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THE STRIKER



Round 11



Match Notes

Strikers v Nunawading

Saturday, 21 June 2014

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GIVE IT THE CHOP

President's Blurb

Welcome to round 11 of the 2014 season - Peninsula Strikers Vs Nunawading.

We welcome all players, members, friends and families including those visiting players committee and spectators of Nunawading FC. I sincerely hope you all have an enjoyable afternoon with us.

Both Nunawading and Strikers are definitely in poor positions on the State 2 South East ladder at the present time with Nth Caulfield just above so 3 points would definitely help bridge the gap that has appeared after 10 rounds.

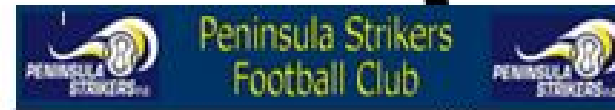
We as a club have been proactive in signing a few new players to bolster our senior squad to help rectify our current position on the table. Our older veterans of the club that attend our games week in and week out, would testify that our lads play some excellent football week in and week out, though when it comes to luck, well let's just say the soccer gods aren't with us.

As mentioned in previous match day books we have many quality players developing and learning their craft for future years at our club though this takes time and hard work from the players and our reserve Coach's Billy Rae and Paul Williams it doesn't happen overnight. So let me just say, for the moment both our Senior Coach and his Assistant are working hard to obtain the players we require to move up the table during the second half of the season.

I can assure you our members, followers and families that being a coach or president of a club when things aren't going well is the job from hell although your committee our coaches are doing all well can to rectify our problems and shortfalls so once again I ask you to be patient and continue to support your club through the bad times, this is when we need your support to get behind our teams.

Club Dance last Saturday night – Your committee only have 2 items on the calendar this year at your request, though to organise an enjoyable night for our members and to have the turnout like we did last Saturday night is/was disgraceful to say the least. This includes coaches, players, members and even our junior club who decided it was all too hard even giving them an opportunity to support our club and keep the proceeds of the sale. We will look at putting on another night of music dancing and fun after the completion of the Frankston Pines home game and let's hope there is a lot more support from you all then on Saturday 12July. Entertainment will start just after drawing joking poker and will continue into the night for your enjoyment.

Winker (Graeme Watson) – On a brighter note, on the Sunday of the June long weekend our members and ex members of the club rallied behind Winker who broke his leg and required an operation and a plate fitted after a Bayside Legends game about 6 weeks ago. I thank many people who were behind this fund raiser and showed someone who has played and been with the club for over 20 years



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Thanks to Steve Keenan, Alex / Karen Rea, Troy / Mel Williams who organised the day with Plasma TV (Winner Damien Bradbury), dishwashers and many other items provided for the raffle by our members and ex members including a signed Rangers shirt which sold at auction for \$650. I would like Clayton and Helen for their tireless work in the bar, OMG what a day. I am proud to say from your efforts our club donated proceeds to Winker to the tune of \$1675 from the bar turn over and with your efforts a total of over \$5000 was raised on the day. **Well done to all whom supported Winker what a terrific effort.**

Last week our teams travelled to Berwick with both teams coming away disappointed due to our loses and no points. I still remain confident that our fortunes will change in the second half of the season.

OUR SENIOR TEAMS ARE AT HOME FOR THE NEXT TWO SATURDAY'S TODAY Vs NUNAWADING AND SEAFORD NEXT WEEK.

Metro5 – One again there are many young talented players in this team. Last week, the boys won 3-2 against Mooroolbark and continue to slowly move up the table currently sit equal second (2nd) on the ladder with Nth Caulfield and 3 points adrift of StKilda. This squad play with spirit and heart each week, doing themselves and the club proud. Continue to terrific work lads and to Dave McKinney your doing a fantastic job, my hat goes off to you.

Tomorrow they are at home to Skye with kick off at 3pm. Good Luck

Our Ladies Team: Our Ladies team continue to show their improvement and finally have a full squad of ladies for their coach John Goodchild to develop. Currently our ladies sit in the bottom half of the table though I am confident they will now move from strength to strength good luck ladies. Tomorrow are ladies play Skye at Skye with a 1pm kick off, good luck against Skye tomorrow.

U35 Bayside:- Our U35s continue to enjoy playing in this competition with a fantastic effort last week in which they played Mornington seeing the boys fight had only to lose 5-4, great effort lads keep it up. Tomorrow the Boys once again play Mornington at Mornington in the next round of the Bayside League Cup, kick off 11am. Good luck tomorrow boys.

Veterans Team: Once again are Veterans sit on top of the table after defeating Mornington 2-0 and last week disposing of Montrose BC 16 – 0.

Tomorrow the boys are away at Doveton in the Veterans Cup kick off 12:30.

If you could help or assist with anything at all it would be appreciated, we don't need you to be a committee member, we would just appreciate your help, lend a hand, even for just an hour. "You can make a difference" don't forget it's

Your club too!!

Mark Brandon CSM.

President

THE COACHES CALL

Ladies seniors 6 V Ellwood 0 [Centenary pk] 1/6/14)

Strikers senior ladies faced a new Elwood side at home this week and soon got to grips with this encounter with 3 first half goals from Jayde Moore [2] And Ellie Dewhurst [1].

The ladies showed no signs of letting up after the half time break and are developing the type of determination they will need in the next few weeks against higher placed teams. They finished off this contest with another 3 goals from Jayde Moore [1] Ellie Dewhurst[1] and debutant Keely Moore slotting home from the penalty spot after an Elwood defender dived and caught the ball before it crossed the line.

There were lots of positives to take from this performance, notably the confidence shown by all as we finally have a squad of 15 with Jazmin Moore soon to return from injury, making the final number 16.

Also on debut Courtney Dallow put in a great effort and Monica Majdanski was fantastic.

With Jayde Moore celebrating a hat trick, her mother Justine not happy, as she had promised her \$50 per goal, love it!

I have no doubt the squad will keep improving over the season as we start to settle these players into what will be their main roles.

The opening month of the season has been a bit of a mess due to both Baxter and Mornington withdrawing from the competition and our slow recruitment but the "light at the end of the tunnel" is there for all to see.

Ladies Seniors round 6 Strikers 0 V Casey 3 [half time 0-1]

Table top Casey came to Centenary park for round 6 expecting to give the Strikers a hammering, but were given a real fight.

Our ladies proving to themselves that they can compete, really gave their all and had "lady luck" been on their side they may have even got something out of this game.

As coach I could not ask any more than what the ladies gave, everything!

Unlike previous weeks, we started really hard and fast and were unlucky to go in at half time one nil down.

This spurred our players on and we hit back inside 6mins thanks to Scott, followed by a gem of a goal from Josh with a 30 yard chip. We led 2-1 at half time.

I gave the boys a speaking to about the way they were getting sucked into the tactics of the Mooroolbark players trying to bait them and getting into their heads with intimidation. I instructed them to play our game and win! The 2nd half started with a midfield battle of their big men throwing their weight around. Our bigger lads stood up and gave back just as strongly. Craig was exceptional at this, leading the way for our other big lads Kyle, Kevin and Lewis. If only our captain would just not snap back verbally as quickly as he does. He sometimes plays a very fine line with the refs! Glad you don't back down though Craig, showing that Peninsula will not be intimidated (well done Son)

Mooroolbark got the equalizer with 15mins to go and they were gaining momentum. Once again our defence stood tall and our forwards were unlucky with a few one on ones with the Keeper and the bar and post being struck. We were awarded a penalty at the 88 minute mark after Matt was cleaned up in the box. Kyle stood up to put the ball comprehensively into the back of the net.

Goal scorers: Scott McKinney Josh Vega and Kyle Piscopo

Our next Game is at home against Skye on the 22nd June, with a 3pm kick off. It would be great to see some of you there to cheer on this wonderful bunch of peninsula lads.

Dave McKinney

Coach Metro 5

METRO 5

We travelled to Mooroolbark to play Mooroolbark SC. This team had lost all their games except for 2.

The Metro side is still struggling to field a full complement of fully fit players at our games. This would have been our 2nd game with all players present, if they all turned up! I was very worried that I would get the late call that someone could not make it but everyone arrived which was pleasing. We still have a worrying time with our Keeper Michael Burke carrying a hair line fracture in his ankle which most likely won't heal completely until it is rested fully. Druian is just back from 6 weeks on the side lines following an ankle injury.

The Mooroolbark ground was very heavy and muddy on one half of the pitch. Our starting line up of 4 2 3 1 was

Michael Burke (GK)

Callum Walker Kyle Piscopo Zac Sargent Lewis Walker

Craig McKinney© Gerard Miller

Aaron Vega Josh Vega Scott McKinney

Matthew Sergenor

(subs: Eddie Tomas, Kevin McCormick, Druian Woodward)

Mooroolbark was physically a much' larger' side than us and very experienced. With their side not having any one younger than 26, our boys as always stood up to the challenge. Mooroolbark did their best to try and intimidate our smaller and younger players, and they persisted with taunts and derisive comments. I instructed our lads to not let the opposition 'get into their heads' and only talk to each other and not enter into verbal stashes with their rivals. I am very pleased with the camaraderie of our team, as they really do look out for each other.

Mooroolbark scored first with a penalty awarded by a very young ref and I won't 'ref bash' but I just wish the FFV would allocate more mature Referees to our games. The young lad was under the pump from the start of the game and from the outset the more mature players from Mooroolbark were shouting for everything for them or against them.

It was noted at the break that Casey's "body language" didn't look good, indeed, one of the Casey team said "this was their hardest game of the season". Strikers carried on in the same vein in the 2nd half and were cheated on Casey's 2nd goal, which was clearly offside. Casey's 3rd was a bullet shot that no one would have stopped.

There were super performances all round and the whole squad did their bit. If we can produce this type of effort every week we are going to have a very enjoyable season, well done ladies.

JOHN GOODCHILD - COACH



FIRST TEAM REPORT

After the weekend off it was a tough assignment away to Berwick for the Boys

We went in to the game full of optimism after our battling effort against Doveton where with a little more composure we could have taken all 3 points

3 new boys made first team debuts against Berwick 17 year old goalkeeper Safi Hewad,centre back Domenic Demanche and Andre Zallone a recent arrival from Italy.

The match was a tight affair with action at both ends of the park for most of the first half Safi pulled off a couple of good saves and the new defensive group looked to be working well.

34 minutes in we turned the ball over in the middle of the park and a quick interchange of passes saw the ball finish with former Strikers player Alpha who punished us with a clinical finish.

For the next 30 minutes the game ebbed and flowed and we created a number of chances with Berwick clearing a shot off the line and the rebound being cleared off the line by a second Berwick players arm the boys appealed for a penalty which wasn't paid.

To be fair the call could have gone either way, seen them both called and not called it was a tough decision and on this occasion the ref chose not to.

Within a minute we were 2-0 down a long speculative ball saw a mix up in our defence leaving two players stranded on the edge of our area and the ball rolling in towards an empty net which the Berwick striker slotted home.

The boys continued to battle without reward and we were again punished when on 80 minutes a pass in to midfield from defence was intercepted by the Berwick striker who took a touch and rifled an unstoppable drive into the bottom corner from 20 metres

It was a difficult day for the boys, we were unable to take our chances when they were presented and Berwick were clinical

We need to be more ruthless at both ends of the park if we are to move up the table and the challenge will be put to the boys today

David and Ray

Reserves Ladder

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Doveton SC	10	10	0	0	41	9	32	30
2	Beaumaris SC	10	8	1	1	21	8	13	25
3	North Caulfield Senior FC	10	7	1	2	39	16	23	22
4	Old Scotch SC	10	6	2	2	22	9	13	20
5	Mooroolbark Senior SC	10	5	1	4	13	10	3	16
6	Seaford United SC	10	4	1	5	33	29	4	13
7	Peninsula Strikers Senior FC	10	4	0	6	26	27	-1	12
8	Nunawading City FC	10	3	2	5	21	25	-4	11
9	Berwick City SC	10	2	3	5	16	31	-15	9
10	Warragul United SC	10	2	1	7	14	28	-14	7
11	Frankston Pines FC	10	2	1	7	17	34	-17	7
12	Heatherton United SC	10	0	1	9	10	47	-37	1

1st Team Ladder

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Warragul United SC	10	7	0	3	27	14	13	21
2	Heatherton United SC	10	6	2	2	20	18	2	20
3	Beaumaris SC	10	6	1	3	27	20	7	19
4	Doveton SC	10	5	2	3	19	12	7	17
5	Mooroolbark Senior SC	10	5	2	3	13	11	2	17
6	Berwick City SC	10	5	1	4	23	14	9	16
7	Frankston Pines FC	10	3	6	1	24	20	4	15
8	Seaford United SC	10	4	1	5	26	25	1	13
9	Old Scotch SC	10	3	4	3	15	14	1	13
10	North Caulfield Senior FC	10	2	3	5	11	18	-7	9
11	Peninsula Strikers Senior FC	10	1	2	7	9	29	-20	5
12	Nunawading City FC	10	0	2	8	15	34	-19	2

Next Match, Saturday 28th June



VS



RESERVES

After a well earned week off - it was a road trip to Berwick for the lads.
 In Neil's last minute absence - it was young Liam Stuckenschmidt to fill his place between the sticks... And with the aid of some garden gloves... He was fantastic. Haben also made his league debut and scored to put the lads 2-1 ahead. - Congratulations.
 However, it was Johnny Negassi who stole the show - he scored two sublime goals which was sheer class and will be knocking on the door for a Seniors spot with his performance.
 Unlucky with the 4-3 lose but we will regroup and go again next weekend.

RESERVES PLAYER PROFILE:

Name - Liam Stuckenschmidt
 Nick Name - Stucky
 Occupation / Last School - The Peninsula School
 Favorite position – Centre Mid
 Junior clubs – Langwarrin, Peninsula Strikers
 Funniest Player – Cakas
 Favourite player at Strikers – Jordy
 Favourite team– Arsenal, Real Madrid
 Favourite Player - Neymar, Marcelo, Oezil
 Favourite A-league team - Melbourne Victory
 Favourite Song – varies from time to time
 Favourite groups - N/A
 Favourite Movie – Avengers
 Ambitions - Football and Good Career in Business
 Heroes – Pele and parents
 Favourite food - KFC Ultimate Box, Chicken casserole with rise



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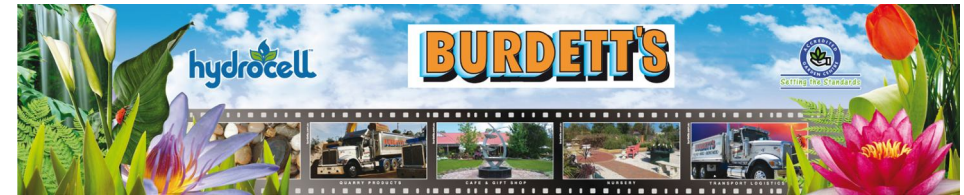
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