



# Pacific Soccer

## Registrations for 2016

With the conclusion of our main sign-on days, we now have only two weeks before the start of the 2016 season! We have almost 150 registered players who are looking forward to the games kicking off on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

## Limited Places Available

Although many of our teams for this year are full, we still have a few places available. We are especially looking for players for the following teams:

- Two players for U7 (boys born 2009, girls born 2008/2009);
- Five players for U9 (boys born 2007, girls born 2006/2007);
- Three players for U11 (boys born 2005, girls born 2004/2005); and
- Three players for U12 (boys born 2004, girls born 2003/2004).

## Round 1 Games – 5<sup>th</sup> March

Round 1 commences on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March and games will be played at various venues across the coast. The venues and times have not been confirmed yet, but will be sent to team managers and uploaded to the SCCSA website: [www.SCCSA.org.au](http://www.SCCSA.org.au) in due course. Pacific Soccer is expecting to host some of these games at home.

In Round 1, our U6-U10 teams will each participate in a Rooball Carnival and will play three shortened games throughout the day. Each game will only be 30 minutes (10 minute halves) and generally there is a 30-60 minute break between games.

Our U11+ teams are in the competitive age group and will play the first of three grading games. Grading games are played over the first three rounds of the season to determine whether a team is placed in the A grade, B grade or C grade of the competition.

## Team Coaches and Managers

Each team requires a coach and a manager. These positions must be filled from within the team before games begin on 7<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like to help your team this year, coaching or managing is a great way to become actively involved. Any assistance you can offer is always greatly appreciated and will allow the players to play their game, learn new skills and to have fun.

If you are interested in assisting as the coach or the manager of a team in 2016, can you please let us know now or on the sign-on day. Alternatively, if team members would like to suggest a coach or manager for their team, please let us know, or encourage them to nominate now.

Thank you to all our coaches and managers who have previously offered their valuable time.

## 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 3<sup>rd</sup> March at Frank Mclvor Park, Currimundi;
- U9-U16 – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March at Multisports, Mudjimba; and
- U6-U16 – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> 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. Several players who would like to assist with coaching this season have already approached us. If you are also interested, please let us know as soon as possible.

## SCCRA Refereeing Course

SCCRA will be holding a refereeing course at Siena Catholic College on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February. The course will run from 8.30am – 4.30pm both days and is open to anyone aged 14 or older in 2016.

Refereeing is an excellent way to extend your involvement in the game and as such, Pacific Soccer will subsidise the \$35 fee for any of our players who complete the course.

Places for this course are limited, so if you are interested please contact Edd Grant (SCCRA secretary) at [edwingrant2@bigpond.com](mailto:edwingrant2@bigpond.com) or 0432 708 686.

## Pacific Soccer Canteen

Pacific Soccer operates a canteen at home games and at Rooball carnivals. The revenue from the canteen is the principle source of income for the club and allows us to purchase equipment for our teams.

After five years as the canteen convenor, Kelly Abraham stepped down from this position at the end of 2015. As part of her role, Kelly not only ordered supplies for the canteen, but also oversaw the running of the canteen at each home game.

In 2016, to reduce the workload involved with the organisation and the running of the canteen, we are hoping to separate the roles as follows.

### **Canteen Organiser**

The Canteen Organiser will keep track of stock in the canteen and to place orders for perishable items prior to each home game. The collection of orders has always been a shared role, with some items collected on Friday, while our bread is collected on Saturday morning.

The Canteen Organiser will not be required to attend our home games. An end-of-trade stocktake can be arranged if necessary or will be completed by other committee members on site.

If you have a logistic background, are familiar with stock control, spread sheets or MYOB software and you would like to provide some valuable assistance to the club, please let us know as soon as possible. We can provide spread sheets for existing stock items, but this system can also be changed to suit the preferences of the organiser.

### **Canteen Manager**

During our home games, the canteen is operated by team families, based on a roster. Shifts last around two hours, with 3-4 volunteers per shift. Volunteers operate the BBQ, prepare food and drinks and serve customers.

The role of the Canteen Manager will be to oversee the running of the canteen and to ensure volunteers are aware of safety and food handling guidelines.

The canteen set up commences around 7.00am, with hot food being served by 8.15am. The canteen remains open for the duration of all home games, although the BBQ is often turned off around 3.00pm. If required, we are also happy for the position of Canteen Manager to be a shared role, with a morning shift and an afternoon shift.

The position of Canteen Organiser and Canteen Manager(s) are important roles for Pacific Soccer. The committee will always provide assistance to the canteen when necessary, but having these specialised roles will help share the load.

Please consider if you can help us out in 2016 and let us know if you have any questions.

## Baking for Pacific Soccer

For several seasons, Ms Jodi Tippett supplied delightful cupcakes and slices for the canteen. They were always very popular with our customers and sold very quickly. Jodi is taking a break this year so we would greatly appreciate the

assistance of anyone who can do some baking for our home games. Please let us know if you are able to assist, or if you have any queries.

## Sponsorship opportunities



Pacific Soccer has always appreciated the generous support of businesses that sponsor the team jerseys.

The jerseys are worn every week during the season and appear in our team photos and school newsletter. The jerseys are also kept for more than five seasons, providing continued exposure for businesses. This season we have already received requests to sponsor jerseys and will be publishing a 'thank you' in a future newsletter update.

We still have a few sets of jerseys that are available for immediate sponsorship. Only one business will be advertised on each set, so if you would like to promote your business and sponsor a team, please contact our treasurer Louise Currey immediately.

## Working Bee 27<sup>th</sup> February

Our annual working bee will be held on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February, commencing at 8.00am. The tasks to be undertaken may change, but at this stage we are seeking assistance from any 'handy-people' for the following:

- Attaching additional wheels on the last set of goal posts;
- Installing additional blocking under our storage shelves;
- Organising team equipment 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.

We have always had a great response to our previous working bees, so please come along and help out for the morning and share in a lunchtime 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.

## Pacific Soccer Contacts

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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.

*Mr Ian Barnes, Pacific Soccer President*