

RAPAKI 2004 PREMIER LEAGUE TEAMS

16th GRADE PREMIER LEAGUE TEAM

Forest Bennie-Slocombe • Lewis Braithwaite • William Brown • Taikura Davey • Jackson Kennedy • Sam Major • Marc Matsas • Cameron Mills • Andy Moon • Henry Peach • Leon Rees • Regan Riddel • James Skelton • Andrew Stanley-Boden • Stuart Taylor • Julian Vares

Jeff Pelter (Coach)

Well done, boys.

2005 PREMIER LEAGUE

Discussions are currently underway for 2005 and this may see the introduction of 15th & 17th grades in the Premier League with perhaps no 16th Grade operating.

OFFSIDE DEFINITION

Definition 1 : The Bermuda Triangle area of the pitch where "innocent" players are drawn towards.

Definition 2 : The offside rule is there to attract to football those people who can already explain how to play cricket

A player is not offside if they are in their own half of the field, or they are level with the second last opponent, or the player, opponent and referee form a triangle as perceived by an imaginary linesmen positioned on the Celestial Meridian.

All offside regulations are immediately found to be in favour of the defending team if shortly after the ball is played they all stop, in unison, and raise their right arm to the linesman and appeal for an offside decision.

CHOCOLATE MATHS

It takes less than a minute, work this out as you read. Be sure you don't read the bottom until you've worked it out!

This is not one of those waste of time things, it's fun.

- 1) First of all, pick the number of times a week that you would like to have chocolate. (try for more than once but less than 10)
- 2) Multiply this number by 2 (Just to be bold)
- 3) Add 5. (for Sunday)
- 4) Multiply it by 50 I'll wait while you get the calculator.
- 5) If you have already had your birthday this year add 1754. If you haven't, add 1753!
- 6) Now subtract the four-digit year that you were born.

You should have a three digit number. The first digit of this was your original number (i.e., how many times you want to have chocolate each week).

The next two numbers are YOUR AGE! (Oh YES, it IS!!!!)

THIS IS THE ONLY YEAR IT WILL EVER WORK, SO SPREAD IT

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CASHMERE WANDERERS' JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

JUNE 2004



FROM THE GEAR MANAGER

We are now stocked with the new official club shorts and socks. Prices are:

Socks	\$12.00
Shorts (sizes 6-12)	\$20.00
Shorts (larger sizes)	\$25.00

Discounts apply to sock and short combined orders.

Socks & shorts (6-12)	\$30.00
Socks & shorts (larger sizes)	\$35.00

If your child requires new gear please send an order, ENCLOSED PAYMENT, to :

Gear Manager
PO Box 28-048
Christchurch

Please note that order forms can be downloaded from the website www.cashmere-soccer.co.nz.

2004 END OF SEASON BREAKUP

Prize giving for the 2004 season has been tentatively booked for Sunday 5th September at the Cashmere Club, Hunter Terrace, starting at 2.00pm.

More details to follow soon.



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Richard Raymond, Junior Vice President, and sons

WEBSITE UPDATE

Our website at www.cashmere-soccer.co.nz remains a very popular pick with over 650 visitors some weeks. Most visitors visit the **draws section to find out details of their game times and locations**. The website has an advantage over the newspaper here sometimes (a few weeks ago the newspaper printed incorrect draw details) as it can be updated easily if the draw needs to be altered in any way.

Our **news sections are also very well visited areas**, there is something there for all. Following are just some other points relating to the website that I thought may interest you.

TEAM PROFILES

We haven't had many team profiles this season, come on guys, send in a photo and a write-up about your team and we will feature it on our team profiles page. Best looking teams may also feature on our homepage for a while also.

POSTING OF RESULTS

(all grades)

Encourage your coach (or even another volunteer perhaps) to enter the team results into the results webpage after your game on Saturday.

By doing this your team results will be posted on our website later in the day and for grades 10th Premier and above the results are also returned to Mainland Soccer to count towards the points standing on the competition tables.

If your coach (or helper) doesn't know how to do this get them to contact me by email at davidg@cashmere-soccer.co.nz for more details).



NEW CANCELLATION PAGE

If you are unsure, or if you are like me and just plain can't be bothered getting out of bed in time to listen to the radio to find out if the games are still on, then relief is now on the web. Recently we have added a cancellation page to the website (courtesy of Mainland Soccer) so you can be informed if games are cancelled by looking on the net now too.

MEMBERS ONLY AREA

Remember for entry into the Members only area where things like the Junior Teams Lists, the Club Constitution and Minutes of the Committee Meetings are stored you will need to contact us from the online password request form for the details to enter at the password prompt.

INTERESTING LINKS

Mainland Soccer Website

www.mainlandsoccer.co.nz

Euro 2004

www.euro2004.com

Happy Surfing,
David Gabites

NEWS FLASH

At the last Junior Club Management Meeting a motion was passed that we put a policy in place with immediate effect that:

**COACHES DO NOT
SMOKE AROUND
JUNIOR CLUB
MEMBERS**



THE STRATEGIC PLAN

What is it about and how can I help?

The Club strategic plan, when finalised, will be posted on the "secure" area of the website at www.cashmere-soccer.co.nz. Some of the main features are summarised here.

MISSION STATEMENT

"To be the preferred soccer club in the south Christchurch community by encouraging people to enjoy the game, participate and strive for success at all levels."

KEY ISSUES

To make this vision a reality, we have isolated some of the key issues that require attention. They are many and varied.

1. The Club's facilities (both playing and social).
2. Opportunities for paid staff.
3. Ensuring a strong financial base.
4. Developing, and ensuring we keep, the interest in the 12 – 20 year age group, for both male and female players.
5. To improve the link between the Junior and Senior Clubs.
6. To foster and encourage better links with the schools.
7. To promote the Club's image.

VALUES

The values that underpin what the Club is about, and against which the strategic plan has been formulated are:

1. Our members can participate in soccer at their chosen level.
2. Players and coaches can fulfil their potential both on and off the field.

3. The Club is professionally organised and run.
4. The Club is family orientated.
5. It is an enjoyable Club to belong to for all involved including players, families, officials etc.
6. The Club promotes team work and sportsmanship.
7. We encourage young people and volunteers to continue their involvement with soccer from juniors to seniors.
8. We want the Club to grow to be strong and successful, for both juniors and seniors.

KEY AREAS

There are four key areas that have several separate components/goals within them.

1) Player Development

On the Player Development front, our goal is to create a Club that caters for competitive and social players.

2) Administration & Governance

At the Administrative and Governance level, our goal is to manage the affairs of the Club to ensure financial viability and compliance with our legal responsibilities.

3) Marketing

In the Marketing, Communication and Fundraising area, our goal is to successfully sell our Club, brand/image to ensure that we attract membership and sponsorship.

4) Facilities & Resources

In the Facilities and Resources category, our goal is ensure that we can provide facilities that can support our long-term direction and our members' expectations. How we meet these goals is the challenge and the strategic plan details the "objectives" and the "actions" that we need to now take.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER (cont'd)

which will require funding and a significant commitment from club members, he/she will also coordinate coaching activities, participation in training camps, coordinate "coaching of the coaches", run the trials where necessary, attend training sessions, promote the Club, etc. We also aim to have a part time administrative appointment to coordinate registrations, handling subscriptions, banking and other secretarial duties. The Club has grown to such a size that these positions are required to alleviate the burden of the committees and also to ensure that the Club is well served and in a strong position to move forward. The process of getting the Club into the position to be able to employ such a person, apply for funding, develop the job description and recruit is obviously time consuming and is unlikely to be in place before the end of this season. We hope to have the process well underway by year end so that the new recruits are in place ready for the 2005 season. We cannot, of course, promise that this will happen but it is something that we are working towards.

There are many ways that **YOU** can help Junior Club. Please consider what assistance you may be able to lend, no matter how small, and get in touch with us through the email addresses detailed on the website or contact me direct to discuss.

Enjoy the rest of the season. We will put out another newsletter over August/September advising details of the end of year functions and photographs. Also remember to check out the website for regular club news updates.

Finally, if you have any feedback for the committee or suggestions you would like to make, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Richard Raymond

FUTURE COMMITTEES

For Administration and Governance, it has become clear that we need to think ahead. There is only so much goodwill that the current volunteers can continue to give and we must identify prospective committee members and volunteers for the future.

This will enable future committees to work with the current committee so that the transition is as smooth and painless as possible and there is a good appreciation of what is required. It is not all hard work, it can be very rewarding and if there is sufficient interest, the work load can be spread.

We will be developing a "procedures manual" to capture how the various roles and functions within the Club are carried out. Job descriptions will also be developed. However, we need to identify prospective committee members now to enable us to develop some succession planning for committee positions and ensure continuity.

The various areas include the executive committee positions, president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, school liaison officer, communication and public relations, event organisers, database entry and website development, gear organiser, coaching co-ordinator and Cashmere Club liaison.

New positions may be developed as well e.g. vice president elect, secretary elect etc, to prepare people for the roles. Please contact us now, if interested, so we can arrange an information evening to discuss what is required for the future direction of the club.

We also require (now and for the future) marketers, sign writers, photographers, accountants, funding co-ordinators, coaches and managers. People with experience in public relations, obtaining sponsorships, writing articles and preparing newsletters are also required! If you have a particular skill or interest, or your work life involves something that can contribute to the Club, then please get in touch with us. The more help we have, the better the Club will be!

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Half way through the season already! I hope that all of the boys and girls in the junior teams and the youth players, coaches, managers and parents are enjoying the soccer season. A big thank you to the coaches who are doing an excellent job with the Junior Club and to all of the managers of the teams who arrange the details from week to week. There have been some great results and several teams are doing very well.

NEW STRIP

The new Junior Club shirts and shorts have finally arrived. Thank you for your patience. The delay has been totally beyond our control. By the time this newsletter goes to print, all team players should have their new shirts and also new shorts, for those who ordered them. If you haven't received your gear, contact your coach or manager to urge them to collect the gear in accordance with the arrangements made between the Club and the coaches/managers for collection.

OLD SHIRTS

The old shirts remain the property of the Club. Teams may retain the shirts for practise strip and alternate strip for when Cashmere teams are playing each other. **Please remember** that both the old shirts, and the new, must be returned to your coach/manager for return to the gear manager at the end of the season. (WASHED!) A huge thank you to our Gear Manager **Mike Latimer** and to the Junior Club Secretary (and Executive Secretary!) **Barbara Turner** for their tireless work, together with other members of the Committee, in working through the annoying issues we have faced in obtaining the new strip for the Club.

NEW BALLS

We have an order in for more new balls, which will be distributed to teams very soon. Occasionally balls go missing at games. Please be vigilant about keeping track of where your balls are and ensure that unused balls are kept in the gear bag and with the manager of the team.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Over several weeks throughout May and June members of the Junior Committee, some members of the Senior Committee and Senior Club players together with a handful of interested parents and several coaches have been working with Sport Canterbury to develop a strategic plan for the Club. This is with a view to, ultimately, obtaining ClubMark status. ClubMark is a tool that Healthy Sports Clubs Chch (a partnership between the Council, Community and Public Health, Hauora Matauraka, Sport Canterbury and ACC) have produced to enable clubs to assess their viability and how focused they are on health and injury prevention issues in their day to day management and operations of the Club. The assessment criteria is onerous but achievable, and worth obtaining as it will ensure that our systems and management are as good as they can be and assist in funding applications.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

A second, important, reason for the development of the strategic plan is because we have a medium term objective of employing one, possibly two people to work for the Club. One would be employed as a full time player development officer coordinating the growth of players as they move through the Junior Club to the senior grades. If we are able to employ such a person, *(continued on next page)*