

# ***THE STRIKER***



**SEASON 2023**



## **Match Notes**



**Strikers v Berwick City SC**  
**Saturday 13th May 2023**

**Celebrating the 45th Anniversary of**  
**Skye Rovers Soccer Club**

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## ***President's Blurb***

**Hello and welcome to all who have gathered for today's 45 year reunion of Skye Rovers at Centenary Park today.**

**It is truly exceptional to have you all back at the soccer club. Today you'll be witnessing the great qualities of our very young reserves squad and our awesome senior squad in action. The Peninsula Strikers of today is very different and unique to anything this club has seen before. Last year we underwent a complete squad overhaul under Donn Delaney which saw the youngest senior squad in the entire league, with an average age 23 - our reserves even younger. The squad had a terrific season and just fell short of promotion. There have been a few tweaks over the off season - especially with Donn Delaney having to step away from his senior coaching role - but I strongly believe we have come up with a formula that will achieve promotion under coach Scott Morrison. My one ask of you all is that you enjoy this special day, share memories and history with our current players, fans and officials, and most of all enjoy the two football matches.**

**Sincerely, Adrian Scialpi Peninsula Strikers President.**



## **WELCOME MESSAGE FROM TONY HALL**

*Firstly a warm welcome to the players, officials and supporters of the BERWICK CITY SOCCER CLUB.*

*Many of you who are regular followers of Strikers will notice a lot of unfamiliar faces at McClelland Drive today.*

*I would stress that they are not supporters of our visitors today.*

*Every one of these people attending today's game have played an important part in the founding of the PENINSULA STRIKERS.*

*April was such an important month in our clubs history, for in 1978 Skye was a foundation member of the newly formed BAYSIDE SOCCER LEAGUE, a league designed to promote soccer on the Mornington Peninsula. One year later the club formed a junior*

*section owing to the fact that the Bayside league was not affiliated to the VSF to enter our juniors into their competitions. It was necessary that we played under the name of SKYE ROVERS.*

*It is strange to think that our first home ground was Ballarto Road. This ground today is the home of SKYE (no relation to our club) Stranger to think is that they play in the same league as ourselves*

*So much has happened since 1978, many club name changes until we became Peninsula Strikers. Over these years just like many clubs we have experienced many ups and downs. Perhaps the highlight of these interim years was a period when our player coach was Russell Black, promotions came and at that time we were considered the*

*Peninsulas top club, our ground was filled with spectators.*

*The years after have seen some difficult times however this year we have a solid hard working committee, a team of dedicated coaches and above all a squad of players who all have their sights set on promotion at seasons end. Perhaps the underlying feature of all this is a stability in the club not seen for past years.*



## ***Skye Rovers Soccer Club History***

*In 1978 the BAYSIDE SOCCER LEAGUE was formed by Tony Hall, SKYE seniors became inaugural members of this league. Tony had two sons GARY and LAURENCE, these two boys asked their father for shirts the same colour as SKYE's, this was GREEN, the shorts were WHITE, and the socks WHITE also with bands of EMERALD and ROYAL BLUE. Pre-school friends and Primary school friends soon began kicking a soccer ball around the HALL's garden, eventually twenty boys became too much for the garden and so the local MARINER's CATHOLIC SCHOOL (now JOHN PAUL COLLEGE ) was approached, happily for us BROTHER NEFF the school principal agreed and so training began in earnest. Several weeks of training produced some very eager boys and a series of friendly games were arranged. Due to the GREEN shirts being unavailable WHITE shirts were used in the first matches.*

*1978 had finished on a high note perhaps due to all the enthusiasm of the parents. TONY HALL's suggestion of applying to join the JUNIOR SOCCER FEDERATION was accepted by the parents. Early in 1979 we were accepted and a committee was set up.*

*Due to the BAYSIDE LEAGUE being an unofficial league to protect the Juniors they would not play as SKYE but as SKYE ROVERS.*

*The Club colours would be GREEN shirts, BLUE shorts with two GREEN stripes down each side and BLUE socks with WHITE and EMERALD bands at the top. The Juniors would share the facilities at BALLARTO ROAD, SKYE, with the Seniors.*

*The Mums were not to be kept out of the picture a LADIES AUXILIARY was formed to raise much needed cash. Two local schools KARINGAL PRIMARY AND St JOHNS PRIMARY were canvassed with leaflets to attract new members and the phones began to run hot. In 1979 we managed to field teams in three age groups. Coaches for 1979 were TONY HALL, ALAN PARROTT and MIKE McGIVERN.*

*It was decided to organise a competition amongst the boys to design a Club badge, the winner proved to be ADAM PARROTT his basic design was used but instead of a soccer ball featured in the centre an ISRAELI JET AIRCRAFT was chosen the aim of SKYE HIGH being the motive for this.*

*The Club decided to organise an Under 7's Carnival, Clubs were invited both locally and further afield, August 12th was chosen as the big day. CRANBOURNE SHIRE COUNCIL loaned the Club a caravan for the day and the girls and mums were kept very busy serving food and drinks. Despite the rain falling right up to finals time the day itself was a huge success and I believe it was part of the making of this Club.*

*The carnival was to be a forerunner to future carnivals at this age level as well as holding future carnivals at BALLARTO ROAD in other age groups.*

*It became apparent that some accommodation was needed at BALLARTO ROAD, we managed to purchase an on site A V JENNINGS hut as a temporary measure, CRANBOURNE COUNCIL began building official dressing rooms later that season, these would be shared by CRICKET, TENNIS and of course SOCCER.*



*In 1981 the Club experienced an explosion of new players especially at Under 9's level, so much so that we fielded three teams, the JETS, the GUNNERS, and the HAMMERS. The new clubrooms started the previous season were completed which was gratifying, rooms now to change in and a canteen.*

*A grant was applied for from the MINISTRY OF SPORTS and RECREATION for the installation of floodlights, it was with great delight that we heard our application had been accepted.*

*GRAHAM BAULK's Under 9 MAGPIES finished the season*

*( Played 18, Won 16, Drawing 1 and Losing their last game of the season ), an effort worthy of mention.*

*However this was overshadowed by the supreme effort of the JETS, eighty eight goals for with only four against, with SIMON PARROTT kicking fifty one of the goals.*

*VICTORIAN JUNIOR SOCCER FEDERATION pennants started to arrive at the Club in 1983.*

*The Under 11 JETS won their league very convincingly, whilst the Under 11 GUNNERS were Runners Up in their league.*

*Players from the Club were selected in greater number to represent our region. It seemed as if all the Club was striving for was beginning to bear fruit.*

*In 1984 we had so many eager youngsters wanting to kick the round ball that several of our teams became based at what now is the Senior ground at McCLELLAND DRIVE.*

*The move proved to us that we had now outgrown the naturistic ground at BALLARTO ROAD, despite the fact that we spent over \$1000.00 making a new pitch for the Under 7's and 8's we just didn't have enough room.*

*It was to be another successful season for the Club, the Under 12 JETS continued to march on, now playing in EASTERN A, but just missing out on the title. The Under 12 GUNNERS finally Won the league which had eluded them the year before, in fact we were to have a hat-trick of titles, both our Under 11 sides under coaches GRAHAM BAULK and HARRY CHALKITIS winning their leagues also.*

*Our JETS squad played at the M.C.G. of soccer OLYMPIC PARK in the final of the BUFFALO SUMMER CUP, unfortunately KNOX CITY proved to strong winning 2-0.*

*It was an important year for the JETS as they had been promoted to the SUPER LEAGUE, the first team to play at such a high level in the Club's history.*

*The Under 13 GUNNERS finished Runners Up in their league to complete three top seasons of soccer.*

*ALAN PARROTT became coach of the VICTORIAN UNDER 13 TEAM, another great honour.*

*Throughout 1985 negotiations between members of the committee and the FRANKSTON COUNCIL on a new ground for the Club were conducted and ROBINSON'S PARK was allotted as our home ground for the season 1986.*

*Two pitches would be available initially and an area for Under 7 and 8 competition, four pitches would eventually become available.*

*1986 saw our dreams come true a magnificent new complex, our old green hut was carefully brought from BALLARTO ROAD and a temporary dressing room in the form of a large garage was set up.*

*It was a year of change, the Club's strip changed to WHITE shirts, with BLUE and GREEN trim, still the same colour shorts and socks.*

*TONY HALL was presented with VICTORIA's 150th ANNIVERSARY medallion for his contribution towards Junior soccer in Victoria.*

*DARREN LEE coached our Under 8 squad to win the SEAFORD CARNIVAL.*

*The season was to end on a very high note, the team you just can't forget the JETS won the VICTORIAN Under 14 Cup at SEAFORD beating SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 2-0, our highest honour to date.*

*1987 saw the start of the building of new Club rooms by the CITY of FRANKSTON at an estimated cost of \$80,000, these were actually completed by early 1988.*

*HARRY CHALKITIS's Under 10's proved to be our team of the year closely followed by GRAHAM BAULK's Under 9's.*

*FRANKSTON SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION we were to learn would be co-tenants at ROBINSON's ROAD.*

*Perhaps due to four pitches now becoming available or the completion of the clubrooms but 1988 will go down as one of the most exciting years in the Club's history.*

*On the field HARRY CHALKITIS realised how good his team was when winning the League and Regional competition, the JETS also won their Regional's.*

*CRANBOURNE Under 8 CARNIVAL was won by LAURENCE HALL's team.*

*Saturday September 17th was the Club's biggest day ever, the JUNIOR SOCCER FEDERATION honoured our Club with the BICENTENNIAL JUNIOR CUP FINALS. Clubs from all parts of Victoria competed at our ground for Cups at various age groups.*

*That the day was a great success would be an understatement.*

*SKYE's contribution to the finals was ( you guessed it ) the JETS, drawn against ALTONA GATE a team they hadn't beaten in several years, however after an exciting game going into extra time we ran out Winners 2-1. This was to be the teams final season in competition together, a magnificent finale under coach ALAN PARROTT.*

*Four boy's continue to play for the Club from the original number CHRISTOPHE LA CASA, GAVIN SAMBELL, LAURENCE HALL and SIMON PARROTT. All play at Under 16 level; CHRISTOPHE, GAVIN and SIMON have all represented VICTORIA whilst LAURENCE recently became the first boy to have played in all age groups by playing Senior soccer in the Reserves.*

*SKYE ROVERS started off 1989 by becoming FRANKSTON UNITED a change brought on by structural change within the Club coupled with the acceptance of us being part of the CITY OF FRANKSTON.*

*The Under 16A side became League Champions in Eastern A, LAWRIE FLEMING's squad lost only two games throughout the season and were worthy Champions.*

*GRAHAM BAULK who had brought the team through from Under 7 level took over as LAWRIE's Manager and was able to share in the triumph.*

*The INAUGURAL UNDER 9 CARNIVAL SHIELD sponsored by ROSS AUGUSTINE was won by LAURENCE HALL's Under 9's a great effort on the day.*

*ALAN PARROTT can never be left out of any season and his new charges the Under 13's won the Regional Shield.*

*HARRY CHALKITIS's dream of an excellent floodlight system, good enough to play matches under bore fruit during the year. Concrete poles were purchased from the S.E.C. and delivered to ROBINSON's PARK. The poles were not long enough and HARRY took it on himself to make six extensions for the poles to give the correct height. The Club would be indebted to HARRY and a small group of helpers who put them together in the CHALKITIS garage, how they got to ROBINSON's ROAD only HARRY knows.*

*Finally TONY HALL stepped down from the Junior Committee, he hasn't severed his connection with the Club as he has stepped up to the Senior Committee.*

*1990 the beginning of a new decade, and new floodlights will be switched on for the start of the season.*

*This season teams were run in all age groups, except under 15 where we lost boys to other sports.*

*Training is in full swing at ROBINSON PARK now that the floodlights are in full operation. The standard of the lighting is that good, that we can proudly say, it's among the best in the state.*

*In what proved to be a very wet cold and windy Melbourne winter the club had much to show from the 1991 season.*

*Undoubtedly our U14 squad stole the clubs thunder, under coach HARRY CHALKITIS the team won their League but unfortunately went down to BULLEEN in the VICTORIAN CUP FINAL played at SEAFORD, never the less a great season.*

*Perhaps the pick of the remaining great bunch was DAVID CLIFFE's U7 "FALCONS" squad, beating all teams in their league and doing so well at carnivals trophy wise it became a great honour for the club.*

*In the 1991 season the seniors took advantage of the floodlights playing friendlies against other clubs in the area.*

*Overall the other teams had more wins than losses but competing as we know is the main thing.*

*1992, another season over, one that seemed to start off like any other but quickly deteriorated as one by one we lost committee members. In a matter of weeks we lost a president, a vice - president and our registration secretary as well as a number of committee members. This as you can imagine robbed the Club valuable expertise and it also meant that the remaining members were called on to fill in the gaps.*

*It was especially a great loss when HARRY CHALKITIS had to relinquish his services to the Club due to numerous other commitments, the contribution HARRY put in could never be measured.*





# CLUB ROOM HIRE

*Having a Function & need a venue? why not use our club rooms for your event. It's an ideal location for all age groups. Weeknights, Saturdays or perhaps even a Sunday afternoon might best suit your particular function. Does your fundraising committee want a venue for their Trivia Night, Auction, Disco Etc? We have TV, Video and DVD facilities. We have a fully licensed bar and you will find that our beverages are cheaper than the hotels in the area. Large Kitchen for all your catering needs We will work in with your budget. Phone our Functions Coordinator  
Adrian Scialpi 0408 597 830*

## Player Numbers

Player No	Player
1 (GK)	Ben Caballaro
21 (GK)	Nathan Brown
2	Ahmad Tabbara
4	Steve Elliott
6	Nathan Tsimis
7	Cooper Andrews
8	Calvin Delaney
9	Riley Anderton ©
10	Huss Chehimi
11	Campbell Steedman
14	Andrew McIntyre
15	Alex Whyte
16	Josh Botha
18	Jamie Davidson
19	Cassius Delaney
20	Wayne 'Buzzer'Gordon
25	Mohsen Chehimi
27	Andrew Goff
29	Shameit Sharma
36	Callum Bradbury
injured	Jack Bradbury
injured	Jai Power
injured	Nathan Prince
injured	Kosta Varkatzos

Player No	Player
22 (GK)	Nathan Brown
21 (GK)	Ben Caballaro
21 (GK)	Daniel Foldi-Fried
21 (GK)	Moey Chehimi
21 (GK)	Faraz Zenoozi
3	Dave Petty
13	Jacob Pay
23	Cody Storton-French
24	Cole Ryan
26	Sam Delaney
28	Sam Di Pofi
29	Shameit Sharma
30	Josh Botha
32	Alfie Harris
33	Billy Rae
34	Michael Nugent
38	Ahmed Albukthama
39	Jordy May
40	Junior Mpota
44	Abbas Yaqobi





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*Sponsors are hard to come, so we ask that you our players & supporters use the clubs sponsors where possible.*

*As for the season itself we started off with what has become an annual event the MELBOURNE BIG phone book drop, this really does help fill the Club's coffers.*

*This led on to the start of the season and the Club managed to field teams in all age groups apart from Under 12's and Under 16's, to off-set this we were able to field two Under 7's, 9's and 15's not a bad effort.*

*We were able to organise two Gala days for our Sub-Juniors and we even managed to choose days when it didn't rain. These days were both unqualified successes. We even got to keep one of our trophies thanks to DAVID CLIFFE's Under 9 BLUE Team.*

*Although the Junior teams didn't win any Championships we came close with ALAN PARROTT's Under 15's team finishing Runners Up in the SUPER LEAGUE and DEREK MOORE's Under 15's finishing third in EASTERN A. The rest of the teams may not have finished near the top of their leagues but I'm sure they all had a worthwhile season.*

*I guess the one blight on the Season was the state of the grounds. In what was a reasonably dry winter we had to contend with conditions which made most of the pitches unplayable for half of the season.*

*ROBINSON'S PARK has never had drainage laid prior to it being given over to soccer and unfortunately due to heavy use both in Winter and Summer by the Softball Club the surface began to deteriorate, the local council seemed to lack the funds to repair the ground or put the necessary drainage in.*

*The Softball Association began to assert their presence on the ground, and to many people it felt that Soccer was being pushed aside. The diamonds caused much damage to the soccer pitches and perhaps to crown it all batting nets were concreted in over several parts of the ground, unlike the goal posts they were never removed during their off season, soccer virtually had to mark pitches out in consideration of these nets.*

*During the latter part of 1993 FRANKSTON UNITED Seniors and Juniors began regular talks with near neighbours KARINGAL. Both Clubs saw a need to develop soccer further on the PENINSULA, each Club had reached a point in time where a merger was the most sensible idea.*

*A chapter would close in both Club's and a new one would open. A decision to play Senior games at McCLELLAND DRIVE and all Junior teams at BALLAM PARK was reached, the LAKEWOOD ESTATE complex would be left to the Softball club and any other sporting organisation who used it during the winter months.*

*1994 saw the birth of FRANKSTON STRIKERS.*

*In years to come no doubt SKYE ROVERS will still come up in conversation, names from the past will come up and as like KARINGAL and its members they will be mentioned as the forerunner of one of VICTORIAN's best Club's PENINSULA STRIKERS.*

*To all the people ever associated with the club we thank them for their skills on the field, their presence on the committee, their effort to raise funds and for just being part of the Club.*

**Men's State League 2 South-East**

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Mazenod Football Club	7	5	1	1	11	5	6	16
2	Brandon Park SC	7	4	2	1	20	13	7	14
3	Hampton East Brighton FC	7	3	3	1	15	11	4	12
4	Skye United FC	7	3	3	1	10	13	-3	12
5	Knox City FC	6	3	2	1	13	10	3	11
6	Doncaster Rovers SC	7	3	1	3	14	15	-1	10
7	Mooroolbark SC	7	3	0	4	17	8	9	9
<b>8</b>	<b>Peninsula Strikers FC</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>8</b>
9	North Caulfield FC	6	2	1	3	13	14	-1	7
11	Frankston Pines SC	7	1	2	4	5	13	-8	5
10	Berwick City SC	7	1	2	4	8	17	-9	5
12	Heatherton United SC	7	0	3	4	11	16	-5	3

Knox City and North Caulfield R4 game washout

**Men's State League 2 South-East Reserves**

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Hampton East Brighton FC	7	7	0	0	26	5	21	21
2	Knox City FC	7	6	1	0	15	3	12	19
<b>3</b>	<b>Peninsula Strikers FC</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>
4	Brandon Park SC	7	4	2	1	14	8	6	14
5	Skye United FC	7	4	1	2	16	12	4	13
6	Mooroolbark SC	7	2	1	4	10	16	-6	7
7	Doncaster Rovers SC	7	2	0	5	10	13	-3	6
8	North Caulfield FC	7	2	0	5	13	18	-5	6
9	Frankston Pines SC	7	2	0	5	10	15	-5	6
10	Mazenod Football Club	7	2	0	5	7	14	-7	6
11	Heatherton United SC	7	1	1	5	9	20	-11	4
12	Berwick City SC	7	1	0	6	14	27	-13	3

**Zagame's Men's State League 2 South-East**

**Round 7**

<i>Home Team</i>	<i>Ists Score</i>	<i>Res Score</i>	<i>Away Team</i>
Skye United FC	3--2	3--2	North Caulfield FC
Doncaster Rovers SC	2--1	1--2	Peninsula Strikers FC
Berwick City SC	1--3	0--4	Hampton East Brighton FC
Mazenod FC	1--0	0--1	Mooroolbark SC
Knox City FC	3--3	0--0	Brandon Park SC
Frankston Pines	2--1	3--0	Heatherton United FC



## Next Match:



Knox City FC

vs



Peninsula Strikers Senior FC

📍 Egan Lee Reserve - Pitch 1

🕒 Sat 20 May 3:00 PM

## Next Home Match:



Peninsula Strikers Senior FC

vs



Brandon Park SC

📍 Centenary Park - Pitch 1 - (NPL)

🕒 Sat 27 May 1:00 PM





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