

*"We play it hard, We play it fair
We never shirk,
We're always there
For we are the Mighty Blues!"*

Blues News

Round 5, 2011 Edition



MEMBERSHIPS
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Croydon vs Noble Park 14th May 2011

Social Calender
14th May: Ladies Lunch
18th May: Sponsors Night
29th May: Greyhound Races
4th June: Bad Azz Disco
2nd July: Boat Cruise Ball
30th July: Poker Night
3rd August: Auction
13th August: Major Raffle
20th August: Band Night
30th Sept: Presentation Night

PRESIDENTS REPORT 2011

A very big welcome to all the Blues supporters for this weeks encounter with Noble Park.
 This is our second week in row where we are at Home and it is great to see and have the ground looking so good.
 Last week we had a tough encounter against East Ringwood for our Colts, who were unable to carry on the good form from the previous week; our Reserves who have not hit their straps as yet; and our Seniors who for 2.5 quarters were the better side, but fell away in the last quarter.
 We have had a horrid run of injuries to date, however we expect to start getting more players back in the coming weeks. However we are confident this week of putting in 3 great team performances this week against Noble Park.



After the game last week we had our Mexican Night which was a great success. Many people dressed up and had a great time. A big thanks to the organizers Katie and Kirsty with Alana and Alicia.
 This week we have our Ladies Lunch at half-time, so all the mums, partners, girlfriends, sisters etc. are all most welcome to attend. With the possible showers forecast, what better way to spend the day in comfort inside the club rooms.
 Please, we ask all Blues supporters to make sure that you join up as a Member. So far we have a record 500 Club Members and we are targeting a record Club membership, so get on board.
 Go Blues!!

Next Match:

**Croydon
VS
East Burwood**

**Saturday 21st May
East Burwood Reserve**

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Sponsors

The Croydon Football Club recognises the value and importance of the support our Sponsors provide the club. We strongly recommended that all our supporters take the opportunity to hunt around and try our sponsors for your purchases. Just mention that you are from Croydon Football Club and I am sure you will be well looked after. For those loyal sponsors who have renewed, welcome back and for the new one, welcome aboard!

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PLEASE SUPPORT THEM!

GREYHOUNDS SUNDAY

On **Sunday May 29th** the Croydon Football Club will join seven other EFL clubs at Sandown Racecourse for some fun at the Greyhounds!

Tickets will be \$25.00 per head which will include

1. Entry into racecourse
2. \$10.00 betting voucher to get you started
3. 3 Hours of Finger Food
4. Drinks at bar prices
5. Race named after the Club and \$1000 up for grabs to the winning club in the 'EFL Challenge' race.

The winning A bus will be leaving the clubrooms in the morning. Time and cost to be confirmed. So please go to the website for further details on the bus.

Check out the posters upstairs for more details on the event. See you there!



MEMBERSHIPS 2011

It's not too late to become a loyal supporter of the CFC. It's our proud members that keep this club running and we're always looking for more supporters to get behind the boys in season 2011.

CFC MEMBERSHIP

- Gate admission to home games—\$63.00
- EFL Record at home games—\$18.00

Valued at over \$80, this membership is a great starting point and can be purchased for only \$66.00!!

TRUE BLUE

- Gate admission to home games—\$63.00
- EFL Record at home games—\$18.00
- 2011 Club polo shirt—\$40.00
- Drink card (pot, wine or soft drink) - approx \$45.00

This membership allows you to show your true Croydon colours with all this value for only \$150.00!!

500 CLUB MEMBER

- Gate admission to home games
- EFL Record at home games
- Half time drinks and nibbles at home games
- Special edition "500 Club" polo shirt and cap

This membership has been established to help secure funds for the Club's long term success. Show your absolute support for the CFC with this membership at \$500.00.

For further information and to purchase your membership, please feel free to contact: Debbie Grant: 0400 622 355, debbie_grant@bigpond.com.au

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION

www.croydonfootballclub.com.au



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LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

COLTS

Croydon 3.3.21

East Ringwood 19.9.123

Best: R.Kotaidis, J. Millard, N. Wilkins, R. Stephens, P. Thatcher, B. Kitto

Goals: P. Thatcher, K. Purtle, B. Kitto

RESERVES

Croydon 6.4.40

East Ringwood 19.22.136

Best: C. Reynolds, J. Wilson, D. Cupido, A. Cowan, A. Naulty, B. Gardner

Goals: C. Reynolds 2, J. Bentley, A. Cowan, J. Wilson, P. Blight

SENIORS

Croydon 9.10.64

East Ringwood 15.7.97

Best: C. Grant, D. Bull, B. Weinert, D. Baily, T. Wright, D. Cross

Goals: B. Weinert 4, M. Cardamone 2, N. Braybon, D. Bull, S. Black

Results according to EFL site.
www.efl.org.au

Coaches Report:

Simon Fielding (Colts):

After the highs of the previous week, our game against East Ringwood was a stark reversal.

The Team were asked again to move the ball quickly, and cleanly to moving targets up the ground. Unfortunately our handling of the ball was unclean and a number of our just tam didnt work hard enough to provide the run we needed or offer any protection for those who did run. Our inability to really offer the pressure we applied from last week, showed with the run that East got from their backline.

There were some really positive passages of play through the game, but failing to capitalise on those passages when it came into the forward line prevented us from putting any scoreboard pressure on East and resulted in only 3 goals being scored by us for the game.

The overall contested possession (bar the later part of the 4th Qtr) was pretty even, but the difference was clean, positive handling, consistent pressure and a large number of turnovers. The late scoring run from a very accurate East Ringwood saw them come away winners by a flattering 101 points.

Good performers on the day were, Wilkins, Kitto, Stevens, Lyle, Thatcher, Purtle and Kotaidis.

This was another strong lesson for the guys in what it takes to back up from the previous week and perform with consistency. Our 4th match against Noble Park needs to show that our work on the track is paying off.

Geoff Wighton (Reserves):

An undermanned reserves side put in a disappointing effort against a very strong East Ringwood. We were behind from the beginning and were playing catch up football the entire day. A number of bad decisions and crucial fumbles handed the game over to a much more competitive East Ringwood.

A few strong performances by some of the boys gave us a bit of hope, and we showed that we were able to put in a strong final quarter effort, but unfortunately the game was well and truly over by then.

This week we aim to redeem ourselves against Noble Park, but again, low numbers require us to ask for help from a few of the colts boys. We need to put in a strong performance for the full four quarters.

Brett Chandler (Seniors):

Another disappointing result for the boys. We showed some strong signs of improvement, but still our inability to play good competitive football for the full quarters let us down, and lost us the four points.

We started the game strong, winning the first quarter in possessions with 6 shots at goal versus East Ringwood's four. Unfortunately, only two of those shots were converted, putting us behind at the first break.

Again, we played some strong, competitive football in the second quarter, with the ball kept mostly at our end of the ground. But, like the first quarter, our inability to convert to goals was a big let down, leaving us 6.8 against their 7.0.

We were unlucky to lose Daniel McConnell and Matt Wilkins to injuries, and therefore we were unable to utilize our rotations as effectively as we would have liked.

We lost the third quarter as East Ringwood came out of the half time break firing. Our boys lost a bit of momentum and lacked confidence in attacking the ball. A few sloppy skill errors handed the third quarter to East Ringwood and the margin increased at the final break.

A disappointing final term further increased that margin and left the boys feeling extremely disappointed with their performance.

This week a focus on getting our skills up to scratch and getting ourselves focused on the game ahead should provide us with what we need to be competitive against Noble Park and hopefully walk away with our first four points.

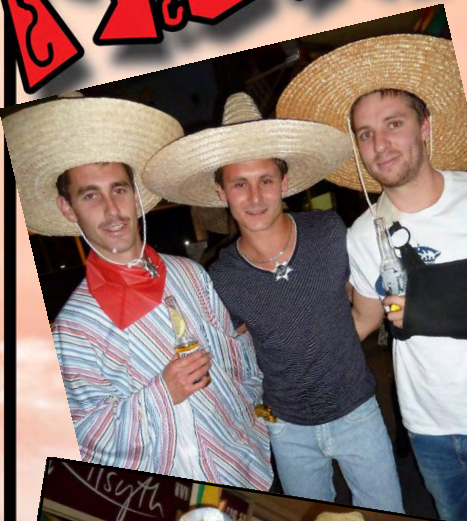


CROYDON FOOTBALL CLUB



PRESENTS

MEXICAN NIGHT



Senior Committee 2011



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