

## Newsletter

2010

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**BURWOOD**  
ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB



### Presidents Report

Murray Ralfs

Well what an end to the season, the recent earthquake makes us all realise that sport is such a small thing in the scheme of things. We hope all our club families are safe and well. For those that have had losses our thoughts are with you all.

Another football season is complete and this year we were not treated well with the weather with 4 games cancelled during the year. In 2010 we had 26 teams (291 kids), as well as 56 under 7 year olds in the Midgets. These figures are down on previous years.

A huge thanks to our coaches and team managers – thank you for a job well done, without your efforts the kids would not get a game. Congratulations to the Management Committee for their efforts this year, organising this number of players is a big task.

Again we have received a good level of sponsorship from the NZ Community Trust, Lion Foundation and Air Rescue Services – thanks to them for their support. Without this sponsorship your subscriptions would be much higher. Well done to our successful teams – the 13B and 14B winning their leagues. To all the players and parents, I wish you all the best for the summer and look forward to seeing you back next year.

### Club Captains Report

Don MacDonald

Thanks to the inclement weather our season has been shorter than normal. However, even with that handicap our teams and players have had an enjoyable and successful season. Two of our competitive grade teams have won their sections, with a few others coming very close. Coaching again has been of a high standard and these dedicated volunteers have our thanks and gratitude for the time and work they put in. Thanks also to the many parents and grandparents supporting our players on the sideline, your positive support really helps the teams. I wish you all the best for the summer and see you back next year.

### Burwood Penalty Shootout Winners

Junior: George Wilce  
Intermediate: Scott Cambus  
Senior: Brett Taylor

### 2010 Sponsors: – thanks for your support:

- NZ Community Trust
- Lion Foundation
- Air Rescue Services

### Annual General Meeting

Monday, 1 November 2010, 7.30 pm  
Clubrooms, Clare Park

### 2010 Canterbury Zonal Representative Nominations

- Under 10 Boys Selection: Adam Lyons, Mana Placid
- Under 12 Boys Selection: Izaak McDonnell
- Under 14 Boys Selection: Ryan Prouting, Dylan Ward
- Under 12 Girls Selection: Fern Jeffery
- Under 14 Girls Selection: Maree Palmer, Megan van Grinsven

## **2011 Registration Mail Out**

The club will be mailing out the 2011 registration forms and details early next year (late January/early February). If your address has changed in the last 7 -8 months or you intend moving in the next 5-6 months could you please contact the club with the change of address details:

Burwood AFC, P O Box 38050, Parklands, Christchurch 8842

or via the club email [admin@burwoodafc.co.nz](mailto:admin@burwoodafc.co.nz)

## **Midgets**

The club would like to thank the organizers of our Midgets – Craig and Kym. Thanks very much for a job well done. We also would like to thank all the parents for their support.

## **7<sup>th</sup> Hawks**

As our first time at coaching soccer, it has been a pleasure to be a part of the Burwood Hawks team. The boys had a good season with a few loses, a draw and a couple of win s. All the boys have played extremely well as a team and we have all had a lot of fun.

We would like to thank all of the parents who turned out in all weather and have supported the team helping with jersey washing, oranges etc. Also just lending a hand t o lighten the load.

Our team consists of Liam Cain, Ethan de Rose, Oliver Reid, Samuel Page, Harrison Wilson, Matthew Dawson, Callum Banks and Liam Adams.

**Coaches – Tony Page & Greg Wilson**

## **7<sup>th</sup> Comets**

The boys of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Comets are to be immensely proud of their achievements in 2010!!

When the season started back in April, seven out of the eight team members had not played competitive football before, let alone Saturday sport. The very first game we enjoyed a well earned win over Ferrymead Bays, 3 -1. Since that Saturday, the team has progressed onto a season result of 4 wins, 3 draws & 7 narrow defeats. Each player is to be commended on their dedication to the team and enthusiasm to ensurin g practice was well atten ded. A special thanks goes to all the Mums and Dads for assisting in this area.

The decision as Coach to award the Player of the Season & Most Improved has been an extremely difficult one. Both decisions are based on an all round performance on and off the field.

**Coach – Andrew Todd**

## **7<sup>th</sup> Rockets**

Michael Flanagan, Oliver Lyons, Connor Abernethy, Shae Barrett -Corrigan, Brianna Burrell, Aimee Cook, Liam Tate & Jack Johnson. We have had a fantastic season. The Rockets have enjoyed many good games, mostly draws and wins with only a couple of losses. It is always good to watch the players try their best and they have really pulled together as a team. Well done everyone. All of our players have developed their skills and they have made an excellent start on their soccer careers. The players have put so much effort into every game, I expect it is because of the half time oranges and end of game chocolates! There were a few surprises as a first time coach – the great attitude of the players and parents was an awesome bonus and once we had to use another team 's agility sticks and cones as our goal... LOL Big thanks to Brent, for his help with the team, and also to Dean for bringing the soccer goals and his enthusiasm during practices. Thanks Rae & Deborah for your support and thank you to all the parents and sup porters for all your help and for making this season so much fun!

**Coach – Vanessa Burrell**

### **8<sup>th</sup> Hawks**

It was great to see four boys return from last year's 7's Hawks also some first timers and a girl making up a great wee team this year. There were some challenges early on with quite a mix of skill levels, but the team interacted well together. Again a good group of supportive parents created a fun atmosphere each Saturday for the team to enjoy their soccer and grow their skills. We struggled for results in the first round. Each week challenged with some solid offence and some lucky goals against causing many losses. A school break and commencement of the back half of the season saw some great rewards. Of note a strong win short with only four players in the mud was a turning point with additional wins and a draw immediately afterward. It was very rewarding to see the team gelling and some of the more timid players contributing to playmaking, goals and high levels of defense in the latter part of the season.

**Coach – Greg Wilson**

### **8<sup>th</sup> Stingers**

It's been a good season, the team has won 8, lost 4 and drawn 3. The boy's have really improved – we had 4 boys who haven't played soccer before. So I was really pleased with their progress and both boy's who haven't played before are getting rewards. The team was – Joshua Brink, Benjamin Cummins, Sam McLean, Matthew Owen, Marshall Rayne, Hayden Taylor, Liam Taylor, Anaru Walker.

**Coach – Raymond Mclean**

### **8<sup>th</sup> Meteors**

The team was – Ngaia Aorangi, Caleb Davidson, Liam Froom, Zebulun Hamill, Kobe Mallon -Marsh, Jacob Mitchell, Hunter Moore, Vijay Pinnell, Jay den Schofield

### **9<sup>th</sup> Wizards**

Coach by name only. I have inherited this title this season from Craig McNab in what is a great squad of players and family supporters. Two new additions this year Finn McManus and Ben Pierce who both played for the 8th grade Broncos in 2009. The boys have blown me away with how they have stepped up to this grade. They have shown great understanding of the new rules and a concept of positional play. Finn has taken on the role of goalkeeper and at times has been amazing. All season we have worked on the ethics of passing the ball and using the large amounts of space. To everyone's pleasure this was rewarded in week 15 with an outstanding display beating the Western Bombers 4 -0 using all the techniques worked on in training. With 2 games remaining we have played 14 games, winning 7, drawing 3 and losing 4 keeping clean sheets in 8 games. Thank you to all the boys, Craig for his continued support at training, Stefan on match days and all the families for their continued commitment this season. Team -Cameron Brown, Simon Buerki, Finn McManus, Toby McNab, Reilly Neal, Ben Pierce, Tyler Selman, Duncan and Philip Smith, Kyran Tranter.

**Coach – David Brown**

### **9<sup>th</sup> Tigers**

We started of the season with a group of kids who were mostly new to each other and for some it was their first season of football. Although we haven't had many results go our way it has been good to see the determination and the enormous improvement that the players have achieved. As the season has progressed the Tigers have developed great teamwork and some of the results did not depict how well they actually played. You have all been a pleasure to coach, well done Tigers, you can be very proud of how well you have done.

**Coach – Ken Maule**

### **9<sup>th</sup> Pumas.**

The 2010 season was a challenging one for the Pumas - and we only had a couple of victories along the way. Team spirit has been good as the boys got used to bigger fields, the offside rule and having goalies on the field. The team has defended well all year and shown some great commitment in the second half of some pretty tough games. Overall the Pumas had another enjoyable year in a very competitive age group - but are getting better all the time.

**Coach – Hudson Bond**

### **9<sup>th</sup> Hurricanes**

We started the year with a lot of new players to the team, some who had only just started playing. However the boys quickly became a team and started learning new skills, particularly Arsh and Fawzan. Pawell and Kees stood up for the new challenge of being the goalie, making some very brave saves from the attacker's feet. We lost most of our games, BUT only in the last quarter of the game, with a small goal difference to teams that should have played better and often when we had no subs so the boys got tired. Connor and Romek showed amazing fitness always up to attack and back to defense. Dean learnt the art of delaying his tackle. Matteo and George mastering the skills of getting the ball around defenders. Jack amazed me with keeping a positive attitude when we were losing badly.

**Coach – James Wilce**

### **10 A**

The Burwood 10A team started the season with a team of players that had not played together so it was hard for the players to develop a bond in the team initially. After the preseason tournament even though we didn't win a game, the team showed that they had the talent and skill that I as a coach could work on through the year. Through the first half of the season the team suffered some big defeats but the players stuck at it and the results showed in the second half of the season with a dramatic win against Ferrymead Bay s 3-2 with Jonathan Challies scoring with the last kick of the game. We also had some close results in other games in the season.

**Coach – James Bailey**

### **10<sup>th</sup> Jaguars**

The team was: Matthew Bouma, Bryson Elstone, Keegan Hepburn, Matthew Kendall, Devon Martin, Olivia McDonnell, Jamie McDowell, Reece Piket, Boston Toohey

### **10<sup>th</sup> Scorpions**

Thanks to Kirsten Blair, Andre De Rose, Jayden Watkinson, Scott Kilkelly, Joshua Knowles, Angelo Raphael, Jared Thompson, Geena Klaver and Alex Reddish for a really fun season this year. Even the training was something to look forward to. What a change from last season, we finally won more than we lost!. All players have improved so much, by the end of the season everyone had a position and was sticking to it. And have learnt the responsibilities of their position. Thanks to all the parents that helped this year, especially for organizing the oranges and for looking after the subs. This made my job much easier.

**Coach – Kevin Thompson**

### **11 A**

Our team has enjoyed a good season, which has seen us near the top of our division all of the year. Our players have really grown as a team and this can be seen in our improvements both on attack and defense. Mana Placid was our leading goal scorer, and together with Mitchell van der Plas, Adam Lyons, Reuben Hall, Daniel Strong and Campbell McVicar forged a strong attacking unit. Our defense centered on our goal keeper Riley O'Sullivan -Moffat who was ably supported by McKenzie Lloyd, Jarrod Taylor, Matthew Lancaster, Billy Allan and Kane Beban. Our team would like to thank our biggest fans (the parents) who without their support we would not be nearly as good as we are! Thanks to Alan, Alan & David (referee, linesman & manager) for their time and reminders (with the scorecard). Thanks for a great season boys & supporters.

**Coach – Chris Lyons**

### **11 B**

The 11bs have had a really great season this year. Had a bit of a slow start but once the lads found their feet they started playing some really good football. The boys trained hard and this really started to show through later in the season. I think the key to how well the team has done this year has been their defensive work with Miguel, Jonty and Liam having some outstanding games at the back for us and Josh has had a tremendous season in goal and was the difference in a number of games. Thanks to the parents who were great, always positive and supportive to everyone and thanks to Kevin who ran the subs bench for me. Hope to see everyone back next year.

**Coach – Andrew Johnson**

### **11 C**

It has been a Positive year of football with the team having had a mixed bag of results on the score front. However the with kiwis efforts in the World cup to spur them on, we have seen some brilliant & very brave efforts & very near misses on the game front that could have just as easily gone our way. The team progressed well with a strong defense and we finished well with the mid field attack starting to show its teeth near the end of the season great effort. I would like to say on behalf of myself & Mark, that we have enjoyed our season & had a lot of fun along the way. Big thanks to the parents for being there to support and help & with advice over the season.

It's been a season of growth, in skills tactics work as well as the learning the team ethic as well. Thank you all. I would like to say to my team of kids. That I'm so proud of each one of you, The never give up attitude that you displayed along with your keenness to train well is a great credit to you all. Hope to see you all next year.

**Coaches – Donn Sherwood & Mark Nicholls**

### **12 A**

What an enjoyable time we had coaching the 12a's this season. With the team packed with various levels of skill and talent all sorts of possibilities lay ahead. Half the team was made up with players from last year's 11a's, some new players to the club, and a few came up from a lower grade team. Stefan and I decided the right coaching strategy was to have a mix of hard work and skill improvement, we always threw in some fun stuff for good measure. The season ended up being a mixture of results. Some of the most memorable games were beating Coastal 3 -0, thrashing Bays 8-0 and drawing with top team Selwyn 1 -1.

By the end of the season Stefan and I were really pleased with the overall performance of all the players in our team, well done to them all.

We look forward to seeing everyone back again next year so we can all carry on the great work. Have a fantastic summer and keep up ya ball skills.

**Coaches – Gary Marshall and Stefan O'Neil**

## **12 B**

There was a very good effort shown by the team in the 2010 season. The team consisted of 10 players (9 run on & 1 Reserve) with a win/lose record of around 50%. The boys did a very good job with only 1 sub, especially considering that the division that they were playing in consisted of teams that were classified as 'A' teams, & the majority of them trained twice weekly, whereas due to time constraints and other commitments we could only train once a week. Our attack was led by Ben Skeats (top try scorer 4 the season) & Tyrone Davidson, with Jonte Cameron & 1st year rookie Tyrelle Pitama adding strong support, Up front Kyle Smith contributed heavily in attack & defense, whilst Sam Mayo, Jordan Whall & Dillon Van de Loo made tremendous efforts in last line defending. Goalkeeper Ryan Treleaven was exceptional in his role, as captain he led by example, and showed on a numerous amount of occasions what a big ticker (for a little guy) he has, last but not least was our other 1st time rookie Quentin (Q) who filled in a lot of different positions and did so with great skill and enthusiasm. Both 1st time co-coaches we were very proud of the boy's efforts, developments and especially the determination that was shown as comeback wins occurred a few times. I am very sure the parents were very proud of their lads this year as well, and a big thanks must go out to all the parents for their continued support on game days. A Very big thanks to Mark Van de Loo & Richie Mayo for refereeing games, Ian Smith (club rep's), Anjee Davidson (Correspondence), Carolyn Skeats (end of year fundraising) & also to Sam Maeli for co-coaching the team. Congratulations on a great year boys, Good luck on the rest of 2010 and hopefully we will have the pleasure of watching you guys play on next year.

**Co-Coach – Dee Ballantyne**

## **12 C**

We have had a mixed season with an even number of wins, draws and losses. However win or lose the 12c played hard and were very competitive and whether you were on the pitch or sideline most games were great to watch.

If we could not win the game on the day we certainly took the prize for team support as every week we had a full compliment of parents, grandparents and support.

I would like to thank the team for playing the game in such great spirit, all the supporters that came along, and Bruce for his help on Saturdays.

**Coach – Steve Conway**

## **13 A**

I would like to start by thanking Kevin Brett, once again for all his help and ideas with the coaching of the 13A's. Thanks to Craig and Rob, for their refereeing efforts. It makes the coaching much easier if I am relieved of that task. Thank you to all the parents for your support and friendship over the season. While the season has not been as successful as the last, it has easily been as enjoyable if not more. The improvement of a number of players is pleasing to see, it is rewarding for myself and Kevin. Hope to see you all next season and have a great Christmas and New Year. Cheers.

**Coach – Terry Neville**

## **13 B**

It started off as a very interesting season with the team starting off in the wrong division. Once this was corrected the team showed a lot of improvement. We had a wide range of abilities with the players. We would like to thank the following people, Richard for stepping up and referring and help throughout the season, the parents and supporters for giving up their time and effort every week. A big thanks to Tim who assisted in the later part of the season showing the team different techniques. With all this in mind we finished the season on a positive note and won the league. Best of luck and hope to see you next season.

**Coach – Raewyn Ralfs**

As assistant coach I would like to thank Raewyn for agreeing to coach our team. It was not always easy but she tried her best. **Jacqui van Brucken – Assistant Coach**

## **14 A**

High expectations for these guys's having won two titles in the last 3 years. We started fairly well, but came unstuck in a couple of games midway through the season which ultimately cost us the title. Still very proud of the way the boys bounced back, at times playing some sublime football. Our record of 9 wins, 3 draws and just 2 losses with 55 goals scored and only 14 conceded is still a fine achievement. Special thanks to Andrew, Wayne, Jim, Paul & Jacob for taking care of the ref and touch judge duties, and to all the parents and supporters. Hope to see everyone back next season to take care of some "unfinished business". Team: Cody Browning, Dylan Burnside, Scott Cambus, Simon Coleman, Matt Eastgate, Ben Ellis, Ben Gallaher, Scott Gillespie, Jack McGregor, Mike Melbourne, Luke Pierce, Rhys Shannon, Brett Taylor, Dylan Ward.

**Coach – Phil Ward.                      Manager – John Burnside**

## **14 B (Bandits)**

A Motley Crue of boys thrown together made up of half of last years B+C teams, teething problems of gelling at the start and lack of fitness as shown by 2 hard fought draws, have given way to 11 straight wins which has taught the boys to be tenacious and resourceful as well as showing a big heart especially when the chips have been down. The team have consistently played a fair and open style of football leaving it to the other teams to put the rough stuff in etc, etc.

A special mention is made of our Goal keeper Jessy who has stifled the opposition on so many occasions, only conceding 9 goals to date, but for his skills our for & against would be vastly different. At the time of writing we have 4 rounds left and a chance to win the league, so I am indebted to my Wife Wendy (awards + oranges) Andrew Millar (my #1 Ref & assistant coach) Christian Frunt and the Parents who have helped with half time refreshments as without their support it makes controlling 16 guys on game day a hard task. Thanks Guys for a season of memorable games.

**Coach – Steve Woods**

## **15 B**

Although some tough results for the lads this season there have been some really encouraging performances as well as glimpses of great passing football that will hopefully become the norm in seasons to come. I have enjoyed coaching and hope the guys can take away some positives to work on for next season. Highlights have included: Jamie making some saves even senior keepers would be proud of; Raph and Cameron when paired together commanding the centre of defence and stopping the leagues best strikers; Dane displaying some amazing timing in his trademark slide tackles; Cory showing his versatility making some fine saves when playing keeper but also playing well in every other position; Jordan getting his foot in at the right time to take the ball off a striker in front of our goal; Ricky improving his tackling and distribution out to the flanks; Campbell's blistering pace and work ethic which set up plenty of goals and chances for many more; Lewis's neat close control that ensured he always had a bit of extra time on the ball; Harrison's ability to break up a play and launch the ball forward; Jayden being the goal poaching striker who comes out of nowhere to score; Liam's surging runs with the ball at feet and the goal of the season for me – the volley from the edge of the box. Sam's calm touch and finishing which saw him put away plenty of goals; Joel running all day and starting to become a playmaker in the middle of the park; Taniora's ability to evade tackles and always get the team going forward; Ben's play on the flanks where he would defend and then be there ready to support the strikers.

**Coach – Mike Fisher**

### **15 A**

After being promoted into Division 1 this year, the team found this level of football quite tough. We were fairly competitive with the bottom 3 -4 teams but the top 4 teams were very good. Given that, these lads never gave up and their positive attitude was great under trying circumstances. In at least 2 games during the year we deserved better results, the effort displayed was excellent.

Even though the games didn't go our way, I thoroughly enjoyed coaching these lads. We always had good numbers at training which is testament to the hard work the guys put in. Thanks guys for your efforts this year and well done. Thanks to all the parents for their support of the team and myself.

Special thanks to Chris Linden as our Manager and for refereeing our home games, also to Steve Jelley on the line. Finally have a great summer and we'll see you next year. For the record: Played 16, Won 3, Lost 13. Goals for 11, Goals against 72. The team was (goals scored in brackets): Reece Bonner, Liam Campfens, Ambrose Challies (4), Elliot Doesburg, William Jelley (1), Daniel Joubert, Casey Le Breton, Daniel Linden, Ben MacGregor (3), Ben Mayo, Luke Millar, Jordan Mines (1), Nathan Ralfs (2), Jasper Van der Meer.

**Coach – Murray Ralfs**

### **17 A**

This team is in the very competitive section 2, playing against a number of teams that are very similar in ability. Results have been close throughout the season & at time of writing this report, we have one game to go and we are first equal on points with 2 other teams. This is an amazingly close competition & down to the last game any one of 4 teams could win the league (& we are hoping it will be us!)

This team has been a real pleasure to coach & has gelled into a really competitive & committed team, with every individual player playing their part. We have not had a permanent goal keeper this year, so we have rotated the goalie position between 6 players, with Oscar filling this position in recent games. We have had a strong defence with Josh, Tim, Matt J, Marco & Oscar playing very well here. We have also had a very strong midfield of Nick W, Nick H, Matt B, Shaun, James & Liam. The strikers of Ryan, Tom & Nick T have been very successful, with Nick T & Tom scoring most of the teams goals. A big thank you to Rob Hall who has assisted me in the coaching duties this season. Finally a huge thanks to the loyal & vocal group of family & friends as our supporters. I have really enjoyed coaching these guys & seeing them develop, into a successful team achieving great results. Have a great summer & I hope to see you all back again next season.

**Coach – Mark Tolchard**

### **17 B**

This season started with a Team of 15 and no coach. With a bit of sweet talking, Malcolm (Kyle Hawkes' Dad) came on deck. His work commitments meant coaching was still shared with Mark Tolchard. It took a while for the Team to gel. After an unsuccessful start to the season, the Team went down a section. We had a few players go down to injury including a broken leg and ankle and ended up playing most games with 10 players – we still managed 2 wins and a draw. I would like to thank those parents that supported us during the season and the 10 or 11 players that turned up each week with great enthusiasm ready to play. Lastly – a big thank you to Malcolm Hawkes and Mark Tolchard for all your support during this year.

**Team Manager – Denise Moody.**

**Coach – Malcolm Hawkes**