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President's Report

Round 13 started well at home with the 7.3s putting on a whole hearted effort to come from behind to beat St Johns by 4 in a nail biter. The 7.1s followed and hammered Dragons. Both our 7s have trained and played hard all season. Well done 7s. The 8.3s were also at home and have been trying hard to notch up a win. They put in a great effort against the Tigers and continue to improve each week. We then had to jump a few ages to the 'Team of the Week', the 10s. Playing Berala at Bear Park is no easy feat when you are trying to keep your semi hopes alive but they won by 2. The 10s can move into the semis this weekend if they beat Dragons at Delauney on Saturday. I expect our supporters to get behind them. The 12.3s and 13s rounded off our day with convincing wins to remain in their respective top 4s. The most disappointing aspect of our weekend was we had 4 sides playing in 'local derbies' against East Hills, Colts and Heights and we were expected to win them all. Only the 13s delivered with 'upsets' in the other 3. I really can't print my thoughts.

With the 19s receiving a forfeit we focused on the A grade. Down 32 nil at half time only the true believers stayed for the 2nd half. When the opposition strolled over for another try to make it 36 blot, all we could hope for was that our ball didn't get kicked over the fence. Then it happened. The boys clicked into the gear we knew they were capable of and put on 5 un-answered, converted tries. We ended up running out of time to go down by 6. A much better effort.

This weekend

8 of our potential semi finalists are in action this weekend. I mentioned the 10s above – they are followed by the 12-1s who are also trying for a semi spot. No reason you can't catch both games. On Sunday the 19s try for a top 2 spot when they play Mascot at Neptune at 3pm. What else would you want to do on a Sunday arvo!! Get there.

Go the Saints

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Round 11 Results

	Opposition	Venue	Result	For	Against
Team					
6.4	Bulls	Ruse Park	Lost	4	32
6.2	Tigers	Roberts Park	Lost	4	34
6.1			BYE		
7.3	Johnnies	Delauney	Won	18	14
7.1	Dragons	Delauney	Won	40	20
8.3	Tigers	Delauney	Lost	12	40
8.2	Bears	Peter Hislop	Lost	6	42
8.1	Tigers	Roberts Park	Lost	4	24
9.2	Colts	Killara	Lost	14	30
10.1	Bears	Peter Hislop	Won	12	10
11.3	East Hills	Smith Park	Lost	18	22
11.1	Chester Hill	Terry Lamb	Lost	6	18
12.3	Dragons	Delauney	Won	32	6
12.1	Bankstown Sports	Folkes	Lost	0	32
13.2	East Hills	Delauney	Won	60	4
14.1			BYE		
15.2	Rhinos	Neptune	Lost	20	22
19	Leichhardt	Blackmore	Forfeit		
A	All Saints	Neptune	Lost	30	36

U/6 Div 4 - Lost

U/6 Div 2 - Lost

U/6 Div 1 - Bye

Under 7's Div 3 St Christophers 18 -v- St Johns 12

As the early morning sun woke and the crisp mist filled air cleared over Bill Delauney Reserve, the parents of the under 7's div 3 had answered to call for help. As the aroma of freshly barbequed sausage, bacon & eggs lingered, parents prepared the ground for the days play and coach Steve had the boys excited and ready to go for the big match against Johnnies. After a week of interrupted training, the Saints boys were full of jumping beans as they took the field, unfortunately for us, St Johns pounced on an early mistake from our boys and they crossed for the first try of the match, no conversion. **Marcus** the destroyer took the tap restart and took on the opposition players head on, he passed onto marvelous **Matthew** who broke through a few tackles before being finally stopped. Following in his teammates footsteps Mauling **Mason** hit the ball at pace knocking down all would-be tacklers. The next run saw **Billy** the kid run rings around the opposition before being finally tackled. On the final tackle terrifying **Tarley** took the ball from dummy half stepping around players and was tackled inches from the try line. Again it was our turn to tackle and our boys were now hunting in packs, the Saints brick wall saw fantastic round the legs tackles by terrifying **Tarley**, menacing **Murray,** marvelous **Matthew,** jumping **Josh,** Mauling **Mason, Billy** the kid, **Marcus** the destroyer and speedy **Alex**, great tackling boys. From the play the ball an excellent Saints backline movement saw good passing from **Tarley** at dummy half, onto **Marcus** at 1st receiver who gave it onto Jumping **Josh** who danced around about 14 St Johns players before he found the gap and raced away for an 80 meter solo try that put us on the score board, no conversion, scores locked at 4 all. With a few minutes to go before the end of the first session, Johnnies crossed for their second try this time converted. As the clock raced to the bell, from the tap off speedy-gonz-**alex** raced past tackler after tackler to score the Saints second try, no conversion. In the second session coach **Steve** bought on big steamroller **Sam**, Magic **Max** the magician and tackling sensation **Tom** the tank. An inspirational tackling effort by **Tom** the tank and menacing **Murray** lead to a St Johns mistake and from the next two plays steamroller **Sam** squashed 6 players **as he burst onto the ball,** closely followed by Magic **Max** who mesmerized the opposition with speed and footwork.

The game was close and tensions were running high on the sideline as the hooter sounded to end the second session with the scores unchanged at Saints 8 and Johnnies 10.

The final session started with the visitors breaking through our brick wall crossing for their third try, they were now leading 14 to 8.

Our boys fought back with cleaver play by **Tommy** who got close to scoring, followed by destructive running from **Marcus** and Magic **Max** and when **Murray** got the ball on the last tackle, he stepped, he broke through tackles, he raced 50 meters he crashed over for a try to put us back in the game and when he converted his own try **Murray** had put his team back in the game score was now 14 all.

The next few minutes were hard to watch with both teams playing well and it looked like we were in for a draw, however Magic **Max** had other ideas, taking the ball from close to our tryline **Max** cast a spell over the opposition players, he raced around them leaving them in his dust as he crossed for the final and winning try.

In the post match conference coach **Steve** said that he was proud of the boys efforts with their tackling and he was particularly pleased that we kept trying hard and that we did not give up.

Go Saints…!!!

Under 7-1 Won 40-20 v Dragons

Back to Bill Delauney we headed last weekend to play the team who are pretty much on par with our team. We always have tight games against these boys and we wanted to see how we'd fare this week! The boys had a great run, and defended very well! Kian Boyne was the man-of-the-match, putting in a steller performance in defence and scoring a try… almost nabbing another too, but he was tackled just short of the line. Owen Millar, Peter Assaf, Ryan Klem and Toto'a Lynch were blockbusting with their hit-ups, as well as Oscar Moseley who scored a hat-trick. Hayden Swibbel & Jack Zanbaka were great as 1st recievers today, unloading the ball and organising the team's runners!

Connor Bryce, Gabriel Melki, Youssef Maarbani & Sean Amy again were all solid all round, defining this team as a force to be reckoned with. 40-20 was the final score. Great stuff boys!!!

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U8's D3 Lost 12 – 40 V Greenacre Tigers

The boys were at home again this week to muscle up against a Tigers outfit that had some bigger boys that proved very difficult to stop and control. As again the TEAM did their best to try and match the opposition, but realistically it was not to be.

As even though the TEAM was outplayed right across the park they did manage to show some more signs of promise and hope when passing the ball around with confidence resulting in some great off loads in attack. To also add chasing down and stopping the opposition from scoring many more points with some great defensive efforts and TEAMWORK right across the park.

Resulting in two great tries and successful kicks at goal being scored that allowed the whole team to finish the game with some much needed pride and confidence***.,(well done boys you all did your best)….***

With this weeks **Man of the Match Award** going to Tommy Achram: Who not only had a wonderful (welcome back) game, but also tackled his heart out all day and was also rewarded with a terrific try

With this weeks tries going to **Bianca Cutrupi (1), Tommy Achram (1)** and our successful attempts at conversion going to **Liam Taufa, Ky Rodereda**

U/8 Div 2

U/8 Div 1 Lost 4 – 24 V Tigers

We were on the road again this week for our 3rd clash with the Tigers and it was a good game of footy, which was not, reflected by the final score.

We commenced the game with a deep kick off by Kaled and with a good kick chase had the Tigers pinned down in their own half. We got the ball in their half and Sean scored a good try from dummy half and unfortunately we did not get the extras as the kick hit the post for an early lead 4 – 0. The boys defence was the highlight of the first third, it was moving up in a solid line and with Ricardo, Luke, Zac and Trent all tackling the big boppers in the Tigers we were dominating the field position. When we had the ball, Kaled, Alex, Sean and Jared were probing the Tigers line looking for more points, but due to scrambling cover defence by the Tigers we came up just short on several occasions.

As so often has been the case this season, we have switched off for a third in each game and this week it was in the second third. The Tigers kicked off to recommence proceedings and we had a good first set with Kaled, Luke, Jordan, Bailey and Jared all making solid runs when we had the ball. However our defence began to move up in staggered line as the boys started to wait for the Tigers to come to us and this resulted in them making meters on every possession. This resulted in good field position and one of their big boppers crashed over from close to our line for a converted try to grab the lead 4 -6. Despite good individual efforts in defence from Alex, Ricardo, Luke and Trent we fell further behind late in the third when the Tigers scored a long range converted try to lead 4 – 12 going into the break.

We entered the last third trailing on the scoreboard but well in the game and the coach encouraged the boys to restore their line in defence and that we just needed to score to put pressure on the Tigers. Due to injuries we went into this third with two of our main defence coordinators on the bench and Ricardo, Luke, Zac and Bailey all led the boys by example in defence. When we had the ball, Jordan, Sean, Alex and Kaled all took the ball up and we got some good second phase plays as we tried to get that elusive try that would have put us back into the game. About midway through this third, the Tigers scored a good converted try off a deep back line and some second phase play to extend their lead 4 – 18. Our boys kept battling away and after going close to getting another try, the Tigers made a big break and following a quick play the ball, stole another converted try in the last minute to round out the scoring at 4 -24.

The boys played good footy in this game and it was lot closer than the final score indicated. We had the Tigers on the ropes in the first third and if we had got over for another try in this session, it more than

likely would have been a different result. There were some outstanding efforts and a number of the boys have really stepped up this season, however we have not been consistent for the entire thirty minutes each week. Overall a good effort from the boys, keep your heads held up high and begin preparations for our next game against Moorebank at Bill Delauney.

GO THE SAINTS.
Tries: Sean X 1
Goals: 0
Goop Guys M.O.M: Kaled
ENC: Jared
Coach: Ricardo

U/9 Div 2 lost local derby

U/10 Div 1
On the weekend the boys took on Berela which proved to be our hardest fought win coming away victors 12 -10. A great first half showed us finish 12 - 0 with Lachlan Maric and Meihana Nelson crossed for a try each! The back line got deep and ran onto the ball and looked great. Second half was the complete opposite to the first, with defence slacking off and minimal ball saw Berela crawl their way back scoring two tries. Lucky for us they missed a conversion with 5minutes to go which saw us hold on for the win.

U/11-3s Lost local derby

Under 11 Div 1 Saints 6 V Chester Hill 18

We haven't beaten Chester Hill since the U/7 Grand Final and Saturday was no exception. It was a strongly contested game with both sides defending well with tough tackling. However, it was Chester Hill who put points on the board to lead 12 nil at half time. The second half was nearly a copy book of the first with Chester Hill scoring first and leading by 18 points with 2 minutes to go. A nice kick by Christian put Vincent over in the corner and the try was converted by Isaac to make the full-time score 18-6. Our defence was strong and really the score could have been closer if we hadn't missed a couple of tackles near the try line in the first half.

Man of the Match - Vincent Quintal
Try - Vincent
Goal - Isaac

U12's Div 1

U12's D3 Won 32 – 6 V St George Dragons
They boys were at home again this week to do battle against a Dragon's side that started the year in division two and in having moved down. It would be fair in saying that no one could have really predicated how well the boys would play as a TEAM. Which in the end allow them to take control of the game from start to finish. As not only did the workload get shared amongst 15 players in general, but also we were able to enjoy the pleasure of seeing two separate boys,(both wingers) actually score their first ever tries in a game of football***,(well done boys great TEAMWORK and congratulations to Hayden Flack and Ibraham Maarbani)……***

The first half started off well as the boys managed to complete their attacking sets and throw the ball around with plenty of confidence in not only playing well in attack, but by also stopping the opposition in defence. Which in turn also allowed the team to capitalise on the Dragons mistakes allowing the boys to enter the half time break comfortably up 16 points – nil.

The second half also allowed the TEAM to put on another unanswered 16 points and in the end to run away with a very comfortable win. As this weeks enthusiasm and will to win was a complete opposite to last week's game as one measure of success that also stood out. Was the boys kick and chase efforts in attack that had the opposition on the back foot for the majority of the game as well.

With this **weeks Man of the Match Award** going to Hayden Flack: who not only got in there and helped out his team-mates all game, but as mentioned earlier scored his very fist try and was also a little bit unlucky to have not scored another. ***Well done Hayden…***

With this weeks tries being awarded to; **Luke Colley (1), Mohamad Arnaout (2), Shaun Bailey (1), Hayden Flack (1) Ibraham Maarbani (1)** and our successful attempts at conversion going to**; Luke Colley, Ryan Solo, Sam Holloway, Cooper Ellison**

U 13/2 v East Hills WON 60 - 4

We welcomed some boys back to the Team after their holidays and definitely had the run of the match against a younger and smaller East Hills. Coach was looking for a committed side following the excellent effort last week against Berala. Our boys attacked well, scoring plenty and throwing the ball around just like training. In defence we did lack some "hit n'stick", but the boys may have been taking things easier because of the level of opposition.
Anthony ran hard and with determination from the back, Liam looked dangerous every time he got the ball and Sammy seemed to be running at a higher gear then the rest of the field. Jonah, Jack, Kieran, Adbul, Luke and Rhys did a tonne of work in defence. Hayden with his VC Julian controlled the ruck, with great service from Adam. Our bookends Lachlan and Riley out wide didn't let anyone by them and Moey was often 2nd man in to secure the ball. Congrats to Joel kicking his 1st goal.

Tries: 4 x Sammy, 2 x Anthony & Liam, 1 x Hayden, Jack & Jonah.

Goals: Adam, Rhys, Abdul, Joel, Moey, Hayden, Jack & Liam.

14s Div 1 - Bye

Under 15's Div 1 – lost local derby

U/19 – Won on forfeit

A Res - Lost 36-30

This was a game of 2 halves. We kicked off and straight away we got stuck in to the opposition, we had numbers in the tackle and drove them backwards and when they went to kick on the last tackle they were well inside their own half they put up a kick and our winger dropped what appeared to be a straight forward catch, the opposition pounced on the loose ball and ran 20 metres to score under the post and convert to lead 0-6 after 1 minute and our heads were down.
From the next kickoff they scored again 0-12 after 4 minutes, from the restart we kicked out on the full and things continued like this to half time and we went to the break down 0-32 with something like 30 missed tackles this was easily our worst half of football all season.
All Saints scored in the 2nd minute of the 2nd half to go to a 0-36 lead, then we clicked in to gear and played the type of football this team is capable of playing and laid on 5 converted tries in 28 minutes to be down 30-36 with 2 to go, unfortunately for us we ran out of time.
But this 2nd half was our best half of football all season, we completed 16 of our 17 sets and to score 30 pts against 2nd placed All Saints was a great effort, It's too late for us to make the semis now , but if we continue on from here next week I'm sure we can upset a few sides. Matt Dawes had a great game in the forwards and Jason Mayoh was outstanding in the backs, and most of the players had their best game for the season, Lets keep it going for next week.

Masters

Golden Blow Ins 24 def Presidents Maroons 16

With much anticipation and confusion over opponents and dates for this fixture we finally got on the paddock on Saturday afternoon for the Match of the Day. The crowd steadily built up during the afternoon and had swelled to a good A Grade sized Sunday afternoon crowd just prior to kickoff.

With Ian Schubert hovering around the dressing room scrutinising the “Golden Blow Ins” contracts a nervous tension filled the air. Could the blow ins get away with their blatant breaches of the salary cap? A few well hidden advertising endorsements and the blow ins were on the paddock.

Second Hit up of the game and big Darren Boland felt the brunt of the Goldies attack leaving him stunned on the ground. It wasn’t long before the ball playing genius of the goldies entire back line started to shine and tries began to flow. With a backline boasting an Australian Masters representative the Presidents Maroons were always going to be up against it.

A crucial refereeing call, after consultation with trainee touch judge Harby disallowed Goopy his first ever try.

Highlight of the day was the Marquee being run down by an 80yr old Johnny Berkley. The reason later became apparent when the Marquee displayed his new “Cankles”.

Other highlights were the tactical kicking from dummy half of Scott Whyte and Sonny being later cited on video evidence for chewing on the ear of his opposing front rower in the scrum.

A great day was had by all who played and the feedback from the spectators was also very positive. The President has vowed to have a greater input into the selection of his team for next year’s event.

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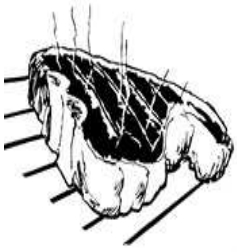
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U/6 Div 2	9.40	Dragons	Bill Delauney
U/6 Div 1	10.20	Tigers	Bill Delauney
U/7 Div 3	9.40	Berala	Peter Hislop
U/7 Div 1	11.00	St Johns	Begnall Oval
U/8 Div 3	11.40	St Johns	Begnall Oval
U/8 Div 2	11.00	Moorebank	Bill Delauney
U/8 Div 1	11.40	Moorebank	Bill Delauney
U/9 Div 2	12.30	Bulls	Bill Delauney
U/10 Div 1	1.20	Dragons	Bill Delauney
U/11 Div 3		BYE	
U/11 Div 1	12.30	Moorebank	Hammondville Oval
U/12 Div 3	1.50	St Johns	Begnall Oval
U/12 Div 1	2.10	Moorebank	Bill Delauney
U/13 Div 2	3.10	Tigers	Roberts Park
U/14 Div 1	3.40	St Johns	Begnall Oval
Sunday Games		**22th July**	
U/15 Div 1	12.50	Mascot	Neptune Park
U/19 Div 1	3.00	Mascot	Neptune Park
A Res	3.00	Penshurst	HV Evatt Park

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and

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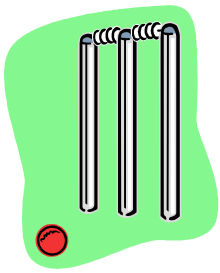

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