



Calamvale Leopards Junior Australian Football Club Inc.

PO Box 361 Browns Plains BC 4118

E-mail: news@leopards.com.au

Web: www.leopards.com.au

Kindly printed by Karen Struthers - Member for Algester.



Newsletter – 28th March 2007 (ed 5/2007)

A Message from our President

Well, what a week it has been. It only seems like yesterday I was singing the praises of all, and thinking what will I write next week to do justice to the efforts of all involved with the club. All I had to do was look around, and notice what a committed group of people we have with us (again) this year, players and volunteers alike. I will try to include some examples, knowing I will miss some without meaning to:

I was fortunate enough to watch the under 12's trial match against the highly regarded Jindalee. The style of football these boys played would make any Division one side stand up and take notice – a pure pleasure to watch. Outsized, and with several under 11's joining the team, they played running football, executed with precision and class.

Then there is the group of volunteers who, unbidden, decided to shanghai a mower on Sunday evening and mow the oval, get rid of graffiti and clean up around the clubrooms. I am told that it was very late when they finished and the Police stopped them thinking they were stealing the mower...well done guys (but you really should carry ID with you V).

Feedback from Struddy's has been great, with comments on how well our members are supporting the store – excellent start towards securing this arrangement beyond the three years originally intended.

People going everywhere at the moment, giving up their spare time to go to coaches courses, umpire training, ground marshal meetings, etc...

And to top it all off, I have just finished reading an e-mail from a supporter at another club trying to correct a prior match report in our newsletter (they felt that their match against Mt Gravatt where they lost by a huge margin was much more difficult than the one we played where we won the game). Seems that the success of our under 14 team in trial matches this year has influenced the thinking of people at other clubs already!

To all....good on you, keep up the great work!

Brendan Selby

From the Coaches Coordinator.

By time you get this newsletter, three of our new coaches will have received their level one coaching accreditation. Well done to Paul, Mark and Michael.

Can you smell it in the air? It's back this weekend - Saturday and Sunday we have practice matches on our home ground for the under 8's-9-10's - good luck guys.

This week I thought I would give mention to a group of girls who have worked their hearts out for this club since early February. The group of girls who this year (like their male counterparts) are the leaders of our club on and off the field. I'm talking about our under 17 Youth Girls team. Coached again by Cathy Selby the girls have their minds set on going one better than last season and winning this year grand final. Every Monday and Wednesday braving the hot weather, you can see this squad being put through their paces by Cathy, or you may notice myself or Paul taking the girls on a not so friendly lap (when what's going to happen on home and away is more important than listening to Cathy), which leads me to the following;

If I was to tell you that 45% of AFL supporters are women; more than four million women are football fans and 12% of AFL Auskick (junior program) participants are female. This level of interest in the game by women is impressive, but not surprising. Football appeals to women for all the same reasons it appeals to men: its spectacle and ritual, its weekly demonstrations of grace and athleticism, its heroism and courage. At any AFL football game, the same emotions are triggered in women as in men: anticipation, excitement, disappointment, loyalty, devotion. When I first started playing senior football in Victoria the local football club (many with an affiliated netball club) was often a linchpin of social life in suburban and country Australia. I urge you as parents to get down to a girls game this year and cheer our girls on towards victory. These girls are laying down the foundations towards Calamvale Leopards having a senior women's side in the near future.



41 Endiandra St ALGESTER
Phone: 32737022

Major Sponsor of the
**Calamvale Leopards
Junior AFL Club**



41 Endiandra St ALGESTER
Phone: 32737022

To the girls, I'd state - It's as simple as football can be. We can be the most talented group of individuals of all time, but it is those teams of individuals who are always pulling in the same direction that most often taste success.

See you around the ground.

To be in the memories of your child tomorrow you need to be in their life today

GIRLS FOOTBALL

The planned under 12's age group will not go ahead this year, due to lack of support from other clubs. This means we will be running an under 14's and an under 17's team this year. It was also agreed that those 14 year olds that currently play in the under 17's team can also play in the under 14's if required....and will be eligible to play finals in BOTH grades. For further information, please contact Cathy Selby or Paul Grieves at training (they will be talking to all players and parents regarding these developments).

UNDER 18'S

For those who ask the question from time to time, we DEFINITELY have an under 18's side (albeit in combination with Springwood). The boys had their first hit out last weekend in seeding matches, with excellent success. They have been confirmed as Division 2 South/West, and will play the likes of Mt Gravatt, etc. ANYONE with an older brother/uncle, etc who turns 17 or 18 this year and may be interested in playing the great game of Aussie Rules, please contact Brendan on 0411 513 792.

PRACTICE MATCHES

This weekend our U8's, U9's and U10's will play in interclub practice matches.

Under 8's: Saturday 31st March (after Auskick)
9.15am (players at ground by 8.45am)

Under 9's: Saturday 31st March 10.00am (players at ground by 9.30am)

Under 10's: Saturday 31st March 11.00am
(players at ground by 10.30am)

Please see your coach or a committee member for further information.

U12 AND U14 PRACTICE MATCHES

The U12 and U14 teams will be playing practice matches against Yeronga on Saturday at Yeronga. Everyone is welcome to come along and support the teams. Good Luck Leopards!

Leopards vs Yeronga

Saturday 31st March

U12's : 12.00pm

U14's : 1:30pm

POWERBALL PLUNDER

As promised last week, our first (ongoing) fundraiser is about to start. For the princely sum of \$10, you get to select one of the numbers in the powerball draw (and that number is yours for 5 weeks – works out to \$2.00 per week). If your number is the powerball drawn on the Thursday night, you will win \$50.00. Get in Quick to make sure you don't miss out on your favorite number (s). Please see **Barb** at training (you'll see her walking around pushing a pram with an adorable little boy in it!) on Wednesday for further info ASAP.

U12 PRACTICE MATCH REPORT

The team arrived at Jindalee with high expectations after their first outing a few weeks back. This time we were up against a much tougher opponent in a division higher than our own. We still didn't have a full team list so two under 11s made the trip with us to make up the numbers and we were glad they were there.

The talk before the match was all about going out there and showing not only to the crowd but also to themselves just how far they had come in such a short time. The game started with some good possession football from Jindalee resulting in a goal. The coaches looked at each other but had faith in the team to stick to the team plan and from the next bounce it was evident the plan was working. The ball was run out of the centre and locked in the forward line. **Ben** and **Angry** worked well through the midfield and used the run of **Little Corey** to great effect. By quarter time the boys had kicked to a two goal lead. **Daniel** was working hard in his first ever game and made some great efforts in the forward line. The second quarter saw Ben moved to centre half forward where he dominated the game with great running, setting up **Jordy** for two goals and kicking one himself. The backline saw less of the ball but still worked well with **Dylan** chasing hard and **Matt** starting to really shine. **Big Corey** again got a run in the ruck and showed his form from three weeks ago was not a one off event. By half time we had many goal kickers and the running style was working again. The third quarter saw another shuffle of players as the coaches experimented with the team; **Alex** was given the task of rucking

Coming Events

Keep an eye on this space for all coming events throughout the season.

2007 BRISBANE JUNIORS AFL SEASON STARTS WEEKEND OF 21ST / 22ND APRIL.

and lifted his game to the challenge, **Kurtis** was moved to fullback and stopped a number of goal attempts in the last line of defense. An all round great performance was shown by both **Rhys Moxon** and **Reece Kelly**, two very talented boys. Not to be out done our littlest player **Jesse W** soon found his place on the wing and ran hard for the ball, the other under 11 **Jesse S** also showed some great action in the forward line. The third quarter also saw **Damo** moved to the forward line and adding his name to list of goal kickers. The biggest surprise was when **Zeb** ran from Centre Half Back to cover his man and took a mark and kicked truly for goal. With a big lead at the final change the coaches stressed to the boys to not stop. Keep pushing it hard. Jindalee came out hard in the final quarter but another great effort by **Mitch** saw the boys adding more goals. A snap over the shoulder from **Jesse L** just added to Jindalee's woes. Whilst they had quiet games by their own standards **Beau** and **Antony** still had many possessions and filled their appropriate roles in the team.

A twelve goal win over a division 2 team was a fantastic result and something the boys can be proud of.

The coaches want to thank the mums and dads for bringing the boys and being great supporters and a big thanks to Ken the runner and Dave the boundary umpire and the water boys, without whom we cannot play.

WEEKLY REPORT – U10 White

The boys are back for 2007. Until last Wednesday night (21/3) the under 10s have trained together under squad conditions. However midway through this session we split into our individual teams for Under 10 Calamvale Leopards White and Red. For the Leopards White it is welcome back to Cooper, Troy, Vincent, Jarrod F, Alec, Daniel, Zach, Josiah, Jay, Jarrod N, Patrick & Jackson and welcome to Shamus, Clayton & Blade joining us from Red & Blue from last year. Big thanks to all the parents assisting this year including Michael Campbell who will be coach of the Under 10's Leopards Red team for 2007. I am sure Michael agrees, as do most of the other coaches for that matter, that for the best possible development of your kids football we need as many parents helping at Wednesday night training sessions and match days with a variety of little assists that can make all the difference. Many hands make light work so don't be a passive supporter of your child's football development. If you ask there will always be something that can be done.

Back to the footy.....With several training runs now under the belt it is obvious there a few rusty parts of the boys play and its time to start to

switch on at training. There is now a zero tolerance of pushing and messing around at training and we encourage all the parents to encourage this and other team rules the coaches invoke.

The real matches are still a few weeks away however an intra club practice match has been scheduled 9:30am Sunday 1st April between all the under 10 boys. Observing how the boys react under match conditions give the coaches the best viewing to gauge the areas still needing refinement. So it is important that all under 10's try and get down for this. Parents bring the rest of the family for a fun start to footy 2007.

Rod Nuttall

THANKS TO BAKERS DELIGHT

A big thanks to Bakers Delight (Calamvale) for their continued support this season.

TEAM SPONSORS REQUIRED

If you (or your employer) are interested in sponsoring your child's team (or you know someone who might be interested), please contact Brendan Selby – Sponsors are a key part of our club and are encouraged at every level

COACHES NEEDED

We are still looking for several dads (or mums) to coach Under 8's & Under 9's teams this year – It doesn't matter if you have not coached before – all training and support is provided (we wont just throw you in the deep end). Please speak to Shane Hackles or Ray Cole if you are interested

TEAM MANAGERS

All our coaches need a team manager to keep them honest (and to organize the important details). Please see one of the coaches in your age group if you are interested (or a committee member).

STRUDDIES DISCOUNT

Please remember that your 10% discount at Struddies Sports, Browns Plains does not expire on 31st March, but extends right across the year and applies to all products in store – from socks and memorabilia, to balls and gym equipment. It is worth a visit to see their range – Matthew and his team will be only too glad to help with any of your sporting requirements.

WALKING GROUP

Want to get some exercise or just clear the cobwebs while your child is training! A group of Leopards mums are going to go for a walk during training on Wednesday's. Everyone is welcome so please come join us! See Bernadette Trapnell at 4:45pm and happy walking!

FEES

Reminder registration fees are due in full by 31st March unless a payment plan has been arranged with the registrar.

CLUB SONG

Since I've been a Leopard,
we've played the oval ball
From Burleigh to Bribie,
I guess we played them all.
When they play the Leopards,
the other team will fall
Leopards play the best football.
On the ground or in the air,
we will beat you fair and square
In defence or in attack, our spirit will never lack.
We're the Mighty Leopards
You should see us score
We're the Mighty Leopards
And hear our Mighty ROAR

WANTED

**ALL YOUR OLD FOOTBALL BOOTS FOR OUR
'BOOT BANK'
PLEASE HAND THEM IN AT THE OFFICE**

FOR SALE

**USED FOOTBALL BOOTS \$10 OR IF YOU PUT A
PAIR OF BOOTS IN -YOU CAN GET A PAIR OUT
FOR \$5**

**DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT
THE CALAMVALE LEOPARDS
WEBSITE FOR ALL THE LATEST
NEWS & INFORMATION.
WWW.LEOPARDS.COM.AU**

2007 CLUB SPONSORS

**JEFF GRAINGER
BUILDING SERVICES**
Renovations - Pergolas & Fencing
Plaster & Painters Repairs
Maintenance & Repairs - Commercial & Residential
Retaining Walls - All Building Maintenance
Ph- 3209 6054 Fax- 32096301 Mob- 0413 773 222
Q.B.S.A. License No. 041649 - A.B.N. 69 717 986 284

**PRIME HAULAGE PTY. LTD.**
PHONE: (07) 3376 8386
Email: primehaulage@bigpond.com

WATERTIGHT AUSTRALIA PTY. LTD.

Fred Meddings
Ph (07) 3200 1134 • Fax (07) 3200 1135 • Mobile 0418 888 695
2/27 Shaw Street, High Ridge QLD 4112
GST No. 622841 664/18/07/000 21/0

HERCULES
THE GOOD NAME IN THE TRANSPORT GAME

Peter Hammel
0419 562 224
HERCULES (OLD) PTY LTD
19 Cliver Street, Claver QLD 4076
Phone: (07) 3712 0388 Fax: (07) 3712 0399
Email: herco@herco.com.au
Web: www.herco.com.au

Coming Events

Keep an eye on this space for all coming events throughout the season.

2007 BRISBANE JUNIORS AFL SEASON STARTS WEEKEND OF 21ST / 22ND APRIL.