



St Anthony's Girraween Eagles JRLFC

2013 Season Weekly Newsletter

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Important Dates for your Diary:

- Team Photos
29th June - Hazel St home ground.
- Next Management Committee meeting
Monday 10th June
2013 at Toonie Sports Club.
- Back to the Club social afternoons:
Sunday 16 June
Sunday 21 June
(from 2pm onwards)
SEE YOU THERE!
- Please check out our Club website for all fixtures, events, committee contacts, etc.

President's Report

Welcome to Round 8 and NRL Round 14.

Sadly, training was canned again this week due to rain so we need to bring your attention to these two special events that need your urgent participation. ☹

State of Origin Game 2

Club major fundraiser – Wednesday 26 June 2013:

START TIME CHANGE – NOW 6:30pm.

This will provide us more time to ensure everyone is fed, and lucky door prize tickets are distributed. Additionally, we'll have some fun activities for the children and some other special surprises are arranged prior to the main game kickoff.

- Main game kickoff live on big screen @ 8pm
- All Eagles families and their friends are welcome
- All current Eagles players and their siblings eat for free
- Kids - bring a friend for \$10 extra (covers food and drinks)
- Every current Eagles player present will receive a major raffle ticket
- Major prize pack for every team – one child from each team will win!
- State of Origin jerseys, other great prizes and giveaways up for grabs!
- RSVP to your Team Manager by Wednesday, 19/6/13
- Kids are welcome to come in their Eagles gear, SOO supporter gear or even their PJ's.
- No training will be held Wednesday 26/6/13

LAST MAN STANDING TIPPING COMP – STARTS THIS WEEK!

This important fundraiser will assist our Under 11's to have an end of season celebration in their final year as Girraween Eagles. Please get behind this fun event and spread the word. All family and friends are welcome to enter. Entry is only \$20 per person for the chance to win \$1000! Please register your interest NOW and get your tips in by Thursday 5pm this week! Your team manager or nominated team representative will collect all tips before submitting to our LMS Tipping co-ordinator, Kieran Connaughton. We'll collect your money on the weekend – weather permitting.

Finally, I was dismayed to learn today that our Under 9's Jiordan Salama fractured his arm when falling awkwardly during a game at the Friday Schools Knockout carnival. Thankfully, coach Jeff has insisted Jiordan works with him in an assistant coaching capacity during his recovery period. Wishing you a speedy recovery Jiordan! Our Under 9's will miss you on the field but hopefully we'll see some budding coaching skills emerge over the coming weeks! Big well wishes also to one of our Club mums, Deb Lawler, who also broke her elbow while pulling a tricky defence manoeuvre playing netball recently. Heal soon Deb!

In the meantime everyone else, please stay safe. It's probably a timely reminder during these cooler months to ensure all our players, coaches and trainers take time to get in some good stretching before AND after exercising to warm up and cool down your muscles and prevent injury. It's not often that we see injuries like Jiordan's and Deb's and we want to keep it that way!

Play fair, play hard and have FUN!
Cheers...Natalie



VOCAL SUPPORT

Vocal support of all sides is vigorously encouraged. Our Club has a reputation of great sportsmanship within the Association; please help maintain this ongoing reputation.

Our Association have a charter to stamp out unsavoury behaviour from players, officials and supporters so while you're wearing the Eagles colours or supporting them, please be mindful of your behaviour and keep it in check. There are little impressionable people nearby.

RESPECT FOR REFEREES

Please remember that under no circumstances is anyone allowed to approach referees to discuss games. Penalties apply.

Should you wish to report any incidents that occur during games or at the grounds please liaise directly with the Ground Manager on duty. They will address the issue immediately and escalate as required.

This weekend's fixtures

Please ensure your child arrives a min. of 30 mins prior to their scheduled kickoff time.

NOTE: The draw can change from week to week so please ensure you check this newsletter or our website fixtures tab each week.

Sunday, 16th June 2013

Team	Home	Away	Venue	Time
U/6	St Anthony's Gyrarween Eagles	St Margaret Mary's Merrylands	Castlewood Park – Mini Field 1	9:00am
U/7	St Anthony's Gyrarween Eagles	OLOL St Michael's Baulkham Hills	Janice Crosio Reserve – Mini Field 2	9:00am
U/8	St Anthony's Gyrarween Eagles	St Patrick's Guildford	Fairfield Oval – Mini Field 1	10:30am
U/9	St Patrick's Guildford	St Anthony's Gyrarween Eagles	Fairfield Oval – Main	11:30am
U/10	St Patrick's Guildford	St Anthony's Gyrarween Eagles	Fairfield Oval – Main	12:20pm
U/11	St Anthony's Gyrarween Eagles	OLOP Greystanes	Fairfield Oval – Main	1:10pm

Best of luck to all our playing teams on Sunday!

FIELD LOCATIONS:

Home: Pendle Hill Park, Hazel St. Pendle Hill

Allen Robertson Reserve - Vardys Road, Kings Langley

Avery Park - Cnr Cumberland Hwy & Thorney St, Fairfield Hts

Castlewood Park - Castlewood Drive, Castle Hill

Craik Park - Cnr Fourth & Eleventh Avenues, Austral

Fairfield Oval - Ulverstone Street, Fairfield

Janice Crosio Oval - Rosford Street Reserve, Smithfield

John Curtin Oval - Cnr Dodson Cres and Huxley Drive, Winston Hills

Merrylands Oval - Burnett Street, Merrylands

Nemesia St Reserve - Nemesia Street, Greystanes

Roberta St Park - Roberta Street, Greystanes



Future Meeting Dates:

Monday, 8 July

Monday, 12 August

Monday, 9 September

Monday, 14 October

*Monday, 11 November
(AGM)*

General Notices

Sporting Pulse App for your iPhone/iPad.

View the upcoming fixtures for your team/competition, results and the competition ladder* A Google map of the venue will also be displayed. Download the App from our website.
*Mods only.

Last Man Standing Tipping comp

Kicking off Week 14 of NRL Competition. \$20 to enter - \$1000 prize money up for grabs.

Parramatta Home Game Tickets

Our club is allocated a small number of tickets to Parramatta home games each week. If you would like tickets to a particular match, please contact Sean Rosario on m. 0423 553 464. Tickets will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, but will be allocated to different members each week, in the interest of fairness, unless of course if no one else has requested them.

NB. If games are expected to be a sellout then tickets will unfortunately not be allocated to Junior Clubs by the Parramatta Eels.

Newsletter Mailing Lists

Not receiving Club news email communications each week? Simply email Natalie at girraween_eagles@hotmail.com and we'll add you to our emailing list. Hardcopies of the newsletter will also be available at Saturday training sessions.

Wet Weather Line

Holroyd Council Recorded Message: T. 9294 1418 (updated by 3pm Fridays)

In the event of inclement weather, please contact the Holroyd Council Recorded Message to listen to announcements of ground closures for your team's scheduled playing venue. We will endeavour to update website and/or txt all families should we be notified of any ground closures.

Club Committee Meetings

The Eagles Football Club Committee meetings are usually held every second Monday of the month at Toongabbie Sports & Bowling Club, Station Street, Toongabbie. This club is also our major sponsor. We would like to encourage all coaches or at least one representative from each team to attend meetings to ensure all teams' best interests and views are represented. Parents are also welcome to attend these meetings so you can be informed as to what is happening within the Club and the Association. Please note that only financial members are allowed to vote on matters.

Next meeting is next MONDAY, 10th June 2013

- The Scoop -

Scores have been included for Mini games where provided but these are for just for information only. The Mini teams now play in a non-competitive league."

Under 6's V St Mary's Merrylands.

Parramatta Stadium

Player of the week: Levi & James.

Coach's log

Well this week we didn't get to play a regular game on Sunday but we had a game as half time entertainment at Parramatta stadium. We played the Merrylands Maulers and a had a ball!

The 1st thank you goes to young Chloe from Merrylands who helped us out in the 1st period as we were down on numbers due to illness and the long weekend. Luke and Noah were both ill and Tyreese was away for the long weekend, so that left us with only 6 players. We may have been reduced to 5 as James wasn't well either and probably shouldn't have played.



Levi & James at Parramatta Stadium

We played very well in the 1st half with James scoring a try, and our defence was very strong led by Izaak. In the second period the game was close but the field had moved and this seemed to confuse us as we continued to run out, but we still managed to score tries through Christian and James again.

Inochi wasn't real well either but played very well, as did Rishant with a couple of good runs and some good defence. Levi also had his best game yet with a run and some tackles - well done mate. My awards this week went to Levi for his best game yet and James for a great game when he wasn't well.

Thanks to all of the parent for supporting the night it was great to get a chance to sit and have a chat with some of you hope we can do it again soon

Kieran, Calum and John



The Eagles fly high at Parramatta Stadium

Under 7's V OLOL St Gertrudes

Girraween Eagles - 26 defeat OLOL St Michaels - 18

Players of the week: Christian Kong & Lewis Ward



Under 8's V St Gertrude's Smithfield

Girraween Eagles -- 48 def Guildford Raiders - 6

Man of the Match: Korbyn

Defensive Player of the Week: Jacob



After a washed out round the boys were keen to get on the park and welcome our two new players Korbyn and Bailey.

Try of the week was scored by Ryan who ran the length of the field and then converted his own try because he could!

The team played well to keep the Bombers from scoring until the 18th minute and we look forward to a tougher game against Guildford next week. Kick-off is at 10.30 am at Fairfield Oval (Ulverstone Street) with players to arrive 30 minutes before kick-off.

Cheers

Dana

The boys in action.





Under 9's V St Gertrude's Smithfield

No game due to forfeit.

Under 10's V OLMC Mt Pritchard

Girraween Eagles -- 10 def by OLMC Mt Pritchard - 20

Man of the Match: Tobey Lewis

Defensive Player of the Week: Zac Palmer

After the wash out the previous weekend, the boys were eager to get out in the sunshine for the return match against Mt Pritchard at Castlewood Park.

The boys could have been forgiven for coming out of the blocks slowly, having to wait 90 minutes for the opposition to turn up. Instead, the Eagles started brilliantly, with waves of big runs by our forward pack laying the foundation for the backs to score a couple of tries inside the first 10 minutes to stun the Sharks. With a bit more ball control we could have racked up a couple of more four-pointers, and were also disallowed what appeared to be a fair try out wide.

Unfortunately, all of our good work in attack was undone by a poor defensive performance as a team. While there is no doubt that there are some outstanding performers in defence within this side, rugby league is a team game where everyone needs to help their mates to hold out the opposition. A combined defensive effort would have ensured a famous victory over this excellent Mt Pritchard team, so from that aspect it was a bit disappointing. Keep working hard at training so that we can work as a unit in this facet of the game.

Tobey Lewis was outstanding and received the Man of the Match Award. Some of his tackling on much bigger forwards is inspirational, and he also had a good kicking game – we were very unlucky not to grab a try from a good grubber kick that would have tied the game with 2 mins to go. Zac Palmer made some great tackles and received the Best Defensive Player Award.

We look forward to our next game against Guildford at Fairfield Oval.
Cheers,
Pat.

Under 11's V Greystanes Bulldogs

Girraween Eagles -- 16 def by OLMC Mt Pritchard - 24

Man of the Match: Brayden

Defensive Player of the Week: Jordan

What a great game by the boys! Down 24 – 4 at half time, we actually won the second half 12 - 0. Unfortunately the U10 boys arrived just before half time, so we did well to hold them to 24 with only 9 players.

With a full roster going into the 2nd half, the boys rallied, dug deep and showed us how they can play. A lot of our U11's can take a step out of our supporting 10 players, moving up and tackling hard but to win the second half, were new heights reached. The first time we have held a team scoreless in a half.

We did have a few stand outs. Brayden pulled off some great tackles and ran the ball well. He was awarded the MVP and just pipped Jordan for also who made a lot of tackles from marker and ran strongly.

Izzy scored two good tries with strength and pace and it was good to have him back in the green and white. Ryno is getting more confidence in his running, chipped ahead, beat the defence and scored our third try. Rho was again strong and the rest all chipped in.

The boys did extremely well. Let's take this second half win into our next game with our heads up high.

Go the BLUES!!!
Rob & Matt.