



Calamvale Leopards Junior Australian Football Club Inc.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Welcome to 2005, as we begin a new season. I would like to congratulate last years Committee on a job well done. The player Registrations topped two hundred and was definitely the clubs most successful year to date, with all our youth teams making the finals an outstanding achievement. With the large amount of young talent participating in the Auskick Rules under eights to under elevens, the future certainly looks bright. The Auskick program will start the season in February with Bob Trapnell enthusiastically coordinating the program again this year. The Auskick program is an early age introduction to the basic skills of Australian Rules Football (AFL) and a very important lifeline for our club, hopefully all will join our club in the under eights competition and continue to youth football.

We have a clubhouse, changing rooms and a canteen! It has been a long time coming and all thanks must go to Ian Patterson and the 2004 committee members who assisted with the project. The next area that has been discussed to continue the development of our club is the need for lighting, which will enable us to host night games and for night training. Now that we have a facility there is a need to terrace and landscape the slope to provide spectators with seating and easier access to the canteen. As our youth numbers grow the need for covered interchange benches/coaches box and first aid are required. A score board and the erection of shade sails are also part of the future developments being discussed along with other ideas that will improve and give a face-lift the area.

At our AGM it was unanimously voted that our club officially become the "Calamvale Leopards". To all members that did attend the night, thank you and big welcome to the new committee for 2005, especially the first time committee members voted in and it's great to see passed members returning and giving their support. This positive blend of new and past volunteers will continue to help the Leopards achieve success on and off the field.

The costs associated in running our club increases each year as our numbers grow, I would like to thank Di Dealy our Major Sponsor from Algester Sports Club for continuing financial support this year and allowing us free use of their facilities for club meetings and functions. As an added bonus this year all registered members of Calamvale Leopards will receive a free family membership to the Algester Sports Club. To all our sponsors in 2004 the Leopards wish to thank you for your much needed support, because without your help the Calamvale Leopards J AFC could not continue to exist financially, your support for the future would be very much appreciated.

To all the volunteers that helped in 2004, the Coaches, Managers, Umpires, Mums and Dads, your contributions help make our club a success a true family club to be proud of. Footy's back an we need you again, we need your help and support with the many roles and duties performed each week at the club. If you are willing and able to spend some time and volunteer, lets us know! We can then enjoy watching our children grow and develop their skill and self esteem in a positive family environment. The reason we all help out is for the kids, all of them!

As you all know, sign on is coming up this weekend so please read carefully the information when it comes out especially the times we are running on the weekend. You all know that our club is growing each year and we are expecting the same this year, more kids means limited places there are only so many teams we can run. It becomes harder in youth footy under 12, 14 and 16 to make a team, so please sign on early and don't wait for the start of the season we don't want anyone to miss out on playing our great game.

Finally, I would like to thank you and wish everyone the greatest success for 2005.

Claude Sansiveri
President 2005



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Sign-On Days

We would like to invite you to become involved in the Calamvale Leopards Junior Australian Football Club in the 2005 season. We would love to see you join in all the fun in the coming season.

The Club sign-on days will be on **Saturday, February 12th** and **Sunday, February 13th** 2005 between 10:00am and 2:00pm and it would be great to see you there to complete all the paperwork before the football season commences. So bring your parents to one of the Sign-On Days and complete the paperwork for registration.

If you are new to our sign-on days it is important that we inform you that a copy of the player's "Proof of Age" is required to be sent in with the registration papers. This copy will not be returned to you so please provide a photocopy. The most common forms of "Proof of Age" are a copy of a birth certificate, passport or letter from the school Principle confirming the players age.

Registration fees for 2005 are as follows:

Auskick Rules - Under 8's to 11's - \$165
Junior Rules - Under 12' s to 16' s - \$185

Remember, there are NO weekly game fees.

The registration fees have changed from previous years but so have the benefits of the membership. It has been decided that the fees for 2005 will include:

- AFL Brisbane Juniors Registration Fees and Insurance.
- League Umpire Fees – (where applicable)
- Playing Shorts and Socks. Yours to keep.
- Team Photos. **(NEW BENEFIT)**
- Membership to Algester Sports Club for 2 parents. **(NEW BENEFIT)**
- AFL Pack – [Bag, Cap and Drink Bottle] **(NEW BENEFIT)**
- Club Polo Shirt – (to be worn to all club events). Yours to keep.

Registered 2004 Players can opt not to receive the Club Polo. This will reduce the fees by \$15.

The Second Family Member registering in 2005 will receive a discount. This will reduce the fees by \$10.

Already completed the AFLBJ Forms?

The bad news is that due to a change in the administration and processing arrangements of the official forms it will be necessary for you to complete the NEW forms ASAP. So please come down to sign-on day to complete these forms.

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Auskick:

Bob Trapnell has advised that the date for the commencement of the Calamvale Leopards Auskick program has changed due to the lack of availability of the Auskick packs which are supplied to participants on the Auskick sign-on day. This will now be at 4:30pm on Friday afternoon, February 18th 2005. We are still expecting a massive increase in the numbers registering for Auskick. So bring the little champions along to enjoy what we believe to be the best game on earth. THAT'S FRIDAY WEEK.

Club Football:

The Football Operations Sub-Committee has decided on dates for the commencement of training for the 2005 season. The most significant change from last year is that training will start earlier in the year with the hope of improving on last years great performances by all age groups.

Junior Footy:

U16's down to U12's have commenced informal training on a Wednesday afternoon. This has now changed to 4:30pm Tuesday's and Thursday's every week commencing Tuesday, February 15th. THAT'S THIS COMING TUESDAY

Auskick Rules:

U10's down to U8's will commence training at 4:30pm on Wednesday, March 2nd. This is the first Wednesday in March. This was previously advertised incorrectly so please note the change.

Umpires Required

As the beginning of the season approaches it is important that we establish a good base of Auskick umpires. If you are interested in becoming an Umpire, or know someone who might be, let us know so we can arrange the necessary (free) training.

AFLBJ's have also sent out the SOS as they have a major shortage of accredited Umpires for the U11 to U16 age groups. Club members interested in becoming an AFLQ Umpire contact a committee member for details or visit the AFLBJ website. www.aflbj.com.

WE NEED YOUR HELP, WE WANT YOU!!

Working With Children Check (BLUE CARD)

It has become compulsory for any person, including parents and volunteers, involved in the running of the club to obtain a blue card. If you do not have a current Blue Card please contact Claude Sansiveri who will provide the documentation required. Note, Claude must sight the documents used for identification (drivers licence etc..) No application will be signed if I don't see proof of identity.

The Blue Card does not cost anything and in these uncertain times we must ensure that our kids are safe when in the care of others.

TREASURER:

As our club grows the need to keep accurate records of our financial situation is of great importance. While we appreciate the work being done by Brendan Selby and Shane Hackles as temporary appointee's the club is seeking someone with bookkeeping and accounting skills to take over this position in a permanent capacity. To get hold of funding and grants we need to keep accounts up to date to prove we are viable and long-term organisation.

SUB-COMMITTEE:

We have sub-committees to help spread the duties involved with running the football club from:

1. Public Relations/Fundraising/Sponsorship.
2. Grounds/Maintenance.
3. Newsletter/Media.
4. Football Operations: which includes umpiring, first aid, teams and coaching.

This is all part of a successful club, if you can help out and volunteer in any area please contact the club.

COACHING STAFF NEEDED:

Coaches:

The primary requirement is for Coaches. If you, or someone you know is interested in coaching a team in 2005 and you haven't already indicated your interest by completing a Coaches application form please contact the club ASAP.

- Junior Football Coach for the U16's
- Auskick Rules Coaches (U8 to U10)

The first of the training sessions is scheduled for February 26th/27th with a second session for usually held mid season for those who missed out.

Managers:

This year it is very important that every team has a manager, the coach needs your support so they can concentrate on coaching and developing the team. The manager for the team must relay information to the team (newsletters and fundraising events etc...) and assist the coach on match days (team sheets, armbands etc...). All managers will be trained by the club. It is the Manager who looks after things off the field, here is a summary of the role:

1. Be a vital link between the administration and team (players).
2. Responsible for the smooth running of the team's administration.
3. Attendance at training as well as matches.
4. Responsible for team sheets on match day, arranging goal and boundary umpires if not already appointed.
5. Check that the team sheet is signed by First Aid Attendant and that stretcher is in place.
6. Maintain liaison with Coach.
7. Distribute notices and communication from administration.
8. Confirm with registrar that all players are correctly registered with the league.
9. Liaising with runner and trainer.
10. Report to the Umpire after the game for umpires all clear and collection of reports.

First Aiders:

Each team will again be asked to provide a First Aider for their home games. Again, training will be provided to those who volunteer if required. If you already have the following qualifications training won't be required:

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| 1. Nurse | 5. Ambulance Officer |
| 2. Sports Trainer | 6. Sports Trainer Certificate Holder |
| 3. St Johns Officers | 7. Doctor |
| 4. St John Ambulance Certificate Holder | 8. Basic 1st Aid Certificate (Minimum) |

Leopards (Run) Fun Day:

The date has been set for this major event scheduled prior to the commencement of the season. This years Fun Day will be held on Sunday, March 13th. Please put this date in your diary.

A reminder of the 2005 Committee members

President: Claude Sansiveri
Vice-President: Bob Trapnell
Registrar: Russell Waugh
Secretary: Robert Auld
Assistant Secretary: Vacant
Treasurer: Shane Hackles (temp)
Assistant Treasurer: Alan McKenzie

2005 Sub-Committees

Football Operations & Equipment: Brendan Selby, Shane Hackles, Fred Meddings & Bob Trapnell

Public Relations/Sponsorship/Fund Raising: Ian Patterson, Angela Dale, Alan McKenzie, Michelle Conlon, Claude Sansiveri & Robert Auld

Canteen: Cathy Selby, Donna Meddings

Building & Grounds: Murray Bell, Fred Meddings, Shane Hackles & Bob Trapnell

Links Committee: Ian Patterson, & Murray Bell

Webmaster: Russell Harris

Our Club Chaplain/Counsellor, Alan McKenzie is involved in an initiative to assist with the Tsunami disaster. Please support Alan and his organisation in their endeavours.

TSUNAMI DISASTER APPEAL

Monster Garage Sale
12 & 13th February 2005

Oxfam and Overcomers are Networking together toward the After care family support program which will be so needed after the initial six months rebuilding program is accomplished.

Overcomers Registration Numbers :- ACN 097646529. ABN 83 097646529

Wanted

Donations of New & Second Hand Goods

- Furniture of all kinds.... All household rooms
- Whitegoods (Washers, Dryers, Fridges, Freezers etc)
- Televisions Videos Hi-Fi Equipment Computers
- Microwaves DVD Players Electrical Appliances
- Bedding Clothing Toys
- Garden And Trade Tools (All Kinds Electrical and Manual)

Or anything else you may have about the house or workplace that you no longer need and which can be sold to raise funds for the important ongoing cause

Financial donations which once again will be needed in an ongoing basis can also be made to Overcomers Assn. account at any Bank of Queensland branch. All of these funds will be forwarded to Oxfam Community Aid Abroad on a bi monthly basis.

For collection of Goods etc. or for further information please call 3800 5831

Web Site Re-Development:

The Leopards undertook a re-development of the web site deciding to produce a site from scratch including the web address itself, which is www.leopards.com.au and is currently active. The site will be maintained with current and up-to-date information including all current newsletters.

Those who received the newsletters via e-mail in 2004 should be pleased to know that the e-mail will simply contain a notification that the newsletter is available and a link to the web page where you can view the newsletter will be provided. All newsletters will still be available in PDF format from the website.

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