



TIGER TALK

EPPING EASTWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

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President's letter

Welcome to Season 2015 which marks the 63rd year of the Epping Eastwood Football Club. I want to on behalf of our loyal band of players and officials extend a warm welcome to those who have joined us for the first time, be they juniors or seniors and express the hope that we all enjoy the season together.

The pre-season is always the hardest time: getting registrations completed, forming up teams, grading teams and conducting trial matches. Nothing new – it's all part of the startup. We are fortunate to be able to call upon a small but experienced group and on you, the members' behalf, I thank them for their efforts. Let me quickly add that we can always use more help throughout the season.

It has been a disjointed start to the season with a late start due to Easter, then ANZAC Day and now the rain. It has been hard to get into the season with disruption to training. However, we really have little to complain about in comparison to the havoc nature has recently caused elsewhere.

As a club our numbers have increased with over 550 registered players (480 in 2014) which has been a challenge for us to manage. Thanks to our hardworking managers and coaches we have managed to get our teams on the park and after 2 weeks of competition, achieved mixed results.

I must comment on the help and assistance given from within our playing group. School holidays played havoc with some teams close to forfeiting due to insufficient player numbers. This scenario played out in a number of teams then in true Tiger spirit, because of byes and other teams helping out we got these teams onto the park.

This truly did give meaning to Epping Eastwood "the Family Club". Our combined family helping each other out. Something new – no that's the way it should be – that's the way it was – thanks to all who assisted.

Let me remind you our game is a team sport. You are an important part of the team. It is vital for you to attend training and on game day. It is imperative that you give as much notice as possible to your coach and manager if you are unable to play a match. Remember, they give up their time for you – the least you can do is support them.

This is an appropriate time to talk about wet weather protocols. In broad terms you should assume all games and training are on unless you are told otherwise by your team manager or by the Club. This is how it works. Local Councils control (own) the grounds and the decision to open or close a ground is theirs. They inform the Clubs. In some instances the Club will close the ground even though the Council has said it is open. We will tell you if and when we take such action.

On game days, the Clubs contact the GHFA if they are closing their ground. It may pose a danger (wet / slippery) to player's safety. The GHFA may and often do move the games to another location and time. If this happens we will tell your team manager and / or send you an email, place a notice on our website and / or put a message on the club's wet weather line. In most cases all of the above. The point is you as a vital team member can't assume there is no game because it may be wet outside. Football can and is played in the wet – kids love it!!

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In the last 2 years we have been using Epping Oval in the mornings for Small Sided Games (SSG – U9/10/11) and this year we are also using the ground for U6/7's. This helps our teams play close to home.

Last weekend (washed out) we were going to try to run a basic canteen service using people from the Management Committee – sort of testing the water. It would operate 8:30am til midday. We have had the desire to do this for years though the facilities at Epping Oval are poor and we have been talking to Hornsby Council without any success to date. To make this work we need a “canteen supervisor” say an active grandparent or a mum or

dad who could commit to the project.

This coming week at Boronia Park, as an experiment to see if we can operate efficiently, we have reduced the number of people required to dress the ground and run the canteen. If we are able to get a canteen running at Epping Oval we may be able to operate with less volunteers which would be a benefit to all.

That's all for now, thank you for your continued support.

Go You Tigers Go!!

Ian Kendal

MATCH REPORTS

13/5 WON 4-3 VERSUS ROSELEA TWO FROM TWO AT BORONIA

The season started well at Boronia with the 8.30 kickoff for the U14s. A composed 14s team were able to overcome Thornleigh 4-0. The 13/5s then took the field. With a few 13/5 players away we were reduced to 10 players but we welcomed Lachlan and Cory from the U12s providing us with a full team plus a sub. Lachlan produced an early goal and Epping Westwood led from there with lots of possession while Roselea were most dangerous on the counter. Already the players are showing they have built on the previous season with better positional play and more passing creating opportunities for the team. Lachlan ended up scoring three terrific goals and Joel added a fourth goal for Epping Eastwood to lead 4-2. Lachlan and Cory then headed down to Meadowbank for their own game. Roselea came back with a third goal but a now under strength Epping Eastwood held on with great resolve to win 4-3. Neil, Eric and Joel were tired by the end after playing full games for the earlier 14s side who were down on numbers. Jack too was tired after playing in the earlier 13/2s game. The efforts of Lachlan, Neil, Eric, Joel and Jack playing in two games was very much appreciated by the teams they helped. So with three teams helping each other it was a good start to the season at Boronia with two wins from two games.

UNDER 14'S MATCH REPORT 11/4/15

What a start. We won 4-0. Before I go any further I would like to thank Eric, Joel & Neil from the 13'5 team who helped us out. It was really appreciated.

Round one was at our home ground on a sunny/sprinkling beautiful morning. The boys looked relaxed walking onto the field. The whistle blew and they were off. Their positioning was fantastic and their footwork/ball control was out of this world. We just had it this week. Well done & keep it up 14'5.

MATCH REPORT 14'5 18/4/15

Well done boys. We lost 3-2. Our team was asked to send 2 players to the 14'3 game so that left us with only 7 of our players. So thanks again to the Under 13'5 for lending us 5 of their players.

With so many fill ins all the boys combined once again to show no matter who turns up to play, they go in fighting and play like a team.

The refereeing was once again outstanding.

So again I say WELL DONE.



Jarrod Mitchell Mini Co-ordinator with his youngest - yet another “Mitchell” in the Tigers.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

CONGRATULATIONS

At our AGM held in November 2014, Chris Salmon had Life Membership conferred upon him for his outstanding service that he has given and continues to give to your club. Chris's contribution to the club covers a wide gambit, from coaching through to the many phases involved in the management of club affairs and also to that of the wider role of the affairs of the Gladesville Hornsby Football Association. They have also recognised his contribution to soccer by awarding him with an association medal.

In September at our club dinner he will be presented with his award and we hope you will be in attendance to acknowledge this award. Once again, congratulations to Chris on this well deserved recognition of his contribution.

WE ARE WATCHING

We have noted while watching some games that not all players are in the correct club socks and shirts (mainly All Age). Be warned, the EEW police are on the job, ID cards are about to be withdrawn. As a club, we need to be well presented in the "official" uniform.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

There are many things that fall under this heading and we will cover some of these.

Smoking is banned within 10 metres distance of a sports field or playing area and within change rooms.

Jewellery including rings, earrings (including studs) should be removed.

Glasses if required must be official sports approved.

Normal spectacles are not allowed during a game or at

training. The danger is obvious, an accident could cause blindness – no game is worth that.

Most grounds have garbage bins inside the change rooms – let's use them, not the floor. Councils are complaining about the amount of tape that is being left on grounds. Take your waste with you or use the bins provided at grounds and in change rooms.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN

New rules have been brought in regarding working with children. Your team manager has full details in his handbook. Parents who would like more information should ask the manager or contact the club secretary, Ian Smith, who will assist you. It is a sad reflection on society that we as a nation need to comply with such regulations. Thank you to our officials who have assisted in complying with these laws.

ACCIDENTS – WHAT TO DO

Fortunately these don't happen regularly but when they do there are procedures in place.

In the case of a serious injury the player should not be moved. If the player can, with some assistance, get to their feet and walk off that is fine. The team manager can supply an accident form or you may download one from the website. It is important that it's reported in writing even if the injury does not require medical attention, just in case down the track, some condition develops that can be traced back to the accident.

In the case of a serious accident the game must stop and an ambulance called. The player should be kept warm until medical help arrives. Once the professionals have moved the player the game can recommence. The



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lodging of claims can be assisted by Ian Smith, the club secretary.

When a player is injured it is natural for a parent to take to the field. This must initially be the role of the manager or coach, at the direction of the referee. Above all, the player's welfare is paramount. Paperwork can be done later. Medical attention should commence immediately.

TEAM REPORTS

Yes please! Win, lose or draw. Don't leave it to the manager – players could take turns to send us 50 words – we love to hear from you.

LIMITED COPIES

Your team manager has a copy of the rules and regulations covering the game. If you would like a copy we have a few available at Boronia Park.

PHOTO DAY

This year it will be at Boronia on May 30th. All teams U6 – U17's. If senior teams want to participate please send us an email. Details will be issued shortly. Please be on time and have your envelopes ready.

(Please see last page for photo schedule.)

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EPHING EASTWOOD TIGERS PHOTO SCHEDULE - SAT 30 MAY 2015

TEAMS NEED TO BE AT BORONIA 5 MINUTES PRIOR TO YOUR PHOTO SESSION

Photo Session #	Photo Session	Date	Time	Game Finish	AG/Div	Home Team	Away Team	Ground/comments
1	7:00 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:25	10/3	West Ryde Rovers SC	Epping Eastwood FC	Meadowbank No. 6
2	7:10 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:45	15/2	Epping Eastwood FC	Roselea FC	Meadowbank No. 4
3	7:20 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:25	10/8	North Epping Rangers SC	Epping Eastwood FC	North Epping School
4	7:30 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:45	15/1	Epping Eastwood FC	North Ryde SC	Boronia Park
5	7:45 AM	30/05/15	09:30	10:15	9/7	Thornleigh SC	Epping Eastwood FC	Ruddock Park No. 2
6	8:00 AM	30/05/15	09:45	10:50	13/5	Hills Hawks FC	Epping Eastwood FC	Hayes Park No. 1
7	8:15 AM	30/05/15	09:30	10:15	Under 8/Brown	Redfield Lions FC	Epping Eastwood FC	Epping Oval 3
8	8:30 AM	30/05/15	09:30	10:15	Under 7 Central/Purple	Beecroft SC a	Epping Eastwood FC	Epping Oval 4
9	8:40 AM	30/05/15	10:00	10:45	Under 7 Central/White	West Ryde Rovers SC b	Epping Eastwood FC	Meadowbank No. 14
10	8:50 AM	30/05/15	10:00	10:55	12/4	Roselea FC	Epping Eastwood FC	Roselea
11	9:00 AM	30/05/15	10:00	11:05	13/2	All Saints Hunters Hill SC	Epping Eastwood FC	Boronia Park
12	9:15 AM	30/05/15			17/1	-- BYE --	Epping Eastwood FC	
13	9:30 AM	30/05/15	11:00	12:35	17/3	West Ryde Rovers SC Blue	Epping Eastwood FC	LH Waud
14	9:45 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:15	Under 6 Central/Brown	Epping Eastwood FC	EPPING YMCA FC b	Epping Oval 4
15	10:00 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:15	Under 8/Yellow	WPH Cherrybrook FC	Epping Eastwood FC	Epping Oval 3
16	10:15 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:15	Under 6 Central/Purple	Epping YMCA FC a	Epping Eastwood FC	West Epping No. 5
17	10:30 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:35	14/3	North Epping Rangers SC	Epping Eastwood FC	Morrison Bay No. 3
18	10:45 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:15	9/5	Kenthurst & District SC	Epping Eastwood FC	Kenthurst Park No. 3
19	11:00 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:45	15/4	WPH Cherrybrook FC	Epping Eastwood FC	John Purchase
20	11:15 AM	30/05/15	08:30	09:35	14/5	Epping Eastwood FC	North Epping Rangers SC	Holland Reserve No. 1
21	11:30 AM	30/05/15	09:30	10:15	Under 8/Green	North Ryde SC	Epping Eastwood FC	North Ryde No. 2
22	11:45 AM	30/05/15	10:00	10:55	11/4	Normanhurst FC	Epping Eastwood FC	Thornleigh No. 2
23	12:00 PM	30/05/15	15:00	16:35	19/1	North Epping Rangers SC Blue	Epping Eastwood FC	North Epping Oval