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Round: Catch ups

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## Messages from the Executive Committee

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Due to holidays and only catch up games being played, this weeks issue will be a little light on, however don't forget to catch up with next weeks edition of the Striker with all the news and details of The Trivia Night which was a great success, and if the laughter and comments going back and forth were any indication.... a night much enjoyed by all who attended.

A great BIG congratulations and thank you to Maria Gissing and Sue Santos for organising the night. To everyone who supported it and those who kindly donated all prizes and items for the silent auction.

### *Editors*

#### 2007 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*

## ***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***

"Don't just set goals..... Score Them"

*Con.....*

***UPCOMING EVENTS***Team Photos:

For teams who have not had their photos yet please check with your manager or coach.

Coaches & Managers Dinner:

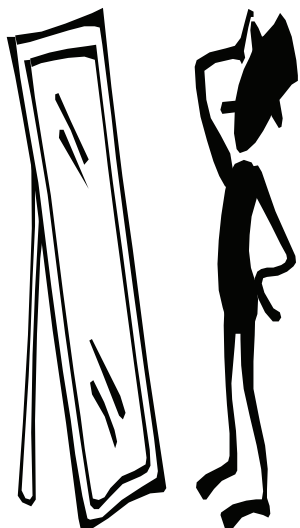
Saturday 28th July at Kingsgrove RSL

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

### Teach The Basics First!

Some skills are absolute “must-haves” for all players – and are so important that you should teach them first. What’s the most important?

Not everyone will agree, but for me the number one skill for a soccer player to possess is ball-holding.

If you teach your players ANYTHING, teach them the skills to keep possession. Once they realise that they have the skills to keep an opponent from stealing the ball, they will gain the confidence to lift their heads up and find another player to pass to

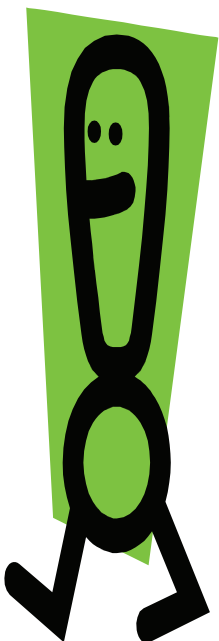
*By Coach Con*

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.

*Executive Committee*



### ***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!!*

## Juniors – U10 to U17 Results

**U/11-1 vs Inter Lions (rnd 3)**

**Coach: Nonda Nitis**

**Manager: Helen Skourtis**

**Score: 0-4 (lost)** The boys started slowly resulting in a 4-0 half time score. The second half was a much tighter contest however the ball just didn't want to go in. Let's keep trying boys!

**U/12-3 vs Belmore (rnd 11)**

**Coach: Con Potsou**

**Manager: Gary Ford**

**Score: 0-3 (lost)** This was another catch up game which we missed back in round 11. Unfortunately being school holidays we had three players away on holiday and one out for the rest of the season due to injury so we looked to the under 12/5's to help us out against a full strength and one of the inform teams in this competition. This was not going to be an easy game against a team who wanted revenge after we beat them in last year's grand final.

We were guilty of playing Kindergarten football in the first half, and conceded a goal 2 minutes into the game. Our midfield and defence continued to fall apart and wasn't long before we gave away another goal. It was disappointing and distressing watching our boys lose focus and play way below par. Clearly the boys were not here today says coach Con, failure to clear the ball and to engage saw us conceding our third goal minutes before half time.

A stern talking too at half time was needed to bring focus back into our lads., and wow what a difference that made. You would not have thought it was the same boys playing the second half, we totally dominated the half and Belmore was never able to penetrate our half way line. The boys kept attacking Belmore's goal mouth but some good keeping by them denied us some worthy goals.

In a difficult competition we need to play as a team and stay focused and positive. I have said this before I do not need to give you all a stern talking to so you can lift your game. If you play the first half like you did the second it would have been a much different result. Second half performance was stronger. Unfortunately attempts at goal did not convert.

A big thank you to Alex and Ali from the U12-5's for helping us out on the day. I also want to mention some poor sportsmanship by some of our opponents players, sledging, slurring, and spitting is not needed in today's game. Roselands wins or loses with pride and dignity and we don't need to lower our standards.

*“Proud to*

**U/13-4A vs Lakemba (rnd 9)**

**Coach: John Mamatsi**

**Manager: Timothy Gissing**

**Score: 4-0 (won)** The score suggests a comfortable, strong victory but the result should have been twice if not three times that. Our shooting was terrible, and our passing into the box sloppy, and on top of that our commitment to the game was patchy. This was a game that we needed to score lot's of goals to assist in our for and against. Credit to the opposition goalkeeper for some good saves also aided by the woodwork. Congratulations to Sam on scoring the four goals. Thank you to all the parents for their support.

*be a Raptor*

*- honoured*

*to be*

*involved”*

**U/13-4B vs Hurlstone Park (rnd 3)**

**Coach: Mick Abel**

**Manager: Mark Wake**

**Score: 3-0 (won)** A great result today for the team in our quest to play finals footy. Very pleasing to see some form of patience knowing the goals would come if we keep playing as a team and apply lots of pressure. Congratulations to Andrew for getting a double today and to Nicholas for the other. The last couple of games have shown some real promise so lets keep it going. Thanks to mini Matt from U/11 for helping out again.

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