

CROYDON CITY ARROWS SOCCER CLUB

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2011 Player/Parent Handbook Junior

Dear Players and Parents,

It is hoped that this Handbook will be kept for the entire season as a source of helpful information. It provides contact details and information concerning the club, its players and 'how things work'.

CONTACT DETAILS

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Club Patron

Ernie Howarth

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CLUB HISTORY

Croydon City Soccer Club was founded in 1957

Our first clubroom and the ground we called home were at Mt Dandenong Road where our clubrooms were built by volunteers under the guidance of Micky Bristow.

In 1985/86 the reserves and 1st team won the State League Championship and the Cup under the guidance of Peter Ollerton as our coach.

There have been a few famous soccer players to come out of CCSC. Peter Ollerton, Paul Wade, Jimmy Tansey, Jimmy Rooney, Jimmy Campbell, Danny Allsopp (just to name a few) all went on to become Socceroo players.

Our current home at Dorset Road was built by Croydon Council under the Guidance of Peter Benson and Michael Antolos - our President at that time and our Patron of the Club.

We currently have around 375 junior and 70 senior players with the Club.

REGISTRATION

To complete the registration process, all new players must:-

- Provide a current passport sized photograph.
- Complete the FFV Registration Form.
- Provide a copy of the Birth Certificate.
- Pay the Registration Fees
- Parents must also sign a Code of Conduct.

FEES

Registration fees are due on registration day and can be paid online, or by cash or cheque. Players are not be eligible to play games until their fees are paid and they are registered to play with the FFV as they are uninsured otherwise. Fees are listed on the registration form.

TRAINING and GAMES

Training occurs at a location nominated by the club and your Team's Coach. Players are expected to be on time and to dress appropriately. Parents are encouraged to be in attendance at games and training sessions. If your child is unable to attend training or to play at a fixtured game, **NOTIFY YOUR COACH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. Fixtures are issued as soon as they are available from the FFV.

For training and games:-

- Players must wear shin pads.
- Remove all jewellery.
- It is recommended that all players bring a drink.

Players will be notified of pre-season training details in late February / early March. The pre-season preparation may involve both training sessions and practice games.

FIRST AID

A first aid kit is bought along to all games by your Coach. Should there be any issues with your children's health or fitness you can complete a New Player Medical Form which will be provided to your Team Manager, or give verbal information to your Coach before the game. We do, however, ask that first aid be administered by a parent/guardian.

COMMITTEE

The Committee looks forward to welcoming new members.

While Committee meetings are generally for committee members, club members may request to attend or be invited to attend meetings if required. Should you wish to raise a particular matter for discussion, please contact a committee member by phone or email so that the matter to be discussed can be added to the agenda.

COMMUNICATION

Handbook

It is important to us that all parents and players know 'what is going on' at all times. We hope that this handbook will assist with that aim. Should you find that there are issues of interest to you which are not covered in the handbook, please inform a Committee member.

Notices

It is preferred that we email all notices from time to time to ensure everyone is kept up to date. Please provide us with any changes in email details at your earliest opportunity. Coaches and team managers may also choose to use SMS texting as a means of quick communication.

Website and Facebook

The club website is www.croydoncitysc.org.au. We also have a Facebook supporter's page.

Newsletter

The Club endeavours to post a Monthly Newsletter on our website. Feel free to check on the website regularly for upcoming events and information.

TEAM PHOTOS

Team photos will be taken at a home game during the first half of the season. Details will be distributed later. A variety of packages will be available for you to purchase.

PRESENTATION DAY

At the conclusion of the season a Presentation Day will be held at the Clubrooms when the following awards will be given:-

- Participation
- Best & Fairest (voted on by parents in your team)
- Coaches award
- Most Improved
- Long service medals

It is also on this day that all washed strips, balls and other equipment are to be handed back to the Club if it hasn't already been done.

AGM

The Annual General Meeting is held at the close of the season. Nomination Forms for Committee positions will be available on Presentation Day. Details will be available on the website.

YOUR TEAM

Each team requires a Team Manager. You can nominate yourself or your Coach may appoint someone. This job is performed by a parent just like you so please support this hard working person as much as you can. It is the Team Manager's responsibility to ensure that you have up to date match details. If there are any last minute changes to game times or locations, you will be notified. They also liaise with the match Referee and ensure that our team book is filled out and signed. You can also speak to your Team Manager should you have a query about your Coach or you have an issue with a Referee's decision.

PARENT'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

On game day your Team Manager will require people to perform tasks such as Marshall (home games only), Linesman, votes, oranges and pitch setup (only at home games if we are the first team on the pitch). At the beginning of the season a roster will be drawn up and you will be required to help on your rostered day. If you are interested in performing one of these duties on a regular basis, please make yourself known to your Team Manager or Coach as soon as possible. Your child's soccer game may be forfeited if we are unable to attend to the required responsibilities.

NOTIFY YOUR TEAM MANAGER OR COACH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND TO YOUR ROSTERED DUTY.

VOTES

At the end of each year, participation awards are given to all players. The Best & Fairest award is decided via a weekly voting system, while the other awards are decided by the Coach and the Club. Each week parents will be asked to vote for the three (3) players on a '3, 2, 1' Best & Fairest basis with 3 given to the player whom you felt played Best & Fairest on the day.

SOCIAL NIGHTS

During the season there may be several social activities for the players. These events are great for developing team unity and as they are provided at no cost to the players, we strongly encourage your child's involvement.

UNIFORM

Each player who has paid their fees receives a team strip which is theirs to wear for the entire season. When a player ceases playing for the season (on or before the last game) the strip is to be returned to the Club. Cleaning the strip each week is the responsibility of the player. Should unreasonable damage be caused to a strip outside a fixtured game, the cost of repairs or replacement will be charged to the player. Shorts and socks are provided as part of your membership.

If it is necessary for your team to wear an away strip, your Team Manager will provide you with this prior to game day.

General

Players may not wear T-shirts or other clothing (such as boxer shorts) which are **visible** under their uniform. Players who choose to wear skins under their shorts must wear white skins, the same colour as their shorts **ONLY**.

NO JEWELLERY WHATSOEVER IS TO BE WORN. IF FOUND BREACHING THIS RULE ON GAME DAY, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO PLAY. No taping of any type is permitted. For clarification on these rules, refer to the FFV Junior Rules of Competition.

Boots

Players will require soccer boots and shin pads. Boots are not to be worn in the clubrooms.

Mouthguards

For safety reasons, the Club recommends that every player wear a fitted mouthguard.

HOME GROUND RULES

Smoking

It is prohibited for anyone to smoke or consume alcohol within the confines of the playing barrier fence/pitch boundary. This includes the team bench, within the Technical area and anywhere on or within 3 metres of the boundary line.

Alcohol

There is to be no alcohol consumed at junior games or training sessions.

On the Pitch

Only the Coach, Team Manager and players are allowed onto the pitch (including the Technical area) **during play**. No spectator is permitted to enter the pitch during play for any reason other than if you are signalled to do so by your Coach.

COACHING POLICY

An objective of the Croydon City Arrows Soccer Club is to develop player's ability, improving skills and ensuring the players have fun and do not lose interest in the game of Soccer.

If a player shows potential, the player may be invited to play in a higher age group or higher grade team, if it is considered it will help improve and develop the players and their skills. This would only be done after discussion between the coaches of the respective teams and after consultation with the player's parents and the player.

ALL COACHES, TEAM OFFICIALS, PARENTS AND PLAYERS AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE **FFV JUNIOR RULES OF COMPETITION** AND THE **CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT RULES**. THESE CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AND IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH PARENT TO READ THESE.

FUNDRAISING AND SPONSORSHIP

Helpers

Fundraising is very important to the successful running of the Club as it provides essential income. We are anxious to find people who would be interested in assisting with, or organising fundraising activities. Please contact Di Graf 0414 726 699 if you would be available.

Donations

All those who donate items or money to the Club are recognised as Sponsors and receive benefits for that sponsorship.

Throughout the year the Club requires donations such as:-

- Money to pay for trophies
- Prizes for Raffles and Social Nights

Consider whether your family, your business, or someone you know would be in a position to donate any of these items. Every little bit helps.

Major Sponsors

We have several opportunities for businesses that wish to make larger contributions to the Club. Please contact the Committee for further details.

Events

During the season there will be several fundraising events, particularly social events and raffles. Please give these activities your fullest support as every bit of money raised goes back into the Club in the form of equipment, uniforms, improving our facilities and reduced registration fees for players.

UNIFORM ITEMS AVAILABLE

Club Shorts		\$20
Club Socks		\$10
Club Beanie	one size fits all	\$15
Club Scarf		\$15
Club Warm Up Jacket	Kids 4-14	\$35
	Adults S,M,L,XL	\$40
Club Hoodie	Kids 4-14	\$35
	Adults S,M,L,XL	\$40
Club Spray Jacket	Kids 4-14	\$35
	Adults S,M,L,XL	\$40

Contact Natalie Barnett 0407 867 478 to place your order.