



# TIGER TALK

EPPING EASTWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

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## President's letter

Well the last two weeks have been most disruptive for our game and a very busy time for our team managers and coaches as we have navigated our way around the prevailing weather conditions.

It is a regular occurrence for me to talk via emails and text messages to your team manager and coach and I thought I would share with you some of the 'behind the scenes' topics we talk about.

In the last two weeks it has been mainly about the weather and how it affects the game and how it impacts on you as a player. Obviously none of us can control the weather and the last two weeks have had an impact on training, matches and the condition of the playing fields. The vast number of fields are controlled by local councils. In our case (Boronia) Parramatta City are if you like, our landlord. We as a club rent the ground and have done so since 1952. We have an excellent working relationship with Parramatta Council and in most cases they make the decisions to open or close the ground based on the criteria of safety, ground damage and suitability based on weather forecasts. On some occasions we, Epping Eastwood, will have input and are empowered to make the decision as was the case last Saturday.

Over the last two weeks EEW decided on the Friday to move the morning games to other locations in conjunction with GHFA who assist us to ensure at least Juniors get to play on game day thus avoiding double headers (playing Saturday and Sunday). When it comes to Senior

teams it is rarely possible to move them as we have no spare grounds so they are required to play double headers and that is quite taxing for most, especially for our 35/45s not only from the physical perspective but also family life. We try very hard to play Senior games and sometimes by moving the Junior games and resting the ground in the morning we are able to play the senior games in the afternoon. Night training has been severely disrupted on Boronia this last two weeks as the rain has continued and the ground is not recovering for a variety of reasons – which with the best will in the world we have to live with. Despite a lot of work and money in the last few years to improve the position this season looks like going down as one of our worst.

Our communications to you our players by the team managers appears to be working well and for that we should all be grateful. I for one am appreciative of that. At the same time we also appreciate your patience as we continue to get the message out as quickly as possible. Last weekend was a classic case, that as the kickoff time approached we found Clubs were closing grounds. This occurred at Epping Oval, among others, as we scrambled to make contact with those teams that had early kickoffs.

To conclude this letter may I draw your attention to a matter that is occurring in our game within the association (34 Clubs) far too often – verbal abuse to match officials. It seems to be starting from teams aged 15 through to All Age. This is unacceptable and it is being dealt

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with by the judiciary of the Association. They are handing out heavy penalties. Some of the abuse is obscene – ask yourself would you use that language to your grandparents? The answer is no. We do not need this in sport it is time that senior players set a better example. Whilst on this topic, spectators also need to control themselves. As a wise man once said 'if refereeing

was that easy we would all do it'.

Join with me and let us at Epping Eastwood lead by example.

That's it till next we meet,

Go You Tiger's Go!

**Ian Kendal**

## MATCH REPORTS

### TEAM 11/6 TIGER VS NORMANHURST

*The Epping Eastwood Tigers 11/6 team continued on their winning ways with their biggest win of the season, 10-0 vs Normanhurst who had the unfortunate experience of meeting a hungry Tiger team who were out to play good footy and have some fun.*

*The entire team contributed to the result with a very solid performance by the back line as they broke down and repelled all attacks by Normanhurst who never stopped trying. The backlines' commitment was rewarded by the forwards who scored 4 goals in the first half and followed up with another 6 goals in the second half, all of which were entertaining. The goals were mostly team efforts with excellent support, beautifully threaded passes, well timed runs and aggressive finishing.*

*Man of the Match was Max Marcos but this award could have been given to any one of several players. An excellent effort and result by the entire team as they roll on undefeated and show real potential to extend their season into the finals.*

*Go Tigers.*

**Paul Marcos**

### TEAM 11-6 TIGERS VS RYDE PANTHERS

*The Tiger is the King of the Jungle!*

*Firstly, I must give credit to the Ryde Panther's goal keeper : for saving the countless goals by the Tigers !!! I mean, if I were to count the number of goal shots by the Tigers, it would have been twenty plus.*

*This many goal-shot opportunities can only be made possible when the team is playing in perfect structure and unification, and that's how our team have played.*

*They made it look so easy to have a goal-shot, when in fact it is so difficult to even create one such chance, let alone that many.*

*The whole team played amazingly well: Lahiru, Ethan K, Tony and Darin scored the four goals, while Ethan T, Jaryd and Max attempted some excellent shots. Ashish and James were full of charged - planned and played smartly in their midfield/wingers position with the rest of the team, while the defence was rock solid with the sweeper doing an excellent job, and for the few mere attempts by Panthers to strike at the second half, our goal keeper Max came straight out to make sure they are nowhere near the goal.*

*Well done Tigers!*

**Andrea Tran**

### UNDER 6 WHITE

*The Under 6 White team have had a huge improvement over the last two weeks with many goals scored last Saturday. Armaan got player of the week with his great first goal of the season, and this was a well deserved award. It was great to see Daniel back and was awesome with his defence and Joseph was really good in attack. Aarush and Jonah scored goals too and this all made an excellent team effort by all.*

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This year the magnificent effort by a group of dedicated, hardworking and caring people raised \$12 000 in one day which helps them continue their work. We wish them continued success in the future.



## PHOTO DAY

Thanks to all the teams who participated and thanks for adhering to the timetable. It made the job much easier and we will see the results in the coming weeks.

## GONE MISSING

We are missing some senior players for the next few weeks as they have gone to the World Cup. What an exciting opportunity! We will be watching their performance on the field on their return. Can we expect some new moves on the park as a result of this experience?

## CLUB PICNIC DAY

Date to be confirmed soon.

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

We still have some Entertainment Books available if you are interested. They are available at Boronia. I notice they appear to contain more offers as compared to previous editions. We are told they are excellent value.

## ALWAYS NEXT YEAR

Our 3 teams in the State Cup were all eliminated but by all reports those who participated enjoyed the competition and no doubt some will try again next year – it's all about having a go.

## MAKING PROGRESS

Mathew Corringham from our Premier League team continues to make steady progress on the road to recovery but it is a long road and is going to take time. Fortunately he has a lot of friends both inside and outside the Club who continue to wish him well.

## HOLIDAYS

Our mini teams are heading into school holidays and will not play the middle week, July 5. As for the rest of us it is business as usual as we head to the end of the Premiership rounds.

## LOST TIME

We expect to hear from GHFA soon with dates and times for the games not played during the current spell of wet weather. Some teams will be required to play both Saturday and Sunday.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED

Some clubs are currently running basic first aid courses and we may follow if we can generate sufficient interest and it is at no cost to you. The Club will gladly pick up the bill. Are you interested? Send us an email to [ewtiger@tpg.com.au](mailto:ewtiger@tpg.com.au)



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