

Bexley North Football Club

NEWSLETTER

BEXLEY NORTH
FOOTBALL CLUB



20 April 2010

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Important Club Dates

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| 19-APR-2010 5.30pm | Goalkeeping Course (8 weeks) Bexley Oval |
| 05-MAY-2010 | Sydney FC players visit |
| | RTO Meeting - NOTE: New Venue The Grove Hotel, 236 Kingsgrove Rd, Kingsgrove |
| 29-MAY-2010 | Team Photos at home ground |

BNFC NEWS

Small Sided Games Rules

There has been some confusion over the rules being played. The Association has supplied a one page summary which outlines the issues and gives clear instructions to follow. You can find this document on page 7 of this newsletter.

Match Sheets

Match sheets can be downloaded from our website (<http://www.bexleynorthfc.com.au/club-files.html>). Remember that there is a \$25 fine per mistake if not filled out correctly. If you have any questions with regards to match sheets and how to fill them in correctly, contact the Competition Secretary (andrew@bexleynorthfc.com.au).

Sydney FC Visit

Two Sydney FC players will be visiting home ground on Wednesday May 5. Confirmation of time and the players involved to follow.

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Team Photos

Scheduled for the weekend of 29th and 30th May. If wet they will be rescheduled for 1-2 weeks after.

Canteen Help

Help is required in the canteen to supervise open & closes on weekend. Even occasional help would be great - maybe every second week. This is not to work there, just to provide assistance in doing small tasks. See canteen staff for more details.

Game set-up

Vince Blatch will email first teams for a few weeks and last teams too. Last teams must collect gear shed key from canteen before their game and lock up afterwards. Return key to Pia on Tuesdays or Saturday at 8am at latest. Laminated instruction sheets for each field will be put in to gear shed.

MATCH REPORTS - ROUND 1

10th April | Bexley North U7 Lion 5 vs Penshurst West 1

High's and low's, low's and high's... the good, the bad and the ugly. All this and more in the first game for the season.

Confusion reigned supreme amongst officials and the like, but our boy's played their little heart's out regardless. It was an outstanding performance from the team. They were having fun, and that's what it is all about. They were looking for team mates to pass too, encouraging each other on the field and generally getting on with the job.

A big congratulations to all the team and parent's for their positive attitude.

Looking forward to next week.

Coach: *Carlo*

10th April | Rockdale City Suns U10B (0) vs Bexley North U10B (7)

Great start to the season. Well done to every player in the team from the goalies in Walid and Jerry and our defenders in Michael, Mark and Alex in keeping Rockdale scoreless. To our midfielders in Nicholas, Ziko and Walid, for your support in the back and ball distribution was excellent. Finally to our strikers in Adam, Ali, Malik and Tarek your execution and finish was awesome (as Bassim would say)!

You all trained and played with PACD which stands for (Passion, Ability, Commitment and Discipline). Well done and keep it up throughout the season. We cannot be too complacent early in the season as teams improve and we need to be one step ahead in our game every week.

Coach: *John Verteouris*

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10th April | Bexley North U7 Lion 6 vs Lugarno 1

With an off season that must have felt like an eternity to a bunch of boisterous 6 & 7 year olds, competitive games couldn't come any sooner. The trial games were evidence of this as each transformed from an exhibition of the beautiful game into an unsavoury resemblance of a rugby ruck-n-maul. The culprit was of course their enthusiasm and determination, which incidentally, not only saw them tackle the opposition but also each other. Training couldn't come any sooner. The plan? To train the rugby union out of them. Training night came as did the storm. Training lasted 5 minutes. There goes plan A out the window. Time to action plan B.. the crossing of fingers.

Saturday came and we were away at Gannon's against Lugarno 1's. The talk around the ground had Lugarno as an inexperienced team. Great, I thought. That's all we need, an opposition offering limited resistance. I had an uneasy feeling that the Bexley North Waratahs were going to make another appearance.

The warm up drills were executed well and I pulled the boys aside and told them they must not bunch up like they did during the trials. All spoken with plan B in mind, fingers firmly crossed. The whistle blew and the Bombers started to fight for possession and field position, which they attained quickly. However, the goals weren't coming as easily. There were quite a few missed chances but eventually the breakthrough came from a likely source, **Andrew V**, who went on to bag 10 for the game.

The team was always on top and to their credit they didn't bunch up too much. In the second half players made some lovely off the ball runs and the boys demonstrated that they could pass a bit too. The score ended up 17-0 with the most pleasing aspect being the clean sheet. **Andrew I** made some lovely forward runs, scored a goal but more importantly commanded the back third of the field well. **Andrew M** took some lovely set pieces with one resulting in an assist for a goal. **Paul** did well lurking around the opposing goal mouth pouncing on loose balls picking up a hat trick. **Chris** also chimed in with a hat trick including a mazy run and goal that would make Lionel Messi proud. **Emmanuel** rounded out the good team performance making a last ditch tackle on a run away Lugarno player, shutting down their best chance and preserving the clean sheet.

All in all an excellent performance. The team did fantastically well to play some good football instead of bunching up which could have easily happened due to the dominance we enjoyed.

Coaches Award: **Andrew V**, not for the 10 goals he scored because in this game 1 goal was enough, but for the excellent play down the flanks. His passes into the goal mouth to waiting Bombers players and his follow through on any loose balls was stuff from the top shelf. Well done **Andrew**. Keep up the good work.

Coach: *Andrew*

11th April | Bexley North 10GA (5) vs 2 Lugarno (2)

It was nice to be in common with all our female teams and start the season with a win.

For **Charlotte**, **Jenna**, **Carol**, **Christina**, **Ellisia** and **Stephanie** it was their first game ever, and for **Tahlia N**, our captain today, **Talia Q** and **Madison** it was their first competitive game. **Kate** (2) and **Grace** (1) had done it all before and their experience showed in scoring 3 of our 5 goals. **Tahlia N** and **Ellisia** scored our other two goals, and good ones they were. It was a great all round effort from all the girls on a very warm April day; there were some very red faces!

We camped in their half for most of the game and except for one of their players who was fast and skilful, we never really looked in any trouble. We were all 'Team Players of the Match' today, a great way to start our season, but a special thanks to **Charlotte** and **Jenna** who've been our regular goal keeping volunteers: good team effort girls.

Roll on the season.

Coach: *Vince*

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11th April | Forest Rangers U14GB (3) vs Bexley North U14G B2 (6)

As always it is pleasing to get off to a good start and that is what our future superstars did on Sunday.

Our girls took control of the first half as soon as the referee blew his whistle. Only 3 minutes into the game an opportunity presented itself and **Andrea** who was well positioned took a shot from outside the penalty box and opened up the score for the season by finding the back of the net. Well done **Andrea**! Not long after individual dribbling and brilliance from **Fatia**, **Stephanie** and **Alexandra** found the net increasing our lead 4 goals to nil.

The midfielders and defenders in **Fatia**, **Sonya**, **Lauren**, **Sarah**, **Jasmine**, **Eleni**, **Christina**, **Andrea**, **Nour** and **Natasha** worked well and supported each other. Our midfield and defense was rock solid in the first half, and did not allow Forrest Rangers to advance and held them from scoring. **Eleni** was reading the game well as centre back and discreetly pushed forward during corners near the penalty box almost coming close to score. One area in our game that was impressive was that all our throw in's were perfect. Not one throw in was picked up as a fowl by the referee.

At half time we thought we had the match rapped up but Forrest Rangers came back fighting in the second half. Also fatigue crept in and our midfielders were pushing up forward too much and when we lost possession the midfielders did not recover quickly to the midfield resulting in Forrest Rangers scoring 2 goals.

Few changes by **Themí** turned things round and **Sonya** scored from a pass through ball from **Christina** on the left which made the game out of reach for Forrest Rangers.

Fatia put the final nail with some fantastic dribbling around 2 defenders and then the goal keeper to score.

Fantastic effort girls well done and keep up the effort!

Coach: *Themí Kalathas*

11th April | Carss Park (0) vs Bexley North U18GA (13)

The pre season trial games comprised a number of subdued performances, and the girls only really began to get their play together during the nine-a-side friendly against Hurlstone Park.

For the first competitive game of the season, and on a hot April day, Carss Park were not expected to be tough opposition. Noting that ninety minute games are a big step up from last year's 70 minutes, the coaching message was to let the ball do the work and for each player to pace themselves. From the outset it was clear that Carss Park were going to be outclassed. Within 10 minutes the girls were 3 up with **Zainab**, **Tara** and **Cailyn** tearing the Carss Park defence apart. By halftime it was 7-0 with **Manale** contributing 3 assists, one of which resulted in a left footed goal from captain for the day **Natalie Murray**.

The halftime message was to keep possession by pass and move football. **Carmen** contributed in helping **Sarah** and **Alissar** rampage through the midfield, and though **Fatima** might have been completely lost on her way to the ground when she took to the field we were reassured that she could probably find her way to the goal blindfolded. Newcomers **Natalie Martens** and **Deana** played extremely well displaying high work rates, and **Melissa G** enjoyed a second half move from left back for a taste of centre midfield. **Melissa T** as usual defused all of the Carss attacks in central defence and at sweeper. Overall this was a good first up performance against a below average team. The girls will face a much tougher task against **Lugarno** next week and will need to improve their teamwork and trust in each other in order to be a major force this year.

Coach: *Mark*



MATCH REPORTS - ROUND 2

17th April | Bexley North U10B (8) vs Lugarno U10B (0)

We were off to a slow and sleepy start but you all decided to play in the second. Against stronger teams that is dangerous. We got away with it last week because Lugarno had players missing.

Thanks to **Alex** for a brilliant save in goals just before half time which kept the score nil all. Without that save we could have been back peddling in the second half on the score board and literally on the field where we were running up hill in the second half. Well done Alex.

Adam, that opening goal by keeping the pressure on was excellent! Keep it up. **Tarek**, you were relentless up front and we need to change your style because the defenders are now targeting you and this will increase as the season progresses. **Walid** and **Nicholas**, thanks for covering the back and for supporting the other defenders to keep Lugarno scoreless in the second half. Defenders are very important positions in the game. As a defender you need to know when to commit to the tackle and when to hold back. **Mark**, **Jerry** and **Michael**, you had done that well on Saturday!

Ali, your positional play in the centre mid-field by recovering quickly to support our defenders when we lost possession was better and adding that extra shadow in attack up front as a striker gave us that extra ammunition we needed. If you trap the ball first to control then shoot you will be a complete player.

Our fitness on the day proved too much for Lugarno. Great ball skills by **Ziko** and **Malik** really opened them up. **Michael**, your patience with not rushing the kick when you were not under pressure and using **Nicholas** on the wing was excellent. **Mark**, that goal from mid field was awesome! Well done everyone!

Coach: *John Verteouris*

17th April | U7 Lion 5 vs Rockdale Suns 1

Week two and the boys were keen to play. Even though we were a man down and with hardly any time in training to gel as a team, they played very well and I was very proud of everyone. So we had to get on with the job at hand. The boy's played there heart's out and that's all you can ask for.

Lot's of excitement on the field to guarantee everyone with a sense of accomplishment.

To my surprise at the end of the game one player commented...."It's not who won or lost, but how you played the game... it's about having fun". Good on you boys, that's the spirit.

Coach: *Carlo*

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18th April | Bexley North U14G B2 (7) vs Lugarno 14G B2 (0)

Another fiery start from our superstars this Sunday as Bexley controlled the match from the start.

Again only just minutes after the referee blew his whistle **Andrea** positioned herself in the same spot as the previous week and from outside the penalty box opened up the score for the match. Bit of deja-vu! Well done **Andrea**!

Not long after more goals kept coming from **Stephanie, Alexandra, Sophie** and **Fatia**. In the second half there were many missed opportunities because Lugarno was loading up their defense with players and squeezing our strikers giving them little room. That wasn't going to stop Bexley. So **Stephanie** changed her game and made a power shot from outside the box rather than dribble to score which required more than 2 goalies to save that goal. It was nice watching the ball smash into the nets.

Our defense and mid field was rock solid in **Christina, Eleni, Alexandra, Lauren, Nour, Natasha, Andrea** and **Sarah** who were relentless keeping Lugarno from scoring. **Kate's** return from the Sunshine Coast added strength in the back. In fact the goalie didn't touch the ball more than 5 times.

Lugarno didn't realize that "Bexley's Got Talent". Soon you will all be playing for the Olyroos in "Australia's got Talent!". Well done girls!

Coach: *Themí Kalathas*

18th April | Bexley North U11A (2) vs Sans Souci (5)

Conditions were excellent for the game - the first half proving quite warm for the players on the field. Down 3-0 at half time, the boys knew they had to dig deep to come back in the second half. And that they did with two classy goals in the second half by **Michael D** and **Lewis**. However, Sans souci must have eaten their Weetbix that morning and fought back with another two goals, making the full time score of 5-2. Some missed shots at goal by our boys could have narrowed the gap, probably even levelling the score. Sans Souci could have added more points to their tally had it not been for some great saves from our two goal-keepers, **John** and **Christopher**, both bravely putting their bodies on the line for their team. Things didn't quite swing our way on Saturday, but a great learning experience for the players so early in the season.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL U6/ U7/ U8 SMALL SIDED GAME TEAMS

To assist and clarify some confusion that appears to be occurring over the rules for SSG format in the first couple of rounds, the St George Football Association and the St George Referees again confirm some of the key rules that apply and will be enforced.

All Clubs, RTO', Coaches and Parents of children in SSG teams are requested to observe and respect these rules at all times. The primary aim of SSG games is to ensure the children participate and enjoy the thrill of playing football. You are reminded that there are no competition points awarded or recorded from each game so please focus on developing the skills and involvement of all players.

Regards

John Hedison
President SGFA

KEY ISSUES TO BE OBSERVED

Please read and note the key issues outlined below:

- **Kick off & Re-Start after a Goal**
Ball is passed or dribbled from the middle of the half way line. All players must be in their own half of the field of play. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play.
- **Ball crossing the goal line**
There are **NO** corner kicks at all in SSG. Regardless of which team touched the ball last, a player from the team whose goal line the ball has crossed will place the ball anywhere along the goal line and either i) pass or ii) dribble the ball into play. Opponents must retreat to the half way line and can only move once the ball is back in play. The ball must touch a team mate before a goal can be scored.
- **No Goalkeeper**
There are **NO** goalkeepers in SSG. It is the responsibility of the coach and/or team manager to continually discourage players from permanently standing in front of goals. The referee will stop games where coaches deliberately place players in front of goals to act as defensive blocks.
- **Duration of Games and number of Players**

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| U6 | 15min per half | Max 4 players on the field per team |
| U7 | 20min per half | Max 5 players on the field per team |
| U8 | 20min per half | Max 5 players on the field per team |
- **RTO**
Only **ONE** RTO per team is permitted inside the roped area during the game. Players waiting to be interchanged should remain **outside** the ropes until a break in play.



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