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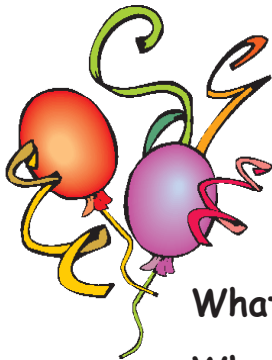
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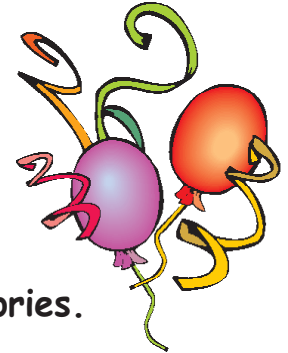
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## **THUNDER FC TRIVIA NIGHT**



**Bigger & Better Than Before!**

- What:** General trivia questions from various categories.
- Where:** Thornleigh West Primary School
- When:** July 1, 2006 - 7.30pm-midnight
- Cost:** \$20 per ticket, tables 8-10
- Bookings:** Glen DeNardi Phone: 0408418131
- Theme:** World Cup Soccer (each table will represent a team from the World Cup)
- Presenter:** Tony Ruttyn (Mr Entertainment)

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# Match Reports

U6 ECHIDNAS

NO REPORT

U6 EMU

THORNLEIGH 0 vs WEST RYDE ROVERS 2

This was the third week without a goal for our Team. But why? They played well although we started with one Player down. LEWIS HABROUK, NICHOLAS PANZERA, REILLY KING and JOSHUA MUCH showed no fear and did an excellent job, in supporting NIKLAS WAGNER, our goalie. After we had a full Team, LIAM GODFREY showed a big run over the hole Field, but wasn't rewarded. NIKLAS did a great job in the goal, but our defense couldn't prevent two goals in this half. In the second half we showed good teamwork again and ETHAN GODFREY kept the goal clear. So we hope for more success next week. Our special "Ta" goes to HAMISH CROKER who was there to support his Team although he is ill. Well done! Let's hope they all pursue the World Cup and learn from it!!

U6 KOOKABURRA

THORNLEIGH 5 vs EPPING EASTWOOD 2 3/6/06

The Thunders enjoyed a strong attacking game this week. The game got started when a throw in by MATTHEW BUTLER and teamwork between ALEXANDER (the goal machine) WALSH and JARED (super boot) DE VRIES almost resulted in a goal for JARED very early on. Shortly afterward ALEXANDER WALSH took control of a ball thrown in from half way and scored the first goal of the match. An incursion by the talented Epping no. 11 player was stopped by JARED and the ball was taken up and played well by DANIEL PATTERSON. Shortly after ALEX scored our second goal. The tide turned against us however and No. 8 from the Epping team showed some great ball handling skill to bring the ball up to our goalposts where a great save was made by DANIEL (blocker) DRAPER. OLIVER DEWEY took the ball up the midfield in his signature style to put Epping well and truly on the defensive. Fortunes swung around however and the pressure was on the Thunder goal for a while with some great saves by our goalie DANIEL DRAPER and strong defensive play by BRADLEY HOWARD. A strong attack from the Epping no. 10 player acting alone was stopped by Thunder teamwork. Shortly afterward MATTHEW brought the ball up from well within the Thunder half and was unfortunate to just miss on scoring a goal. The pressure remained firmly on Epping Eastwood however and shortly afterward JARED thumped the ball past the Epping goalie for our third goal. Thunder swung to defend and relied on DANIEL PATTERSON initially before MATTHEW turned a determined attack by the Epping no. 10. An Akubra blowing across the field didn't faze the Thunders and ALEX scored the Thunder goal 4. In the second half JARED stopped an early attack but then some good teamwork by the Tiger players especially 3 and 8 resulted in a goal for them. DANIEL DRAPER showed his skills weren't limited to defence and with DANIEL PATTERSON tackled strongly to bring the ball up to half way. A subsequent Epping attack was stopped with a great sliding save by our second half goalie MATTHEW BUTLER. Shortly afterwards however a rocket ball by Epping no. 11 saw them score. Thunder were on the defensive again until DANIEL (crowd pleaser) PATTERSON, Player of the Week, made a great tackle then attacked up the field and around the Epping defence inches from the sideline and his admiring fans to put Thunder back on the attack until the full time whistle. We missed the sportsmanship of JOSHUA BENNETT and HANSEL JI from this match.

U6 KOOKABURRA

THORNLEIGH 8 vs RYDE 5

The Thunders were a player short at the start of this match but the Panthers good sports that they were lent us "Ben". Great early goal by ALEXANDER WALSH the first of a total 8 goals for him this match. An early attempt at goals by Panthers No. 7 was stopped by goalie OLIVER DEWEY. DANIEL DRAPER made great throw in's and was strong in defence. BRADLEY HOWARD was also distinguished by strong play and great throw in's. Second half saw a number of great saves by MATTHEW BUTLER and a throw in that looked like a Rugby Union lineup. JOSHUA BENNETT was our man of the match for being wherever the ball was with strong defensive play. We missed JARED DE VRIES, HANSEL JI and DANIEL PATTERSON from this match.

U6 MAGPIES

NO REPORT

**U6 PLATYPUS****THORNLEIGH 15 vs ROSELEA 0**

Well, what a difference a good start can make to the motivation and effort of an Under 6 team!

After a confidence boosting game on their road trip to Kenthurst last week, the mighty Platypus team assembled on the Oakleigh 2 desert again after some solid rain had softened the surface, ready for action. After spending the week watching highlight footage of previous World Cup finals, the coaching staff were hoping that the effect would be reflected on the park. JOSH DE SILVA arrived at the field and told the team he had washed his boots while warming and man did it show! In a matter of five minutes he had put 4 goals in the net and Roselea were stunned and remained that way for the next 10 minutes. Great teamwork was on display as CODY JERVIS ran hard and straight while TASI VELE continued on with her good form from last week, covering the park with commitment and enthusiasm. More goals were the order of the day throughout the first half, going to the break 9-0 up and brimming with confidence. In the second half JOSH replaced DANIEL MERRICK in goals and DANIEL impressed the gallery with some great runs and kicks, almost scoring, but most importantly entertaining the supporters on the sideline. RHORDAN STEPHENS never stopped trying and played with the maturity and experience of a World Cup fullback, reading the game superbly and stopping any chance that the Roselea team constructed during the second half. As the action heated up and the team got down to business again, QUINN CAMPBELL displayed tenacity and great perception as he scored 2 goals with CODY JERVIS also scoring several goals in this half, chasing the ball right into the goal, never giving up. The team displayed wonderful enthusiasm with accurate kicking, passing and follow-up work that was well beyond their years! Always a team that loves a home game and the home ground advantage, the mighty Platypus entourage did not disappoint. It doesn't get much better than this! The boys are having a great season, enjoying their time on the park. They have every right to be proud about their effort and achievement so far. A great team effort where the 'Worldgame' was the winner! Well done to RHORDAN for being named 'Player of the Week'.

**U6 KOALA NO REPORT**

**U6 WALLABY NO REPORT**

**U7 ECHIDNA****THORNLEIGH 2 vs WEST RYDE ROVERS 4**

Following the 1-0 loss last week which could have easily gone the other way the Echidnas were out to prove to the world they could match it with the best. The first half was a tight contest with an early goal by the Rovers answered by Thornleigh in what some sideline commentators considered the "play of the year". RORY MADDEN, who has made the centre back position his own, sent a long clearing kick downfield to find VEERAN MUDALIAR in open space. A couple of deft kicks and the ball was flying past their astonished goalie and the score was 1-1. Strong defence midfield by ANDREW WADDELL and LACHLAN JONES kept the Rovers trying and JAYDEN PAK was like an octopus in goals. Somehow the Rovers managed a sneaky goal in the "extra time" of the first half and they went to the break at 2-1. Straight after half time the Rovers managed another surprise goal which rebounded off the side post to make it 3-1. However CAMERON CHOI and ALEXANDER HORSPOOL countered with some brilliant attacking runs that saw VEERAN in the clear, banging in another goal to make it 3-2. The team then weathered more attacks with the powerful boot of goalie CHARLIE TRETHERWEY making the Rovers run backwards with some big goalkicks. JULIA MOKSDI kept up her all-round game of attack and defence but the Rovers managed another cheeky goal which also sneaked in off the side post to make it 4-2. With time running out and the Rovers attacking again NICHOLAS BASSETT continued his excellent defensive effort by blocking another raid and the full time whistle blew with NICHOLAS earning his Player of the MATCH award. VEERAN picked up a special award for his great attacking effort and two goals.

**U7 EMUS****THORNLEIGH 1 vs NORTH RYDE 4**

The Emus fought hard but were beaten by a very good opponent. After the first half we thought we were in for a flogging but with a massive turn around in the second half the boys redeemed themselves. The two goalies HARRISON DARGAN and REUBEN SPARGO had fantastic games doing more work than anyone making some great saves and big clearing kicks. NATHAN POLLOCK and SAM KALNINS both played well with some great passing to their team mates. RYAN CLARKE and JOSH REIDY both defended extremely well tackling tirelessly all game. JOSH NATOLI and CHRISTOPHER WATT played well up front in attack with Josh scoring a great goal. The "Man of the Match" this week went to TOM KENNEDY who had a cracker, weaving the ball in and around the opposition all game. Well done EMUS.

**U7 KOALAS NO REPORT**

**U8 GOLD NO REPORT**

**U8 ORANGE NO REPORT**

**U8 RED NO REPORT**

**U9/2 THORNLEIGH 0 vs ROSELEA 1**

**U9/5 THORNLEIGH 0 vs WEST PENNANT HILLS 2**

U10/6

THORNLEIGH 6 vs PENNANT HILLS 0

For the second bleak weekend in a row the “Sixers” have played wonderful football. The result was never in doubt with the kids all over the opposition like goosebumps on a Siberian nudist. No one player starred today; everyone did their job and teamwork was to the fore. The team’s shape was really good with our backs, particularly ADRIAN and WILL, dispossessing Penno and then immediately looking for wide midfielders to take the ball forward. MAX and JOSH S are also becoming very adept at taking the ball past their immediate opposite and then looking for the pass. That’s the way to keep possession and build pressure guys so keep it up. Our first goal today was a ripper scored by ANDRE. He won the ball about 35 metres out towards the sideline and just kept running, jiggling and weaving until he had the defenders bamboozled and then calmly belted the ball into the net. The next goal looked from the sideline like the Charge of the Light Brigade. The “Sixers” won possession on half way and a wave of about half a dozen headed towards the goal like cavalry bearing down on the enemy. The poor goalie was alone facing the charge and BLAKE smashed the ball away. Half time came just after ADRIAN introduced himself to one of the girls on the other team with a beautifully executed “Cumberland Throw”. She came up smiling though and the ref must have missed it!! MITCH and JAY played in goals today. Neither was asked to make a save although MITCH did manage two towering punt kicks. Both played well when on the field with JAY holding his position up front and providing a target for through balls. JOSH B covered more ground than Lassie coming home in midfield, moving seamlessly from defence to attack. JULIAN got our third goal after a goal line melee where he put in a clean shot which ricocheted of an defender straight past the keeper. TOM L played well in the open, hit some massive corners and scored our fourth goal off a BLAKE pass. CAMERON hit a powerhauser of a shot from the edge of the box for our fifth goal and ADRIAN completed the rout with a clinical finish. So the “Sixers” stay on top of the Table and are looking good coming into the business end of the season.

U11/3

THORNLEIGH 0 vs REDFIELD LIONS 1

We just keep trying, and as long as the boys and girls do that and enjoy themselves in the process who cares about the score! It was good to see some players put out of their comfort zones by playing positions they don’t normally play. Some may question this move, but hey – you don’t know if you don’t try! DALE EDWARDS playing forward from his normal back/mid field position, certainly rose to the challenge. JACK ANGEL playing mid field mastered his position with some great forward dribbles and passes. SAMUEL LANE (playing his normal forward position) had some marvelous runs down the wing and TRISTAN ZEID and XAVIER BOUCHER (Goalie first half) were a force to reckon with on the forward line. TIMOTHY JONES was on the attack all the time with some great support from REBEKA FIELD while on the back line we saw DARREN JOOSTEN with his speed, SAMUEL CLARKE with his control, MATTHEW FORD (goalie 2nd half) with some powerful kicks and a big thank you to DANIELLE HADDAD from the under 10/6’s for helping us out today. Last but not least CAMERON SHARIFI, who was sick today – here’s to a speedy recovery!

U11/6

THORNLEIGH 4 vs NORMANHURST 0

U12/5

THORNLEIGH 1 vs RYDE DISTRICT PANTHERS 5 10/6/06

U12/5

THORNLEIGH 1 vs RYDE DISTRICT PANTHERS 3 12/6/06

U13/1

THORNLEIGH 1 vs WEST PENNANT HILLS/RED 1 10/6/06

Awesome effort by the complete whole team today. Welcome back KELSEY for his 1st game this season. A damp and cool start to the game with a tough tussle developing for the first half. Great defense by CHRIS G, MATT & JARRYD kept the opposition on their toes. Two close shots at goal from LEROY motivated everyone and we managed to keep the ball for the majority of the first half with the help of MITCH, HARRY, TOM & KEL and their strong determination. Somehow the opposition managed to sneak in a quick goal to catch us all off guard. With heads up a timely corner from MATT to LACHLAN on the burst and passed beautifully into LEROY saw us even the score. With all the boys pumped it was time to keep up the defensive pressure which CONNOR (Mr.Eveready - never gives up) did extremely well all game with careful assistance by TIM & ED.

The second half saw CHRIS S well focussed and primed as the opposition came out firing with several unsuccessful shots. A great save from MITCH gave the team a breather and an attempt to get it back our end combining with the big boots of DAN, MATT & CHRIS G brought the play back our way. A tireless KELSEY enjoying his comeback took the pressure off our regular backs with some effortless skills, but the play of the day goes to Lach with his aggressive burst through the centre from the half which got all the crowd screaming with the prospect of a single handed goal. Unlucky LACH, it was a huge effort! So we press on to a re-match on the Monday long weekend game with great enthusiasm and motivation from a truly great game today. A pleasure to watch a team effort!

Coch’s Awards: LACHLAN & KELSEY Reporters Award: “Mr.Eveready” CONNOR

U13/1

THORNLEIGH 1 vs WEST PENNANT HILLS RED 1 12/6/06

For the Thunder boys this was a repeat of the game two days ago, same team, same score. Although, after a week of heavy rain the sun was once again shining, the ground was very wet underfoot and some of the boys ended up wallowing in the mud.

The game was characterised by good solid defence and several great attacking breaks. The boys worked well as a team and showed tremendous ball skills despite the conditions. After 15 minutes of play LACHLAN, with LEROY in support, managed to draw the goalie from the nets and took the boys to the lead. Shortly after, DAN powered down the field and was unlucky not to score. Just on half-time, West Pennant Hills kicked the equaliser. Players of the week were LACHLAN, KELSEY and TOM

U13/3

THORNLEIGH 4 vs ROSELEA 2

Woo Hoo! Thornleigh thundered today with a great team win! Both teams started with only nine players, Thornleigh had a good start with great passing and the backs were defending well until Roselea scored a goal. 0-1 There was a good attempt on goal by MATT, great defence by SCOTT and excellent tackling and chasing by NATHAN. LEE demonstrated nice ball control and as always there was alert goal keeping by NICK. BRAD in defence was showing his skills following up tackles and running the ball further up the field. Another goal was saved by NICK, then the ball was quickly taken to the other end of the field before Roselea's defence could get back into position and LEE made an excellent kick and slotted in the goal to even the score. 1-1. Now with a full compliment of players there was a good attempt on goal after persistent tackling & a strong kick by DANYON. The midfielders did wonderful work to give an opportunity for STEFAN to score a great goal to make it 2-1. In the second half excellent team work by JOSH, LEE and NICK nearly added to the score. BRAD continued to show us how to use your head, CHARBEL booted a good long kick in defence and there was great running up the side by JOSH. After great positioning of the corner kick by SAAMID, TOM who had just arrived for the game, made up for lost time and was able to score a good goal. 3-1. With great passing between forwards TOM was able to score another beautiful goal. 4-1. Then another good attempt at a goal by NICK, who usually is the goal keeper, just went wide of the posts. There was good consistent defending and tackling by BRAD, LEE and CHARBEL. Roselea managed to score another goal before the final whistle. 4-2. The game was a well played team effort. It is amazing how passing the ball can aid in scoring goals! Special thanks to our assistant coach, ROSS for assisting the boys to a win in MIKE's absence. Reporter's men of the match LEE & CHARBEL.

U14/1

THORNLEIGH 0 vs EASTWOOD ST. ANDREWS 4

Although the team experienced a loss this week; we are one week closer to a big win. Out gunned on the day, the Thornleigh team put up a competitive performance against one of the competition front runners. The team certainly lifted for the game and we were able to match it with them in most aspects of the game. Highlights included an outstanding display of goalkeeping by JOHN CAVILL who was like a brick wall in front of the opposition. NIC GEORGIU had his trademark, powerhouse game at sweeper, making several charging, attacking raids. STEVE BORRELL and BEN COLAUTTI had a real dig, working hard against faster and stronger opponents. DARRYL KELSHAW although small in stature, showed he has a heart as big as a bear, working so hard it made those on the sideline exhausted. WARWICK SPARKES and MEL d'ARCHY have stitching tattoos on their foreheads after making numerous strong headers. All in all, a game we should learn from, to ensure we are ready for anything the opposition can throw at us in the future.

U14/2 Girls

WASHED OUT

U14/4

THORNLEIGH 3 vs PENNANT HILLS 3

U16/1

THORNLEIGH 1 vs WEST PENNANT HILLS BLUE 5

Damp conditions did not deter the boys today. Once again they all played with determination today, trying very hard against a very fast and skilled team who haven't lost a game this season. The boys are continually improving and they were putting some impressive passes together. The score does not reflect how competitive we were today. Up until the last ten minutes of the game the score was 2-1, very close. WPH were lucky to sneak the last three goals in at the end. BEN HOLLIDAY had a very busy and quite brilliant game in goals today. RYAN HOWISON and NICK JONES were very strong in defence today. It was great to have them both back playing today.

AA/2

WASHED OUT

AA/3

THORNLEIGH 1 vs OAKHILL COLLEGE 0

AA/5 WOMEN

WASHED OUT

AA/8

THORNLEIGH 5 vs PUTNEY RANGERS 0

AA/8 WOMEN

THORNLEIGH 2 vs ROSELEA 2

AA/15

WASHED OUT

O35/1

WASHED OUT

O35/4

THORNLEIGH 0 vs PACIFIC HILLS DURAL 2

**PL/1 THORNLEIGH 3 vs WEST PENNANT HILLS 1 10/6/06**

**Thunder were on fire and were the better team throughout this match. The victory was well deserved. Goal scorers were TIM HILL, AVAN YOUNG and MARK HOLLIDAY.**

**PL/Res THORNLEIGH 3 vs WEST PENNANT HILLS 2 10/6/06**

**The wet conditions suited our play and slowed down the oppositions attacking raids. Thunder scored all of their goals in the first half and managed to hang on for a well deserved win. MARK HOLLIDAY, DAVID STORY and CHARLIE COOK were our scorers.**

**PL/1 THORNLEIGH 1 vs EASTWOOD ST ANDREWS 1 12/6/06**

**After a tight first half Thunder conceded a goal early in the second half when keeper James Mielnik was caught off his line. A last minute penalty from RYAN ROFF forced the draw. The next game is against Roselea on June 17 at Oakleigh Oval.**

**PL/Res THORNLEIGH 2 vs EASTWOOD ST ANDREWS 8 12/6/06**

**Backing up from Saturdays win over West Pennant Hills was too much for our depleted side. Thunder scored 2 goals but unfortunately St Andrews managed to score 8. Goal scorers were STEVE JACK and MARK HOLLIDAY.**