



June & July Newsletter

President's Message.

What a busy couple of month of football Toowoomba has been host to!! We have had skill clinics by the Qld Roar Women's team, the President's Cup, Tom McVeigh Trophy and the Football Queensland Open Women's State Championships.

We also have our regional high school soccer teams involved in the Bill Turner Cup with the finals to be held late July. Also in July is the Winstanley Shield in the Senior Competition and The Canberra International Kanga Cup of which two teams from the South West Zone Development Squad competed.

We are now approaching the last part of our soccer season, so enjoy the time we have left. Don't forget to go along and support the Colts and senior fixtures happening around Toowoomba as we lead up to the finals. Also please continue buying tickets in the Wippells Car Raffle. In return, your support benefits your club.

Greg Stuckey
President



Qld Roar Football Clinic

In June, Toowoomba was lucky to have a visit to the Harristown State High School by coaching staff and players of the Roar A-League Women's team for an Indigenous Football Clinic.

Primary school children from various schools around Toowoomba were treated to hour long training sessions on skills and techniques while mixing it with the best female soccer players Queensland has to offer. The women gave their valuable time and offered some handy skills to the eager children.

Appreciation must go to the school for the use of their facilities and especially to the Roar Team and staff for their valuable time in assisting the youth of tomorrow. Also, appreciation goes to Dusty Wilson, the SWIN Indigenous Community Sport & Recreation Coordinator for Toowoomba who works out of the PCYC on James Street. His efforts to get more Indigenous people involved in sports has also led to an Indigenous Partnership with Football Toowoomba. Dusty works tirelessly helping the youth of Toowoomba and this clinic is just one of his efforts in achieving this.

If anyone would like more information on the work Dusty does, please don't hesitate to contact him on: 0448 175 053.

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Qld Roar A-League members: Brooke Spence, Kate Stewart, Karla Reuter and Kim Carroll.

Festival of Football 2010

It's official!!!!

After a meeting with club officials in June, the Festival of Football was given approval by the clubs. This festival will be filled with a number of events designed to highlight and celebrate the Socceroos making it into the world cup in 2010.

"Toowoomba Festival of Football".

Early July has seen the setting up of a sub-committee for the festival and Football Toowoomba Inc is seeking feedback and ideas from the football community regarding this exciting initiative and the best ways to achieve measurable success.

It is our aim to make this event both spectacular and worthwhile with an eye to continuing the festival every four years in celebration of Australia's place among the best football nations in the world through their World Cup Qualifications.

The success of the 2010 Festival will depend largely on the support of the football community and their participation in the events we host through out this venture.

So if anyone has enquiries, ideas or would like to assist, please contact Football Toowoomba for more Information.



Please keep in mind that as you see the Wippells car around at various soccer matches throughout the season remember the generosity that is behind that little red car. It is vital that we support those that are supporting us and continue buying tickets in the car raffle. A big thank you goes out to those who have already bought tickets.

Football Toowoomba's success relies on the generosity of sponsors such as Wippells Auto who give their valuable resources and assistance to support our football community. Thus buying tickets in the raffle, returns not only money to the clubs, but faith to the sponsors that their efforts are valued. This is essential if we are to continue receiving assistance from local businesses.

HAVE YOU GOT THE FLAIR TO DESIGN A FESTIVAL LOGO????

Well, if you have a flair for producing eye catching event logos, we need you!!! We need you to send in your Festival of Football Logos to us ASAP. Make sure it has a World Cup Football Theme and links to Australia /Toowoomba & the South West. Make sure you have the words "Festival of Football" embedded in your logo and send it to Football Toowoomba at:

admin@footballtoowoomba.org.au

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NOMINATE A FESTIVAL EVENT

Football Toowoomba Inc are now seeking expressions of interest from Member Clubs to nominate Events to coincide with the festival aims. Existing Club Carnivals are encouraged to nominate and become part of the celebration of Football during the World Cup year.

Nominate an event by sending in your ideas or nomination to:

admin@footballtoowoomba.org.au

BECOME A FESTIVAL CLUB AMBASSADOR

Are you already too busy with Club Football to help out with the Festival but still keen to offer your support?

Why not become a Festival Ambassador? Festival Ambassadors will operate at club level making sure the message is getting out and that all their teams are aware of Festival Events & Activities. Festival Ambassadors are critical to the success of this signature Football event, so sign up today at:

admin@footballtoowoomba.org.au

BECOME A FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER

Are you keen to become a volunteer but have not been given the opportunity to step forward?

Do you remember the volunteers who helped organise the Olympics? Well, you too could emulate them by assisting the Festival of Football sub committee at events throughout the year.

The list of volunteer tasks will be endless and the Festival Committee need as much help as they can muster. Are you up for the job?

Send in your details today to admin@footballtoowoomba.org.au

VOLUNTEER ROLES

We also are in need of a **Volunteer Coordinator** who is able to mobilise a large cross section of the community to step up and help the Festival become a success.



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We are also looking for people with **Media or Marketing Skills** who wish to be involved in a volunteer capacity in a medium scale project.

Can you write an article; can you design flyers or posters? Do you have skills in web page design? Then you can help us.

A **Sponsorship Coordinator** is also necessary for our success. Who knows how to sell the festival to perspective event sponsors? Are you the person for the job?

There are positions available for volunteer **Event Organisers** who have the capacity to take the lead in individual carnivals and make their event a huge success.

We are looking for **Event Volunteers** who simply want to help in the canteen or run an information desk. We are looking for **Event Helpers** who simply want to set up the Goals; Shade Structures and hand out programs.

What ever your capacity or availability is; Football Toowoomba wants you; so come on step up and be a volunteer.

For further information contact the Festival Operations Officer
On: 07) 4615 3675

WIN STANLEY SHIELD

Various senior soccer teams have played the first knockout round for the Win Stanley Shield. Following knockout rounds will occur during late July, early August.

This Shield is held in memory of a talented Toowoomba footballer who died as results of injuries suffered in a motor vehicle accident.

Ian David (Dickie) WinStanley was only twenty when he died. It was expected that the well liked ex-Rockville Primary and Toowoomba State High school student, who was continuously a part of the junior and senior representative teams, would eventually gain recognition through his talent to become part of the Australian national team.

By age 16, Ian was participating in the senior division competition. By 17 he was Captain of the U18 Toowoomba Team and at 18 he was Captain of the U21 Toowoomba team.

Ian WinStanley was also talented enough to gain selection in the state team that played against New South Wales.

The highlight of Ian's young promising career was in receiving the Stanley Prasser Memorial Trophy, presented by the Willowburn Soccer Club for being the best and fairest player of 1960.

This recognition of a great player was a sure start towards a professional career that could have easily incorporated a place in the Socceroos Soccer Team.

Unfortunately his life and career was cut drastically short and the loss of such a wonderful person and talented footballer can not be truly relayed in words.

Thus the annual WinStanley Shield is a small way to remember this great player of his time.

If you are able, please show your support by attending any of the games that will be held on Tuesday, 21st July. Times and venues will be announced in the media.



Results from the first knockout round in the WinStanley Shield:

Willowburn 1 1 - St. Alban's Blue 2.

With a 1-1 draw at full-time it was St Alban's that scored the all important goal in extra time to win.

Willowburn 2 5 - St. Alban's Maroon 1

West Wanderers White 0 - USQ 1

West Wanderers Black 5 - South Hawks 6.

This was another game where the score was 1-1 at full-time, before going through to a penalty shoot out with Hawks being the eventual winners.

Good luck to the winners who will soon continue on into the next knockout round.

Please check the website and the media to get the latest draw fixtures information on the Shield and results. If you are able, support you local club's involvement in the Shield when they play.

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Local High School makes Bill Turner Cup regional finals.

Throughout the last couple of months soccer teams from various high schools across the Darling Downs region have been competing in the Australia wide Bill Turner Schools Cup for under 15 boys. The under 15 girls are competing in the Bill Turner Trophy.

This is a very large Australian based competition with official endorsement by the Australian soccer Federations of most states. These organizations recognize and support the importance of this competition towards recognizing the growing skill of our players.

The Bill Turner Cup was started in Northern New South Wales by the then N.S.W. Schools Committee, chaired by Mr. Bill Turner. Bill decided to make a knock-out competition for 15yr olds and under. In the early days of 1979 there were 34 teams participating. It was sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank up until 1999 and was almost scrapped for lack of sponsorship support until the current sponsor LG picked it up in 2000.

In 2001 there were 191 teams in Queensland alone that participated in the Cup competition and last year saw an amazing total of 900 schools compete.

In 2008, Illawarra Sports High won over the favoured Westfield Sports High 1-0, while Cavendish Road State High from Qld took out 3rd place.

This year both Harristown State High girls and boys U15 soccer teams have again won through to the finals of their regional area. If both teams win their games this month, they will be one more game away from being in a State Quarter final draw with three other state finalists of which Cairns has already qualified.

The boys will play Brisbane Grammar on 29th July at 1:30pm at Middle Ridge.

The girls will play against Albany Creek on the 28th July at Harristown.

It would be great to see those within the community who can, go along and support our local soccer teams.

For further information on the Bill Turner Cup and Trophy head to:

www.billturnersoccer.com.au

**DREAM
BELIEVE
ACHIEVE**

SOCCEROOS UPDATE

After the Socceroos wins over Bahrain and Japan, respectively, The Australian Socceroos world ranking has jumped significantly yet again.

Placed at 39 before those games, the Aussies now sit at a very competitive 16th in the world. While the female Westfield Matildas national team is currently ranked 14th in the world.

This is a great achievement for the players of Australia and as part of the football community we should all be very proud of our national and international players.

Toowoomba's Festival of Football is a result of the growing success of our Socceroos and the interest in soccer within the football community.



Go yellow

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OLDIES BASH

Date Claimer

On Saturday, the 10th of October, there will be a race day for all old boy/girl Toowoomba footballers. A competition put together three years ago saw 130 people from all vintages and club histories get together for a reunion bash at Stadium Toowoomba. The success of the event has since seen the event become a regular fixture.

This years event will include a band, sit down dinner, sports memorabilia auction and multi draw raffle. There will be a cap of 400 tickets with many members already registered on the Toowoomba Old Boys/Girls football site. Simply go to

www.foxhood.net and add to the members list.

A monthly email outlining current football events in Toowoomba, Brisbane and abroad from past and present Toowoomba footballers will be forwarded to anyone who adds their details.

All money raised on the reunion day will be set aside to assist young families in need of financial assistance with young rep players in the future. The committee consists of Bruce Eiser, Michael Fox and Chris McLeod. Tickets are limited and will be on sale from early January.

For further enquiries contact:
Bruce on 46323300 (wk), Foxy 0402097779 or
Chris McLeod on 0429942904.

SWQ Development Squad

South West Queensland Zone sent off one U14's and one U15s Development Squad team to Canberra on the 10th – 18th July to participate in the annual Kanga Cup.

Last year the U14's made it through to the quarter finals in their division and this year the Toowoomba Football Community congratulates all the players for the effort they put in throughout all their games.

This year the U14's finished 3rd in their pool. Although the U15's also finished 3rd in their pool, they were on equal 2nd in points but down in goal average.

Congratulations to Kristian Pyke, Dylan Murphy, Sam Thompson, Robert Farquharson and the other SWQ lads on scoring goals and saving goals for their respective teams.

If anyone receives photos or stories of the Kanga Cup they want published in our next newsletter please do not hesitate to send them to:

admin@footballtoowoomba.org.au



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Community Benefit Fund
Queensland Government

Football Toowoomba would like to announce that it has developed a Child Protection Risk Management Strategy that can be viewed on the website. Please take the time to view this article and consider its implementation.

FT is committed to ensuring the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and young people under the age of 18 years....

If anyone has feedback or comments on the policy please send them to Football Toowoomba P.O. Box 476. Darling Heights. Toowoomba. 4350. Qld.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES WANTED!!!

If anyone or club has any soccer related information, articles, photos or date claimers that they would like to make available to the soccer community please send them to:

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TOOWOOMBA FUTSAL

MAKE IT WORK

Football Toowoomba is currently seeking expressions of interest from Member Clubs or individuals who wish to operate an FFA affiliated FUTSAL competition commencing this October.

At this point in time, it is anticipated to run competitions for juniors through to seniors depending on court availability and community interest.

Any person or club interested in being part of this exciting development either as a competition manager, referee or other role should contact:

Football Toowoomba
on:

admin@footballtoowoomba.org.au

Inspiration Quote:

“To achieve all that is possible, we must attempt the impossible. To be the best we can be, we must dream of being more than we are.”

Anon.

Indigenous youths participate in pre-match Raiders Game!!

Before a good sized crowd at Toowoomba's Clive Berghofer Stadium recently, 8 talented Toowoomba youngsters under the age of 12 took part in a Toowoomba Raiders pre-match game against the Pittsworth junior soccer club.

To help celebrate NAIDOC week and promote reconciliation the Toowoomba Raiders and Football Toowoomba hosted the first, of what is hoped to be many, NAIDOC week challenge matches with Indigenous youngsters from across Toowoomba invited to participate in a pre-game match at Toowoomba's premier football venue, Clive Berghofer Stadium.

With the youngsters participating high on enthusiasm but low on football knowledge the match against Pittsworth came down to fitness, speed, sheer determination and grit with the Toowoomba team, Murri FC, coming home strong in the 2nd half to run out 4 - 1 winners. With the kids still raving about the experience of playing before the Raiders match and having the opportunity to walk out with the players before their state league match, it is hoped that this event becomes a semi-regular event on the SWIN calendar.

A big thanks goes out to the Pittsworth Football Club for playing the team, Toowoomba Raiders Football Club for hosting the match and Football Toowoomba for helping organise the night.

