score: 0-4 (won) No report submitted**

**U/16-1 vs Inter Lions**

**Coach: Trevor Ratcliffe**

**Manager: George Hantzis**

**Score: 2-1 (won) No report submitted**

**U/17-1 vs Inter Lions**

**Coach: Nino Melato**

**Manager: Allen Daizli**

**Score: 8-0 (lost) No report submitted**



## Seniors Results



AA-3 Ladies vs Marrickville Coach: Damiano Nigra  
Score: 4-0 (won) No report submitted

Manager: Irene

AA-3 vs Fraser Park Coach: Dominic Spano  
Score: 3-1 (won) No report submitted

Manager: John Negas

AA-4 vs Strathfield Coach: Mark Ratcliffe  
Score: 1-1 (draw) No report submitted

Manager: No one wants to be

AA-6 vs Strathfield Coach: Jason Silva  
Score: 1-2 (won) No report submitted

Manager: Leon Vergelatos

O35-1 vs Balmain Coach: Tony Lazaropoulos  
Score: 0-1 (won) No report submitted.

Manager:

**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....*

It is bad luck to have two mirrors endlessly reflecting each other, as it might tear a black hole in space, stuff up the space-time continuum and suck your hallway into a parallel universe!



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