

Welcome to our first newsletter for the Sandringham Soccer Club 2013 season. We hope you have all enjoyed the summer break, and look forward to seeing you all back on the pitch over the coming weeks.

A big thank you to all the volunteer Coaches, Team Managers, Age-level Coordinators, and various others who freely gave their time over the 2012 season. Your tireless efforts made the year a very successful one for all players and families. As a volunteer club we cannot survive without the many offers of help throughout the season. We will be seeking your support again to make this year another successful one for the club.

Sandringham SC welcomes the following members to the Committee of Management for 2013: Simon Polinelli, Kevin Maher, Nicole Jencik, Tony Falkingham and David Bough.

Thankyou to all our new age level coordinators in both Girls and Boys and Goalkick programs. For a full list of Age group coordinators please see the Sandringham SC website.

We are very pleased to have secured Eugene Lawrenz as our Director of Coaching. The Committee is very excited about the plans and programs that are being developed this season, to grow and strengthen the strong place the club has in the local community.

Eugene Lawrenz was appointed Director of Coaching in May 2012. He is currently the Head Coach of Futsal in Victoria, and one of the state's most experienced coaching course presenters. He has been a full-time Zone Development Officer with FFV and has coached at various levels during his career, including being a VCL Head Zone Coach, State Coach, Academy Head Coach, and ACTAS (NTC) assistant coach.

He was Director of Coaching at a similarly large club in Canberra from 2008 to 2010. Both are community based clubs that first and foremost are about promoting fun, friendship and respect. He is looking forward to helping both players and coaches develop and reach their potential.

With Eugene's help we are introducing the FFA National Curriculum into our club philosophy and we are excited with what Eugene will bring to the Club and developing both our players and Coaches.

Eugene will be running several age specific coach workshops, working with the club's new and returning budding referees, and continuing our Goalkick (U5-U7), goalkeeper and player development programs. He has run all of our trials bringing with him experienced Coaches to form the impartial selection panel. Eugene will assist the club with sourcing coaches from within the club and external if needed.



DIARY DATES

February

3rd to 23rd – Sub-Junior & Junior Trials

24th – 10-12noon Registration Open Day/Boot swap

25th – Pre-season training commences

March

1st – Registrations Close

April

1st – Goalkick Registrations Close

6th – Senior Men State 4 Comp Starts

7th – Women's Premier League Comp Starts

13th – U8-U11 Mixed Comp Starts

14th – Junior Boys & Girls Comp Starts

15th – Development Training U8-U11 Starts

20th – Bayside U7 Comp Starts

21st – Bayside U10 Girls Comp Starts

May

5th – Goalkick Starts

September

1st – Goalkick Concludes

7th – Sub-Junior Season Concludes

8th – Junior & Metro Season Concludes

21st – U8-U11 Castlefield Cup (TBC)

21st – Men's State 4 Season Concludes

22nd – Women's Premier League Concludes



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REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday 24th February from 10am to 12 noon

Come along to our Registration Day to learn more about our club, register for the 2013 season, or to purchase some second hand boots for \$5. Proceeds from the sale of boots will be used to pay the postage costs to send donated equipment to our children's charities.

BOOT EXCHANGE

Do you have any outgrown soccer boots that are still in good nick and you'd like to donate to the club? Do you have soccer uniforms that do not fit anymore?

We are collecting all unwanted soccer boots and soccer uniforms/training gear that are still in good nick for our Boot Exchange program. This is a great way to swap boots for a bigger size.

Drop all gear and boots to Melanie Finucane's veranda anytime: 15 Masefield ave Sandringham

OR drop them to Spring st Pavilion Sandringham on Saturday 23rd February 9-10am.

We will sort all boots and then have them available on Registration Day Sunday 24th February 10-12noon.

For \$5 you can select a bigger size of boot which will cover all postal costs for us to send any leftover boots and all donated soccer gear to disadvantaged groups in Northern Territory and the Philippines.

TEAM TRIALS AND ALLOCATIONS

Trials have commenced for our A team selections for our U10-U11 Boys, U11 Girls, and all Junior Boys & Girls age groups. Impartial selectors have been brought in to conduct trials for each age group to ensure that the selection process is unbiased. Regrettably, not every child can be assigned to an A team, however we encourage all of our players to come down and be a part of the trial process.

Announcements for A team placements will be made following the conclusion of all trials in the week ending 23rd February. For those that are unsuccessful in gaining a place in our A squads, team allocations are typically based on a combination of teams played in last season, friendship groups and schools nominated in the registration process. To assist us with team allocations it is important that all children are registered with Sandringham Soccer Club before 1st March. All players registered on our website by this date are guaranteed a place in a team.

Pre-season training for all levels within all age groups will begin shortly after trails have concluded.

REGISTRATIONS

Due to rising utilities costs and other costs we have had to increase our fees. We have tried to keep the increase to a minimum to keep the sport affordable to all our members. Our in-house Registration Day is set for Sunday 24th February from 10am to 12noon at the clubs pavilion, Spring Street, Sandringham.

Our online registration system is now open for the 2013 season. Please register via the Sandringham SC website at www.sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au. We welcome players of all abilities. All players registered by the cutoff dates are guaranteed a team placement in one of our ungraded teams.

The registration cut-off date for Sub-Junior U7 –U11, Junior and Senior players is March 1st. The registration cut-off date for Goalkick is April 5th. Registrations may be accepted after these dates, however only where there are vacancies available in the relevant age groups.

This year we again have to ask all players to self-register on the My Football Club website at www.myfootballclub.com.au. Please note that we still require all players to register and pay via the Sandringham SC website. Any payment requests from My Football Club should be ignored.

SPONSORSHIPS

2013 Sponsorship Opportunities

As we enter a new season, 2013 is set to be an exciting year for Sandringham Soccer Club. This season sees the implementation of our new coaching structure, having access to Bayside's premier fully flood lit soccer facility (Sillitoe Reserve) and hopefully fielding more teams than ever before, from goal kick to seniors.

As the club progresses in some areas we have to respond to changes in others. As some of you may have heard Nike have unfortunately discontinued the current Sandringham style soccer top. Although as a club (and along with Sportsmart) we have reserved all remaining Australian stock, we expect some sizes to run short through the season. As such the committee have decided to launch a new sponsorship initiative for 2013.

We are currently seeking individual sponsors for all teams in the club. Each team that gains sponsorship (min. \$1000) will be given a new strip with their sponsors logo on the front as well as other additional vouchers to spend at Sportsmart on soccer equipment.

To assist the committee in finding the required sponsors we kindly ask all parents and members to contact their employers to see if they would be willing to sponsor Sandringham Soccer Club. Alternatively if you know a sponsorship contact but do not wish approach them directly please feel free to pass on their contact details to the email address below.

All sponsorship enquiries can be forwarded to Kevin at sponsorship@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au

MESSAGE FROM SPONSORS



2013 Open Morning at Brighton Grammar School

You've seen Brighton Grammar School out of hours when training on the Mitchell Oval soccer pitch, well why not come and visit us and see the School at work at our Open Morning and School Tours event on Friday 22nd February.

The morning starts with a short presentation at 9.15am in the Junior School Hall and then you are invited to take a small group tour with some current students giving you a chance to see the parts of the School of particular interest and ask all the questions you like! The tour is followed Morning tea with key staff giving you a chance to meet some of our people who love to teach boys!

You can make a booking by calling 8951 2202.



IMPORTANT

Please note that there is to be no unauthorised training on any Sandringham SC grounds. Council have severe fines for any teams training without authority. We only have limited access to our grounds until 1st April, and all teams will be notified once we have been granted full access to our grounds.

PROGRAMS:

GOALKICK

Close off for registration's is April 5th. Teams will be formed once registration are finalised and all parents and players will be notified. The season starts Sunday May 5th at Spring St, Sandringham. We had over 160 players last year and are expecting a similar number this year.

We are in need of 2 more people to help coordinate the Goalkick program with Neetu. Contact Neetu Rai to discuss – goalkick@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au

SUB-JUNIOR U7 to U11

We have split the Sub-Junior coordination role into each age group this year.

U7 Competition Group coordinator is Anne Barnett. Our U7 competition plays other local Bayside clubs. The expected start date for this group is Saturday 20th April. Fixtures are put together by the Bayside clubs and will be released separately to the FFV.

Belinda Watkins is coordinating the U9 age group, Melanie Finucane our U10 age group, and Sarah Boswell the U11's. **We are after someone to help coordinate the U8 age group.** Please email info@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au. Season starts Saturday 13th April.

Final trial for the U10 and U11 boys age group is Tuesday 19th February. Please email Sarah Boswell for details at subjunior@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au or if you have queries on registrations.

Pre-season training for the U8-U11 age groups will be announced soon after trials are complete.

SUB-JUNIOR GIRLS U10 to U11

Anita Hardy is coordinating the U10/U11 Sub-Junior Girls. The U10 Girls group is comprised of all girls U8 to U10 playing in a competition playing other local Bayside clubs. The expected start date for this group is Sunday 21st April. Fixtures are put together by the Bayside clubs and will be released separately to the FFV.

Final trial night for this age group is this Thursday. Email Anita subgirls@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au for details.



“My favourite part of the game is the opportunity to play”

Mike Singletary – NFL Player & Coach

“The important thing in life is not the victory but the contest; the essential things is not to have won but to have fought well”

Unknown

JUNIOR BOYS

Trials have concluded for U12-U17 age groups. Trial attendees will be emailed and informed of the A team selection.

Those who were unsuccessful in their bid for an A team will be placed in teams using friendship groups. All players registered prior to March 1st will be guaranteed a team placement in one of the ungraded teams.

Pre-season training will commence next week for all Junior age groups. If you require any information please email Greg Emsley at junior@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au

JUNIOR GIRLS

Lisette Malby-Luke is coordinating the U12's, Harriett Best the U13/14's and Lou Buchhorn the U15/16's age group. Final trial date is this Saturday, with pre-season training to commence shortly after.

DIVISION 3 WOMEN

We are looking to bring in an experienced coach to redeem our Division 3 girls this year, and all girls U16+ wishing to join this state-level team are welcome to attend. If you know if anyone wanting to play this season please have them register with the club.

Division 3 training/trials will commence next Monday 25th February with Eugene Lawrenz at our Spring st grounds. Email info@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au for more details.

METRO WOMEN

The Metro Women's team provides a more social outlet for those girls wishing to continue soccer without the stress. Pre-season training will commence in late February.

Email Frank Hajnci for more details
metro@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au

WOMEN'S PREMIER LEAGUE

Teams are in pre-season training now, with the season commencing April 7th. Please email Paul Stewart for more details at women@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au

SENIOR MEN

The Senior Men's teams are in pre-season training now. Email David O'Flaherty men@sandringhamsoccerclub.org.au for more information.

The FFV has changed the structure of the Men's leagues this year. Our Provisional 1 teams are now State League 4 and their season starts April 6th.