



Noarlunga United SC

Bulldog Bites

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A Big Week-end for the Bulldogs

Fraser's 380th



Fraser McLean in action from early in the season.

After the game on Saturday we will be taking time out to show our appreciation for a fabulous record that Fraser has given to the Club.

U14 Cup Semi-Final

On Sunday, the U14A side plays their Cup semi-final on neutral ground at Barratt Res, West Beach Rd, West Beach against Adelaide City.

Last year, it was Adelaide City that ended the U13 Cup run in a game where the Bulldogs did everything but win. This year, the team is anxious to see the result reversed but the challenge will not be easy. The team is having a poor run with injuries and cannot call on the U14C team for back-up as the players are Cup-tied. The opportunity to show their skills will be grasped by U13 players who are called upon.

The game kicks off at 10:45 and the team would love to see

a mass of blue jackets on the side-line.

Can U19 Clinch the Title?

A mere point from the game against Playford will make it mathematically impossible for another side to top the U19 State League. Noarlunga United U19 will seal the minor premiership with two games to go.

The U19 have had a stellar season so far being undefeated and winning every game but one.

With such a big day planned for Saturday, it would be nice to start it all off with a great crowd to see the U19 cement the title in the 11am kick-off.

Preview: Playford City Patriots.



Playford made a poor start to the season by gaining only 4pts from the first four games but have lifted the tempo since then. With three rounds to go, Playford lie in third position and still hold some slight hope of topping the State League. To maintain that dream, this is a game they must win.

The Bulldogs on the other hand are a game and percentage clear at the top. With the game against second placed Demons at Port Pirie next week, they would like to take much of the sting out of that game with a win at home on Saturday.

In the Reserves, The Bulldogs have to keep winning to stay ahead of South. A mere point from this game will seal the minor premiership for the U19 with two games to go.

Round 7

The trip to Ramsay Park saw the Bulldogs only loss for the season. In that game, Noarlunga did just about everything right except put the ball in the net. Although the Bulldogs lost 2-0, the goal that counted was due to the strength of one man, Sam Farncombe. You can bet that the coach will have something up his sleeve to keep him quiet.

The Reserves game at Playford saw the Bulldogs come from 2 goals down at half-time with some great football. I'm sure that Jeremy will have the guys

fired up to play the whole game on Saturday as the stakes are very high at the end of the season.

Bus trip to Port Pirie

Don't forget that August 7th is our long road trip to Pt Pirie for the games against the Northern Demons and a match that could decide the season.

For those of you (like me) who don't relish the long drive there will be a free bus leaving Bulldog Park for the Demon's ground. It will leave at 6:30am and get back sometime after 9:00pm

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Bookings should be made on the sheet on the notice board at the Club.

Chairman's Report



On Saturday we honour the record of one of our first team stalwarts. Fraser McLean, our 'keeper, first appeared at the Club as an 11yo and, after making his Senior debut at 16 with Birkalla and four seasons with Blue Eagles, he returned to the Bulldogs in 1996 under coach, Gary Price.

Fraser is a great club man, proud of his club and of his own achievements. I remember late in the Gawler game with the team 3-0 up, he flung himself spectacularly across the goal just to preserve the clean sheet.

Had it not been for our byes and an early exit from the Cup, Fraser would have become the SA player to have played the most senior games since the FFSA started counting – a remarkable achievement.

Fraser's record speaks for itself and we will be honouring him after the match but before then

there are Premiership points for the taking and the team is looking to consolidate there top spot.

And please, don't overlook the terrific achievements of the U14 and U19 teams. Get down to their matches and show the Bulldog appreciation

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Go You BULLDOGS!!!

Stephen Young

Bulldogs achieve results in Grant's Action

Over the last few weeks Noarlunga Utd has received news of the grants that we have applied for. These follow on from the successful grant application for the goal upgrades that we made last year.

ORS Active Club Grant



Government of South Australia
Office for Recreation and Sport

The big news is that we will receive a grant for over \$15,000 from the Office of Recreation and Sport to improve the lighting at Bulldog Park. It is short of the maximum grant of \$20,000 that we applied for and far less than the total cost of the project. However, with support of the Council and a significant contribution from the Club, we should be able to make a big difference to the lighting on the training pitches for the start of next season.

Onkaparinga Council



We were also successful in obtaining two grants from the Onkaparinga council. The first grant is to improve spectator viewing facilities at the ground by adding seating, paving and some shade. We have to match the grant with cash or in-kind support and it will only go a small way around the ground but at least it is a start.

The second grant from the council is the Community grant. We applied for this grant to support the small-sided games program for the 8-11yo at the Club. Again, this grant will not support the entire program but it will enable us to reduce the costs in the introductory years.

Those that got away

Unfortunately, we were not successful with two other grant applications. We applied for the Woolworth's Community Grant and the AGS Volunteers Grant. These grants are national and very broad based. We were competing against a very wide range of organisations not just sporting groups and, with the grants not allocated to particular regions, we were competing against the whole of Australia.

Be Prepared!

One of the lessons to come out of these applications is that to improve our chance of success, we have to be prepared with plans in hand. A successful grant application needs details and support from the community. It cannot be done in the short space of time between the grant opening and closing.

The committee acknowledges the huge amount of background work that has happened over the last year,

particularly for the ORS Lighting grant.



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Bulldogs Barrow Raffle

The Bulldogs Barrow is the most important fund-raising activity that the Club runs each year and is supported by nine great prizes.



The major prize is a wheel barrow full of tools donated by Total Tools of Sherriffs Rd. Lonsdale worth well, well over \$1000.

Tickets \$2 ea

The next Book-seller's draw will be on Friday Aug 13th.

Clubroom News

Clubrooms Open

The Clubrooms will open at 6:00 on Tues to Fri Nights.

Tuesday & Wednesday

Closes shortly after training.

Thursday – Selection Night!

A meal will be available (cost approx \$5). Closes about 10:30

Friday Nights!

Open till late! A meal is available most nights.

Craft group

A craft group has begun meeting in our Clubrooms during the day. The group is called Serenity Stamping and they specialise in card-making. They meet on Tuesday and Friday at 10am, and Thursday at noon.

If anyone is interested in joining the group please contact either Lyn 0408085152 or Teena 0418827811.

Barrow Raffle

Sales of the Raffle tickets are progressing reasonably well, however, there is always room for improvement. All players who have received their books are asked to check in regularly with their team manager. If you have sold a book, hand in the stubs and money quickly so that they don't get lost. If you want to sell another book, your team manager should have a few spares.

Team managers can hand in the sold books and money at the bar at any time. Don't forget to ensure that the seller's name goes into the draw.

There are still plenty of tickets left – the prizes are superb and with only 5,000 tickets available, this has to be one of the best raffles around.

Lost Property

Despite our efforts to re-unite property with their owner, the

lost property box seems to be growing daily.

Please check it out. Items have been washed, labelled and put in the box ready for the owners to claim.

The items in the box include Jackets, tops, shorts, hats and sunnies. If you've lost something at the club, check out the Lost Property – it may be there.

100 Club

There are only two draws left before the Big Draw at the end of the year. One of those will be held in the Clubrooms after the Playford game.

Now is the time to make sure that you are up to date with your payments to the 100 Club.

The Night of the Big Draw is fast approaching, there is still an opportunity to be part of the \$1000 draw but you will need to buy a number.

Junior News

U14 Cup Semi-Final.

The big JPL game this weekend is the U14 Cup Semi against Adelaide City. If you can possibly make it (perhaps on the way home from a round 21 game), get down to Barratt Res on Sunday at 10:45 and give the team a sea of Bulldog support.

JPL Round 21.

Unfortunately, not every one will be able to make the Semi as round 21 action is on for some teams. Three games are at Bulldog Park U15C at 8:45, U8 at 9:00 and U11 at 11:00.

JPL Round 13 Results.

The only win of the round was the U17 over Raiders but both U14 teams managed to draw. A point from the trip to Panthers was pleasing although the number of cards distributed by the referee is causing some concern.

All of the JPL results and goal scorers were:

U12 Sturt 5 NUSC 1
[R Mubake]
U13 Plympton 5 NUSC 1 [??]
14A South Adelaide 1 NUSC 1
[L Scott]
U14C Cobras 0 NUSC 0
U15B NUSC 1 Playford 2
[R Romano]
U15C NUSC 0 Salisbury 3
U17 NUSC 1 Raiders 0
[J Lavery]

2011 Coaching Positions.

The Club is looking to the future and we will begin the task of putting the coaching structure in place for 2011. Over the next few weeks we will be canvassing all of the current coaches to see what their plans are for the next season. We will also be looking around for some new faces who wish to take up the coaching challenge at Bulldog Park.

Notices will appear on the FFSA and our own web-sites. If you know of anyone who is interested, please get them to contact one of the committee to have a chat about the 2011

season and to register their interest.

The more formal application process will begin shortly.

Amateur Games.

The Amateurs put up a good show at home against Para Hills Lions. The B team got a well deserved draw but the A's lost by the only goal of the match.

The Results were

B's Noarlunga 2 Para Hills 2

A's Noarlunga 0 Blue Eagles 1

This week the Amateurs are away to South Coast Utd. This is the big Amateur Derby and they would love your support.

Kick-off - Bs 1:15, As 3:00

News Letter Contributions

During the season this news letter will be issued weekly so there will plenty of opportunity to get your news across. Contributions are most welcome. Please e-mail me - rsmi6760@bigpond.net.au

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Sheryl Heath & Barb Wilde

We're on the Web:
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Bulldogs in Action

Seniors

State League

July 31st Rnd 16 Playford [H]
U19 11:00, Res 1:00, Sen 3:00

Aug 7th Rnd 17 Northern
Demons [A]

Aug 14th Rnd 18 WD Toros [H]

Aug 21st is the FFSA Cup Final
week-end

Final Five Series starts on Aug
28/29th - tba

Amateurs

Aug 1st at South Coast Utd [A]

Aug 8th v Brahma Lodge [H]

Aug 15th at Munno Para [A]

Aug 22nd Plympton (H)

Juniors

Sunday August 1st

Cup Semi-Final

U14A: NUSC v Adelaide City
Barratt Res, West Beach Rd,
West Beach [10:45]

JPL Round 21 at Home

U11 v Seaford [11:00]
U15C v White City [8:45]

JPL Round 21 Away

U14C at Adelaide Comets [8:45]
U15B at Plympton [8:45]
U17 at Pirates [10:30]

SSG Week 16 at Home

U8 v Adelaide Cobras [10:00]

SSG Week 16 Away

U9 at South Adelaide [9:00]

Sunday August 8th

JPL Round 14

U11 v Adelaide Cobras [11:00]
U12 v Adelaide Comets [12:00]
U13 v West Adelaide [8:45]

U14A v MetroStars [12:00]
U14C v Seaford [10:30]
U15B at Adelaide City [10:30]
U15C at Gawler [8:45]
U17 at Playford [10:30]

SSG Week 17

U8 at Cumberland [11:00]
U9 v Adelaide Cobras [9:00]



There is absolutely no truth to the rumour
that Fraser plans to retire and take up
lawn bowls.