

## Newsletter

2009

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### Presidents Report

Another football season is complete and this year we were treated well with the weather. In 2009 we had 30 teams (316 kids), as well as 72 under 7 year olds in the Midgets. Organising this number of players is a big task and so I would like to congratulate the Management Committee for their efforts this year. Another group of people who deserve many thanks are our coaches – thank you for a job well done. Congratulations to those coaches who attended and passed coaching courses during the year.

Again we have received a good level of sponsorship from the NZ Community Trust, Eureka Trust and the Mainland Foundation – thanks to them for their support. Without this sponsorship your subscriptions would be much higher.

This year we tidied up the outside of the Clubrooms a little with new spouting and some external painting.

Burwood has achieved the ClubMark Bronze award recognising the processes and systems that are in place to run the club successfully. This accreditation is performed by Sport Canterbury and many thanks to Ian Smith for coordinating this effort.

This has been a very successful year for the club with the 13A, 14A, 15A and 17A teams winning their various leagues, the 12A team winning their knockout final and a number of the other teams very close. Congratulations to all our winning teams.

To all the players and parents, I wish you all the best for the summer and look forward to seeing you back next year.

Murray Ralfs

### Club Captains Report

As another season draws to a close we can reflect on a very successful season for some of our teams. Again a lot of our coaches have taken advantage of opportunities to further their skills by attending coaching courses; this can only benefit our players as the coach's knowledge increases. It's pleasing to see the large turnouts at games, with a special thanks to all parents and supporters, without whose support soccer wouldn't happen.

Thanks again, enjoy the sun, and we'll see you all back for the 2010 season.

Don MacDonald

### 2009 Sponsors: – thanks for your support:

- NZ Community Trust
- Eureka Trust
- Mainland Foundation

### Annual General Meeting

Monday, 2 November 2009, 7.30 pm  
Clubrooms, Clare Park

### 2009 Canterbury Representatives

Under 11 Boys Selection: Jared Hepburn, Harrison France  
Under 12 Girls Selection: Kelly Marshall, Sophie Williams  
Under 13 Boys Selection: Brett Taylor



### **7th Grade Meteors**

Team - Caleb Davidson, Zebulun Hamill, Ella Jackson, Kobe Mallon-Marsh, Hunter Moore, Chelisse Perry, Vijay Pinnell, Zachary Ward.

**Coach - Keith Marsh**

### **8th Grade Broncos**

My name is Nick and I had the pleasure of being the Coach of the Burwood Bronco's eighth grade team this year. The basis of our team was built on the seventh grade team from last year, but the players that joined were a definite asset. While it would be fair to say that we lost more games than we won, there were a few games where we punched well above our weight. With one memorable game going to us 1-0 when the other team had far more attempts at goal and were clearly more skilful. but our sheer guts and determination took t he result.

But all in all it was a good season, we scored lots of goals and my player of the year is Logan Bramley with most improved player going to Kees who narrowly edged out Jacko.

Also, thanks very much to Richard and Julie and Rachael and Al for the ir help during the season and also the wonderful support from the other parents throughout the year.

**Coach - Nick Anholt**

### **8th Grade Hurricanes**

Team - Matteo Brennan, Daniel Flanagan, Pawel Gall, Romek Gall, Siobhan Jayes, Jack Jones, Connor Lyons, George Wilce.

**Coaches - James Wilce & Chris Lyons**

### **8th Grade Pumas**

The Pumas have had a good year and are starting to kick and pass the ball with greater accuracy. We only had a few wins this year, but the boys enjoy the competition of game day and are enthusiastic about their soccer. A big thanks to Callan for all his help at practice and on Saturdays, and to the parents who have been so great in their support of the team.

**Coach - Hudson Bond**

### **8th Grade Tigers**

Well after a difficult start to the season and numerous defeats the team are now playing rather well and have won two of their last four games and are giving every team a hard match, and when they do lose it's always a close game with one goal in it.

The kid's are now playing as a team with good passing and supporting each other going forward as well as helping to come back and defend, a real good team effort.

Some cracking goals have been scored and best result of the season a thumping 6 -1 victory over Woolston as well as a 3-0 win against Western Force.

The thing about these kid's is none of them have played football before and their all Kiwis unlike most other teams who are in to their second season and have a few brit's in their teams so they have done well.

Team: Taylah Blakeley, Georgia Gray, Callahan Laird, Harrison Watts, Hunta Watts, Mitchel Power, Luca Paul, Jackson Seeman.

**Coach - Ferg & special thanks to Ken Watts**

### **8th Grade Wizards**

The 2009 Wizards had 6 returning players, Toby, Simon, Phillip, Duncan, Cameron & Riley from the '08' season and 2 new faces in Tyler & Kyron and also the same " coaches" Craig McNab and Stefan Buerki . The boys season has been ok from a results point of vi ew probably the same number of wins

as losses and a few draws with only one drubbing (0 -5) and most games resulting in 1 - 0 or 2 - 1 score lines which is exciting for both parents and the boys. All eight boys have been able to find the back of the net during the season so have experienced the thrill of scoring. We have seen a step up in skills from the boys as well as the opposition which at this stage of development is ideal.

A big thank you to Dave & Tanya who carried the net around this year and the two Daves who filled in as "refs" and "coaches" when needed.

The boys enjoyed full support from all Mums & Dads, Grandparents & family during the year which is fantastic, I don't know if they can hear the support because they don't seem to hear the instructions from the coaches at times!! But it is great fun on a Saturday morning. Thanks again

**Coach - Craig McNab**

### **9th Grade Atomics**

Well it was certainly a step-up from the small fields and small goals. Starting to feel like real soccer. Goalies, throw-ins off-side rules. Lots for the kids to learn. It has once again been a lot of fun for all of the kids, a bit frustrating at times for the more competitive of them when we got our thrashings, but we tried to keep a big emphasis on the fun factor. Great support again from all parents in getting the kids to training every week and early to the games. We have been lucky in having a superb group of Kids and parents and I think everyone has enjoyed the season. Next year of course will be different again with the start of Graded teams, so I imagine this will be the final year of the Burwood Atomics as we have known it for the last 3 years. Thanks everyone for the great support. Regards Paul Toone & Pete Rowlands as coaches for those 3 years.

**Coaches - Paul Toone & Pete Rowlands**

### **9th Grade Jaguars**

The Jaguars have enjoyed a lot of success in winning most of our games and scoring **"80 goals."** Lead up front by Adam Lyons (our leading goal scorer); support was ably provided by Boston Toohey, Tom Weastall, Nathan Marsh and Connor Hunt. Often our midfield and defensive unit of Jonathan Challies, Keegan Hepburn, Olivia & Bailey McDonnell and Reece Piket were called upon to shut down opposition counter offensives!

Our team would like to give out a big thanks to all the parents and supporters. Without their help this season would not nearly have been so enjoyable.

**Coach - Chris Lyons**

### **9th Grade Scorpions**

Thanks to Kirsten Blair, Andre De Rose, Sam Dunnachie, Callum Hawkes, Scott Kilkelly, Joshua Knowles, Angelo Raphael, Jared Thompson, Philip van Arendonk, Liam Williams for a really fun season this year. Even the training was something to look forward to.

What a change over the season, from swarm soccer last year to dedicated goalies and everyone playing positions. The swarm soccer had to stop fairly early in the season, due to everyone being too exhausted by half way through the game. By the end of the season everyone had a position and was sticking to it.

Thanks to all the parents that helped this year, especially for organizing the orange roster, choosing the player of the day every game and for looking after the subs. This made my job much easier.

**Coach - Kevin Thompson**

### **9th Grade Panthers**

Team - Jack Birch, Nova Cockburn -Davies, Tom Goodenough, Matthew Kendall, Lochlan Miller, Taylor Moore, Thomas Russ -Hofmans, Ben Strong, Harry Tappin, Anton Wylaars.

**Coach - Nathan Moore**

## **10<sup>th</sup> Grade A**

This season has been a particularly tough one for the 10a team. We have been competitive all year but have had trouble converting close games into wins. We have played an exciting fast paced style of soccer, which has been a real spectacle to watch. All the boys have developed as players during the season increasing their skills and fitness but mostly their understanding of positions and teamwork. After this season they will never forget how to do push ups as they had plenty of practice! Special thanks to the team managers Chris and Leanne, referee Steve and the vocal bunch of parents and supporters who turned up in all weathers.

**Coaches - Alan Strong & Chris Jarvis**

## **10th Grade Comets**

The comets have had a good season with all players improving their skills throughout the season. The comets have picked up five wins, and every player can be proud of the effort made. Special thanks to our Assistant coach Mike McVicar who despite not having a child in the team helped out with his time and energy all season. Carolyn and Mitchel Roos who refereed our games through the season, and managed the team with game times etc. I would like to also mention a special thanks to Trevor Walker who also helped out at every practice, and last, but not least a big thanks to the parents who supported so enthusiastically from the side line.

**Coaches - Andy Becker & Dave Jackson**

## **10th Grade Hammers**

My team is Burwood Hammers 10th grade. Team players are Jack Harrison, Hamish Lane, Mitchell Wheatley, Mitchell Parks, Olivia Scally, India Richardson, Sam Murphy, Kyal Brown and Jayden Miller. This year I coached the Burwood Hammers, which was an absolute pleasure. We had some great wins this season and with everyone improving game by game we started to play some really good looking football. As a coach it was especially pleasing to see some of the drills and skills the players learnt in training being used in the games, so thanks for listening guys!!! I would also like to say thank you to all the parents for their vocal support and encouragement on the sidelines as it really did lift the team.

Thank you everyone

**Coach - Dave Harrison**

## **10th Grade Rockets**

Another entertaining year with the Rockets. This team has really grown this year and by seasons end were playing some pretty good football. Defending well and scoring some excellent goals. They're a great bunch of lads to coach too with everyone working hard and training well but most importantly having fun. Its really difficult to single people out this year as everyone more than did their part, making choosing POD a bit of a lottery some days. Thanks to the parents also who were always there making some noise and providing plenty of support. See you all next year!

**Coach - Andrew Johnson (AJ)**

## **10th Grade Tornadoes**

Burwood Tornadoes, Another great season for the boys. One game to go and undefeated have scored over one hundred goals with only a handful against. They are a really enthusiastic bunch of boys who give it their upmost. They listen and try hard. They have really started to pass the ball from the backs to the halves to the forwards all doing a good job in their given area. Josh has had his first year in goal and done an awesome job. I would like to thank Andrew Todd for his help in coaching and refereeing games the boys have really enjoyed his input. I would like to thank Angela Francis for doing a great job again with the subbing. We are lucky to have a great bunch of parents who so proudly and loudly support the team. The team is Noy Paull, Jesse Cain, Josh Reid, Gregory Sewell, Jamie Francis,

Jackson Todd, McKenzie Lloyd, Joel Van der Wielen, Juan Parkyn. I wish you all well in whatever sports you decided to do next year. Good Luck.

**Coach - Jacquie Paull**

### **11<sup>th</sup> Grade A**

A season of two halves. The team only lost 1 game in the original Division 2 but lost our way against better quality players and teams in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the season.

Marley Campbell in goal along with Jamie Sequiera and Jared Hepburn had solid seasons with Daniel Wells, Ben Skeats and Mitchell Easton chipping in with some good performances.

Jessie Behan in a new position of centre midfield fitted in well and was ably supported by Josh Bax, Logan Gallagher, and Izaak McDonnell.

The strikers of Harrison France and Leon Cuddy shared most of the goals with a couple of really memorable strikes from both of them.

A learning experience that has set the standard that needs to be achieved next year.

Thanks to Martin Cuddy for his help with the team and to the parents for their support.

**Coach - Ian France**

### **11<sup>th</sup> Grade B**

2009 was all about us building a new team with more than half the team made up of new players. This was really exciting as so many of the players had different levels of skill and strength. The start of the season was tough with no points after our opening 3 games. With hard work and a great attitude things came right. After a full round of 10 games we had a respectable 12 points and were sitting mid-table. The second part of the season has seen us finish 5<sup>th</sup> out of 8 teams. There has been some fantastic games throughout the whole year the most memorable being a 3-3 draw with Avon after being 3-0 down at half time, another was beating Burnside 2-0. All the players can be really proud of their efforts throughout the season. Stefan and I have really enjoyed working with them immensely. Thanks to all the parents for their support and we look forward to seeing everyone next year.

**Coaches - Gary Marshall & Stefan O'Neil**

### **11<sup>th</sup> Grade C**

This season the 11 C's have really developed as a competitive team producing some excellent results. With 11 wins, 3 draws and only 1 loss we are sitting second on the table. Every player has made a valuable contribution and right from the start played as a united team. The 11 C's provided great sideline entertainment with every game well enjoyed and supported by parents and other family members. I would like to congratulate the whole team on their effort and success this season. I would also like to thank all the parents for their help and team support.

**Coach - Steve Conway**

### **12th Grade A**

The 12A's have had a mixed season with some absolute outstanding performances, set alongside a couple of lacklustre affairs. For the most part the team has played some good football in a tough league, where there have been no easy games. These kids all have enormous potential. I hope they have all enjoyed the season and would like to see them all back next season. I would like to thank all parents and supporters for their support and co-operation. Sincerely

**Coach - Terry Neville**

### **12th Grade B**

12th Grade B team (we debated names but couldn't agree on one) have had a really strong year. We were consistently in the top 3 teams of the grade all season. Had it not been for a couple of results

going our way, we are confident we could have topped the competition. Some games we scored goals freely, others were closer encounters. Roughly half the team was new this season, but everyone has come together well and played some really good football. Big thanks to all the parents for your support all year - we've had great turn outs every game. Special thanks also to those parents that have helped out in my absence with training - much appreciated. Thanks to all the kids for another fun year.

**Coach - Mark Jones**

### **12th Grade C**

Again this season has passed quickly. Our results have not been as good as we would have liked but the team spirit was always there. I would like to thank the parents for the help they have given over the season. There were only a couple of new players to the team and all team members improved over the season.

Team - Aidan Cahill, Laura Carlyon, Armon Coskun, Aydin Coskun, Emma Ewart, Jazmyn Hodder - Swain, Michael Joubert, Shaun Malloch, Matthew Rigby, Ana Robinson, Devon Rutter, Michael Smart.

**Coach - Richard Joubert**

### **13th Grade A**

A fantastic season for the 13A's. We started with a couple of good wins then got a reality check in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round from Mid Cant. The boys really knuckled down after that and battled our way back to the top of the table, highlighted by some gutsy 2<sup>nd</sup> half efforts against Selwyn {battling into 90km headwind} and our 10 man win down in Ashburton. The Div 2 championship came down to the last game against Selwyn, and an equaliser 5 minutes from full time was enough to give us title which was well deserved as we did finish the league with the best attack {55 goals for} and best defence {17 goals against}.

Special thanks to Andrew, Dave & Mike for taking care of the ref and first aid duties, and to all the parents and supporters, it's been a real blast. Hope to see you all back for another crack next year.

Team: Cody Browning, Dylan Burnside, Scott Cambus, Simon Coleman, Matt Eastgate, Ben Gallaher, Scott Gillespie, Mike Melbourne, Luke Pierce, Slade Placid, Rhys Shannon, Brett Taylor, Dylan Ward.

**Coach: Phil Ward    Manager: John Burnside**

### **13th Grade B**

Team - Brandon Allworthy, Chase Barnsley, Jonathon Calder, Benjamin Ellis, Kyran Frunt, Jonathan Hutchinson, Ben Jobson, Daniel Kendall, Jesse MacLlquham, Harrison Payne, Andrew Pickersgill, Joshua Stacey, Megan Van Grinsven.

**Coach - Christian Frunt**

### **13th Grade C**

Burwood 13 C "Crushers", an affable bunch of boys who tried their best, who now at the end of the season know what it will take to win more consistently, ours was a season of more downs than ups, finishing 2nd in our pool on goal difference. With the loss of a good player at 1/3 season we struggled with a lack of subs and with sickness and injury just compounding the problem. Thanks goes to the B team for loaning us a player in our hour of need, of which we needed more of, I thank the parents for turning up each weekend and giving the much needed encouragement and Andy Milla r who refereed for most of our games. Good luck to everyone with their summer endeavours.

**Coach - Steve Woods**

### **14th Grade A**

Well what a successful year for the 14A team, winning the 14<sup>th</sup> Division 2 league. This league was very tight as indicated by us being in 4<sup>th</sup> position up until the last league game. A last day win against one of the top sides and another result going our way gave us the league. Well done boys you played consistently well throughout the year and deserved this success.

The strength of our team started from the defensive perspective (led by Nathan and Elliot), we conceded the least goals against. This starts at the back but is a team wide attitude. Goalkeeping for most of the season was shared around a number of players (thanks to Daniel L and Nathan for the majority of this). But there were times when we dropped crucial points due to not having a consistent goalie. I believe a large factor in winning at the end of year was having Daniel in goal, this also meant we could keep a strong defence in place.

Our midfield was more than competitive with most teams, using a combination of skill and strength, Liam and Reece led the way here. Attacking wise we did well, the coaches mantra of “ *get to the by-line and pull the cross back*” eventually paying off, with Ben Mac and William our top goal scorers. Some of our memorable games during the year – Burnside, both against Selwyn, Western and Papanui-Redwood.

I thoroughly enjoyed coaching these lads – it was a lot of fun and I look forward to next year. Thanks to all the parents for their support of the team and myself. Special thanks to Chris Linden and Brent Davidson for refereeing, Chris was also our Team Manager. Last but not least thanks to the boys – you are a great bunch of lads, have a great summer and we ’ll see you next year.

For the record: Played 15, Won 9, Lost 5, Drawn 1. Goals For 30, Goals Against 18. The team was (goals scored in brackets): Reece Bonner (1), Jacob Bowkett (3), Liam Campfens (2), Sam Davidson (1), Elliot Doesburg, William Jelley (7), Daniel Joubert (1), Casey Le Breton, Daniel Linden, Ben MacGregor (13), Ben Mayo, Luke Millar, Jordan Mines, Nathan Ralfs (2).

**Coach: Murray Ralfs**

### **14th Grade B**

Well our season started well with a win and the rest of the season went ok, with the team ending up middle of the table. We entered knockout and won our quarter final, with the semi finals next week, it was a nail biting finish, going into extra time to get the result. I would like to thank all the parents and teams family for their support, it did make the job easier. For Player of the year, I have chosen Campbell Crimp, who had outstanding season, and for most improved player Dane Mitchell, who never gave up and his effort was 100%. Also a big thanks to the team who were fun to coach and good luck for the future.

**Coach - John Grocock**

### **15th Grade A**

Our main goal for the 2009 season was to have fun and not take things too seriously. We had 3 new members to the team which were all girls and this changed our dynamics hugely!

We went through round one and successfully won division 3, and are now placed 2nd after being promoted to a new division. It has been great to see the development with this group of young people, and the fun they have had. Huge thanks to all the parents who supported us at practices and on Saturdays etc.

**Coach - Dave Smeekes**

### **Junior Youth 17th Grade**

**Team:** Keeper – Alex Lawless, **Defenders** – Josh Ellis, Tim Crimp, Kyle Hawkes, Matthew Gay, Brytt Frunt. **Midfield** – Matthew Jones, Nick Ward, Zane Corson, Oscar Potts, Sam Wilson  
**Strikers** – Nick Tolchard, Ryan Booth, Alex Kirk

At the time of writing, we have 2 games to go, but know we have already won the competition. They are an awesome group of boys who can be very proud of their season efforts. They are a very well balanced team, with our structure based on a very strong defense and mid-field and having very good goal scoring strikers. Congratulations to you all for your efforts in winning the competition this season.

A special thanks to our loyal group of parents and supporters. I hope to see you all back again next year.

**Coach - Mark Tolchard**