Pacific Soccer

Round 3 – 19th March

Last weekend for Round 3, all 15 Pacific Soccer teams played at Pacific in our first home game of the season. Our U6-U10 teams continued with Round 3 of the regular fixtures and our U11+ competitive teams played the third and final round of grading games.

We would like to thank everyone for sharing photos from the weekend. We have included some of the photos here, but please have a look at our Facebook page to see more of the action!

The Pacific Cobras faced the Nambour Jungle Cats and, although they let a few goals in, the teamwork paid off! They took their chances at the other end of the field and finally won the game with a convincing 6:3 victory. The Pacific Taipans played the Chancellor Chargers and also showed great teamwork across the field. The game was close, but the Taipans were able to score several goals late in the game, to record an 8:4 win. The spectators were certainly entertained by our new U11 teams, the Pacific Cobras and Pacific Taipans, with a total of 21 goals scored in both matches.

Our U12 Pacific Sharks had a bye in Round 2 and were keen to get back on the field when they played Nambour Jaguars last weekend. The teamwork from the Sharks was impressive and their great defence protected their goal throughout the game. At the other end of the pitch, great lead-up work from the midfielders and speed across the front line allowed them to find the net several times, earning them a 3:0 win.

Our U13 Pacific Snappers played the last game of the day against the Chancellor Challengers. Despite some good teamwork and great attacking runs, they found it hard to get past the opposition’s goalie. The Snappers deserve credit for their sustained effort and teamwork, which gave them a well-earned goal late in the game.

2016 Team Divisions

Following the completion of the final grading games, the divisions for the 2016 season have been released:

- U11 Pacific Cobras – B Grade
- U11 Pacific Taipans – A Grade
- U12 Pacific Sharks – B Grade
- U13 Pacific Snappers – B Grade

For our U11+ competitive teams, points for the table will commence with Round 4 games, which will be played after the holidays on 16th April.
Canteen Duty – 19th March
Thank you to the U7 Razors and U11 Cobras, who provided volunteers to run the canteen during our games last weekend. Our other teams will be rostered for our remaining home games throughout the season and will be asked to assist with shifts of up to two hours, from 7.30am until 5.00pm.

Limited Positions Available
Although most of our teams are now full, but we are still looking for boys or girls in the following age groups:

- Five players for U9 teams (boys born 2007, girls born 2006/2007);
- Two players for U11 (boys born 2005, girls born 2004/2005); and

Brisbane Roar Game – 26th March

Pacific Soccer has organised a bus trip to see the Brisbane Roar versus Sydney FC game at Suncorp Stadium on Saturday 26th March.

The bus trip will be partly subsidised by Pacific Soccer and we are hoping some of our players will have the opportunity to be on the field at half time. Responsible adults will also be required to attend, so player/adult ratios can be maintained, with a designated adult responsible for each player.

Although both buses are almost full, a few seats may still be available at a cost of $30, which includes the bus and ticket to the game. If you are interested in coming along please contact us immediately, as the bookings must be finalised by Thursday afternoon.

Places Available in SCCSA Development Squad

In addition to the Representative Teams in the U10-U17 age groups, SCCSA also has a Development Squad. The squad allows new players to develop their skills within a regional team and provides the opportunity for players to join the rep side when required, due to injuries or loss of players. SCCSA is currently looking for players to join their U10 Development Squad and is encouraging players born in 2006 to try out for this team.

The SCCSA Development Squad will play in the Challenge Cup on 9th July and the Scenic Rim Cup on 17th September, providing a wonderful opportunity for players to take their game to the next level and compete with teams from across South-East Queensland. SCCSA is also hoping the Development Squad will participate in a mini rep tournament on 9th April.

If you are interested in joining the Development Squad for 2016, please contact Lynne Reeves as soon as possible at postiemum2@gmail.com or contact us if you require any additional information.

Brisbane Roar Holiday Clinic – Tuesday 5th April

Do you want to learn and have fun with the A-League champion club and current ladder leaders, the Brisbane Roar? During the upcoming school holidays, the highly skilled Roar coaches are offering a unique and fun-filled clinic to expand player skills. The event will be run at Pacific and includes an inflatable field, prizes and giveaways. It promises to be an enjoyable morning for everyone.

The clinic can be booked online and costs are as follows:

- $30 for U6-U8 (9.00am – 11.00am)
- $45 for U9-U15 (9.00am – 12.00pm)


Additional Holiday Camps

West Ham United Player ID Camp

Pacific Lutheran College has been a partner school with West Ham United Oceania Academy for several years (one of only two schools on the coast, and the only club in the SCCSA competition).
To show our support, Pacific Soccer teams have the West Ham United badge on our match jerseys.

During the upcoming holidays, West Ham United Oceania Academy will be running a two day Elite Player ID Camp at Pacific, on Thursday 7th April and Friday 8th April. The camp is designed for players aged U8 to U18. The attendees will undertake expert coaching and training drills, under the guidance of coaches from the West Ham United Oceania Academy. Players who excel at the camp will be invited to attend the Oceania Academy National Residential Camp in Canberra later this year and may ultimately be invited to London to experience the West Ham United Academy.

The West Ham United Oceania Academy Player ID Camp has been run at Pacific for the last four years. It has always been very popular, so please visit http://westhamacademyinternational.com/West_Ham_United_International_Academy/Australia_Camps_files/Pacific%20Lutheran%20College%20Selection%20Camp%202016.pdf for more information and register early to avoid any disappointment.

ATF Academy Camp

In case your holidays are not full enough, there is also a Skill Tech Camp at Caloundra, which will be run by the Australian Technical Football Academy. The camp will run from 9.00am – 12.00pm from Wednesday 30th March to Friday 1st April. For more information, visit: http://www.atfacademy.com.au/camp/.

Round 4 – 16th April

We now have a three-week break over the Easter school holidays. Games will recommence with Round 4 on 16th April. Pacific Soccer will again be hosting Round 4 games at home.

Canteen Duty – 16th April

Our U6 Mantarays and U11 Taipans have been rostered to provide canteen volunteers for Round 4 on 16th April. A minimum of three volunteers are required in the canteen at any time, to allow the BBQ to be run, customers to be served and orders to be prepared. With our team numbers varying from 8 to 15 players, if each family can provide a volunteer for their team’s rostered day, we would hope that each volunteer would be helping in the canteen for no longer than two hours.

The operation of the canteen is a vital role within Pacific Soccer. For this reason, could we please ask all families to provide assistance when asked by your team manager.

Involvement With Pacific Soccer

We have always encouraged our families to play an active role in Pacific Soccer, because it is only with your assistance that the club can provide the much-needed services for all our players. Please remember that any help you can provide, large or small, will always be gratefully appreciated.

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Thank you to all our families and supporters for supporting Pacific Soccer this season. Have a safe and relaxing break over the holidays. We look forward to seeing our players on the fields again on 16th April!

Mr Ian Barnes, Pacific Soccer President