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Saturday 12th April 2003

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### From The Presidents Chair

For our first home game this season we welcome Morwell Pegasus to Centenary Park. Morwell had a very similar season to Frankston last year and it will be very interesting to see how each team has progressed over the close season.

Our season started last week with a very creditable one all draw against the highly fancied Richmond. The soccer we played ,especially in the first half, suggested that we will be contenders for promotion this year. We have signed some big name players this year in Chris Jones, Michael

We have signed some big name players this year in Chris Jones, Michael Anderson, Tom Sinsini, Terry Wogan, Dale White, Scott Miller, Drew Laurence, Chris Traynor, Smarty and Gary from Scotland. We were also lucky to hang on to Robbie Currie, Matt McDermot, Graham Watson, Marcus Brownlie, and Craig Wright. Russel Black is once again our senior coach and we are confident that Russel will continue with the success that he has brought to this club. I would like to thank George Hughes for taking on the Reserve team coaching job. We now have a healthy number of players in the reserves and we are hopeful that some of these players will be pushing for a first team in the near future. I would also like to thank Sammy Wright for taking on the first team managers job.

I would like to welcome all of our supporters. Without your support we would not be able to function. A special thanks to all of the members who worked through the close season upgrading our clubrooms.

Chris Reynolds

President

The Committee of Frankston Strikers Soccer Club would like to take this opportunity to thank every member, non-member, visitor and sponsor who made a contribution to the recent refurbish of our Clubrooms.

Feedback from various visitors and people who use our Clubrooms has been very positive and all are most impressed with what has been achieved in the last few months. Everyone involved with the refurbishment should be very proud of what has been achieved. You can be rest-assured that your efforts are greatly appreciated by all.

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We would also like to make a special mention to the families of the abovementioned for allowing them to spend their precious spare time at the clubrooms instead of being at home. This is acknowledged and greatly appreciated by all involved with the Soccer Club.

We trust we have mentioned everyone involved and apologise if we have missed anyone.

Once again, a great big 'THANK YOU' to one and all and welcome to our new comfortable surroundings. May you all enjoy it as much as we do.

With kindest regards,
THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF
FRANKSTON STRIKERS SOCCER CLUB

RND					
1	Last Round	April 5, 2003		_	
GAME				Firsts	Reserves
1	MORWELLPEGASUS	v	EASTERNLIONS	0 - 1	0 - 4
2	CROYDONCTTY ARROWS	v	SOUTHSPRINGVALE	5 - 2	2 - 1
3	CRANBOURNE COMETS	v	SPRINGVALECITY	1-1	2 - 1
4	STONNINGTONOTTY	v	SPRINGVALE WEAGLES	0 - 2	0 - 1
5	LANGWARRIN	V	DIAMONDVALLEY	5 - 1	3 - 3
6	RICHMOND	V	FRANKSIONSIRIKERS	1 - 1	3 - 3

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1	DIAMOND VALLEY	V	RICHMOND	-	-	
2	SPRINGVALE WEAGLES	V	LANGWARRIN	-	-	
3	SPRINGVALECITY	V	SIGNINGIONATY	-	-	
4	SOUTHSPRINGVALE	V	CRANBOLENE COMETS	-	-	
5	FRANKSTON STRIKERS	V	MORWELLPEGASUS	-	-	
6	EASTERNLIONS	V	CROYDONCTTY ARROWS	-	-	

RND				
3	Next Round	April 20, 2003		
GAME				
1	CROYDON CITY ARROWS	V	MORWELLPEGASUS	
2	CRANBOURNE COMETS	V	EASTERNLIONS	
3	STONNIGIONATY	V	SOUTHSPRINGVALE	
4	LANGWARRIN	V	SPRINGVALECITY	
5	RICHMOND	V	SPRINGVALE WEAGLES	
6	DIAMOND VALLEY	V	FRANKSIONSTRIKERS	

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State League	FIRSTS							
Div 2 SE								
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EASTERN LIONS	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
RICHMOND	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
CRANBOURNE COM	ETS 1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
FRANKSTON STRIKE	ERS I	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
SPRINGVALE CITY	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
MORWELL PEGASUS	5 1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
STONNINGTON CITY	1	0	0	1	0	2	-2	0
SOUTH SPRINGVALE	E 1	0	0	1	2	5	-3	0
DIAMOND VALLEY	1	0	0	1	1	5	-4	0
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EASTERN LIONS	1	1	0	0	4	0	4	3
SPRINGVALE W EAGLES	- 1	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
CRANBOURNE COMETS	I	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
CROYDON CITY ARROWS	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
RICHMOND	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
FRANKSTON STRIKERS	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
LANGWARRIN	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
DIAMOND VALLEY	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
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## Coaches Report

#### First Team

Welcome to our opening home game of the season. We have been busy over the closed season with our recruitment of players. I;d like to welcome them to Centenary park and I am sure that in the coming months you will see the quality of the players that we have brought in. In our quest to win the league. We have signed two players from the UK. Gary Harding and Craig Smart have been recruited from Scottish league club Gretna FC.

Last week we got off to a good start with a draw away to highly fancied Richmond. Our play overall was good and I thought we could have pulled off a victory, but in the end we were happy with a draw.

Once the team gets to know each other better, there will be more quality performances for you to enjoy. Today our visitors are Morwell and I'm sure they will be looking to put there first points of the season on the board, hopefully we wont accommodate them. So lets get behind the players and take the three points.

#### Russel Black

#### **Reserve Team**

The start of the season got underway with a hard fought match against a very strong Richmond side. The reserves took a while to settle down and before they new it was 2-0 down within the first 20mins. The first goal was an o.g. from a corner to the near post and the second was a bit of delayed action from the defence when they stopped, looking for the offside decision. But all credit to the team they never gave up fighting and just before half time they pulled one back with a great run and strike from Pat McGeoch.

The second half saw a different Frankston with Russell Black experience in the heart of the midfield it wasn't long before the score was equal with a marvellous strike by Craig Wright. The goal of the game came from Chris McKenna a diagonal ball from right to left bounced perfectly for the left foot of the young defender and from 18 yds buried it into the roof of the net.

Richmond put a lot of pressure on the Frankston defence and missed a barrel load of chances but with 30 sec left in the game inexperience showed with another defensive mistake and it was 3-3.

There were a few negatives came out of the game BUT I must say there was plenty of positives



Sir Alex Ferguson is on "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire" and has reached the million pound question.

Chris Tarrent says "Right Sir Alex, this is for one million pounds, and remember, you still have twolifelines left, so please take your time. Here's your question: What type of animal lives in a

set? Is it

a) a badger c) a mole b) a ferret d) a cuckoo?

Fergie ponders for a while and says "No, I'm sorry Chris, I'm not too sure. I'll have to go 50-50." Chris says "Right, Sir Alex, let's take away two wrong answers and see what you're left with."

"Badger" and "cuckoo" are the two remaining answers. Fergie has a long think, then scratches his head and says "No, Chris, I'm still not sure, I'm going to have to phone a friend."

"So who are you going to call, Sir Alex?" says Chris. "Humma..." ponders Fergie. "I think I'll call David Beckham."

So Tarrant phones David Beckham. "David, this is Chris Tarrant from 'Who Wants To Be A Millionaire'.

I've got Sir Alex Ferguson here, and with your help he could win one million pounds.

The next voice you hear will be Sir Alex's".

"Hello David" says Fergie. "It's the boss here. What type of animal lives in a set? Is it a badger or a

cuckoo?" "It's a badger, boss." says Becks without hesitation.

"You sure, son?" says Fergie.

"Definitely, boss. One hundred percent. It's a badger. Definitely."

"Right, Chris," says Fergie, "I'll go with David. The answer's a badger. Final answer."

"Sir Alex," says Chris, "that's the correct answer. You've won one million pounds!!" Cue wild celebrations.

Next morning at training, Fergie calls Beckham across.

"Son, that was brilliant last night. I thought I might

be taking a gamble giving you a call, but you played a

blinder! But how the f\*\*k did you know that a badger

lives in a set?" says Fergie.

"Oh I didn't, boss," replies Beckham, "but everybody knows a cuckoo lives in a clock."



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#### Frankston Strikers match report 5 April 2003

Frankston Strikers opened their Division 2 league season with a fighting away draw with much fancied Richmond

The first half opened at a frantic pace with both sides trying to get on top and play swinging from end to end. Strikers' new signings, Michael Anderson and Craig Smart, were soon showing real talent in mounting repeated attacks and were only held out by the stubborn Richmond defence. A shot against the underside of the crossfire bounced out denying them the first goal.

The fast pace continued into the second half with Richmond gaining control and in the 55<sup>th</sup> minute they were rewarded with a scrappy goal. For long spells they tested the Strikers defence but Alex Rae, Chris Traynor, and keeper Chris Jones stood firm and kept them out. Strikers fought back and in the closing minutes Anderson grabbed the well-deserved equaliser.

Best for Strikers were Smart, Anderson, Rae and Traynor.

The reserves showed huge promise for the season ahead with an entertaining and classy display to secure a 2-2 draw with the experienced Richmond side.

Next week Strikers take on Morwell Pegasus at Centenary Park.

## First Team Squad

1 Chris Jones

**Team Captain** 

2 Robbie Currie

3 Chris Traynor

4 Graham Watson Club Captain

5 Craig Smart

6 Scot Miller

7 Tom Sonsini

8 Matt McDermot

9 Terry Wogan

10 Gary Harding

11 Michael Anderson

12 Dale White

14 Marcus Brownlie

15 Drew Laurence

16 Craig Wright

17 Alec Rae

### Reserve Team Squad

1 Ashley Hupe

2 M Pezerovic

3 F Amiri

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