



Thornleigh Sports & Recreation Club Inc.

SOCCER DIVISION

Blue & Gold Newsletter

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Deadline for Blue & Gold: Tuesday 6pm

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Committee Report - brought to you by George Mokdsi:

Dear members

Time to ponder as we settle in to the wet weather this week and wonder what to do with all our extra weekend time when soccer is cancelled.

Maybe a trip to Bunnings to catch up on all those jobs we can never get to. Don't forget to support our local sponsors.

Hope everyone is enjoying the season - it sure looks like the kids are. Thanks Michael Gyler for sending in photos of your team celebrating a goal regardless of the score. Really brings a smile to the face.

The committee met last Monday for the monthly meetings which is always the first Monday of the month – all are welcome. We are very lucky to have a passionate and hard working committee. This week we pondered further and planned how we can make this club even greater. In the end it is up to all of us what we want this club to be about. What kind of atmosphere and culture do we want in the club? This is always the big question and with such a diverse group of people and ages it is an interesting question to reflect. It is brilliant that our club is always looking to reflect the highest levels of respect and sporting spirit.

We really want to see this at every level and we are always on the lookout for exemplary behaviour from our members. If you see an example of this please let us know and if suitable we can mention it in this news letter.

Stay dry this weekend and enjoy the week off... here's hoping we are back on the ovals very soon.

George Mokdsi on behalf of the committee and the president



U9 purple celebrating a goal – sent in from their coach Michael Gyler



If you have matters you'd like discussed or input into club direction then please either email any committee member or come to the meeting. We'd love to keep refreshing our focus based on your interests and suggestions

Important Notices:-

Please send the match scores immediately after the game to Graeme Hewitt 0419 167 950.

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 6pm on the Tuesday following the weekend's match. Even if you miss deadline send it anyway and it may be ok or can go into following week.



JUL 22 Trivia Night fun to benefit Fiji trip
Public · Hosted by Thornleigh Thunder FC

★ Interested ✓ Going ➦ Share ⋮

🕒 Saturday, July 22 at 7 PM - 11 PM

📍 Thornleigh West Public School
Giblett Avenue, Sydney, Australia 2120 Show Map

About Discussion

Thornleigh Under 16 Fiji Tour October 2017

The main fundraiser for Thornleigh Under 16 Fiji Tour is a Trivia Night which will be held at the Thornleigh West Public School hall on 22nd July commencing at 7pm.

Each player will be allocated to a table and help you to enjoy your evening.

A great night's entertainment is planned. Why not make up a table of 10 and come along, or we can place you at a table. The evening will commence at 7pm and we ask that you bring along nibbles. We have authorisation for BYO alcohol to be consumed. The hall will be decorated in our blue and gold and with an Islander theme. We have a professional quizmaster to run the trivia part of the evening. Please bring along your gold coins so that you can take part in raffles. We will also be conducting an auction of items donated by our generous sponsors, and Martin Dargan will be our auctioneer.

We promise a ton of fun for only \$30 per head. There will be lots of prizes. Booking is easy.

- 1 Go to trybooking.com
- 2 Select "Buy tickets"
- 3 Type in "Thornleigh Trivia Night"
- 4 Follow the prompts to give your name.

If you cannot make it on the evening, but would like to support the team, we welcome donations. BSB 012 373 Account 304521681

Further Craig Millard (Coach) 0425 336 560 craig.millard@transport.nsw.gov.au

Thunder FC Sponsors – 2017 Season

Thunder FC relies on the financial support of its sponsors to provide the necessary gear and equipment to supplement the various running costs of the club. Therefore, we gratefully acknowledge the support of the following sponsors for the 2017 season and encourage everyone associated with Thunder FC to support these local businesses.



MATCH REPORTS FROM 3rd June 2017:

Under 7 Red Thornleigh Thunder vs Thornleigh Thunder

The sun was shining down on Oakleigh Oval for the match of the round. The local derby. Mate vs Mate. State vs State. Thornleigh vs Thornleigh. The stage was set and the hype was apparent as MARLEY called the T-Rex's in for a motivational pre-game speech that he had written that went as follows:

"Cheer on the Gold and Blues. We fight our way through the game with pride and honour. We rule all the game. We love the game. So we all destroy and try to get victory."

With hands in the middle and the shout of "Go T-Rex's" filling the air, it was game on!

From the first whistle we knew Thornleigh had come to play. There were multiple goals to both teams and it was fantastic to have an evenly matched game. Our fearless T-Rex's had worked hard at training on passing and spreading the ball wide.

The nervous anticipation was evident from the coaches to see if the training drills had paid off.

MARLEY found the back of the net to cheers from the sideline and was unstoppable in the mid field. ELISE was in the thick of the action whenever she set foot on the field - never taking her eyes off the ball. TYLER was tireless in defense and saved goals on more than one occasion with his last ditch saves - always putting his body on the line. ELLA found space by running down the sideline and did a fantastic pass to MARLEY who finished the play with perfection. There were screams from the coaches of "The hard work at training is FINALLY paying off". XAVIER kept the scorer busy and was unlucky to not add more with multiple shots and lots of really close opportunities.

There were big smiles at half time as the T-Rex's took a break from devouring their prey on the field to devour a mountain of oranges. Before long it was game on again.

Fancy Feet" LEO left the opposition and crowd speechless as he danced around the ball and the other players to setup some goals and also score himself. LACHIE thoroughly deserved his player of the week award as the "everywhere" player. He had with solid passing, shots at goal, excellent defense and the determination to never give up.

We are so proud of our team - particularly to see the hard work from training transfer to game day. Spreading the ball wide, creating space and finding the angles to shoot.

As the final whistle blew, there were High 5's and 3-Cheers all round. There was no doubt left in anyone's mind that Thornleigh was definitely the winner on the day!

U11 Purple

Wow - what an impressive performance!!

This was always going to be a tough game - with no reserves, long grass and an extra wide field - it was the triple whammy to test our fitness and we passed with flying colours! It was a thoroughly entertaining game this week.

Special shout out to **Charlie** (5 goals) and **Jake** (1 goal). Not just for their goals, but the fact that they both went and shook the referees hand after the game without being prompted by me. Congratulations to both of you. Well done - I was very proud of you both.

Whilst **Charlie** scored lots of goals, he couldn't have done it without amazing support play from **Megan** up front. She just never stopped running! **Justin** (who was sick), **Jake** and **Toby** toiled hard in the midfield without a break and pushed themselves up and back all day long.

Ella and **Luc** were very solid at the back with some strong tackles. **Elias's** defense was brilliant and he also scrambled back to position whenever he got dragged into a different position. **Martin** read the play beautifully at the back and his timing on some of his tackles was impeccable.

Great goal keeping from **Martin** and **Elias** too - each with some great saves!

U12/2 Thornleigh vs Roselea at Roselea.

Deft footwork and passing from the opposition made us switch on quickly. Some great defence from Foxy early on turned back the wave a number of times. Hamish directed traffic from the goal while LB, James D and Eric held strong. The team defend a penalty shot but eventually the first goal went to the opposition. Thunder were starved of the ball for quite a while until Liv sprinted gazelle-like across field to cut off their attack. George was in everything early on before Coach Grummett rested the young gun in the first half. Shortly after, Eric and Sam combined with Sam slotting the goal just before half time. We were on the attack early in the second half with Alex casually bending it like Beckham for Thunder to hit the front. Sam was all over place, popping up all over the field like a rabbit out of its burrow to cut off the opposition attack and James H, fresh from a trampolining mishap bounced all over the place. Hugo and, a late blooming, Hennes tangled with and frustrated the opposition by refusing to get out of their way. A beautiful header by Sam, off a Josh corner put us further in front and from there Josh and LB finished it off. A hard morning of pacing for the coach ended with a grin for the win.