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President's Report

Things are getting tough when 4 byes and a forfeit are nearly the highlight of the week. Luckily the 7.3s and 13.1s gave us something to smile about. The 7.3s continue to perform and are well and truly semi final bound – great work for a team that has so many first timers. The 13.1s picked up their training effort and attitude and what a difference it made. With some great team work, they beat St Johns who had knocked off the reigning premiers (Sporties) the week before. Hopefully the boys now realize training properly during the week achieves results on the weekend – certainly a lesson for all our teams.

We went very close in a few. The 6-4s, 11-2s, 12s, 19s and A grade all went down in close ones, quite a few 'on the bell'. Some got beat by dumb decisions, some were unlucky and some just a bit too complacent. We can work on all those things.

Support

Players – I'm sure you'd agree it is much better for you and your team when you have lots of supporters. You need to get your mum and dad to hang around after your game so you all can watch the next Saints game. There are normally 7 games at home, just try and stay for the next one – it is usually the guys that are one year older who you know. This is especially important when teams are playing away e.g. this weekend the 9-2s should support the 10-1s at Killara; the 7-1s should support the 8-1s at Begganell. If you want supporters, hassle your parents to hang around.

GO THE SAINTS**John Grealy**

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Results for 13th/14th May 2011

Age	Opposition		For	Against
U/6-Div 4	Colts	L	24	28
U/6-Div 2	Moorebank	L	6	40
U/6-Div 1	Tigers	L	20	32
U/7- Div 3	Bulls	W	26	20
U/7- Div 2	Bankstown Sports	L	0	34
U/7- Div 1	BYE			
U/8- Div1	Dragons	L	20	30
U/9- Div2	Chester Hill	L	28	44
U/9- Div 1	Dragons	WF	25	0
U/10- Div 3	BYE			
U/10- Div 1	Bankstown Sports	L	6	32
U/11- Div 2	Auburn Warriors	L	18	20
U/11 Div 1	Bears	L	0	50
U/12- Div 1	Bankstown Sports	L	6	8
U/13- Div 2	BYE			
U/13- Div 1	Johnnies G	W	24	16
U/14	Chester Hill	L	22	42
U/16	BYE			
U/19	Dragons	L	12	14
A Grade	Dundas	L	14	18



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U/6 Div 4 Lost 24-28 v Milperra Colts

Round six was to be our first home game of the season at Bill Delauney, and it was a glorious fresh morning for a game of footy. It was an exiting game with each team trading a try on nearly every set. We had a number of players who put their hand up for man of the match, and a number of players who scored their first try. Billy Burke had an excellent side stepping run to score his first try, under the post. And not to be outdone, his brother Lachlan (aka Jamal), had an excellent run and scored under the post for his first try of the year. Lachlan George and Mark Bishara both had excellent games in defence producing a number of try-saving tackles. Adam Iaali had a couple of great runs, once heading in the right direction. Lucas Pengue had two great sidestepping runs and with a couple of hand offs was able to score straight under the post. Lucas Cassar again had an excellent game scoring an early try along with a number of strong runs and try scoring tackles. Rhys Gitsham had his first break of the pack and almost scored his first try, however was stopped by a try saving tackle a metre from the line. Daniel Raish played an excellent all round game winning him the man of the match award with some brilliant runs, try saving tackles and an excellent try. We can only hope that the form continues to improve and the boys confidence continues to grow.

U/6 Di v2 Lost 6 - 40 against Moorebank

After 4 weeks without playing any footy I think the boys may have forgotten what to do. They just were not with it. When they had the ball it would be dropped and when they were defending they just could not make the tackles. Even though the score shows a thrashing all the boys still had a lot of fun.

We are going to try a second training session each week and see how that goes. Keep trying boys. Well done Matt Cutrupi for getting man of the match.

U/6 Div 1 Lost 20-32 v Greenacre

The Under 6/1 team travelled to Roberts Park last Saturday to play against the Greenacre Tigers. The Tigers got off to a good start and had us dominated throughout the early stages of the game.

Our boys fought back, and got within a try of them, but they ended up scoring two late tries and beating us 32-20.

Scorers for us were Owen Millar & Kian Boyne, each scoring 2 apiece, and Connor Bryce.

U/7 Div 3 Won 26-20 v Bankstown Sports

The game got off to a quick start with the opposition running in for 2 quick tries in the first five minutes, things were not looking great for us. Isaak was having a great game and ran in the first try for the saints with some help from Jack and Braith holding off the defence. The second got off to a better start and we seemed to be going try for try with the Sports. Blake M, Ky, Slater and William was doing some great tackling and Isaack had a few good runs towards the line and got one over. Jack ran in three tries this week. What a fantastic effort. The real surprise this week was the kicking though. We put an amazing 3 kicks over for conversions. Well done to Christopher, Blake R and Isaack for helping to put the winning 6 points on the board. Keep up the good work boys.

U/7 Div 2 Lost 0—34 v Sports

U/7 Div 1 BYE

U/ 8 Div 1 Lost 20-30 v Dragons

The boys travelled to Clemton Pk to play the Dragons full of confidence after an exciting win the previous week against their arch rivals, Moorebank. Unfortunately this confidence was proven to be shortlived as the Dragons converted two quick tries to establish an early lead. We continued to miss tackles and turn the ball over to restrict our scoring chances. Then our skipper for the day Blake scored a real

captains try to reduce the margin, however the Dragons went down the field and scored again to make our winning chances difficult. The start of the second term was a repeat of the first with the Dragons jumping out of the blocks to put on another couple of tries. Then the penny dropped and our players noticeably lifted – Klayton continued to break the lines and scored a very important and well deserved try to give us a glimmer of hope and Connor made a fantastic run from the restart to score a great try to restore some confidence.

To our teams credit one attribute the kids do have is that they do have persistence and they never give up. The start of the third saw us improve our tackling, and we witnessed some great runs from Alex, Braiden Ethan and Thomas to give us some good field position when Marshall, who was our standout performer for the day, scored a brilliant try, converted and gave all the team hope to record an unlikely victory. Unfortunately time beat us but fantastic performances from Michael, James, and Sam helped to give us confidence going into our next game.

The boys cannot afford in this grade to give up starts as well as miss tackles and expect to win but they do have guts and determination which will hold us in good stead for our upcoming matches. When we improve our starts, hold on to our tackles and take better care of the footy we will win a lot more matches then we lose.

TRIES	Blake	Klayton
Connor	Marshall	
CONVERSIONS	Blake	Marshall
MAN OF MATCH	Marshall	

U/9 Div 2 Lost 28-44 v Chester Hill B

On the 14th, round 6 we found ourselves with a home game at Bill Delauney against Chester Hill B. St Chrissies started the match in fine form with 3 brilliant tries In the first half by Gus Lake which put us in a commanding position (22 to 6), however complacency got the better of us and before we knew it Chester Hill had hit the lead in the second half. Our guys fought hard to turn the match around with Lofty producing a brilliant try down the wing with a great dummy and

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beautiful foot work, Other mentions to a great performance were by Jeremiah with a few strong runs gaining a lot of ground. Omar yet again produced a good game with a few good runs. The whole team put in a great effort but finally going down 44 to 28. Keep up the good work guys.

U/9 Div1 Won Forfeit

U/10 Div 3 BYE

U/10 Div 1 Lost 6 – 36 v Sports:

It was last years Division 2 Premiers (us) versus the Division 1 Premiers (them). We were happy that it was being played on our home ground – a rarity for us.

The game started well. A couple of penalties were given away by Sports in their own half and we took advantage with an early try by Kueva, converted by Lachlan. Beautiful, we were in the contest. Then, about half way through the first period our communication and execution failed miserably in attack, handing over possession to Sports on the first and second tackle on successive occasions in our own half. They seized the opportunities by scoring each time. We were unable to contain their strong running for six consecutive tackles, so they racked-up their score quickly without us even touching the ball again. 6-30 at half time. Not good.

The second half was a bit of a blur. We were raggedy, but desperate. Our attack didn't make many inroads, but we clung-on in defence. Not particularly pretty to watch, but commendable determination. We allowed only one more try, which was clearly a big improvement on the first period.

Some of the Sports players showed us just how hard you can run onto the ball and how you can side-step and palm with real confidence in attack. We need to improve in this area and tackle around the legs to stop the progress of some of these big opponents. Our on-field communication also needs to improve to ensure more cohesive teamwork.



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If we can achieve this then we'll really give these top sides a serious shake-up.

MOM: Kueva Lynch

Try: Kueva Lynch

Goal: Lachlan Jordan

U/11 Div 2 Lost 18 – 20 v Auburn Warriors

This week's game saw the boy's playing away at Mona Park for their second round clash against the Auburn Warriors which proved to be a very tight, enjoyable and exciting game of rugby league.

The boy's played well in the first half and were able to match it with the opposition and in particular claw their way back into the match from being down 8 point – nil. In allowing the TEAM to go into the half time break at a respectable 6 points – 8 behind on the scoreboard. With the second half pretty much the same as the first half though the TEAM was able to nudge their way in front of the scoreboard with only a couple of minutes remaining. Until unfortunately the Warriors where able to cross our line again and successfully kick their conversion to win the game by 2 points and deny the boy's their first win of the season.

Yet in saying this the TEAM played extremely well throughout the entire match by playing tuff, doing the little things right, plenty of talk, supporting each other and more importantly never giving up, (*good effort boys as you matched the opposition for the entire game*).....

With this week's **Man of the Match Award** going to Cooper Ellison. Who had a blinder playing at first receiver, directed the traffic throughout the game and in doing so was also involved in the thick of things. Not to forget to mention being appointed game captain for the day and in doing so was instrumental in getting the team moving forward from start to finish. *Well done*



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Super Cooper.....

With this weeks tries going to Joshua Hannigan,(3) and successful kicks at goal going to Joshua Hannigan,(1), Joel Williams,(1),Ryan Dunn,(1).

To also include boy's what we spoke about after this week's game. ***What you learn and practice at training needs to happen on the field.....***

U/11 Div 1 Lost 0-50 v Berala

U/12 Div 1 Lost 6 – 8 v Bankstown Sports .

We again started well and looked good against the Team that had come up from 2nd grade. They had their big boppers, but we had their measure after having sent the Friday night as a Team watching the Bulldogs v Dragons at ANZ Stadium. We pressured their line and looked in control early, but things didn't go our way and a simple error gave them an easy 1st try. The game then became one of unlucky bouncies, errors, missed tackles and dropped balls. We allowed their boys to run and off load at will, and we failed to cross the line when we had our chances. Our boys never stopped trying but we did not play to our potential and our best is still ahead of us.

Tries: Sammy Moussa.

Goals: Luke Reardon

Man of the Match: Sammy Moussa.

U/13 Div 2 **BYE**

U/13 Div 1 **Won 24-16 v St Johns**

U/14 Lost 42-22 v Chester Hill.

Last game on a sunny day at Bill. We start well, its a tight opening, Chester Hill have come to play and test us from sideline to sideline. They target our edge defence and it pays off for them. Our boys hang in well, the forwards particularly do a good job but a couple of defensive lapses, one just before half time, lead to tries against us. We go to the break down by eight in a tight tough contest.

In the second half Cheso play wider and punish our edge defence with several break away tries. We are matching them in the middle but they are cutting us up out wide and our cover defense is not coping with their size or speed. We get close to them middle of the second period but they manage to kick away and win 42 – 22 after banging on a few quick soft tries. A disappointing game, one we should have competed better in. I'm not going to slash my wrists, every one can have an off day, and our injury toll is not making life any easier. Keep up the hard training, learning the lessons and enjoying yourselves. We'll be back.

U/16 . BYEU/19 **Lost 12-14 v Dragons**

A Grade **Lost 14-18 v Dundas**

This was a game I was looking forward to. This game was played at the historic Birchgrove Oval (this is where the first game of rugby league was played) but the thrill of playing there subsided by the 10 min mark in the 2nd half. The boys got off to a flying start sticking to the game plan they crossed for 2 tries in the first 10 mins to lead 8-0. We looked at this stage that we might put on a big score it was the best 10 mins of footy we have played all year, but then we decided we would try to score off every play and before you knew it we were coughing up possession in vital parts of the field putting ourselves under enormous pressure and we limped to the halftime break 14-4. The team were given instructions at halftime but failed to carry them out in the 2nd half going back to their old ways and came up 2nd again to record our 2nd loss of the year 18 - 22.

Every team is entitled to a bad game each year and hopefully this was ours and we can now put it behind us and put our heads down and press forward. Man of the match - Garry Stone.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO **ALL PARENTS**

Code of Conduct and ARL Safeplay

The junior league has reminded all Clubs to inform their members about conduct. When you're supporting our teams the best advice is to stay positive and follow the ball i.e. leave the ref alone. Everyone is also reminded that no one is to enter the field of play at any time (that definitely includes half time). Only 'card carrying' team or Club officials can enter the field. Please take note.

The referees have also advised the ARL Safeplay code will be rigidly enforced throughout the season. This code is applicable up to and including the under 15s. It means there is no tackling above the arm pits, no swinging of players by arms or jerseys, no lifting in tackles. A breach of the safeplay code is an automatic penalty. It is no use hollering from the sideline – the refs will be consistently and automatically administering this code. I recommend all coaches (and supporters) click on the following link to read the full code. Good luck to everyone on the weekend

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THIS WEEKS GAMES:

Games: Saturday 21st May, 2011

Teams	Times	Club	Venue
U/6- Div 4	9.00	Auburn Warriors	Mona Park
U/6- Div 2	9.40	Sports	Steve Folkes Res
U/6- Div 1	9.00	St Johns	Bill Delauney
U/7- Div 3	9.40	Greenacre	Bill Delauney
U/7- Div 2		BYE	
U/7- Div 1	9.40	St Johns	Begnall Oval
U/8- Div 1	10.20	St Johns	Begnall Oval
U/9- Div 2	11.10	Milperra Colts	Killara Res Field 1
U/9- Div 1	11.40	Dragons	Clemton Park
U/10- Div 3	10.20	Auburn Warriors	Bill Delauney
U/10- Div 1	12.00	Milperra Colts	Killara Res Field 1
U/11- Div 2	11.10	Moorebank	Bill Delauney
U/11- Div 1	12.00	Moorebank	Bill Delauney
U/12- Div 1	12.50	Bulls	Bill Delauney
U/13- Div 2	2.00	Sports	Steve Folkes Res
U/13- Div 1	3.10	Moorebank	Hammondville Oval
U/14	3.00	Dragons	Clemton Park

Games: Sunday 22nd May, 2011

U/16	10.55	Kingsgrove Colts	Beverley Hills Park
U/19	12.15	Kingsgrove Colts	Beverley Hills Park
A Grade	3.00	Bulls	Terry Lamb



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