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From The Presidents Chair

A warm welcome to Richmond for a very important game today, Richmond bring with them a very experienced team but I'm sure our boys are up for it. Looking at the way we have been playing it's only a matter of time before some team gets a right battering. Our young reserve side continue to play attractive soccer and still undefeated in six games, rightfully sit on top of the ladder. To Sammy and the youngsters, keep up the good work. Since our last home game we have signed striker Kris Paterson who joins us from overseas and attacking midfielder/striker Michael Moore from Frankston Pines I'm sure both players when available will give us the firepower we need. We hope they enjoy their stay at our club. Though not fully completed, our legends room is now open in the main club rooms.

The legends room is sponsored by Jessica's Pre Loved Clothing and Seaford Textiles.

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For only \$50 you can help the club by buying a brick with your name or company inscribed on it. The board is displayed in our club rooms for all to see, can you help out?

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—Tony

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Match Reports

STRIKERS BACK ON TRACK

Frankston Strikers grabbed a penalty in injury time to win a lacklustre game against bottom side Lyndale in their State League Division 2 (South/East) match. Strikers started the match in a rush, coming close with several shots on goal but soon and for the rest of a dull first half both sides showed little flair or imagination in their play.

The second half saw an improved and more determined Strikers take the field and they were soon in control. The back line, with Watson solid in the centre, were rarely troubled, player coach Black showed his usual class and skill to dominate the midfield, and Rae and Moir caused havoc in the Lyndale defence, but the Strikers on-going problem of poor firepower up front kept the game score line blank. A few minutes into injury time, Rae was brought down in the Lyndale penalty box and Watson, capped a good game, by scoring from the spot to give Strikers a deserved but fortunate 1-0 win.

Best for Strikers were Rae, Moir, Watson and Black.

The league leading reserves kept their unbeaten run intact with a 2-2 draw but only after a second half fight back to come back from two goals down.

STRIKERS WITHOUT STRIKE POWER

Frankston Strikers' ongoing lack of strike power was displayed again when they went down 0-2 away to Cranbourne in their State League Division 2 (South/East) match at the weekend.

The first half opened with the Cranbourne forwards surging down on the Frankston goal, but poor finishing and a solid Strikers defence stopped them from scoring. Strikers gradually came more into the game then and seemed to be getting on top when against the run of play Cranbourne slotted in their first goal. For the remainder of the half it was mostly all Strikers but their lack of ability to score goals haunted them once again.

Similar to recent weeks, Strikers came out after the break in a rush and were soon controlling the game again. Defenders Tony Beasy and Dion Moir were dashing down the wings and Russell Black was in command in the midfield but their final close to perfect crosses into the Cranbourne goalmouth were squandered by the forwards. Cranbourne broke away in the 70th minute and scored a simple second goal that seemed to knock a lot of the wind out of the Strikers. They fought to the end but the goals just would not come to them.

Best for Strikers were Tony Beasy and Dion Moir in defence, and new signing Chris Patterson showed some promise up front.

For the second week in a row the reserves fought back from a two goal deficit in the last five minutes to grab a 4-4 draw and remain undefeated after six games

Coaches Report

Since I last wrote we have won one and lost one. In the game against Lyndale I felt we deserved the three point but it was a dour struggle.

Last week at Cranbourne we came away with nothing but I thought we were worth at least a point. Once again our finishing let us down, we have been playing well enough recently but our play in the final third has been disappointing. Over the past two weeks we have made two new signings in Kris Paterson from Scotland and Mickey Moore from the Pines, once they settle in I'm sure they will prove to be good signings.

Today we welcome Richmond who I'm certain will be tough opponents as they have some very experienced players. We all know about the goal scoring ability of Dale White but hopefully we can send him away pointless.

I hope you enjoy today's game.

Russell Black

Reserves

V's Lyndale (H) 2-2

The boys went into this game after 4 wins and were just to complacent against an aggressive Lyndale side. After going in at half time 1-0 down they found themselves 2-0 down early in the second half. However they clawed their way back after continuous pressure on the Lyndale goal to even up the score. Steve McAvoy scored with a deflected free kick and another goal from Michael Reynolds.

Well Done Lads

V's Cranbourne (A) 4-4

It was another sterling display by the lads in a very entertaining encounter. We went into the halftime break playing some good football and leading 2-1 with goals from Reynolds (again) and McAvoy. The second half took a twist and with twenty minutes to go we found ourselves 4-2 down through lack of concentration .The team showed character once again and played it out right to the end scoring two late goals from C.Wright and another from McAvoy with a minute remaining.

A Great Effort Lads

Sammy Wright

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JUNIOR NEWS

JUNIOR INFORMATION EVENING

GUEST SPEAKER

Aaron Healey from the Victorian Institute of Sport (VIS) has kindly agreed to share his vast experience "on and off" the soccer field in an open forum information evening to be held at the Frankston Strikers clubrooms.

Aaron will be sharing with us, his thoughts on the importance of Health & Nutrition as well as vital Training techniques for both players and Coaches.

The target audience for this evening is primarily our Junior players and parents across all our age groups, with other guests most welcome to attend.

The date and itinerary for this evening will be confirmed.

Players Night

The players are having a Disco night on Saturday the 22nd June At the club rooms, see Matty Cameron or Alex Rea for details.

Word From Our Sponsors Home Entertainment

Home entertainment Video Library was first opened on June 3rd 1989, by George & Louisa Paras. The husband and wife team have worked in the store throughout this time and still offer the same friendly service as the day they opened.

The store located on the corner North and Warrendyte rd Langwarrin has ample customer parking.

As well as their wide selection of videos Home Entertainment Video Library offers an impressive selection of games and DVD's for hire.

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The reputation of this shop soon grew when Spiro and Nicky took it over, Customers come back week after week, for the best fish and chips in Frankston. A wide range of Fresh Fish is also available if you wish to cook your own, soft drinks are also available If you have not been before give them a try, you wont be disappointed at the quality

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