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#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This is the last home league game for the 1980 season and I wanted to take this opportunity of addressing our members. The "Green Gully" result of last weekend provided a welcome move in the right direction after several weeks of disappointing results. I am sure you will appreciate the enormous pressure being felt by the coaches and players alike and I ask for a special effort of support, this week and over the remaining fixtures away from home, to assist the players in their quest for a respectable position for the Club on the league table by the end of the season.

Our recent special general meeting which resolved to incorporate the Club effective from 1st September, 1980 is a significant milestone in the Club's future. It was particularly disappointing for those of us who had spent so much time and effort in bringing this about, to see only 50 members out of a total in excess of 200, consider this subject sufficiently important to attend.

This Club belongs to you, the members, it is your responsibility not that of a handful of committee men, to decide its future direction. The response from members generally to fill voluntary positions is nothing short of pathetic. The time is long overdue for a few "home truths" to be expressed. Our annual general meeting date has been set for Wednesday, 8th October, 7.45 p.m. at the Club. It is the responsibility of each member to attend and to contribute.

Fresh enthusiasm in the form of new faces are going to be desperately needed to fill the Board positions for next year. I issue a challenge to each member to accept the responsibility of nominating for a Board position.

New people with new ideas are the lifeline of this Club's development and future success. The challenge has been put! - do not let the Club down!

This afternoon we are welcoming our sponsors as guests of the  $\operatorname{Club}$ .

We trust that you and your family will have a most enjoyable time and that we may have the pleasure of your valued sponsorship next year.

#### JUNIOR NEWS

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The Under 16 S.L.C. will meet Box Hill in the Semi-Final of the J.L.M.C. Cup. The game will be played at Dendy Park, Brighton on Sunday September 21st. Kick off 2.30 p.m.

Congratulations to Vincent Vassallo and Scott Watson, of Jim Howie's U.13 team for being selected in the Victorian State U.13 side.

Vincent also has the honor of being appointed vice-captain of the squad.

Well done boys, and all at Croydon wish you well for the interstate matches.

Don't forget the Strikathon to be held at the Ringwood Bowl at 4.30 p.m. on Saturday September 6th. All team captains, pleasure ensure that your teams have their sponsorship cards filled in, and make sure that the cards are brought to the Bowl on the day. All funds raised are to benefit the Club, so let us try hard to get sponsors to enable our fund raising to be successful.

We still need 3 teams of 5 boys to participate on this day, so if you can help please ring Merv. Martin on 725-5491.

#### JUNIOR MEETING

The next monthly meeting of the Junior Committee will be held at the Clubrooms on 27th August at 7 p.m. This meeting will be followed at 8 p.m. by our Guest Speaker.

Our Guest Speaker will be ROY SANDSTROM - Senior Lecturer in Department of Human Movement Studies at the University of Melbourne. Roy is a former Olympic Sprinter, having represented England at Melbourne in 1956. His subject will be "The Importance of Running Speed in Soccer".

Roy will speak on the need of developing speed, particularly in young players, and deals with looking at ways of increasing speed.

All parents are welcome to attend - please come and ensure a successful night.

On 10th September 1980, a Junior Meeting will be held to discuss the following items:

- 1. Skills award day
- 2. Port Elizabeth v Croydon in October All coaches and managers are asked to attend - 7.30 p.m. in the clubrooms.

#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

### **SEPT. 13th-DANCE FEATURING "CIRCLE"**

OCT. 3rd — PRESENTATION DANCE (Ringwood Civic Centre)

Nov. 8th — DANCE FEATURING "JUNCTION"

DEC. 13th — TROTS NIGHT (Moonee Valley)

Dec. 24th — XMAS EVE BALL — "PHANTOM"

DEC. 31st — NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL "CIRCLE"

On Sunday, September 28th, at Ferntree Gully Reserve, Knoxfield, a competition will be held between Croydon City Soccer Club and Ferntree Gully Soccer Club and every Junior team from U.7 to U.15 has been invited.

Last year after tense competition, the result of the competition hinged on the last game of the day, and Croydon emerged victors

Refreshments will be available on the day.

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The Annual General Meeting of Croydon City Soccer Club will be held on October 8th.

Any Club Member who thinks he can help the Club at Committee level should seriously look at the positions to be filled and nominate himself for the position he thinks he can do best at.

Notices of the meeting will be sent to all members and any further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Club, Laurie Cooper, on 758-6750.

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Would people with outstanding tickets for the weekend for two to Wrest Point, which was to have been drawn on August 9th, please return them IMMEDIATELY to Martin Koenen as the draw will be made on September 13th.

All people who have booked for the Trots night on December 13th, and have not yet paid a deposit, please contact Frank Murray IMMEDIATELY.



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#### CROYDON CITY v FRANKSTON CITY

The Frankston City Soccer Club was formed in 1951 but it is only in the last 10 years that they have made their presence felt in Victorian Soccer. Frankston were promoted to Division 1 for the 1971 season and made the State League six years later.

Last year was Frankston's most successful to date, missing the League Championship by goal average only. It could also be said that it was the Club's most disappointing season as well, as the star studded team took 24 points from the first 13 games but fell into a big hole and could only muster another 6 points for the remaining 9 games. After being nudged out of the top spot by Essendon Croatia, Frankston looked to the State League Cup to redeem themselves, but it was to no avail as they lost all three games.

The four games between Croydon and Frankston last year resulted in two wins apiece. In the Dockerty Cup at Green Gully, Frankston came from behind to win 3-2 and in the first League meeting at Frankston, the home team had a convincing 4-0 win. At Croydon Park in the return league match Croydon turned the tables and won by the odd goal in 3 and in the State League Cup it was again Croydon with a 3-2 win.

In the first and only meeting so far this season, Kees Doornenbal and Peter Loughnane gave Croydon a well deserved 2-O victory at Centenary Park.

#### THE MILKMAN'S PREDICTION:

Croydon, who finally picked up a point against Green Gully last week, play their last Home Game against Frankston City today.

Croydon's home record over the last few years has been one of the best in Victoria, but that record has suffered greatly in the last three home games with three losses and no goals scored against the opposition.

This afternoon's game will be no pushover for Croydon, who must win if the fear of relegation is to be removed. One of the danger players for Croydon will be Bruce Young, who last time the teams met gave Harry McKinlay a real hard time, without much reward. If he starts firing he could be the man to sink Croydon.

Croydon, who still have many players down on form, will be looking to Peter Loughnane for an early goal to get Croydon firing. If other players follow his never say die attitude, Croydon could snatch both points. However I can not see either side scoring enough goals to force a win in a game that will most likely be played in heavy conditions.

THE RESULT - A DRAW!!

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