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C L U B N E W S

From the President

Finals update

After entertaining us for the last 5 weeks with their gutsy displays, Luke's Magnificent 7s bowed out of the finals race after a heartbreaking, last minute loss to Dragons. This team only had the bare 8 players all season and had come from mid table to force their way into the semis and then make the final. A fantastic effort by all the boys and their coaching staff (Luke, Rob and Glen) – well done. Keg's 9Ms were in the 2v3, determined to reverse the upset result last time they clashed with Greenacre. It was a tough game with the Kegmen coming out on top 18-12. Let's keep it going. Tim's 10s were also in the 2v3 against Sports. We tried hard but lacked a little 'go forward' and got rolled - BUT we can work on that and will be back this week against Greenacre.

Comp games

We waved farewell to Big Mick's C grade. They were a "bits and pieces" side at the start of the season but really came together well towards the back end. Efforts all year like the one they put in against Berala would have seen the boys in the finals! Thanks to the boys, Mick, Pete, Darren and Justin for the year.

Mario's 13s, Jimmy's 18s and Heta's A grade all had their last game before the finals. The 18s finished Minor Premiers in one of the toughest 18s comps in years - A fantastic effort for our team of locals. We are hoping Sunday's great defence and entertaining last 15 minutes of attack will be taken into the finals series for the full 60 minutes of every game.
The A grade also snared the Minor Premiership but this was by 'default'. I, along with the rest of our supporters, are hoping St Johns have shaken the complacency from the boys and we will see this team perform to their ability. Guys, you've been there before, you know what you have to do. The 13s also needed a 'Whitney Style Wake-up", ably delivered by coaching consultant Luke Riddell at half time in their game against Berala. Boys, you've got a great side, let's play as a team.

This weekend

The scheduling gods have smiled on us and there is no excuse for missing any game on Saturday or Sunday. Be there, be loud and support the boys. I think 5 premierships in a season would be fantastic!!

Go the Saints

John Grealy

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Drive-in Bottle Shop
Thursday Karaoke Night
Saturday Meat Tray Raffles 3 - 5
and Publicans Punt

Friday Raffle Jackpot: $3,880
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RESULTS FROM GAMES LAST WEEKEND: 11/08 & 12/08/07

Age	Opposition		For		Against
6 White	Gala Day			-	
6 Blue	Gala Day			-	
6 Black	Gala Day			-	
7 Res	Season Finished			-	
7 Grade	Dragons	L	26	-	30
8 Res	Season Finished			-	
8 Grade	Season Finished			-	
9 Gold	Season Finished			-	
9 Maroon	Greenacre	W	18	-	12
10 Grade	Bankstown Sports Y	L	0	-	16
11 Grade	Season Finished			-	
12 Grade	Season Finished			-	
13 Res	Season Finished			-	
13 Grade	Berala Bears B	W	34	-	6
14 Grade	Season Finished			-	
18 Grade	St Johns	W	18	-	4
C Grade	St Johns	L	6	-	32
A Grade	St Johns	L	14	-	16

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U6 Black

U6 Blue

U6 White

U7 G : **Lost 26-30 v Dragons**

U7 R

U8G

U8 R

Trivia Night

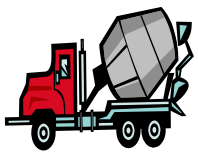
for Australia Kids

Saturday 25th August at 6:30 pm

Panania East Hills RSL Club

Organise tables of 10 - adults or kids

Pre-pay for tickets via your team manager - $10 adults, $5 kids



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U9 Maroon - Won 18-12 Greenacre

Greenacre were really the only team that troubled us all year (and the only team to beat us) and we were well prepared for what they had to offer. The score does not really indicate the possession that we had in the first half – we had about 8 mins on their line but could not score because the players insisted on running back towards the post when all they had to do was throw an extra pass out wide and we could have gone around them over and over again. We were nil all for all but the last few seconds of the first half when Steele went in for a great try. At half time the players were given a "pep" talk by the coaching staff and for a period in the second half it sunk in. After half time we played some good footy for about 10 mins and scored twice and then we switched off again. We were leading 18-0 with 9 mins to go and some of the boys relaxed, we missed tackles, gave away far too many DUMB penalties and basically starved ourselves of possession. We let them back in the game and they almost levelled right on the hooter however we just hung on. Special mentions to Tom – he has really stepped up in defence and also has ran onto the ball better than anyone over the past couple of games and to Aseri who only played a half but did exactly what he was told and stayed out wide and was rewarded with a try. Tries: Steele, Aseri, Fatu Goals: Tom, Devante, Fatu MOM: Tom, Encouragement: Aseri

U9 Maroon - Match Report from 4th August

Won 18-6 v Moorebank (at Hammondville)

I can't say we were rusty coming off the bye as we scored in our first set and should have scored off the second touch but for an offside ruling. To our opposition's credit they defended very well and put in their best game of the season. From our point of view it was an encouraging game as we had tinkered with our attack and tried a couple of new things leading into the finals. We looked very good in patches with some good offloading, good passing and good running onto the ball – especially Tom and Liam who looked dangerous when running hard. Others that played well include Luke A who had one of his best games of the year both at half back and in defence, Luke P made some great runs and tackled well, Josh N only played half a game and topped the tackle count, Junior backed up the runners well to score a try and defended very well and Josh TR had one of his best games of the season and was a deserved man of the match. However, we also dropped plenty of ball and gave away some silly penalties which resulted in a lack of possession, especially in the second half, which is something we can't afford to do in the finals. Train hard this week and I am sure it will pay off in the finals. Tries: Junior, Jack, Josh TR Goals: Brandon, Josh TR, Steele MOM: Josh TR Encouragement: Luke P, Junior

U9 Gold

U10G Lost 0-16 Bankstown Sports Y
We went into the game without Aidan "The Hitman" Harrington and Andrew "The Killer" Court both out with injuries but our boys were switched on from the opening whistle and we were in the game until the last 5 minutes after playing some great football, but to give Sports their credit they are solid in defence and hard to crack. You boys showed that you can still play good football and a win next week is not out of the question. All the forwards stood up and Dylan Elias lead the charge to take out a deserved Man of the Match, Brandan Sua and Liam Mulvihill were close behind and received the encouragement awards. A loss, but you showed there is still plenty of potential to go further in this competition, it's not over yet boys ! Let's keep going Saints. Let's training hard, play hard next week and see what we can do against Greenacre and remember to have some fun.

Man of the Match: Dylan Elias
EA: Brandan Sua
EA: Liam Mulvihill

U11G -

U12G -

U13R

U13G - Won 34-6 Berala Bears B

U14G

U18 - Won 18-4 v St Johns

C Grade - Lost 6-32 v St Johns

A Grade - Lost 14-16 v St Johns

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Calender of Important Dates

Trivia Fun Night - Saturday 25 August

Panania East Hills RSL Club
6:30 arrival, 7:00 questions commence
Fun for adults and kids
Monster raffle with great prizes:

- Sail on the James Craig
- Grand Final Tickets
- Signed Tri Nations jersey 2006 (Australia won)
- And much much more

Organise tables of 10 (adults or kids)
Pre-purchase tickets from your manager
$10 adults, $5 children
Hurry - space is limited

Broken Hill Tour - Friday 5 October

Junior Presentation - Sunday 21 October

A & C Grade Presentation - Friday 26 October

13's - 18's Presentation - Saturday 27 October

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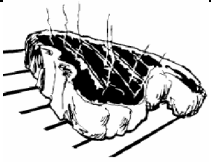

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Revesby Pacific Raffles Drawn: 4 & 5 pm Saturday **Join the winners list.**	**Starts at 3:00 pm 18/08/07 - U/8G** **Wear your club colours.**

NEXT WEEKS GAMES: ROUND 17

Games: Saturday 18th August 2007

U/6 W			
U/6 Blu			
U/6 Bla			
U/7 R			
U/7 G			
U/8 R			
U/8 G			
U/9 G			
U/9 M	10.20	Bankstown Sports	Clemton Park Kingsgrove
U/10 G	11.10	Greenacre	Clemton Park Kingsgrove
U/11 G			
U/12 G			
U/13 R			
U/13 G	1.10	Berala Bears or Chester Hill	Steve Folkes Georges Hall

Games: Sunday 19th August 2007

U/14 G			
U/18 G	3.00	Greenacre	Hammondville Oval
C Grade			
A Grade	1.30	East C'Town	Crest Athletic Stadium

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