Panthers

In the Outer: *The Panthers had some encouraging results from our practice matches and we can look forward to another entertaining season. – Go Panthers!*

Parents please note that **all outstanding registration fees <u>must be paid</u> before the beginning of Round 1**. We very much appreciate your prompt attention to this.

Don't forget about the forthcoming Memorial Golf Day. All welcome. For more details please contact Jack at home on 9560 4616 or mobile 0404 124 384.

Aftermatch: Every football Sunday all parents and players are invited to the Panthers Aftermatch to listen to the Coaches' reports on the days play and socialize with other parents and players. New Parents and players especially welcome.

The Aftermatch commences at 5.30pm to 7.30pm at our main home ground Columbia Reserve, Columbia Drive, Wheelers Hill MEL 71 H11. Food and refreshments available.

Panther Gear, Shorts & Socks!

The club has Panther merchandise eg. Bomber jackets, shorts and socks etc., for sale. See Cheryl Malloy to order. Also available on Fri 26/4 @ 6pm to 7pm and Sat. 27/4 @ 9.30 –10.30am at Columbia Reserve.

Parents: Do you have one or two hours to spare? The club relies on the assistance and support of parents in fielding our sides. As well as the occasional roster duty for your side we need assistance in preparing grounds and clubrooms, operating our canteen and helping at the Aftermatch. If you can assist please contact your team manager or one of the Committee.

Fixture Round 2 – Sunday 28th April 2002

ALL PLAYERS ARE TO ARRIVE AT THE RELEVANT GROUND **30 Minutes**

PRIOR TO START OF GAME OR OTHERWISE AT COACH's INSTRUCTION.

Home Teams (first named team): Black Shorts Away Teams: White Shorts

Under 9's Glen Iris Gold vs Panthers 9.00am

Righetti Oval, Elizabeth Street, Kooyong. MEL 59D3

Under 10's Panthers vs Ashburton Red 9.00am

Columbia Park, Columbia Drive, Mulgrave. MEL71H11

Under 11's Panthers vs East Malvern Blue 10.30pm

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Under 12's **BYE**

Under 13's Ashburton Red vs Panthers 12.30pm

Burwood Reserve, Warrigal Road, Burwood. MEL 60G7

Under 14's East Malvern Blue vs Panthers 12.30pm

Pinewood Reserve, Pinewood Drive, Mount Waverley. MEL 70G4

Under 15's Oakleigh Dragons vs Panthers 12.00pm

W.A Scammell Reserve, Guest Road, Oakleigh South. MEL 69G11

Under 16's St. Kilda vs Panthers 2.30pm

Peanut Farm Reserve, Blessington Street, St. Kilda. MEL 58 A11

Under 17's Mordi Braeside vs Panthers 2.30pm

Walter Galt Reserve, Victoria Street, Mordialloc. MEL 87F8

PANTHER Match Reports from Round 1 – Sunday 21st April 2002

Under 9 Panthers lost to Northvale

Goals: C Woods (1), Nick B (1), Peter (1), Jake Edwards (2)

Best Players: Jake Edwards, Hayden Crozier, Ricky Ruffello.

Comments: A great team effort for the start of the season. It's wonderful to see everyone paying attention and following the instructions. I look forward to a fantastic season and remember, the aim is to listen, learn and last of all have lots of fun.

Under 10 Panthers 05-09-39 lost to Northvale 08-04-52

Goals: James Schiano (3), Scott Millner (1), Dean Souklikis (1).

Best Players: Scott Millner, James Schiano, Bradley Wyatt (Northvale), Sam Poulton, Robert Broley.

Congratulations to the new players who played for the first time, Owen and Edward.

Comments: Starter with only 13 of our players. After having beaten Northvale last week after the siren, we knew they would come at us hard and the team stood up to them and played well. We had ;more scoring opportunities, 3 goals touched going through made the difference. The new players Edward and Owen, had never played before and showed great skills.

Under 11 Panthers 00-01-01 lost to Glen Iris 09-18-72

Best Players: I could not find one in the first half.

B. Cunningham, R. Ruffolo, P Blakeney, H. Crozier and S. Millner in the second half.

Comments: We didn't play football until the third quarter and by that time we were 62 points down. Basic skills, like manning up and tackling let us down. I think a bit of inspiration came from U9's player Hayden Crozier, when he laid three fantastic tackles late in the first half. B. Cunningham was good all day and S. Millner was good when moved to the centre. To the team's credit, they stuck it out and fought hard in the 2nd half. To be outscored by 10 points. That showed great pride and for that I feel very proud of them. Special thanks to Sammy, Scotty, Edward (U10's) and Hayden (U9's) for helping out. Today's encouragement award goes to new player N.D. Amellio, who took a few marks and got a few more kicks, in only his second game. Also welcome to new player Joshua Bowles. With a bit of luck his transfer from Waverley should be done by round two. Finally even though we got beaten easily today I am still confident that

our players have enough guts and talent to win more games than they lose this season. Good luck guys and keep your heads up.

Under 12 Panthers 06-02-38 lost to Glen Iris 08-10-58

Goals: M. Hickelton (1), M. Scott (1), M. Nowak (1), M. Wilkins (1), N. Schiano (1), A. Cunningham-Lunt (1)

Best Players: N. Schiano, B. Smith, I. Carter, M. Wilkins, M. Dunford, S. Millar, C. Barnes.

Comments: After a slow start we worked hard as a team to give last year's grand finalists a great contest. Our endeavor to win the hard ball was fantastic and at times our teamwork was good. **"Top Marks for effort."** Congratulations to C. Barnes, s. Millar and B. Whyte playing their first Panther game.

Under 13 Panthers 09-04-58 defeated Tally Ho 05-08-38

Goals: J. Riley (4), N. Talidis (2), H. Edwards (1), Scott Watson (1), C. Jones (1).

Best Players: S. Watson, J. Riley, J. Laidlaw, D. Goodall, N. Daskalou, N. Talidis, J. Haynes.

Comments: After being 25 points down at ¼ time the boys lifted in the last 3 quarters to kick 9 goals and win the game by 20 points. **A fantastic TEAM EFFORT**.

Under 14 Panthers 22 lost to Ashburton Red 103

Goals: J. Rickard (1), L. Dunlop (1), C. Dickson (1).

Best Players: D. McLeod, Harris, P. Gadd, S. Stevens.

Comments: A tough opening round against an Ashburton side stacked with talent. To their credits our boys kept their heads up and tried hard, but were out pointed by a bigger, stronger unit. However, a start like this to the season leaves us with the ability to apply a well-worn cliché – **the only way is up!!** To all parents – if you can, come down and support the side – home or away. It is amazing the difference a bit of crowd noise makes for the boys.

Under 15 Panthers 13-12-90 defeated Ajax 06-06-42

Goals: Daniel Johnson (3), Ben Merson (2), Jamil Tye (2), Luke Romanelli (2), Brad Rooney (1), Dean Grigg (1), Peter Allen (1), Matt Cunningham (1).

Best Players: Tom Bailey, Jamil Tye, Ben Merson, Brad Rooney, Daniel Johnson, Nick Bogar.

Comments: Fantastic exhibition of football. Considering we had no one on the bench, our fitness and hardness at the ball was excellent. Great game boys and keep the momentum up.

Under 16 Panthers 16-15-111 defeated Ajax 12-12-84

Goals: Cameron (5), Sam (4), Anthony (2), Simmo (2), Matt (1), Shane (1), Brendan (1).

Best Players: Xavier, Sam, Cam, Simmo, Shane, Jay, Byron, Pitch, Butts.

Comments: A reasonable effort, much improvement is required. We must play 4 quarters of football, to slacken off as we did in the last quarter is totally unacceptable.

Under 17 BYE