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Welcome to the September edition of the Kookaburra Squawk newsletter. This month we open up with a feature story on our AAW Premier Ladies incredible penalty shoot-out Grand Final victory, as well as recap the brave efforts of our Under 13's team, who did themselves proud despite going down in a nail-biter in their grand final. We pay tribute to all of our 2017 teams with a gallery of team photo's, as well as put the word out for some new sponsors to join the Kookaburra family and be part of our great club for next season. We finish up profiling our youngest player competing on a full sized field in 2017, Toby Brocklesby, who perhaps needs to provide us all with a bit more information on how he 'sticky taped up' one of his friends at the oval! Go Kookaburras!!!





AAW PREMIER GRAND FINAL 2017

HILL TOP KOOKABURRAS Vs CROOKWELL DAVID WOOD FIELD, BOWRAL, 16 SEPTEMBER 2017



HILL TOP LADIES WIN A THRILLER IN PENALTY SHOOT OUT VICTORY OVER CROOKWELL



In one of the most gripping Grand Finals in recent history, Hill Top AAW Premier women out-lasted Crookwell in the 2017 H.S.A Grand Final, taking out the grand final 3-2 in a penalty shoot-out, after the game finished 1-all after 2 periods of extra time.

The Hill Top girls dominated possession for the majority of the first half, and were finally rewarded at the 30 minute mark with an excellent goal from Julaina Pudney after good lead-up work from Tayla Parsons. The Crookwell girls defended grimly for long periods, with Hill Top failing to capitalize on a couple of other good chances to take a slender 1-0 lead into the half time break.

The second half slowly saw the momentum swing Crookwell's way, with the ladies from down south leveling up midway through the second half, courtesy of a goal from their captain Annie Croker following an inch-perfect cross into the box.

Both teams had chances to take the lead as the match drew to its conclusion, with two additional periods of extra time unable to split the deadlocked 1-1 score-line. Hill Top coach John Parsons made an important call in switching Paris Bruce into goals for the penalty shoot-out, with Paris' extra height/reach being seen as a key factor in giving the Kookaburras an advantage over Crookwell's smaller goalkeeper.

The coaches call proved to be a masterstroke, with Paris pulling off two strong saves (Crookwell's 3rd miss sailed wide of the posts) and slotting a goal herself, with additional goals by Sheree Connolly and Julaina Pudney icing the cake on a wonderful day for our ladies, who's grand final victory completed only the 4th AAW grandfinal/Cup double, having taken out the Noelene Munro Cup earlier in the season

AAW PREMIER GRAND FINAL: HILL TOP 1 (J. Pudney) def CROOKWELL 1 (A. Croker) Via PENALTY SHOOT OUT 3-2 (S. Connolly, P. Bruce, J. Pudney - Penalty Scorers)



AAW PREMIER LADIES GRAND FINAL PHOTO GALLERY FROM EAST BOWRAL – PAGE 1









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UNDER 13'S GRAND FINAL 2017

HILL TOP KOOKABURRAS Vs BUNDANOON DAVID WOOD FIELD, BOWRAL, 16 SEPTEMBER 2017



BRAVE HILL TOP PUSH BUNDANOON TO THE LIMIT IN UNDER 13'S THRILLER



Hill Top Under 13's came within an inch of providing the Kookaburra's with a grand final double, going down 2-1 to their season long rivals Bundanoon, in a game that had spectators on the edge of their seat until the referee blew the final whistle.

An early Bundanoon goal was immediately countered by a brilliant 20 meter volley over the 'keepers head by Hill Top's Rachael Behan – a goal which had the Hill Top supporters in raptures. The contest see-sawed back and forth during a frantic first half, before Bundanoon's Tyson Robb received the benefit of the doubt on a tight offside call to put the Rebels in front 2-1 in the lead-up to the half time break.

The second half saw both teams have a number of good chances, although Hill Top's finishing ability in front of goal hurt them, with a number of shots sailing high over the goals, or drilled straight at the Bundanoon Keeper, making his job a whole lot easier. With about 10 minutes remaining the referee missed what appeared to be a clear Bundanoon hand-ball in the penalty box, which was unfortunately waved away as one of those 'what might have been' grand final moments.

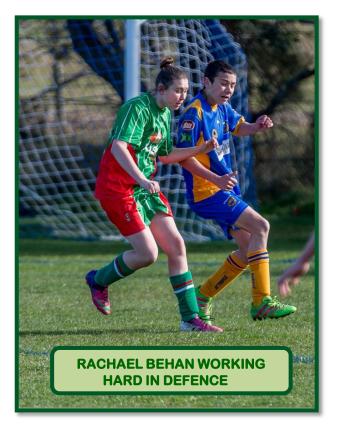
Despite finishing grand final runner-up, the Under 13's had a great season, winning the U13's Antony Liberale Trophy in June, as well as winning 2 sudden death semifinals in qualifying for the grand final. Congratulations to Michael Gilkes & your team!

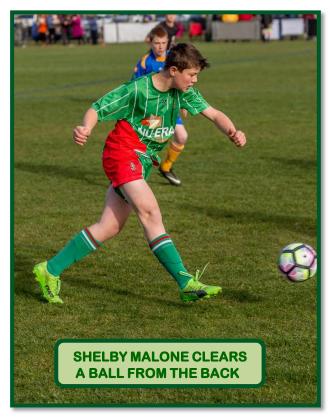
U13'S GRAND FINAL: BUNDANOON 2 (T.Robb, W. Brand) def HILL TOP 1 (R. Behan)



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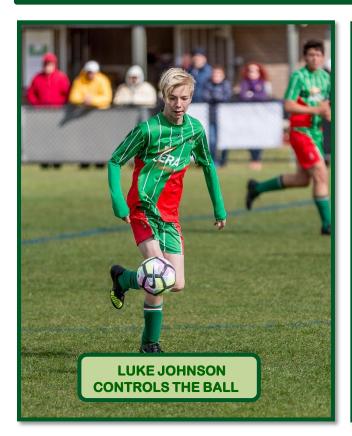


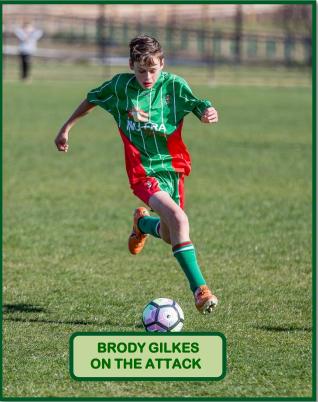


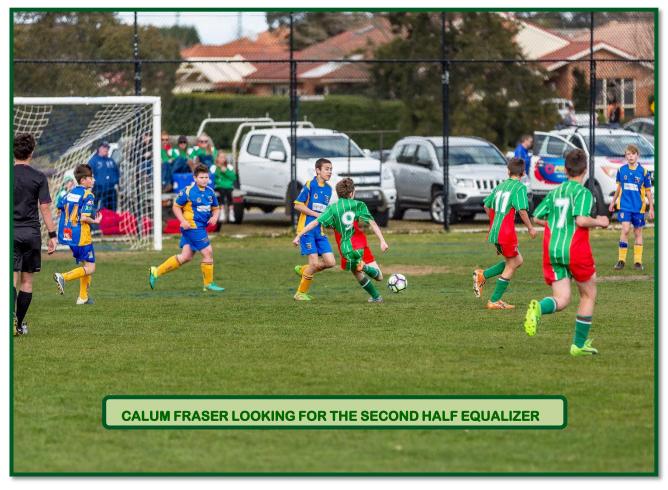


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Hill Top Soccer Club – Under 6's Coached in season 2017 by Nathan Casson







Hill Top Soccer Club – Under 7's Coached in season 2017 by Sam Osborne







Hill Top Soccer Club – Under 8's Coached in season 2017 by Matt Fussell







Hill Top Soccer Club – Under 10's Coached in season 2017 by Nathan Bishop







Hill Top Soccer Club – Under 13's Coached in season 2017 by Michael Gilkes







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KOOKABURRA'S PLAYER PROFILE TOBY BROCKLESBY – UNDER 13'S



YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW

Teen Titans Go

FAVORITE MEAL OR FOOD

Schnitzel & Cheese and Bacon shapes

IS THERE ANYTHING YOU ARE AFRAID OF

Snakes and Spiders!

DO YOU HAVE A NICKNAME?

Tobster

TELL US SOME THINGS YOU HAVE GOTTEN IN TROUBLE FOR

- 1. Masking taping my friend at the Oval
- 2. Flicking pencils in the classroom

WHO'S YOUR FUNNIEST TEAMMATE?

Ethan Shobrook

WHAT WAS IT LIKE PLAYING ON A FULL SIZED FIELD THIS YEAR?

Really different & harder, especially because I had to run a lot further!

WHAT IS IT YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT PLAYING SOCCER?

Hanging out with friends, having fun, and making it to the grand final!

SPEAKING OF THE GRAND FINAL, WHAT WAS IT LIKE PLAYING IN IT?

Crazy, hectic & very nerve wracking!

TELL US A FOOD YOU DO NOT LIKE?

Steak!

IF YOU BECOME FAMOUS, WHAT WOULD IT BE FOR?

Running or Singing!

WHAT OTHER SPORT DO YOU LIKE?

Tennis







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2018 REGISTRATION DATES

Day #1 – Sun 4th February 2018 Day #2 – Sun 18th February 2018 10.00am to 2.00pm - Both Days

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The Club would also like to thank Empire Cinema Bowral & Priceline Pharmacy Mittagong for their support throughout the 2017 season

