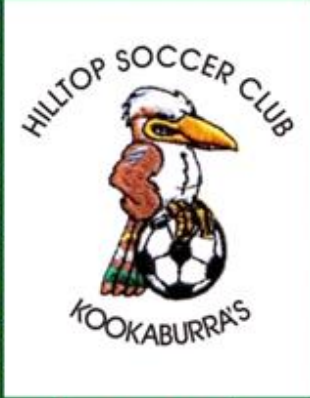


# THE KOOKABURRA SQUAWK



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Stop the Press!! We kick off September's edition of the Squawk with the \*fantastic\* news that the Under 15's have won the Jan Plain Cup! Check out the match report & photo gallery of this historic (and wet!) day out at Robertson on pages 2 and 3. We profile team photo's of the Under 8's, Under 9's, Under 10's, & Under 13's, as well as make important corrections to the story we ran in June on the history of our club. GO KOOKABURRA'S!!!

## GREAT SPORTSMANSHIP IN THE UNDER 6'S

The squawk was delighted to receive an email recently from a visiting Bundanoon Rebels parent, who had the following to say about Hill Top's Under 6 'Y' team and their coach, Matt Rapa.

*"I wanted to sincerely compliment your soccer club. My husband came this morning with my son to play U6s and said the Hill Top U6 'Y' team and coach, Matt Rapa, were so warm and welcoming even cheering when our team scored! We try to be the same. It's what sport is all about, but many people seem to have forgotten. I just wanted to pass on my personal thanks to Matt and his U6 team, what great sportsmanship!"* Edwina Carter, Bundanoon.



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As Hill Top Harry advised last month, Hill Top Soccer Club's 2014 Annual General Meeting is being held this month at 7.00pm on **Monday 15th September** at the Hill Top War Memorial Hall. Whether you are interested in expressing interest in standing for a position, or are simply an interested member who wants to find out more about our club, you are more than welcome to attend.



## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Club president Mark Johnson, & Vice-President Scott McKeown wanted to thank and acknowledge the tireless work of four individuals who's wonderful efforts often go unnoticed. Jeremy Bates, Michael Gilkes, and his sons Rhys and Brody Gilkes commit significant time & effort in assisting on Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings at each-and-every home game, often setting up fields (marking lines, setting cones, putting up Bownets) when most people are about to sit down to a bowl of cornflakes! Furthermore, Scott & Mark also wanted to extend a big thankyou to all sitting committee members, who have made tremendous contributions across the entire 2014 season.



**JAN PLAIN CUP FINAL – HILL TOP Vs BUNDANOON  
HAMPDEN PARK, ROBERTSON, 30 AUGUST 2014**

# **HAIL THE CHAMPIONS!**

**UNDER 15'S CLAIM CUP GLORY IN THE POURING RAIN**



A brilliant team effort in torrential rain saw the Under 15's claim the club's first trophy of 2014, defeating arch rivals Bundanoon 5-1 at Robertson. Battling freezing cold conditions and at times horizontal rain, the U15's came out of the blocks hard early, having a 2-Nil lead within the first 15 minutes through goals to Cameron Halias and Zac Bishop. Newly promoted goalkeeper Bejay Mangion looked as if he had played his whole career in the role, making good decisions at the back in repelling a number of dangerous Bundanoon attacking raids. Third and fourth goals came either side of half-time to Zac Bishop (his 2nd) and Billy Grose, before Cameron Halias scored the Kookaburra's fifth and final goal (his 2nd) five minutes from the end. Coach Mark Johnson was thrilled with the team's hard work and dedication in really trying conditions. "A number of our players were suffering with colds and flu today, but the effort was outstanding across the entire field" he said. "Given such a great team effort I'm reluctant to single anyone out, but thought our goalkeeper, Bejay Mangion, was superb. He came into the role at very short notice with minimal training, and did himself and the club proud". The HSA judging panel awarded Kookaburra's defender Matthew Bates the player of the final award for his great job in keeping Bundanoon's attack in-check for the whole game.

**HILL TOP 5 (C. Halias 2, Z. Bishop 2, B. Grose 1) defeated BUNDANOON 1  
PLAYER OF THE FINAL: Matthew Bates. Hampden Park, Robertson 30/08/14**

# ACTIONS FROM THE JAN PLAIN CUP FINAL



CONNOR WILLS



JAN PLAIN CUP



WILLIAM HARRIS



BEJAY MANGION



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## JUNIOR & SENIOR PRESENTATIONS

A reminder to all players and families that the Club will be holding its Junior & Senior presentations in October this year.

Details are as follows -

**Junior Teams Presentation: Sunday 26th October**

11.00am at Boronia Park (Note: weather permitting)

**Senior Teams Presentation: Saturday 18th October**

6.00pm Mittagong RSL, Joadja/Nattai Conference Room

The club will be sending out a further reminder letter to all club members in early September – see you there!



## FINALS FOOTBALL

Whilst it was disappointing the season ended a week early for most teams due to the drenching that hit the Highlands, Hill Top Soccer Club will be flying the flag in the HSA final series, with the Under 13's, Under 15's, and Youth teams all gearing up for a shot at the silverware. The Squawk will be publishing its final newsletter for 2014 in early October, which will carry reports on how deep into the playoff each team went, as well as photo's from selected playoff games.



### Hill Top Soccer Club – Final Regular Season Ladder Positions

Team	Played	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Points	Ladder #
AAM Premier	17	9	2	6	38	31	+7	29	5th
AAM Reserve	15	8	4	3	42	14	+27	27	5th
AAW Premier	18	6	2	10	28	42	-14	20	7th
AAM Youth	15	0	1	14	7	89	-82	1	4th
Under 15's	12	8	2	2	56	19	+37	26	2nd
Under 13's	15	11	3	1	76	22	+54	36	2nd

## HILLTOP MICK and HILL TOP HARRY SAY ...



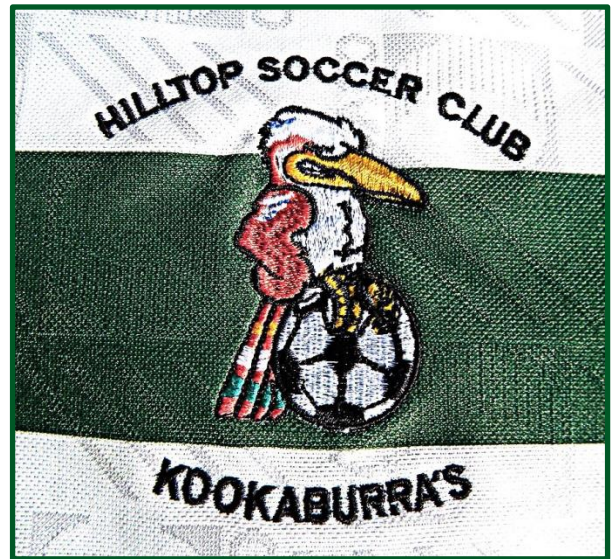
“Hey Harry. I know you wanted me gone, but I’m just too popular to go anywhere. The kids and ladies love me! I’m the marquee & franchise all rolled into one great package!”

““Mick, you’ve certainly been rolling in something.. I think you’re in danger of your head not fitting into this newsletter. By the way, I hear Mick Murray wants a piece of you for impersonating a 1<sup>st</sup> grader!”



# HISTORY OF OUR CLUB – SOME CORRECTIONS ...

The Squawk Newsletter has been provided with some updated information following on from the story we ran earlier this year on the history of Hill Top Soccer Club. In the interests of providing our readers with the most accurate information available, the following list of important historical corrections are provided (along with some additional information) as follows:



- Whilst evidence suggests soccer was played in Hill Top prior to the 1980's, this was not formalised as part of any association
- Mick Beville and Ian Sherratt started the Hill Top Sports Association in 1981, with soccer (mini competitions) being the club's first objective
- The club expanded to incorporate Cricket, Tennis and Little Athletics
- The original colours the Hill Top Sports Association adopted in 1981 (primarily red) were a tribute to Liverpool & Manchester United
- In 1983 there was a need to change the red jersey, as it clashed with the strip worn by Bowral United. The club chose Green, White & Gold.
- Prior to 1983, there was never a Hill Top Soccer Field. A small clearing of approximately 50 meters in diameter stood in the general vicinity where Boronia Park currently stands today
- In 1983, the reigning state government of the day donated \$75,000 to the club to dramatically expand/upgrade the playing facilities. This included creating two playing fields, amenities block, & flood lights
- The Minister for Sport & Recreation, Michael Cleary, presented the cheque for \$75,000 to Club President Mick Beville.

The club greatly appreciates the kind assistance of Mrs Margaret Bunch (nee Sherratt) who provided the bulk of this information to the club

## CLUB FUNDRAISER COMPETITION

Anita Brown has done a magnificent job in organising a '1-100' fundraiser board, selling tickets to members & their families interested in winning one-of-two framed Western Sydney Wanderers Balls, personally signed by Tomi Juric and Antony Golec. There are a very small number of tickets still available - contact Anita directly if you are interested in buying a ticket



# KOOKABURRA'S PLAYER PROFILE

## EMMA JOHNSON – UNDER 10'S

**FAVORITE CARTOON OR TV SHOW ...**

Bondi Vet

**WHAT OTHER SPORTS DO YOU ENJOY?**

Gymnastics

**WHO IS MY FUNNIEST TEAMMATE?**

Brooke McKeown

**TELL US ABOUT YOUR UNDER 10'S COACH, SCOTT McKEOWN?**

He's nice & he's really funny

**WHAT WOULD YOU BUY WITH A MILLION DOLLARS?**

Gymnastics Equipment

**WHAT DO I GET IN TROUBLE OFF MY MUM & DAD FOR ..?**

Attitude!

**MY FIRST GAME OF SOCCER WAS ...?**

Hill Top Under 6's

**MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT PLAYING SOCCER ....**

When I kicked an opposition player!

**WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF ... ?**

Storms

**WHEN YOU PLAY SOCCER, WHAT MAKES YOU ANGRY?**

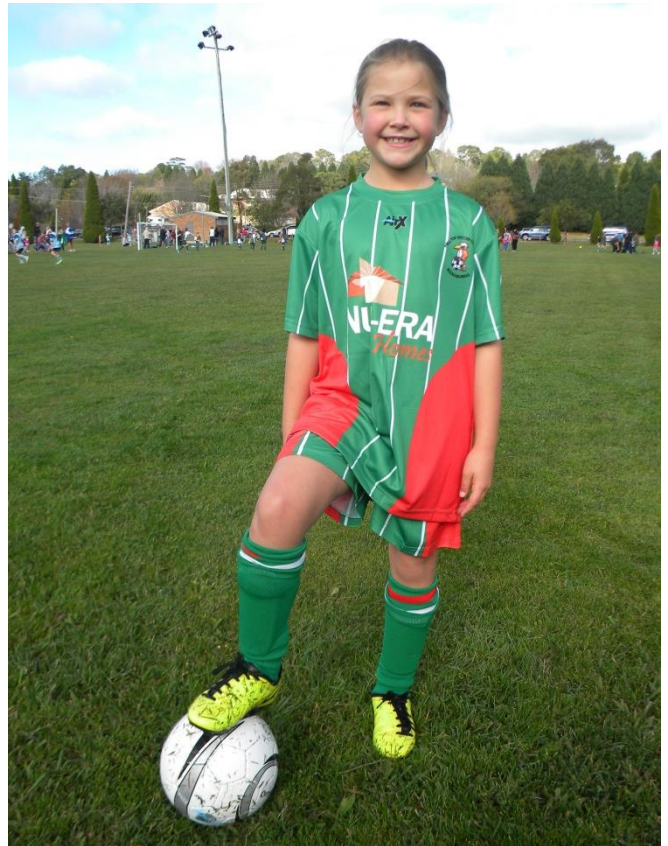
Players from other teams telling me they are going to win!

**WHAT'S THE SILLIEST THING YOU HAVE EVER DONE ?**

Once I got lost in the bush – mum was going to kill me!

**IF YOU BECOME FAMOUS, WHAT WOULD IT BE FOR ?**

Gymnastics and Soccer





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