



Altona City Soccer Club Newsletter

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Presidents Corner

The season end is fast approaching, and what a season it has been! The next club newsletter will be the last for 2008.

By now, you should all know about the forthcoming events such as:

Keilor Park Tournament

Altona City Tournaments

Senior Presentation

Junior Presentation

Annual General Meeting.

Further details of these events are contained in this newsletter.

There will also be at least two club functions as ratified by the Executive Committee that the Senior arm of the club will hosting so please make an effort to come long and support these club functions.



The Executive Committee do their very best to predict the financial imperatives for the club as well as acting in good faith to provide the best services and products for the members.

All this comes at a cost. The fees and canteen revenue go a long way to providing the day to day income to keep the club ticking over but there is a lot of expenses that still need to be covered and to stand us in good stead to kick off 2009 we need to have functions to raise the required revenue for the club. Without these fundraising events the club may not be able to operate for 2009 or will start with a debt.

Please do your best to support these fundraising initiatives. We are all equal members of this club some of us have been here for a very long time and some of us have come and gone and returned and some have helped out in the past and some have yet to do anything beyond paying fees! This is the time to pull together and support the club by providing your time, your services, your money, your expertise to continue to make Altona City the best club in the west. Altona City has come a very long way in the last six to eight years. Those of you that were here way back then can attest to this. Let us not let the same people do most of the work let us share the load. You know the saying 'a job shared is a job halved'. Do not ignore or insult those that request your assistance they do this for the betterment of the club not for themselves! They do not



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ask because they do not want to do the job themselves it is because they are already doing so many other jobs! After all a 'club' is the sum of **all** the membersthat means YOU!

It is with very deep regret that I have a few announcements of people associated with the club passing away.

Josephine Moody (Ted Moody's original Facilities Executive wife) passed away at the Royal Melbourne Hospital last Thursday. She was only 50 years old. Both Ted and Josie have been long-term staunch supporters of Altona City and Josie will be sadly missed by many especially Ted.

Nick from the Under 15 Boys team had to rush back to Hong Kong where his father had suddenly passed away.

Adam Webster had two family members pass away suddenly.

One of our previous senior players recently had both his mother and father pass away within weeks of each other.

Our thoughts, prayers and support go to ALL the families affected by these tragedies. May they all RIP.

Onto brighter things. It is that time of the year to think about whom you would like to nominate for **Club Person of the Year!** This position is to go to someone who has made significant, consistent contributions (financial, physical, time etc) to the club over 2008. It **cannot** be given to a previous recipient of this award. As a result of feedback, we are looking at a new process for nominations. My suggestion is that you complete the nomination form that will be posted on the website and is attached which outlines the Nominated Person's details and the reason why you have nominated them. Nomination Forms will also be available from your team manager or coach. You team manager or coach will give the nomination forms to either the President or the Vice President David Williams for collation and ratification at the next Executive Committee.

I would like to finish with more news regarding the Summer League 2008/2009.

The Western Zone has won the bid to have a 'club' represent the Western part of Victoria. I am the President for that club and it is called the Western Warriors. We have received 25 coaching applications for seven positions, plus seven assistant positions. Trials for players will be held at a venue to be

confirmed on Saturday 4 October. Nominations for positions within the teams will be through a three-pronged process in the Western Zone. Letters will go to:

1. Coaches in the western zone;
2. Clubs within the western zone;
3. Players registered with clubs in the western zone.

The Summer League will kick-off on Saturday 25 October with a four-week break over Christmas New year and back after the Australia Day long weekend for a total of 16 weeks of games.

The Summer League is the elite pathway for player development beyond club participation that acknowledges and builds on the winter club experience.

If you require any further information regarding the Western Warriors and the Summer League, please contact me on 0425762238 or patricia.josipovic@vu.edu.au



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HC Kim Reserve Speed Limit

The speed limit in and around Kim Reserve is 8 km/h (walking pace)

For the safety of our kids and visiting teams, please do not exceed this speed limit.

Drive with caution when games are in play or when teams are training. Players do not always look before retrieving balls.

Pedestrians have right of way *AT ALL TIMES*



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Annual General Meeting

The Altona City Soccer Club AGM will be held on Sunday 9 November 2008 at 2 pm in the Club Rooms.

For our club to continue to grow and prosper it needs the support of club members to donate their time and skills to our committee. Unfortunately this year some of the existing Executive Committee will be retiring or standing down due to work/personal commitments. We ask that all members seriously consider getting involved.

Positions to be elected:

Executive:

- President – 2 year term
Incumbent – Patricia Josipovic (retiring)
- Vice-President – 12 month term
Incumbent – Dave Williams (standing down)
- Treasurer – 12 month term
Incumbent – Joanne Mucciacciaro (retiring)
- Facilities Director – 12 month term
Incumbent – TonyCassar/Marie Fonua
- Coaching Executive – 12 month term
Incumbent – Ehab Botros
- Marketing and Sponsorship Director – 12 month term
Incumbent – Andrew Sagor

Sub Committees:

- Finance
 - Assistant Treasurer
 - Fundraising Co-ordinator
 - Canteen
 - Registrar
 - General Members
- Coaching
 - Director of Coaching
 - Secretary
 - SSG Co-ordinator
 - JNR Co-ordinator
 - SNR Co-ordinator
 - General Members
- Facilities
 - Assistant Facilities Manager
 - General Members

- Marketing and Sponsorship
 - Merchandise
 - Special Events Co-ordinator
 - General Members

There are no limits to the number of members who may nominate and be elected to sub-committees. Sub-committees are a good way to get involved when you have limited time.

A place on either the Executive Committee or one of the Sub-Committees will require a varying commitment of your time. Minimum time commitment will include

- a monthly meeting
- any necessary follow-up arising from the meeting.

In return, you will ensure that the club continues to develop our local sporting community and provide an avenue for our children to enjoy their sport. I encourage anybody who may be interested to contact the relevant Committee member and have a chat. A nomination form is attached to this newsletter or may be collected from the clubrooms.

Summer League

With a 16 week season, commencing in late October 2008, the FFV Summer League will create an exciting, vibrant football competition. It is proposed that it will be made up of teams from 12 Victorian zones (4 from regional Victoria and 8 from metropolitan Melbourne) determined by FFV (“Zones”).

The FFV Summer League will:

(a) provide a stepping stone in the career path of elite players, coaches and

officials;

(b) showcase the number of young, quality footballers across Victoria;

(c) enhance professionalism at club level;

(d) improve facilities for football and relevant stakeholders;

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- e) improve links between clubs and local communities;
- (f) strengthen the brand and image of football in Victoria;
- (g) Address many of the talented player development gaps identified by the FFA in the National Football Development Plan.

The FFV Summer League will provide players and coaches with a pathway to selection for Victorian State teams that will travel interstate for national championships.

The FFV Summer League aims to engage and develop the skills of coaches whose primary focus is the development of players in accordance with FFV's coaching philosophies. Players may be nominated by Coaches, Clubs or may self nominate. Further information on how to nominate and trials will be circulated once it becomes available.

Coaching Expression of Interest

All current Altona City Soccer Club Coaches and other interested persons are invited to register their Expression of Interest (EOI) for the 2009 Season.

All EOI's are to be forwarded to:

Altona City Soccer Club Executive Committee

Att: Coaching Executive

EOI's are to contain a resume outlining your qualifications, coaching goals and which team or teams that you are interested in coaching.

An EOI document will be posted on the ACSC website soon, outlining the selection criteria and application process.

Further information can be obtained from Kevin Ladd, by email www.altonacitysoccerclub.com.au or on the ACSC website altonacitysoccerclub@hotmail.com.

Team Photos

Team Photos were taken on Sunday 20th, Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th July. Thank you to all those who made the Photo Shoots run with minimal fuss. A special thanks to all those players, parents and coaches that made special trips to have photos taken.

Information regarding the distribution of the Team Photos will be circulated once the photos have been proofed by the respective coaches.

Junior Presentation Day

The Club Junior Presentation day will be held on Sunday 5 October 2008. Anybody wanting to help out or would like to make a donation to the raffle can contact Marie Fonua in the Canteen.

Senior Presentation Day

Seniors, Resies, Thirds, Womens, U/18 and U/16 Girls

Date: Friday 3rd October 2008

Time: 7pm

Venue: GRAND STAR RECEPTIONS

Cost: \$65.00 PER HEAD / UNDER 16 TEAMS TO BE SUBSIDIZED.

5 COURSE /BEER, WINE, SOFT DRINK

BOOKINGS: Joe Gerada -

altonacitysoccerclub@hotmail.com

Altona City Cup

The Altona City Cup will be held over three weekends:

- 11-12 October
- 18-19 October
- 25-26 October

The Cup will consist of a round robin over two weekends with the finals being played on the weekend of 25-16 October.

Please speak to your respective Coaches for further information.

Keilor Tournament

Do not forget that we have nominated teams for the Keilor Tournament beginning first weekend in September. Please speak to your respective Coaches for further information. The draw can be viewed at

www.keilorparksc.com

Club Person of the Year Nominations

As already discussed in the Presidents Corner, please have a think about who has put the hard yards in this year. Club Person of the Year is our opportunity to say thanks to someone who has put in some hard yards for the benefit of the Club and our members.

Nominations close Friday 19 September.

Nomination form attached.

Congratulations!!!!

Congratulations again to Nicola from the U/12A's. Nicola was originally chosen as a reserve for the Victorian Primary School Girls side. She has now been called up as a player.

Well Done Nicola.

NOMINATION FOR ALTONA CITY CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR

Instructions

- Please print clearly.
- Please provide examples of how the nominated member has provided a service to the club
- Please provide your name and contact details so that we may contact you if further information is required.

Once completed, please place in an envelope and pass to Patricia Josipovic or David Williams no later than Friday 19 September. Alternatively, you may email your nomination to acscnewsletter@virginbroadband.com.au .

Name of nominee:.....

Reason for nomination:

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Nominated By:

Contact Details:.....

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE / SUB-COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM

Instructions

- Nominator must be a member of Altona City Soccer Club
- Nomination Form must be signed
- Nominee must sign accepting the nomination
- Nominations will be accepted for all vacant Executive Committee and Sub-Committee positions

Nomination

I, _____, being a member of Altona City Soccer Club, nominate _____ for the position of _____.

Nominators

Signature

Acceptance

I, _____ accept the nomination for the position of _____

Nominees

Signature
