

Rosewater



A dashing figure in “long shorts” as the Secretary moves with grace around the pack! Chris Coles holding up the fence again, and with his “charges” – again holding the ground down!

Rosewater Old Dogs

~ The Loan Hound ~ Darian Roberts ~ Reepham Hotel ~
~ Portside Office National ~ L J Hooker (Woodville) ~

Masters Round

Old Dogs Game 11th August - 1:15pm start.

Old Dogs v River Murray

(follows the juniors – make a day of it!)

1983 U16's Grand Final photo

ANY OF YOU 'OLD DOGS' HAVE A COPY OF THIS PHOTOGRAPH?

LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU IF YOU DO



This man gets a mention in the U14's report!
Just showing his skills in whistle operation!

Rosewater Juniors

JUNIOR DATES

- Sunday 11th August U10's to play - **PAFC mini-league game at Alberton**

Grass Hoppers: Rosewater v SMOSH Sunday 04/08/13

Last time we played SMOSH, we go smashed and only kicked one point. Training this week focused on setting up our zones and leading to space. After two solid nights the team had it under wraps (we think). Sunday saw us all turn up early and raring to go.

Kane, Will, Jemma and **Daniel** started well in the middle. After a few scrappy clearances by SMOSH, which resulted in goals, the centres tightened up and won their own ball, making their opponents do the chasing. **Kane** ran hard and fed the ball well to the forward lines where **Seth** won the ball along the line and found **Austin** in the square, who goaled. Again out of the middle the clearances see-sawed but it was much more of a contest.

Sonny goaled from a free kick and the team rallied for a few more solid minutes of play. The second quarter saw a few more SMOSH goals but **Chloe** and **Roy** tried hard and **Lucas** was tenacious when the ball was in dispute. **Kane** goaled from an Isaac, clearance and our confidence was up. **Bailey** and **Mitchell** chased hard and ran off their players to win the ball. Their run out of defence was a big improvement. The second half saw our best passages of play. Whilst we didn't goal, we cleared well out of the centre and found leading players. We stopped numerous goals and **Austin** and **Seth** were everywhere giving the SMOSH centres the real run around. The final term saw **Kane** dominate the middle ably supported by **Will**. Some concentration lapses from the other centres saw a few costly turnovers but the team got it together and with the forwards finding space and running hard we managed to score again through a good running goal by **Austin**. **Zack** and **Joseph** held the defence tight until **Joseph** went for a courageous mark but was 'falconed' right on the nose. **Israel, Daniel** and **Ryan** filled in where needed and held the lines together. Whilst the end result was conclusive that SMOSH had scored more than us, the play through the zones was our best effort so far this year. Considering we kicked five goals, we have improved 500%. It was the tough disciplined leading to space and giving a red hot Bulldogs effort that was so positive. Well done U8's.

Awards went to: **Best on Ground Kane Pentland**, and

Top Team Man: Austin Richardson.

David Richardson and Justin de Wit (Coaches).

U10: Sunday gone saw the U10's take on SMOSH in the type of battle we were hoping to see - improvement from our boys, and improvement we saw. In a newsletter a little while ago I mentioned that our Little Doggies are improving every week and those bigger teams aren't going to have as easy a time against us second time 'round. Last time we were comprehensively beaten by SMOSH, and although we were beaten again this time, it was by a lot smaller margin, and they really had to fight for their goals. After a quick pep talk from our illustrious **Coach Lipson**, and a bit of running around looking for an umpire by me, the game finally got started. Our centre line worked hard all morning and did the things they do best, with **Archie** and **Liam P** barging through like they do, sidestepping like they do, with a bounce here and there! Not to mention **Liam U's** great ruck work and overhead marking ability, moving the ball and giving our forwards a good chance, while our backline was steadfast and made sure the opposition didn't get easy goals, with **Abe** being our man in the backlines making it hard for them, by far his best game with great body work and good marking.

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U10: continued..... **Jordy** had a cracker of a first quarter, taking marks and getting good kicks away to try and set us up, unfortunately however we did not come home with the bickies but we will fight another day. A special thanks to our great '**El Presidente**' for standing in to umpire for us when we didn't have one - great work at late notice!

U12: Rosewater 0.3 (3) v Seaton Ramblers 4.7 (31)

This week our 6th placed 12's hosted the 2nd placed Seaton Ramblers, and after sprouting about our numbers last week we were only able to field 16 players and obliged when kindly offered player's from the gracious Ramblers. We had plenty of the football early on and it was evident that Rosewater had come to play allowing the Rams just the single goal due to Rosies piling on the pressure. We allowed Seaton just 1 goal each quarter thereafter and had some chances of our own but couldn't capitalize on the day! As a coach I felt the Dog's were outstanding in many areas of their football especially their 1%ers even though it didn't show on the scoreboard. We have lost some games recently to teams that we beat in the first round and as a coach you start to doubt yourself but then the group pull out what I consider our most satisfying effort so far! (Who'd be a coach?). Whilst losing is not something I would like the group to accept it was certainly an honourable loss!

BEST: Joshua Morris, Deacon Braun, Anthony Giacobbe, Kiana Lee and Tyson Wanganeen

U14: Rosewater v West Croydon

Well this is the game that never was. West Croydon elected to forfeit the game. So what do you do with 20, 13 and 14 year old boys who were rearing to play a game of football? Run them! Some of the boys were heard to say they worked harder in the impromptu training and scratch match than they would have in a game with West Croydon. And some of the dads and old dogs put on the boots and teamed up with the boys. It was no holds bar with everyone working very hard. Big thank you to **Don, Aaron, Rob, Mick, Paul** and **Angelo** for helping out. Also Matt for umpiring and having to deal with everything, including Gordon creating mayhem as the boundary umpire! The boys really needed the good work out as next week the Under 14's come up against Portland, who are second on the ladder, and have really been our only major competition in our group. So the boys will need to come ready to play a hard and fair game. We would love to have your support and voices on the side line next week. With only 4 games to the final it is important for this group of boys to feel the noise and pressure that will come with finals football, as it is not an experience any of them have been in, given it is 20 years since we have had a junior team in finals. The game is followed by Old Dogs so why not make a day of it!

Two of the players you might like to keep an eye out for are **Number 1 Will Naea**, he has been with the club since 2011, this year has been a great year for Will as he is a smaller, fast player, who has gained confidence in his own ability, and is playing great football. The other young man is **Number 18 Raymond Burns (Ray Ray)**. **Ray** is known around the club but has never really played a full year for the Rosewater Juniors. **Ray** is a strong fast play with a good kick and an eye for the goals.

U16:

The U16's forfeited against Plympton! Not happy about it and nothing to report other than to the few prepared to play, thank you for your commitment. Whether it was due to illness, the Showdown, laziness, or the ridiculous timing of fixture by MWJFC - the result is the same! Thanks – Dodge!