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**St. Columbas  
Soccer Club Inc.**

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## MATCH REPORTS

### Under 7 Orange

**24th August - defeated Coverdale CS (Green) 4 - 2**

What a great way to end the season! Team photos were taken and with Coach (Bill) Clintons' new 'coach' cap on his head. Our boys played magnificently! Jason played his usual speedy game, breaking through the opposition backs. He scored our first goal and was unlucky not to add to it. James Pasch had a great game and tackled well and was up with the forwards much of the game. His little brother, Lachlan, had a blinder and went close to scoring his first goal. Joshua had a good game up front and made quite a few breaks upfield. Todd was defending well in the backs again and booted the goal kicks out to Jason on the wing. Blake was the first half goalie and as usual made some brave saves - then some good kicks whilst on the field. Josh took over in goals in the second half and was equally impressive. We received some welcomed support right on half time from James and Matthew from the Black team. These boys played magnificently, even though they'd already played a game. Both boys scored - James a great goal just on half time and Matthew two boomers in the second half.

**We Won!** But not before some anxious moments when Coverdale were attacking and one of their shots hit the post. The sideline supporters kept urging the ref to check his watch. Final score was 4 - 2.

Man of the match was awarded to James Pasch who saved his best game of the season to the last.

### Under 9 Orange

**24 - 8 - 96 Draw against Parramatta Knights 0 - 0**

Last game for the season and we welcomed back David. "11 players and 1 reserve" unheard of for this team!!!

The first half was very even with Zeeshan and Mitchell kicking hard. James did some rap dancing in the middle and Matthew C and Ian defended well, as they have all season. What a goalie Matthew R made saving many goals the other team thought were in. Craig, Robert and David played well. Good tries by Matthew H and Matthew J made the other team drop back to defend. Nicholas passed very well helping the other forwards to keep pushing up. This was very probably the best game of the season.

## Under 11 Black

### **24th August - lost to Lidcombe Churches 3 - 0**

This was not the way to end the season but luckily for us it isn't, for we have made it into the Presidents Cup by coming second in the league!!

#### **WELL DONE BOYS!!**

Although the scoreline doesn't reflect it, the game was played end to end with our boys again doing their best but just failing to convert the chances. Thomas had a very good game at left back in the first half and then left wing in the second, covering a lot of ground and helping his team mates. Matthew O'Sullivan also covered a lot of ground chasing the ball hard and fast ably supported by Matthew Sansom.

Man of the match today was David Twist who played with his usual skills and as always putting in his full effort.

## Under 12 (Group 1)

### **24th August - lost to Wentworthville United 1 - 0**

Going into this final game with a two point lead, all we need was a draw to win the championship. If we were going to lose, we would then have to count on Blacktown Ref Ch (who were sitting on second place) not winning their last game too. Naturally, the tension among parents and players alike was running a bit high.

Though we went into the match with full respect for the opposing team, we knew we could beat them. In the first half, it was all St Columbas as we bombarded their goal. We clearly dominated the proceedings but did not have the luck, and we went into the break with the score locked at 0 - 0. Nevertheless, we felt confident that we were going to win the game.

In the second half, we were subjected to some bias decisions by the referee who was a parent from Wentworthville. The official referee again did not turn up. Wentworthville scored from a direct free kick, awarded near our goal, against elbowing on our part. What was in question was not the decision awarding the free kick for elbowing on our part, but the failure of the referee in making the same decision when Wentworthville committed the same offence. We were later punished again for elbowing and a penalty kick was given against us. However, justice had its say, and Wentworthville missed the kick. The bias of the referee somewhat affected our players, but there was nothing they could do, except try to at least score a goal to secure a draw. Try they did, but luck was not on our side. In one particular move, Ryan (Smith) had the goalkeeper beaten, only to see the ball miss the goal post by inches.

We rightfully felt that the worst case outcome of this match should have been a draw. We were the better team on the day, and at no point of the match were we ever threatened. We lost the game on bad refereeing. It goes to show how important it is that official referees should take their responsibilities seriously and turn up at every match.

As it eventually turned out, Blacktown Ref Ch only managed a draw on the day and we deservingly went on to **WIN THE COMPETITION!**

## END OF SEASON REPORTS

### **Under 7 Orange**

Under 7 Orange was a team of keen soccer players, many of whom had not played the game before. Each week all turned up, both to practice and to the matches, to give the opposition teams a for their money. The team improved greatly as the season progressed with all players developing their skills, strengthening their kicks and increasing their stamina. The boys provided many anxious and exciting moments for the parents on the sideline and for Coach Clinton running with them on the field.

**Blake Chapman** - In his first year on the soccer field, Blake improved heaps during the year and responded well to his dad's coaching. Blake developed into a good attacking forward and was not afraid of taking the ball upfield. Later in the season, Blake turned his talents to goalkeeping and proved to be an asset to the team in that position. He specialised in diving saves and grabbing the ball from in front of charging opposition forwards. Blake thoroughly deserves the **Most Improved Player Award**.

**Todd Chapman** - Another first year player, Todd enjoyed playing from the backs where his big kick put an end to many an opposition raid. Todd loves to tackle, especially sliding ones. His other strength is his speed - handy for coming back in cover defence. Todd is a keen and determined player who shows promise for future seasons.

**James Pasch** - James is also a first season player who improved a great deal during the season. He developed into a reliable fullback who always seemed to get in the way of the opposition's attacking moves. James' kick strengthened over the season and could turn the ball around well. Jamie is a tremendous trier.

**Lachlan Pasch** - Lockie was our youngest player (only 5 this year) but this didn't faze him much. Lachlan was determined not to let the older boys push him around - he was up in the action most of the time. Lachlan was a good dribbler and sometimes kept bikkies in his pocket for his half time snack. His last match was a blinder - went close to scoring. He'll be handy in the Under 6's next year.

**Darcy Shaw** - Darcy was in his second season with St Columbas and continued to improve as the season went on. Darcy played in the midfield and often dribbled the ball up the sideline before passing off to the forwards. He is good at stopping the ball and turning it around. Darcy proved to be a reliable goalie as well.

**Jason Tang** - Believe it or not but this was Jason's first year of soccer and he was a great attacking player. Jason's speed was a tremendous asset - he was often attacking one moment then running back in cover defence the next. Jason can dribble very well and zipped past many a defender and he was our leading goal scorer. Jason's talent will ensure another great season next year. Jason took out the **Team Player Award** - Congratulations Jason.

**Under 7 - End of Season Report cont....**

**Joshua Walker** - Joshua was our other speedy attacker taking big strides upfield. Josh has a good strong kick and used this to turn defence into attack. He is a handy player whose skills improved as the year progressed. Josh scored a few memorable goals during the season which boosted his confidence.

Overall, we had a lot of exciting moments mixed in with a few disappointing matches when nothing seemed to go right. We ended on a high note with a decisive win. The boys competed against some very talented opposition with banks of fresh reserves on the sideline, but, to their credit, our boys never gave up.

Special mention and many thanks to Coach Clinton who was talked into the coaching role at the last moment and did a great job - just hope you haven't sprouted too many more grey hairs!!! Your efforts on Tuesday nights and on the field on Saturday mornings were greatly appreciated by both boys and their parents.

Congratulations boys on a great season. You always tried your best and were good sports. Well done!!! See you on the big field in Under 8's in 1997.

## END OF SEASON REPORT

### **Under 9 Orange**

A tremendous season for all the boys who stuck through, even when our numbers were low. Thanks should be extended to all parents who have helped this team during the season, in particular Don Colgan and Bruce Caddy, for helping out whenever needed. Thanks to Tim Thorndyke who not so only managed but did a lot of coaching to help Steve Roberts who had many commitments this season.

Thank you to the boys who played so well and tried so hard to make this a great season.

- W** we tried very hard improving every game, especially new comer Craig Cozins who attacked the ball all the time.
- E** even though he missed quite a few games David Bartlett was a determined back who defended very well.
- L** leave it to Matthew Chapman and you can be assured that the defence is strong and his attacking continuous.
- L** longer runs up the field is the job of Matthew Hinchcliffe who once he gets the ball takes off.
- D** digs his heels in and stands his ground, thats Ian Colgan always attacking and defending.
- O** onwards and upwards is Robert Retallic who has improved out of sight.
- N** nobody puts more into game than James Munro who covers the whole of the midfield very well.
- E** everywhere we seem to look Zeeshan Yusuf seems to be there kicking and improving all the time.
- B** ball after ball Mitchell Hern keeps running and kicking pushing the ball forward.
- O** on and on runs Matthew Thorndyke up through the midfield and is always trying to score the goal.
- Y** yet another player who runs and enjoys playing his soccer game is Nicholas Caddy.
- S** stop that ball and Matthew Roberts does, he also run and chases, controlling the ball as he does.

## END OF SEASON REPORT

### **ST Columbas Under 9 Black**

We began with 13 players, reducing to 11 by the halfway mark. We had 3 young boys join the team, who performed very well considering their age and having to play in Division 1. Well done to Simon, Tim and Karl. Sam came back this year and has worked hard on his game. Our 2 Christophers were solid as attacking defenders, with Andrew playing in midfield and in goal. James and Kieren showed their flair on opposite wings with David Powell as central defender and improving all season. Up front Warwick brought to the team the scoring talent we needed to help our overall position. Its' tough being in the top division, but again this team proved they can win the majority of their games, finishing a credible 4th.

### **ST Columbas Under 11 Black**

Last season's performance would have been a very difficult act to follow but even with going up a division I feel that the boys have done extremely well to come second and to have a chance at the Presidents Cup. This year has given us a very good basis for consolidating and improving on to make for a very exciting next season.

Soccer is a funny old game in that we try and teach the boys to play attacking football, and although this can be dangerous, it does give a much more exciting game to watch and there is nothing I enjoy more than watching our boys when it all comes together and to see the boys enjoy themselves. Unfortunately, on quite a few occasions this year I feel, and I think most parents would agree, the ball has not been kind to us either breaking the wrong way or just bouncing awkwardly. None more so than in the Knock-Out and 6 a side comps, where the boys played so well, and yet just could not find the net (OLQP being the main example!!).

However, this season the boys have had to learn how to take defeat as well as winning which would have done them no harm but should have only added to their character and hopefully make them all better players.

My special thanks go to Ian Thompson for all his efforts for coaching and training, especially when some of the boys have been a bit boisterous! I would also like to thank Chris Whybrow for taking on the extremely difficult task of refereeing and doing an exceptionally fair and unbiased job. Unfortunately I must take this opportunity of standing down as Manager since I would like to support my other boy in his sporting career next year, I will of course be close at hand, only too willing to help the next person in any way, even if only cheering from the sideline, so everyone keep your ear defenders.

We did start the season so well, but faltered towards the end, so I feel the break will be welcomed by everyone and I hope that all the boys have enjoyed the season whether we won or lost and will all be back again next year. Finally I would like to thank all the boys for allowing me the pleasure of being involved with a great bunch of boys both on and off the pitch.

So until next season boys, keep your head up and face the ball !!!

The Manager



## Under 11 - Orange

This year it was decided to follow Club policy and limit the squad to the first 13 players who registered and so from last year's U-10 squad we lost Chris N-S, Timothy and Steve, but gained Ross. We also recruited George at the end of the first round, as David had just broken his wrist (against Penrith), and would be out for at least 4 weeks, while Richard was still suffering from a mystery virus which had prevented him from playing many games at that stage. So we ended up with a squad of 14 boys, from which emerged a well-balanced team. And what a fabulous season the team had, starting strongly and maintaining their form right through to the last game. This allowed us to finish a clear 2nd on the league ladder (with 25 points) just behind arch rivals OLQP who were the only team to beat us. The boys also reached the final of the 6-a-side KO competition, just losing to.... you guessed it....OLQP!

Individually all the boys improved so much regarding their skills and general confidence, and by the middle of the season the team had developed a clear 'structure' with each boy finding a position on the field in which they were comfortable. More importantly, the boys learned to play really well together and parents will recall so many games where excellent teamwork in both attack and defence produced exciting wins or hard-earned draws against some very good sides. Well played boys, a really excellent and entertaining season - let's do it again in 1997!

<b>Season Analysis:</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
(league games only)	17	11	3	3	39	10

**Goalkeepers:** Philip, Brendan K and Tim shared the goalie duties with occasional help from Brendan B. They were always safe, they learned to 'use their area' well and, as the statistics show, they let in few goals. Who will forget some of their brilliant, match-winning saves? (or, against St Matts, the sight of BB lying down "asleep" on the edge of his area ??).

**Backline:** One of the strongest features of the team was our defence, and we very quickly settled on a 'permanent' backline of George, Brendan B and Chris who were outstanding all season. They marked tightly, held position well, cleared strongly and were rarely beaten! David also played a number of useful games in defence but he much preferred the mid-field.

**Mid-field:** The mid-field was built around Ross, Nick and Brendan K, who all played superbly throughout the season, and they were well supported by David and Peter who both improved tremendously as the season progressed. There is little doubt that one of the main reasons for the team's success this season was that our mid-field consistently provided the forwards with great through-passes, and also had the ability to score themselves - Ross being our top-scorer with 12 goals.

**Forwards:** The forward-line was led by Mike, Tim, Philip and Richard who combined well and between them scored 24 quality goals, many of which came from some fabulous passing moves (which left the opposing defence in tatters!) followed by unstoppable shots. Ben and Nathan also played most of the season as forwards and they too made an important contribution - Ben showed he could take on a defence and score, while Nathan improved so much over the season and during the last couple of games he was so unlucky not to score.

**Highlights of the Season:** There were so many, but perhaps the following stand out:

- \* Tim's hat-trick in the opening game (vs B'town Ref.) which set us going for the season
- \* Philip's excellent and unselfish work as our No.1 goalie (& his hat-trick vs B'town U!)
- \* Ross' screamer of a goal in the '6-a-side' final which silenced the OLQP supporters!!
- \* David turning up to training, 3 days after breaking his wrist, and wrecking his cast!
- \* Richard's great return to the team after his illness, and so completing his 5th season.
- \* George's thunderbolt of a penalty in our final match, which seemed to say it all!

So finally, my thanks to all the parents for their interest and support throughout the season, and in particular to Paul for his invaluable help as Manager; also, my thanks to Glenn, David, Tim, George and Phin for their assistance with the coaching - an experience not to be missed at the end of a long and tiring day! I would like to keep our great little team together next year, so don't forget to register on time for 1997!!!

**Peter Leverett,      Coach**

## ST COLUMBAS UNDER 12's (GROUP1) End of Season Report

WE DID IT... St. Columbas are the champions! When the season first kicked off, we said we were a team to be reckoned with. Early signs of a champion-team were there. Our goal was to do well in the competition, but to actually end up winning the competition outright is something beyond our initial expectation. It deserves the highest commendation.

The hard work was done in the first half of the season. At the half-way mark, we were sitting on top of the competition table, one point in front of the second team. That one point was later to prove vital to us in securing the championship. We had 6 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. We also scored the most goals (31) and conceded only 8, giving us the highest goal difference. This impressive performance set the platform for the team to launch our campaign in the second part of the competition.

The going got tougher after the mid-season break. Some of the teams started to play better and created some upsets here and there. We had an early scare when we lost to Blacktown Ref Ch, the eventual runner-up of the competition. However, we regrouped quickly and went on to win 5 games on the trot, which put us right back in contention. Given the tougher second part of the season, St. Columbas came out just as impressive as we did the first. We recorded 7 wins and 2 losses, scored 21 goals and conceded 8.

In total, we scored 52 goals against, and conceded 16 to our opponents. Overall, we had 13 wins, 1 draw and 3 losses.

St. Columbas won the competition on the back of consistency. Overall, we were the most consistent team. week in and week out. That consistency was built on teamwork, a spirit constantly promulgated by coach Allan. Allan's philosophy throughout the season had been to ask for nothing from the players but commitment and dedication to the team and in return, everyone was given a chance to play in every game. In the end, that concept of fairness and solidarity withstood all tests and paid dividends.

Whilst St. Columbas had been prolific in scoring goals, we were equally proficient in defence. Although goals scored can win us points, a solid defence is equally important. Our success is a tribute to the players who formed our basic line of defence. They were on many occasions, our unsung heroes throughout the competition and their many feats and deeds must be commended.

Looking back, the highlight of the entire competition for St. Columbas was when we scored that miraculous, Houdini-style goal in the dying seconds of the game against Hunters Hills midway in the second half of the season. That was the goal of the season for us, and won us the competition.

St. Columbas not only did well in the main competition but also made it to the final of the Knockout competition. Unfortunately, we lost to the better team on the day. This was the second year in a row that we made it to the Knockout final, and that in itself.

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### St Columbas Under 12's (Group1)

was no mean feat. At the rate we are going, there is no reason why we will not be there again next year!

We also did well in the Queen's Birthday Six-a-Side Knockout competition. We entered 2 teams, one of which made it to the semi-final. Six-a-side is a different game completely, and the results do not provide a proper yardstick for a team's overall strength.

By winning the main competition, we will also go into the Champion of Champions competition. Win or lose, it is both a bonus as well as a privilege, just to be able to be in this competition. The most important thing for us is that we already won the main event!

Collectively, we are a team with a ton of character. Every player has contributed differently to the game which makes us a winning team. Without exception, everyone deserves an accolade here:

Andrew Colgan	- backbone of the team and a powerful runner with the ball
Alexander Nesbitt	- a real match-winner
Chris Skelton	- a tackling machine
David lock	- a talented, fearless defender with a big boot
David McDougall	- could not have performed better in what was his first season
Leonard Wong	- improved beyond imagination and most solid in defence
Mitchell Caddy	- a sizzling runner with a mighty left foot
Matthew Dawson	- has the biggest kick in the competition and possessed of talent
Matthew Whybrow	- a dynamo in both attack and defence
Nick Retalic	- our sensational goalkeeper who is a real stopper
Ryan Wheatley	- a most gutsy and terrific performer who gives only the best
Ryan Smith	- a sensational and top goal scorer
Scott Chapman	- possesses a lethal combination of speed and balance

A special thanks to all the parents who helped at the training and canteen, and who turned up to cheer the team whenever and wherever they played. Not only did we have the best team in the entire competition, we also have the best and most "well behaved" team of parents!! We never stopped encouraging the players, even when they did not have a good game on the day. We were always there to show a good example.

As mentioned, it was teamwork which won us the championship. We now have a very cohesive team with a deep pool of talent. More success will come our way. So let us stay together next year and continue this winning combination. Once again, congratulations to a most deserving team on our fantastic results.

## **END OF SEASON REPORT**

### **Under 16 Orange**

I'd like to start with a big welcome to our three new team members this year - Andrew, David and Trent. These young men have each found a strong place on the team with their efforts on the field and on training nights.

Congratulations, Christopher and Daniel on attaining 10 years' continuous membership with the club and congratulations also go to Jason and Rowan who have attained 5 years membership. You have all been great role models for the younger members and your loyalty to the club is much appreciated.

Many thanks to all those who helped with canteen duty and getting the nets up. Also, thanks to all our team members who thrilled us with some spirited performances and good sportsmanship during the season. Thanks to all the parents who did a splendid job of getting our players to training and their matches on time. Most of all I would like to pass on my deepest gratitude to Pete Hatfield our team coach, club president and good buddy for all time and wonderful effort he puts in to ensure everything runs smoothly on match day.

This season the under 15's have experienced both the highs and the lows of the game of soccer. We struggled against some of the stronger teams in this combined under 15 and 16 competition suffering a few bad losses. The two highlights of our season were firstly, our first knockout match which was a real thriller but was lost gallantly in extra time, and secondly was when we turned the tables and made up for a first round loss to St Matthews with an excellent display of great soccer to even the score with a great win in the second round.

Good luck to all for the rest of the year!

H. Stawski  
Manager

## Raahauge Cup - Division One

Coach : Andy Collins  
Manager : Chris Wallace

### 1996 - The Year in Review

The 1996 season for our squad began similarly to that which had passed the season before i.e. after the second and final registration day, we had about two players registered (as 12:30pm is far too early for most of our squad to get out of bed - even when soccer is on) and when the straggled squad finally did come together, we realised that we were welcoming another bunch of new players... and also wondering where some others had bugged off to...

Those whose talent we happily welcomed included: Matt "*Mr. big Friday night*" Zec; Steve "*I should've stayed at Carlingford*" Cramer; Daniel "*I was just following Champ. from the pub*" Kavanagh; Beau "*Peep*" Petersen; Zdenko "*just call me Stan*" Krainovic; Scott "*what's the league score?*" Gordon; Caval "*I came out of retirement for this ... ?*" Bent; and Alibi "*Aray*" Hidayat.

#### **First Grade**

At the end of the day, the Firsts results look remarkably *average* : six wins, six losses and five draws, to finish in seventh position in a ten team competition. However, considering that the side lost three of their better players (including their goalkeeper), that the team's 17 point tally left them only two points outside a final's berth (with four teams above them within two points), and that this was the squad's first year in First Division, after being promoted from Second Division last season, it was a great effort.

The way out was better than the run home with a 4-1-3 W-D-L record after the end of the first round leaving the team in fourth position. The wins were against Hurstville, Blacktown RC, Salvation Army and Blacktown Uniting. The best of these was the encounter with Salvation Army (W 3-0) where our team looked in control for the entire match and certainly did not look like the underdogs which the Salvos proved we were in the return match. The highlights of the first round (apart from those wins mentioned) were: Gio "*Baggio*" Pellizzon's missed penalty shot in a drawn game; Andy "*Stevie Wonder*" Collins sidelining ability which allowed an opposition goal to be scored from two metres behind the goal line in the same game; our rained out canteen duty; and Daniel Kav's (lack-of) navigating skills in one pooled car's two-and-a-half hour journey to Sutherland. The lowlight was definitely the match against Chester Hill at which six of our players were taken from the field with injuries in both squads, two with broken noses, one a dislocated knee and another who could never play soccer again due to Achilles tendon damage.

The second round was a little leaner (euphemism for "we played like crap") with a 2-4-3 record managing wins only against Sutherland and Blacktown Uniting (and it's not like Uniting cared about their result). The team was mixing good draws (against St. Matt's and Sydney Uni) with bad ones (to Hurstville and a Blacktown RC team which had already been beaten by the Reserves and backed up for a second game). The main highlight of the way home was the fact that Anthony Warren and (especially) the notoriously lame Greg Kinch remained uninjured for the entire season which dissolved a bet that was going to cost either of them a lot of money.

On the goal scoring side, the for and against tally was a creditable 33-27 with the big midfielder G-O-G-G-O Pellizzon (or Pelican as spellcheck says) top scoring with six in the Firsts, however Beau "*Peep*" Petersen did score seven goals in both grades combined.

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## Raahuage Cup - Division One

The best players for the season were those that walked away with the trophies... and if you don't think so, all correspondence can be directed towards A.Collins, Dillon Place...

First Grade : Nigel Artz, Chris Champion, Steven Cramer, Geoff Facey, Daniel Kavanagh, Greg Kinch, Zdenko Krainovic, Peter Moss, Giovanni Pellizzon, Beau Petersen, Mark Smith, Anthony Warren, Matthew Zec.

### **Reserve Grade**

The Reserves had a more successful season to finish fourth (and in the finals) with eleven wins, five losses and one draw.

Similarly to the Firsts (and in contrast to last year), the Reserves also played better in the first round with a strong 6-0-2 record and in third place. The wins were against everybody except Salvation Army and Sydney Uni, the best of these being the 8-0 drumming of Blacktown Uniting and the 2-0 win over Chester Hill in trying conditions. The best moments in the first round were some great goals scored by part time goal scorers such as Dave "but, sirrrrr..." Cahill's 30m shot v. Hurstville and Greg Soames's banana curve ball which landed in the top left corner of the net at Sutherland.

The second round saw the competition practically split in two, with five teams within six points playing for four finals positions and another four teams ten points behind... and then there was the joke entry, Blacktown Uniting with two wins, fifteen losses and a for and against tally of 17-85. It came right down to the wire (wherever that is?) with our team finishing with 5-1-3 Ws, Ds and Ls holding onto fourth position by one point to earn a spot in a sudden death final.

*Elimination Final* v. St. Matt's (arch enemy and possessor of the Greenup voodoo) - it was always going to be a tight game as the only time the sides met (as the other time was rained out), it was a spiteful one-all draw... and the fact that it was the hottest day of the winter always meant that it was going to go into extra time. After ninety minutes of the best defence that anyone was likely to witness at our grade, especially shown from our side, the scoreless game was thrust into another thirty minutes. Although we were tiring in the sapping heat, it wasn't our late-20s-average-age-fitness that beat us but rather a brilliant shot by a Matt's winger from a throw-in with six heart-breaking minutes to go.

It was a good finish to a great season for the team's first attempt at this grade. The goals scored for and against were an amazing 41 to 15 having the equal best defence record (with St. Matt's Reserves, which was proved in the final) of any team in both grades. The lack of a brilliant striker with the top goal scorer having a modest total of five goals (Steve Ireland) with 19 goal scorers in total, including two players from Blacktown Uniting.

Reserve Grade : Caval Bent, David Cahill, Andy Collins, Martin Evans, Scott Gordon Alibi Hidayat, Steve Ireland, Simon Miskell, Graeme Small, Greg Soames, Ian Thompson, Chris Wallace, James Windeyer.

The Club should be proud of the senior teams (in First and Second Divisions) who have proved themselves to be more than competent in their grades. The juniors within the Club should be confident in the knowledge that, should they continue playing with the Club, there are two successful squads playing at the top level which will be happy to welcome them to share in their camaraderie, success and the spirit of good soccer.

## END OF SEASON REPORT

### **Raahuage Cup 2's**

The squad of members enjoyed playing the 1996 season and started off very strongly with some very good players.

We were at the top of the competition ladder for a while, until some lack struck us and we were not able to make the finals through many injuries.

The Firsts team did not make the finals after playing very strongl especially in the first half of the year. The Reserves, after leading the competition for some weeks was just tipped out of the final four teams and finals through excessive injury and bad luck.

All in all we ended up with only 17 fit players who all tried very hard. We thank the Organisers, President and Secretary and Commitee members - and the players for their extra effort they made to support the team during the year.

Most of the players had to play two, through our injury situation and we did excellently even these problems.

Special mention must go to our excellent goalkeeper Scott Moeser, who playedtwo games every week, for a great effort and good keeping - well done!

Thanks must also go to Glenn McKernan who helped out with the coaching and traing the team during te year.

We wish the Club and the Team every success for the next season and in the future.

Manager: Gary Christoffel

Coach: Tano Zullo



# PRESIDENTS REPORT

ONCE AGAIN WE HAVE COME TO THE END OF ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SOCCER SEASON.

THIS YEAR, AGAIN, WE HAD 9 JUNIOR TEAMS AND 2 RAAHAUGHE CUP SQUADS, ONE IN DIVISION 1 AND THE OTHER IN DIVISION 2.

OUR UNDER 12'S, THIS YEAR, WERE SUCCESSFUL IN WINNING THEIR RESPECTIVE COMPETITION.

UNFORTUNATELY HOWEVER, THE CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS COMPETITION WAS CANCELLED DUE TO THE WET WEATHER AS I AM POSITIVE THEY WOULD HAVE WON THAT AS WELL. ALL OF OUR TEAMS DID VERY WELL IN THE 1996 SEASON, FINISHING IN THE TOP HALF OF THEIR COMPS.

THANKS MUST GO TO JULIE BOARDMAN AND HER SON JAMES FOR THERE RECORD KEEPING AND THERE HELP IN THE MODEL RAILWAY CANTEEN.

WITHOUT THE CLUB BEING ALLOWED TO RUN THE CANTEEN FOR THE MODEL RAILWAY, WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES AND KEEPING THE COST OF THE FEES DOWN. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE INVOLVED HELPING RUN AND ORGANISE LUNCHES ON THE TWO DAYS.

WE ALSO, FOR THE FIRST TIME, HAD A CHOCOLATE DRIVE, AND AGAIN THANKS EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPORT IN THIS.

TO RUN AND ORGANISE ALL OF THE TEAMS TAKES A LOT OF TIME, DEDICATION AND EFFORT. I WOULD TO THANK ALL OF THE COACHES AND MANAGERS AS WELL AS THE COMMITTEE FOR THERE TIME AND SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE 1996 SEASON.

THE GROUNDS ARE KEPT TO THE USUALLY HIGH STANDARDS, AND FOR THIS I WOULD TO THANK ANTHONY WARREN AND GRAEME HILL FOR THERE EFFORTS

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 25TH OF SEPTEMBER IN OUR CLUB ROOMS AT 7.30pm.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE PLAYERS FOR COMPETING THIS YEAR AND THERE SUPPORT. THANKS....

PETER HATFIELD  
CLUB PRESIDENT



**\*\*\*IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER\*\*\***

**Wednesday 25th September 1996 - ANNUAL GENERAL MANAGER**

**7.30pm Club Room  
Eric Mobbs Reserve (next to canteen)**



Our recorder, Julie Boardman, informs us:

Number of games played in 1996.....	167
Wins.....	80
Losses.....	61
Draws.....	21
No Results.....	5



**ALL EQUIPMENT TO BE RETURNED TO GREG EVANS, EQUIPMENT OFFICER  
(Shirts, balls etc).**



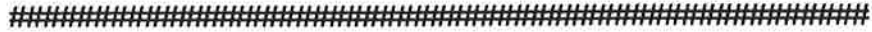
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**ST COLUMBAS CASTLE HILL  
SOCCER CLUB**

**PRESENTATION DAY SUPPLEMENT**



SPECIAL GUESTS	JED SUTTON	PAST PLAYER
	GEOFF FACEY	PRESENT PLAYER
	SANDRA IRELAND	

**AWARDS**

**BRANGWIN SHIELD** (Best goal average/not premiers) - UNDER 11 ORANGE

**SPEEDIE TROPHY AWARD** (Most promising U/8) - MATTHEW THORNDYKE

**CLUBMAN AWARD** - ALLAN WHEATLEY

**FIVE YEAR AWARDS**

RICHARD	RAINES
JASON	BERRY
ROWAN	PATTERSON
BRADY	MACDONALD
ALEXANDER	NESBITT
CHRIS	SKELTON
CHRISTOPHER	BARRETT
ANDREW	HASLEHUST-SMITH

**TEN YEAR AWARDS**

CHRISTOPHER	LAING
DANIEL	STAWSKI
TRISTAN	CARRUTHERS
JUSTIN	HALL

**TWENTY YEAR AWARDS**

ANTHONY	WARREN
SCOTT	MOESER

**CLUBMAN AWARD**

ALLAN WHEATLEY

**MOST PROMISING UNDER 8**

MATTHEW THORNDYKE

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**UNDER 7 BLACK  
BEST FIRST SEASON  
TEAM PLAYER**

**MATTHEW BAKER  
DAVID ROGERS**

**UNDER 7 ORANGE  
MOST IMPROVED  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD**

**BLAKE CHAPMAN  
JASON TANG**

**UNDER 9 BLACK  
MOST IMPROVED  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD**

**DAVID POWELL  
WARWICK SMEDLEY**

**UNDER 9 ORANGE  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD**

**MATTHEW ROBERTS  
MATTHEW CHAPMAN**

**UNDER 11 BLACK  
BEST AND FAIREST  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD**

**CRAIG THOMPSON  
THOMAS WHYBROW**

**UNDER 11 ORANGE  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD**

**PHILIP TANG  
CHRIS THORNDYKE**

**UNDER 12  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD**

**LEONARD WONG  
ALEXANDER NESBITT**

**UNDER 16 BLACK  
COACHES AWARD  
PLAYERS PLAYER AWARD**

**MAX PRICE  
TRISTAN CARRUTHERS**

**UNDER 16 ORANGE  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD  
TEAM PLAYER AWARD**

**JASON BERRY  
MICHEAL LAING**

**RAAHAUGHE CUP DIV 1  
COACHES PLAYER 1ST  
COACHES PLAYER RES  
PLAYERS PLAYER 1ST  
PLAYERS PLAYER RES**

**GIOVANNI PELLIZZON  
IAN THOMPSON  
MATTHEW ZEC  
DAVID CAHILL**





**RAAHAUGHE CUP DIV 2  
BEST AND FAIREST 1ST  
BEST AND FAIREST RES  
COACHES AWARD  
COACHES AWARD**

**ANTHONY ZULLO  
SCOTT MOXHAM  
SCOTT MOESER  
ZAC IVANOVIC**

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## UNDER 12 WINNERS

COACH ALLAN WHEATLEY

MANAGER ALBERT WONG

MITCHELL	CADDY
SCOTT	CHAPMAN
ANDREW	COLGAN
MATTHEW	DAWSON
DAVID	LOCK
DAVID	McDOUGALL
ALEXANDER	NESBITT
NICHOLAS	RETALIC
CHRIS	SKELTON
RYAN	SMITH
RYAN	WHEATLEY
MATTHEW	WHYBROW
LEONARD	WONG



**NOMINATION FORM**

All nomination forms to be sent to the Club Secretary:

*The Secretary*  
St Columbas Castle Hill Soccer Club Inc  
Mr A Warren  
PO Box 75  
BAULKHAM HILLS 2153

I, ..... hereby nominate, to the office of:

**PRESIDENT** .....

**VICE PRESIDENT** .....

**SECRETARY** .....

**TREASURER** .....

**REGISTRAR** .....

**EQUIPMENT OFFICER** .....

**RECORDER** .....

**CANTEEN CO-ORDINATOR** .....

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR** .....

**GROUND CO-ORDINATOR** .....

**CLUB COACH** .....

of St Columba's Castle Hill Soccer Club Inc

The above name/s have accepted nomination.

Signed .....

