



South Melbourne District SPORTS CLUB junior football

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Match Results

Games played on: Sunday 2 August 2009 | Round 14

Under 10 Red Lightning Premiership

Game 1: SMDSC 2-4-26 def Waverley Park 1-1-7
Game 2: SMDSC 0-5-5 lost to East Sandringham 3-4-22
Game 3: SMDSC 1-3-9 lost to Dingley 2-2-14

Semi Final: SMDSC 0-2-2 lost to East Sandringham 2-3-15

The Under 10 Reds won 10 games for the season and were optimistic about their chances in the Lightning Premiership, having beaten all other teams at least once. We played the eventual premiers in Game 1 and had a decisive victory. The whole team played with great passion and skill and left our opponents flat footed. Game 2 was against our other great rival, East Sandringham, who got the jump on us with the benefit of a gusty wind. The Reds fought back strongly but against a crowded defensive effort by the Zebras could not quite bridge the gap. In Game 3 we played Dingley and rotated 10 players into the game. Despite a fantastic effort we fell just short, being unable to kick accurately. In the semi final we played East Sandringham again and didn't quite score enough goals in the first half with the wind. We played fiercely into the wind in the second half and again fell just short. There was no lack of endeavour or commitment right to the last siren. Our motto this year that 'we never give up' was proved in practice all day.

The commitment from the Reds was fantastic both during the season and on Sunday. It was a fine team performance, of which every player should be very proud. Our football skills have developed significantly through the year and we are confident of a very good year together in 2010. Bring on 2010 quickly – the players, coaches and parents can't wait!

Under 10 White Lightning Premiership

Game 1: SMDSC 3-4-22 def Highett 2-3-15 Goals: Chan Hargraves, Oscar Unsworth, Jackson White
Game 2: SMDSC 0-4-4 def East Brighton 0-3-3
Game 3: SMDSC 4-4-28 def East Sandringham 2-1-13 Goals: Max Wilson, Chan Hargraves, Harry Gustin, Louis Gleeson

Semi Final: SMDSC 2-0-12 lost to Beaumaris 3-0-18 Goals: Blaise Bajram, Louis Gleeson

With 9 wins on the board for the season the Under 10 Whites were very excited about their chances for a great lightning premiership. They didn't let themselves or their families down playing spirited football and winning their first three games.

Game 1 was a strong win against Highett. Game 2 was a tough game against East Brighton, and our boys defended the second half against a strong wind to hold off the opposition. Game 3 was our biggest challenge against one of the few teams to beat us in the year, and the boys played fast and hard football to come from behind and take them into the semi finals. The semi final was a cliffhanger with South kicking two goals in the first half. The boys threw everything into the second half but with seconds remaining a mark and goal by the opposition saw our grand final dreams disappear. Despite the disappointment our boys rightfully held their heads up high and went back to the club to celebrate a fabulous season with pizza and lemonade. Coaches Gary and Gus were proud of the performance and development of the boys over the year and today showed why South Districts were one of the top teams in the competition. Special thanks go to our Team Manager Jennifer Comerford, our busy trainer Peter Capp and all the parents for their help and support throughout the season. The boys can't wait for 2010 and tackling!!!!

Under 11 Red SMDSC 8-7-55 def Mordi-Braeside 4-6-30

Goal Kickers Matt Parker 3, Tom Happell 2, Will Hocking, Seve Decampo, Jake Kazakevics

Best Players Matt Parker, Will Hocking, Matthew Rice, Harry Norman, Tom Happell, Seve Decampo

Encouragement Award Sean Rees-Wemyss, Ethan Payne

The Reds finished the season with a big win. After a fairly even first half we were one goal down at half time and entered the last quarter just two goals up and kicking into a blustery headwind. Of the 8 goals scored by both teams to three quarter time, only one had been kicked into the wind. The Reds lifted for the final quarter of the year to boot 3 goals to one and run out winners by 25 points. Matt Parker starred and booted 3, while Tom Happell added two of his own and was instrumental in another couple. Will, Seve and Jake all added majors. Matthew Rice, Harry Norman and the Edwards twins all played to their usual high standards, while Sean and Ethan were awarded encouragement awards after putting in every time they played throughout the season. A great finish to the year. Thanks to all the parents for helping out during the year on match day and training. And finally, a big thank-you to Miranda for coordinating everything so efficiently all year. See you all at Presentation day.

Under 11 White	SMDSC	4-8-32	lost to	Cheltenham	7-5-47
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Goal Kickers Anthony Zimmerman, Tom McAllister (left foot again!), Tom Maloney, Dusty Hefford

Encouragement Award Tom Coen, Alex Pointon

Opposition Award Anthony Zimmerman

Now "old" rivals – 5th vs 4th. A game fought out courageously by the team to the final siren but a short lapse in the 2nd quarter proved too difficult to overcome. Kicking against a strong wind in the 1st quarter, Souths applied pressure and intensity across all positions. Mats Lorenzon and Jackson Hiscock as usual, held strong in defence. Anthony Zimmerman was his normal damaging self - ripping through the opposition all day. Tom McAllister, Zach Benson and Pierce Gilheany were at the bottom of most packs. Lucas was tough with his attack on the ball. Tom Maloney provided strong rebound off half back as well as a great crumbing goal. Jack Corbel and Henry Morgan's smother and strong defensive work all day were tremendous. Captain for the day, Dan Mitchell led by example - in the final minutes of the last quarter he took on three opponents, made a contest and won possession of the ball, booting it towards goal. This typified the character of the team. We went down swinging - and that's all one could ask for. Congratulations all on a great year.

Under 12	SMDSC	5-9-39	lost to	Cheltenham	6-5-41
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Goal Kickers Mitch Clarke 2, Daniel Marks, Dermot Murphy, Harry Witts

Best Players Eddie Lincoln, Mason Tilly, Jack Cotton, Mitch Clarke, Harry Witts, Jack Altermatt

The Bloods went down to Cheltenham in a nail biter. While it was disappointing not to get the points, we will now meet them again in the first semi next week, and the boys are already looking forward to the challenge in a Finals hitout. It was a tough day at the office, as our boys were never able to get their game going, our conversion was poor, and we were unlucky not to get more of the ball bouncing our way. Cheltenham's superior pressure and ferocity at the ball was due to their season being on the line, and their desire to play finals footy resulted in a well deserved win. The loss was really felt by our boys, however they will be better for the experience. Better players on the day were Eddie Lincoln, Mason Tilly, Jack Cotton, Mitch Clarke, Harry Witts and Jack Altermatt. Good luck in the finals next week.

Under 13	SMDSC	5-3-33	lost to	Ormond	8-5-53
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Goal Kickers P Green, Liam Cannold, Ollie, WEG, Jessie

Best Players Sam, Liam FP, Ollie, Liam C, Jesse, Dante

Well this was the elimination game, win this and we we're off to finals fever. Ormond, previously in the top division, dropped back mid season, untested by our boys, and now they stood between us and the final four. With a five goal wind blowing thru oval 11 we lost the toss and proceeded to get jumped on. Ormond ran us ragged their tails outmarked us and they slotted 5 goals in the first half, but Bloods don't give in early. A right royal rev up at half time and the tenacity of Sam, Ollie, Liam x 2, and Honkie put the contest up for grabs. I loved Ben Caroll stepping up, some graceful courageous and brilliant footy. P Green's goal, Ollie's goal, Sam's tackles, Liam FP with his persistent tap and tackle. It all adds up to the footy team that we have created. But then WEG asked if he could go on – sidelined with a back injury, not able to stand by, he wants the action. His presence on the field lifts the team and converts straightaway into an opportunity of victory. Great footy but too late the siren sounds on our season. A great season it has been!

Under 14	SMDSC	14-20-104	def	East Brighton	NIL
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Goal Kickers Max Mercuri 4, Julian Eimutis 2, Harry Christie 2, Jack Kelly 2, Mathew Mandile 2, Anthony Giuliano, Boyd Kelly

Best Players Julian Eimutis, Max Mercuri, Greg Koumouris, Harry Christie, Lachlan Borthwick, Jordon Cotton, Will Cardwell

We acknowledged "Call To Arms Day" by dedicating the game to our own runner from last year John Sheridan & our teammate Andrew, & the boys responded in a return to form where we dominated hapless East Brighton all day. It was with some gratification to see the boys maintain discipline and effect the team game, only really hampered by the gusty conditions. However, it will be critically important to maintain this good form against 2nd placed Hampton next week where we'll again be subjected to pressure. Jordon played an intelligent game always ensuring he was a kick behind supported by Greg whose strength & speed busted the lines open. Lachlan B's strength was important in the crowded forward line where the opposition flooded back to all day. When we kicked in-board to the top side, to our designated targets in Max, Jack & Julian, it looked very open and was much easier to score. Harry C took over the ruck and dominated when Julian was injured & was well supported by Greg. Mathew was a welcome return up forward & Harry S, Caelin, Nimai, Andrew, Boyd made the most of lean pickings by being disciplined when playing down back. A very even team performance with all the boys contributing. Let's keep it up next week & into the finals.

Under 15	SMDSC	7-7-49	lost to	Ajax	10-9-69
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Goal Kickers Jacob Diplaris 3, Rupert Alstergen 2, Rory Benson, Jack Kelly

Best Players Tom Kittson, Rory Benson, Tim Marshall, Lachlan Karin, Jordan Cutter, Jack Kelly, Nicky Holmes

With the penultimate game of the season upon us and the coach still a chance for the Richmond job, even after the recent President's lunch; now that Buckley had decided to work together with Mick for the next few years at the Pies, the coach needed a big win to impress. The boys started off with a very determined approach and strong defence well lead by Cutter and Chris Mark back from injury, we kept a very dogged and resolute AJAX to 1 goal and managed to score a few goals with the wind. Our second half saw us keep in touch with AJAX thanks again to our defence. The third quarter saw us pile on some early goals through Rupert and Jacob but in the last few minutes of the "premiership quarter" we let AJAX back into the game. We kept our opposition at bay for the early part of the final quarter but they managed to gain the upper hand and win by 3 goals plus. With one game of the season to go, we all need to make training this week and set ourselves the aim of winning the last game, let's go South!!!!