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Deadline for Blue & Gold: MONDAY 3pm **Email to: mokdsi.george@gmail.com**

President's Report:



Icy and dry conditions saw a challenging round for Thunder. Some great results in the just competitive age groups. A devastating time for some of our teams to have their first loss. There's still time in the season and fun to be had and good contests. So chins up everywhere.

Our Super league team squeezed a good 2:1 win at Pidding Park in front of a small but loyal spectator group.

HERE's YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE and support our Super League team at home at 3pm at Oakleigh, where a win against Putney Rangers could make an amazing difference to the season. So come up, have a pie and cheer for the Thunder please! The reserves Super League side is playing at 1pm at Oakleigh.

Around the ovals the respect program is now in good swing and our signs will shortly arrive from the GHFA. Please do clap great play from both teams and refrain from any negatives, remembering that regulations require parents to not comment at it to the referees.

Savour every roll of the ball, every great pass, the solid tackles and shots on goals. Before we know it we will be at presentation day in the hall. Have great fun, cheer the good play and hopefully I'll see you at Oakleigh for the afternoon game.

Kind regards,
Geoff Knowles
Thunder President

Important Notices:-

Please send the match scores immediately after the game to George Mokdsi on 0403871543.

The e-mail address for Match Reports this season is mokdsi.george@gmail.com. **Submissions should be in Arial, font size 9** and attached as a word document to your e-mail is preferred. Please have your match reports sent by 3pm on the Monday following the weekend's match. Even if you miss deadline send it anyway and it may be ok or can go into following week.

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MATCH REPORTS FROM 25th June 2016:

Thornleigh U6 Kookaburra/ Purple A Vs Kenthurst

On a cold but sunny Saturday morning, Thornleigh Thunder took on Kenthurst & District Soccer club. The atmosphere was exciting with each team ready for the challenge! Mums and dads were cheering on their players, and all spectators were ready for an electric match.

Jeremy scored a goal, and showed dedication towards his team. Aaron's persistent offensive strategy earned him another goal. Lachlan showed great communication on field, always encouraging his team mates. Hannah was an amazing defender, saving many goals. Olivia had a great consistent effort on both ends of the pitch and scoring one goal herself. Lily was very supportive and encouraging of her team mates and couldn't stop smiling during the game. Rebecca was a great

team mate, supporting and congratulating her team members when they tried their best.
Half time was a great experience with the players enjoying some fresh fruit provided by Rebecca's dad.
The game ended with the four girls on the field together! GO GIRLS!!

Under 9 Blue Thornleigh vs Epping FC

Due to Ruddock 2 still being under water we had changed to the bigger field for this week. We had also had to change time slots making it a 12pm kick off.

A huge thank you to the club for making sure that the kids had an opportunity to play!

We had played Epping before and had a game of two halves. We had also learnt an important lesson from that game which was to play the whole game every week.

Epping started quickly and scored before we had touched the ball! However this seemed to spark the boys into gear and they started to create chances straight away. Being on a bigger field meant that we had to make the ball do the running. The whole team did this well and the rewards started to come with good attacking chances and a couple of goals.

Our defence played very well today. Rocco in goals made some great saves and is learning more and more every week. It has been great to have someone put their hand up to do the job for the season.

Luca, Jayden, Dan and Auden all played a part in our defence keeping the Epping attack under pressure and making it difficult for them to create chances. The way they held up the player with the ball rather than dive in was outstanding.

Daniel, Franco, Levi and Auden all worked hard in attack and enjoyed the extra length of the field. They created chances all game and some of the passing was a pleasure to watch.

The boys are really playing some good football and are keen to learn every week. They don't drop their heads at any stage and are enjoying playing as a team. The fight they show every game is a credit to them and has helped them to reach the standard they are at.

A big welcome back to Dan who has returned from a broken arm and played his first game since round 3!

Goal scorers this week were Daniel and Franco.

Player of the week was Daniel who ran up and down the field all game as well as playing a part in most of the goals!

U11 Red – Thornleigh V Hunters Hill

Saturday gave us a solid match up with Hunters Hill. Due to some re-scheduling the Thunder returned as the away team to the 'coldron', known to the visitors as Ruddock Park. Everyone arrived for an 8.30 start – SO DID WINTER – OMG! All the more reason to run, and they did - straight to the coffee van. IN the mean time the u11 reds had kicked off for what was to be an absolute spectacle of true athleticism.

Hugo started the game in goals and nothing phased him. Not even the sun shining directly in his eyes as he stood his ground amongst a peppering of shots from Hunters Hill. Eric put his body on the line and copped a couple of solid hits for the team. LB, LK, and Nick were relentless through the middle and down the flanks while LK and Ysobel and Hamish showed what the Thunder are made as they raided into Hunters Hill half time after time. A tight first half. Into the second and Sophia displayed some outstanding defensive work as she chased and tackled the opposition attackers continually, leaving nothing in the tank. Foxi and James put all their skills on display to mesmerise the opposition. Ysobel continually ran strong through the middle while Hamish saved the best for last with an amazing header, which did all the right things..

Great game by all with some good sportsmanship from both sides.

U12/5 Thornleigh vs Hunters Hill

Adele starts the match with a great solo run first half dominating the match. Jack continuing the attack driving an excellent kick from the corner. Emily coming through with strong play up the field from defence as always. Several awesome goalkeeping saves from AJ kept the team safe. Sparsh, Christian & Ashton synchronized, running the ball up the field with speed & strength. Annabelle, Aliyah & Chloe, working like clockwork with sharp passes up to the front, and speedy recovery for defence. Super courageous & strong tackling from Tony & Georgina, won the ball back for thunders every time and kept us safe. The whole team showed heart & commitment to the very last minute, not giving up once, and getting better every game...Well done.