

RIVERS NEWS

9th May 2017

Pie Drive

Our Annual Pie Drive has now been delivered, packed and collected. Friday 5th May saw Nathan and I packing what looked like an impossible task with 128 cartons of pies amounting to \$6,133.60. We eventually had two more men join us once the call went out over Facebook and the job was done by 1.30pm. We achieved our goal of improving on last year's totals and to date have raised \$1,047.50. So, a great big thank you to all who participated, your support is very much appreciated and our players will reap the benefits. For those of you who have not yet tried your pies, you are in for a treat. We thought they were pretty good last year, but this year they are even better!! Because of several late orders and some people wanting even more pies, we have decided to run a follow up drive with the delivery date of Monday 22nd May. Orders and money for this second drive are to be placed in the yellow box on the wall near the vending machines and must be in by Sunday 14th May. Sales from this second drive are not eligible for the most sales prizes.

Winner Most Sales by an Individual – Blake Robson U9 Everton \$410.65

Winner Most Sales by a Team – Under 14 Division 3 \$717.70

Presentation of Awards and Club Golden Anniversary Celebrations – Date Saver Saturday 16th September

Junior Presentation will be held in the afternoon and is hoping to kick off around 3pm at this stage.

Gala Dinner and Senior Presentation will be held in the evening commencing around 6.00pm.

The day will be held at the Lions Hall within the Pine Rivers Showgrounds. Entry will be free to the Junior Presentation. Ticket prices for the Gala Dinner and Senior Presentation night are yet to be determined, however, all Senior players (men and women) have free entry as their ticket was covered in their registration fees. Everyone is welcome to attend both events. We will keep you updated with what's happening in regard to this day of celebration.

If anyone has any memorabilia or knows of anyone who may have some historical news regarding the past 50 years please contact us via sof@pineriversunited.org.au as Margaret and Rhonda are putting together a book of our history to mark the event.

Upcoming Senior Home Games		
Friday 12 th May	6.30pm	Women's City League 3 vs Virginia United
	8.30pm	Men's City League 6 vs Narangba United
Saturday 13 th May	4.00pm	Men's Capital League 2 Reserves vs Toowong
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Sunday 14 th May	4.00pm	Women's City League 2 vs Oxley United
Friday 19 th May	6.30pm	Women's City League 5 vs Narangba
	8.30pm	Women's City League 4 vs Brighton Bulldogs
Saturday 20 th May	2.00pm	U18 Div 1 vs Pine Hills
	4.00pm	Men's Capital League 2 Reserves vs Virginia United
	6.00pm	Men's Capital League 2 vs Virginia United
Sunday 21 st May	12.00pm	Women's City League 3 vs Taringa Rovers
Friday 26 th May	6.30pm	Women's City League 2 vs Redcliffe PCYC
	8.30pm	Men's City League 6 vs Samford Ranger

Match Reports

(If you would like to see your team's match report here, please submit to sof@pineriversunited.org.au)

U10 Spurs Round 6 - Hi All, I don't think there is enough words to describe how awesome our boys are in the whole of the English dictionary so I went to the World one and well I couldn't pronounce any of those so for those unlucky enough to not watch the game today you're going to have to take my word for it the boys were just incredible. No use me trying to break it down boy by boy this week as they played so in sync they were as one. I don't think coach needed to talk (but of course that doesn't stop him) as the boys knew exactly what to do, where to go, how to pass and defend and attack and where to place themselves to move in perfect unison around the field and score and score and score at one stage two goals in under 1 minute. They were so entertaining to watch. If today's game was on T.V it would be advertised as action packed from start to finish. Final score was absolutely amazing. This week's player of the match was hard to choose, but with Timmy scoring such a swag of goals this week sees him as our choice.

U11 Komodos Round 6 - Komodo's hosted Pine Hills at midday, a very tough time of day to ensure concentration and energy levels stay high. After beating them in the first game of the season we knew it would be tough. The first half was one end to the other with both sides having multiple chances on goal. The deadlock was broken when Cody slipped past a couple of defenders and cracked a shot at the bottom right hand corner which the goalkeeper got his hands to but could not keep it out. Another chance came not long after with the boys believing it had crossed the line but was waived away by the official. Second half was much of the same with a second goal coming from a Sebastian free kick that was way too blistering to be stopped. Pine Hills received a penalty late in the game but could not convert hitting it over the crossbar (Laucian had it covered anyway) and a great "local derby" win for the boys!!!!

Women's City League Cup Round 1 - A twilight game on a small pitch suited the 3tards for their first game in the City Cup away to AC Carina's Division 3 side. We welcomed back former 3tard, Merry, who kindly stepped up to help us from our Rivers City 3 team. The first half was one way traffic for the 3tards who carried a 3-0 lead into the break. We concentrated on playing good and simple football, with passes going to feet and good communication opening many chances for us. Our backline was able to take advantage of the fact we were largely in control of possession with Kjoie and Pregaras free to make some driving runs up the field. Adje was getting a workout, taking many impressive corner kicks. The second half was more even with each team picking up two goals. Adje has put in an entry for goal of the season with a pearler of a strike from outside the area. AC Carina picked up two consolation goals towards the end, but a hat trick from Tay, a cool finish from Brack and that belter from Adje, saw the 3tards run away with a 5-2 victory.

U12 Div 2 Round 5 - Pine Rivers vs East Brisbane

I'm always nervous about after lunch matches when it is warm and sunny. Energy can be hard to come by and your strength can be sapped quickly. The boys needed a win to rev their spirits back up again. It has been a tough introduction to competitive full field football.

Well, if I only had one word to describe this match it would be 'dogged'. But lucky for you I'm allowed more than one word!

From the kick off there was definitely more fight. All the boys competed strongly for the ball and our passing game came to the fore. It was very even. Easts were one spot above us on the ladder. Luke matched their number 9 blow for blow and this lad was a big unit, even next to Mt Dipper. Eli in goal was his 'bossy' best organising his defence. He pulled off an acrobatic diving save to deny a goal. Our midfield were dynamic and Riley and Quinton were ferocious with their running and tackling. On the wings Bailey and Alex kept the flow to their box regular. Caden was lightning on the break up front and had two great chances. Unlucky, but exactly what he is there to do! Jamie and Jake were solid in defence and provided great support to the midfield when needed. Wes made a marvellous return after what we thought was a long injury absence. He moved well, the ball moved well, all is well. Then it came! Fantastic cross from Alex and Sameer on the end of it to slot it home bottom left corner. No chance keeper. 1:0!

From here Easts' pressure mounted again. Coach Ben used his subs bench very shrewdly and Ethan and Jayden kept our momentum up admirably. Jayden's left sided strength is an asset. Ethan has this amazing knack of disappearing into a bunch of opposition players and with a flurry of arms and legs and pops out the other side with the ball! Uncanny skill.

Despite several attempts the Rivers boys repelled each attack and ground out a deserved and dogged win. Spirits were high and smiles were plentiful. The parents could breathe again! Quick sideline straw poll handed Sameer Man of the Match for the goal and his fight. But a great all-rounder I say.

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Recipe Book

As this year is the Club's 50th Anniversary we are hoping to put together a recipe book containing the favourite recipes of our current members and players. The proceeds of which will be used to offset the costs of the Anniversary Celebrations. Please start sending in your favourite recipes along with either yours or your child's name and team so this can be recorded in the book alongside your recipe. Send to Margaret via sof@pineriversunited.org.au. Thank you

Mothers' Day Stall Has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

Registration

There are still quite a few players who are yet to register on My Football Club. If players are not registered they have no insurance and are therefore not permitted to play. We urge all parents to ensure they have registered their child/ren as a duty of care towards them. Invoices have now been sent to all players with outstanding registration fees. Please remit the outstanding amount as soon as possible to enable us to pay our bills. Our budget this year is very tight so we need you all to help us as much as you can. If you are having financial difficulty or believe your invoice to be incorrect, please contact the Football Division Treasurer, Deb, at tof@pineriversunited.org.au. Thanking you all for your assistance in this matter.

Team Photographs

There has been a change in dates for our Team Photographs due to availability of our photographer. Team photos will now be held the week of 21st August which is the last week of fixtures. Photos will be done on Monday-Thursday nights of this week and your team will hopefully be done on your training night. More about photos to come later.

50 Year Memorabilia For Sale

2017 is the 50th Anniversary of Pine Rivers United so we have had some items specifically made to mark the event. Once they are sold, they will no longer be available. Please peruse the list to see what is available so you can support the 50-year celebration of your Club.

Fridge Magnets	\$2.00 each
Sling Bags	\$8.00 each
Stubbie Coolers	\$8.00 each
Baseball Caps	\$10.00 each
Bucket Hats	\$12.00 each



Football Queensland Aldi Kick-Off Programme

The next round of Kick-Off (Kindy Football) is due to commence on Saturday 20th May at 8.00am. If you know any children between the ages of 3 and 6 years please let them know about our programme for the littlies to learn about football. The programme runs for 10 sessions on Saturday mornings (except during the school holidays). Participants receive a sling bag, ball, water bottle and a lunch box and of course 10 coaching sessions. The girls' only programme is \$110 and the mixed programme is \$130. If you are a returning participant, the cost is \$90.

Registration and more information can be found at <http://www.miniroos.com.au/kick-off/>

Competitive Team Referees

It has been brought to our attention that parents and some Managers are confused as to the procedure when no referees are appointed or referees do not show up for games. There is information relating to this problem within the Managers' handbook which was distributed to Managers at the Coaches and Managers' Meeting on 16th March 2017. The information printed at the time is as follows

Referees Attendance

The PRUSC will allocate referees for all mini roos home games, while Football Brisbane allocate referees for all competitive age groups if there are referees available. This can be checked on the Football Brisbane website under referee match appointments on a Thursday night. **However, there may be instances where an allocated referee will be absent.**

Should a referee not attend, it is the responsibility of the Team Manager to assign a referee for the match. The Team Manager should, if possible, solicit at the beginning of the season commitments from a couple of the parents to perform referee duties if an official referee fails to attend.

At the meeting, Managers were instructed as to where to find out whether or not referees have been appointed for their fixtures and the procedure to follow. For those of you who would be willing to referee or run a line for their team, please contact your Manager. If you would like to check for yourself whether or not a referee has been appointed, this can be done by going to the Football Brisbane website. This site is updated on a Thursday evening. Please keep in mind that just because a Referee was appointed to your game, it doesn't necessarily mean that they will show up. <http://www.footballbrisbane.com.au/referee-appointments>

Since then we have been fortunate enough to now have 5 club referees trained to referee our competitive games. Two of these referees are available for U12 and U13 games, the other 3 are available for all age groups. Having said that, we have been instructed by Football Brisbane to contact these referees in a particular order. Nathan is in the process of advising Managers of the names and numbers of the Club Referees and the order in which they are to be contacted and additional numbers for when these 5 are unavailable. It is also important to note that the Football Brisbane Rules of Competition state that Club Referees can only be paid half the normal fee. If you use someone other than a Club Referee, you are under no obligation to pay any match fees to the unofficial referee, that doesn't mean you can't offer them something. Both Club Referees and Unofficial Referees are to be paid cash on the day by the team utilising them. Unfortunately Sunday games are less likely to have referees appointed, although Saturdays can also be effected especially when there are only one or two games scheduled. We hope this clears up any and all confusion and misunderstandings on the matter. If you have any more enquiries regarding referees, Juniors please contact Stephen Hoines on 0405 797 257, Senior Men please contact Tom on 0422 832 434 and Senior Women please contact Brooke on 0412 192 367.

Game Leader Co-Ordinator

Our current Game Leader Co-Ordinator, Russell Mahon, requires some assistance with the running of our Game Leaders (mini roos referees) on a Saturday. Russell now has work commitments every three weeks or so and needs someone to fill his shoes when he is unavailable to look after our young people. If you feel you are able to help Russell out of a Saturday please contact him on 0430 752 045 or at russellmahon@ymail.com

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