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Welcome to the April edition of the Kookaburra Squawk Newsletter. With players across all grades itching to get out onto the field, excitement levels are at an all-time high as our teams gear-up to start their seasons across the weekends of April 11 (Senior teams) and April 18 (Junior teams). In this edition of the Squawk we catch up with outgoing HTSC club legend, Dean Felber, and give members a run-down on the 'do's & 'donts' in our 2015 house-keeping guide. On a particularly disappointing note, some members may be aware that the club has lost its right to host Bunning's BBQ's, stemming from our inability to sufficiently resource the BBQ we had booked in mid March. As stated before, the club is always on the look-out for dedicated help, and ask anyone willing to put their hand up for future initiatives to let Mark Johnson know ASAP, so we can avoid the repeat of a situation which has resulted in the loss of a valuable revenue stream.

# HILL TOP HARRY TALKS TO THE BANGLADESH CRICKET TEAM



"Hey boys, great job in the World Cup, but Mark needs you to return our jersey's as the season's just about to start!"



# **HOUSKEEPING FOR THE 2015 SEASON**

As we gear up for another action-packed season of soccer, it's as good a time as any to quickly run-through a few important house keeping reminders that our players and members need to be mindful of whilst representing the Hill Top Soccer Club this season.

#### **ACCEPTING REFEREES DECISIONS**

Players across all age groups need to accept the referees decision in all circumstances, without question. We all need to remember that most of our referees are volunteers, and as such, mistakes do happen from time-to-time.

REPRESENTING OUR CLUB – We all need to remember that as players (or parents of players) wearing the Hill Top Soccer Club Jersey, we are putting our club's reputation on the line as one of the HSA's most well respected club's each-and-every time we step-out onto the playing field. Whether it be at Boronia Park, or at an away venue (particularly away venues) we need to ensure our club continues to set the bar very high when it comes to player behaviour, fair play, & good sportsmanship.



**UNDERGARMENTS** – Players and parents are reminded that base layer clothing is permitted to be worn under jerseys and shorts, however, <u>must be either solid green or skin-tone colour</u>. Unfortunately there were a large number of junior players wearing multi-coloured/ striped undergarments last season, all of which are not permitted by the HSA, and may result in players being asked to remove the garment before being permitted to enter the playing field this season.

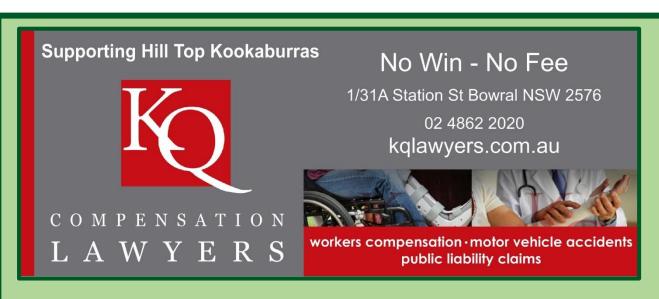
**KEEPING INFORMED** – There are two ways players & parents can stay informed about match and training information during the season 1. The Hill Top Soccer Club Website, and 2. Their Team Coach. Club members should be aware that Hill Top Soccer Club is not affiliated in any way with any social media sites, and as such, is not responsible for any information posted by individuals on social media sites during the 2015 season.

**COMMUNICATION** – The club understands there will be occasions where players may not be able to make a particular game due to illness or other commitments. In these situations the club simply asks that this information is communicated to the team coach as soon as possible, as a replacement player may be able to be sourced from another team or grade.

THE COMMITTEE THANKS EVERYONE FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE IN ENSURING THESE BASIC PRINCIPLES ARE FOLLOWED IN 2015 ©

# SPOTLIGHT ON OUR SPONSORS

The Squawk will be profiling some of our sponsors across the course of the 2015 season, in raising members awareness of the wonderful array of products and services they provide. First up we take a look at a new club sponsor that's come on-board in 2015, KQ Compensation Lawyers



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# FARWELL TO A CLUB LEGEND DEAN FELBER SAYS GOODBYE TO HILL TOP





When Hill Top Soccer Club's 2015 season kicks-off, the club roster will be missing the name 'Felber' for the first time in almost three decades, with club life member Dean Felber in the process of moving his family to the Sunshine Coast - in doing so bringing down the curtain on a career that started way-back in 1987. The Squawk caught-up with Dean before he had a chance to escape one final Southern Highlands winter, in taking a look back across his 28 year career with the Hill Top Soccer Club

Dean, can we start off by telling our readers when you began playing soccer for Hill Top?

I started playing soccer for Hill Top in what was then the Under 14's competition in 1987. At the time the club was run by Mick Beville, who was one of Hill Top Soccer Club's original founders.

## Can you tell us what it was like playing soccer for Hill Top in the early days?

It was quite a different era compared to the modern day. On the field the soccer has always been great, however, there was a real social aspect in the early days that just couldn't be beaten. After we had finished playing our game there was always a party at someone's house, and players from across the grades would all come together and celebrate as a community. I really do miss those days.

## You've played for the Club for 28 years Dean, can you tell us your highlight

Without doubt being part of the club when it won the dual First Grade & Third Grade Grand Final's at Yerrinbool in the 2003 season. Both games were packed full of drama. I was part of the first grade team in the crowd cheering on our third grade team – the game went way past the scheduled finish because of extra time and a penalty shoot out. The first grade referee was good enough to delay starting first grade so we could enjoy watching our thirds win the title.

When First grade finally got started we were immediately up against it - our goalkeeper was sent off early bringing us down to 10 men, then we lost 2 players with a broken ankle and a broken arm – it was a very tough, brutal game. I scored our only goal and we battled through to finish 1-1 at the end of extra time. In the penalty shoot-out our replacement goalkeeper, Brett Peckham, came through for us to win the game. The crowd support at Yerrinbool that day was fantastic - it was an amazing day for not only the club but the whole Hill Top community. Thinking back on that day brings back a whole lot of great memories



### Looking back over your career, do you have any disappointments?

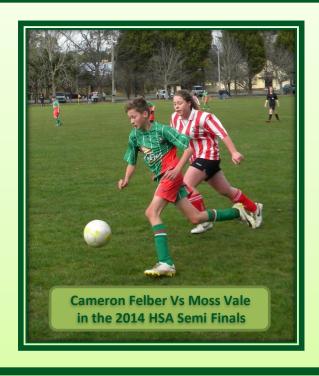
No not really, although as I mentioned earlier I do miss the fact that the community / social aspect that used to be a part of playing sport in the Southern Highlands isn't the same as it once was. That's not a knock on anyone, probably more just a sign of the times we live in today.

#### Why are you and the family moving north to the Sunshine Coast Dean?

After so many years living in the Highlands it will be nice for the family to finally enjoy some warmer weather! Cameron is definitely disappointed to be leaving his Under 15 team-mates, but I'm sure he will find another soccer team once we all get settled in on the Sunshine Coast.

On behalf of the entire Hill Top Community, we wish Dean, Kylie and the entire Felber family all the best in the future, and know your name will forever be synonymous with the mighty Hill Top Soccer Club!

As Dean referenced above, the club will also be saying goodbye to his talented son Cameron, who finished his time with HTSC in the Under 15's at the end of last season. Just like his dad did back in 2003, Cameron holds the honour of scoring a grand-final winning goal for Hill Top, which he did for the Under 13's in the 2013 season in their upset 1-0 victory over Bowral. Cameron's U15's coach Mark Johnson agreed he was sorry to see such a promising junior leave the club. "Cameron has matured into an excellent striker over the past few years. I hope he continues to play soccer & wish him all the best. Like his dad he has done himself & HTSC proud"





# KOOKABURRA'S PLAYER PROFILE BRADLEY MALCOLM – UNDER 11'S



WHAT IS YOUR NICKNAME?
McGee

YOUR FAVORITE FOOD Apples

I GET IN TROUBLE OFF MUM & DAD FOR Not cleaning my Room!

**FAVORITE TV SHOW OR MOVIE** Superman

WHO IS YOUR FUNNIEST TEAMMATE? Brody Gilkes

**DO YOU ENJOY ANY OTHER SPORTS?**Cricket

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WON A MILLION DOLLARS?

Buy a mansion!

WHAT IS THE SILLIEST THING
YOU HAVE EVER DONE?
Dropped my I pod (have done that often!)

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO AFTER YOU FINISH SCHOOL? Be a palaeontologist

WHAT MAKES YOU LAUGH? My bother Cameron!

WHAT MAKES YOU ANGRY?
My brother Cameron!

THE PART OF SOCCER I ENJOY MOST Scoring Goals & hanging out with friends!

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