



On the Mark

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From the President

Dear Manly Bomber families,

On a sunny Sunday in Sydney it was great to see all the kids playing footy for the first time in 2018. To get to this point has taken a huge effort and I just want to thank all the volunteers at our club for the work you have put in over the summer that has made it all possible.

Auskick were first up on Sunday with a Club record 160 boys and girls running out on Frank Gray. A massive thanks to Deb and the team for making the morning such a success. That is a huge number of kids to manage and it takes a really committed team of coaches and managers.

The Under-10 girls competed for the first time and were part of a gala day at North Ryde. It was a huge success and I'm sure Chris Eagar and his team can look forward to a really enjoyable season.

There were other results from the weekend that I was particularly pleased with. New

Under-17 coach Jimmy Brain took his boys to a one point win over Kellyville in a low scoring match. The Under 15 boys had a come from behind win against the Forest Lions and it was a great way to send off Miles Weir who will be heading off with his family travelling. And finally the Under-14 Division 1 team who had a really rough time last year finishing with just one win, started 2018 with a polished display against Maroubra.

We are progressing slowly but surely with the applications for lights on Frank Gray and Mike Pawley and the Weldon Scoreboard. Nothing is ever easy but we are working hard with Council to get these two projects over the line. You will also notice that the cricket club is adding some more nets as well as a part basketball court, picnic table and water fountain. We have also spoken with hockey about the use of the Frank Gray canteen rather than Kelvin selling sausages under a tent.

With the club growing so big the committee has decided to employ two young men to look after the bulk of the Ground Management duties. Max at Weldon and Xavier at Frank

Gray are terrific fellas and I'm sure they will do a fine job so please give them your your support and say hello. They just need parent support to help run water out to the umpires, for example, or to run the scoreboard. Nothing too stressful!

A big welcome back to St Johns who have secured the volunteers necessary to cover our home games. I think our kids are in good hands with them around.

Finally a big thanks to our sponsors. We have been really fortunate to secure the support of a number of great organisations so if any of you parents or your businesses are in the market for printing services, financial services, banking, security screens, etc then please consider supporting the businesses who support our club.

There is a lot to look forward to in 2018.

Please drop me a line if you have any questions, concerns or things that can be improved.

Tony Flynn

President – Manly Bombers JAFC

Brilliant beginning for 2018 season

The Manly Bombers club enjoyed a brilliant beginning to the 2018 season, with round one matches played under sparkling sunny skies around Sydney.

Auskick began its season at Frank Gray and Mike Pawley Ovals, which also hosted youth matches – as did Weldon Oval.

Highlights from the first round included:

- The first ever match for the Bombers' under-10 youth girls squad.
- A nailbiting 6.3-39 to 5.8-38 away win for the under-17 Division One boys against Kellyville.
- A massive win for the under-14 Division One boys against Maroubra at Weldon.
- Wins in all three divisions for the under-13 boys.
- Significant wins for the under-12 girls, the boys' under-15 Division 2 and boys' under-11 Division 1 teams.

For many players the opening round represented their first time running out in Bombers' colours. We hope that, no matter your result, it was a great experience and that you are looking forward to doing it many more times.

A full wrap-up on the progress of all teams will appear in our next newsletter.



Under 10 Girls



Under 15 Boys

Behind the scenes – no off-season

There was no real off-season for the Manly Bombers' hard working committee.

The last few months have been a flurry of activity for committee members, with the club welcoming an impressive 620-plus registrations.

Along with ensuring the registration ran smoothly, committee members have had to deal with Active Kids vouchers, player transfers and permits, countless bank payments and bookkeeping, sponsorship, socks and shorts sales, recruiting coaches and team managers, stocking the canteen, managing the umpires and organising pre-season training, grounds, club house and jumper presentations.

Then, of course, there were coaching accreditations, the draw, rosters, website, facebook, twitter, newsletters, photos and a visit from the Sydney Swans.



Jumper presentation night



Swans visit - Auskick



Swans visit - youth girls



Swans visit - U15YG

Not to mention a myriad of smaller but vital items such as keys, locks, cleaning, packing, footballs, bibs – the list goes on. It is a true logistical feat to organise a club of this size and a credit to our committee members. Now the season is underway those same people will be working in the background on a few old initiatives as well as a bunch of new ones. These include:

- Recruitment of a canteen manager - any offers?
- Revised Club Policies now completed and being formatted for inclusion on the website
- Development of "The Bombers Way" – a blueprint for the future direction of the Club
- DA has been submitted to council for the scoreboard and notices put up for the public consultation period
- Continued work with council to improve training grounds for extended hours training
- Arranging signage for the clubhouse in collaboration with the Wolves and Warringah Cricket Club
- Exploring options with council for larger storage facilities for the club
- Liaising with council on the extension of canteen and storage facilities at Frank Gray oval

Snap the Bombers in flight

If you "see the Bombers fly up" it would be great if you could snap a photo and share it on social media with the hashtag

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and to our social media handles:

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Sydney Swan James Rose (second from right) with Bombers committee members.

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Scoreboard plan on public exhibition

The Manly Bombers' plans for an electronic scoreboard at Weldon Oval have been placed on public exhibition by Warringah Council.

The club's development application will be on public display until April 26. The proposed scoreboard will be located on the north western side of Weldon Oval.

"It is proposed to be located to allow for the best view from the clubhouse and stands. Its positioning has also been chosen to ensure no impacts for existing vegetation with the structure to sit just in front of the existing trees at the rear of the oval," the development application said.

"The new scoreboard will be a typical playing field structure, of appropriate scale to allow for easy vision for spectators, but not too great in size so as to be to the detriment of the scenic qualities of the location. The scoreboard will be a minimal addition to Weldon Oval and will be to the vast benefit of the local sporting community."

You can view the plans, documents, make a submission and follow the progress of the application on the Northern Beaches Council website: www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au > Planning and development > Building and Renovations > Application Search. Or <https://eservices.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/ePlanning/live/Public/XC.Track/SearchApplication.aspx?id=1502078>

Swing into action for Bombers' golf day - July 20th

Whether or not you can putt like Jason Day, you are bound to have a great time at the inaugural Manly Bombers Golf Day.

If you enjoy spending time on the greens, then make sure you mark down Friday July 20 as the day to be at Long Reef Golf Club.

The event will commence with a 7.30am shotgun start (ambrose).

The Bombers Golf Day promises not only great golf, but also great company, fantastic prizes and an all-too-rare opportunity to talk footy with the special guests who will be on hand.

The event is a key fundraiser for the Manly Bombers JAFC. Cost is \$600 per group, which includes golf and lunch.

Booking can be made through the club website at <https://www.manlybombers.com.au/product-page/manly-bombers-golf-day-2018>.

For further details contact Andrew Varasdi on 0408 349 578.

(Please note the event date has changed from its previous scheduling during May).

How the points table works

Have you ever wondered has the AFL Juniors points table works?

Did you know that the scoring system is designed to reward good behaviour and compliance with the codes of conduct for players, team officials and even spectators?

Each week every team is allocated four "Reward E-points" per match, while the winning team earns a further four points.

But the number of "Reward E-points" a team receives is subject to deductions for infringements, such as:

- Yellow card (-1 point)
- Reports by umpires for a variety of code of conduct violations (-2 points)
- Spectator Code of Conduct violations (-2 points)

Each participating team may incur a deduction of up to four points per game for any by-law breach. Points deductions can apply to any players, coaches, volunteers, clubs or spectators.

A team that fails to be allocated its full four Reward E-Points can have their position on the ladder affected. At the end of the regular season it could even mean that the team misses out on the opportunity to play in the finals.

So it's important we all work together to ensure Manly teams receive all the Reward E Points they are due, by following the codes of conduct for players, officials and spectators.

Full details of the system are in the AFL Sydney Juniors 2017 Competition Rules and By-laws (5.18 – 5.22 and Appendix 8)

Team managers should have a copy of the By-laws or you can find them on the club website or at: <http://aflsj.com.au/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2017/03/AFL-Sydney-Juniors-2017-Competition-Rules-and-By-laws-v1.01-1-1.pdf>

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