

# POINT POST

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH RYDE DOCKERS JUNIOR AFL CLUB

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## 2010 Season Launch



North Ryde Dockers have enjoyed a degree of success in their short history, and are eager to continue and improve on their record during the 2010 season.

Over 100 kids and parents enjoyed the twilight barbeque, making the most of the opportunity to kick the football and chat with new and old friends before the official season launch by club president, John Cooper.

“We are here for the kids... for their enjoyment” he said in his launch address.

Junior AFL is spread over 9 age groups ranging from AUSKICK (ages 5-8) through to Under 16's, catering for a variety of experience and skill levels.

Despite the number of player registrations being down on previous years, the Dockers have entered teams in every age group, and have places still available in most teams.

Juniors and youth enjoy playing football because it is fast and fun, is high scoring, provides opportunities for social interaction, is team-based, and the physical nature and toughness appeals to many adolescents.

AFL successfully competes in all states of Australia with participation at junior levels rivalling those of the other football codes.

The North Ryde Dockers Junior AFL Club provides a safe, supporting, encouraging and inclusive environment for boys and girls who have an interest in learning about and playing Australian Rules Football.

The Junior AFL season kicks-off on April 18, with games played on Sundays.

## Thankyou to our tireless volunteers

Over the past several seasons a special band of people have given the club much of their time. Three people in particular have decided to take a step back and have a much needed break this year. I'm sure that you will join John and the committee in thanking Jenny Cooper and Leonie Goldfinch for the many long hours they spent keeping the canteen running each and every week. Thanks also to Sean Cuffe for his efforts in creating and distributing our newsletter, and keeping our members informed.

Volunteers are always welcome to assist in the many tasks that need to be done each week. If you are interested, please see your team manager for details.

## Upcoming Events:

- **Sat 10 Apr - 7:10pm - SCG Sydney v Richmond - Auskick play at halftime**
- **Sun 18 Apr - Round 1 (Draw TBA)**
- **Sun 25 Apr - ANZAC Day**

# Coaches Corner

## Training Schedule:

**Tuesday** :- U9/10's 5-6pm, U11/12's 6-7:30pm

**Wednesday** :- Auskick 4-5:30pm, U13 5:30-7pm, U14/16's 6-8pm

## PLAYERS NEEDED

There are still vacancies in : U11's, U13's, and the U16's teams

Please contact David Beauchamp on 0414 227727 if you are interested.

## Auskick

Hello and welcome to the new and returned players to the 2010 football season, Auskick will be another exciting year for boys and girls who want to have some fun. I'm really looking forward to seeing you our 8:30 am Sunday sessions which begin April 18, and our 4pm Wednesday training sessions that follow.

Welcome to families and friends, I encourage you to get involved, as there is a lot to be done. Our numbers have been increasing over the last few years. The after school centre held at ELS has been attended by over 30 boys and girls. There's a great opportunity to play at half time at the Swans V Richmond match (April

10), a Gala day being hosted by Westbrook (May 30), and possibly another Gala day at Hornsby. We will be organising a Level 0 hands on training for the adults to understand philosophy of fun and how we grow the skills of the players.

I can hear the noise of kids having fun, the kicking of balls, and the sizzle of the BBQ breakfasts.

At last, it's what we've been hanging out for.

Football season is back.



Thomas Jubb,  
Auskick Coach/coordinator

## Under 13's

Welcome to another season of footie!

I am Trevor (Mitch) Mitchell, this will be my fourth year of coaching the boys.

My main objectives for the season are for the boys to learn new skills, improve their footy, have fun participating, and to be competitive in their games throughout the season. I ask of the boys that they listen, learn and show a commitment to the sport and their team .

Training is at ELS Hall Oval from 5.30-7pm. Please try to be at every training session, it is very difficult to pull it all together on game day if we don't train together.

I am fortunate to have Stu assisting me again this year and thanks to Leonie who has been brave enough to take on the managers role again!

I appreciate the parents support and look forward to another great season!



Trevor 'Mitch' Mitchell  
Under 13's Coach



If you have any information that you would like to share in the Pointpost, contact Stu Goldfinch on;  
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