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CLUB NEWS

From the President

The Saturday boys took the prize for the best performed teams on the weekend. All our 6s are coming along nicely, learning what it's all about and enjoying their footy. Mr Walker was ensured a good weekend after his 8Rs posted their first win of the season over Sports. Well done boys, plenty more to come.

Big Dave's 8Gs weren't gonna be outdone and made it twice as bad for Sports. Amy's Army (9M) are coming along nicely, adjusting to more players and the bigger field and the fact the other sides are trying their butts off to beat the reigning champs! But our boys are meeting the challenge, just ask St Johns.

Tim's 10s knocked off Dragons who haven't been beaten for 2 years! This was a great game, more like a quality 16s match. Great effort boys, keep it going. Macca's 11s are determined to have their coach, manager and supporters with the same colour hair as their trainer after coming from 16 nil down to win 18-16 over Dragons.

Keith's 12s came away from Padstow with the 2 points, always a tough task against the Panthers.

The stars of Sunday were the A grade - they hadn't played for 4 weeks, Regents Park wished it was 5!

It was good to see lots of our 14s staying around to watch the 18s, C and A grades on Sunday. I encourage all players and parents to support your mates in other Saints teams. I know it is hard to fit in an extra game BUT it's great for a team to have some extra support, it creates a bit of atmosphere and it's good for Club spirit. Do your best - especially this Saturday!

Many thanks to Melinda Kopp (mother of Nathan in the 6 Blues) who has kindly volunteered to look after our web site. Excellent.

Go the Saints (44.4%)

John Grealy

RESULTS FROM GAMES LAST WEEKEND: 05/05 & 06/05/07

Age	Opposition		For		Against
6 Black	Dragons	L	4	-	26
6 Blue	Milperra Colts	L	0		28
6 White	Padstow Panthers	L	8	-	30
7 Grade	Dragons	L	22	-	26
7 Res	Moorebank	L	0	-	46
8 Grade	B'kstown Sports G	W	26	-	0
8 Res	Bankstown Sports	W	24	-	10
9 Maroon	St Johns	W	28	-	12
9 Gold	Bankstown Sports	L	0	-	40
10 Grade	Dragons	W	22	-	6
11 Grade	Dragons	W	18	-	16
12 Grade	Padstow Panthers	W	22	-	14
13 Grade	Moorebank	W	58		6
13 Res	Bulls	L	16	-	44
14 Grade	Padstow Panthers	L	4		58
18 Grade	Berala Bears	L	20	-	28
C Grade	Berala Bears	L	4	-	34
A Grade	Regents Park	W	62	-	0



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U6 Black - Lost 4 - 26 v Dragons

U6 Blue - Lost 28-0 v Milperra Colts

The boys tried very hard with Khaled crossing the line but dropping the ball at the last minute. Some strong runs by Benjamin, Kade and Brad. It was great to see all the boys taking part in the game.

U6 White - Lost 30-8 v Panthers

Even though today we had a loss the boys were very keen and fought on till the end. The 2nd half saw us tackle more with Jake, Aidan and Jon putting in some big efforts with the tackling.

Jake scored all our points today, 2 tries going to him, well done great running. Lets keep going boys its about having fun out there.

MOM – Jake

Encouragement – Aidan

U7 G - Lost 22 - 26 v Dragons

U7 R -Lost 0 - 46 v Moorebank

We came up against the competition leaders (a very well drilled team) and whilst beaten 46 – 0, the boys never stopped trying right to the end. The boys made life a little difficult for themselves in attack during the first half as they forgot about the two pass rule and inevitably handed the ball back to the opposition (be patient in attack boys, give each other a chance and everyone will get a run).

They turned this around after halftime and immediately started to be more competitive. Some good runs were made by Jayden, Shaun, Cooper and Sash. Whilst the scoreline was high (due to our first half handovers back to Moorebank) there were some huge tackles from James (Tooks made some bone rattlers), Joel, Alec and Aaron throughout the whole game. Well boys, back to training and keep putting the effort in and things will turn around. Special mention to Joel and Alec who played for the U/8 Resreves immediately after our game. Thanks to the parents, players and siblings for attending our night out at the Panania/East Hills RSL. A great night was had by all

Tim Bailey Building MoM: Jayden

U8G - Won 26-0 Bankstown Sports G

All the Boys tackled today and we showed what we can do when that happens. Ever game 1 of the boys puts in a standout performance and Luke Reardon played well above his weight. He hit everything that went near him and on several occasions pulled off 3 tackles in a row. Peter & Adam pulled off some great tackles and often slowed the big boys down until help arrived. Rhys continues to be our hit man, while Joel may have pulled off his 1st shoulder charge. Nathan & Riley both ran hard onto the ball, and Kyle lead the boys around well. Look out Bankstown Sports Y's.

MOM: Luke Reardon

Tries: 2 x Joel, 1 x Rhys, Luke & Nathan.

Goals: Rhys, Luke & Kyle.

U8 R - Won 24 - 10 v B'town Sports

First of all thank you to the two under 7 reserves players who joined our team for this game. Joel Williams played in the first half and Alec Van played in the second half. Both boys did themselves proud with strong runs with the ball and some great tackles. The first half was an end to end affair with both teams making some good ground and looking to promote the ball on occasions. We also forced a line dropout towards the end of the first half as the boys begun to work together as a team in defence. It was a close game at half-time with only two points separating the teams.

In the second half the boys really started to defend as team, with some good tackles and team pressure which saw us play most of the game in the oppositions half. The boys also took the opportunities which were a result of the defensive effort and field position to score some good tries. All the boys contributed to the final result, but there were some good efforts, including Jack scoring 4 tries, including a pick up of drop ball from the teams defensive efforts (narrowly missing out on five) and making some really good tackles.

Julian scored an intercept try (thankfully no video ref) and Alexander Jarrett scoring from dummy-half as usual with some quick thinking, when every one was expecting the ball to go wide. Beau and Alex Power made several good runs, Andrew played well as the teams cover defender and also had several

good runs. While Patrick was again our team's everywhere man, interchanging with Julian at first receiver and along with Julian asking the ref to take the 10m when we got a penalty. And as noted above our two under 7s players made good ground in attack and really put in with the teams defence. Also on a sadder note we learnt that we are losing another one of our players, Alex Power. This is Alex's first year and he was really starting to get used to the game and was beginning to show his potential. We wish Alex all the best in the future and hope that he continues to play rugby league in the future.

Tries: Jack 4, Julian 1; Alexander Jarrett 1.

MOM: Jack Hure

ENC: Alex Power

U9 Maroon - Won 28-12 St Johns

A great second half effort saw us get home quite easily in the end. In the first half we were trying hard but nothing seemed to be working and we went to the break down 6 – 4. They scored a converted try 5 mins into the second half and this seemed to get our boys fired up and our intensity lifted both in attack and defence. Liam, Paul and Devante had strong games. Brandon also played a great captains game with several great runs in attack and running up in defence. Jack grabbed a couple of crumbs, put pressure on the ball carrier by running up in defence and kicked a goal to complete a good all round game. But the biggest games were from Steele and Fatu - Steele scored 4 tries which is outstanding in this age group and also was punishing in defence and Fatu bagged our only other try and set Steele up for one of his tries with a great cross field kick. A great second half effort boys, lets get that form happening for a whole game.

Tries: Steele 4, Fatu

Goals: Josh N, Steele, Fatu, Jack

MOM: Steele

Encouragement: Brandon

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U9 Gold - Lost 0 - 40 v Sports

U10G - Won 22-6 v St George Dragons

It was the top of the table clash and the boys were up against the Dragons who after 3 rounds had a 124 - 16 for and against record including two mercies. Todd, our trainer, mentioned that it was the first time he had seen the coach stressed, don't worry Tim, you weren't alone. The Dragons rely on running their big boys, making yards and offloading if they haven't scored already, our boys stood as one in a line and took them on, there were tackles when we had 5,6 and 7 boys involved which enabled us to shut them down. Our boys played as a team and if someone was in trouble the "Calvary" was there in a shot to help out their mates. It was the best defensive effort I have ever seen and it proves the old saying that "the bigger they are the harder they fall". The attack was solid as usual, the forwards were taking it up hard and the backs were drawing and passing and scoring, it was great to watch. The kicking game and chase was spot on, we gained plenty of yards when required and Adam scored a great try, one of three, from a Liam grubber close to the line. Special mention to the bench, we are one team and Tim relies on you boys to add enthusiasm and fresh legs when required, you do this every week and contributed as always to the teams success, well done boys. Remember "if you tackle soft you play soft, if you tackle hard you play hard". Lets not get ahead of ourselves, there's still plenty of hard work to do & a lot to learn, it's only round 4 but it wouldn't be right not to give you a rap on that performance. Your parents are always proud of your efforts, but I can say that the smiles on faces after that game were a little bigger than normal. Congratulations boys, outstanding effort and you won as a result.

Tries: Adam 3, Brandan 1
Goals: Kyle, Brandan & Conor
Man of the Match: Adam Sader
EA: Jack Finch

U11G - Won 18-16 Dragons

Once again it wasn't the best start in a game we were down 16-0 without really having any ball. The boys dug deep and with a run

away try to Alex and Sean showing some great support play to score of a break from Jaydn on the stroke of half time we got the score back to 16-12. We hit the lead straight away in the second half with a try to Mas but were unable to put Dragons away mainly through poor ball security. It was a gutsy effort by the boys still with Andrew, Tom and Luke.T playing strongly in the middle while Daniel and Todd were very safe out wide. Keep it up guys good work
TRIES: A.Mellor, S.Bryce, A.Masima
GOALS: M.Kheir, A.Michaels, J.McGregor
MOM: S.Bryce

U12G - 22 - 14 v Panthers

[Match report received - to be included next edition. Ed]

U13G - 58 - 6 v Moorebank

U13R - Lost 16 - 44 v Bulls

The final score was not a true indication of the game, this was our best game so far this season. We started off on fire with Reidy and Raminda combining to score the first try. The lead changed several times in the first half and we were unlucky to go in at half time down 18-16 having scored 4 tries to 3. The second half score got away from us but was not a true reflection of the game with a full squad we were able to stretch the top teams. Great effort boys we are improving each week can't wait till next game.
Tries Reidy x 2 Raminda x 1
Tim Ward (12 grade) x 1
MOM Raminda SoS Award Luke Cuddy

U14G - Lost 4 - 58 v Panthers

U18 - Lost 20 - 28 v Berala

C Grade - Lost 4 - 34 v Berala

A Grade - Won 62 - 0 v Regents Park

St. Christopher's Annual Golf Day

Georges River Golf Club

Friday 25 May 2007



7:30 Breakfast for 8:00 tee off

Ambrose Event

\$60 per player

Includes: breakfast, golf, lunch, beer and trophies.

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Calender of Important Dates

Bulldogs at training & sausage sizzle - 10 May
Golf Day - Friday 25 May (details on Page 3)
 Senior karaoke night - Sunday 10 June (long w/e)
 Coaching clinic for Junior players - Monday 9 July
 Broken Hill Tour - Friday 5 October
 Junior Presentation - Sunday 21 October
 A & C Grade presentation - Friday 26 October
 Senior Presentation - Saturday 27 October
 Annual General Meeting - Thursday 22 November

Field Set-up: U/6 White
Field Clean-up: U/13 Reserves

Canteen Duties: All teams for 60 minutes BEFORE your game.

BBQ Duties: All teams for 60 minutes BEFORE your game.

Revesby Pacific Raffles Drawn: 6:30 pm Friday	Starts at 5.30pm 11/05/07 - U/18's
Revesby Pacific Raffles Drawn: 4 & 5 pm Saturday	Starts at 3:00 pm 12/05/07 - U/8G
Join the winners list.	Wear your club colours.

NEXT WEEKS GAMES

Games: Saturday 12th May 2007

Team	Time	Opposition	Venue
U/6 Blk	10:50	Revesby Heights	River Road
U/6 Blue	10:10	Dragons	River Road
U/6 W	9:30	Dragons	River Road
U/7 G	10:10	Revesby Heights	Neptune Park
U/7 R	9:30	Dragons	Clemton Park
U/8 G	12:10	Bankstown Sports Y	Steve Folkes
U/8 R		BYE	
U/9 M	11:00	Chester Hill G	Terry Lamb
U/9 Gold	10:10	Chester Hill B	Terry Lamb
U/10 G	11:30	Revesby Heights	River Road
U/11 G	12:20	Warriors	River Road
U/12 G	1:10	Revesby Heights	River Road
U/13 R	1:00	Revesby Heights	Neptune Park
U/13 G	2:10	Greenacre	River Road



Happy Mothers Day to all of our footy mums. Boys - be good to your mother and make sure you take off your boots before walking into the house.

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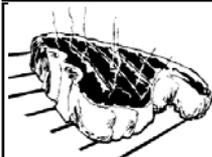


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Games: Sunday 13th May 2007

U/14 G	10:00	Dragons	Football Centre
U/18 G	3:00	Dragons	Neptune Park
C Grade	1:45	East Campbelltown	Football Centre
A Grade	3:00	Sports	Football Centre



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