

Shark Bites

News from the Sorrento Football Club

From The President

There was one day this week when spring was in the air, which means that finals footy is not far away. All the teams are in with a chance to play in the finals, notwithstanding a few challenging matches over the coming weeks.

The dates and venues for the finals have been posted on to our website, so you can plan your weekends. Increasingly members, sponsors and supporters are using the website for team selections, results and the ladders. We have had almost 40,000 visitors to our site since we started last year, with an average of 6,000 a month during the season, so our sponsors are getting good exposure.

Thanks to **Ken Oliver** who provides and serves refreshments upstairs at half time. We'd like to remind you that this privilege is offered to officials from the visiting team, sponsors and "White Pointer" members and their guests. We ask that others respect this so that we don't have to implement a more rigorous check-in process upstairs. Everyone is free to use this area during match time.

Coaches Report – SENIORS Sorrento 12.6.78 Rosebud 6.6.42

The weekend saw us play Rosebud at their ground. We started very well and managed to keep Rosebud goalless in the first half. Our defence was very solid lead by Guy Stringer and John Caspar.

In the second half Rosebud did play some better football but we were able to maintain our half time lead for the game. Our better players were Stringer, Caspar, Hallihan, Head, and Ben Schwarze.

We are looking forward to another home game this weekend against Pearcedale.

Goal Kickers: L. Poholke 3, J. Hallahan 3, D. Lawson 2, K. Stringer-Morris , B. Schwarze , G. Johnson , J. Brigden

Coaches Report – RESERVES Sorrento 6.13.49 Rosebud 6.3.39

A win against Rosebud in the Reserves guaranteed us a spot back in the top 5. A loss would have kept us out, and increased our chances of missing out on playing finals football.

Rosebud jumped us early, purely based on the way they structured up around the stoppages. They moved the ball cleanly and kicked 4 straight goals to our 1.2 in the first period. We settled in the second quarter, but inaccuracy in front of goal again cost us.

At half time they were leading 5.2-32 to the Sharks 2.7-19. There were positives that we spoke about at the break; we had more scoring shots, and our play wasn't as bad as the scoreboard suggested.

I'm not exactly sure what happened after half time, but we came out a completely different side. We were hard and aggressive at the ball, and at the opposition carrying the ball. We booted 3.4 to Rosebuds 1 straight goal in the third, and continued our strong play in the last. Although we only slotted 1.2 in the final 20 minutes, Rosebud only added 1 point. A massive contributing factor to our win, was the backlines strong contested marking late in the game. Michael Patterson, Jed McCulloch and Ben Russell led the way in that

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area. We were victorious by 10 points and moved ourselves back into the top 5.

Best players on the day were Flynn Holt, Mitch Kennedy, Jed McCulloch, Michael Patterson and Patrick Hall. It was a tremendous team effort!

Goal Kickers: L. Brigden 2, M. Senior 2, F. Holt, N. Lever

Coaches Report – UNDER 18s Sorrento Rosebud

It was first verses second in the 18's on Saturday and the boys were looking for a better performance against Rosebud this time.

However, we didn't start the way we needed to; Rosebud dominated the first quarter but only managed two goals. With a bit more commitment the boys fought back in the second term with Danny, Tom, Shannon, Jarra, Jimbo and Nato all working extremely hard. We went to the major break 8 points in arrears and it was game on.

After half time we began to get on top through the mid field and our forwards were presenting well, however our kicking efficiency into our forward line was well below par and we wasted a lot of hard work from our mid field and defence. At the last break we were still in the game despite being 3 goals down.

We played our best football in the last quarter. We started to run and carry and had many winners all over the ground, however, our inability to hit targets going forward continued to cost us greatly.

Overall it was a big improvement on our first meeting with Rosebud earlier on in the year, and we have got a lot more improvement in us. **Best players:** Jarra, Danny, Shannon, Magee, Casper, and Dunn

Goal Kickers: D. Stephenson 2, T. Caspar, S. Duewel, E. King, J. Grant

Next Game

Saturday August 2 v Pearcedale @ Shark Park

Footy Tipping Results

Round 18 results are in red in the far right hand column. The top spots are closing in, with a bit of family rivalry between the Lilleys!

1st	115	Scanlan, Warrick	8	4	5	5	8	9	7	7	9	5	7	4	
2nd	114	Dickeson, Derek	7	4	4	5	7	8	6	7	8	7	7	4	
2nd	114	Lilley, Andrew	7	4	3	5	7	8	4	7	8	7	9	5	
4th	113	Lilley, George	7	5	3	5	8	7	6	7	7	6	8	6	
4th	113	Wilcock, Robyn	6	6	5	5	7	8	7	7	6	6	8	3	
6th	112	Pettit, Chris	6	6	5	5	8	7	6	6	8	7	8	3	
7th	111	Schwarze, troy	5	6	3	4	8	7	6	7	8	6	8	5	
7th	111	Soapy	7	4	4	5	7	7	5	8	8	7	8	4	
7th	111	Strahan, Max	7	5	4	5	8	8	5	7	7	6	9	4	
10th	110	Dawson, John	5	4	4	5	6	8	5	7	7	7	9	5	
10th	110	Michaelides, Nick	7	5	4	5	7	8	6	7	8	6	7	5	
10th	110	Rinaldi, Brendan	7	5	4	4	7	8	6	7	8	6	7	5	
10th	110	Scanlon, Annette	5	5	4	5	7	8	6	7	7	8	9	5	

For all the results go to our website. sorrentosharksfc.com.au

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