

## Panther Patter 2016

A Bulletin for the Penshurst RSL Panthers JAFC

South Club of the Year 2015

#### **Welcome to Panthers Season 2016**

Welcome to all new and returning families who are part of this wonderful club, the 2015 South Club of the Year. I want to start 2016 by introducing myself. My name is Louise Grady and I am the new President for Penshurst Panthers this year.

I want to thank our outgoing President Angie Zissis for all his hard work as President for the past few years, you have truly made this club a great place to be and you have had a huge role in making this club as successful as it is. For everyone else there is no need to be worried as he will still be around the club and on the committee for the foreseeable future. He has left very big shoes to be filled and I can only hope I do half as good a job. Thank you Angie.

To fill you in, I come from a football background having played Women's AFL back from when it started in Sydney in 2000. I have a son, Bradley who will be playing in the U15s this year. I have been on the committee for a few years now and most people will know me as the Paramedic who is seen doing the first aid/ERC role at many home games, or hanging out in the canteen, with the wonderful Special Ks who do a fantastic job.

This year I have a wonderful team to work with, the following is just a short list of all the people who have volunteered so far to hold a role within our club. This list isn't everyone who will be seen around the club this year helping out and volunteering their time. If you would like to have a role/volunteer, big or small, whether you're new or old to this club, please let me or one of the committee know and we will find a role perfect for you. The more people who help out, the less everyone has to do and the easier our club runs.

Vice President: Dale Widders Secretary: Michael Johnson Football Manager: Dale Widders Inventory Manager: Peter Stelzer

RSL Liason: Allan McGregor

Canteen Managers: Kate Lee and Kylie Jarvis

Auskick Admin: Kim Mason

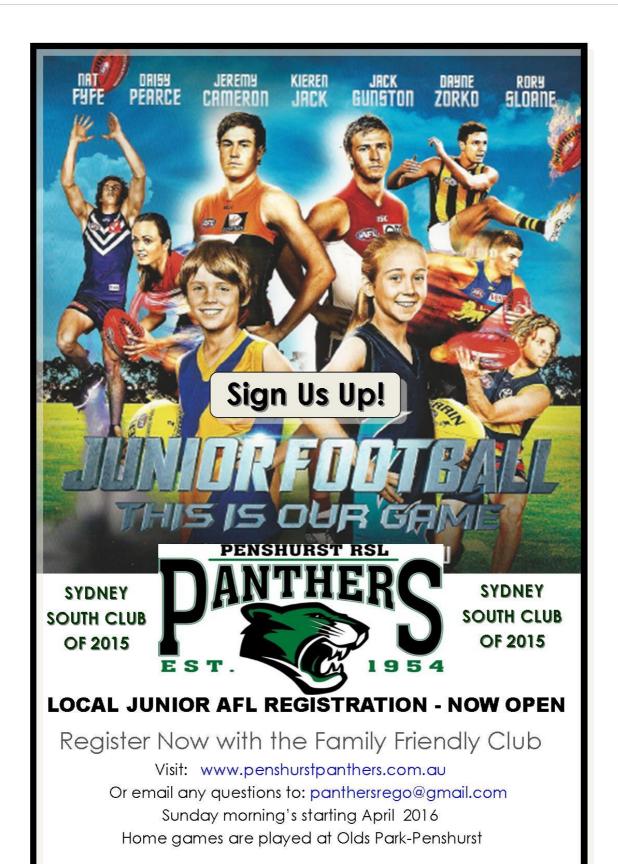
First Aid Coordinator: Jeanette Marshall

General Committee: Justin Jarvis Regional Committee: Angie Zissis Treasurer: Allan McGregor Registrar: Sandra Plummer

Junior Football Manager: Nick Knight Coaching Coordinator: Derek Waters

Sponsorship: Angie Zissis

Child Protection: Michael Johnson Auskick Coordinator: Brad Parkes Umpire Coordinator: Daniel Lee Communications Officer: Chris Grady General Committee: Glen Middleton



### Official dates for 2016:

With the 2016 Season getting closer we are at a point where we, the committee need to provide numbers and teams to the AFL so they can put a draw together. With this in mind we are going to have a **Registration Day** at **Olds Park**, this **Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2016** from

**10am until 2pm**. It is a chance for you all to come down to our club house, say hi to everyone, and if you need help with the computer side of registration we will have the experts there to help you. You can also pay for registration and/or buy some new football shorts and socks that no doubt the kids have grown out of since last season. It will also allow you to get the kids to dust off their footy boots and come down and have a kick with others. We will provide the footies and a sausage sandwich or 2 for lunch. We hope to see you there.

If you are not coming down this Saturday please make sure you get online and register/re-register you son or daughter for this season by this weekend. We know many of you paid for this last year at the presentation night and that was wonderful but the AFL need each of you to go online to our homepage and register online. We are unable to do that from our end so we need you to do it, if you are unsure if you have or haven't done this please let us know at <a href="mailto:panthersrego@gmail.com">panthersrego@gmail.com</a> and we can check for you.

Auskick Registration Link: <u>AFL Auskick</u> U9s and Older Registration Link:

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This year with the number of players we currently expect to register for the Panthers we are looking at having a team in every second age group, in the senior part of the club. This is similar to many of our fellow South area clubs. We are always open to having a team in each age group but to ensure competitive teams we are looking at combining a few ages. We will have a team for Auskick (probably 3 or 4 teams) U9s (probably 2 teams), U10s, U11s, U13s, U15s and U17s.

#### **Training:**

**U15s/U17s** will train on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016 at 5:15pm

**U13s** will train on Thursdays starting 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016 at 5:15pm.

**Auskick/U9s/U10s/U11s** will train on Wednesdays starting March 9<sup>th</sup> 2016 time to be advised.

#### Round 1:

Games continue to be on Sundays and the season starts with our first round on Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Free Gift for all Registered Players

It is with great pleasure thanks to a successful year around the club last year that this year we the committee are able to give every child registered with the Penshurst Panthers a free training singlet or shirt. These singlets/shirts are to be worn every week to training so we can stand together as a team. Players in U11s and older will receive a singlet, with our younger members to receive a t-shirt. I can reveal the singlet design for you all to see, the t-shirt is still in the design phase.



## **Sponsorship Update:**

Thanks to excellent work from our sponsorship team of Angie Zissis and Dale Widders, (and our Canteen team of Kate and Kylie) we have been able to offer the above whilst also keeping our registration fees the same for a the last few years. Sponsorship is one of the most important roles within our club and we are looking for someone or more than one to take hold of this role and run with it. It is an easy takeover to make as the current team have put together a superb sponsorship package and we have already identified many business' to target it just needs someone to lead the way, please contact either Angie or Dale to discuss further.

We are also always looking for new sponsors and we have as mentioned above, many packages available to anyone interested, so please if you can yourself or if the business you work for has the ability to contribute a little (or a lot) to this club please get in touch with us and we can send you a copy of our sponsorship package. You can make a one off donation or we have packages starting at as little as \$10 a round through the footy season. This year we have also introduced individual team sponsorship, so again if interested get in contact with us ASAP.

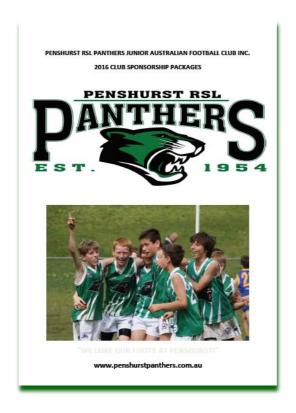
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- √ Founded in 1954, 62 years on and still going strong ✓ AFL Sydney South Club of the Year in 2015
- √ 2016 projected 11 teams, ages 4-17yo; 200+ players from 140+ families
- ✓ Exceptional and committed volunteer group, committee, coaches, managers
  - ✓ Many players in multiple talented player programs and representative teams
  - ✓ Great exposure for sponsors in local area, as well as across all of Sydney
    - ✓ A number of sponsor packages available
    - ✓ Starting at \$10 per round (\$160 per season)
    - ✓ Sponsor a team for \$50 per round (\$800 per season)
    - ✓ Broader packages to better financially support the club and promote your business
    - ✓ For further details including our complete 2016 Club Sponsor Package Proposal please contact Angie Zissis 0414 995670 or Dale Widders 0408 402452

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# First Aid/ERC Volunteers:

Thank you to Jeanette Marshall for taking on the role of first aid coordinator at Penshurst this year. The AFL states in its bylaws that every junior AFL game must have a qualified first aid officer on duty for the match or the game is unable to be played. In the senior ages (U13s- U17s) it states that there is to be an Emergency Response Coordinator (ERC) present which may or not be the first aid officer. It is the responsibility of the home team to provide this officer.

We are calling for multiple volunteers to assist in both these roles. We try to run a roster where if you can help, you will only be rostered on for your own child's game and maybe one game before or after on a couple of occasions throughout the season. Last year thanks to the help of many (some of whom are no longer with the club due to their children growing up) everyone who volunteered only had to be at Olds park for a game or 2 other than that of their own child. We are looking to continue that this year and would like to have at least one or 2 fist aid/ERC volunteers with each team.

It is an easy role and you will have the support of those around the club with greater knowledge in these areas (we have a few doctors/nurses/paramedics at our club). What qualifications do you need?? If you are a doctor/nurse/paramedic/physiotherapist/certified sports trainer or St John's Officer all you need to do is stick your hand up and volunteer.

If you don't have these qualifications the Panthers will pay for you to attend your first aid certificate and/or ERC course, which are nationally recognised and often a requirement of employment so why pay for it yourself when **we will pay for it for you**. All we ask is for the occasional help around the club as discussed above.

The AFL are running a **first aid course** on **Feb 27**<sup>th</sup> **2016** and the **ERC course** on the **5**<sup>th</sup> **March 2016**. If you already have a first aid certificate you only need to add the ERC course. If you need both we can enrole you on both. These courses aren't run often and fill up so please get in contact with us ASAP.

If you are interested please contact either myself or Jeanette Marshall.

Jeanette Marshall: wjmmarshall@optusnet.com.au or 0433 075 382

Louise Grady: squishwaz@hotmail.com or 0414 216 366

I do apologise for the large amount of writing/information in this patter, but if I have forgotten anything or you have any questions please get in contact with myself or anyone on the committee. All contact details are on our website, where you will also find up to date information on the happenings around our club

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The other place to keep up to date with the Panthers is our Facebook page. It is a closed group but all you need to do is search for Penshurst RSL Panthers Junior AFL Club and you will find us.

Thanks for listening, see you around the grounds,

**Louise Grady** 

