



Weekly Update

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From the President

PRESENTATION DAY - Sunday 9th September from 4.30pm
East Malvern RSL (off Winton Rd, East Malvern).

5pm Arrive – Refreshments for parents in RSL – Activities & Food /Drink for players on oval.

6pm Presentations in the Function Room of the RSL

6.30pm Individual Team Presentations and Awards at Selected Areas around the RSL and Oval.

730pm Home

Well done to the Colts and the U15 Div 1 teams who both won their second semis and advance straight through to the Big One on Sunday week. The Under 11's, 12's and 13's sides in the Waverley League start their finals campaign this weekend. We wish all the players and their teams the best.

The Following Players have been invited to The Yarra League Presentation night 7pm, 21st August at the Camberwell Centre, 340 Camberwell Rd, Camberwell. U11 Green – [Howard Webb](#), U15 Sec 1 [Lachie McMillan](#), U15 Sec 3 [Sid Jones](#), U15 Sec 3 [Fergus Tremaine](#) and Colts Div 2 [Matthew Seed](#) – well done boys on a terrific season.

Please see our New Website – organised by [Michelle Ioannidis](#) go to the link www.gijfc.com/ to keep you up to date for all the club's news and events. Looks Fantastic - Well Done Michelle .

And Finally a BIG Thank you to all Players, Parents, Coaches, Team Managers and Members of the Committee. In a difficult year – despite a shortened season due to the drought, only one oval to train on, the stuff up with a jumper presentation and no jumpers, the U13's fielding a side in both leagues and the switching of players at late notice, the off field incidents, the player injuries, we made it through the season. Even though a lot went wrong we will learn from our mistakes and be a better club in the future. I also believe in a record year for registrations (469) a lot went right, as the club provided a happy and safe environment for our junior footballers where they could enjoy and improve themselves. We had MAJOR support from our Sponsors. The sponsorship board was erected in the clubrooms, we had a new fridge installed, the improved format of the newsletter that had input from all the teams, the upgrading of our website – and finally the Presentation day where all the teams can come together and celebrate the GIJFC, its players, its sponsors, its members on a great season in 2007.

Yours in Football

David Hooper



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Shane Crawford and some of the Under 10 Gladiators at training recently



CBRE Richard Ellis Under 9 Golds

A fantastic way to finish a great season. The game against the Under 9 Blue's is what junior footy is all about. Two sides playing great footy – fairly and skillfully, Both sides hard at the ball, laying some great tackles, kicking some great goals and fighting it out right to the final bell. The scores at the end of the game didn't really tell how close the game was for the first 3 quarters.

At ¾ Time down by 5 points the CBRE Golds finished the game kicking 4 goals in the last quarter to win the game by 20 points. The team was on song from the start and every one contributed all day – throwing themselves in to the contest, playing in front of their Men and chasing, tackling and getting the ball.

Fantastic effort by all players – Sam Guest who has been inspirational all year again had a great game in the Ruck. Lachie Brown who shows no sign of giving in kept doing the hard things all day – chasing their Number 4 (Aiden Cellini) provided a handful early. Harry Atkins was fantastic in the clearances and time and time again threw himself in, Sam Hooper had his best game for the club as did Mikey McPherson, Ben Wilmoth and Louis Nash who kicked his first goal. Jack Martin, Will Hocking, Alec Oldis, Tom Deighton and Gus Walmsley all held the defense together and were a major reason the Blue's didn't kick a few more. Nick and Dan Reynolds, Dakota Fletcher and Ned Irving provided great drive as they ran through the midfield. Ned Stewart again provided a target at Centre half Forward and Matthew Pacella, Will Pascoe and Liam Honour were taking full advantage. Sam Sitch had a great first half and will be a very skilful player. Harry Lovelock took a great mark in the last quarter and kicked truly to finish off a great season. Well done to all the players and I look forward to watching all the boys that will move to the U10's next year and to all the Boys that will again by in the under 9's – pre season starts in February and I look forward to seeing you next year.

Best: Harry Atkins, Sam Hooper, Mikey McPherson, Sam Guest, Dakota Fletcher.

Goals: Sam Guest 2, Mikey McPherson, Harry Lovelock, Sam Hooper, Louis Nash, Ned Stewart,

A BIG THANK YOU to ANDREW STEWART and JOHN BROWN who were such a great help to me and the boys all year and to everyone who helped right throughout the season. Well done. A special Thank you to Zoë, Rex and ED for helping on Match Day.

WARWICK Warwick Fabrics Under 9 Blues

Glen Iris Gold 7 8 50 def Glen Iris Blue 4 6 30

It was a fantastic game until three quarter time but the golds finished with more run and were too strong in the last quarter. Our boys put in a great effort in their last game and should not be disappointed, we are very proud of their efforts throughout the season, and we have seen them all develop into budding footballers.

Players to note this week were Tom Cameron for his fantastic reading of the play at full back and centre half back. Tom you always time your run to perfection. Toby Warwick for his hardness around the packs and on the ball. To-bes laid some great tackles and instigated the play of the day with a great pass to Will Colliver. Speaking of Will, what a wonderful effort playing the game coming straight off his sick bed. I was watching Will's parents pumping him with asthma spray at the breaks to keep him going, what a little champ! Then there was Pat Kerr for his "don't argue" fend offs while running with the ball and a great long goal. Aidan contributed with two, we always expect that from the goal sneak, well done on a great year. Ryan Higgins also contributed with a fantastic banana kick that ran along the ground for an exciting opening goal.

Boys and parents, what a fantastic season, it has been a lot a fun to watch the boys grow. I want to send my special thanks to all that contributed on match day, without you it would not have been possible. We should also note the coaches Andrew, Rohan and Peter, and also our special trainer Dino Cellini. Thank you all for a great year!

Remember presentations will be at the Stanley Grouse Oval & RSL from 4.30pm on September 9

BLACKROCK BlackRock Investment Management Under 9 Browns

An overcast day met the boys on their final match for the season. Jordan Doelling and Gus Lachal led the side out against Ashburton Red, another side that we have had great struggles against all year. With a settled side of 18 the boys went in hard from the opening bounce. Ashy had all the play in their forward line but couldn't convert and at ¼ time led us by 10 points.

In the second quarter, confidence started to rise and we continually drove the ball into our forward line where Ed Faulkner and Henry Marcel kicked two great goals to see us lead by five points at ½ time. Sam Woolley across half back was an inspiration and he was well supported by Tom McDonald, Ed Faulkner, Ned Lindholm, Harry Healy and Fred Oldfield.

The third quarter was a struggle for both sides and a great running goal from Harry Healy saw us maintain the lead throughout the quarter. If not for inaccurate kicking from Ashy the lead may not have been possible, but great quarters by Charlie Westacott, Sam B, Sam W, Ed Faulkner and the tackling machine Ned Lindholm saw us lead by five points at the final change.

Our last quarter of the year saw Ashy come back strongly and we went goal for goal with them before two late goals saw them overrun us by 12 points. The result was certainly not a reflection on the game and the boys were valiant all day, particularly their attack on the ball, tackling and endeavour.

Final Scores Ashburton Red 5.11.41 defeated Browns 4.5.29

Goalkickers: Harry Healy 2, Henry Marcel and Ed Faulkner

Best Players: Sam Woolley, Ed Faulkner, Ned Lindholm, Tom McDonald, Sam Barnett and Fred Oldfield.

In closing, I would personally like to thank my Team Manager, Martine Oldfield on the work undertaken during the season which ensured all paperwork and organisation went very smoothly. To the parents that helped out each week, a big thank you and for being there to support the team during the year. Finally, to the boys who all performed so well each week throughout the year. They have all improved so much and I look forward to either coaching them again next year or watching with interest their improvement in the Under 9's again next season.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Presentation Evening on Sunday 9th September at the East Malvern RSL from 5.00pm.



Don Small Goods Under 9 Greens

The season finished with a tough, muddy, close game against Prahran with the boys showing great determination in probably having their hardest fought win for the year. The team work was outstanding although the conditions were hard for the boys not experiencing thick deep mud before but they still tried to play as team utilizing the lesson and training that we have been practicing.

The best player for the day was everyone who contributed equally. Best players: TEAM EFFORT.

With the year completed and my first year of coaching junior football, I have found it very different to what I thought it would be, it was actually quite exhilarating, totally enjoyable, challenging and most of all very rewarding to see young kids enjoy themselves and want to keep coming back each week. The boy's improvement was great to watch from not even being able to kick or handball a ball to confidently pass onto team mates with great ease at the end of the season. One remark was quite notable from one of the Parents my Child doesn't really like football he quoted at the start of season but for him to come up to me after the last game and tell me that he now loves it and can't put a ball down gives you a great feeling.

Lastly I would like to thank David McMillan as team manager and all the effort he has put into during season, he basically does everything (with Celeste of course) from organizing the team, the parents and basically runs the show.. WELL DONE AND THANK YOU DAVID.

Also thanks to all parents helping for every Sunday, I think a few of them have enjoyed it much as the kids, special to mention Rohan Aujard who was the runner most weeks



Pearson Trueman & Associates Under 10 Browns

Match Report: East Malvern Blue V Pearson Trueman & Associates Under 10 Brown

East Malvern Blue (4.9.33) were defeated by Pearson Trueman & Associates Under 10 Brown (8.9.57)

To all Parents and Players.

The end of the season has arrived upon us again, and what a year it has been, with some newcomers and some old bloods from the year before, and through it all we have seen the determination to improve week by week with the thrill of running around to get a kick week in and week out.

With the new invention of the Parent V Son football match, glad that only happens once a year, still can't walk, and the introduction of a set play, all new ideas and learning experiences have added to the year.

For me it has been a challenging and an immensely rewarding year, trying my best to balance the side and give everybody a go in all the positions of the field, as well as non-stop encouragement to every player and to remember as much of the plays and quarters as possible whilst remembering they are only under 10's.

It was also great to have a player of the caliber of Shane Crawford to come to training, and then take training, wouldn't you love to have that control at home, of your child of course. As a small footnote about SHANE CRAWFORD, I just had to write that for the Club President and for the Coach of the Under 10 Blues, training at Anderson Park does have it good points. "Kick more

Thank you to my support team:

Mark Nolan - LEDGENDARY TEAM MANAGER, The organization that this man has put together from the start of the season is why everybody has been able to enjoy and watch their children improve week after week, everything has been on your emails and completely updated every week, and sometimes daily, I thank you greatly and I'm sure every parent would agree with me too.

Dave May - RUNNER, Dave now is Deaf in one ear, possible two, which I admit I have caused, it was only half way through the season I was told I could use the runner to run messages out to the players, but by that time I was still yelling so he could hear me to then tell the players, truthfully, thank you - I appreciate your support and your ability to fill in when I was on Holiday's and again two years in a row, we have not been able to capitalize on those Silly Round Robins - is there a next year?

Kate Simkiss - FITNESS ADVISER, AQUA RUNNER, and all-round first aid doc to the kids on the field, as well as medical support to the parents during a very hard encounter with 18, Under 10 devils, thank you very much indeed, because without you another parent would have needed to be trained in the art of first aid, which is not a bad thing anyway, and a great thing that everybody should know something about, because you never KNOW, and without the first-aid we can't take the field, thank you.

To all the parents that have helped throughout the year thank you as well, everything from the boundary line, Darren Bulte, Goal Umpires, Ross, Sexton, Matthews, the families in the Canteen without the window to see the ground and the all round jobs man Neville Davis, and everybody else who I have not spoken about thank you all and that's from your Children as well, because they only play because you're there to help every week.

I would like to especially thank our sponsor in Pearson Trueman & Associates for their invaluable sponsorship for the team (Thanks Suzanne and Adam, and of course Max). Your support has been great for the team and also for the club.

I would also like to make sure I thank the partners of the coaching staff that have allowed their spouses spend time doing "Footy stuff" during the season.

Last but not least a very very big thank you to Stephen Davis. Stephen's Passion is Photography, and this time, he has really raised the bar to a new level, having produced something everybody will see and have to keep as well as a piece of history, one of those; "I used to play with that SUPERSTAR when I was in Under 10's at Glen Iris Gladiators", but also for the shots he has taken of our kids throughout the year, thank you.

To all my team you have all listened and I hope learned something this year, all the best for next year and I look forward to seeing you all again in Under 11.

Signing Off for the year, Cheers Timbo & Nolsie



EMIT Environmental Brokers Under 10 Golds

UNDER 10 GOLDS FINISH SEASON IN STYLE

The final game of the year against Ashburton saw the under 10 Golds team go through the season undefeated in an enormous effort for the team.

The game was a typical example of how the Golds played for the year with every player playing team football and was prepared to sacrifice their game for the good of the team.

Overall this team was an absolute pleasure to coach and the boys ability to enjoy themselves and also to play team football was excellent.

A great year boys and we look forward to seeing you all next year

Pete, Brad and Andrew



Trojan Under 10 Blues

No report received



Polarity Consultants Under 11 Blues

POLARITY

BLUES 19 18 (132) def WAVERLY PARK HAWKS 4 2 (26)

The dreaded flu wrecked havoc on the Blues this week when only 16 players took to the field at Columbia Park against Waverly Park Hawks. To further add to our plight was the fact that two of our players were not fully fit, one with a massive black eye (training mishap) and the other coming towards the end of the flu.

The lads were told that they had to be the perfect football team to enable us to cover our deficiencies. The perfect team they were for at the end of the first quarter with the help of a slight breeze we had kicked eight goals to one. The magnetic board was fired up at quarter time giving our backs a stint in the forward line and vice versa. The Blues again responded in the second quarter against the breeze and went in to the long break with a twelve-goal lead. The second half pretty much mirrored the first with the Blues again dominating all the play. Games like these create opportune times for the boys to hone their skills and to take risks and be confident with the ball. A good win for our lads especially with the finals now upon us.

Congratulations to the team for taking out the minor premiership, which in itself is the first of many steps to that Grand Final. The boys were reminded that playing finals football requires a massive effort because finals football is different

GOALS: Rivett 6, T Will, Lunney 3, J Will, Beard 2, Carr, Jonas, Greenhough

BEST: Those players that hit the ball hard.



Starship Under 12 Blues

STARSHIP

Sunday's game we came up against the bottom team in Waverley, who were without a win and only 13 players available. While it was a must win game for us, to ensure we maintained a top 4 finish, we were in our rights to call for a forfeit and thereby guarantee our position. However to our boys credit they rose to the occasion and all offered to help out and play for Waverley.

As a result I can honestly say that it was one of the most enjoyable games of footy I've been associated with and played in a great spirit. In fact I think our boys playing for Waverley, enjoyed lining up against their team mates and giving them a hard time, more than when they were back in Glen Iris colours!

In the end we had an easy win, but the game truly summed up what junior football is all about.

Finally, congratulations for finished third on the ladder, with a real chance of advancing to the next level, so well done boys on a great season thus far."



Melbourne Finance Under 13 Blues

Glen Iris 14.11.95 defeated East Malvern White 6.2.38

COACH'S SUMMARY

After a great first half of footy we limped over the line on the weekend. I have no doubt any tiredness will disappear before our first final this week. There were plenty of positives coming from the game with plenty of flowing football in the first half. Our runners were providing targets, so for those with the footy they could dispose by hand and foot quickly and easily. Henry was leading well from full forward, Stewy Madsen was making good position and flicking out handballs to keep the ball moving. Macca's back to his running best snagging 3 or 4 goals, and Mitch and Ned were battling hard all over the ground. Langers turned it on in the forward line with the help of some good midfield work from Burr, Brandy, Max, Stewie & Lidgett. Our second half showed what happens when our skills drop off. Handballs missed their targets which stops the flow. We forgot to switch the ball into the open spaces, so the game became congested. It was a good example of what wins games for us and what will cost us games. We are a running side that needs to keep the ball out of the overcrowded areas. Im sure we will have success this week if we keep these thoughts in the back of our mind: Play on, switching across the ground to players leading toward open spaces. If you are a forward pocket / flanker / winger it's not your job to run into the forward zone and stand there calling, trying for the 'big mark'. You should be running in after the ball has been passed toward our leading full forward. Crumb if necessary and then sprint back out of the forward zone again. Tackle and pressure your opponents hard, so their skills are lessened. Read the play and move into a receiving position early to make it easier for the player with the ball to make a quick decision (eg when switching).

MANAGER'S REPORT

The first half was a blistering return to the way we can play. After speaking to some of the opposition officials at half time it was apparent that they were fearful of the potential final margin. I disagreed and expressed my concerns that our team have not been playing four quarters. Unfortunately I was right - we fell asleep again. When you have your foot on the opposition's throat put your foot down! Don't stop - Ashburton, Prahran & East Malvern won't! Congratulations to the whole team for finishing on top of the ladder (only just) make sure you now finish the good work - there is now a big job to do.

WEEKLY TIP

It is now time to do all the little things, because they all add up.....and that means looking after yourself.

1. Sleep - get to bed early every night this week (9:00pm - 9:30pm / not 10:00. not 1:30, not 11:00 or later!)
2. Food - eat healthy, eat a good breakfast, eat a small dinner - not pasta / not rice / nothing heavy - eggs, fish, meat, proteins.
3. Sunday - have a breakfast with cereal, fruit, bread, porridge, pancakes etc. and a light lunch - sandwich, salad, fruit (no pies!)
4. Sleep with a football / wear your Glen Iris jumper to bed / hang it on the wall / dream of the joy of playing well, of being cheered along by all your team mates who will always stick by you whatever happens.
5. **Smile & be happy.**

You all have your parents' love & support - we thank you, we admire your efforts, win or lose, we are with you.



Dorval Under 15 Golds

Under 15 second semi.

Just in time for the finals series, the Gladiators were close to full strength, with the exception of Josh bosnar and long term injury to Chris Hamer. The boys prepared and and trained perfectly. As the professional unit they are, they continue to prove wrong all who doubt them.

Beverly Hills were a side packed full of runners and skillful forwards, and came to play in the first quarter, aided by a 3-4 goal breeze, the gladiators stood their ground and stayed with them during Beverly Hill's onslaught. they may have been up at quarter time had it not been for a few unlucky bounces and finals nerves causing unusual spills.

The glads true to their name, put the foot down in the second and displayed fast flowing and hard hitting footy, stemming from the no frills hardness from the back six and the engine room of the middle group. the forwards were licking their lips and were on the end of some breathtaking delivery by hand and foot. At the half, the game was all but over.

Third term was a see-saw battle, the glads into the wind stayed level in the scoring with beverly hills and stopped any sort of run on. This was what many thought may be the end of the "Hills".

The last term beverly hills took it to the glads making them earn every kick and not giving much space for them to do so. Getting with in three points with around 10 minutes to go. there were alot of stressed and anxious faces in the glen iris crowd.

Once again the boys in blue stood tall and lifted that gear they so often have and kicked away to a comfortable three goal victory and now face a second Grand Final in the premier division.

The season is far from over.... Exciting two weeks ahead for all involved and hopefully another flag can be dragged back to Righetti oval...The home of the mighty gladiators!



Colts - Glen Iris Sharks

COLTS - SECOND SEMI-FINAL

GLEN IRIS SHARKS v MACLEOD - Sunday 12 August, 2007
Played at Templestowe

Scores : GI SHARKS 6-14-50 def MACLEOD 2-13-25

The rematch from the last round of the regular season saw a much better effort from the GI Sharks, who were strong and determined throughout the game, as were also Macleod. The result was a closely contested and very tight and low-scoring game for three of the four quarters, with goals being very hard to come by all day, partly because of the uneven and rather swirly wind.

In the first half, although the Sharks were first to many of the contests, Macleod was far more accurate in finding targets all over the ground. This allowed a fast-linking and play-on game, while the Sharks repeatedly wasted opportunities by consistently turning the ball over as a result of poor disposal and repeated fumbling all over the ground. Tight Sharks' defence made scoring goals extremely difficult for Macleod, especially in the difficult wind, and the result was a very high tally of behinds for our opponents.

At the same time, when the Sharks were in attack, poor disposal also resulted in an excessively large number of behinds scored. Macleod was running the lines between contests very well all over the ground, and as a result constantly outnumbered the Sharks at contests, which was a factor in many of the Sharks' turnovers, but the Sharks were still sticking close in the very tight game. With a combined total of only three goals for the game to half-time, the Sharks were doing well to be only 8 points down at the main break.

The third quarter was decisive – the premiership quarter. The Sharks finally got their act together, combining well and backing each other up strongly, supported by very fast and accurate passing to team-mates. This culminated in very long and accurate kicking into the Sharks' forward line, both to forward targets and also for goal. As a result the Sharks piled on 5 goals 7 behinds to one point in this term to open up a potentially match-winning lead, and take a very strong grip on the game.

In the last quarter the Sharks continued to do the attacking, but Macleod was doing a good job in defence, still getting more numbers to many of the contests. With the Sharks constantly maintaining the pressure, and still defending fiercely, Macleod was scoring behinds only and started to get rattled and unsettled after making no ground on the scoreboard, giving away some unnecessary and very costly free kicks as a result. Even though it was not a negative quarter by either side in style of play, the tightness of the game nonetheless produced no goals for the quarter (and a goal-less second half for Macleod), allowing the Sharks to close out the game in the end by a comfortable 25 points.

It was a great win for the Sharks, who had only 18 players and therefore no interchange options, and some of the 18 were carrying debilitating injuries, playing only because they were needed. The team now has a very well earned and much needed week-end off next week, to allow time to get all players as fresh and fit as possible for the grand final in two weeks' time.

GO SHARKS !!

Results from Round 14

Under 11 Blue	19.18 = 132	Def	Waverley Park Hawks	4.2 = 26
Under 12 Blue	14.29 = 113	Def	Wav Park Hawks	2.1 = 13
Under 13 Blue	14.12 = 96	Def	East Malvern White	6.3 = 39
Second Semi Final—Yarra League				
Colts	6.14 = 50	Def	Macleod 1	2.13 = 25
Under 15 Gold	9.14 = 68	Def	BevHiIR	8.6 = 54

Fixture for Finals Series 19th August

COLUMBIA PARK (Melway 71H11)

Under 12	Glen Iris Blue	V	East Malvern White	1.00 pm
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PINEWOOD RESERVE (Melway 70G4)

Under 11	Glen Iris Blue	V	East Malvern White	9.00 am
Under 13	Glen Iris Blue	V	Ashburton Green	3.00 pm

Both Yarra League Teams, the Colts and the Under 15 Gold will play in the Grand Final on 26th August.

Gladiator's Calendar

▶ August 2007

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 13 Gold Training	2	3 Training	4
5 Round 13	6	7	8	9	10 Training	11
12 Round 14 (WJFA)	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Finals	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Upcoming Events

9th September - Presentation Day