

The RAGER

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IMPORTANT REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS - REGISTRATION FEES

This will be the last week for all registration fees to be paid for all age groups.

CHAIRMAN' S REPORT

"Failure will never overtake you if your determination to succeed is strong enough"

Welcome back to another big year!! Our training sessions are well and truly back up to full speed to prepare ourselves for the great season ahead. A big thank you to the Coaches and Managers who are putting our boys through their paces and of course to the boys themselves for their hard work!!

We have a number of trial matches coming up that will further help fine tune the teams in preparation for the season. Please see the attached February schedule for dates and locations. For those of you who have been passed Garside you will have noticed that the old change rooms and toilet block have been taken down and we are now looking to pull up the old crumbling slabs that they once sat on.

Sponsorships are still being sought and we have had a couple of good successes to-date and are looking for more. Please let us know if your company, or someone you know, may be able to help. Big thanks to Sam Giancotti for taking the lead on this.

We are in the process of upgrading the web site – it is a critical work in progress at the moment and no doubt will be something that we will all be proud of. Bill Cashman is doing a great job. Please assist him if you are asked.

Many thanks also to Tony LoSapio and Vic Zappia who, amongst many other things, are also heavily into preparing the Garside playing surface with some returfing, top dressing, fertilizing and watering. **A reminder we are having another working bee on Sunday 31st January at 8am so please come along to assist.**

I mentioned in the last edition that we were Australia's oldest club. I have unearthed some more information... In 1885, the first ever knockout cup and recognizable soccer league in Australia began in the Rainsford trophy and the badge series. Six teams

competed. At the first ever cup final at the Sir Joseph Banks Ground on 12 September, Granville beat Caledonins 3-2. So we indeed have a very proud tradition to keep up!!

I would like to thank those who have assisted in the 2010 preparations so far as well as those who have become members of the respective committees. I again highlight that there are still some vacant roles that need to be filled. On the main committee we are still looking for a:

- Secretary
- Equipment Officer
- Youth League Manager
- Team Managers for 14s, 18s and 20s

I have attached below the Social Sub-Committee headed by Mel and we are still looking for parents on that one as well.

To volunteer for a position or to find out what you need to do in these roles please either drop me an email on marksouthey@granvillera.com.au or phone or text me on 0401 147 202.

SOCIAL SUB-COMMITTEE 2010

Social Committee Convenor	Mel Pietrantonio
U13 Coordinators	1. Vacant 2. Vacant
U14 Coordinators	1. Vicki Gray 2. Viv Costantino
U15 Coordinators	1. Simone Burton 2.
U16 Coordinators	1. Tony Yawanis 2. Vacant
U18 Coordinators	1. Vacant 2. Vacant
U20 Coordinators	1. Vacant 2. Vacant

On a more serious note, we must ensure that all outstanding registration fees are paid by the end of this month. Vic will be at many of the training sessions (complete with his credit card payment facility), other Committee members will also have a receipt book with them and can take non credit card payments.

Failure to pay by then will mean players will not be able to play and with the necessary lead times required, their kits cannot be guaranteed to be ready for the start of the season. If there are any genuine financial difficulties please approach either me or a committee member confidentially to discuss potential alternative payment options.

Cheers
Mark Southey

SPONSORSHIP MANAGER

Firstly, I would like to welcome on board and thank “Black & White Couriers & Taxi Trucks” for becoming a team sponsor for U/16’s 2010. Black & White Couriers & Taxi Trucks are located in nearby Clyde, just a few streets away from Garside Park. It is great to see a local business supporting the club.

We are making steady progress with other potential sponsors who are keen to support Granville Rage, hopefully in the weeks to come we will have added more sponsors to our list.

Again, if anyone knows of anyone who is able support Granville Rage in sponsorship please contact me on 0410 445 159 or email samgiancotti@granvillerrage.com.au.

Sam Giancotti

OPERATIONS/FOOTBALL MANAGER

Training is now underway and the Super League Season will commence on 20 March 2010, we will be playing our first competition game at Garside Park and on this day it will be the official opening of the new amenities. We will be inviting special guests to attend this event. I will provide more details closer to the time.

Also, we will be holding a Gala/Launch Day on Sunday 28 February. This will be the day that all players who have fully paid their registration fees will be given their clothing.

Saturday 30 January we play Bonnyrigg White Eagles at Bonnyrigg Sports Centre, Simpson Road, Bonnyrigg, players are to wear white socks and shorts. Kick Off Times are as per competition matches for each age.

There will be Clothes fit out held Sunday 31 January at Garside Park, times for each age group are in the attached schedule. If you are unable to attend, please notify your team manager or myself. This is also the last day for Registration Payments.

There will also be a Working Bee on Sunday 31 January at Garside, thank you to all who helped on the first one, if you can come and help in some way it would be greatly appreciated.

We will be having trial games in Canberra on the weekend of 20 & 21 February. The u13, u14 and u15 will be playing on Sunday, with the u16, u18, u20 and 1st Grade will be playing on Saturday. We have made an arrangement for accommodation at the Medina Executive James Court. It will cost \$199 for a 2 Bedroom Apartment (normally \$290). Please contact them on 6240 1234 and quote Granville Rage for the special rate.

Looking forward to a great and successful year in 2010; Celebrating 10 years of “Rage”.

Vic Zappia

MARKETING & WEBSITE MANAGER

Our re-vitalised website is very close to launch, and we hope it becomes your one-stop-shop for all things “Rage”.

The plan is to have photographs and bios online, but we want to be respectful of privacy. We will be sending all players and their parents a form with which they can choose to “opt out” of having individual pictures or info listed, but there could be times where pictures (from matches, training or events) could be used for promotional purposes and everyone needs to be aware that by registering to play with the Club you are committing to allow these to be published.

Once the base site is re-launched, we will welcome suggestions and contributions.

Bill C

SOCIAL COMMITTEE CONVENOR

Welcome back to what I believe will be a very prosperous year for Rage.

Firstly, I would like to reiterate on what Mark has said regarding those people who have already put up their hands as volunteers, I know how precious all of your time is, so a big thank you. To those of you out there tinkering with the idea about maybe coming on board, I would encourage you to do so. The Social Sub Committee basically alleviates a little pressure off our ever hard working Managers. Please remember many hands make light work.

We will be meeting once a month to discuss the upcoming social events of the season. Any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me (Mob 0414-189443) or by email at melpietrantonio@bigpond.com.

Our first official event will be our launch at Garside Park on Saturday 20th March the first round of the season and first competition game for all age groups. Please put this date in your diaries as all players will need to be in attendance for the official opening that night. There will be dignitaries there from the respective councils, and hopefully the local paper.

Looking forward to hearing from ANYONE who wants to volunteer.

Mel Pietrantonio

HOUSEKEEPING

The subcommittee for each age group will approach their team’s parents to organize the roster for the canteen within the next couple of weeks. We require two parents from each age group each week; you will only need to volunteer an hour or so. If you are unable to attend your schedule day you must contact your committee convener to inform them.

FEBRUARY 2010 SCHEDULE

~ February 2010 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 JAN WORKING BEE FIT OUT	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 WANDA BEACH 7.30 AM	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Trial Games Vs Stanmore Hawks	15	16	17	18	19	20 Canberra – trial games U/16; U/18; U/20 & 1 st Grade
21 Canberra – trial games U/13; U/14 & U/15	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 GALA DAY LAUNCH CLOTHING	Notes: <u>31 JANUARY –</u> FINAL REGISTRATION FEES TO BE PAID, WORKING BEE @ GARSIDE PARK, Clothes FIT OUT: U/13 – 9.00 AM; U/14 – 10.00 AM; U/15 – 11.00 AM U/16 – 12.00 PM; U/18 – 1.00 PM					

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