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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

What a great sight and sound the rain has been over the last weeks. We have had some good falls on the ovals. If it is raining you have 3 options to check whether the grounds are open or not;

- 1 Website www.seaforthfc.com
- 2 Council Wet Weather Lines 99761699, 99812099 (Condoover Only)
- 3 Information Hotline 99909696

Please remember that the council has every right to rescind our training rights if we are training on Grounds that are CLOSED.

We are still having teams not turn up to Canteen, BBQ, or Nets (In or Out) duty. The Rosters, I'm assured by the Age Coordinators, have been sent to ALL managers. They are also on the Website and our canteen Supervisor Emails ALL teams involved on these Duties on the Thursday to remind them that they are rostered on that particular Saturday. Most teams are only rostered ON once a year, so please check ALL your Rosters.

Don't forget that if you have any queries regarding coaching, or wish to borrow from the Coaching Library, just visit the website for Sharon's details and I'm sure she would only be too pleased to assist you. While on Coaching, don't forget our Goalkeeping Coach Vicki Cerney holds Goalkeeping Training every week at Seaforth Oval. If you have a goal-keeper that would like some additional coaching please visit the Website for further details. There is NO cost involved to players.

Please don't forget the Overflow Car Park at Seaforth Oval. I am still seeing people even from this Club parking along the Wakehurst Parkway and walking their children to the Oval when there is still plenty of room in the lower (Overflow) Car park. Manly Council did carry out work on this carpark to try and eliminate this problem so please use it.

Our AL1 and reserve grade sides continue to impress with the Firsts sitting in 4th and the Reserves sitting on Top of the table. Both sides are playing well. This week they go up against CC STRIKERS at Seaforth Oval on Saturday 1.00pm / 3pm so get along and support your First Division sides.

Also great to see our Junior sides performing so well, not only the mixed on Saturday, but also the Ladies on Sunday. To those teams that are struggling, keep your heads and spirits up and keep trying hard and I'm sure the results will come.

Don't forget the World Cup has started so make sure that you check the website for All televised games and watch the show piece of World Football and our beloved Socceroos do battle with the Rest of the World.

Until next time good luck to all teams.

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Seaforth Ladies U12/3 Champs v Beacon Hill Bears

Score: Seaforth Champs 3 Beacon Hill Bears 0

One of the most gratifying things a coach can see occurs when the players replicate their training on the pitch, and that happened in spades today for the Champs. We scored three times against a tenacious opponent, every goal coming because our players did what Digby has been asking for: supporting each other, and following up opportunities.

The game started brightly in very cold conditions, and it was an arm wrestle for the first 15 minutes. Neither side could get on top, and it was a real struggle in mid-field, but suddenly the Champs pounced: Amber wriggled free on the left and fired in a shot, the goalie parried, but Brigitte was on hand to ram the ball home. Great following-up.

One nil at half time, but the Bears came out biting in the second. They put us under sustained pressure, forcing Rachel E-F to make one very good save, but then we cracked them open again. The goalie saved the first attempt, and bravely kept out a second, but pick-pocket Chelsea was there to fire home from close range with the precision of a surgeon.

Now we were rolling, and Rebecca stepped up to grab the final goal. This was a triumph for individual skill and tenacity: she took the ball into the square and collided head-on with the goalie; both girls reeled back, there was a furious tangle of legs and boots in the goal mouth, and then Bec stepped up to coolly slot home goal #3. Terrific stuff.

Much has been made in these reports of the goal-scoring abilities of the Champs, and acknowledgement of our hugely talented defensive line is overdue. Rachael W, Annalise, Emma, Emily, Clare, Rachael E-F, Claudia, Xenia, Georgia and Rhiann have all played with skill and determination at the back and in mid-field, and that's why our goals for and against is so strongly in our favour. Well played, ladies.

- Report by Murray Olds

“ F FROM THE POWDER ROOM ”

We've almost reached the Half- way point of the season. This time last year, many teams were starting to make inroads to their comp and setting themselves for the Finals. This year, Old Mr “Doom & Gloom” sees only a couple of teams struggling to assert themselves. Most of our teams are just off the top four or leading the comp. Whilst Seaforth Ladies soccer is on a roll, a couple of teams are struggling. The game isn't just about winning and the struggling teams are actually some of the happiest players in the Club. It just goes to reinforce the adage about enjoying oneself and having fun, rather than some of the win-at-all-costs attitudes pervading some Clubs.

I had the pleasure of watching a couple of U10 games on Sunday. The growth of Seaforth F.C. looks very bright as there are some very skilful girls coming thru'. Grading for U12's next year looks like being a nightmare with so much talent to draw on. Be warned, we will be grading ALL TEAMS next year. Well done all teams. Keep those scores and send them in on the due date for grading for their annual **GALA DAY**. No notification yet as to whether this is on this year. (More details when the MWFA let's us know).

The Under 12 teams are going well and are testing their opposition every week. The Div.1 team are struggling with too few Div.1 standard players but put in a tremendous effort each week. It is only a matter of time before Coach Jody sees the efforts rewarded.

The Under 14'1As are still struggling with the “time zone” between bed and game time, but sweeping all before them. The **14/1B's** are just giving it their best each week but can't seem to get the goals into the net. When it happens, they will be new team altogether. The “**2's**” have been solid and are putting some great wins away. Well done Ian and crew, you are benefiting from your dedication.

The Under 16's are grey hair material. **The 2's** are going well under Maurice's firm hand and a win away from leading. **The 3's** are another thing. Full of competent players who seem to be the nicest bunch around, they have not hit their straps this year. Still, a few games to go and we can show other teams how to enjoy the game.

The Open 2's are just in the four. Attendance can be a bit scatty and results probably reflect the frustration this has on fielding a strongest team each week. Our **beloved Open 4's** give Coach Stix more angst than he needed with dominant displays but poor options or just bad luck costing us a win and a draw. Very expensive in terms of position, but should help the team to know they can play the game well, but must finish off.

ALL TEAMS NEED TO ENSURE YOU CHECK YOUR DRAW EACH WEEK.

Some ovals have been closed and some games rescheduled.

“FLASH NEWS.”



One team has already staked a claim on the Hill at Seaforth, ready for the new Clubhouse. No truth in the rumour that they are setting up a “Starbucks” franchise & prefer “maple” syrup on the waffles.

Attendance. Please let Coach & Manager know if you are away. Whether it's for training or game, we need to know earlier than the same day. Some girls are just not helping by being late each week. School holidays are coming up soon & are especially hard to organise around.

The Ladies Managers & Coaches annual get together. Let's organise a date for a Friday at Wakehurst Golf Club?? Gaz, the “steamboat” is back on for winter.

Tickets will be available soon for our **Dinner/Dance**. Get yourselves organised, it is a really great night with good food, great music & raffles. August 26th is the date. (Great for those with GF's the next day, maybe we will go straight to Cromer after the Dance).

Next Canteen dates are **10th & 11th June**. Please check your Ladies Teams roster.

Unregistered players CANNOT SUB ! Huge insurance implications and a definite NO NO !!

2006 Team Photos. Every team should get a team photo. You need to consider a game when everyone available. If you know someone skilled who can become the “photographer” please start the ball rolling as the timing for teams and player availability is very tricky.

The Clubhouse. We are hoping for a “soft” opening last w/end July or first week in August.

Until next Newsletter, Happy Soccer and Happy Barracking.



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Dear Mum and Dad

I hope you won't get mad at me for writing this letter, but you always told me never to keep anything back that ought to be brought out into the open.

So here goes

Remember the other morning at rugby when my team was playing and you were watching. Well, I hope that you won't get mad at me, but you kind of embarrassed me.

Remember when I had the ball on the wing in front of the crowd and I was running toward the goal line trying to score and I fell over the opposing fullback. I could hear you yelling at the fullback for getting in the way. It wasn't his fault, that is what he is supposed to do.

Do you remember yelling at me to get deeper in defence to help the fullback? The coach told me to stay up and cover my man, and I couldn't if I listened to you. While I was trying to figure out what I should do, they scored against us. Then you yelled at me for being in the wrong place.

You shouldn't have got angry with the coach for taking me off the field. We all have a turn at sitting off for a while. The coach knows what he is doing, and he's a pretty good coach and a very nice person. Besides he is just a volunteer, who wants to make sure that we learn the skills of the game and how to enjoy it more, just because he loves the game. I think he played the game for the state and remember that you have only watched a few Super 14 games on the TV and, as if I could forget, you did play for the school back in the Sixties when they played Real ruggert!

I guess that you were pretty mad at me because you didn't speak to me all the way home. I was really trying hard, but I guess that I am a pretty crummy rugby player. I do try my hardest, perhaps I am not as good as you were but I really love playing and being with the other kids learning to compete and being part of team.

It's a good sport, but how can I learn if you don't show me a good example? Anyhow I thought I was playing sport for fun, to have a good time, and to learn sportsmanship. I never realised you would get so upset because I couldn't be a star.

From your loving child

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