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The St Ives Junior AFL Club Newsletter

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Season 2015 is rapidly approaching and the Club is putting together plans for what looks to be another big year.

We have just completed the 'Come and Try' clinics where we have seen great attendance from both new and existing players. My huge thanks go out to the many volunteers that have helped make these nights a success.

Registrations have been pouring in. We are only a week away from putting in our final team nominations so I encourage anyone who is yet to register to do so as soon as possible. I am hoping with summer sports winding up we will see a late surge in registrations. We are still in need of players in some age groups. Particularly looking at the Auskick and 9-11 ages, so please go and talk to friends, schoolmates, try and get some additional players along for a try.



I hope to see you up at Acron soon!

Rob McGarity, President, St Ives AFL

Registrations

We estimate we are now at around 75% of our registered players. With the end of summer sports approaching, we would appreciate your registration as soon as possible to help with finalising team arrangements. *Please understand that if you are not registered then you are not insured when you come to pre-season training.*

If you are a **returning player or a new player for Under 9-17's**, then just click here:

<https://reg.sportingpulse.com/v6/regofrm.cgi?aID=5590&pKey=36fd9c34aa7985c2840b6ae429c141f2&clD=14957&formID=36056>

Auskick registrations can be made at:

<http://www.aflauskick.com.au/register/>



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Club Day – Sunday 29th March

Due to timing of Easter and school holidays this year, the first round for the season is later than usual on **Sunday 19th April** (including Auskick). So rather than see no footy action until then, we are going to take the opportunity to kick off with an **internal St Ives Club Day on Sunday 29th March at Acron Oval**.

All age groups will be involved over the day (see schedule below) with squads running their own activities (intra squad game, drills, etc.). Jersey presentations will be made to all players at the end of their session.

The Club's senior teams - U17's - will be playing a display game - this is a great opportunity for all the younger age groups to stay on/come early to see the speed and skills that they can aspire to.

Canteen, BBQ and a coffee truck will all be running.

9.00 - 10.00 am: Auskick

10.00 - 11.30 am: U9 / U10

11.30 - 1.00 pm: U17

1.00 - 2.30 pm: U11 / U12

2.30 - 4.00pm: U13 / U14 / U15

Squad Managers will have more details over the coming weeks.

Uniforms on sale at Club Day

Please be aware that Triforce Sports is no longer selling our uniforms – you need to get them directly from the Club.

Payments accepted: Cash, Cheque or Credit Card. If unable to attend Club Day, please contact Christine Ashton at property@stivesafl.com to make alternative arrangements.



Jerseys

Playing jerseys are supplied by the Club – this year they will be presented at Club Day. **This includes Auskick.** Players keep their jersey for the entire season and must return it to their Team Manager after the last game of the season. Please take good care of the jersey while you have it - they are a valuable resource - only wash in cold water to maintain the contrast between the white and navy.

Club shorts (\$30) and socks (\$12) will be on sale on the day.

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An update from Trev Byrne

Thanks to the Club and many individuals for all the support over the past 8 months, particularly the "T for Trev" last season, it was fantastic and great inspiration. Since I began on my cancer journey I have had radiation, surgery, and now onto my 2nd chemo regime. Been plenty of ups and downs but we are hoping this chemo regime works and will start managing the disease better. I am still not yet back at work, that is a moving object at this stage. I am looking forward to being on the sidelines this season to watch some great footy again with all the St Ives boys.

At the risk of missing people, I would really like to thank Rob McGarity and the whole committee for their continued encouragement and support, as well as my age group parents and players that continue to be immense, they kept coming and helping, there was no off season there. Specific thanks to Mike Fardy, John Gallu, Chels Goswell, Paul Thommo, Diane Malnic, Luke Marriott, Rob and all the others that have supported me and my family so well, its been great.

Still a ways to go, but hope to see you on the field this season.

Cheers,
Trev



Trev with Swan Harry Cunningham

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U15s Red 2014 Premiers

Last year St Ives took out the Premiership in the inaugural U15s Red competition. The celebrations were great, but since it was the first time for an U15s age group unfortunately the AFL did not have a trophy ready. This meant that on Grand Final day we were awarded an U14s one we could use for photos and then give straight back!

This has now been fixed, and a shiny new trophy has arrived to sit proudly in the St Ives clubhouse for the rest of the year – just waiting for this years' U15s to have a crack at retaining it.



Go Saints!

2015 NSW Working With Children Checks

The 2015 season sees the introduction of the new on-line NSW Working With Children checks for sporting club volunteers.

Please note: This new process applies to all our Club volunteers, even if you signed a WWC declaration just last season.

The following groups require the online WWC check:

- Coaches and Assistant Coaches (including all Auskick coaches)
- Training session assistants
- Age Group and Team Managers
- Board Members
- Umpire Coordinators
- First Aid responders
- Other volunteers who are directly supervising children

A check is **not** required from the following groups:

- Ground Managers
- Runners/Water Carriers
- Umpires, Goal Umpires, Boundary Umpires
- Canteen/BBQ volunteers
- Any Volunteers under 18

For more information please go the 'Resources' section of our website and click on 'Working With Children Check':

<http://www.stivesafl.com/resources/club-resources>

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Swans Family Night

The Sydney Swans will again be sending players to Acron as part of our pre-season ramp-up. This year it is planned for **Thursday 26th March 5.30-7.30pm** (see attached flyer). This is always a great event with the players joining in with our training sessions. All of our players are invited to attend as we will run sessions for Auskick and our age groups. Make sure you bring your Swans gear as well as the players always hang around to sign autographs!

This year the AFL are also planning a promotion for the visit where parents and players are encouraged to "bring a buddy" to introduce a new family to the game. Details will be sent to all registered players shortly. The initiative will include a chance to win a Sydney Swans experience. *Stay tuned for more details!*



Herald Sun Super Coach

Think you can be up there with the elite of the AFL and manage a real AFL team? Sick of AFL coaches making bad selection choices? Well here is your chance to prove the pundits wrong! The Herald Sun Super coach for 2015 is open again. Please log in and register for free on the link below:

<http://supercoach.heraldsun.com.au/>

There is a private league for the Club called the SNIVES CUP. First log in and get a username and password and then ask to join in to a private league. Enter the code **439907**. Unlike last year the SNIVES CUP will be a proper league with teams pitted against each other and not just a ladder system. There are also some great enhancements on the site that make playing Supercoach even better. Due to this being a league there will only be 18 players allowed so first in best dressed...

Go The Pies!

Every Supergoal kicked from outside of the 50m line during the NAB Challenge, NAB donates \$500 worth of NAB Sherrins to the player's junior club.

Even more reason to cheer on Jarrod Witts from Collingwood, who started off at the St Ives Saints!



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Training Jerseys

Do you have your training jersey? Be among the St Ives players proudly wearing our Jersey!
Orders close on Sunday 15 March 2015.



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Back

Back: Optional Nickname, up to 12 characters. Optional Number middle of back.

Note: The training jersey is not to replace playing jerseys, this is just an option for wearing at training and to show the St Ives colours. Parents and coaches also encouraged to purchase and show your Club allegiance.

Please go here to download the order form for training jerseys:

http://stivesafl.com/docs/default-source/locker-room/sijafl-trainingjersey_2015v4.pdf?sfvrsn=4

Supporter gear

We have a great range of St Ives Junior AFL supporter gear available for purchase. To order please go to:

http://www.xpresspromotion.com.au/42/kitz_range.php

- Our supplier aims to dispatch all clothing orders within 5-7 working days of confirmation that your order has been accepted.
- Delivery is \$8.95 for standard delivery by either Fastway Couriers or Australia Post
- All non-personalised items can be exchanged for correct sizing
- All sales generate a rebate for the Club.

Any questions please contact our Locker Room Manager, Andrena Brewer at Lockerroom@stivesafl.com

Early Bird winners

Congratulations to our 'Early Bird' Registration winners. They win their registration fees back!

AusKick: Daniel Whiting, **U9s:** Chris Munckton, **U10s:** Luka Vozella, **U11s:** Harrison Pacque, **U12s:** Harry Lawson, **U13s:** Thomas Gray, **U14s:** Edward Toole, **U15s:** Gabriel Perkovic, **U17s:** Callum Hurst.

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Please donate your old footy boots and shorts....

On Club Day (Sunday 29 March) please bring along any good quality footy boots or shorts that you have grown out of to donate to disadvantaged children and youth around Australia.

Boots are being collected for a campaign called "Boots for Kids" being coordinated by the Year 10 daughter of the President of the Lane Cove Cats AFL Football Club. The aim of the program is to donate used football, rugby and soccer boots to Indigenous children who don't have them. The kids come from remote and rural communities in outback Australia often play football barefoot.

Volunteer required:

We are looking for a motivated member of our Club community to help facilitate the donation of our recently replaced jerseys to disadvantaged children and youth around Australia. With the help of Australia Post our donations will be sent to those who need them.

What we need is someone to sort through our surplus uniform stocks to assess suitability, to work out what boxes will be required and to pack the gear into the boxes. Can you help? Please contact Christine Ashton at property@stivesafl.com or on 0419 709 519 to find out more.

Perhaps this can qualify as a Duke of Edinburgh Service activity! Don't forget too that the Club is always happy to hear from Duke of Edinburgh participants who would like to meet their service requirement by working with our coaches at training.

2015 Training times

Pre-season training kicks off **this week**. Remember that during pre-season, no footy boots can be used – so bring your runners. Mouthguards must be worn.

Scheduled training times for 2015 are:

Tuesday:

5.00 - 6.15pm – Under 9s & Under 10s

Wednesday:

5.00 - 6.30pm – Under 13s

6.00 - 8.00pm – Under 17s

Thursday:

5.00 - 6.15pm – Under 11s & 12s

6.15 - 7.45pm – Under 14s & 15s

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