

Shark Bites

News from the Sorrento Football Club

From The President

This week is National Volunteers Week in Australia and I welcome the opportunity to acknowledge the critical role that volunteers fulfil in our club. We would not exist without the legion of volunteers who staff the canteen, clean up after the games, man the gates, provide medical support, undertake maintenance and repairs of the ground and clubhouse, run water, prepare the meals after training, raise funds and in general manage the club. To all of you (and those I haven't specifically identified) – thank you.

It was great to see local lad turned star Tom Lynch at the game on Saturday mixing with his old team mates, and enjoying the local footy.

Make sure you come and support the Sharks against Frankston next week, as we don't have a game then until the blockbuster against Rye at home on the Queen's birthday weekend.

Coaches Report – SENIORS

Sorrento 13.19.97

Hastings 11.8.74

On the weekend we had a tight tussle against a good team in Hastings.

Our start again wasn't fantastic and we had an arm wrestle up until half time. The boys were very positive in the rooms at the main break and we had a feeling that if we stuck at it and cleaned up a couple of areas we could slip away.

We made a few adjustments at half time and moved some players around and started to

dominate the game. Unfortunately, we couldn't convert this to the scoreboard and we missed some very gettable shots. At 3 ¼ time we were just behind but thought that if we started to convert we could get the win. This proved to be the case but 13 goals 19 points is something we will need to address on the track.

Our run of injuries continued and unfortunately our captain Dion Phillips went down with a medial ligament strain. Dion has had 2 full knee reconstructions so to see him go down was a concern. The positive is it's his good knee and we hope it's a minor tear. When he is right he will be back.

Our better players on the day were Poholke (7 goals) Hallihan, Stringer-Morris, Caspar, McCormack, Mattison and Head.

Goal Kickers: L. Poholke 7, T. Head 2, L. Treeby, J. Hallahan, G. Johnson, L. Soligo

We have Frankston this week away so it would be good to see everyone there supporting the sharks.

Coaches Report – RESERVES

Sorrento 6.7.43

Hastings 10.3.63

We had a huge challenge ahead of us, coming up against an undefeated Hastings side. Going in with 21 players we knew an extra special effort was required, and the boys gave me exactly that. We controlled the majority of the first half and after a 1 point lead at quarter time, we extended that to 7 points at half time. Unfortunately due to 3 injuries



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in the first half, we were unable to sustain our high intensity and Hastings pegged back the deficit. Trailing by 5 points heading into the last quarter, the team gave me everything they could. But being down on fit players, and Hastings slick ball movement meant that we were unable to get up for the win.

Although we didn't get the 4 points, I was so proud of the players' effort for the entire 4 quarters. They never threw in the towel, and gave me everything they possibly could. Another effort like that next weekend and I'm confident of a great result. Best players were Jack Falck with 3 goals, Jack Shepard, our captain Ben Feldhofer and Marcus Gardner.

Coaches Report – UNDER 18s

Sorrento 15.9.99

Mt Eliza 5.9.99

The Under 18's had another game against a top 5 side this week, and it was important we backed up after a great performance last week.

Mt Eliza came out of the blocks hard and had 2 goals on the board before we could get our hands on the ball; however we soon manned up and started putting them under some pressure.

By quarter time we had put our noses in front.

The mid-field soon gained the ascendency led by Briggs & Tower, and William and McGee were taking marks up forward. Strawberry and Alexander were fantastic in defence and Ethan continually won the ball.

Ben Williams was giving us great drive running out of defence and Danny and Bazza were using the ball well.

Eventually we over-powered them and won by ten goals.

Best: Mitch Towers , Strawberry, Alexander , Ben, William & Briggs

Goal Kickers: Tower 5 William 3 McGee 2

Next Game

Saturday May 17 v Frankston @ Frankston

Footy Tipping Results

Split round, results next week.

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