



Pacific Soccer

QCSA State Titles – 29th April to 2nd May

The QCSA State Titles were held at Redbank last weekend and saw representative teams from the Sunshine Coast participating in age groups ranging from U10 to U14, with separate competitions for U16 girls and U16 boys, as well as U18 teams.

Unfortunately due to technical issues, we do not have photos or results to share at this stage but we will try to provide details as soon as they are available. If our families have photos taken at the State Titles last weekend, we would love to be able to share them on our Facebook page and would also like to be able to share other news regarding our teams and players.

Congratulations to all our players who have been part of the representative sides for the 2016 season and played in the QCSA State Titles last weekend. Thank you also to the many players in the Development Squads as well, who also train every week and will be playing in the Sunshine Coast Challenge Cup on 9th July.

Rounds 19 - 21 for U11B Pacific Cobras

To avoid interference with NAPLAN testing (Tuesday, 10th May to Thursday, 12th May), there has been a change in the schedule for the extra games for U11B teams, and the Round 19 games have been delayed from Tuesday, 10th May until Thursday, 12th May.

For our U11B Pacific Cobras, three extra night time games will be played on the following dates:

- Round 19 Thursday, 12th May 2016 - Pacific Cobras v Caloundra White 6.00pm at Bli Bli on Field 2
- Round 20 Tuesday, 17th May 2016 - Pacific Cobras v Bli Bli Crusaders 6.00pm at Bli Bli on Field 1
- Round 21 Tuesday 24th May 2016 - Pacific Cobras v Immanuel Sharks 6.00pm at Bli Bli on Field 1

These extra night time games will not be shown on the draw on the SCCSA website until the games have been played, so please add these dates to your calendar now.

What is Sportsmanship?

We have recently received feedback regarding the issue of sportsmanship, and rough play or bad language which has been seen on the field, or has been witnessed by our players, team officials or spectators. In the interest of promoting the importance of sportsmanship, both on the field and on the sidelines, we thought we would share some suggestions which have been used within our teams.

Acceptance of Judgment Calls from the Referee

- A player with good sportsmanship will accept that mistakes can be made by the referee but also knows that the game is made up of many decisions, and not just a single call.
- Therefore, although the player may be upset with a particular decision, is it important to be able to move past any disappointment they feel regarding a single decision and instead to focus their energy back on the game.
- This approach is equally valuable for our spectators as well, as criticism of refereeing decisions from the sidelines not only undermines the position of the officials but also fails to model the standard of behaviour which we would like our players to follow.

Sportsmanship is the ability to:

- Win without gloating.
- Lose without complaining.
- Treat your opponent, teammates and the referee with respect.

Sportsmanship tips:

- If you make a mistake, don't sulk or make excuses - learn from it and be ready to play on.
- If a teammate makes a mistake, offer encouragement, not criticism.
- If you win, be gracious, and don't rub it in.
- If you lose, be gracious, and don't make excuses.

Showing respect for teammates, officials, the opposing team and the referee is essential and provides a valuable life lesson for everyone to follow. We therefore encourage all our teams and our spectators to always show respect for

the other teams, officials and visiting families and, most importantly, to demonstrate by your actions that you value the way the game is played more highly than the final result.

Round 6 – 7th May

Our regular fixtures resume with Round 6 games this weekend and our teams will again be playing away games.

- U6 Mantarays, U6 Marlins, U7 Flyers, U7 Razors, U7 Seadragons, U9 Seals at Brightwater
- U8 Vipers, U11 Cobras, U12 Sharks at Mudjimba
- U8 Jewelfish at Mooloolah
- U8 Barracudas at Immanuel
- U9 Swordfish, U10 Eels at Caloundra
- U11 Taipans at Chancellor
- U13 Snappers at Good Shepherd, Noosaville

The manager of each team will have game times, or visit www.SCCSA.org.au or let us know if you have any queries.

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Thank you to all our families and supporters for supporting Pacific Soccer this season. If you have any queries, or if you need any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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