

Pacific Soccer



Round 16

Round 16 fixtures were played as home games for most of our teams last weekend and our players and spectators certainly enjoyed the clear skies and the warm winter sunshine. Thank you Esta and Rae for our photos. We always welcome sharing so all our players and families can take part in the action!

In the U11+ competitive competition, our U11A Pacific Taipans faced the Bli Bli Dragons in a top-of-the-table clash! As expected, the game was certainly close between the two teams. In the first half, Bli Bli had a few good chances that only just missed, while at the other end, the Taipans took their chances and finally broke the deadlock to take a 1:0 lead into half time. The second half again saw pressure from both teams, but the defensive effort of the Taipans allowed them to protect their goal and take the points with a 1:0 win.



Our U12B Pacific Sharks played away against the Range Redbacks at Montville. The Sharks and Redbacks last met in Round 9, where the Sharks had a 5:3 victory. Last weekend however, the Redbacks were able to turn the tables on the Sharks, recording a win and taking the points for this round.

Our U13B Pacific Snappers also played away at Noosaville against the Noosa Gold. With goals from both sides, the match would have kept the spectators entertained and the coaches nervous! At the final whistle, it was the Snappers who had a slender 3:2 lead and took the points for this round.

With the U12B Sharks and U13B Snappers playing away, our U11B Pacific Cobras played the last game at Pacific against the Siena Taipans. Each team had chances in the first half, but a courageous goalkeeping effort from the Siena keeper kept the Cobras' strikers at bay. Late in the first half, after a sustained effort, the Cobras finally got past the keeper and took a 1:0 lead into the break. The second half again saw good attacking chances for both teams. However the Cobras' defence was impressive, continually repelling Siena's attacking runs. The Cobras would have been thankful to hear the final whistle, which gave them the points for this round, with a well-earned 1:0 win.

Canteen Assistance

Thank you to the families from our U8 Vipers and U09 Seals, who ran the canteen on Saturday and did a wonderful job keeping our players and families nourished throughout the day. Thank you also to Mandy (U8 Vipers) for the lollipop cupcakes, and Angela (U06 Marlins) for the cookies, which were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.



Special Sponsorship

Thank you to Yogurtland Kawana Waters, for supplying a gift pack to each of our players last weekend. The gift pack was greatly appreciated and the season discount card is sure to be a winner with our families throughout the remainder of the 2016 season.

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Fair Play Award

Throughout the season, the referees for all U9+ games award points to each team based on Team Spirit, Coaching Spirit and Attitude to Referee. One to 5 points can be awarded for each team in each category. The points accumulate throughout the season and are shown on the Fair Play Award table on the SCCSA website. Congratulations to the U10 Pacific Eels who are currently in third place and the U12 Pacific Sharks who are in 16th place, out of 153 teams. At the end of the season, the highest ranked team receives a special SCCSA award to celebrate their achievement. Pacific Soccer also presents an award to the highest ranked Pacific team.

We are almost at the end of the season, but please remember that the spirit of the game is always more important than the final result. It is essential for our players to show respect for fellow teammates, officials, the opposing team and the referee and also provides a valuable life lesson for everyone. We also encourage our families to show the same respect for teams, officials and spectators from the sidelines.

Rooball Carnival – 20th August

Following the last Round 18 game of the regular season, a Rooball Carnival will be held on 20th August, providing the perfect end to the 2016 season for our U6-U10 teams. Pacific Soccer has offered to host all games for the U8 teams, although at this stage the games and venues have not been decided.

Each team will play three shortened games and players will receive a commemorative medallion. The cost of the carnival is \$5 per player, but teams must nominate if they would like to take part. Please note that nominations for the carnival must be finalised this weekend.

Finals Series – 20th August

At the completion of the Round 18 games on 13th August, the top four teams in each U11+ competitive age group will progress into the final series. Semi final games will be played on 20th August, with the preliminary finals on 27th August and the grand finals on 3rd September. Pacific Soccer will be hosting the semi final games at Pacific, in conjunction with the Rooball Carnival.

Adermann Awards

10th September at 6.00pm

The annual Adermann Awards night recognises and celebrates outstanding performances from the season. In addition to awards for the premiership teams and the grand final winners and runners up in each age group, there are also two special awards that will be presented on the night.

The **Adermann Award** is presented to the player in the competitive age groups who accumulates the most best-and-fairest points throughout the season. These points are awarded by the referee after each match.

The **Terry Reynolds Award** is awarded to the representative player who best displays the skills, attitude and behaviour that is expected of a player representing the SCCSA.

SCCSA players who have been in the competition for 10 years are also recognised at the awards. SCCSA will advise players in writing of their nomination over the coming weeks. Could you please let me know if your child receives a nomination, so we can reserve a ticket for the award ceremony. Tickets for the Adermann Awards are always hard to obtain and at this stage Pacific Soccer has been issued sufficient tickets. For this reason it is important that ticket orders and menu selections are confirmed as soon as possible and payment is made without delay.

More specific information will also be sent out to the families of the competitive teams.

Breakup and AGM 2016

The 2016 season breakup is still being organised, but is expected to occur in early September. The breakup will include fun activities and entertainment for everyone, free food, awards for each player and also special awards for our coaches, managers and long-serving players.

For convenience, our AGM will also be held on the same day. As usual, all committee positions are declared vacant at the AGM and we will accept nominations and elect specific positions for next year including President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Canteen Convenor and Equipment Officer.

Although some positions on the Pacific Soccer committee have a defined role, the committee has always worked as a co-operative, with everyone helping out to allow various tasks to be completed. For this reason, Pacific Soccer would like to encourage more of our families to become part of the committee in 2017, to guide and improve the club into the future. Some tasks such as coordinating a single event (Bunnings BBQ, Pie Drive, Team Photos) do not take a great deal of time, but if they can be undertaken by one or two committee members, the overall workload on the existing committee would be eased significantly.

Thank you to all our committee members and our generous families who have helped throughout the 2016 season. Please remember that with more committee members, the club decisions and the roles it undertakes will be easier to organise. Further, it will assist the running of the club and the services that we are able to provide for our players.

More details regarding the breakup and AGM will be provided over the coming weeks.

Round 17 and Canteen Duty – 6th August

Round 17 games will continue this weekend, with home games at Pacific. Games commence at 8.30am. Please note our U11 Pacific Taipans have a change of match time and will be playing the last game, which kicks off at 3.25pm. The manager of each team will have game times or visit www.SCCSA.org.au.

Thank you in advance to the families from our U08 Barracudas and U09 Swordfish, who have been rostered to provide volunteers for the canteen this weekend.

Looking Ahead ...

After this weekend, the final round 18 will be played as home games for most of our Pacific Soccer teams. Thank you to the families of our U08 Jewelfish who have been rostered to provide volunteers for the canteen. With 15 teams in the 2016 season, the Jewelfish are the only team officially rostered for the day's canteen duty. However, we would appreciate the assistance from other team families on the day.

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. If each family can provide a volunteer for their team's rostered day, we would hope that each volunteer would only be helping for up to two hours.

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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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