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**A Message from the Secretary**

Well folks, with the season fast coming to an end, I thought I had better do another report before I ran out of time!

On the competition front, a number of teams played their last round on the weekend, with the following teams making it into semi- finals:-

U10/1, U10/5, U12/1, U12/3, AA6 men, U12/2 girls, U14/2 girls, U13/4A, U16/1, and AA/3 ladies. Good luck to you all this weekend. Let's see you all progress to the next play-off!

Our U13/4B's are still a big chance of making the semi's depending on other results this weekend so let's hope that the results fall their way.

This is an outstanding result to have at least 10 out of 18 competition teams making it through. A huge thank you to all the coaches, managers, players and parents who make it happen every week.

To those teams who missed out this season, be proud of what you've achieved this year and look forward a bigger and better season in 2008. For all junior teams who miss the semi- finals, you still have the pennant final to play for so go out on a winning note!

Please remember the code of conduct and show the rest of the association why we're a club to be proud of.

Our U/9's gala day will be held on the 19th of August at Bennett Park. We have teams coming from far and wide so it promises to be a huge day. To make this day a success we need lot's of bodies on the park for various jobs, refereeing, recording, time keeping, crowd control, canteen, BBQ etc. etc. Please think about offering your time and assistance on this day make this gala day the envy of the district! Please let Nonda know if you can assist in any way. Thank you.

On the social front, we held our annual coaches and managers' dinner last Saturday night at Kingsgrove RSL. Every one who came said what a great night it was so we hope to see you all at next year's dinner!

A big thank you to Sue Santos and Maria Gissing for organizing the evening. A job well done.

We will be holding a McDonalds' fun night on the 07/08/07 from 5:30pm 'till 8:30pm at the Punchbowl store. Give yourself the night ff cooking and go to Macca's instead.

Part of the takings from the night are donated to the club. Again, thanks to Sue Santos for organizing these fun nights for us.

Thank you to the U12/5's for running the canteen and BBQ last Saturday. A job well done! Also thanks to Peter and Emanuel from the U16/1's for their sterling efforts on the BBQ last Sunday. Your assistance is always appreciated and I know how much Peter enjoys it!!

Don't forget to keep reading the web site to stay up to date with what's happening .

See you 'round the Park.

Regards

- Jeff Gissing

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***ATTENTION! COACHES AND MANAGERS***

The end of season is fast approaching and there are a couple of things to remember. All non competition teams (u6-u/9) will play 18 rounds, the washout rounds do not get re scheduled so you have 6 rounds to go including this weekend.

All Competitive teams (u/10- Seniors) depending on how many teams you play against in your division, you will have up to three rounds to go before the finals series. For clarification please contact myself or visit the Associations or our Club website. The information is found in the 'Rules of the Association' document. This Wednesday (18th July) the up-to-date Tables will be on the notice boards in our clubhouse to review. There are a four teams with either catch up rounds to still be played, or the association has not finalised their Standings. I am reviewing it all now and will notify the CDSFA with the updates required.

Also in the coming weeks all Coaches and Managers will be sent a letter stating the requirements for end of season, ie return of equipment, annual reports etc etc. This is an important document so please do not disregard it.

Thank you for your support, Congratulations for the season thus far best wishes and enjoy the rest of it.

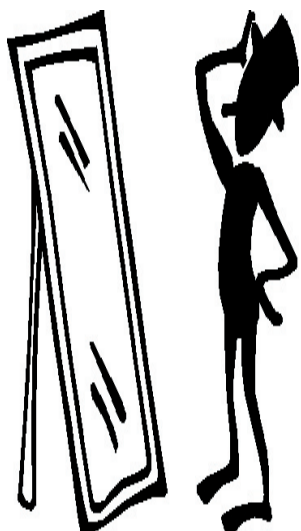
*John Mamatsi*

*Club Registrar/competition Secretary*

***QUOTE OF THE WEEK***

"Soccer is not about justice. It's a drama and criminally wrong decisions against you are part and parcel of that"

*Con.....*

***UPCOMING EVENTS***

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

### MAKE EVERY SECOND COUNT AT HALF TIME

Strategy, tactics and organisation have to be reinforced or in some cases changed in just five minutes. However, there are only three broad objectives:

- To motivate your players.
- To give them the best chance to absorb information.
- To let them recover whilst taking on water.

Remember!! When outlining a poor aspect of the team's performance deliver it in a productive manner. If the defence has gaps, try not to blame players or dwell on it. Instead warn players not to get sucked in and to concentrate. Players are not motivated by being told what they did wrong, but more by how they can improve and resolve problems.

*By Coach Con*

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

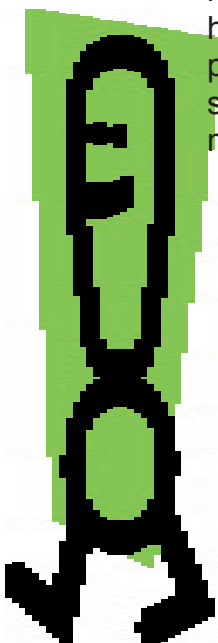
...across all grades and ages

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 Balmain B**

**Coach: Wayne Morris**

**Manager: Angela Soliman**

**Score: 3-4 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/6-4B vs Hurlstone Park**

**Coach: Nidal Ahmed**

**Manager: Randa Elhassan**

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

**U/6-5 vs Leichhardt Saints**

**Coach: Arthur Athanasiou**

**Manager: Maria Athanasiou**

**Score: 1-0 (won)** A very exciting and good game again this week. It was tight all game which made the excitement and intensity even greater. It was great to see players dribbling down the sideline and the others running into the goal mouth calling for the ball.

**U/6-9 vs Marrickville B**

**Coach: Louie Antaky**

**Manager: Bridgette Antaky**

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

**U/7-1 vs Five Dock**

**Coach: Allen Daizli**

**Manager: Fay Sleiman**

**Score: 1-3 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/7-7 vs Marrickville**

**Coach: Richard Kent**

**Manager: Mark Wake**

**Score: 2-7 (lost) No report submitted**

**U/7-7 vs Balmain (late round 13 report)**

**Score: 0-1 (lost)** Our best loss ever. This was the best game we played all season with lots of close shots to the goal only just missing each time. All kids played extremely well and enjoyed the game and got very excited at times

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*be involved”*

**U/7-9 vs Five Dock B**

**Coach: Karim Safa**

**Manager: Suzie Tartak**

**Score: 1-1 (draw) No report submitted**

**U/8-1 vs Strathfield**

**Coach: Lee Cooper**

**Manager: Rosie Kassis**

**Score: 3-1 (won)** Strathfield scored a quick goal to frighten Roselands into some great play. The Raptors play fantastically with some great through balls to even the score and then go ahead. A solid second half from a great team effort resulted in a final convincing result.

## Minis – U6 to U9 Results

**U/8-5 vs Hurlstone Park A**      **Coach: Angelo Houliaras**      **Manager: Stratos Glezakis**  
**Score: 0-0 (drew) No report submitted**

**U/9-1 vs Enfield**      **Coach: Steliy Georgiou**      **Manager: Lisa Fotakopoulos**

**Score: 1-1 (drew)** Today's game was played by the two best 9/1 div teams & a final score of 1-1 was a fair result for our efforts . This game had it all, a tough no nonsense affair between two sides not wanting to allow their opponents to get any upper hand. A 0-0 score line at half time with the game going from one goal mouth to the other, finally Roselands scored first with good lead up work on the right side by Dean crossing to Perry who put it into the back of the net, but five minutes later Enfield scored from our hesitation in defence to equalize. The last part of the game was just a slog without any real scoring chances due to the determination of these great kids.

**U/9-4 vs Lakemba**      **Coach: Ali Salame**      **Manager: Hanan Amer**

**Score: 3-5 (lost)** Roselands Players put up a good defence, played well and scored goals. Unfortunately the lacked the 'shine' that once was. Hopefully more players will attend training, as enable us to train as a team. keep up the good work...let's get out there next match and try to score some winning goals.

### ***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*

### ***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 Balmain

Coach: Chris Mitsias

Manager: Mia Mitsias

Score: 1-0 (won) No report submitted

U/10-1 vs Strathfield

Coach: George Daskalopoulos

Manager: Richard Ramos

Score: 6-2 (won) No report submitted

U/10-5 vs Strathfield

Coach: Bill Beattie

Manager: Katherine Salazar

Score: 0-1 (won) No report submitted

U/11-1 vs Earlwood

Coach: Nonda Nitis

Manager: Helen Skourtis

Score: 0-1 (lost) The boys started off very slow and really weren't on their game. They showed some signs of improvement however it just wasn't our day today. Bad luck boys!

U/12-2 Girls vs Hurlstone Park A

Coach: Dimitrios Chisaris

Manager: John Mitchell

Score: 0-4 (won) No report submitted

U/12-1 vs Leichhardt Tigers

Coach: Kon Fotakopoulos

Manager: Maria Kalantzis

Score: 1-1 (drew) What a game!! Well played boys, with plenty of passing and good distribution. We look to be finding some form finally, with great defense and ball control frustrating Leichhardt all over the park. Unfortunately against the run of play they finally managed to wrong foot our defense with a lack of marking by our backs to let the tigers in for a 1 nil lead in the first half. One mistake by our backs and they punished us with a good team goal. 2nd half had us on the pump for the 1st 15 minutes with plenty of long ball and high ball plays which had the tigers in a panic. I give them credit for holding us out with a couple of chances leaving the tigers with no reply. Finally we pushed them and split them thru the middle with Steven Kalantzis cracking a big hit which the keeper spilt and "the Petar" following thru volleying the ball into the back of the net. 1-1 and we were making the breaks and finishing strongly. A good test for our boys drawing with the best team in our division. 1-1 was a good indication to what was an evenly matched game. Finally A big thank you to the referee who kept control and red's the game very fairly. Great effort boys!!! You deserve your final four ranking for the semi's.

U/12-3 vs Concord

Coach: Con Potsou

Manager: Gary Ford

Score: 2-1 (won) Roselands FC's amazing debut season in Div 3 has led to an outstanding 4th placing possibly 3rd depending on results from another match later today. Needing a win to secure 4th, RFC managed this with a close 2-1 win over Concord, our voodoo team which we have never won against. "We're stoked," said Coach Con, "It was a tough step up, and "It's great to get that winning feeling back," Roselands played a fantastic game of football constantly attacking the goal mouth. Nice

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passing and clearing from all the boys. Our boys were hungry in the first half and a beautiful goal by Jason A put us one up at half time. Some near misses by George could have put us further in front but it wasn't going to be that easy. But by no means was this over, Concord were also desperate for a win and came out hungry for goals in the second half. Isaac took the score to 2-0 and some good shots again by George whisked by the goal mouth. Concord kept the pressure on and were rewarded a goal. The game became more intense as we desperately needed a win while concord only needed a draw to stay in. Good keeping by Adrian, reading the game correctly and coming out at the right time kept our hopes alive. Good defensive work by our backs for holding the pressure off till the full time whistle blew. Excellent work boys, give yourselves a pat on the back, the 4th or 3rd placing is a good result, and you all deserved it. But we cannot relax now, we are in the semis and every game from here on end is sudden death for us, I know we can go all the way again if you show the same hunger and keep playing the same passing and attacking game as you did today. Thank you also to our loyal and very vocal Roselands faithful who kept inspiring our lads to push forward.

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

**Coach:**

**Manager: Mario Tristinotis**

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

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

**Coach: John Mamatsi**

**Manager: Timothy Gissing**

**Score: 8-0 (won)** Firstly on the game, playing the team who have not won a game so far and have only scored a couple of goals, always has you wondering if this is the game they are going to win, on top of that our team's performance the last few games has been below par. Before the game we spoke of those performances and what we were doing wrong. Also we had two players unavailable due to illness and injury. All the talk worked wonders as we totally dominated the game with passing and team-work. Lakemba over the season have improved but the Roselands boys just moved up an extra gear to shut them out. Our record against them over the three games is 20-0. Mohommad Mahmoud captained today and had a great game. The goals were shared evenly between our strikers and midfield although the score-line really does not show our dominance. Get well soon to Alex and Kevin, we missed your input today. Thank you to Jonathan Nitis (u11's) for helping out. The teams' biggest thanks go to the u/13-4b's for beating Marrickville, the team hot on our heels in second place. Due to that victory by the 13-4b's, it has given us the Minor Premiership leaving us with either a three point or 1 point win for the premiership, with one round to play. The boys worked hard all year and over the past weeks the realisation of finishing first became a goal we strived for. Congratulations to the team and I thank them, for they knew how much finishing first past the post meant to the parents and I. Congratulations to the B's on their spirited performance and THANKS. Hopefully results will go your way over the two last rounds and you can finish in the four. I know my team will try their hardest to make it happen. Thank you to all our parents and supporters.

## Juniors – U10 to U17 Results

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

**Coach: Mick Abel**

**Manager: Mark Wake**

**Score: 1-0 (won)** A fantastic win by the team today. The commitment and passion displayed makes for a very happy coach. The only goal for the match was beautifully set up and well finished off. Congratulations Eamon on your first goal. The whole match was a back and forth game which was probably good to watch from the side but too much for this coach. The final whistle couldn't come quick enough. Congratulations team on a great win well deserved for the effort put in. A special mention to Chris in goals he had the crowd roaring with his saves. Thanks again mini matt we love having you helping out.

**U/14-2 Girls vs Hurlston Park**

**Coach: Nagi Fahmy**

**Manager: Maria Hatzidakis**

**Score: 1-1 (drew)** No report submitted

**U/16-1 vs Stanmore Hawkes**

**Coach: Trevor Ratcliffe**

**Manager: George Hantzis**

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

**U/17-1 vs Concord A**

**Coach: Nino Melato**

**Manager: Allen Daizli**

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



## Seniors Results



AA-3 Ladies vs Balmain A      Coach: Damiano Nigra      Manager: Irene  
Score: 1-2 (won) No report submitted

AA-3 vs Marrickville      Coach: Dominic Spano      Manager: John Negas  
Score: 0-0 (drew) No report submitted

AA-4 vs Balmain      Coach: Mark Ratcliffe      Manager: No one wants to be  
Score: 3-0 (lost) No report submitted

AA-6 vs Five Dock      Coach: Jason Silva      Manager: Leon Vergelatos  
Score: 8-0 (won) No report submitted

O35-1 vs Burwood A      Coach: Tony Lazaropoulos      Manager:  
Score: 2-2 (drew) No report submitted



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