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Welcome to the April edition of the Kookaburra Squawk newsletter. It was great to kick off our season with a bumper round of games at Boronia Park on April 2nd, and trust all of our teams are settling in for a great season of soccer in the Highlands. In this edition of the Squawk, our new president, Michael Murray, pens a welcome message to all players & coaches, and we look back at the great start to the season both our men's & women's senior teams had at the HSA pre-season cup. We unveil the winner of the \$100 A-Mart Sports voucher, and publish a reminder for those players who still have rego money owing. We also catch-up with AAW superstar Paris Bruce in our player profile.

HILL TOP HARRY TALKING SEASON 2016 WITH MARK BURKE







WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE CLUB HTSC PRESIDENT MICHAEL MURRAY



Hello kookaburras

I'd like to welcome all existing & new members, families and coaches to the club for the 2016 season.

The cooperation from our members with our new committee has been great and made learning the ins and outs of running a community club an easier than expected process.

Our hard working committee are looking to continually improve the good work already done from last years committee. We also welcome any questions or suggestions you have regarding our club so don't hesitate to ask.

It wouldn't be a presidents report without mentioning the need for volunteers. Help is needed setting up for home games, running the canteen, BBQ and official duties. If anyone is available for even one hour on these days it would be greatly appreciated.

I hope all players enjoy the season ahead. Good luck & Go kookaburras!



Michael Murray HTSC president





YOUR 2016 HILL TOP SOCCER CLUB COMMITTEE MEMBERS



MICHAEL MURRAY CLUB PRESIDENT 1ST GRADE CAPTAIN



MARK BURKE VICE-PRESIDENT & RECORDER



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SHEENA MARTIN JUNIOR & SENIOR REGISTRAR

A-MART SPORTS \$100 GIFT VOUCHER COMPETITION WINNER

A grand total of 94 Hill Top Soccer Club members paid their registration in full before round one, in doing so entering themselves into the draw to be in the running to win a \$100 AMart Sports gift voucher, which the club offered as an incentive to members as part of the revised registration rules applying to the 2016 season.

The club dropped in and paid a visit to Hill Top's BDCU Alliance Bank on Tuesday afternoon 12th April, where Alyce Barcicki (main picture) from BDCU kindly undertook the official competition draw duties, making sure every 'i' was dotted, & 't' was crossed, before the draw took place.

The club is delighted to announce **David Kanyasi** (inset) from our AAM Reserve Grade team was the winner of the \$100 gift voucher. The club committee will shortly be in contact with David to deliver the gift voucher.



DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES 30 APRIL

Whilst 94 members competed for the above gift voucher, a further 48 members have just on two weeks to finalise outstanding rego fees, which must be paid in-full before Sat 30 April (Round 4). Coaches will be supplied with lists of players with outstanding fees, and reminding players at training, & during the coming fortnight. The Club doesn't want to get to the point of standing down non-financial players for games being played on Saturday 30 April, however, will have no alternative should players ignore this new requirement, which was communicated to members back in November 2015. Please note there will be no exceptions to this rule.





HSA PRE-SEASON CUP FOR AAM TEAMS DAVID WOOD PLAYING FIELD, EAST BOWRAL



QUALIFIERS 19 MARCH 2016 - FINALS 20 MARCH 2016



FIRST SILVERWARE FOR KOOKABURRA'S IN 2016 AS HILL TOP TAKE OUT HSA PRE-SEASON CUP

Hill Top's combined AAM side got their season off to the perfect start, taking out the inaugural HSA Pre-Season Cup, defeating Marulan 3-2 in a tightly fought final on the final day of competition. Following two comprehensive victories on the open day over Marulan (3-0) and Mittagong (5-1) the Kookaburra's came up against Bowral in the first semi final on the Sunday morning, and put together a clinical display, defeating the Bandicoots 6-0 despite missing a number of players who were unable to back up on the final day of competition. The final against Marulan was a much tighter affair than the earlier pool game against the men from the south, with Marulan pegging back Hill Top's early 2-Nil lead to draw level at 2-2 ten minutes from full-time. Hill Top's anguish at a missed Tom Hitchens penalty a few moments after the scores were leveled were immediately eased by Jack Dawson, who calmly slotted home his second goal for the afternoon five minutes before the final whistle in restoring the Kookaburra's lead. A tense final few minutes saw Hill Top hold on to be crowned the first ever HSA Pre-Season Cup Champions. Over the course of both days Hill Top had many stand out performers. Chris Packer, Peter Crellen, and Jack Dawson all provided excellent performances throughout the tournament, with Bailey Halias every reliable in front of goals. Nathan & Zac Bishop also put in notable displays on the final day of Cup competition, playing strongly in both the Semi-final & final when the team was down on troops. Captain Michael Murray was thrilled with the effort, with all the hard work on the training paddock playing a big part in the final result.



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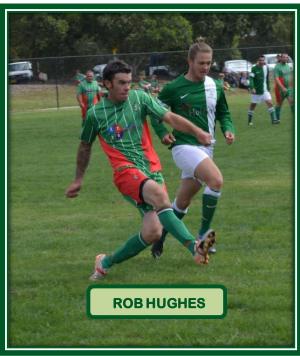


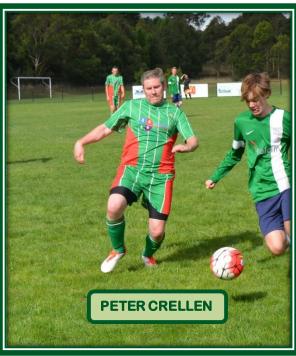
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PRE-SEASON CUP SCOREBOARD - HILL TOP KOOKABURRA'S GAMES

Preliminary Games Held on Saturday - 19 March at David Woods Field HSA Cup Game #1 - Hill Top Kookaburra's Vs Marulan Won 3 - 0 HSA Cup Game #2 - Hill Top Kookaburra's Vs Mittagong Won 5 - 1

Semi-Final & Cup Final Held on Sunday – 20 March at David Woods Field Semi-Final Cup Game #1 – Hill Top Kookaburra's Vs Bowral Won 6 – 0 Cup Final – Hill Top 3 (Jack Dawson 2, Peter Crellen 1) Def. Marulan 2









HSA PRE-SEASON CUP FOR AAW TEAMS DAVID WOOD PLAYING FIELD, EAST BOWRAL QUALIFYING GROUP MATCHES - 19 MARCH 2016









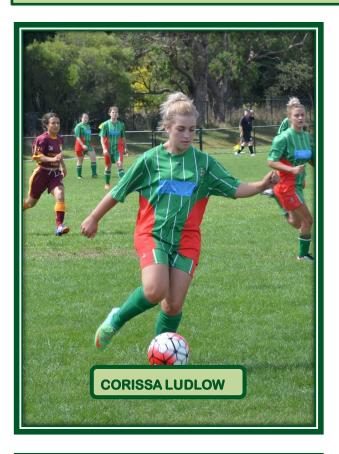


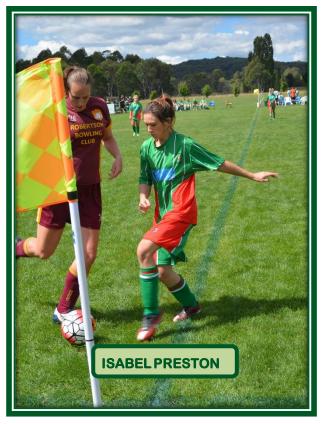
Whilst our men's AAM team took home the major award, our ladies also had an excellent warm-up for the season, finishing a very strong 3rd in the AAW section of the HSA pre-season cup. Finishing up with 2 wins and 2 losses, our ladies look forward to a highly competitive 2016 season ahead



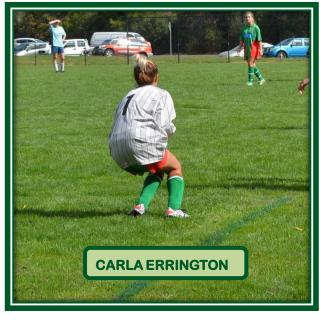
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HSA PRE-SEASON CUP FOR AAW – HILL TOP AAW RESULTS

HSA Cup Game #1 – Hill Top Kookaburra's Vs Yerrinbool Lost 3 - 1

HSA Cup Game #2 - Hill Top Kookaburra's Vs Robertson Won 2 - 0

HSA Cup Game #3 – Hill Top Kookaburra's Vs Bowral Lost 1 - 0

HSA Cup Game #4 - Hill Top Kookaburra's Vs Mittagong Won 4 - 0



KOOKABURRA'S PLAYER PROFILE PARIS BRUCE – AAW PREMIER GRADE



YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW?

Orange Is the New Black, or Shameless

YOUR NICKNAME

Pazz or Pazza

WHAT OTHER SPORTS DO YOU LIKE?

There are no others – I love soccer

YOU HAVE PLAYED FOR OTHER H.S.A TEAMS – WHY NOW HILL TOP?

Its great playing for such a positive, happy team and John is a champion coach!

YOUR 3 MOST ESSENTIAL ITEMS IF YOU WERE STRANDED ON AN ISLAND?

Music, a Hammock, and Robert Pattison!

WHO'S YOUR FUNNIEST TEAMMATE/S?

Alyce Thompson & Carla Errington

YOUR MOST ANNOYING TEAMATE?

Definitely Carla Errington!

WHAT MAKES YOU ANGRY ON THE FIELD

Just looking at the other team!

MEMORIES OF YOUR FIRST GAME OF SOCCER FOR HILL TOP

Driving to Crookwell with Katelyn. It was my first drive since getting my P's. Both of us were nervous about meeting the team

MOST EMBARASSING MOMENT ON THE SOCCER FIELD?

Playing against my old club Yerrinbool, and getting smashed by one of my friends Anna

IF YOU COULD CHANGE ONE THING ABOUT YOUR GAME WHAT WOULD IT BE

Get fitter!







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