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News from the Sorrento Football Club

From The President

We've now passed the halfway mark of the season and at time of print (prior to the Devon Meadows game) all 3 teams are well placed. The under 18's are going very well with two of the boys having made an appearance in the seniors thus far - Jayden Tomkins and Zac Byrns. Jayden has also played a couple of games for the Stingrays in recent weeks.

Various teams can get stronger; in the Under 18's as players get dropped back from seniors later in the year and also school footballers return. Regardless of this they look well placed to compete deep into September.

The Reserves are going nicely also sitting in the top 2 and providing great depth for the club. They've had over 40 players represent the Reserves this year already, a staggering number and one that would've seen us struggle to field a side let alone a competitive one in the past. We have some good young talent that should see the club well placed in the short term.

The seniors are getting the job done but have some big games coming up. Frankston is the obvious one as they are still undefeated and always tough to beat at home. There is nothing major on the injury front at this stage with players starting to make their way back.

All coaches are doing a great job at keeping the boys playing at a high level every week and also keeping a lid on things. This is something we all need to do as the serious

stuff approaches. Let's keep our heads down and make 2013 a year to remember.

Coaches Report – SENIORS

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Rye

Saturday's game against traditional rival Rye was played as a stand-alone game with the group coming back from a double bye. So the playing group, as no doubt most of you were too, was very excited to be back in the swing of things. The game was played in perfect conditions and after some early 'angst' among both playing groups the lads settled really well and dominated the first quarter having 14 scoring shots to 1. Leigh Pohlke was grabbing everything up forward, our midfield group dominated lead by Treebs and Nibbs, and Guy was mopping up every forward thrust by Rye and turning it into attack.

With the game in hand pretty early the second half was pretty flat with both appearing to roll through the motions a bit. The end result was a 10 goals win and we generated 40 or so scoring shots. There was a lot to be pleased about but also plenty to work on.

Really exciting was the debut from the under 18's by Zac Burns. Burna looked comfortable at that level and competed really well including kicking a terrific goal in the last quarter.

This week we take on Devon Meadows at home so it'll be good to get back on our home

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deck hopefully a good crowd to support all three sides. See you there

Coaches Report – RESERVES

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Rye

The Reserves went into the match against Rye with our strongest side on paper. Combined with perfect weather conditions we were set to have a dominant day against our biggest rivals.

The players started the match with a lot of intensity, and we went on to control the first quarter and build a 17 point lead at the first change. Once again the back line stood up magnificently led by Jack Shepherd and Michael Patterson. Our tackling pressure was first rate and as a result we were able to keep Rye scoreless at half time while booting 5.8 ourselves.

After half time the team came out flat, and maybe believed that the talent in the side was enough to get the job done in the second half. And although the players did keep our opposition scoreless for three quarters we only managed to kick 1.3 in the third term ourselves. The message at three quarter time was to finish the game off as we started it with plenty of run and hardness at the ball. But maybe having two weeks off without a game or knowing we had a 47 point lead at the last change we struggled to control the

final term. We were out-scored by Rye who booted 4 goals straight to our 2.4 and although it was satisfying to get the four points away from home, a more complete performance will be required against the stronger sides coming up.

Jonathan Croad was the dominant player on the ground in the ruck and down forward. Josh Moore returning from injury was also a good contributor along with Tom Sicuro and Jack Shepard down back. Aaron Balloch was our only multiple goal kicker with 2.

Coaches Report – UNDER 18s

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Rye

After a two week break, we needed to get game time into all of our 22 players, so this was our main priority.

We had our 18 best available play the first quarter and came into the first break 7 goals to nothing.

We moved the ball well and our forwards had plenty of room to move. Rye dropped a couple back for the second quarter and we had to work harder for our goals.

The second half saw a few of our players ignoring team rules by drifting down deep into our forward line looking for a goal

Briggs dominated at CHF kicking 8, Nat ran hard all day, Croad worked tirelessly in the

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ruck and Marcus gave us four quarters for the first time this year.

We play the top side next week without a couple of our stars. Looking forward to see how our players stand up under real pressure

Vale

Condolences to the Bade family and his many friends on the recent passing of Geoff. He was a generous sponsor and supporter of our club.

Next Game

Saturday June 15

Sorrento v Devon Meadows @ Home.

Footy Tipping

Eileen has increased her lead again, despite having only 4 right, in a round with a few tough contests and an upset. All results are on the website: sorrentosharksfc.com.au

Rank	Score	7	8	9	10	11
1st	79 Schillabeer, Eileen	7	8	7	7	4
2nd	73 Croad, David	7	8	6	6	4
2nd	73 Strahan, Max	6	7	7	8	5
4th	71 Hammond, Denise	6	7	7	6	4
4th	71 Opie, Trevor	7	8	6	7	4
4th	71 O'Shaughnessy, Sally	6	8	6	6	3
4th	71 Sheffield, Jane	6	8	6	6	5
4th	71 Soapy	5	8	7	6	6