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News from the
Sorrento Football Club

From The President

Despite the inclement weather during the week and since the games on Saturday were played in relatively good conditions. Clearly some of the potential spectators were frightened off, but there was a respectable contingent from Devon Meadows and it was a great day of footy.

In the more temperate climes of the clubhouse the Sponsors, Members and their guests were introduced to Ryan Jeffery a recruit from ES, now playing with the seniors and assistant coach, who gave his impressions of his first season at Sorrento.

Sponsor of the day Jonathon Dixon introduced his team and new local manager Anastasia Howard. They kindly donated generous prizes for players in the Seniors and Reserves teams, which were awarded after the game.

Maton Guitars have specially made and donated a unique guitar which is black with the Sorrento Sharks logo on the head. It is being sold by silent auction; the successful bidder will be announced at the last home game. There will be pictures on the website in the next few days, so please have a look and you can place your bid with Simmo.

Finally we were entertained by comedian Lawrence Mooney, who stayed to watch some of the match and seemed to enjoy being down in Sorrento as much as we enjoyed his act.

Coaches Report – SENIORS

Sorrento 23.22.160

Devon Meadows 10.140.70

Saturday's game against Devon Meadows was played in relative sunshine despite the backdrop of a week's worth of shocking weather. Devon have won just 1 game this year so while the result seemed predictable the importance of the day for the playing group was to ensure we played to the style and structure we will need to against the stronger sides.

Early on we played show off football and tried things that we simply won't get away with against better sides and despite leading at quarter time we probably got out worked by a determined Devon. After quarter time things got better but we still conceded far too many scoring opportunities and lacked discipline and accountability.

Ultimately a good not great performance but to generate 40 scoring shots is a good outcome. Pleasing to be able to blood another youngster with James Brigden debuting alongside under 18's teammate Zac Burns in his second game. Both showed enough to suggest long senior careers ahead of them at Shark Park!

This week we have a huge game against the Frankston Bombers at Baxter. The result of the game will have a massive outcome on our position come the end of the season and I know the playing group is primed for the

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challenge. I'm sure there are plenty of reasons why not but I'd love to see a huge contingent of travelling supporters get along to support the lads and provide a bit of vocal encouragement. Love to see you there... P.S back your gumboots!!!

Coaches Report – RESERVES

Sorrento 8.11.59

Devon Meadows 7.3.45

The Reserves were coming up against a team who defeated us last season, and who are in the top 5 in Devon Meadows. The players, sensing the importance of this game, came out firing in the first five minutes to dominate the play out of the centre. The midfield was able to deliver the ball well to our forwards who converted their opportunities. At quarter time we held a 26 to 12 advantage on the scoreboard.

I was impressed with the players tackling and hardness at the ball in the first half. But Devon Meadows, being quality opposition, fought their way back into the match. They kept us to one goal in the second quarter while kicking two themselves.

Coming out after half time with an 8 point lead an extra big effort was needed to open the game up to our advantage. But to our opposition's credit they held firm to make it a tough contest all day. The third quarter was an arm wrestle with both teams adding two goals to the scoreboard and with only a 10

point lead at the final change I asked for an extra special effort to get the 4 points.

I couldn't be prouder of the players in the final term with their pressure and tenacity at the contest. With Devon Meadows coming hard, the boys managed to withstand everything they threw at us and we were able to grind out a hard fought 14 point victory. All 22 players could hold their heads up high, and it was contributions from everyone which got the result. Jonathan Croad was dominant in the ruck and down back, Nick Lever had his best game of the season with two goals, Heath Connolly at CHB was a standout in defence along with Jack Shepherd and Jon Casper in his second match back from injury was a solid contributor in the midfield and down back.

Finally we wish Rikk Feldhofer a speedy recovery. Rikk, who suffered a broken collarbone in the second half, is a much improving footballer who can hopefully make it back before the end of the season.

Coaches Report – UNDER 18s

Sorrento 4.6.30

Devon Meadows 14.12.96

The two undefeated teams faced off on Saturday at Sorrento, but after a great first quarter, the boys struggled for the rest of the game.

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The bigger bodied Devon Meadows team played hard "one-on-one" football for four quarters, whereas our boys dropped off after half time.

85% was knocked off our hard earned percentage as we suffered a 10 goal defeat in front of our dedicated supporters.

Our bottom aged boys filled the best players, with a number of boys having to shoulder key positions with immature bodies. I was very proud of them.

We have 6 weeks to train hard and work on our deficiency to bridge the gap.

4th	77 Soapy,	8 7 6 6 6
5th	76 Baker, Steve	6 7 7 5 6
5th	76 Opie, Trevor	8 6 7 4 5
5th	76 O'Shaughnessy, Sally	8 6 6 3 5

All results are on the website:
sorrentosharksfc.com.au

Next Game

Saturday June 22

Sorrento v Frankston @ Baxter

Footy Tipping

Eileen for Prime Minister!!!!

Rank	Score	8	9	10	11	12
1st	84 Schillabeer, Eileen	8	7	7	4	5
2nd	79 Croad, David	8	6	6	4	6
2nd	79 Strahan, Max	7	7	8	5	6

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