

Hazelbrook Soccer Club Match Reports – Round 5

U6 Zebras: The gala day on Saturday was a lot of fun, and the two Blaxland teams we played were very good football players, and good sports too. The Zebras played extremely well even though we were forced to defend for a lot of the time. Player of the day was Victoria Murray who has been an excellent player all year, and once again led courageously. Tyler Drake scored a goal as did Matt Macken. Sam Macken was very fast and kicked well out of defense. Tom Szentkuti and Kane Bastock also showed good kicking skills and great teamwork. Well done Zebras!

U6 Bears: The Bears had an excellent game against BMSC. Adrian scored in the first 30 seconds, and added another 5 during the match. Lucinda is showing good development each week. Rohan is enjoying the game more and more and gaining confidence. Ben's game is solid, with good improvement and 2 goals. Tom's ball skills are improving and were rewarded with 2 goals. Matteen's exuberant enthusiasm is rubbing off on his team mates, scoring 5 goals in the process. A wonderful game to watch – the team had a great time. In their second match, the bears were able to win a tight battle 3-2, with goals to Matteen and Ben. Great sportsmanship saw the bears fill in for the depleted opposition, and also scored two goals for them! Go Bears!

U8 Jaguars (0) V Wentworth Falls Stingrays (3) The Jaguars & the Stingrays played a fast-paced, action packed game this sunny Saturday. The Jaguars worked well as a team foiling countless attempts by the Stingrays to breach their defence. Jamie Davis, Owen White & Lewis Stonebridge displayed very effective tackling skills, frequently taking the ball from the Stingrays & making long strong passes up the field. Zachariah Hammond performed some superb chip kicks over the top of play to advance the Jaguars attacking position. Joshua Hancott made some fantastic saves as well as being involved in attacking play, as always making sure he was in the right place at the right time. Jerome Dowling positioned himself well today consistently being in good position to receive kicks from the sideline as well as passes from his team-mates. Douglas Carlino was, of course, wonderful in defence but today also got really involved in attack creating some space for the Jaguars. Great effort boys! P.O.M. - Douglas Carlino. Most Improved - Lewis Stonebridge.

U8 Iguanas: Return to play after rain and school holidays saw the U8 Iguanas play the Wentworth Falls Jaguars at Gloria Park. Callum and Harry showed speed to the ball and both took their opportunities to score goals. Josh, Lachlan and Liam penetrated the defense on numerous occasions while Sebastian and Zac read the play well and made some accurate passes.

U9Div 2 Hazelbrook White 0 Glosodia 0 A great evenly match game to watch. Brandon's skills added some flair to the game, complemented by Dylan's strong runs. Eli's tackling and passing created some direction, while Ali's energy enabled him to be outstanding in defence and attack. Luke continues to display his skills proving to be a solid defender and Isaac's footwork and position play added to the great team effort. Well done all.

11/6 2 - Wilberforce 2. This weeks amazing game saw the whole first half in our end. Our constant and reliable attack by our forwards Mac, Heath, Jack, Keith and Brodie saw us break through late in the first half with a beautiful goal by Mac Edmonds. Again our boys displayed all the skills they are learning in training with some fine well directed kicks by our Goalies Sam and Seamus. Player of the week was Jesse McCue for his fabulous midfield form. Well done again boys.

12G 1 v Springwood 1 A pulsating contest between two very sporting teams. A great team performance with the pre-season efforts of Kondek Inc starting to pay dividends. Sam Pronger and Lucy Noble constantly threatened the Springwood defense, and the surging midfield runs of Zoe Maynard, Isabella Fantin and Jasmine Murdoch were inspirational. Special mention to Holly Jeffery whose non-stop work across the park belies her debutante year. Monique Verhoeven's late equaliser was the least her, and the team's efforts deserved.

14-2 girls won a tight game 2-1 against Blaxland at St John's Oval. Ruth Adams and Jessica Willis both scored goals before a late own goal set up a nail biting finish to stress the parents and coach. Hazelbrook dominated the game thanks to great defending from Carly Sanford and tireless midfield running from Kayla Tompkins and Keira Shannon. Sinead Ryan also made several classy diving saves in the second half to ensure a Hazelbrook victory.

AALDiv5 9 v Henry Lawson 0: Despite a prolonged layoff due to holidays and wet weather, the Hawks turned on an impressive display. Superior fitness allowed the team to outrun their opponents. All members of the team continue to show impressive skills development and are making smart decisions on the field. Hat Tricks to Chelsea Gawthorne and Eliza Dunn, 2 goals to Kate Meehan and a goal to Emma Schofield. Good defence by all the Hawks backs and skipper Sharon Cavanagh in goals ensured that the opposition remained scoreless.