



Pacific Soccer

Start of 2016 Season

The wait is finally over – the 2016 season is kicking off this weekend! Our U6-U10 teams will play a Rooball Carnival; with each team playing at least three shortened games on the day. Pacific Soccer will be hosting some U7 games, so our U7 Seadragons, Razors and Flyers will be playing at home.

Our other Rooball teams will be playing at Caloundra (U6 Mantarays), at Currimundi (U6 Marlins, U8 Barracudas), at Siena (U8 Jewelfish), at Stella Maris (U8 Vipers), at Palmwoods (U9 Swordfish, U9 Seals) and at Bli Bli (U10 Eels).

A few quick reminders regarding the Rooball Carnivals:

- There is a \$5 fee per player, which will be collected by the manager of each team. This fee is for the carnival only and no other game fees are charged for the remainder of the season.
- Players will receive a ribbon at the end of their third game.
- Managers, please note that only one team sheet needs to be filled in for the day, which must include your team details and each player who participates.

Our U11+ competitive teams will play their first of three grading games this weekend. Pacific Soccer is also hosting grading games, so our U11 Cobras, U11 Taipans, U12 Sharks and U13 Snappers will play at home. First games commence at 8.30am, with the last game kicking off at 3.30pm.

Wet Weather Cancellation Policy

Throughout this season, all games will always be going ahead unless advised otherwise. So, we encourage parents to please keep in contact with your player's team manager. In the event that games are cancelled, team managers will be advised via SMS and this information will then be relayed to families.

Team Positions Available

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
- Two players for U12 (boys born 2004, girls born 2003/2004).

Team Coaches and Managers

A few teams are still in need of a coach or a manager. These positions can be shared between the families of each team, to suit availability. If you would like to help your team, coaching or managing is a great way to become actively involved and the club and players greatly appreciate any assistance.

Coaching Assistance Through Brisbane Roar

Pacific Soccer's partnership with Brisbane Roar will provide ongoing support for our team coaches throughout the 2016 season. Roar coaches will visit weekly to share suggestions and training options. Ben Creamer, our Coaching Director, will also provide additional assistance.

SCCSA Coaching Clinics

To provide additional assistance to our new and our returning coaches, SCCSA is also be holding free coaching clinics throughout March. The clinics will provide guidance on additional training exercises and drills. Coaching clinics are specifically designed for either U6-U8 and for U9-U16 age groups and run from 6.00pm to 8.30pm on the following dates:

- U6-U8 – Thursday 3rd March at Frank Mclvor Park, Currimundi;
- U9-U16 – Thursday 10th March at Multisports, Mudjimba; and
- U6-U16 – Tuesday 15th March at Multisports, Mudjimba.

Mentoring Opportunities for Older Players

Pacific Soccer has always appreciated and encouraged the involvement of our older players to assist with the coaching of the younger teams. This not only provides an increased level of responsibility, but it is also a valuable mentoring role. Thank you Sam Dee and Harrison Dines, who will be helping with the coaching of the U6 Marlins and U9 Seals respectively. If you are also interested, please let us know as soon as possible.

Team Training Days

Now that teams have been finalised, training will commence over the next week. Coaches and managers will select the specific training day for each team; however most are training on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. Please remember shin pads must be worn for training and matches.

Some teams may also be training on Meridan Field #3. Pacific has always had a good relationship with the Meridan Sports Complex and thank Mr Mark Hauser and Mr Darren Hooper for maintaining this good relationship. We ask our teams to also value this relationship. Please remember that training is not permitted on the main fields #1 and #2.

General Reminders – Training and Games

Please remember that dogs and smoking are not permitted at games or at training. These rules are intended to protect our players, officials and spectators and apply at both the Pacific and Meridan fields and all other grounds.

Jersey Sponsors



We would like to welcome Allens Training, who is sponsoring a set of Pacific Soccer jerseys this year. The printing is underway and we look forward to seeing their logos on the field!

Pacific Soccer has always appreciated the generous support of our family businesses that sponsor our match jerseys. The jerseys are worn every week during the season, appear in our team photos and the College newsletter, providing continued exposure for businesses. The jerseys are also kept for more than five seasons.

We would like to thank the following businesses that are sponsoring a set of match jerseys again this year:

- Aitken Legal
- Asset Accounting
- Bella Grace Early Learning Centre
- Complete Turf Management
- Daydream Leisure Furniture
- Emro Ware
- 4 Ingredients
- Green Beginnings
- IRM Electrical
- Jetts fitness
- Lever Valuers
- SRS Sportsfield Renovation Services
- Sunshine Dermatology
- Telstra Shop Kawana Waters



Sportsfield Renovation Services



We only have 1 or 2 sets of unsponsored jerseys, so if you would like to promote your business, please contact our Equipment Officer Lisa Ackerman as soon as possible.

Pacific Soccer Canteen

Pacific Soccer operates a canteen at home games and carnivals. The revenue from the canteen is the principle source of income for the club and allows us to purchase equipment for our teams. At this stage, existing committee members are coordinating the operation of the canteen. However, we are still hoping to get some extra help from a Canteen Organiser and a Canteen Manager throughout this season.

During each home game, volunteers from each team operate the canteen, with guidance from the Canteen Manager. With eight home games this season and 15 teams, we are intending to roster two teams per home game to supply volunteers and run the canteen for either the morning shift (7.00am - 12.00pm), or the afternoon shift (12.00pm - 5.00pm). Teams will be asked to help for their five hour shift only once during the 2016 season. We will need a few extra helpers in August, for Round 18 and the final carnival, but we will provide further details at a later stage.

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 eight to 15 players, if each family can provide a volunteer on their team's rostered day, each volunteer would be helping for no longer than 1.5 - 2 hours.

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

Brisbane Roar Game – 26th March

Pacific Soccer is organising a bus trip to see the Brisbane Roar versus Sydney FC game at Suncorp Stadium on Saturday 26th March, kicking off at 6.30pm.

More details will be provided next week, so please watch the newsletter and news feeds for more information.



Working Bee 27th February

Our annual Working Bee was held last Saturday and we thank all the helpers who came along to assist with tasks including:

- Spring cleaning the canteen area;
- Attaching wheels to goal posts;
- Installing blocking under our storage shelves;
- Organising team and canteen equipment;
- Excavating a seepage drain around the canteen; and
- Constructing a concrete slab over the seepage drain, which leads onto the covered area.

Mechanical problems delayed the excavation of the drainage trenches. A special thank you to Paul McFadyen, Ben Creamer and Zane Russell, who were still hard at work late in the day, finally leaving Pacific at 7.00pm!



Thank you also to our coaches and managers, who came along to collect their team equipment and shared our lunchtime BBQ sausage sizzle.

Involvement With Pacific Soccer

Pacific Soccer has always been run by volunteers since it was established in 2001 and this has only been possible through the generous support of our families. Whether you are helping out as a coach or a manager, in the canteen or as a committee member, all of these roles provide the services our players need to participate in their sport. As such,

we encourage all our families to play a more active role in Pacific Soccer. Any help you can provide, large or small, will always be gratefully appreciated.

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We look forward to another great season in 2016! If you have any queries regarding registration or if you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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