

FIGER TALK

EPPING EASTWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

President's Letter

Hello and welcome to another issue of Tiger talk. On this occasion it is a smaller edition compared to our last issue, which was a record for the number of pages produced.

We have all settled down into the competition and we are seeing some great results along with some challenges for improvement. The main thing is that we are enjoying the games and each others company.

The mini teams are really getting into the competition and we continue to see additional players signing on. Overall our numbers are strong.

In the Junior U9 – U16 we are moving in the right direction and in some of the age groups we have gained some additional players.

Our Seniors are strong in numbers and are achieving strong results at this time.

The Premier League is currently in

4th position in their competition and most days playing well. Like all teams though, at times, they leave us scratching our heads in some degree of frustration. I must say how pleasing it is to see the increasing number of spectators at these games and also to see many of our junior players coming along to support the Premiers.

Last Sunday at Boronia we had all three Over 35's teams playing and the level of support these teams enjoyed was absolutely outstanding. The Hill on Boronia was filled almost to capacity and the number of kids who took to the park for a kick around at half & full time for all games was amazing. It was great to see everyone enjoying the day. It was your club at its best – Epping Eastwood, the Family Club!

This coming Sunday, May 9th (Mothers Day) sees the start of the

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45-47 Rawson Street, Epping 2121 Phone: 9876 4357 Web: www.eppingclub.com State Cups and up first is our 14/1's. We wish them well. The State Cup is a knockout competition with teams from both the city and country doing battle. It is going to be a great experience for this young group of players. The team has several players who are going to New Zealand in July playing for Epping Boys High School. They will also have extra games to make up for the time they are in New Zealand, probably night games. Details are being worked on – they have a lot ahead of them!

GHFA, over the last 2 weeks, ran a goalkeepers Coaching Clinic with one of the countries great GK Coaches, Steven Crowley, who looks after the Central Coast Mariners. He was ably assisted by other coaches from GHFA. I was pleased to hear that some of our keepers and coaches went along and were impressed by the evening's activities.

Those of you who train on Epping Oval must be impressed by the much improved lighting, which is now at last working. It is excellent and brings the lights up to 'Australian Standards''. Yes, there is a ratings system for lights. The ground is under the control of Hornsby Council who are to be congratulated for the work they are putting in to improve their playing fields at this time. Let me add there is no truth to the rumour that we are supplying sunnies to our players!

From time to time we have to remind parents that dropping off kids at training and sometimes at games and then leaving are not in the spirit of the game. It is your responsibility to look after your children. It is not fair to the coaches & managers to drop & run. Support your child and the Club. We are a sporting Club, not a child minding service. We thank you for your support in this matter.

On looking at team results for Round 1, some teams may see a reversal of the on field result. The reason in the main being that some teams either knowingly or unknowingly played unregistered players. Teams were fined and points deducted. We as a Club were guilty of this offence as were many other of our sister clubs.

We hope you are enjoying the team reports – keep them and indeed any other comments coming via email.

Finally, congratulations to one of our 'daughters', Jade Booty, who spent her early days playing for EEW. She is now playing at a much higher level, for the Koalas, and one day hopes to play for her country. She has recently taken another giant step, entering the Police Academy at Goulburn. Jade was well respected as a player and referee – now it will be 'Yes Maam!'

Till next we meet, Go You Tiger's Go!

Regards, Ian Kendal 98581605 Feedback is most welcome. Please forward any comments to eewtigers@tpg.com.au



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REPORTS** * * T E A M

We welcome match reports and team photos from all of our teams. Around 50 words would be great. We try to publish every 2 weeks. Send your reports and pics directly to michmagu@bigpond.net.au

Under 14 Div 3 - 24/4/10 EEW 4 Putney Rangers 1

The Tigers going into this week had YMCA to catch at the top of Division Three. We needed to start with a bang, and in the first 10 minutes it was 2-0, both scored by Damien King. But then Putney scored which meant that for the remainder of the half the momentum had switched sides.

When the second half began the Tigers were fired up, with Damien scoring, finishing off his hat-trick and the Tigers were now camped in Putney's half. A goal by Justin Tse sealed the victory; an honourable mention going to Andy 'Speedy' Yoon, Alex Huang, David Guzowski, and Damien, with Man of the Match being awarded to Denis Hrncic, with a valiant performance down the left wing.

Reported by: N. Ever Offside

Under 14 Div 3

West Epping Derby- EEW 8, YMA 2

On this cold, cold morning at Epping Oval, Things looked bleak- the weather, with the drizzle hammering down on us, and with the knowledge that YMCA had thrashed Putney 6-2, a result we couldn't match.

No one, however, told the players. Two quick, long range efforts from Daniel and Matt gave the Tigers a quick 2-0 lead, with Damien finishing off a low cross from Dave Guzowski to make it 3-0 at half time, and it could have been more, with other chances gone begging as well.

Half time came and went, and in the second half there were no shortage of goals, with Damien claiming his hat-trick again after a mistake from the YMCA goalkeeper, and Denis continuing his great form this season with a goal.

In the dying few minutes of the game YMCA made up for lost chances (including hitting the bar in the first half) with two goals, but not hampering the Tiger's four goal margin. Man of the Match was Matt, running the

play in the middle, and a honourable mention going to James, Tigers goalkeeper, Damien, Cyrus, Andrew and Alex. This win demonstrated the Tiger's superiority over our West Epping neighbours.

N.Ever Offside

U/6 Green - 24th April 2010

The Under 6 Green Machine had a great game this week, showing plenty of enthusiasm and determination. They had to work much harder on their defense as North Epping proved to be very strong in attack. Divyesh scored our first goal after good lead up work from Kael, who had sent the ball forward from deep in defensive territory. In fact, Divyesh was so excited about his earlier success that he scored another goal in the second half, unfortunately in the same goal (oops). Philip had a number of chances to show his strong foot work and received man of the match honors for the week. The boys worked hard at passing to each other. George again displayed his attacking instincts slotting home another impressive goal. Josh worked hard in defense and employed the unusual tactic of kicking toward his own team at kick off sending North Epping in to confusion. Well done to all the boys.

U/6 Green

Round 1 v YMCA

What a great start to the season! All players showed some great skills this week with plenty of possession and shots for goal. George and Kael were relentless in attack, Joshua was involved in the play in the middle and Philip showed great defensive skills. Divyesh was the first goal scorer of the year and our first player of the week. Congratulations to all on a great game.

Round 2 v North Epping Rangers

Wow! These players just keep getting better every week. North Epping provided some tough opposition for us but we still managed to show off the skills we have been learning at training. Divyesh was the first goal scorer again this week, he seems to be making a habit of it. Again George was busy in attack, Kael made some great defensive plays and Joshua provided plenty of support around the midfield. Our player of the week this week was Philip for a great game in attack and defence. Well done everyone.

U/7 Red

The Under 7's Red played the West Ryde Rovers B team this week. The boys started off slow in the first half and unfortunetly let a few goal get by them. With encouragement from the coach and parents during the half time break the boys went back on and had a wonderful second half. They defended well and they all pushed forward and had many attempts at goal, but it was Jun who was the man of the match this week succesffuly scoring 3 goals. Well done to all the boys.

EEW U21/2 Match Reports EEW 2 v WWR 6

Playing a side who had previously won 9-2 and 7-0, it always appeared as if today was going to be a tough challenge. And so it seemed as the infamous "Boronia Bounce" played a hand in 2 of West Ryde's early goals. Between those two however we were able to claw one back after Nathan Lumb, a fresh injection into the team, was clearly fouled inside the box with the referee awarding a penalty. Adam Evans slotted the penalty home and shortly after made it 2-2 with another excellent finish. However, as the sky darkened, so did the game, as the constant skill from West Ryde overpowered our defiant defence leaving the final score line and an unforgettable 6-2. Credit must go to the boys, however, for still carrying on with the game and creating chances, however nothing went our way, yet we Tigers can still hold our Heads high for scoring against the top team twice.

EEW 3 v West Pennant Hills 1



We strode into this match full of confidence after having a sneak peek at GHFA.com to view West penno's previous results and things looked good for us, after they had conceded 11 goals in two games. With a fresh face in Nathan Lumb bringing more life, and a new system, into the team we started off the better team creating numerous shooting opportunities within the first few minutes with both Nathan and Cameron Laundry going close. However, just minutes later we went one better as Michael Lynch ghosted in at the far post to slot home Nathan's cross. 1-0 at halt time. The new system was bringing a better fluidity to our game with slick passing and numerous shots dominating the field. We soon scored again as Adam Evans hit a wonder strike from a fair way out that dipped under the crossbar, all but breaking the hopes of West Penno. Then, just before the full time whistle the greatest play so far as William, our regular keeper, came on as a super sub, running from half way straight into the penalty box to head home an Adam cross much to the delight of the home crowd. West Penno did pull one back however, as an "excellent" throw from John was applauded; (after several foul throws & fines) the team lost concentration allowing West Penno to score. Congrats to the boys for grabbing 3 points with style and confidence and playing with all the manner of a championship team.

U/8 White

Under 8's white had another great game. The boys passed the ball well and the defence was strong.

Will showed dogged determination and energy chasing every ball that came his way and thoroughly deserved the player of the match.

Ryan M, Ryan W and Will all scored goals. Liam was fearless in goals (and very cool). Ben, Corey and Brian were excellent in mid field and made sure the opposition had few chances with the ball.

Well done Tigers.

Final score 6-0 Tigers.

Ravens Blue 4

Week 3 - 24/4/10 u13/1s - EEW 1 vs

EEW got off to a very good start until about 15 minutes into the game when a freaky shot came from outside the penalty box. The Ravens had scored so the Tigers were down 1-0. EEW kicked off again and passed the ball around. Our player, Matt Hooke dribbled past the Ravens and tried to cross but had the ball taken away. The Ravens then dribbled past our player on the left wing, took a shot and scored. The score was now 2-0 and the tigers kick off again. The Tigers players used all their skill to get past but as soon as we were about to cross, we lose possession of the ball. Again, the Ravens dribble up and score another goal one of their infamous long range shots. We are now 3-0 down. We kick off again, start passing the ball around but lose it to the Ravens. An opposition player beats the Tigers players and he's now one on one with Josh, our goalie. He shoots and scores – the score line is now 4-0. The last kick off for the game with just a few minutes left, we pass the ball across half way to Tigers player, Scott Cha,. He dribbles up the left wing and one on one with the goalie, he shoots and scores! The whistle blows and that was the full game.

From the Cha family

Wk 3 – 24/4/10 – u11/5s EEW 1 vs W est Pennant Hills 0

In this week's game against West Pennant Hills, all our boys played very well and very hard. They played the best game of the season so far with the only goal of the entire game scored in the middle of the first half. The boys tried 3 to 4 shots as the ball rebounded from the post and cross bar, finally bouncing back to score this winning goal. It was an absolutely brilliant score! We also had a few chances in the second half and the boys tried very hard in order to extend their winning score, but the West Pennant Hills boys also played very well. Our defence played very well, too, and Sam in particular had some marvellous tackles which destroyed the opponent's attacks completely. Both our goal keepers also played very well and saved all the shots to ensure our win. Well done, Tigers, and keep up the great work?

Player of the Match – Sam Walker

By the Jiang Family

Week 4 – 1/5/10 u11/5s - EEW 2 vs Glenhaven 1

The 11/5s travelled away from home soil for the first time this season to take on Glenhaven. Both halves were action-packed with numerous attempts at goal by both teams. Tejas made some great saves in goals and Sasha and Alister both scored for the Tigers in the first half. In spite of some great defensive work, Glenhaven were also able to score late in the first half. Sam got a ball in the head but after a few minutes rest on the sideline he came back even stronger with unbeatable defence for the rest of the game. Allan also got a ball in the face and hit the deck but that didn't stop his dazzling attack. The score remained at 2-1 and after repeated corners and attacking moves from both teams in the dying minutes, great saves by Robin and all the backs and a lot of nailbiting on the sideline the final whistle blew with the Tigers winning a hard-fought and very entertaining game.

Player of the Match – Robin Jiang

By the Lyndon family

U6 Red B's

May 1 - U6 Red B's vs Redbacks@West Pennant Hills. T

he boys had a great game and a great time playing in the rain. And were impressed they were allowed to play in the rain! Ha Young scored "Man of the Match" with some great chasing. Ritvik kicked in a couple of great sideliners while Alex and William shared in the goal scoring and brought us on top with a 7-1 win!

Under 6 Green

1st May 2010

The sun shone on Ron Payne Park as two heavyweights of the Green Division met for the first time.

Roselea's A team proved to be difficult to contain. At times it appeared that they might have called up a couple of Premier League players to strengthen their ranks.

The Tigers showed plenty of enthusiasm, especially when it came to goal and sideline kicks. There was evidence of improving teamwork throughout the match.

Diviesh showed a natural ability to promote the ball towards goal. George was a handful for the opposition with his natural attacking instincts. Philip showed great anticipation and positional play. Josh put his body on the line in the middle of the park. Kael had plenty of work to do in defense, which caught the eye of the "Man of the Match" judging panel.

Outclassed but not disgraced the "Green Machine" will have another chance to strengthen their positional play next Saturday.

The Tiger Talk is published every 2 weeks during the season, holidays excluded. Please email team reports and action photos directly to Michelle McCoy at michmagu@bigpond.net.au by Wednesday morning each week. 50-100 words max! Don't forget to include Team Age, Name and Week Number, ie. "U/6 Red Wk 1".

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