Ngaruawahia United AFC Newsletter – March 2014

"Welcome to the beginning of the 2014 Soccer Season!"



Kia Ora Koutau,

"My name is Freda Walker, and I am the Junior Coordinator for the NUAFC Junior's and this is my second year in this position and by far the best experience I have had to date. What makes it so AWESOME you ask? Well......this year there is a Junior Sub Committee. Our Junior Committee is made up of 6 extraordinary people who have volunteered their time to supporting our junior's. I would like to give a big heart-felt "THANK YOU" to the following Committee members, Belinda and Glenn (Brownie) Brown, Liz Saunders, Andrea Lavasii, Eleanor Eketone and Will Young. There are going to be some new and exciting things happening this year.....so watch this space. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me."

COACHES AND MANAGERS

We are in need of 'Coaches and Managers' for each Grade, so if you think it would be something you were interested in please contact me. Without Coaches and Managers our teams cannot play the season.

2014 PLAYING FEES

This year all fees need to be paid by the end of the school term 1, alternatively a payment arrangement will need to be made with either myself or one of the junior committee members.

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Was	2013	Now	2014	
5 th -7 th player registration fee	\$45		\$30	A subsidy of \$5.00 per child after the
8 th -11th grade player registration fee	\$65.00		\$65.00	first child is available for families.
Open grade player registration fee	\$75.00		\$75.00	

Here is a breakdown of the cost:

Association	5 th - 7 th	8 th -11 th	Open
WaiBOP Football Affiliation fee	-	21	23
New Zealand Football Affiliation fee	-	11	19
WAIKATO Junior Football Assoc Fee	-	5	5
Ngaruawahia -Uniforms, Equipment & Fields	18	14	14
Administration and PG	12	14	14
Total Amount: *rounding applies	\$30	\$65	\$75

Payment can be made by Eftpos, cash, credit card or cheque at the bar during normal bar operation times or online to NUAFC Westpac 03 1571 0008297 00. (Please ensure the reference as: Players Full Name and Grade).

If the Club is not open and online banking is not an option, then you can pay cash or cheque to me and I will provide you with a receipt.

Also if you have paid online please let me know. In certain situations part payment may be an option. If you are unable to pay in full and require a part payment plan please contact me to discuss further.

<u>Please do not</u> bank cash <u>directly</u> into the Club bank account at Westpac, as details are unable to be recorded.

(A break down is available on our website. <u>www.ngaruawahiafootball.co.nz</u>).

UNIFORMS

The Club provided uniforms will be handed out to each player once all the teams have been sorted out and they have a Coach and Manager. *"Once again if you are interested in either of these position or you know someone who might be, please contact me asap."*

At the end of this season these are to be returned to your manager, along with balls, bibs cones etc prior to prize giving so they can be checked in.

"There are still a number of uniforms outstanding from last year so could you please hand them back into me asap, Thank you."

Football boots, shin guards (compulsory) and socks can be purchased from The Soccer Shop and Sports Safari.

DRAWS

The season is split into three rounds - 10 May – 07 June Grading Games

15-Jun – 26 July Preliminary Games

02-Aug – 06 Sept Championship Games

Please Note: These draws are for the 8th Grade – Open Grade ONLY!

As the draws are made available by the Waikato Football they will be published on our website www.ngaruawahiafootball.co.nz and sent out via email to the managers and coaches.

The 'Little League' - Competition

The 'Little League' - Competition is a competition that we have organised for the junior 5th Grade – 7th Grade teams. This competition will be between Te Kowhai, Horotiu and us (NUAFC).

The draws will be based on a 'Home and Away' system and the setup is very similar to the 8th Grade – Open Grades draws. These details are not set yet and will be confirmed asap.

PLAYING DAYS REMINDER

Please help your coaches and managers. Every Saturday each field requires the set-up, pack up and putting away of equipment and locking of toilet facilities and gates. If it's your team it will be highlighted against our website but it is always the first and last team to play on each particular field each Saturday. The 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade will have to put out and put away the small junior goals (do not disassemble), the 9th bring out and put away their goals and flags, the 11th will need to put out and bring back the nets and the flags (your goals can stay out beside the pitch). Coaches and Managers please text or call through the game results after the game.

2014 PRIZE GIVING

Prize giving takes place at the end of the season in either September or early October. Every child will receive a participation certificate and a team photo, but to keep fees to a 'manageable' amount for parent's, participation medals are not funded by the club this year. As with every year for the 'Senior Juniors' (9th grade to Open grade) the following trophies are awarded; Player of the year, Sports person of the year and most improved.

"If you received a trophy last year would you please hand it back in to me asap."

FUNDRAISING

We would like to make Prize giving as much of a fun day as possible so we are looking for Volunteers to help with fundraising for the event. (It would be great to have bouncy castles, slip n slides etc.)

WEBSITE

I also encourage all of you to continue to visit our website on a regular basis for any updates, please ensure the spelling of yours or your child's name is correct as this is the name that will show on their certificate. Our resident Club Photographer / Media-man Sandy MacDonald does an amazing job shooting the kids in action on home-game days and he is always looking for photo contributions (especially for the away games), so if you are a happy snapper on game day please let him know at 021 0811 4433 or sandy@sandymacdonald.net.

FINALLY

I look forward to seeing you all out there supporting our children and their teams. Good luck to our season, here's hoping that we have more fun times than not! Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information or comments.

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