



MANNING JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

March

PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the 2nd edition of the Manning Junior Football Club Newsletter. This is our way of staying in touch and keeping you up to date about what is happening at the club.

Registration Day on February 24th was a great success! More than sixty local children signed up to play in 2008. There are lots of new starters (pre-primary/5 year olds) and quite a few girls have joined our ranks. Welcome! We look forward to seeing your footy skills develop.



Words of encouragement from visiting Perth Demons' players at Bush Kapers Day



A busy Registration Desk

The City of South Perth “**Bush Kapers**” event was held at James Miller Oval on March 9th. The Manning Football Club played host on the day, offering food, facilities and fun competitions. Some of our youngest players took part in a scratch match early in the day which attracted the attention of visiting Perth Demons players. Lots of prizes were also won at the longest kick competition and the handball competition.

Something for your diaries:

Calendar of Events

Sunday, 30 March 2008	Pre-season BBQ, informal games, discuss coaching etc (all ages) - 10am
Sunday, 6 April 2008	Pre-season training & scratch matches (all ages) - 10am
Wednesday, 23 April 2008	Perth Demons School Holiday Clinic
Sunday, 27 April 2008	Season starts for Juniors only (9-12s)
Sunday, 4 May 2008	Season starts for AUSKICK (5-8s)
<i>And later on...</i>	
Saturday, 24 May 2008	Manning Quiz Night
Saturday, 19 July 2008	Manning Legends Day
Saturday, 26 July 2008	Perth District Gala Day (Gosnells)

Desperately Seeking Coaches and Assistant Coaches for all our young teams. You don't have to be a skilled footballer, we just need your enthusiasm and organizational abilities! If you think you'd like to give it a go, talk to Chris Lockyer (Head Coach) or Ian Hazelhurst (parent and previous "Assistant" coach!) at our pre-season events.

We will even send you on a coaching course! A coaching clinic is being run on April 12th for all beginner coaches (run by Perth Demons Football Club).

Mid-week Training

A reminder that mid-week training is for Junior players *only*. This will be held on Wednesday afternoons, 3:30-4:30pm at James Miller Oval. As in previous years, boys from Aquinas will be assisting with coaching and training.

Second-Hand Boot Stall

Have your children outgrown their football boots from last season? Then bring them along to our Second-Hand Boot Stall and offer them for sale. What, you don't have any boots? Then come along and see if you can pick up a bargain. Most children outgrow their football boots well before the shoes are worn out. So, why don't we all trade and everyone wins!

The stall will run every Sunday morning during the season and will be open during our Pre-season events.

News from our Seniors

The Manning Rippers Football club has a very active Senior club. It is organizing a Club Quiz night to be held at the Manning Hall (opposite the oval) on Saturday May 24th. If you are interested in making up a table, call Scott Greer on 0413 169 664 or send an email to scottgreer@bigpond.com.

For more information about our club, visit www.manningrippers.com.au

Perth Demons District News

Did you know that Manning is part of the Perth Demon's football district? The Perth Demon's Football Club actively promotes football. As part of its Rising Star program, it is currently offering FREE junior membership to all players who register in the Perth District. Rising Star members also receive a certificate, player stickers and poster and will have opportunities to meet with players and participate in promotions and competitions

Perth Demon's also run School Holiday Junior Football Clinics. Any child can participate. The next clinic is being held on April 23rd. For more information, contact Perth Demons Development Officer Clint Degebrodt on 0418 916 748.

Sponsorship

Once again our club is being sponsored by Jones-Ballard Property Group (they are helping to purchase new jumpers for our ever growing junior players). To Nik Jones and his colleagues, we say Thank You!

We are always on the lookout for sponsorship and funding. If you know anyone who might like to be our patron, then let us know!

Got any questions?

Then call Anna our AUSKICK Co-ordinator on 9450-8030 or send her an email at Anna.Ferrante@uwa.edu.au

See you on Sunday March 30, 10am start. Happy Easter!

