

SKYE ROVERS SOCCER CLUB

MID SEASON TEAM REPORTS
1987

UNDER 8

There are 14 boys making up two teams in the under 8 age group this year.

Both teams have won most of their matches this year. It is particularly pleasing to note that in addition to the experienced players from last year we have picked up some very strong new players.

Next year when the boys go to under 9's they will commence playing 11 a side soccer on a full size field. The overall strength of the 2 current sides will mean we should field a strong full size team.

Of particular satisfaction is the way the boys have begun to play as a team instead of individuals. The teamwork has improved substantially from the start of the season and is evidence of the hard work put in by coach Doug Clue ably assisted by his dad on Wednesday nights.

Also pleasing is the friendship amongst the boys. Their attitude towards each other is very positive and supportive. I have it on reliable authority that "show and tell" time at a certain primary school consists of match reports of Saturday's game presented several times.

It is pleasing to note the interest taken by parents which is most important. The name of the game for under 8 boys is enjoyment whilst learning skills and sportsmanship. I am happy to report that the boys are enjoying their game.

Manager - Ron Phillips

UNDER 9

We at Skye are again blessed with another very good team. At this stage of the season the boys have excelled in every game they have played, winning 10 and losing 1. Twice we have taken the field with 9 players and have won the match. It is a pleasure to see young boys with so much talent and it is very gratifying for a coach to see them improving week after week.

We have a squad of 12 players and each and every one of them has performed well. Two additions to the 1986 team, Ben and Daniel have fitted in extremely well. Ben being a very gifted goal sneak and Daniel a strong left mid field player, these boys have given the team a great deal of depth. Unfortunately having so many good players on the park it makes it very difficult to know exactly how good our defence and goal keeper Adam really is, as we spend most of our games attacking. Eugene will know what I mean!

Four weeks ago we were very upset to lose our striker Lachlan with a bad accident to his hand which needed 15 stitches. Since then the rest of the team have got on with the job. Front runners Andy and Cory, mid fielders Matthew Shergold and Kristian doing most of the hard work.

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The back four, David, Matthew Cooper, Captain Danny Spyve and most improved Stephen Murtagh doing a great job in defence. All goes well for the future and I do believe we can win the Seaford Carnival bringing home another Skye Trophy.

Thanks to all the parents for their help and support during the season also a big "thank you" to Noleen for managing the team so well.

Coach - Grahaem Baulk

UNDER 9

Results to date: 3 wins
1 Draw
6 Losses
6 Goals kicked
19 Goals against

The results do not show the best team winning on the day. This is one of those hard luck stories where we have all the play and just cannot put the ball in the back of the net. For the first half of the season I searched our team for a couple of players to shoot goals - this proved a difficult task, all boys wanted to kick goals for me with all their heart, but it also requires a boot as well. We've all persevered and have won 2 games and drawn 1 out of the last 3 games played. Everyone should be proud of the way our team is playing at the moment. We still haven't been able to bag a heap of goals in the one game, but I'm sure that over the next few weeks we will see an even more determined forward line take to the park.

Teams start with parents and I feel that our team has a great bunch of Mums and Dads. To see such a following on a Saturday morning is most encouraging for the club. There is never a worry about oranges or boys not being able to get to the game we all help each other. I would like to thank Marie and Barry Fullwood for looking after the oranges also Ross Murphett for his help with nets and lines, plus the other parents who pitch in with canteen duty and other jobs that sometimes go unnoticed.

Our fun night at the swimming pool was fantastic, 100% turn up. Before the end of the year we will have another surprise for the team.

In the next report I hope to show more wins on the board for us, and I'm sure it won't be for the lack of enthusiasm.

Keep up the good work guys.

Coach - Lyle Spyve

UNDER 10

The under 10's started 1987 with a small squad having lost five players from the previous season. Having a small squad didn't do anything to upset the moral and enthusiasm of the boys. We gained three new players before the season started - Damian Cavallaro from Springvale City, Andrew Gray from Dingley and Greg Taylor from footy. With a squad of twelve players we faced the season with a lot of confidence and we have

now reached the half way mark having played nine games, winning nine and scoring 39 goals for and none against, a great record for the boys. The second half of the season will be hard as all the teams will be out to spoil our record, but with the constant improvement I am certain the boys will do themselves proud. The main scorers at this stage are Chris Traynor 14, Jeffrey Newman 7 and Damian Cavallaro 6.

The Squad

1 Tim Prendergast	7 Damian Cavallaro
2 Lyndon Oataway	8 Chris Chalkitis
3 Andrew Gray	15 Chris Traynor
4 Adam Jamieson (Captain)	10 Mark Hutchings
5 Greg Taylor	11 Jeff Newman
6 Glenn Palmer	14 Wesley Price

Coach - Harry Chalkitis

Manager - Alan Traynor

UNDER 11B

Coach - Eugene Kennedy. Manager - Glen Charles

This very talented and capable team of boys is once again having a very good year. As we start into the second round of the season we have no losses or draws of league games against us.

The boys were also doing very well in the Cup rounds, having made it through to the last round before the finals, where they met with Green Gully for the first time and probably suffered the greatest defeat (1-7) that they have ever had and that would only have been during their under 7-8 years. Our congratulations to the boys for getting as far as they did and if it's any consolation I think the boys had an off day on that day and that doesn't help when you come up against a very good team.

The boys are now looking forward to the Cup challenges of 1988 and meeting Green Gully again.

This year is the first that this team has played outside the Peninsula region and this is responsible for supplying both new challenges for the boys and some interesting outings for the parents, and on that note I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the under 11 parents for being so supportive of the team, and along with them wish the boys the very best for the remainder of the season.

Manager - Glen Charles

UNDER 12

The under 12 Spurs welcomed Jason Leclerc, David Polan and Mark Forward into the team this year. They have fitted in very well and have provided a significant contribution to the team. We were disappointed to lose Mark Michels and Mark Forster, and hope to see them return next year.

Tom Entwistle started coaching the boys 2 nights a week many weeks prior to the start of the season. The training was varied, and included

lots of running through the sandhills, as well as the usual skills and strategy training. As a result of this hard work by Tom and the boys, the Spurs have become recognised as the fittest in the league. In addition to regular training nights, Tom also made himself available for extra training during the school holidays.

The players were presented with their strip at a pie night during the week prior to the first league game. Thanks to Alan Parrott who assisted with the presentation. A few weeks into the season, the boys were given a break from regular training, and spent a most enjoyable time at the Ten Pin Bowling Alley. A few parents also joined in the fun, hoping to show these cocky kids how to play the game, but were given a real bowling lesson by Craig Kingston!

The team has had mixed success, maintaining a mid position on the league ladder. The league is a mixture of Central and Peninsula Clubs, and had proven to be of very high standard, with no single team standing out above the others. We hope that with a little luck, we can knock off the top teams, and finish right up near the top of the ladder at the end of the season.

Nick Cockcroft has recently replaced Tom as coach. Thanks to Nick for taking the job at such short notice, and to Tom for his efforts and dedication during his period of coaching.

Four members of the team are now in their seventh year with the club. They are Sean Heter, Stephen Lukey, Troy Spyve, and Peter Matthews. This is an excellent example of the loyalty on which the club has built its enviable reputation. Well done boys. Other members of the team not already mentioned are Craig Entwistle, Troy Gent, Brett Myall. Matthew Ryan, Wayne Samuels and Lee Winsor.

Results up until the midway point of the season are as follows:

Kew Eagles	0-1	South Springvale	0-0
East Bentleigh	2-1	Berwick City	3-1
North Dandenong	3-1	Peninsula	0-4
Oakleigh	0-6	Beaumaris	0-4
Caulfield City	4-3		

The results amount to 4 wins, 1 draw and 4 losses. Good luck boys for the remaining half of the season.

Manager - Peter Lukey

UNDER 15 (Gunners)

The club is very fortunate to boast two under 15 squads and although the Gunners are not perhaps in the same mould soccer wise as the Jets they are nevertheless a very competitive side, what they lack in skills they make up with a never give in spirit as results to date have proven. Despite the loss of two of last season's key players the older hands in the team, Tim, Laurence, Barry and Paul have all put in that little extra to make up for the departures. Ryan Lee from the under 14's and David Barrett, under 13's, Kevin O'Hagan from Frankston Pines have all settled into the team and despite playing out of their age group the first mentioned don't look out of place. Jamie, Jason, Adrian and John have combined with the others to make the team successful both on and off the field. A big mention to Graham Ryan and John Goss in getting the boys

Superfit this year, a definite plus in games this year. Senior player Nicky Cockroft has taken several coaching sessions and is responsible in raising the skills level of several players.

Coach - Tony Hall

UNDER 18 Youth Team

Coach - Tony Dawson. Manager - Ray Williams

The first thing that I feel should be pointed out is that we almost did not field a side this year, due to the fact of not having enough players. But due to the effort of one person in particular, Tony Hall, we eventually got a side together.

In our first match, some of the players met for the first time in the dressing room.

We lost our first game to Seaford 0-6, but allowing for the fact that the opposition had been together for about 6 weeks and our boys only came together that day, the effort put in was fairly good.

Again I stress that for a side that has only been formed this season the effort put in by the boys for the club each week does the club and the boys themselves, proud.

Our results for the season so far are 2 wins, 12 losses. This might not seem a good result to most people, but they're the ones who do not see the determination and effort the boys put in week after week without ever giving up, for less than what their reward should be. As with every team however when the reward of a win does come their way the jubilation and joy on the faces of the boys when they come off the field is something that the parents and officials associated with the team enjoyed with the boys.

We are hoping to have one of our players back soon who broke his leg in two places in the first round.

Just on that note, I would like to that on behalf of the parents of Brendan McCafferty, the organisers of the seniors dinner dance: Eugene, Peter and Neil for donating proceeds from the raffle held that night to Brendan and also Clayton who raised some money in a raffle at one of the Seniors home matches.

With 8 games remaining it would be only fitting for the boys to be able to win a few more matches as just reward for their dedication, determination, and grit that they have displayed all year. So come on boys keep up the good work and let's look forward to a few more wins to finish the season and build on the foundation we have laid for next season.

Coach - Tony Dawson
