



Glen Waverley Junior Soccer Club

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KEY DATES :

- ▶ **Wed 25th March**
Grassroots Certificate course
- ▶ **Last week in March**
SSF U9_10 start training
- ▶ **Sat /Sun 25/26 April**
Start of Junior Season including SSF program
- ▶ **early April**
FFV Junior License coaching course.
Dates to be advised

Welcome to 2009



On behalf of the committee, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all registered players and parents, for what is shaping up as another exciting 2009 season at our club.

This year has already presented numerous challenges, including the generally poor state of our training and playing facilities, due to another dry season with no rain, together with the typical pre season heavy workload regarding Registrations, team kits and team grading. Most of the teams have commenced their pre-season training at Highvale Secondary College and we are all eagerly anticipating the season, which commences the weekend of April 25th and 26th. The Registration process has been made much easier this year with the introduction of the online system, providing a framework to register current and new players and parent details and the option to pay fees via credit card using Paypal, the most secure online payment system used throughout the world. This has been another initiative introduced to enable our members to register via the club website and avoiding the queues of past Registration days and providing an updated database, enabling the club to communicate effectively with the members.

The club once again will be registering well over 20 junior teams with over 450 junior players, making us one of the largest junior sporting organisations in the Monash area. We are extremely proud of this achievement whilst maintaining our vision for being a "true family club".

Another training facility with new light towers is also planned at Highvale

Secondary College, providing a second training ground and easing the workload on Glen Waverley North Reserve. We are very hopeful, after numerous months of negotiation with the school, that the lights will be operational in May 2009 and our players can benefit from these additional facilities. This project has been years in consultation and after numerous attempts, we are finalising the relevant agreements to enable the club to be the envy of every other club in the region. We are also very optimistic that home games will be played at Glen Waverley North Reserve this season, allowing the club to utilise the modern clubrooms and amenities at that ground.

Finally, I would like to make an impassioned plea to all those parents who have in the past thought about volunteering their services, but maybe have been apprehensive to actually "get on board". We are a volunteer club, whose workload has vastly increased over the last 5 years and we are actually operating with fewer committee members, with two recent resignations, providing extra strain on our dwindling human resources.

If you can't help on a regular basis and attend a meeting once a month, then maybe you can assist us with a sub-committee issue or major fundraiser coming up. Please approach the club or contact a committee member as we desperately need your help. The club may one day cease to exist if we don't recruit additional committee members!!!

The committee wishes every player, coach and team manager an enjoyable season ahead and continue to enjoy the wonderful game of "FOOTBALL".

Regards,
Manny Haractsis

Players Wanted



Whilst many of our teams are already fully subscribed for the season, there are still vacancies in both some of our boys and girls teams

We currently have opportunities for players to join the listed teams :

**Under 15 Boys,
Under 16 Boys
Under 18 Boys**

**Under 12 Girls
Under 13 Girls
Under 15 Girls
Under 18 Girls**

If you and your friends would like to join or would like more information, please express an interest via our website or call any of the following committee members Manny 0413 834 128 - Tracey 0422 488 366 - Bill 0407 541354

Grassroots Certificate Course

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This 3 hour course is designed for all parents and coaches who wish to know more about the Small Sided Football program and the changes introduced in 2009.

This FREE course will be conducted by Darren Tan from Football Federation Victoria and will provide all interested an opportunity to find out what has changed from last season and the plans for the future.

The Grassroots Certificate centres on the FFA publication 'Coaching Grassroots Football' and is aimed coaches who be coaching those up to the age of 10 years old. In particular it will provide a huge insight into how to operate Small-Sided Football for the Under 10 age group in 2009.

It is vital that all coaches in the the SSF program attend this session together with any interested parents from the U6 to U10 age group.

Don't forget that the club desperately needs parents to volunteer their services with running these programs every Saturday morning, especially team coordinators and leaders.

Without your help, your children won't be able to play our great game!!!

VENUE- Glen Waverley North Reserve Clubrooms

Date- Wednesday 25th March 2009

Time - 6.30pm SHARP

To register your interest and for further enquiries, please contact: Manny Haractsis 0413 834 128 or email:

mharacts@bigpond.net.au

Grounds and Lights



The club is in the final stages of approval to install three light towers at Highvale Secondary College, providing another training facility for our teams this season on top of our other venue at Glen Waverley North Reserve

More details to follow, however, we are hopeful that they will be ready to be turned on in May 2009, pending any potential Council delays.

The club expects to be playing the bulk of our home games at Larpent reserve and at Glen Waverley North reserve, with some games again to be held at the Wheelers Hill Secondary College grounds.

We need your HELP !

The committee is DESPARATELY seeking new members to join us in any capacity.

We have recently lost two members and need urgent help in the **Sponsorship/ Fundraising, Canteen, Grounds** and in fact all areas.

A number of committee members have been in

their roles for many years and it is time that others got involved and helped this FAMILY club.

We are all volunteers and unless we can recruit additional help, unfortunately, it is the children that will suffer in the long term.

Please consider contacting a member of

the committee to see how YOU can help. Member details are included in this newsletter
Meetings are held once a month during the season for regular committee members.

Special Project members will meet as required during the season



Sponsorship / Fundraising

With over 450 players, Glen Waverley Junior Soccer Club provides any "smart business" with great opportunities to grow and develop even in the challenging and uncertain times we are facing.

We are a non-for-profit volunteer club and have lucrative opportunities for potential sponsors, either big or small, to join us in supporting the children playing soccer and at the same time, support your business with added traffic and customers.

We have developed Sponsorship Packages to suit your business needs and are pleased to discuss any idea you may have that will be mutually beneficial.

The club needs the members support to ensure we raise enough funds each year to provide the framework for the players to develop and continue enjoying the sport.

The club is very proud that we continue to have one of the lowest Registration fees in the entire Eastern Region, but will be difficult to continue, if we don't receive appropriate Sponsorship.

For further enquiries- please contact Manny Haractsis on 0413 834 128 or email: mharacts@bigpond.net.au

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