

Pacific Soccer

Round 18

Round 18 games were played last weekend, bringing the regular fixtures for 2016 to a close. While most of our teams played at home last weekend, our U11A Pacific Taipans played away at Brightwater, against the Buddina Stingrays. Thank you again for the match and team photos that have been sent through and shared on our Facebook page.



Although the U11A Pacific Taipans had already secured the top place on the table, they used last weekend's game to build on their teamwork and defence in the lead up to the finals series. The team protected their goal strongly throughout the game and scored several goals to take the win with a 3:0 result. Good luck to the Taipans in their semi-final game this weekend. The game will be played at Pacific against the Bli Bli Dragons, kicking off at 9.55am.

Our U11B Pacific Cobras played at Pacific last weekend against the Nambour Jungle Cats. The Cobras looked good early in the game with many great attacking runs, which gave them the first goal and an early lead. Nambour took a while to get going, but their teamwork finally paid off halfway through the first half, allowing them to score a few quick goals and take a lead into the break. Despite a great effort from the Cobras, Nambour took the points on the day. Although the Cobras miss out on progressing through to the finals series, all players should be congratulated for their first season on the full-sized field and for their teamwork and commitment. We would also like to thank coach, Matt Gigney, for the way he guided the players and developed their skills throughout the season. We certainly look forward to seeing the team back in 2017.



Our U12B Pacific Sharks played the Buddina Bluefins last weekend at Pacific. The game was evenly matched, with good attacking runs from both teams and equally impressive defence, which was working hard on both sides. At the half-time break, the game was still in the balance with a 0:0 score. The second half saw a continuation of the good attack and defence from both sides, but it was Buddina who finally broke the deadlock, taking a 1:0 lead. Although the Sharks had a few chances to level the match, they were not able to find a way past the Buddina keeper and Buddina took the points with the 1:0 final result.

The Sharks have been understrength in 2016, with only 11 players on the team. Although they have been very competitive against other teams in their age group, the opponent's ability to bring fresh players from the bench allowed late goals to be scored against the Sharks. While the Sharks will miss the finals series this year, they should be commended for their courage and great teamwork. Their performance last weekend against the Buddina Bluefins, who finished in second place on the table, shows the Sharks would have been worthy contenders in the finals series. We certainly look forward to seeing the Sharkies back on the field next year.

Last weekend the final game at Pacific was played between our U13B Pacific Snappers and the Bli Bli Ravens. Bli Bli kept the Snappers under pressure throughout the game, scoring first and defending well to keep the Snappers at bay. Although the Snappers were able to get back one of the goals, Bli Bli finally took the points in Round 18, with a well deserved 2:1 result. The Snappers have had an impressive season and finished in second place on the table. They will play the Palmwoods Raiders in their semi-final game this weekend. The match will take place at Palmwoods at 11.20am.

Canteen Assistance

Thank you to our U08 Jewelfish families and a number of parents from other teams, who helped in the canteen and on the BBQ last weekend. Thank you also for the extra help we received with setting up and packing up, which certainly made the day a lot easier.

Thank you to our bakers Mandy and Ange for the cupcakes and cookies, which were a tempting treat for our players, families and visitors!



Rooball Carnival – 20th August

This weekend a final Rooball Carnival will be held, providing the perfect end to the 2016 season for our U6-U10 teams. Each team will play three shortened games on the day, with 10 minute halves. All players will also receive a commemorative medallion. The cost of the carnival is \$5 per player, which should be given to your team manager.

With the exception of the U07 Razors and U10 Eels, all other U6-U10 teams will be playing in the carnival, at the following venues:

- U06 Marlins and U06 Mantarays at Bli Bli
- U07 Flyers at Caloundra
- U07 Seadragons at Chancellor
- U08 Barracudas, U08 Vipers and U08 Jewelfish at Pacific
- U09 Seals and U09 Swordfish at Palmwoods

Each manager will have game times, but please let us know if you have any questions.

Semi-Final Games – 20th August

This weekend, the top four teams in each U11+ competitive age group will progress into the final series, with semi-final games being played at various venues across the coast. Our U11A Pacific Taipans will be playing at home at 9.55am against the Bli Bli Dragons. Our U13B Pacific Snappers will be playing away at Palmwoods, against the Palmwoods Raiders. The winner of each of these games will progress directly to the grand final game on 3rd September, while the preliminary finals will take place on 27th August.

Equipment Return

Following the Rooball carnival this weekend, all equipment for our U6-U10 teams, U11 Cobras and U12 Sharks can be returned. We ask the manager of each team to check the contents of your team bag, ensuring you have the complete set of washed jerseys, clean bibs, equipment (match ball, whistle, first aid kit etc.), training balls in the mesh bag, pop-up goals in cover, drink bottle holder and white board in bag.

Our equipment officer, Lisa Ackerman, has kindly offered to meet managers next Thursday afternoon from 2.45pm to 3.30pm so team gear can be dropped off. Please ensure that all team items are returned together, to avoid any inconvenience and confusion. If Thursday afternoon does not suit, please contact Lisa on 0421 352 030 or ml_ackerman@hotmail.com.

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.

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.

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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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