



# TIGER TALK

EPPING EASTWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

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## President's letter

Last weekend saw the start of the season for the entire club as the minis took to the field in competition. It may not be as we or the powers that control the sport see it but rest assured in the eyes and minds of our mini teams they see it as a full on competition. A special thanks to all who have assisted in getting them on the park.

The draw has been slow to be issued this season and the reason for this is not clear to many at this time. Hopefully we will be able to secure the answer as to why.

Last weekend was also historic in that after so much rain Boronia was open and available to play. Senior teams are well aware that after rain we were usually incapable of playing for days whilst we waited for the ground to dry out. We were one of the few grounds that Parramatta City Council opened last weekend. The joint venture by Parramatta City Council and your club to improve the ground seems to have been successful. It has taken a few years to get to this point and a lot of dollars, prudent management exercised by your committee and generous support by the Club's major sponsors. To some it may not seem such a big deal but as the most senior club within GHFA we had the worst facilities and one of the worst grounds. Now hopefully in our 60th season we can say that is all behind us.

We have 3 teams involved in sudden knockout competitions. The Premier League is through to the second round of the GHFA Cup. May 6th sees the start of the State Cup by age groupings and this year we have our 12/1's and 16/1's playing. This competition gives the teams experience at playing at a high level and this experience will be of immense value

to these teams. We wish them well. They all will prove to be worthy in representing your Club.

Tickets are now available for the Club Dinner on June 23rd to celebrate our 60th year. In our last issue we highlighted the guest speakers, Mark Bosnich and Robbie Slater. The evening will commence with Pre-dinner drinks, followed by a 3 course meal and some light refreshments and tea and coffee. We will have our Club Photographer, Peter Wilson on board to capture the event and you will have an opportunity to get up close and personal with our guests and smile for the camera!

Admission is by ticket only and must be paid for in full prior to the evening. We will not be collecting ticket sales on the night. Dress will be formal – Lounge Suits are acceptable and I am sure the ladies will provide the sparkle.

**Ticket Price:** Single: \$75:00 Double: \$150:00  
**Early Bird**

**Discount:** Single: \$65:00 Double: \$120:00  
This price is available until May 30th.

Payment can be by cash, cheque or credit card at Boronia. Ideally we would like to see team tables or groups for example tables from combined minis teams or two All Age teams. By all means bring along friends. Everyone is welcome. **TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW.**

Finally, we as a family club extend our sympathy to the extended McLaren Family on the loss of a mother and Nan. There are no words that can cover the feeling when we lose a family member.

That's it till next we meet,  
Go You Tiger's Go!  
Ian Kendal

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## MATCH REPORTS 2012

### UNDER 6 PURPLE

Scott our coach was the ref (which is a difficult job that requires a lot of patience, trying to explain to the players what was going on) - great job by Scott by the way. We played YMCA who only turned up with three players (feeling sorry for the Y) and so we could get a game we said that they could borrow one of our players so Pheonix Delamont-Williams played the first half on the other team and he did really well. Half way through the first half we realised they didn't need one of our players as they had already scored 4 goals and our team hadn't scored. At half time we swapped our team member to Jamie Brown to play on their team (who was quietly excited as he got to play on the winning team) so by the end of the game the score was 8 nil to YMCA but our little fella's finally had their first game and loved every minute of it.

Well it can only go up from here .....  
Good luck next week fellas...

**Donna Gilbert**

### UNDER 7 YELLOW B'S 21/4/12

What a great way to start the season with a match off between the EEW Tigers Under 7 Yellow a vs Yellow b teams led by Super Coach Don and Super Coach Des. All the kids displayed greatly improved skills from last year with a few newbies slotting right in and having great fun! Like a little swarm off bees, the game began and Jay showed off that powerful right boot, with some good clearing kicks. As always James showed off his fancy footwork and some excellent passing to his team mates. Ashton was good in defence and Alex was great at chasing down those defenders making a fantastic pass to

James which resulted in a goal – great teamwork!! Philip continued his excellent form pushing through a few long range goals and a cracking cross snatching a goal in the second half that made the crowd gasp. David, a new addition to the team this year, was in great form, he was well into the action showing some good defending skills and making some great clearing kicks earning him the player of the match award for this week. We look forward to having Xavier back to help out the team next week. Great game boys, a successful win against our little “rivals”, keep up the practice of spreading out into free space and passing to your team mates and you will have a great season ahead! Go you little Tigers!!!!

**Sharon W**

### UNDER 8'S

Under 8's were happy to be at full strength for the first game of the season at Pennant Hills and had a great game. Everyone was very keen and many got to score. The goalkeepers did very well in the unfamiliar position, letting very little through. We won 11-2!

Premier league players in the making, its been a battle to get the number in this team, who by the way is coached by a lovely lady (who took the time to do the coaching course). Early days, but off to a flying start - ed.

### EEW U10/I'SV NORTH RYDE 2 - 0

The under 10/11's have been promoted to first division this year and amongst the excitement of the promotion there was a little bit of anxiety about playing in the “big league” No need for it!!

The boys acquitted themselves marvellously in their first game.

Knocking the ball around and sending a clear message that this is a group of boys who play as a team, supporting and encouraging each other in everything they did. Solid first half pressure led to well deserved goals to Adam O'Connor and Charlie Workman. The second half saw a number of opportunities created and but for some very good goalkeeping by the young North Ryde keeper, the score could very easily have been 4 or 5 nil. Good solid start to the season.

### EEW U10/I'SV KENTHURST 0 - 0

With the boys having got through the first week nerves (or was that the parents??) the next test was to be an even bigger challenge. Kenthurst were said to be the benchmark in Division 1 by a long way this year and, having racked up an intimidating first round win, our boys knew they would be up against it. The boys rose to the challenge admirably and it was clear that all the hard work that coach Gareth Wright had put in at the start of the season was already showing. The boys again showed an ability to work together comfortably as a team and created the best of the early opportunities - in fact were probably unlucky not to be a goal or two up at half time. An even second half saw an exciting 0 - 0 draw as a fair result in the end. If Kenthurst are the benchmark then our boys showed they would be right there with them. Well done boys, great start to the season.

**Jerry Bowden**

PREMIER LEAGUE VS THORNLEIGH played 21.4.12



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