



Newsletter of the Sutherland Titans Soccer team

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Hello Fellow Titans,

We went to our first Gala Day with mixed results. The morning saw the Scorpions play two games and tasted their first loss of the season against the Special Olympics team who played unreal. I think we'll get the cheque book out and see if we can sign a couple of these outstanding footballers. Special thanks to the two Camerons who play for both teams, but with so many Scorpions out, decided to play for us.

The afternoon session didn't go so well. Firstly, the Panda Bears didn't show up which creates a bad impression for us all. I can't stress enough the importance of being on time for ALL games. If you are finding this a problem, please let myself or Bree know and we will work out what we can do.

We also found that some of our opposition on Sunday weren't too friendly, and whilst I can understand 6 year olds not knowing what the Titans are about, their parents are a different matter. Some of our parents think that our kids don't understand some peoples insensitivity. We do and it's not on! We are not going to tolerate these people. The whole concept of the Titans F.C. is to educate the community about people with special needs. For example, Joel Green is a superstar with Kirrawee Kangaroos, Joel can now go on without his mum, and Kira hasn't cried for weeks to name but a few. Probably the biggest thing is that all the stars of the Titans F.C. get to play football and most importantly laugh a lot.

So please rest assured, the Titans will be true to our name and not cower. We don't need your sympathy for us having children with special needs, we love them unconditionally. We need your understanding. We don't need help loving our children, but we do need your support in bringing our children up in a tolerant world that understands and cares that we are not all the same.

Remember - TITANS RULE!!

P.S. A big thank you to Jackie and Kimberley our OT student who gave up their Sunday arvo to help out.

Thanks
Stewart

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Team News and Match Reports

Koala Bears v Menai 27/5/06

Score: Didn't keep track!!

Another wonderful display of soccer from the mighty koala bears!

Welcome back Carl!! Carl has been overseas for the past couple of weeks and came back in top form settling back into the team beautifully.

Tim and Connor shared goal keeping duties, with Tim showing increasing confidence both in goals and on the field and Connor seems to have found his favourite position pulling off some fantastic saves and diving and stopping the ball constantly in the second half.

Adam is showing so much confidence in the mid field never backing off the ball and charging through the Menai back line to deliver some beautiful balls for his team mates.

Alex was on fire again showing great team work in passing the ball to his team mates and showing us his great soccer skills.

Jack arrived with bells on ready to play and was such a strong player in the koala back lines doing some wonderful defensive clearances.

Special mention has to go our opposition team Menai this week.

They split their team in half so they were able to play 2 games and they presented our teams with McDonalds Awards and Chocolates after.

We appreciate the wonderful teams that are coming to play against us each week and giving us the opportunity to play soccer.

Until Next Week!!!

Bree and Sara

Bob Cats Vs Menai 27/5/06

Again the Bobcats put on a fine display of soccer against a Menai side that showed great spirit to split their team in order to give the Bob Cats a game given the no show of this week's opposition.

Joshua played his usual strong game and managed to sneak a goal or two. Ross tried hard all day and Max played well with some long kicks down field. Harrison continues to get better each week and Samir was a welcome addition after a couple of weeks away, he really improved as the game went on.

Michael never gave up and was all over the field in pursuit of the ball and our goal keeper Jake displayed his usual courage turning back the opposition.

Looking forward to next weeks game.

Brendan

Interclub Gala Day (Engadine) 28/5/06

Well after a solid display on Saturday the team headed onto Sunday and the interclub gala day. The team knew it would be a challenge having to play three games over the duration of the afternoon and it was a challenge that they well and truly accepted. Despite having only 6 players after Kienwyn joined us, they never gave up against spirited opposition and made all Bob Cat supporters proud of their effort. This was a tough ask and the team displayed plenty of character to compete in all games they played despite being tired by the end of the day. (I bet they slept well on Sunday night as I know I did).

All players that participated played some of their best soccer for the year. All received a medal at the presentation which brought plenty of smiles to their faces.

The following players participated and did the Sutherland Titans Football Club proud

Max

Ross

Joshua

Harrison

Jake

Kienwyn

Looking forward to next week

Brendan

Polar Bears vs Cronulla Seagulls 11B's.

Date: 27 May 2006

It was another bright & sunny day for this weeks game against the Cronulla Seagulls, 11B's side. Our ranks swelled this week with another two players joining the Polar Bears. The Polar Bears welcome both Emma & Peter to the team!

This week our opposition set a hectic pace and the team were run off their feet. Emma had an immediate impact on the teams go forward and was able to score at least 4 goals that I could count. Peter also had a great first game and was all over the park greatly assisting in both offence and defence. Josh K played in goals for most of the game and made some great clearing kicks. Keegan continued at his normal hectic pace making some great runs up the side line. Arielle was really on the pace this week and made some great stops and kicks to get the team started again after the opposition scored. Ryan made a number of his characteristic charges up the middle of the field converting on one occasion with a sensational goal. Brandon made a number of crucial attacking runs and scored a goal in the 1st half. Again our opposition were great sports and really gave the team a run for their money. Thank you to the Cronulla Seagulls 11B's for their spirit and enthusiasm.

News and upcoming events

Important Notice

All players **MUST** arrive at games prior to kick off. If you know you can't make a game you must let your coach know by Saturday morning.

Thank you for your co-operation

Sutherland Titans FC Committee

SUTHERLAND TITANS LAUNCH/FUNDRAISER.

Just a reminder to everyone!!

We are holding our official launch/fundraiser on Saturday 29th July at St. George Leagues Club.

Get your tables of 10 together and come along and support our wonderful kids!!

Tickets are \$50 each and we want as many people there as we can!!

So start getting your tables together now!!

Disco

We are planning to hold a disco for all Titans Club Members.

Nothing finalised yet but keep 30th June Free!!!

More details to come!!

2006 COACHES

PANDA BEARS Patrick Holland

CUDDLY BEARS Steve Weinstein

KOALA BEARS Bree Teal and Sara Gluer

BOB CATS Brendan Baratta

POLAR BEARS Brad Hughes

SCORPIONS Peter Evans