

Hazelbrook Soccer Club – Match Reports – Round 18

Under 6 Bears (6) v Zebras (1). Another classic team performance from the Bears in a game where the score line didn't reflect the closeness of the match. Tom Gawthorne was the standout in attack scoring 4 goals, while Adrien Gleeson and Matteen Mashal also scored 1 each. Rohan Fraser put his body on the line in defence, whilst Lucinda Godwin and Ben Nixon made strong contributions both in attack and defence. Another great effort which is sure to bring back the crowds next week.

U/8 Hazelbrook Hawks (1) vs. Hazelbrook Iguanas (1). A very competitive and extremely challenging match. The Iguanas had the Hawks on their 'back foot' for the majority of the game. Callum Branley was a standout player, tactfully breaking through the strong attack in an attempt to get the ball to goal on a number of occasions. It was undoubtedly Callum's best game of the season. Karl Gethin-Damon's amazing display of footwork to maneuver the ball around and through the opposition was awesome to watch. It earned him the Hawks only goal as his shot deflected off an Iguana player. Adam Bosch, Timothy Camilleri, Motassem Eldirani, Matthew Knight and Patrick Mundy combined were like a brick wall, successfully blocking countless attempts at goal by the Iguanas. Star Player, Sam Walker, bravely returned to the field after receiving an injury. Special mention of Liam Dalley's great blocking skills as he faced the challenge head-on stopping a sure goal. In a good display of sportsmanship, all cheered the Iguanas for their well deserved single goal.

U9Div4 2 v Springwood 1: Although its been a tough season, with 10 or so mismatches before being regraded, the happiness this 2-1 win over Springwood brought made it all worthwhile, and the kids were pretty pleased too ! A great first 20 minutes set up the win, with huge commitment and sustained passing generating numerous attacking plays and shots. This culminated in a great penalty strike from Jeremy Storrie, and a clever goal by birthday boy Caleb Foss, to put the blues 2 nil up. Springwood fought back, scoring a well earned goal before half time and pressing hard in the second half. But tenacious work by the backs, including POM Jonah Oliver, and some awesome keeping by the talented Conor Tufrey, secured the win. Congratulations.

U11/2 Hazelbrook 3 v Bligh Park 0. A measure of the improvement in the team is that their last loss back in June was to Bligh Park, with the score line reversed; since then Hawks have compiled 6 wins and 2 draws. Patience was the order of the day as a dominant first half produced few chances and no goals. Zac Opdam's chasing was rewarded when his clever shot took a deflection for the opener, then Antonio Beretsos showed his usual determination to break through for a second. Lucas Opdam displayed fantastic anticipation and clinical finishing to complete the scoring. The Hawks' defence did not allow Bligh Park a clear shot on goal throughout, with strong work by Shane Wenc at left back in the second half a feature. Liam Branley was enterprising on the right wing and Ben Gethin-Damon was, as ever, creative on the left.