

SOUTHS UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB INC

HANDBOOK

A Community Football Club for ALL



2016

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Club History and Future

The Club's ancestry began in the minds of a handful of local enthusiasts keen to start a football team that would fill the barren desert between the Brisbane River and the coal town of Newcastle, an area served by absolutely no club of any note in the relatively recent year of 1960.

In 1961, a generous offer from the Council of the day gave the yet unnamed club an overgrown farm plot which was then enthusiastically hand cleared and levelled of jungle weeds and bulrushes. At this time, Celtic FC provided the club with 2 strips in their traditional emerald green and white hoops. The Club has retained these colours ever since.

By 1962, the fledgling club was known as South Coast United and was let loose on an unsuspecting opposition under the Presidency of the late Cyril Boland. The Club quickly expanded from 4 junior and 2 senior teams to about 20 teams by 1965. To accommodate this expansion, two more fields had to be carved out of the wilderness.

In 1972, the existing club name of Souths United was born.

1974 saw a permanent lease with BCC arranged over our grounds and work began on the much-needed clubhouse which, after the tremendous efforts by many Club members, was opened in 1975 after tremendous efforts by many club members. Fittingly, the senior Men's team won the Premiership and many other prestigious awards that year.

The grounds were renamed Wakerley Park acknowledging the special efforts of the late Col Wakerley in helping to get the club established. Field 1 and Field 2 were named The Les Wilson Field and The George Waite Field in recognition of their contributions to the construction of the clubhouse.

In 1978, the floodlighting of our No. 1 field was completed to such a standard that only two other clubs in Queensland were capable of staging night fixtures on a permanent basis.

Our first women's teams were registered in 1979 and since then, we have continued to field women's teams.

Over the years, Souths has continued to build strong foundations for each area of the club. The late 80's saw the junior base develop strongly, the 90's and early 00's saw the men's teams power on strongly. In 2002, the men's team qualified to be promoted to the Premier League for season 2003. The late 00's saw substantial growth in our junior girls' teams which was the impetus for a restructuring within the women's teams. This restructuring along with the strong junior base, has seen women's football at all ages continue to develop and strengthen. This includes the implementation of dedicated girls

development programs and continued participation in the Brisbane Women's Premier League (BWPL) competition

The Club was successful in 2011 in obtaining the lease from the Council for Field 6 - the area of land on the north eastern corner of Nathan Road and Dew Street. The Club desperately needs to be able to utilise this field for game days and eventually for training. This requirement has been factored into our Strategic Plan.

The National Premier Leagues debuted in 2013. Souths hosted the girls on behalf of Brisbane Strikers in 2013 & 2014 but are delighted to be the Licensee for the PS4 Women's National Premier League (WNPL) program since 2015.

The Committee worked closely with Council to deliver to the Budget - promised \$3 million. Stage 1, upgrade to lighting for Fields 2, 3 & 4, was completed in 2014 and the field upgrade to artificial turf was completed in May 2015. These fields are a first for Queensland! The field layout easily caters for our 5-a-side / Super Sixes off-season competition, which had its inaugural kick off in October 2015.

2015 saw all areas of the club achieve great things. The women were represented in the WNPL and BWPL. The juniors achieved promotion or retention of their SYL status for 2016 in all eligible age groups. The Capital League and Reserves set the fields ablaze throughout the season in dominating form. Both teams won their respective grand finals and the Capital team also took out the Premiership with the Reserves pipped at the post. They earned promotion to Capital League 1 for 2016. Their focus remains to re-establish their presence in the Premier League by 2017-18.

Souths United continues to be a respected Club within the football fraternity. In 2015, we embraced diversity of cultures, nationalities and ages. 2016 will see this expand to include physical abilities as we welcome the Special Olympics to Souths. As the needs of the local community change, so do the programs and competition levels offered at Souths United. In 2016, we anticipate fielding Subway Squirts, 36 MiniRoos teams, 16 Junior Divisional teams (including 4 all girls teams), 13 Mens teams, 3 Womens teams, 3 NPL teams as well as conducting a Skills Acquisition Program (SAP) and facilitating the Special Olympics program. We're also scheduling the Emerald Cup, Leprechaun Cup and Onyx Cup during the season as well as enhanced Player and Coaching development Training. And, of course, there'll be our annual 5-a-side/Super Sixes off-season competition.

President's Message

Welcome to the 2016 season at Souths United Football Club!

The 2015 season was one of Souths most successful years both on the field and as a club, bringing us closer to realizing our vision in becoming the best football club in Brisbane.

Completion of our major project during 2015 was realized with the implementation of the new synthetic all-purpose fields has provided Souths with the platform for football that many would envy. It has also attracted international and elite entities to play/train at Souths, with Liverpool Legends and W-League Roar being guests of the club. We also benefited by having fields playable during wet weather events, hosting final series and off-season competitions; and completing all 2016 pre-season trials and training. We still have more to do with enhancement to surrounds, including seating, and we appreciate your support and patience as this unfolds.

While the benefits of having exceptional fields being available 365 days of the year, the ongoing maintenance and readiness of personnel to support this operation increases. My sincere thanks and appreciation goes to the hard working and committed team at Souths United without whom, the continuing club success would not be achieved.

Souths United's success in our junior and senior competitions in 2015 have been widely acknowledged and applauded. Most importantly, the goals to be achieved, set collectively by the club, coaches and players for 2015, were attained. This was not without extraordinary challenges and was as a result of exceptional commitment, support and beliefs from the club, that together, we can attain the goals set; build on our strengths; and help fledging areas to improve.

In 2016 Souths United will boast teams in the highest level of competition available, including Komodo Dragon Cross-River, Super Youth League (SYL), Women's National Premier League (WNPL) and Brisbane Women's Premier League (BWPL). With the Senior Men's promotion to Capital 1 in 2016 this places them in good stead to achieving the utopia for 2017/18 and strives to be promoted back into Brisbane Premier League.

While the impact of the NPL competition continues to be a battle in the junior age groups for many community clubs, Souths United has embraced the ethos of the competition and encourages the pathway it provides our talented players, yet still offering a competitive community football stream. As a result the club has maintained strong numbers and performed to an exceptional level of success throughout the season with all eligible junior age groups now competing in the highest level of competition within Football Brisbane for 2016—Super Youth League (SYL).

Souths United's commitment to Women's Football has never wavered and only intensifies with the introduction of a Women's Youth Development Program in 2016 for those female players aged U13-U16. This program will complement existing development programs also established for female players at Souths United, including the Skills Acquisition Program (SAP) for female players aged U9-U12 as well as the PS4 WNPL.

Parallel to implementing enhanced development opportunities, Souths United has been aggressive in our drive to attract and retain highly skilled coaches and players in both the WNPL and BWPL competitions. This, along with the appointment of Mr Gary French as Women's Technical Director and Head Coach, has resulted in an influx of talent that will see sensational team performances and results across both competitions. I urge everyone, as a club and football enthusiasts, to embrace the new and exciting women's lineup and football that will be experienced at Souths United in 2016.

Focus on player and coaching development will be amplified in 2016 with the appointment of

our new Managing Football Director, Mr Mick Wild, who will spearhead the whole of club football development program and underpinning plans. These plans will be specific to age groups within MiniRoos and Juniors, differing skill levels and provide the opportunity for all players and coaches to reach their potential. Broadened plans are under development to provide selected players and coaches international football experiences and I look forward to announcing details early 2016.

While emphasis is often placed on developing or elite competitions, Souths United values and encourages the social competitions and welcomes new competitions opportunities such as Legends O30 (Women's) and the continuance of our highly competitive and entertaining O35 Men's teams and both the Men's and Women's City League teams during the 2016 season.

An exciting and rewarding new initiative for Souths United, will be the introduction of Special Olympics Program where we look forward to providing a football opportunity for players, from 6 year olds and upward, who are not able to play mainstream football. Stay tuned as this takes off in 2016.

The plan to deliver tournament and short term competition events continues to be a focus for 2016 as they are excellent avenues for player development, fun and participating in events that build strong team environments. Many of these tournaments will be played on our new all-purpose synthetic grass fields and I look forward to seeing these eventuate in 2016.

Souths United's consistent drive to continue with success and achievement, either on a social or competitive level, requires dedication to progress forward with our strategic plans yet not being afraid to improve upon areas that fall short. This will be achieved through:

- Appointments of highly accredited and experienced coaches
- Refined development plans and coaching clinics/programs that are delivered through the appropriate directors and associated head coaches.
- Delivery of Development Programs and Coaching Clinics for boys and girls U8—U11
- Delivery of Skills Acquisition Programs for Girls and any associated discovery programs on behalf of Football Brisbane.
- Delivery of WNPL Girls Teams (U13, U15); [Youth (U16-U20)] and Women's Teams.
- Provision of the highest level of competition for our Junior Teams in SYL and Division 1.
- Continue to host the Squirts (ages 3-5) program and; teams for U6—U8; U9—U11 in the Komodo Dragon Level and supporting competition levels for new and developing players
- Representation in all competition age groups in the Junior Divisional Teams (U12—U16)
- Fielding Junior girls' teams in all available age groups from U10 through to U18.
- Women's teams competing in the highest leagues available in Football Brisbane Competition and; fielding a Women's divisional and/or social level team/s.
- High representation and performance of our Men's teams in the Capital and Capital Reserves, U18, U20 and City leagues; as well as social O35's.
- Delivery of the Facilities Improvement Program.

With so many activities, events and a clear direction to aspire we will only succeed with the help and enthusiasm of many hands and minds. I welcome assistance, support and input from our many members so together we can continue to achieve our vision of becoming the "Best Football Club in Brisbane".... We want to succeed and evolve for you— our members, players and our community.....

Believe to Achieve! 2016 is yours to Enjoy and Succeed....

Tracey Confessore (President)

Life Members

1971	Cyril Boland *
1973	George Waite *
1974	Harry Bale
1975	Bruce Miller
1976	Ian Rushby
1979	Rob Paterson
1980	Alan Vickery
1982	Denis Parkin
1984	Bruce Pitman *
1987	Trevor Ellaby *
1990	Alistair Miller
1993	Andy Leebody
1994	Ted Winnett
1998	John Meertens
2000	Glen Burchardt *
2001	Warren Whittaker
2003	Beth Bolt
2004	Paul Young
2007	John Wakerley
2008	Shane Laird
2010	Geoff Doyle
2011	Colin Wakerley *
2015	Paul Purnell *

* Deceased

Our Aims: The aims and objectives of the Club shall be to provide facilities and an environment primarily for the advancement and enjoyment of the sport of soccer and to do such things that are incidental and conducive to the attainment of these aims consistent with good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

How can You Help YOUR Club Without Spending a Cent in Time or Money?

Most people are more than willing to assist their club however most people are either cash-poor or time-poor or both! Here are just 2 ways in which you can assist without having to spend an extra cent or extra time!!

ROAR One Goal Program

Do you or your friends/neighbours attend ROAR home games? Souths can earn points every time tickets are purchased through Ticketek. Points can then be spent by the club to purchase equipment, training sessions with Roar staff/players etc. All you have to do is mention our One Goal Program unique code: SU. That's how easy it can be to assist your club!!

Rebel Sport

Ever buy anything at Rebel Sport? Mention Souths United at the checkout and Souths will earn points on everything you purchase. Again, the Club can spend these points on buying equipment etc. How easy is that!

Of course if you or your business has some extra funds, the Club has some wonderful Sponsorship Packages available. Now is the time to become a Bronze, Silver, Gold or even a Platinum Sponsor. Your logo could be on our 2016 jerseys or playing shorts. All strips are due for replacement in 2016. Your logo could be seen across Brisbane. Imagine what that could do for your business!

Your Club

Souths United is a volunteer-run, community-based sporting club run for the enjoyment of our players, members and spectators.

Our aim is to provide a quality and supportive environment where players can develop to their potential.

It is important to note that nobody on the Management Committee is paid and devote numerous hours to providing administration and delivery of services and club operations to ensure players enjoy their season. This is done in addition to their full time work responsibilities and often at the detriment to family time.

It may seem a daunting task to put your hand up for a position whether it be a manager or coach, an age coordinator or a Souths Shop Helper or even a Committee member but the thing to remember is that nobody knows how to do the role when they first take it on (guidance and assistance available) and everyone is busy! With the extra help and support, the workload lessens across the board and we benefit from new ideas, friendships and whole of club culture

So, don't wait for 'The Club' to do something or to change how things are done. Don't wait for 'The Club' to find your child's team a coach or a manager or to find people to open the Souths Shop midweek. Put up your hand and volunteer. You'll be glad you did!

International Clearances

FIFA have amended the Rules regarding players born overseas and moving to Australia and subsequently play football OR players returning to Australia from overseas to resume playing football.

Senior Players

Over 18 years old

Applies if:-

- Player's last registration was with a Club in a country other than Australia

OR

- Player has never played football before and they are not an Australian citizen.

Junior Players

10 – 17 years old

Applies if:-

- Player's last registration was with a Club in a country other than Australia

OR

- Player has never played football before and they are not an Australian citizen

AND

- The family moved to Australia for reasons not linked with football.

See our website (2016 Sign-on>International Clearance Procedures) for a list of the required documents.

Note:

Senior and Junior players requiring an International Clearance are **not** permitted to participate in any form of competitive fixture, which includes pre-season competitions.

Please be aware that an International Clearance Procedures can take up to **6 weeks** to be received (***after all required documentation is received***).

Volunteers Required

BBQ Coordinator Purchase stock requirements monthly
Facilitate/attend set-up and pack-up
Ensure rostered teams are organised

The Management Committee is planning a series of BBQs which will require the assistance of junior and senior teams. Run on a monthly basis, this will not be onerous on one team. External BBQs will also be scheduled to further increase fundraising and club promotion opportunities.

Age Coordinator Under 9 and Under 10
Liaise with parents and with VP – MiniRoos

These roles assist the Vice-President in communication and coordination within the designated age group. During season start period, the role requires some time in the first couple of months and then the workload tapers off.

Apprentice Referee Mentors Support and assist Apprentice Referees on Saturdays

The Apprentice Referee Program has been a successful initiative for the past several seasons and gives young people the opportunity to officiate games in a non-competitive environment. Many of them then go on to become official referees. This role provides the Apprentice Referee with support, guidance to the Apprentice Referee while, in association with Club Management Committee members, managing team officials and spectator control.

We would like to thank the following sponsor for their support during 2016

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Contact Dino Hasanovic

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**Sponsorship/
Marketing Co-Ord**

Liaise with Management Committee
Actively promote the Club to:
- Community
- Potential Sponsors
- Intra/inter Club tournaments

This is a vital role with the objectives of promoting the club to the community and also seeking sponsors. 2017 is our target to replace the existing strips (Under 9 - seniors) and implement further club improvements to provide a better experience for our players, coaches, members and supporters. We are seeking to renew existing partnership and establish new partnerships.

Field Set-up Supervisor

Ensure fields on Saturday mornings have the correct nets and corner posts.
Give guidance where needed
Ensure bootwipers in place

Supervise the set-up of fields and place bootwipers on Saturday mornings. Teams are rostered on each week to set-up but some guidance can be required especially early in the season.

Events Co-Ordinator

Assist with organisation of events
Liaise with Management Committee and facilitate volunteer support

Souths Shop Helpers

Open the shop for 1 hour once a week during your child's training session (full training provided)

Match Day Programs

Prepare and print the Senior Match Day Programs for Home Games.



Souths Shop

The Souths Shop has an array of stock to cater for both players and supporters. **Catalogue is now available online.**

The Souths Shop is open Monday - Friday nights during the initial weeks of grading/training. After this period, the Souths Shop is open 2 - 3 nights per week and for the first few Saturday mornings of the junior season. Details of opening hours will be posted on the Club's website under the Souths Shop tab.

The Souths Shop is located in the main clubhouse directly opposite the main entrance.

(Prices are based on 2015 however as 2016 stock is received; prices may increase to cover any additional costs incurred)

Club Polo Shirt	\$40
Club Jacket (order only basis)	POA
Kit Bag	\$25
Back Pack	\$35

Players' Uniform:

Club Shorts	\$25	
Club Socks - Black (field players)	\$15	
- White (goalkeepers)	\$15	
Training Shirts (optional)	\$25	
(Training shorts and socks can also be supplied)		
Skins	POA	
Shin Pads	\$10	
Black Tape (per roll)	\$2	
Shinguard Holders - 30mm	Black	\$5.00
- 65mm	Black	\$7.50

Supporters' Gear:

Scarves	\$15
Beanies	\$10
Hoodies	\$35
Keyrings - laser engraved Club emblem	\$10
Soft Back Pack	\$10
Wrist Bands	\$ 4
Caps	\$10
Bucket Hats	\$10
Travel Mugs	\$10
Spray Jackets	\$40
Water Bottles	\$10
Stubby Holder	\$ 5

New items coming soon in 2016 – keep an eye on website

Souths Shop Assistants Needed -

We are seeking volunteers to assist in the Souths Shop. Full training will be provided. Volunteer parents are sought to open the Souths Shop midweek throughout the season.

CAD
Accounting



Club Policies

Souths have a number of policies covering many different issues. All are available to parents and members to read - just ask a member of the Management Committee.

- Behaviour Management Policy
- Child and Youth Protection Policy
- Risk Management Policy
- Junior Policy
- Junior Development Plan (for both MiniRoos and Divisional)
- Development Plan and Volunteer Management Plan
- Dress Code – all players and team officials
- Squirts Program
- Apprentice Referee Program
- Female Player Development Plan.

Some highlighted points are:

- This requires Management Committee approval.
- Souths financially support our Coaches who undergo Accredited Coaching Courses. Conditions apply - ask a member of the Management Committee for more details.
- **The consumption of alcohol is prohibited during junior team training sessions, during the playing of junior fixtures and during any club sanctioned junior event. BYO alcohol is strictly forbidden and contravenes our licence conditions.**
- **Smoking is only permitted in our carparks.** We appreciate your respectful consideration of others by remaining 4m away from other members and visitors.
- **Dogs are not to be brought to training sessions, games and other club sanctioned events.** Exceptions are registered Guide Dogs.

Car Parking:

Parking in Dew Street is limited and should be avoided where possible. Parking exists at the Nathan Road end of our grounds.

Parking in the Baseball Club's bitumen carpark off Dew Street is not permitted.

Wet Weather:

With the upgrade to FIFA approved synthetic football turf on Fields 2, 3 and 4, minimal field closures for training and games are expected to be caused by wet weather. It is however wise to check the website for any changes to training allocations which may happen if we have extended periods of rain causing the closure of Field 1 or where weather is deemed unsafe for play to continue.

New Rules for Synthetic Fields

Players, Parents, Spectators, Team Officials and Referees will need to be mindful of the Rules associated with the new Fields 2, 3 and 4. These are available on our website: About>Club Documents

The Committee has gone to great lengths in the design and thought process with the new fields to ensure minimal damage to the fields ensuring the longevity of the playing surface. Accordingly, a maintenance plan has been developed and practices and rules have been developed for all players, coaches, spectators and officials. We hope that everyone will respect the investment and be good caretakers for the future.



Where does your money go??

We are often asked by our members “Where does our money go?” For all intents and purposes, soccer should be a cheap sport to play. After all, all that is needed is a ball, some nets and corner posts, a few refs, some players and jerseys. How could it possibly cost so much to play! Hopefully this will help shed some light on this issue.

Your registration fees cover a cross-section of costs that are payable to external football governing bodies as well as football and operating costs. This is not the only source of income to help supplement the overall costs incurred by clubs and Souths United actively looks at alternative income sources to mitigate or minimize registration fees. Registration fee inclusions:

- Club Membership
- Registration & Affiliated Fees to Governing Bodies
- All Player insurance coverage
- Building & Maintenance Levy (inc Lighting)
- Fundraising Levy
- Club Polo Shirt (optional for returning players – fee reduced if not required)
- Player / Coaching Development
- Coaching Costs
- Club Physio and Injury Management Plan
- All Training and Playing Equipment

Depending on age group, fee packages may have variations to inclusions/exclusions

Notes:

Other Income includes: Canteen, Raffles, Bank Interest, Sponsorships, Tournaments

Football Costs include: Affiliation and Registration Fees, Coach Reimbursements, Field hire, Physio, Player/Coaching Equipment, Trophies, Presentation Day BBQs, Referees Fees, Subsidised Coaching Development

Operational Costs include: Electricity, Gas, Lease, Rates, Water, Rubbish Removal, Cleaner, Insurances, Licences, Printing and Stationery, Credit/Debit Card Surcharges, Repairs and Maintenance, Security, Telephone/Fax/Website Host/Internet, Work Cover, Jersey Replacements

Ground Maintenance includes: Fuel, Linemarking Paint, End of Season Field Renovation, Equipment Repairs

Souths is a *unique* club within Queensland. We are the largest single-sport club that is not subsidised by a Licenced Venue. We are fiercely proud to be a family club where the Squirts, Under 6's through to the Senior Men's and Women's and Over 35s are respected and valued.

Our Apprentice Referee Program not only assists the young people in the program but also the mums and dads in the Under 8 - Under 11 age groups. No longer do they need to act as referees week in and week out.

We have always and will continue to adhere as best we can to the demands placed on us by Football Brisbane, Football Qld and FFA. To this end, we continue to implement the National Curriculum across all age groups. This requires a significant amount of resource to develop both coaches and players to ensure they reach their potential and progress to the highest level of football that they wish to aspire to.

Souths will continue to supply all teams with training equipment and will continue to subsidise our coaches in their own development. This ultimately will benefit all players at Souths.

Professional Goalkeeper coaching is provided to the Women's National Premier League, Brisbane Women's National League and U18 Women's Goal Keepers, the Men's Capital League and Reserves and Under 18 Goal Keepers. All divisional Goal keepers (and selected MiniRoos keepers) will benefit from Goal keeper training from accredited Goal Keeping training at no additional cost.

Souths continue to be administered by volunteers. Nobody on the Management Committee is paid for any of the time they freely give to the club and to the 700+ players.

If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Tracey Confessore at president@southsunited.org.au



Senior Men's Information

Souths United competes in the second tier competition offered by Football Brisbane - Men's Capital League 1. In 2016, we anticipate fielding 13 men's teams. In addition to Capital League 1 & Reserves, they will be two Under 18s, an Under 20, SEQ, two Over 35s & five City League teams.

Training Nights:

Capital 1 and Reserves	Tuesday & Thursday nights from 7pm
Under 18 & Under 20	Tues, Wed &/or Thurs nights from 7pm
City League	Wednesday nights from 7pm

(Note: Training nights and venues may vary during January - March)

Shin pads must be worn by all players at all outdoor training sessions.

Fees:

Sign-on	Capital League and Reserves Tiered Structure	\$0.00 - \$400.00
	Under 18 Div 1 (inc Club Polo)	\$525.00
	Under 18 Div 3 (inc Club Polo)	\$420.00
	City League & Under 20 (inc Club Polo) 18 years +	\$470.00

Match Fees for U18, U20 and City League will be \$10.00 per match.

Capital 1 Fees include: Match Fees, Playing Shorts (remain Club property), 1 pair of Playing Socks and a Training Kit.

Under 18 Div 1 Fees include: Training Kit.

Jerseys will be provided to all players and remain the property of the Club. The official Club uniform with Sponsors' logos MUST be worn.

Dress Code is to be adhered to at all times.

FIFA regulations require ALL tape/shin guard keepers worn on the outside of socks MUST be the same colour as the part of the sock it is being applied to. BLACK tape and shin guard keepers are sold through the Souths Shop and Canteen.

Note: Players will not be able to play in fixtures or trial matches until fees are paid in full or a Debit Success contract is signed and International Clearance Certificate received (if applicable).

Senior Women's Information

Souths United competes at the highest level of competition offered by Football Brisbane - Women's Premier League. In 2016, we anticipate fielding 4 women's teams - Premier League & Reserves, Under 18 Women and City League Division 3 or 4.

Training Nights: (some sessions may be held at alternative venues)

Premier & Reserves	Monday & Wednesday nights from 6.30pm
Under 18	Monday &/or Wednesday nights from 7pm
City League Div 3 or 4	Wednesday nights from 7pm

(Note: Training nights and venues may vary during January - March)

Shin pads must be worn by all players at all outdoor training sessions.

Fees:

Sign-on	Premier League & Reserves Tiered Structure	
	Under 18	\$420.00
	City League Div 3 or 4 (inc Club Polo) 18 years +	\$460.00

Match Fees for U18 and City League Div 3 or 4 will be \$10.00 per match.

Premier League and Reserves include: Club Polo Shirt; Playing Shorts and Socks; Training Kit, Club Jacket; Water Bottle and Bag.

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Capital 1 Home Games

Fix	Date	Day	Time	Opponent
2	27 February	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Mt Gravatt
3	6 March	Sunday	4.00 / 6.00	Southside Eagles
5	19 March	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Brisbane Knights
7	9 April	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Centenary Stormers
9	24 April	Sunday	4.00 / 6.00	Pine Rivers United
11	14 May	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Taringa Rovers
12	21 My	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	North Star
15	18 June	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Wolves FC
17	9 July	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Bayside United
19	23 July	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Grange Thistle
21	13 August	Saturday	5.00 / 7.00	Moggill

Get Excited and come and cheer them on!





Club Song

Green is the colour, Football is the game,
We're all together and winning is our aim,
So cheer us on through the sun and rain,
'Cause Souths United is our name.

Junior Info

General - Under 6 to Under 16

Sign-On Fees:

Total Sign-on cost for the 1st family member. Note returning players not requiring a new Club Polo Shirt, deduct \$30.

Under 6 - Under 7	
New Player	\$295.00
Under 8	
New Player	\$325.00
Under 9 - Under 11	
New Player	\$340.00
Under 12 - Under 16	
New Player (Other Divisions)	\$360.00
New Player (SYL & Under 16 Div 1)	\$675.00

Each additional junior player in the same family will receive a \$30.00 discount (excludes Squirts and NPL players).

All Under 6 - Under 11 players will receive a choice of a Club Soft Backpack, Club Cap or Club Bucket Hat or Water Bottle

ALL new players (Under 6 - Under 16) will receive a Club polo shirt which is to be worn to and from all matches.

Parents - please ensure that the shirt is CLEARLY marked with the child's name.

ALL SYL and U16 Div 1 players will receive a training kit.

PLEASE NOTE: PLAYERS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PLAY IN FIXTURES OR TRIAL GAMES UNTIL THEIR REGISTRATION HAS BEEN COMPLETED: ie ENTERED INTO SYSTEM, FEES PAID IN FULL OR DEBIT SUCCESS CONTRACT SIGNED AND INTERNATIONAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE RECEIVED (if applicable)

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Junior Info

General - Under 6 to Under 16

Unfortunately, the Club is unable to continue to absorb the merchant fees applicable to credit and debit card transactions. As of 2012, a surcharge will be levied for each credit and debit card transaction. Currently, 2.0%.

Match Fees:

Under 6 - Under 7	\$ 5.00 per game
Under 8 - Under 11	\$ 7.00 per game
Under 12 - Under 14	\$ 8.00 per game
Under 15	\$ 9.00 per game
Under 16	\$10.00 per game
ALL SYL Teams	\$11.00 per game
Under 16 Div 1 game	\$11.00 per game

Uniform Costs:

All players will be required to wear the Club Shorts and Club Socks for all games (pre-season and fixtures). These are available from the Souths Shop. All players will also be required to wear shin pads which can be purchased from the Souths Shop. The official Club uniform with Sponsors' logos (jersey, shorts and socks) MUST be worn. Players wearing non-Club approved apparel will not be permitted to play.

When paying your child's Sign-On Fees, please bear in mind that it costs the Club approx \$500.00 per player across the Club for the full season, taking into account:

- Insurance and Player Registration
- Ground Lease, Rates, Maintenance etc
- Operational Costs - Electricity, phone etc
- Training Aids and Facilities

Junior Info

Under 6 to Under 11

Age Group Co-Ordinators:

Queries, problems etc should be directed firstly to your child's Team Leader or Team Manager or alternatively to your age group co-ordinator:

Under 6	Robyn Provians	0411 017 259
Under 7	Robyn Provians	0411 017 259
Under 8	Robyn Provians	0411 017 259
Under 9	C/- Daniel Chittenden	0408 474 080
Under 10	C/- Daniel Chittenden	0408 474 080
Under 11	Daniel Chittenden	0408 474 080



Wet Weather:

Under 6 - Under 8:

Please check the Club's website (www.southsunited.org.au) to see if our fields are closed. This is normally updated by 4pm on training days and by 7.30am on Saturdays. If there is nothing on the website, Souths fields are open.

Under 9 - Under 11:

Please check the Club's website (www.southsunited.org.au) to see if our fields are closed for training. This is normally updated by 4pm on training days. The website will also indicate by 7.30am on Saturdays whether our fields are open for games. **For those teams playing at other Club's grounds,** please check the Football Brisbane website (www.footballbrisbane.com.au) for information.

Junior Info

Under 6 to Under 11

All players will be registered in their respective age groups as per FFA Rules.

Training Nights: (first session only: all players to meet on veranda)

ALL Under 6	Friday - February 26	5.00pm
ALL Under 7	Friday - February 19	5.00pm
ALL Under 8	Tuesday - February 23	5.45pm
ALL Under 9	Monday - February 22	5.45pm
ALL Under 10	Thursday - February 25	5.45pm
ALL Under 11	Thursday - February 18	5.45pm

Under 6 - Under 8 football is strictly non-competitive and teams do not play for points. Assessments for Under 6 - Under 8 do not take place. Players are assigned to teams based primarily on friendship groups or schools attended.

Under 9 - Under 11 football is strictly non-competitive and teams do not play for points. Teams will be graded into three different categories:

Komodo Dragons	more competent players requiring minimal/no direction from the Team Leader
Goannas	competent players requiring direction from Team Leader
Geckos	new players or players that need more time to learn the game

At sign-on, parents are to indicate assessment preference for their child. Refer Letter to Parents for further details re dates and times.

Junior Info

Under 6 to Under 11

Junior Structure:

This season sees the continued implementation of FFA's National Curriculum.

Souths have appointed Mick Wild as Managing Football Director. Mick is from the UK and has worked in academies at Manchester United as well as in South Africa and Europe. Team leaders will benefit from Mick's knowledge, organization and season/session plans as well as his valuable resources.

The Under 6 - Under 7 age groups will be under the direct guidance from Mick. Sessions will be planned by Mick and all team leaders will be involved in the training sessions. **ALL Team Leaders are to attend a FREE Grassroots FFA Course during the early part of the season (date to be advised).**

Registrations must be done online. Details of the website address will be given to Team Leaders when they meet with Mick on Sat 27 February (see Meetings on the next page).

Under 8 - Under 11 age groups will have a *Team Leader* for each team and will be supported by coaching peers and direction from our Managing Football Director, Mick Wild. Team Leaders in these age groups are encouraged to undertake formal coaching courses and gain a Skills Training Certificate that will assist development and progression through the junior divisional ranks. The Club financially assists Team Leaders to undertake FFA Coaching Courses. Contact Daniel Chittenden, Vice-President: MiniRoos, for further details.

It is vitally important that all Team Leaders attend the meetings conducted by Mick. Please note your calendars with the dates on the following pages.

Junior Info

Under 6 to Under 11

The Role of ...:

- Manager** is to inform the team of upcoming games, collect Match fees on game days, complete the necessary paperwork on game days and distribute information from the Club to the team. A detailed training session and procedure manual is provided by the Club.
- Team Leader U6 - U8** is to assist with training sessions with Mick's input and to ensure the smooth running of game days. Knowledge of the game is not mandatory however a desire to help the children to enjoy their experience is! It is strongly recommended that all Team Leaders undertake FFA's Grassroots Coaching Course.
- Team Leader U9 - U11** is to teach the players the basic skills of the game within the framework set out in the National Curriculum. Mick Wild will be outlining the structure of the 2016 season at his meeting on 27 February. It is strongly recommended that all Team Leaders undertake FFA's Skills Training Certificate.
- Game Leader** is involved in organising the game on Saturday mornings. Typically the home team Game Leader will run the game itself providing encouragement, game rule guidance and sportsmanship, to both teams during the game. Applicable to all Under 6 & Under 7 games and Under 8 -Under 11 games where no Apprentice Referee is appointed. Basic knowledge of the game is beneficial. Resources are available.
- Age Coordinator** is to assist with the completion of the registration paperwork to ensure that each player is registered prior to the start of the season. Also assist in the smooth organisation of training sessions, team allocations and where appropriate, communication to teams.

Junior Info

Under 6 to Under 11

Carnivals:

Information relating to various Carnivals run throughout the season will be provided to teams by their Age Coordinator. Participation at these carnivals will be at the discretion of the Team Leader and any associated entry fees or costs will be payable by the Team/parents. Participation at these carnivals must be advised to the Vice-President - Juniors: MiniRoos and Club Administrator and must not conflict with the Club's Development Squad participation.

Team Rosters - Field Preparation:

As in the past, Team Rosters will apply to all teams from Under 6 to Under 11. All parents are asked to assist when their team is on duty. Non-attendance will impact on the start of fixtures for the day and cause delays to continue throughout the day.

Team Rosters - Ground Official:

Each Under 9 - Under 11 team will be required to provide a Ground Official for their home games. Teams will be provided with a Ground Official jacket. The Ground Official must be a person over the age of 18 years and is primarily responsible for ensuring the spectators act in a responsible manner. A Head Ground Official from the Management Committee will also be on duty each Saturday.

Match Days:

As a general rule, all Under 6 - Under 11 games will be played on Saturdays. The Club envisages that all Under 6 - Under 8 Teams will play intra-Club fixtures at Souths with the Under 9 - Under 11 teams playing inter-Club fixtures.



Junior Info Under 6 to Under 11

MEETINGS

MANAGERS' MEETING:

ALL MANAGERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND A PRE-SEASON MEETING ON DATE/TIME TO BE ADVISED BY THE CLUB ADMINISTRATOR.

Jerseys for each team will be handed out on the night and detailed information regarding a Manager's Role will be presented along with a Procedure Manual for reference purposes.

Team Leader Meeting:

U6 - U7 Team Leaders will meet at Souths on Saturday 27 February at 11.30am with Mick Wild, Managing Football Director, to plan the season and receive their training equipment.

U8 - U11 Team Leaders will meet at Souths on Saturday 27 February at 1.00pm with Mick Wild, Managing Football Director, to plan the season and receive their training equipment. Plans for the Development Program will also be discussed on the night.

Season Starts on Saturday 5 March



Junior Info

Under 12 - Under 16

All players will be registered in their respective age groups
as per FFA Rules.

Grading Sessions: **All on Synthetic Turf Fields**

Under 12	Monday – February 1	5.30pm
	Tuesday – February 2	5.30pm
	Wednesday – February 10	5.30pm
Under 13	Wednesday – February 3	5.30pm
	Tuesday – February 9	5.30pm
Under 14	Thursday – February 4	5.30pm
	Monday – February 8	5.30pm
Under 15	Friday – February 5	5.30pm
	Thursday – February 11	5.30pm
Under 16	Friday – February 5	7.00pm
	Sunday – February 7	4.00pm

Season Starts: SYL 20/21 February
Other teams 12/13 March

The Grading Sessions will be done in group sessions. Grading will be undertaken by our team of qualified coaches. Please ensure that players do not miss any pre-season training sessions/gradings or trial games as non-attendance may have a bearing on final gradings.

Training nights, times and venues for individual teams will be advised at the time preliminary gradings are announced on the website (by Sunday 14 February). Training will commence the week starting Monday 15 February 2016.

Grading is not required for 'all girls' teams. Training will commence on Wednesday 17 February at 5.30pm. Venue to be confirmed.

Junior Info

Under 12 to Under 16

Age Coordinators:

Queries, problems etc should be directed firstly to your child's coach or manager or alternatively to the Vice President Juniors (or delegated Age Coordinator as advised):

Dirk van Til

0413 000 523



Wet Weather:

Please check the Club's website (www.souths united.org.au) to

see if our fields are closed for training. This is normally updated by 4pm on training days. The website will also

indicate by 7.30am on Saturdays whether our fields are open for games. For those teams playing at other Club's grounds, please check the Football Brisbane website (www.footballbrisbane.com.au) for information.

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Junior Info

Under 12 to Under 16

Junior Structure:

This season sees the continued implementation of FFA's National Curriculum.

Souths have appointed **Mick Wild as Managing Football Director**, who will work closely with all Super Youth League and Divisional coaches to deliver enhanced training and development plans. Mick is to boost coaching and player performance. Additionally, Mick's role will provide focus toward coaching development and direction to ensure that each coach is provided with the necessary resources, support and guidance to enable them to confidently coach. Mick will work closely with the Vice-President – Junior and President to ensure maximum success results for both players and coaches as well as on field performance.

The Role of:

is to inform the team of upcoming games, collect Match fees on game days, complete the necessary paperwork/system update before/on/after game days and distribute information from the Club to the team. A detailed training session and procedure manual is provided by the Club.

is to instruct the players in the laws of the game, strategies of the game and teamwork. The Club provides the necessary training gear for each team. Assistance is available from Russell Dennis and through courses conducted by Football Queensland. The Club subsidises the cost of these courses.

Junior Info

Under 12 to Under 16

Development Carnivals:

Information relating to various Carnivals run throughout the season will be provided to teams via their pigeonhole or email. Participation at these carnivals will be at the discretion of the Coach and any associated entry fees or costs will be payable by the Team/parents.

Team Rosters - Field Preparation:

As in the past, Team Rosters will apply to all teams from Under 12 to Under 13. All parents are asked to assist when their team is on duty.

Under 14 - Under 16 teams and any other team playing on a day other than a Saturday are responsible for ensuring field set up/take down for their own games.

Team Rosters - Ground Official:

Each team will be required to provide a Ground Official for their home games. Teams will be provided with a Ground Official jacket. The Ground Official must be a person over the age of 18 years and is primarily responsible for ensuring the spectators act in a responsible manner. A Head Ground Official from the Management Committee will also be on duty each Saturday.

Match Days:

As a general rule, all Under 12 - Under 13 games will be played on Saturdays. All Under 14 - Under 16 teams will generally play on Sundays. It should be noted that there is a possibility that some Friday night games may be scheduled either home or away.



Junior Info

General - Under 6 to Under 16

Uniform:

Jerseys are provided and returned at the end of the season. They remain the property of the club and are to be worn **only** at matches. The Under 6, 7 & 8 players will be given a jersey at the end of the season to keep. Club shorts, Club socks and shin pads can be purchased from the Souths Shop. The official Club uniform with Sponsors' logos must be worn. Players will not be permitted to play in non-Club approved apparel.

Shin Pads:

Shin Pads are compulsory for training and games for all players.

Boots:

Moulded soles are the only boots allowed on our new synthetic surfaces.

Eyewear:

Players who need to wear glasses on the field of play are required to wear safe-T glasses and provide the Club with a letter from their optician stating that they have purchased such glasses. The final decision will remain with the referee.

Jewellery:

Jewellery of any sort is prohibited to be worn at training and during games. This includes ear-rings and any other piercings, bangles, wrist bands, elastics, hair clips, necklaces & watches.

Tape on Socks:

FIFA regulations require ALL tape/shin guard keepers worn on the outside of the socks must be the same colour as the part of the sock it is being applied to. BLACK tape and shin guard keepers are sold in the Souths Shop and Canteen. Refer website for more information re Souths Shop opening hours.

Over 35s Information

2012 saw Souths United venture into the Over 35s competition run by Qld Lions (Qld Masters Football Competition). Souths fielded two Over 35 teams in 2015 and expect the same in 2016.

Home games will be played on either Friday nights or Sunday afternoons with the majority of the away games being played on Friday nights.

Shin pads must be worn by all players at all outdoor training sessions.

Fees:

Sign-on \$300.00

Fees include all match/referee fees (except Grand Finals), player registration fees, field/building maintenance levy. There is no insurance cover included - personal injury insurance is the responsibility of each player.

Players are responsible for purchasing their own Club Playing Shorts and Playing Socks from the Souths Shop.

Jerseys will be provided to all players and remain the property of the Club. The official Club uniform with Sponsors' logos MUST be worn.

FIFA regulations require ALL tape/shin guard keepers worn on the outside of socks MUST be the same colour as the part of the sock it is being applied to. BLACK tape and shin guard keepers are sold through the Souths Shop and Canteen.



Subway Squirts!

A program for 3 - 5 year olds

The Subway Squirts program has been created to develop the motor skills of 3 to 5 year olds and introduce them to football principles in a fun and learning way. To share the joy of ball play in an environment free of competition is paramount to the quality of the learning experience and essential to develop a love of our 'World game'.

The Subway Squirts program promotes football-based exercise and activity for younger children who are not able to be registered to play.

The program is not a "technical coaching" program, but a tempered introduction to the great sport of football. The very basics of the game are introduced and experienced by the participants through different drills, practices and games.

The program consists of 50 activities which may be adjusted to suit the age group, skill and social level of the child and/or children.

Running, stopping, ball control, jumping, turning, balance, agility, movement and general co-ordination are all skills to be acquired and improved.

It is important that parents provide support and understanding to the program intent and specifically to the Squirt Leaders as they execute program activities each week.

Sign-on Fees:

Block 1 \$130.00

Block 2 \$130.00 (\$80.00 if returning from Block 1)

Includes: all session fees, Club Social Membership, Registration Fee, 1 pair of Club Socks, 1 pair Club Shorts, Club Bucket Hat, Subway Squirts Soft Backpack, Subway Squirts Shirt, Subway Squirts Water Bottle and Subway Squirts Ball.

Sessions Saturday mornings 8.30am (on Field 5)

Block 1 weeks beginning 18 April to 13 June

Block 2 weeks beginning 11 July to 5 September

Wet Weather/Field Closures: please check website
www.southsunited.org.au

TEAM PHOTOS

Saturday 18 June tbc

Women's National Premier Leagues Information

Souths United are proud to welcome to Souths United our young ladies and their families in our 3 WNPL teams (Under 13, Under 15 and Women's).

Souths have a proud history of providing the opportunity for female players to play at the highest level starting in 2010 with the predecessor of the WNPL, the (Rebel Sport) Junior Premier League. Souths have continued to provide this pathway since then.

The program follows FFA's National Curriculum and focuses on developing players to one day reach their dream of playing in the W-League or for the Matildas! The WNPL sits underneath the W- League and is the 2nd highest Club competition in Australia.

The WNPL is an FFA Competition that is delivered in every State in Australia. The relevant State bodies administer the Program.

Our teams will compete not only against other Brisbane based teams but also teams from the Sunshine Coast, the Gold Coast and Toowoomba.

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Souths' Initiative

Apprentice Referee Program:

AIM: To establish preliminary foundations that will cultivate the development of potential future referees.

Souths United has established an 'Apprentice Referee' Program. The program is ideally suited to players and siblings in the Under 12 - Under 15 age groups. The program will enable participants to adopt the role of a 'referee in training' and officiate at Under 8 - Under 11 home games. They will be paid a small fee for each game they officiate.

The 'Apprentice Referee' will undertake a short course instructing them on the basics required to referee Small Sided Games at the Under 8 to Under 11 level. Ongoing support/ instruction will be provided, as necessary, from experienced/ more senior referees within the Souths community.

While this program will give participants experience for the future, it will also free up parents to enjoy the game and watch their children and enable Team Leaders and Managers to focus on performing their coaching and management activities.

Information relating to this program will be available on our website shortly. Intro Session - Saturday 27 February from 3.00pm to approx. 5.00pm.



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Parents' Code of Fair Play

Encourage children to participate, if they are interested. However, if a child is not willing, do not force them.

Focus upon the child's efforts, performances and skills rather than the overall outcome of the event ie winning or losing. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to his/her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning. Children should be encouraged to be *process driven* rather than *result driven*.

Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment. Encourage children to always participate according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility and violence.

Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.

Remember, children are involved in organised sports for their enjoyment, not yours.

Remember that children learn best from example. Applaud good performances and skillful plays by all participants.

If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than questioning the official's judgment and honesty in public. Remember, most officials give their time and effort for your child's involvement.

Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from all football activities.

Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition. The Club requires written confirmation from the player's physician BEFORE the player resumes training/competition.

Respect official's decisions and teach children to do likewise.

Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Players' Code of Fair Play

Play by the rules.

Never argue with a referee or assistant referee.

Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in football.

Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team's performance will benefit, so will you.

Be a good sport, recognise all good plays whether they are part of your team or the opposition.

Treat all participants in football as you would like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.

Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them, there would be no game.

Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit and not just to please parents and coaches.

Avoid use of derogatory language and gestures.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural backgrounds or religion.

Give yourself a better chance to excel in your sport. If you smoke, it's highly likely that you'll never achieve your maximal sporting potential and you will tire more easily. So do your best for yourself and your team - be Smoke-free.

**Get Excited -
Watch Souths United!**

Spectators' Code of Fair Play

Remember that young people participate for their enjoyment and benefit, not yours.

Applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.

Respect the decisions of officials and teach junior players to do the same.

Never ridicule or scold a player for making a mistake. Positive comments are motivational.

Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.

Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would be no game.

Encourage players to follow the rules and the official's decisions.

Do not use foul language, sledge or harass players, coaches or officials.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.



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Contact Dino Hasanovic

Phone 0403 580 800

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Synthetic Turf – what’s the fuss?

2015 saw Souths United become the first Club in Queensland to have FIFA approved synthetic turf fields. In fact, we’re the first grassroots club in Australia to gain FIFA’s highest certification. There are an additional three facilities in NSW: two are Council run and the other is a Representative Club. Our certification was completed mid-year and, as expected, attained the QUALITY PRO rating – the highest FIFA awards. These fields are of the same standard as the following international clubs/venues:

- Victoria Stadium, Gibraltar, England
- Wolverhampton Wanderers, Wolverhampton, Great Britain
- Commonwealth Stadium, Edmonton, Canada
- Birmingham City FC, Birmingham, England
- Citrus Bowl, Orlando, USA
- Training Grounds for:
 - AFC Ajax, SC de Toekomst, Duivendrecht, Netherlands
 - Celtic FC, Glasgow, Scotland
 - Manchester City FC (Academy), Manchester, England
 - Bayern Munich, Munchen, Germany

There are many advantages to having synthetic turf fields:

- Drought resistant
- No grass cutting required
- No linemarking required
- Ability to play during and after rain events
- No off-season refurbishment downtime.

For Souths United to remain in such elite company and retain our accreditation, we **MUST** maintain the fields accordingly. **THIS INVOLVES EVERYONE.**

There are some differences, some less obvious, when playing on natural versus synthetic turf fields.

	NATURAL	SYNTHETIC
Boots	Metal or Moulded tags are ok to use.	Moulded tags ONLY . Because synthetic turf is laid in rolls like carpet, metal tags can tear the ‘carpet’. Tears, whilst they can be patched, will shorten the life of the surface.

	NATURAL	SYNTHETIC
Leaves	Leaves break down and become mulch which helps promote growth of the turf and provides nutrients to the soil.	Leaf litter is a natural enemy of synthetic turf. The leaves break down and become embedded in the infill layer. This prevents the infill from working to its optimum and will also promote the growth of mould. As they decompose, they provide a breeding area for weeds and natural grass. Synthetic fields cannot easily be sprayed for weeds!
Mud, Dirt	Limited effect.	Mud and dirt get compacted into the top surface of the turf. This is not removed by grooming. This prevents the infill from working to its optimum and will also promote the growth of mould and weeds and natural grass.
Stones	Slight danger to players and when mowing.	The sharp edges have a similar effect as metal tags.
Food	No effect.	Food invites ants and encourages mould growth.
Chewing Gum	Little effect, other than to boots/footwear.	Cannot be easily removed and will encourage mould growth.
Drinks e.g. soft drink, Gatorade, coffee etc	No effect. Liquid will be absorbed into the soil.	Sugar content will encourage ants and all drinks will promote mould growth.
Stiletto Heels	Harms the shoes more than the field surface!	The small surface area of the heel can easily pierce the carpet causing tears.
Leaving the Field and re-entering eg jumping fences	No effect. Possible harm to fence and player.	An increased risk of bringing soil, mud, dirt etc back onto the surface of the field. Possible harm to fence and player.

Our Groundsman and helpers put many hours in each week grooming the fields and general maintenance.

The fields need to be groomed 2 – 3 times a week. This involves using the special grooming machine attached to a quad bike and slowly sweeping the field. The grooming machine picks up the surface matter e.g. leaves, and the infill and sifts it returning the infill. The grooming machine needs to be used in definite patterns so that the turf pile/nap is not damaged and that the heavy wear areas (corners, 6 yard box, penalty spots and centre circle) have the infill replenished to the correct level.

Unfortunately, the grooming machine does not pick up the nuts from the surrounding trees nor any bird droppings, foreign objects eg chewing gum, lollies, and larger twigs. Also, the leaves inconveniently fall continuously and therefore mount up in between the 2 – 3 grooming sessions.

As mentioned before, **EVERYONE** needs to take responsibility for maintaining the quality of the playing surface. The playing surface has a lifespan of 10 years and the sub-surface, 20 years. Therefore, with a replacement playing surface, the fields are expected to last 20 years. This is a huge investment in and responsibility for current and future players. Players and parents can play a MAJOR role in the continuing maintenance of the fields at training sessions and games by collecting leaves, nuts and twigs in plastic bags or buckets. Spend a few minutes prior or after training or in between games – every little bit WILL help.

For those parents or grandparents that have spare time during the week, our groundsman would appreciate any assistance you may be able to provide. FULL training will be provided. Contact John Provians on 0413 187 398 or at provians@live.com.au



Souths United Announce the Appointment of our Managing Football Director – Mr Michael (Mick) Wild!

Souths United is proud to have Mick Wild onboard in 2016. Mick brings a wealth of knowledge and experience from all over the world. Mick will be heavily involved with all junior age groups throughout the club from our Under 6s & 7s and MiniRoos through to our SYL and divisional teams. All coaches and team leaders are strongly encouraged to soak up all that Mick can impart.

Mick was a youth player for Rochdale FC (England) and began his coaching career at Bury AFC Youth Academy. Mick brings with him the ability to coach and communicate with children of all ages and ability levels.

Over 15 years involvement in global player development and talent identification programs on behalf of Bobby Charlton Soccer Schools, Manchester United Soccer Schools and Bolton Wanderers FC International Soccer Schools. A body of work that includes the development, management and provision of technical coaching support on a range of player, club and coach development projects on both a long and short term basis. Experience that includes delivery in the following countries:

• Australia	• Canada	• China	• Colombia	• Estonia	• Egypt
• Finland	• Hong Kong	• Iceland	• Ireland	• India	• Indonesia
• Malta	• Nigeria	• Philippines	• Switzerland	• Thailand	• USA

Mick has worked with Manchester United Soccer Schools for over 6 years across numerous projects both domestically and internationally including The Hong Kong Football Club. He has also worked with Bradford City AFC co-ordinating the development of the youngest players in the Youth Academy.

Most recently, Mick has been operating as an independent professional with a consultancy role giving technical input and insights to a leading African professional club – C.O.D. United FC of Lagos. He's combined this with providing scouting and intermediary services to Sports Management companies in Europe and Africa who are building pathways into professional football for young players from Asia and Africa. Mick now also works closely with the renowned Sporting Clube de Portugal (Sporting Lisbon) helping young players to sample the experience of training and playing within one of football's most impressive environments and philosophy.

Mick has been involved in several coaching clinics held at Souths United in late 2015.

Upcoming Projects

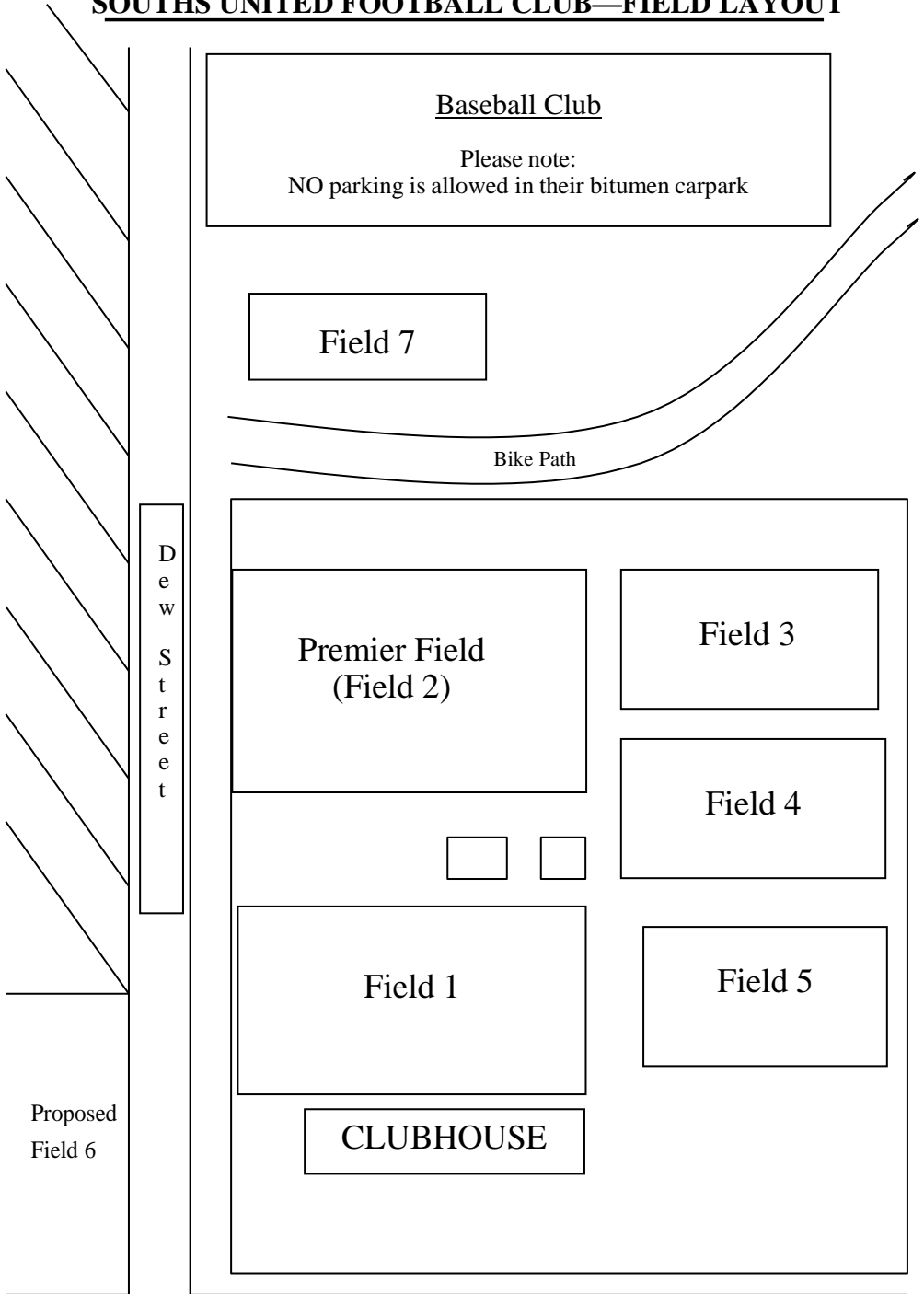
Now that the new fields have been completed, the Committee's attention turns to other projects. Over the next few years, we are looking at completing the following projects. We will be seeking assistance through various grants but also through fundraising and donations.

Clubhouse floor etc	BCC will be raising the sunken floor and other concrete works - 2016
Grandstand seating Field 2	grandstands will be installed on the western bank prior to the start of 2016 fixtures
Media tower	It is a requirement of both FB and FQ that we have a Media Tower available. We will be purchasing a scissor lift which will be positioned on the western mound of Field 2
Pathway from southern carpark to the shed entrance	A staged project. Stage 1 (shed to eastern corner of Field 5) to be completed in 2016
Lighting Field 1	Small upgrade to be completed in early 2016 Seek grant assistance for full upgrade – cost approx. \$750 000
Fencing Field 1	2017/2018
Seating Fields 3 and 4	2017
Fencing modifications Field 2	2017
Scoreboards Fields 1 and 2	2016/2017
New Shed and goal compound	See grant assistance – 2017/2018
Additional changeroom facilities Field 2	2017/2018

These projects will complement the professional standard of our new fields and provide players, match officials and spectators a better experience.

Assistance, financial and expertise/product, from our members would be greatly appreciated. Please talk with Tracey regarding how you can help!

SOUTHS UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB—FIELD LAYOUT



Nathan Road



SEASON 2016

Juniors (Boys & Girls)			Senior Womens					Senior Mens							
ModRes		UTZ - VNS	RPL	City Legend (10 team)	City Legend (12 team)	City Legend (8 team)	State Women Cup	Womens City League Cup	BPU/Captia	City/2016 (10 team)	City/2016 (12 team)	City/2016 (8 team)	FFACup	Canada Travel Cup	Maine City League Cup
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U12 G1 1

U12 G2 2

U12 combination (8E) 1st 3rd 5thours

Club Opening Day (Public Holiday)

U14, 16 & 18 exclude 1st

4 Mar - Rose v
Wentworth Woodhouse

12 Mar - Rose v
Wentworth Woodhouse

7 Apr - Rose v
Wentworth Woodhouse

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ELIMINAL FINALS

SEMIFINALS

PRELIM FINAL

GRAND FINAL

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Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

2016 Key Dates

WNPL Season Commences	7 February
Capital League and Reserves Season Starts	20 / 21 February
Under 12 Grading Games	20 & 27 February
SYL Competitions Start	20 / 21 February
Apprentice Referee Course 3pm - 5pm	27 February
MiniRoos Start	5 March
All other Men's Competitions Start	5 March
All Women's Teams' Seasons Start	5 March
Other Junior Competitions Start	12 / 13 March
Squirts Block 1 Starts	w/b 18 April
Club Assistant Referee Course 9.00am - 12.00pm	tbc
Grassroots Coaching Course 6pm - 9pm	tbc
Team Photos	18, 20, 21, 22, 23 June
Squirts Block 2 Starts	w/b 11 July
2017 Under 12 SYL Qualifiers	17 July – 28 August
Club Annual General Meeting	24 August (tbc)
Under 6 - Under 11 Fixtures Finish	27 August
Under 12 - Under 16 - Semi-Finals	3 / 4 September
Under 12 - Under 16 - Grand Finals	10 / 11 September
ALL other Senior Competitions Grand Finals	10 / 11 September
Junior Presentations inc Div Girls and U13/15 WNPL	10 or 11 September
Under 6 - Under 11 Carnival and Presentations	10 or 11 September
Men's Capital League and Reserves - Grand Finals	17 / 18 September
Senior Awards Dinner inc WNPL Womens	14 October (tbc)