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PRESIDENTS WELCOME

A warm welcome to Shepherds Park today to the Three Kings United players, management and supporters. The game we played in the first round resulted in a 1-1 draw and was an even contest which could have gone either way, so we expect today's game will be another close affair.

Half-way through the season it's interesting to work out where Birkenhead is at on the field. If we calculate the senior and metro youth teams placing in their respective competitions, we have an average placing of 4.5. Let's see what we can do to be top 3 in the second half of the season.

Success is of course measured by many things. We are an ambitious club keen to do well not just here in Auckland but in national competitions like the U19 national championships and the Chatham Cup. Every year we plan to improve our facilities, the programmes we run, our financial strength and the depth of our player base which will grow the size of our club and our contribution to the local community.

Get involved in any way you can. Let's make the Red & White Army known nationally for our success.

On Sunday 16th at 2pm one of the games of the season awaits. Birkenhead vs. Glenfield at McFetridge Park in round 3 of the Chatham Cup. Don your red and white and be ready to make plenty of noise as we battle our arch rivals.

I look forward to seeing you in the clubrooms.

Dave Newick

President BUAFC

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FIRST TEAM REPORT



Firstly a warm welcome to Graham and his Three Kings team.

We know today's game will be as tough as the first game of the season. There will be plenty of good young players on display today from both teams. We've had a few games to report on.

We came unstuck in our last home game against Central after taking a 3-0 lead from Elijah 2 and Jenko. Unfortunately we made some crucial mistakes that cost us, losing a league game for the first time in a long time 5-4. No major panic, just one of those days, Sam Margetts got the other goal. Hopefully we all learn lessons from that game.

We then went to the fantastic new Micheals Ave where we played Ellerslie. We started well and had some good chances, finally getting one through Godwin, but in the end on chances Ellerslie were unlucky not to equalise due to some good stops from Fletch. A 1-0 win and we gained three great points against a very good team.

Then on Monday we went to Cambridge. We can make all the excuses up in the world, and we got through, but we were made to fight for it, by a Cambridge team who gave it their all. Goals went to Jack, Jenko, Wallis and Dylan.

Thanks for all the supporters who came out to Ellerslie and Cambridge. We are very lucky to always have great support.

Another big thanks to Terry and Steve for the fantastic job they're doing with our very young Reserves and U/17s, and also thanks heaps to Tim, Parky, Hannah and Jason for all their help and support.

Huge thanks to Dave for all his work and efforts in making us a premiership team on and off the field.

We're just looking at each game one at a time for us and every one is a cup final.

Cheers Hobbo



FIRST TEAM REPORT – MANAGERS SAY!

Welcome to Neil, Graham and their crew and supporters today to the "Home of Football" at Shepherds Park. Also to Martin and today's assistants for the thankless job that they take on board!

If the opening game to the 2013 Lotto NRFL Premier League round is anything to go by, we should be in for a torrid and physical match up on our hallowed premises. With much hope all loyal fans will enjoy some attractive football, and plenty of banter as always!

Continued ...



25-05-2013 vs Central United

A match that was envisioned to be a tough encounter, proved to be just that. Although Birko showed much promise to be 3-0 up after 27 minutes with a brace from Elijah Neblett and a Sam Jenkins strike against his former comrades, the lads went to the half only 3-0 to the better!

This was "morphed" in the second stanza to a 3-5 deficit and while endeavouring endlessly could only settle for a Sam Margetts finish in "refs time" for a loss at the "Home," the first in 30 league games. ☹️ A creative, strong and unyielding performance from Jack Hobbo saw him with the player of the day honours.

01-06-2013 vs Ellerslie AFC

On the road again to visit Michaels Ave and the Ellerslie staff, players and faithful supporters on their revamped complex with the new Tiger Turf surface. These clubs have created a somewhat explosive relationship over recent seasons, and having gained their promotion as our Division 1 runners up last year, this will no doubt be a continuum of that rivalry. This came to fruition with strong challenges, a fair share of cautions going each way and



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as a result a scoreless half ended. The second spell viewed much of the same until Godwin Darkwa was slipped a “Jenko special” through ball and the ensuing one on one bought joy to Birko with an accurate finished by Godders. An embattled remaining 39 minutes, lead by Ash Crawford, who was player of the day, got 3 points for the good guys to keep on the same points yet only behind on goal difference to East Coast Bays!

03-06-2013 vs Cambridge AFC – Chatham Cup

Facing a host team resembling a Birko team in ‘candy cane’ shirts, red shorts and socks, no one could be criticized for cheering wrongfully at good football and some shall we say “hapless” refereeing decisions that went both ways, hence the half time apology from Cambridge’s Chairman!

A volatile start on an ‘A’ typical cattle paddock, Birko started well only to go a goal down due to a penalty that was created against the flow. Sam Jenkins soon later equalised and a 44th minute goal to Adam Wallis meant a 1-2 half-time score.

Physicality was the theme for the second spell and with a lot of perseverance Sam Margetts earned a penalty that was duly converted by Jack Hobbo. Yet although the hosts grabbed a second, Dylan Windust shut the door in the 73rd minute and Birko’s superior fitness prevailed. Here’s hoping we emulate our 2012 Cup run when we visit McFetridge Park to face our nearest and dearest nemesis Glenfield Rovers. Bring it to the supporters who traveled south, let’s hope numbers are more balanced in this local derby!

See you after the game, enjoy!

Cheers Parky



PLAYERS OF THE DAY

Vs	Three Kings	Godwin Darkwa
Vs	East Coast Bays	Dylan Windust
Vs	Onehunga Sports	Sam Jasper
Vs	Manurewa	Bill Tuiloma
Vs	Waitakere	Dylan Windust
Vs	Bay Olympic	Jacob Hall
Vs	Hamilton Wanderers	Ryan Howlett
Vs	Central Utd	Jack Hobson-McVeigh
Vs	Ellerslie	Ash Crawford
Vs	Cambridge	Adam Wallis

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Sam Jenkins.....	4
Dylan Windust.....	3
Doobie Parkinson	2
Sam Jasper.....	2
Sam Margetts.....	2
Godwin Darkwa	2
James Lawson	2
Elijah Neblett	2
Bill Tuiloma	1*
Rodrigo Campodonico	1
Ryan Howlett.....	1
Adam Wallis.....	1

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RESERVES

Harrison Bolton-Roberts.....	6
Nathan Gibb.....	5
Connor Felstead.....	3
Paul Park.....	2
Dylan Higgins.....	1
Harry Bell	1
Cody Doherty.....	1
Elijah Neblett.....	1
Shalin.....	1



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BIRKO RESSIES

Birkenhead Reserves v Ellerslie @ Michaels Ave 1/6/2013

Losing at home is always a good motivation to improve. The previous weeks result meant that if the reserves were to stay in the hunt for the league title, a win at Central was a must.

Playing in perfect conditions and on the new artificial turf at Michaels Avenue the game got off to a blistering pace. Both teams made the most of the surface and moved the ball quickly. Central probably had the better of the first fifteen minutes before we settled into our pattern of play and started to gain some decent periods of possession. Jack Holbutt found plenty of work down the right flank and Andrew McFadzean was controlling the back line well. Despite the amount of good football we were still finding it difficult to have a decent crack at the target and typically just when it felt like we were the more likely to score, Central went ahead! Deciding to clear the ball across the top of the box has never been a wise training move and picking the ball out of your own net is why!!

The half-time talk was constructive, positive (mostly) and effective because within two minutes of the restart Jack Holbutt started a move down the right which found Connor who worked the ball into the corner and drilled the perfect low cross to find Shalin at the far post; 1-1! And well back in it. Soon after a similar move found us in the same position and the resulting perfectly weighted cross, picked out Connor, who headed home from the edge of the six yard box.

We continued to press and Connor was denied two one on one chances, one by the post and the second by good goalkeeping...goals we seriously needed to close out the game. Central battled back and were also having their own opportunities. Gareth suddenly found himself with more work than he wanted, making some excellent saves as well as keeping the defence tight. With too much time still on the clock we put ourselves under more pressure when Tom Holbutt picked up his second yellow (yes the linesman was a plonker but you can't throw the ball away when you are on a yellow and the ref is fed up with constant abuse). The last ten minutes was pure grit and determination and a credit to the team. Playing with ten men on a big field was a big ask...the team responded, kept their discipline and defended well...and that was what we mostly did for that period. It was with a certain amount of relief for all when the final whistle went. Other results that day ensure that we are still at the right end of the table.

Solid performances from Gareth, Andrew McFadzean, Tom (before being sent off), Hussain and Jack Holbutt who was the player of the day.

Final score 2-1 to us!

Terry Taylor

LADIES FOOTBALL 2013

1ST DIVISION

26th May 2013 – vs. West Auckland: Postponed

Brains Park closed due to the field being a washed out mud bath.

2nd June 2013 – vs. Oratia: Postponed

Oratia was unable to field a team through injury and sickness (nothing to do with the long weekend – yeah right).

Hibiscus Coast at Stanmore Bay this weekend, hopefully the weather is good to us, and the opposition is keen and able to play....

2ND DIVISION

26th May – 2-1 Win vs. East Coast Bays

This week we travelled to East Coast Bays to face an up and coming team who were in the top three of the league. After being warned of their youth and pace we expected a hard game on a large pitch and that's really what we got. The teams were fairly even throughout the first half but Bays nudged it going in with a 1-0 lead. We started to dominate in the second half though and got rewarded with two quick fire goals scored by Samantha White



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and Patrice Koks. After that the game opened up for us and we could have scored more but were lucky to escape a couple of goal mouth scrambles at our own end as well. The girls dug in though and walked away with a well deserved victory. Player of the day honours were split between Jenni Hussey and Lisa Murray for two largely different but equally important performances.

2nd June – 6-0 Win vs. Ranui Rebelles

This week we hosted another Ranui team who we've seen plenty of times in previous years. Knowing that results hadn't been going their way recently we knew this could be a golden opportunity to try and improve our goal difference and so we set out to attack from the start.

Another solid defensive display allowed us to command the pace of the game and initiate attacking play from the back which resulted in us showing dominance across the pitch and end the first half four goals up. Ever in danger of slacking off in the second half the girls were asked to go and repeat their first half performance which they largely did although only scoring twice more. All in all a dominant display which would've earned us a victory against most teams in the league. Player of the day was awarded to Kate Sandford who completed her first 90 minutes after suffering injury and gave a very solid and composed performance in our back line. A great way to return from injury.

Goal scorers – Patrice Koks (2), Claire Kearney, Aleisha McNiven, Lisa Murray, Karen Taylor

That's the end of round one with the girls sitting 3rd in the league with the leagues best overall goal difference and goals scored ratio which gives them a mathematical chance of taking the trophy in a few months time.

3RD DIVISION

The last two weeks of football have been successful with two good wins.

The first of the two was away to Oratia social, a team that were on the same points as us. I arrived at the game thinking it should be an even and tight match but as it turned out we completely dominated having the majority of possession in their half. The scoring was opened by Laura Tattersall, who is becoming a regular mention. Despite owning the majority of the ball Oratia managed to get an equaliser with a lob from nowhere. However this did not change the momentum of the game as the shots just kept going. The winner was scored by Laura with a low and hard drive from the edge of the box straight through the keeper's legs.

At home to West Auckland was another convincing win. Two stand out players were Phoebe van der Plas and Michaela Carlsen who played through the defence as if they were not there. The game ended 6-2 with four from Phoebe, one from Laura, and well done to Bridget Hay who opened her account this season with a brilliant header from inside the box. How she managed it with two defenders towering over her I still don't know!

The team improves with every week they play. Long may it continue.....



UNDER 17 METRO

Composed Conor Causes Central's Collapse

Game 7 vs Central United, Sunday 26 May, Eastdale Park:

If you ever had the misfortune of playing football at Eastdale Park on a mud-soaked pitch on a windy day, you will appreciate the effort the boys had to endure to produce a positive result. The pitch was by no means playable and our upbeat way of passing the ball all around the park was hindered by the atrocious conditions.

It was obvious our opposition had experience playing football in this environment as they dominated play for the first quarter of the game. Just booting the ball up the field was the order of the day and within 5 minutes their strategy paid dividends. The ball was booted to our centre backs and it held up in the mud. The approaching centre forward then easily bypassed the defenders, one-on-one with the keeper and bang goal.... Central up 1-0. A minute later after more booting of the ball up field, again, a shot on goal resulted in a hand ball in the box - penalty to Central.

So... what were the chances of Darius saving a second penalty after making an awesome penalty save the week before? Possible but unlikely most would say. Once again he stepped up and made another remarkable save. In fact he made numerous outstanding saves as the onslaught continued. And yes, we found ourselves in unfamiliar territory - playing football without dominating possession.

This situation prompted a "plan B" change by Paul Hobson and his emphatic instruction to "put on over the top" was executed almost immediately. A through ball from mid-field by Tate was on its way to the keeper but it was held up in the mud and the keeper completely misjudged the speed of a fast approaching Conor. One touch to the side of the keeper and a composed Conor calmly slotted the ball to the back of the net..... Complete Class.

Another ball "over the top" helped setup the next goal. From the right hand side of the field Jack pumped a long ball across the park to Dylan who had acres of space and after beating a defender passed the ball to an animated Conor who once again made scoring goals seem effortless. 2-1 up at half-time.

The instruction to "put the ball over the top" was reiterated at the break and the boys did not disappoint. Yet again a ball played "over the top" by Jack held up in the wind and a pouncing Conor completed his second hat-trick in a row. 3-1 up and that's how the game ended.

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Conclusion: Overall, the rolling ball game better known as football was not possible given the state of the pitch. But the effort and tenacity shown by the boys to change from their normal playing style to that which suited the conditions is best summed up by a famous quotation –

“It’s not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change” – Charles Darwin.

Stand outs: Conor Felstead, Darius Shizell, Amili Kasim

Result: 3-1 win **Coaching Team’s Emotion:** Delighted 😊 **Outlook:** We’re on the way!!!

Coach: Paul Hobson **Trainers:** Steve Holbutt & Terry Taylor **Manager:** Jason Higgins

A determined opposition puts a bump in Birko’s road to the championship

Game 8 vs Waitakere, Sunday 3 June, Shephards Park:

Waitakere came to play and we did not – bottom line!!! A mediocre performance is probably the best way to describe our boy’s lackluster efforts on the day. From the outset, Waitakere were hungrier and played to a level of intensity which we were not used to.

One would think that a change in tactic should do the trick once again. The intention was there and the instruction to release the ball quicker/earlier was delivered effectively but it fell on deaf ears. As soon as our mid-field or centre backs had the ball, the opposition pounced which added pressure. One touch too many was the cause of our downfall. And in my opinion, that style of football which is prevalent in school football is far below par and has no place in a very competitive Metropolitan League. Lessons to be learnt here boys.....

Anyway, back to the game. After a corner by Waitakere, panic stations in the goal mouth resulted in a shot on goal which was unstoppable. Waitakere 1-0 up and it was clear we were in for a trying time. The ever consistent Conor Felstead eventually had a break, a shot on goal by Adyn Kettle produced save by the keeper, which Conor seized upon and calmly finished.... Another effortless showing. Mmmmm just realised... I’m almost sure Conor has scored in



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UNDER 17 METRO continued

every game he has played for Birkenhead since his return... could be wrong, nevertheless well done

mate!!! 1-1 "even stevens" at the break.

Some entertaining football by the opposition added more pressure and mistakes by our young talent allowed Waitakere to score. Two unanswered goals were scored against the run of play. On both occasions we were on the attack and frustratingly that final pass found a Waitakere player who produced the goods to finish us off.

As a passing note.....we had a penalty disallowed when Waitakere was 2-1 up. If the penalty had been given the end result could have had a different outcome. To their credit Waitakere deserved the win as they were the better team on the day.

Conclusion: "Adapt or Die" is another classic quotation which I believe was pertinent to the uninspiring performance on the day. It certainly did not help when clear instructions by the coach were ignored.

Stand outs: Thomson Nkoy, Darius Shizell

Result: 3-1 loss

Coaching Team's Emotion: Annoyed



Outlook: Still in with a chance

Coach: Paul Hobson

Trainers: Steve Holbutt & Terry Taylor

Manager: Jason Higgins

SEASON GOALS		
Conor	Felstead	7
Thomson	Nkoy	3
Adyn	Kettle	2
Amili	Kasim	2
Elijah	Neblett	2
Dylan	Higgins	1
Harrison	Bolton-Roberts	1
Joel	Curran	1
John	Short	1
Keegan	Farrelly	1
Scott	Guyatt	1
Tate	Kimpton	1
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Name: Dylan Higgins
DOB: 19-02-1997
Position: Striker/Wing
Favourite Overseas Football Team: FC Bayern Munich
Favourite Player of all time: Bill Tuiloma
Biggest Influence on your career: Dad
Career Highlights to Date: Napier U19s 2012 and making the Ressies squad
Favourite Food: Anything with meat
Favourite Movie: Austin Powers
Favourite Actor Mike Myers
Favourite Musician/Band: Kendrick Lamar
Motivation for 2013 Season: Napier U19s



Name: Gareth Williams
DOB: 28-12-1988
 (Not a misprint! ☺)
Position: Goalkeeper
Favourite Overseas Football Team: Liverpool
Favourite Player of all time: Steven Gerrard
Biggest Influence on your career: Dad
Career Highlights to Date: Just playing!
Favourite Food: Pies (steak and cheese)
Favourite Movie: Dazed and Confused
Favourite Actor Matthew McConaughey
Favourite Musician/Band: Anything
Motivation for 2013 Season: Win the Reserve League



NRFL PREMIER RESERVES



- 1 Gareth Williams
- 2 Andrew McFadzean
- 3 Dylan Higgins
- 4 Nick Smith
- 5 Hussein Ewazi
- 6 Paul Park
- 7 Jack Holbutt
- 8 Nathan Gibb
- 9 Tom Holbutt
- 10 Andrew Collenette
- 11 Harrison Bolton-Roberts
- 12 Harry Bell
- 14 Cody Doherty
- 15 Connor Felstead
- 22 Sydney Lorence

Coach: Steve Holbutt
Manager: Terry Taylor

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- 4 Ravinder Singh
- 5 Tadahiko Ohara
- 6 Harrison Eden
- 8 Matthew Metzger
- 9 James Montgomery
- 10 Rasam Moghimi
- 11 Nick Greenslade
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- 13 Jack Craig
- 14 Kyle Adams
- 15 Richard Jones
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- 17 Shaneel Sharma
- 18 Conroy Chu
- 19 Botan Ibrahim
- 21 Masillan Veejian

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Ass. Coach: Tadahiko Ohara

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NRFL PREMIER MENS



- 1 John Fletcher
- 2 Paul Park
- 3 Harri Bolton-Roberts
- 4 Sam Jenkins
- 5 Ash Crawford
- 6 Sam Jasper
- 7 Godwin Darkwa
- 8 Dylan Windust
- 9 James Lawson
- 10 Sam Margetts
- 11 Jack Hobson-McVeigh
- 13 Roussi Nkoy
- 14 David Parkinson
- 15 Jacob Hall
- 16 Ryan Howlett
- 17 Elijah Neblett
- 18 Adam Wallis

Coach: Paul Hobson
Asst Coach: Tim Howlett
Manager: Simon Parkinson
Physio: Hannah Dawson

- 1 Ryan Lilleby
- 2 Matthew Greenslade
- 3 Astley Lee
- 4 Warren Pinto
- 5 Graham Pearce
- 7 Scott Campbell
- 8 Blair Konik
- 9 Jarrod Colligan
- 10 Mikhail Beredvelt
- 11 Neil Sykes
- 12 Nicholas Hindson
- 14 Marshall Gurney
- 16 Calvin Opperman
- 17 Shravan Sharma
- 18 Harrison Sage
- 21 Hugo Littlejohn
- 22 Liam Anderson

Coach: Neil Sykes
Coach: Graham Pearce
Manager: Dave Gravatt
Physio: Ruth Fletcher

MATCH DAY OFFICIALS: Martin Neale, Zac Naylor, Dimitry Sabitov

1ST TEAM PLAYER PROFILES

Name: Jack Hobson McVeigh
DOB: 10-06-1992
Position: CM, CDM, ST
Favourite Overseas Football Team: Any team Bill Tui plays for
Favourite Player of all time: David Beckham
Biggest Influence on your career: Family, Birko and Ian (the Goat)
Career Highlights to Date: North Harbour U13-U16
NZ U17 World Cup (goal v Turkey)
Birko U16 winning 2 Tours in USA (not losing)
Chelsea Primary Player of the Year 2000
Favourite Food: Chicken
Favourite Movie: Anything with Kim Kardashian in
Favourite Actor Sam Jasper
Favourite Musician/Band: Anything that plays at RNV
Motivation for 2013 Season: Win the Double and hit 130kg on the bench.



Name: Sam Jenkins
DOB: 17-02-1987
Position: Forward/Winger
Favourite Overseas Football Team: Man United
Favourite Player of all time: Cristiano Ronaldo & Brazilian Ronaldo
Biggest Influence on your career: Dad
Career Highlights to Date: Representing my country at 2008 Olympics
Favourite Food: Depot - Sliders or Eye Fillet Steak
Favourite Movie: Old School
Favourite Actor Anthony Hagan & Christian Bale
Favourite Musician/Band: Daft Punk
Motivation for 2013 Season: Win the Double and get shredded for RnV.



17TH GRADE - SATURDAY DIVISION

The 17th grade have been grading since the start of the season, in our first three games we managed two wins and a loss – things were going well. We then hit some tougher opposition and suffered bad defeats in our next 3 games – the player attitude was slipping and things were getting seriously wobbly!!

And so it came to last weeks game against Te Atatu. They were next to us on the table with a similar record – we were set to play our first game on the newly revamped and opened #1 at Shepherds park. Playing on the wonderful surface and a full size pitch seemed to readjust the guys attitude and standards. In what was undoubtedly the best performance of the year the guys found themselves 3 goals to the good in the first 15 minutes. The question was how they would handle themselves from this unknown position? Could they maintain their focus, or would “goal lust” fog their brains and positional play?

Pleasingly by half-time the score was 5-1 and for the most part the brain fog had remained away!!

Credit must be given to our opposition Te Atatu, they started the second half strongly and ensured the game didn't disappear completely out of sight, they even pulled another one back 5-2. It wasn't until the final 15 minutes that we were able to exert control over the game again, and with that came three further goals, 8 - 2 and well deserved smiles all around.

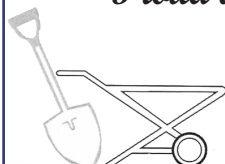
As you read this we will be playing Glenfield at McFetridge, a game we have long looked forward to, if we bring the same attitude and focus as last week it is one I'm sure we have every chance of taking!

Maarten Nieuwland - Coach 17th Division team

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Please contact Ajmol Ali for more details
(a.ali@massey.ac.nz or 021 781 333)

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15TH GRADE

Under coach Mike Thompson, the core of this team has been together since 7th grade, amalgamating with a similar team three years ago and remaining largely unchanged since. We've seen them change from small boys who were happy when bad weather cancelled games, to strapping adolescents who really resent any lack of game time!

Thanks to some excellent pre-season fitness training and twice-weekly practices, the boys are having a good season with stamina being a key strength. They are currently sitting fourth in their division after seven rounds against some tough opposition.

Big thanks go to not only the coach, but Jerram Broadley and David Meech for coaching/refereeing duties, and to Tristin Turner-Smith and Lorna Subritzky as managers.

Team: Connor Broadley, James Brook, Riley Cahill, Luke Clark, Simon Goddard, Kurt Haynes, Ashwin-Jon Hendricks, Daniel Meech, Ben Nunnerly (c), Niklas Petterson-Fox, Max Plant, Jacob Thompson, Sam Turner-Smith and Niwa Wells.



14TH GRADE

From a paucity of resources to top of the table

As the 2013 football season rolled around this year, March saw the Birko 14th Grade team with a new combination of nine players. The season was two weeks away and there was some doubt as to whether we would be able to field a full 11-man compliment when the first game came upon us.

Seven games later and it is a testament to the values of this team that they have attracted friends and developed a collective team pride that has seen 14 boys working together to make them unbeaten through the grading round. Not only unbeaten but playing a brand of football that builds from the back and includes an interplay of passing that is a joy to watch.

They have and continue to make Birkenhead proud, in our 50th Anniversary year this is another team from the many within the club that play the game the way it was meant to be played and get the results. If you happen to be at a loose end on a Saturday this winter

I commend you to find out where they are playing and come and support them and enjoy their, sorry I mean "our" brand of football.

4 -1 up at half time and the coach is still talking tactics!!



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What always runs
but never walks,
often murmurs,
never talks,
has a bed
but never sleeps,
has a mouth
but never eats?

Answer on Page 34



FUN FOOTBALL 2013

This week, I wanted to focus on 6th grade. We have 18 teams, which means 18 coaches and 90 kids playing in just the one grade. This grade is a real mixture of kids who have played one season and some in their first ever season of football.

We are totally focused on the individual development of the players and the coaches run a 30 minute training before they play a 30 minute game on Saturday morning.

One of those coaches is Ben Cahill, who I have asked to give you an insight of what Saturday is like for his family. Ben's family is one of our largest playing families in the club. Here is what it is like to have 5 players, in 5 different grades all playing football at Birkenhead United, it can be a real challenge.

THE CAHILL FAMILY

It is fair to say that in the Cahill household, Saturday is for football. Five games to get to and because the boys are big supporters of the 1st team, there is often a sixth as well.

Sorting out who is where and how they will get there can be a bit of a mission. At least the first one is easy – Hannah's 6th grade midget team is always an 8:30am start at Shepherds Park. After that we have Vincent's 10th grade, Jono's 12th grade, Riley's 15th grade and then my game with the Mighty Cavheads (over 35's) to get to. Times are anywhere between 11am and 2:45pm - sometimes I am on the road and at games from 8am until 5:30pm. Inevitably, five games means that we can't always do the transport on our own and we are very grateful to those who help us out with this.

At the end of the day it is time to see whether we have won the "Cahill Challenge" - adding up all of our scores for and against, so every goal counts. It is an all-consuming day but we love the football season and wouldn't want it any other way. But just once, I wish the stars would align and we could get all five games at home!

Ben Cahill

6th grade coach and Super Dad!



Ben has been a member and coach in the club for a number of years. It is people like Ben who make our club what it is today.

Coming up in the 6th grade this year, we will be arranging the first team and the woman's first team to assist with the coaching in the grade. It is really important that as a club we create a connection with our senior and junior club. This is one way that we strive to do this.

Ben McQuay

Fun Football Coordinator

1976

The preparations for the “Home of Football” begin

One mile of drains were cut, piped and filled by Club members during one weekend in March 1976.



Terry Howard takes a well earned smoko!

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If anyone has historical articles or programmes, particularly from the 60s, 70s and 80s, can you please let me know!

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LEAGUE TABLES

NRFL PREMIER MENS

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
East Coast Bays	9	6	2	1	26	11	15	20
Birkenhead Utd	9	6	2	1	28	14	14	20
Hamilton Wanderers AFC	9	4	4	1	25	10	15	16
Central Utd	9	5	1	3	21	12	9	16
Onehunga Sports	9	4	2	3	17	17	0	14
Three Kings Utd	8	2	4	2	20	17	3	10
Bay Olympic	8	3	1	4	12	14	-2	10
Ellerslie AFC	9	2	2	5	8	12	-4	8
Manurewa AFC	9	1	1	7	4	31	-27	4
Waitakere City FC	9	0	3	6	8	31	-23	3

NRFL PREMIER RESERVES

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Central Utd	9	7	0	2	31	15	16	21
Hamilton Wanderers AFC	9	6	2	1	23	11	12	20
Ellerslie AFC	9	6	1	2	22	13	9	19
Birkenhead Utd	9	5	2	2	23	18	5	17
Manurewa AFC	9	4	2	3	18	17	1	14
Onehunga Sports	9	4	1	4	21	18	3	13
East Coast Bays	9	4	0	5	17	17	0	12
Three Kings Utd	9	3	1	5	12	22	-10	10
Waitakere City FC	9	1	1	7	15	33	-18	4
Bay Olympic	9	0	0	9	9	27	-18	0

NFF MEN'S 1ST DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
East Coast Bays Sheehan	8	6	1	1	31	11	20	19
Waitakere Vitor	6	4	1	1	19	6	13	13
Takapuna Boca Seniors	7	3	3	1	14	16	-2	12
Birkenhead Camelspace	7	3	2	2	15	10	5	11
Glenfield Exell	6	2	3	1	13	10	3	9
Air Force	5	2	1	2	13	11	2	7
Oratia United	9	1	2	6	10	21	-11	5
North Shore United	8	0	1	7	3	33	-30	1

LEAGUE TABLES

NFF MEN'S 2ND DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Albany Africans	9	7	1	1	41	19	22	22
Glenfield Muppets	9	7	1	1	36	17	19	22
Albany The Boys	9	6	3	0	28	12	16	21
East Coast Bays Syab	9	4	3	2	20	9	11	15
Takapuna Tornadoes	9	5	0	4	22	23	-1	15
Birkenhead Hauraki Home Brew	9	5	0	4	19	20	-1	15
Glenfield Re-United	9	3	1	5	27	21	6	10
North Shore Seagulls	9	2	3	4	16	19	-3	9
Glenfield Juggernaut	9	3	0	6	11	18	-7	9
Albany Red United	9	3	0	6	17	30	-13	9
Oratia Forrest	9	2	2	5	17	25	-8	8
Hibiscus Evolution	9	0	0	9	9	50	-41	0

NFF MEN'S 4TH DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
East Coast Bays Thomas	9	6	2	1	16	9	7	20
Albany Champs	8	5	1	2	21	14	7	16
Puhoi Wolfpack	7	4	2	1	20	8	12	14
Forrest Hill Muff	8	4	1	3	23	16	7	13
Albany Young Poles	8	3	3	2	20	13	7	12
Glenfield Roberts	9	3	1	5	18	21	-3	10
East Coast Bays Optimus Prime	8	3	1	4	12	18	-6	10
Birkenhead United	9	3	0	6	15	26	-11	9
Forrest Hill Jammy Donuts	8	2	1	5	12	22	-10	7
Navy	6	1	0	5	4	14	-10	3

NFF MEN'S 6TH DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Greenhithe Hardheads	8	8	0	0	38	12	26	24
Ranui Swanson	8	5	2	1	27	13	14	17
Air Force	8	5	0	3	19	13	6	15
Greenhithe Frontal Lobotomy Boys	8	5	0	3	17	14	3	15
West Auckland Stormtroopers	8	4	1	3	24	17	7	13
West Auckland Wookies	8	4	1	3	18	14	4	13
Forrest Hill Flames	8	4	0	4	14	22	-8	12
Puhoi	8	3	0	5	17	20	-3	9
Forrest Hill Wanderers	8	2	0	6	12	19	-7	6
Waitemata	8	2	0	6	16	29	-13	6
Birkenhead Frisby	8	0	0	8	4	33	-29	0

LEAGUE TABLES

NFF O35S 1ST DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Albany Mad Dogs	9	5	4	0	24	16	8	19
Hibiscus Statues	8	5	3	0	35	9	26	18
Albany Lads	9	5	1	3	17	16	1	16
Birkenhead Cavheads	8	4	3	1	27	17	10	15
Glenfield Roosters	8	4	3	1	27	23	4	15
North Shore Bucks	8	3	3	2	28	11	17	12
Waitakere Bosch Car Service	9	2	1	6	17	29	-12	7
Oratia Gerihatricks	9	2	0	7	22	38	-16	6
Waitemata	9	2	0	7	16	43	-27	6
East Coast Bays All Sorts	9	1	2	6	14	25	-11	5

NFF O35S 2ND DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Warkworth	9	8	1	0	47	15	32	25
Glenfield Rock	9	4	4	1	24	8	16	16
Norwest United	9	4	4	1	22	14	8	16
Oratia Rovers	9	5	1	3	23	16	7	16
West Auckland	8	4	2	2	16	12	4	14
Birkenhead Progressive	8	2	3	3	23	18	5	9
Forrest Hill Milford	8	2	2	4	19	26	-7	8
Glen Eden Blue	9	2	2	5	12	23	-11	8
East Coast Bays Kim	9	2	0	7	11	40	-29	6
Glen Eden Black	8	0	1	7	6	31	-25	1

NFF O35S 3RD DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Waitemata	7	6	0	1	22	9	13	18
East Coast Bays Foreign Legion	8	5	2	1	11	8	3	17
Birkenhead Boca	8	4	2	2	13	8	5	14
Hibiscus Invaders	8	4	1	3	11	12	-1	13
Glenfield Gringos	7	3	2	2	19	8	11	11
Te Atatu Socialbles	8	3	2	3	15	18	-3	11
Albany Originals	6	2	0	4	10	14	-4	6
Te Atatu Blue	8	1	1	6	9	16	-7	4
Hibiscus Heroes	8	0	2	6	11	28	-17	2

LEAGUE TABLES

NFF O35S 4TH DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Birkenhead Bonnie Ladd	8	7	1	0	25	8	17	22
East Coast Bays Elford	8	6	2	0	25	5	20	20
West Auckland Old Farts	7	4	1	2	11	8	3	13
Greenhithe Roaring Forties	8	4	1	3	20	19	1	13
Ranui Ragers	8	3	3	2	20	14	6	12
Glenfield Cobwebs	7	3	1	3	13	13	0	10
Waitakere Matrix	8	2	2	4	10	14	-4	8
Albany Nortons	8	1	2	5	7	11	-4	5
Greenhithe Rebels	8	1	2	5	10	24	-14	5
Glenfield Internationals	8	0	1	7	6	31	-25	1

METRO 17TH GRADE

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Eastern Suburbs AFC 17 Holt	8	6	0	2	17	6	11	18
Ellerslie AFC 17 Sunday	8	5	2	1	26	6	20	17
Birkenhead Utd 17	7	5	1	1	22	6	16	16
Three Kings 17	7	4	1	2	18	8	10	13
Forrest Hill Milford 17	7	3	3	1	10	5	5	12
Waitakere City 17 Mesias	7	3	1	3	12	7	5	10
Bucklands Beach 17 Spurs	8	3	0	5	9	19	-10	9
Central Utd FC 17	7	1	1	5	5	14	-9	4
Oratia Utd 17	8	1	1	6	5	30	-25	4
Papakura City 17	7	1	0	6	8	31	-23	3

NFF WOMEN'S 1ST DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
East Coast Bays	8	7	0	1	28	13	15	21
Te Atatu	8	7	0	1	17	3	14	21
Takapuna	9	5	1	3	22	13	9	16
Birkenhead United	7	4	0	3	14	8	6	12
Hibiscus Coast Gold (2013)	8	2	2	4	4	12	-8	8
West Auckland Reserves	8	2	1	5	10	21	-11	7
Te Atatu Sociabelles	7	1	1	5	7	18	-11	4
Oratia United	7	0	1	6	3	17	-14	1

LEAGUE TABLES

NFF WOMEN'S 2ND DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Norwest Reserves	8	6	1	1	21	10	11	19
Birkenhead United	9	6	0	3	33	14	19	18
Glen Eden United	6	5	1	0	18	5	13	16
East Coast Bays Reserves	9	5	1	3	16	14	2	16
Ranui Swanson	8	3	3	2	19	17	2	12
Glenfield Gazelles	8	4	0	4	16	21	-5	12
West Auckland Knights	8	2	2	4	8	16	-8	8
Warkworth Surveyors	9	2	0	7	20	31	-11	6
Ranui Rebelles	9	1	3	5	9	22	-13	6
Hibiscus Coast AAs	8	1	1	6	12	22	-10	4

NFF WOMEN'S 3RD DIVISION

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Waitemata	9	9	0	0	53	10	43	27
East Coast Bays Snell	9	6	2	1	47	13	34	20
Takapuna Social	9	6	1	2	59	16	43	19
Oratia Social	8	6	1	1	56	17	39	19
Glenfield Black	8	6	1	1	30	11	19	19
Waitakere City	8	4	1	3	24	20	4	13
Birkenhead United	8	4	0	4	22	18	4	12
Glenfield Gold	8	3	1	4	22	31	-9	10
Oratia Socialites	8	2	1	5	20	17	3	7
Oratia Divas	8	2	0	6	13	37	-24	6
West Auckland Wookettes	8	1	0	7	6	43	-37	3
Norwest Barker	7	0	0	7	2	39	-37	0
Glen Eden New W3	8	0	0	8	3	85	-82	0



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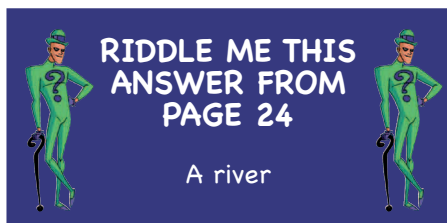
TIME	HOME TEAM			AWAY TEAM		VENUE	
Sat 6 Apr	Three Kings Utd	1	vs	Birkenhead Utd	1	Seymour Park 1	D
Sat 13 Apr	East Coast Bays	1	vs	Birkenhead Utd	2	Bay City Park 1	W
Sat 20 Apr	Onehunga Sports	1	vs	Birkenhead Utd	0	Waikaraka Pk 1	L
Sat 27 Apr	Birkenhead Utd	4	vs	Manurewa AFC	2	Shepherds Park 1	W
Sat 4 May	Waitakere City FC	2	vs	Birkenhead Utd	5	Fred Taylor Park 1	W
Sat 11 May	Birkenhead Utd	5	vs	Bay Olympic	4	Shepherds Park 1	W
Sat 18 May	Hamilton Wanderers AFC	3	vs	Birkenhead Utd	3	Porritt Stadium 1	D
Sat 25 May	Birkenhead Utd	1	vs	Central Utd	3	Shepherds Park 1	L
Sat 1 Jun *	Ellerslie AFC	1	vs	Birkenhead Utd	2	Michaels Ave 1	W
Sat 8 Jun	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Three Kings Utd		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 22 Jun	Birkenhead Utd		vs	East Coast Bays		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 6 Jul	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Onehunga Sports		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 13 Jul	Manurewa AFC		vs	Birkenhead Utd		Memorial Park 1	
Sat 20 Jul	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Waitakere City FC		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 27 Jul	Bay Olympic		vs	Birkenhead Utd		Olympic Park	
Sat 3 Aug	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Hamilton Wanderers AFC		Shepherds Park 1	
Sun 11 Aug	Central Utd		vs	Birkenhead Utd		Freyberg Field	
Sat 17 Aug	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Ellerslie AFC		Shepherds Park 1	

The majority of games kick off at 12.30pm, but please check www.birkenheadunited.org.nz or www.aucklandfootball.org.nz for confirmation.

* Game on Sat 1 Jun a 3.45pm kick off.

Other League games being played this weekend

East Coast Bays		-		Bay Olympic
Waitakere FC		-		Hamilton Wanderers AFC
Ellerslie AFC		-		Onehunga Sports
Central Utd		-		Manurewa AFC



2013 NRFL MEN'S PREMIER FIXTURE/RESULTS

TIME	HOME TEAM			AWAY TEAM		VENUE	
Sat 6 Apr	Three Kings Utd	1	vs	Birkenhead Utd	1	Seymour Park 1	D
Sat 13 Apr	East Coast Bays	1	vs	Birkenhead Utd	2	Bay City Park 1	W
Sat 20 Apr	Onehunga Sports	3	vs	Birkenhead Utd	5	Waikaraka Pk 1	W
Sat 27 Apr	Birkenhead Utd	5	vs	Manurewa AFC	0	Shepherds Park 1	W
Sat 4 May	Waitakere City FC	1	vs	Birkenhead Utd	6	Fred Taylor Park 1	W
Sat 11 May	Birkenhead Utd	2	vs	Bay Olympic	1	Shepherds Park 1	W
Sat 18 May	Hamilton Wanderers AFC	2	vs	Birkenhead Utd	2	Porritt Stadium 1	D
Sat 25 May	Birkenhead Utd	4	vs	Central Utd	5	Shepherds Park 1	L
Sat 1 Jun *	Ellerslie AFC	0	vs	Birkenhead Utd	1	Michaels Ave 1	W
Sat 8 Jun	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Three Kings Utd		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 22 Jun	Birkenhead Utd		vs	East Coast Bays		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 6 Jul	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Onehunga Sports		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 13 Jul	Manurewa AFC		vs	Birkenhead Utd		Memorial Park 1	
Sat 20 Jul	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Waitakere City FC		Shepherds Park 1	
Sat 27 Jul	Bay Olympic		vs	Birkenhead Utd		Olympic Park	
Sat 3 Aug	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Hamilton Wanderers AFC		Shepherds Park 1	
Sun 11 Aug	Central Utd		vs	Birkenhead Utd		Freyberg Field	
Sat 17 Aug	Birkenhead Utd		vs	Ellerslie AFC		Shepherds Park 1	

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