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WELCOME TO THE 2008 SOCCER SEASON



I am the Wenty Editor and I hope to keep you informed with what is happening within then Mighty Wenty Waratah Club

So far this season we have seen a successful start to the year.

We have seen the New Small Sided Game commence for the Under 6's .

Wenty have 7 Teams involved in this game and they all are named after Australian Native Animals & Insects.

Crocodiles, Dingos, Goannas, Kookaburras, Kangaroos, Redbacks and Stingrays.

You can see the next generation of Wenty Players play at Ted Burge Sports-ground on Saturday Mornings in front of the Canteen.

Please support these teams throughout the year.

The Wenty Waratah Soccer Club cannot survive without the support from all the Parents, we require assistance in the Canteen, Ground Duty and Ground Set-up, so please when it is your turn to assist turn up to ensure all the Kids of our great club have a great Season.

The Editor

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WELCOME TO THE 2008 SOCCER SEASON

On behalf of the 2008 Soccer Committee

To all the returning players and new players from Under 6 to our Seniors and Ladies teams a big welcome, including parents and supporters of Wenty Waratahs.

I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome the Coolibah Hotel as our club's Sponsor, We at Wenty Waratah S.C thank the Coolibah for showing us their support. We hold a meat raffle every Friday evening at the Coolibah Hotel. Please come along and try your luck and support the Coolibah. All profits come to our club. Hope to

see you there. Welcome to Stocklands Merrylands and McDonald Merrylands for the encouragement awards & Quick Pics.

I would like to welcome and thank all the coaches and managers who have volunteered their time to teach our children, men and ladies the finer point of this exciting game. Without these people the club could not function.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing committee for their hard work and efforts in 2007.

Congratulations to our Eight (8) Grand Champions in 2007: U9 Div 5, U15 Div 1, U15 Div 2, U10G Div 1, U17 Div 1 Blk, AAL Div 2 Wht, AAL Div 3 & our Over 35 Div 4 teams. This result equalled our best result.

Congratulations to our under 17 Div 1 Blk team, earning their place in the Champion of Champions State tournament representing both the Wenty Waratah Soccer Club and the Granville Association. Wenty Waratah S.C beat West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook S.C in an exciting Grand final 3-2. They took the title, Champion of Champions Winners, for the under 17 age group. Thank you goes out to all the supporters who came to the games and the Grand Final. The support was spectacular, with a sea of Maroon and Gold proudly displayed. Go the Tah's!

I would like to welcome the new committee for 2008. This committee has been putting in an enormous amount of time and effort into getting the 2008 season off the ground for our players, even before a ball had been kicked. They will continue putting hours of their time into the soccer division voluntarily throughout the season. The committee is committed to having a smooth, successful season, working together as a team. The committees I am referring to are the Executive, Grounds and Canteen & Grading committees.

I extend my thanks and appreciation to the band of helpers, who have been helping behind the scenes assisting us in getting the season off to a good start. Your help has been greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the Coaches, Managers, players and families with their patience regarding the draw again, as the association is still experiencing problems with the computer system.

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Presidents Report continues...

Coaches and Managers, please ensure that at each game you appoint a team official to wear the vest, and organise people to assist in the canteen and field duties when required. Remember that at Wenty we try to set a good example of our club, and ourselves when playing and spectating. Any issues are dealt with through the committee after the game.

Please ensure that all Coaches/Managers, Players and Spectators abide by the clubs code of conduct. (Copy of the code of conduct can be found on the web & newsletter).

Last, but not forgotten, are the committees' spouses and families for their understanding and support throughout the season.

With the support of the players, parents and supporters, we at Wenty Waratahs are in for a great year. I wish all our players and teams the best of luck for the season. Whatever the results may be during the season, remember the most important part of the game is Participation, Enjoyment and playing with Good Sportsmanship.

Yours in sport

Robert Di Giglio, President

Granville District Referees

CAUTION CODES

- Y1 Is guilty of unsporting behaviour
- Y2 Shows dissent by word or action
- Y3 Persistently infringes the Laws of the Game
- Y4 Delays the restart of play
- Y5 Fails to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a corner kick, free kick or throw-in.
- Y6 Enters or re-enters the field of play without the referee's permission
- Y7 Deliberately leaves the field of play without the referee's permission

SEND-OFF CODES

- R1 Is guilty of serious foul play
- R2 Is guilty of violent conduct
- R3 Spits at an opponent or any other person
- R4 Denies the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball (this does not apply to the goalkeeper within his or her penalty area)
- R5 Denies an obvious goal scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or a penalty kick
- R6 Uses offensive or insulting language and/or gestures
- R7 Receives a second caution in the same Match

SPECIAL NOTES: Should a player be sent from the field of play, a separate Send-off Report must be submitted.

IT'S ONLY A GAME

Violence and misconduct raised its ugly head again in Granville District in 2007.

Although this is bad enough at the best of times, that it is occurring in younger age groups is a concern for us all.

So what can we at Wenty Waratahs do about it? Firstly, and most importantly for the image of the club, we can ensure that our young players have a full understanding of the sport and the standard of behaviour we expect.

It's only a game. Sport is an organised game for the enjoyment of players and spectators. Keep the game in perspective - sure it's nice to win, and winning should be celebrated, but for every team that wins there must be a loser. Learn to be a good winner as well as a good loser.

Learn the rules. Every game has a set of rules - squash, poker, yachting, rugby, whatever. Learn to play within the rules, and respect the way in which the game is intended to be played. Association Football (or soccer as we know it) has a long history, but the rules have changed very little over time. Contrary to what you see on TV, the only player contact that is legal is shoulder-to-shoulder whilst playing the ball. The referee will not see everything your way, because you are not objective. Accept his decision and get back to playing the game. Do not criticise him, as he never criticises you - you make far more mistakes than him. Play within the laws of the game -remember that a yellow card is one foul away from being suspended and being in disgrace. Wenty have a disciplinary committee that will deal harshly with any misconduct. When you join our club, you are bound by a **Code of Conduct**. Make sure that you are familiar with the conditions that you agree to play under. Maybe your parents signed this form - make sure that they tell you what the code means, or read it for yourself.

Respect your Opponents. Without opposition, you don't have a game. They are your next challenge. They want the same things from the game as you do - they are there to enjoy their sport the same as you.

Parents - embrace the game that your son or daughter wants to play. Encourage them to do their best, and to learn new skills in a team environment. Ask them to listen to their coach (not to you), and help them to enjoy their sporting experience. Always make positive comments on their efforts - good or bad - and never be an 'ugly' spectator. Call out your support and encouragement without giving directions -that is the coach's job. Do not embarrass them but ask them if they had fun.

Coaches and Managers - need to lead by example by being a good behaviour model. Encourage fair play and good sportsmanship. Deal with bad sportsmanship, poor behaviour and bad attitudes early. Ask for support from parents, or refer to the **club's committee for leadership and support**.

What is acceptable - Commitment, desire, determination, trying your best, **supreme effort, mateship, listening, learning, praising your team-mates, pride in your team and your club.**

DON'T...

- Do anything that you wouldn't like done to you
- **Be mean to your team-mates or you opponents**
- Cheat (by trying to gain an unfair or unlawful advantage), such as diving or appealing for a decision you know to be untrue
- **Argue or complain**
- **Stop trying**
- **Stop having fun**

CODE OF ACCEPTABLE CONDUCT

ADMINISTRATORS & OFFICIALS

- Give all children an **equal chance to participate**.
- Ensure that rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules suit the age, ability and maturity level of players
- Provide **quality supervision and instruction** for players.
- Remember that children participate for enjoyment. Don't over-emphasize awards.
- Help coaches and officials **highlight appropriate behaviours and skill development**, and help improve the standards of coaching and officiating.
- Ensure everyone involved in junior sport **emphasizes fair play, not winning at all costs**.
- **Give a Code of Conduct sheet to officials, coaches, players, parents and spectators** and encourage them to stick to it.
- **Think before you speak**. Don't say anything that could disadvantage anyone within your club or association.
- **Compliment and encourage** all players.

REFEREES

- **Be consistent, objective and courteous** when making decisions.
- **Condemn unsporting behaviour** and promote respect for all opponents.
- **Emphasize the spirit of the game** rather than errors.
- **Be a good sport yourself**. Actions speak louder than words.

COACHES

- Remember that children participate for pleasure and that winning is only part of the fun. **Never ridicule or yell at a child** for making a mistake or losing.
- Be **reasonable in your demands** on young players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Teach your players to **always follow the rules**, which are unbreakable.
- Whenever possible, group players to ensure that everyone has a reasonable chance of success.
- **Avoid overplaying the talented players**. The just average need and deserve equal time.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet **safety standards** and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
- **Develop team respect for the ability of opponents** and for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
- Follow the **advice of a physician** when determining when an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
- **Keep up to date with the latest coaching practices** and the principles of growth and development of children.

PLAYERS

- Play by the rules.
- **Never argue with an official.** If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager, talk to the official during break or after the game.
- **Control your temper.** Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
- **Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team.** Your team's performance will benefit so will you.
- **Be a good sport.** Applaud all good plays whether they are your team, or the other team. Treat all players, as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- **Co-operate** with your coach, team mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- **Play for the fun of it**, and not just to please parents and coaches.

PARENTS & SPECTATORS

- **Encourage children to participate** do not force them. Remember that organized sport is for children's enjoyment, not yours. Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing. Encourage players to always participate by to the rules and official's decisions.
- **Never ridicule or yell at a child** for making a mistake or losing a game. Positive comments are motivational.
- Remember that **children learn best by example.** Applaud good performance and efforts from each team. Congratulate all participants upon their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
- **Respect officials' decision** and teach children to do likewise.
- **Respect for your team's opponents** - without them there would be no game.
- **Show appreciation** of volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Support all efforts to **remove verbal and physical abuse** from sporting activities. Do not use foul language or harass players, coaches or officials.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.



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To all Parents

The Coaches and Managers within our club donate their time and effort to teach the Kids of Wenty Waratah the greatest game of all, call it Soccer or Football.

It is the responsibility of all Parents to ensure that you are at all training sessions and games whilst your child or children are participating.

To many times the Coaches and Managers are used as a Child Minding Service and that is not the intention of our club.

There may be times when a child becomes sick or injured during training or a game and we require you to be there to ensure your child is cared for correctly.

From time to time the Coach and Manager will have valuable information to pass on, so lets support those who give up their own time to pass on their knowledge and skills to the Next Generation of Wenty Waratah Soccer by being there to support them and your Child or Children at all times.

The Committee

Canteen Duty / Ground Set Up Duty 2008

For Ted Burge Sports Ground and Sydney Smith

After a successful trial at Sydney Smith in 2007 a new Canteen Roster will be used at both home grounds this season.

Every Team will have canteen duty when they play a home.

After every home game each team will supply one person for the canteen and one person for ground duty. The duty will be for the duration of the next game.

eg. If your team plays at 11:30am duty will be for the 1:00pm game until the start of the 3:00pm game.

It is expected that this duty will be divided evenly amongst all the players/ supporters of each of the teams.

This also includes the Senior Teams.

The 3:00pm teams or last team to play on the field will pack the field.

All teams will be rostered for ground set up duties through out the season.

UPCOMING WENTY WARATAH EVENTS

Wenty Waratah Fund Raising Committee

2008 CHOCOLATE DRIVE

Chocolates will be allocated to all teams and players

Chocolates can be collected from the canteen
at

**Ted Burge Sportsground on Saturday 17th May 2008
and Returned on Saturday 31st May 2008**

Stay tuned for further information from you Coach and Manager

Wenty Waratah

ROO BALL GALA DAY

Under 6, 7 and 8's

Sunday 25th May 2008

Ted Burge Sportsground

Coaches Managers

Please Check your bags for more information in the coming weeks.

2008 NEWSLETTERS

Coaches and Managers

There is an opportunity to e-mail your Team Match Reports to
aba89528@bigpond.net.au after your game on the weekend.

However if you choose to write them out and return with your team folder,
please ensure you print clearly and ensure all children names are spelt correctly.

Also do not forget to write the names of players who receive the Stock;ands
and McDonalds Award on your repots.

All reports need to be in by Monday Night's following the weekend round

Thankyou for your assistance

The Editor

Round 1- 5/04/08 & 6/04/08

U6 Kookaburras v St Joseph (2)

Loss 8 - 0

This is a first time event for all these players at Wenty. St Josephs were a seasoned team and were hard to beat. A great effort by all, for their first time. Looks like there may be some big improvements to come as the team bonds. There is plenty of potential here. Keep up the good work and it will be rewarded. Fun is the most import thing! Tony Froid.

Stocklands Award -

McDonalds Award - Elizabeth Brown

U6 Goannas v Lidcombe Waratah Blue

Loss 8 - 0

Well the first game of small sided variety kicked off with promise. The boy's started passing well, but soon tired. Looks like we need to work on fitness, kick and chase. Well done Atlicus, Cooper, Jeremy and Aiden for their effort. Mehnet can get well and Christon we need you back. Great First Game.

Stocklands Award - Jeremy

McDonalds Award - Cooper

U6 Crocodiles v Ermington United

Win 10 - 0

The Crocodiles had a fantastic match. First goal of the game was scored by Jacob, followed by 2 more goals. Billy had great attack work a scored 4 goals. Alican and Raymond amazing defensive players both scoring a goal each. Arujan was a great supportive player also scoring a goal. Awesome team work from all the boys. A great game.

Stocklands Award - Billy

McDonalds Award - Arujanr

U6 Stingrays v St Josephs 3

Win 10 - 0

I don't know who was more excited us parents or our boys! Finally kicked off with our season with our boys looking very much the part in the soccer uniforms. Our first game will be memorable for many reasons. Taylan scoring the first goal of the match for the other side, Matthew Lee doing kart-wheels on the field while waiting for the game to start. Brandon sitting in the middle of the field and refusing to play or get off. I'm sure all the parents have their own memories of the game. Congratulations to Daniel for receiving the Encouragement Award. Congratulations Isaiah for receiving the Spirit Award for displaying Good Sportsmanship. Congratulations Taylan for scoring the Stingrays 1st Goal of the season.

Stocklands Award - Isaiah

McDonalds Award - Daniel

U6 Redbacks v St Josephs 2

Loss 16 - 0

Our little rooballers played their 1st official game against Granville. Firstly we will say that the boys had a great time and lots of fun, they never winged, cried or complained when they had to take turns on the sideline - May I also add that the 16 to nil loss did not dishearten the Redbacks at all. Granville played a great game and had loads of ball skills but they could not match our Wenty boys with heart. Outstanding player Travis, Most Improved player Alexander. hese players were proud of their certificates and all the boys loved the well deserved icecream and lollies at the end of the match. Thankyou to all the supporters who came to cheer the Redbacks on. Paul Cordina - Coach

Stocklands Award - Travis

McDonalds Award - Aleaxnder

U6 Dingos v St Josephs 1 **Loss 6 - 4**

What a great day to start to the 2008 season as all the boys were excited and keen to begin. Darcy Jones and Cameron Robson made their Soccer debut with fantastic team work and keen eyes to get the ball, both boys will certainly continue to improve their soccer skills as the season progresses. Kori Aquilina playing his second year for Wenty Waratahs played great in attack but his main focus was running back to defend his goal. Adam Abi-Arrage's persistence on the ball led to scoring two outstanding goals for the team. Our player of the week trophy was awarded to Joseph Abi-Arrage (AKA-JOEY) his fantastic foot-work and ball skills were incredible scoring two goals. A great game played by all boys who look certain to strive as the year continues. Thankyou to all our supporters who came to support our team, we hope to see you all at many more of our games in the 2008 season.

U6 Kangaroos v St Josephs 1 **tba**

U7 Blue v Rouse Hill White **Win 5 - 0**

U7 Green v Ermington United **Draw 1 - 1**

U7 Orange v Holroyd Rangers Orange **Loss 6 - 1**

U7 Red v Rouse Hill Black **Win 3 - 2**

U8 Blue v Pendle Hill **Loss 5 - 0**

U8 Green v St Johns Green **Loss 2 - 1**

What a start to the season. This team was on fire! Mitchell showed his great goalie skills, saving quite a few shots in the 1st half. Alexandra had a fantastic game and Btandon was right there with her. Jarrod and Matthew had some fantastic shots at goal, while Jack and Ryan worked tirelessly at defending. Trevorne and Aryan had an exciting first game with their new team and Daniel was a great 2nd half goalie. Highlights were Matthew's fantastic goal and Jaycee coming SO close to scoring goal No.2. What a fantastic team effort. Well done and lots of fun had by all, including some very excited mums and dads.

Stocklands Award - Billy

McDonalds Award - Alexandra Morgan

U8 Orange v Castle Hill United Orange **Loss 2 - 1**

U8 Red v Castle Hill United Red **Loss 5 - 0**

U9/1 v Greystanes **Win 4 - 1**

A good result for our first game. Our defence was solid led by Arya and Zane. It was good to see you all passing well with some good lead up work from the midfield resulting in 4 goals. Well done to Enez you finished very well today, Keep up the good Work. Matt

Stocklands Award - Arya D'Souza

McDonalds Award - Peter GaeGae

U9/4 v Kellyville**Loss 1 - 0**

1st game of the season. Full team played well. All were happy to play and did well. It was a great game. Unfortunate loss, as we played better than the opposition. Looking forward to next week.

Stocklands Award - Ismail

McDonalds Award - Darrins

U9/6 v Kellyville Kolts**Loss 3 - 0**

The game was clean and enjoyable to watch, even though we were down 1,2 players for most of the game. Even though we lost 3-0 we put up a good defence. Thanks to Matthew Ivicovich, Mo Zammel Anwarg and Tahim Hafiz. With only 7 players starting the game they held Kellyville to only 2 goals. In the 2nd half 3 or 2 players joined the game and kept Kellyville to only score 1 goal near the end of the game, which I believe was due to fatigue. Wenty did have a chance to score 3 times but unfortunately Neikzad Rahmatullah shot wide twice and the keeper saved the other. Even though Wenty 9/6 lost, they still put up a good match considering we had less men.

U10/4 v Kellyville**Win 9 - 0**

Boys were happy been back to play soccer. Our first round of the day. Fantastic game from the team scoring a 9 - 0 win

Stocklands Award - Chis Sultani

McDonalds Award - Jordan Khattar

U10/6 v Kellyville**Win 6 - 0****U11/1 v Castle Hill United****Loss 5 - 0****U11/4 v Pendle Hill****Loss 10 - 0**

Wenty started well and kept the ball in or forward area, we had a 5 minute lapse in intensity and Pendle Hill scored 2 goals. Wenty kept attacking and had chances to score. Second half we just became tired and let Pendle Hill score.

Stocklands Award - Matthew Prants

McDonalds Award - Madelin O'Brien

U12/1 v Greystanes**Loss 5 - 3**

A good start to the season. We were playing against the division 1 Champions of the last 3 years. While we have many areas to work on, we did ourselves proud. Well Done.

Stocklands Award - Adam Karusy

McDonalds Award - David Bartley

U12/4 Black v Baulkham Hills**Win 2 - 1**

A new season, a new out look. Great team game by everyone. Looking forward to then rest of the season.

Stocklands Award -

McDonalds Award -

U12/4 White v Holroyd Rangers**Loss 5 - 0**

Well boys, it may have been a lose for the first game of the season BUT hey things can only improve. We need to learn to play more as a team. You van all play soccer well, we just have to learn to pass the ball and play in position - these things will fall into place with a bit more training, ball skills and positioning practice. Well done boys for the effort .

Remember to get out and practice when you are at home.

Stocklands Award - Jesse G

McDonalds Award - Jesse S

U13/2 v St Johns**Loss 2 - 0**

This was the first game. A lot of new players in the team. A great effort was shown by the team, playing the finalists of the competition from last year. There was a lot of pressure on our team, but we held back well. We had some good opportunities to score as well. Better luck next week.

Stocklands Award -

McDonalds Award -

U14/1 v Winston Hills**Win 1 - 0**

Well done boy. Bit slow in the first half and got into the swing of things in the second half. Classic game of two halves. All played well. Weather hotter than a hot dog.

Stocklands Award -

McDonalds Award - Nathan Revely

U14/2 v Castle Hill United**Win 4 - 1**

The season opened well with the boys eager to get on the field and start playing. We had lots of shots on goal in the first half with Lawrence, Anthony, Sergen, Ben and Jono all having shots, but just missing. Defence was outstanding with Jack, Josh, Paul and Rob keeping the other side out. In the second half we started to get it together with better team passing, resulting in some sensational goals to Jono (2), Sergen and Ben. Our defence was again rock solid. Well done boys.

Stocklands Award - Jack Nicholls

McDonalds Award - Mark Anthony Orland

U14/4 v Kellyville**Loss 8 - 2**

Good first game boys, with a great effort from our 1st time goalie Krisham who saved heaps of goals. Our 2 goals came from Curtis, one in the first half from the left corner of the penalty box and the 2nd from a through ball from Paul... great TEAM WORK boys. Congratulations to Adeen for winning the McDonalds Encouragement Award and Murad for winning the Stocklands Award.

Final Score 2-8

Stocklands Award - Murad

McDonalds Award - Adeen

U15/2 v Baulkham Hills Black**Win 9 - 0**

Great game! Score 9-0. What more can I say, Thanks Boys. Manager Tony Barone

U16/1 v North Rocks**Win 3 - 0**

We started slow in this game which was somewhat expected with some new players and a pitch too slow for our style of football. The second half saw the game come alive for good and bad reasons. We really started to dominate possession and contained the ball for most of the half. An unfortunate incident saw the match deteriorate half way through the second half and the quality of football dropped right off. Back to better football next week and better concentration.

U16/3 v Kellyville**Win 7 - 0**

What a way to start the new season. With only 11 players available the team got off to a steady start, with some good passing and great teamwork being played it was not long before we scored our first goal. This style of soccer continued and we completely dominate the first half. A further two goals were scored before half time and we went to the break up 3-0. Second half was much the same as the first, with Wenty completely on top of the opposition. With the great teamwork by all players, a further 4 goals came during this half which gave us a 7-0 win. Well done to all the players, however lets not get carried away with our performance, we still have a long road ahead of us.

Stocklands Award - Khayan

McDonalds Award - Shaneel

U17/2 v North Rocks White**Win 9 - 1**

Far better game than our trial last Friday night boys! This team we played today were having their first run in 2nd Division and it showed. Our passing was much improved which opened the way for our forwards to score. We need to do more work on our passing and positional play before we take on the other sides in the comp. I was very pleased with everyone today, keep up the good work. Coach

U18/1 v Granville Waratah**Win 5 - 2**

First game of the season. Last years Grand Final replay. Unfit, but passing good, defence very solid and attack good. 3-1 half time. 2nd half wilting due to fitness, but good solid hit out "Let's go Boys"

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U21/2 v Baulkham Hills **Win 7 - 0**

U35/3 v North Rocks **Loss 3 - 0**

Terrible first up result, but that's not unusual for us. It's onwards from here.

Sen 4 v Baulkham Hills **Win 3 - 2**

Sen 7 v Toongabbie **Loss 6 - 1**

Sen 8 v Auburn District **Win 6 - 3**

Sen 9 v North Rocks White **Win 6 - 2**

Sen 10 v Kellyville **Loss 3 - 2**

A great first game, especially with only eleven players and two of these were from the 16/3 team, Chris Barnes and Matthew Van Leeuwen played an excellent game. Thanks for helping us out. Considering we were 2-0 down for the first 35 minutes the team fought back in contention. Kellyville scored a goal even though Wenty was controlling the game at that point. Well done for our first game.

Sen 11 v Rouse Hill **Win 5 - 0**

Firstly welcome to the 2008 season, this game was to be a game of uncertainty and to find out which team would last the longest being the first game of the season. Well we were very impressed by the boys fitness and the way in which they played the game. It was a pleasure to watch, with Wenty deserving the favourable result a 5 - 0 win. Lets keep up the good work, and play consistent football, this was only the first game, so let's focus as there is a long way to go!! Well done

10G/1 v Castle Hill RSL **Loss 3 - 0**

Girl Power played well for their first 11 a-side game and a full field. Most of the girls played U8 Rooball last year and we had some new girls who had never played. The girls who played in this team last provided a great example to their teammates, but a lack of match fitness and awareness of the whole field was our undoing. Our sprinters provided fleet feet along the lines and our back line was tested many times and it's a credit to them that they only scored 3. Mid field tried hard however the Castle Hill had three players who were a match for a much more experienced team. As the season progresses, and both skill and fitness improve, I'm sure Girl Power will test any and all comers. Well done and go Girl Power.

12G/1 v Castle Hill RSL **Draw 3 - 3**

It was a great start to the year for the girls, with a 3 all draw. Castle Hill scored first, but Wenty struck back within 5 minutes. 1 all - half time. Castle Hill scored 2 quick goals in the 2nd half to go up 3-1, but the girls dug deep a really began to attack and defend as a team. We managed to score 2 goals to end up with a well deserved draw. 2 great goals to Maddi Finch. Every girl played really well. A big welcome to the new girls and families.

Stocklands Award - Jess

McDonalds Award - Georgie

14G/2 v Baulkham Hills**Loss 8 - 0**

A great effort girls for your first game. We have a number of girls new to the game, however everyone worked well as a team. With continued practice and experience you will be winning games before long. Listen to Kerry and work hard.

Stocklands Award - Kate Cuskelly

McDonalds Award - Samantha Greening

AAL 2 v**tba****AAL 3 v St Josephs****Win 7 - 1**

A good first up win for the team and they have continued their good form from 2007. The new players fitted into the side quite well and things look good for the season. Amanda was our top goal scorer with 5 and the other goals were scored by Alicia and Nicole.

AAL 5 v**tba**

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