



# St Mary's Football & Netball Club

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## Club Newsletter — April 2009

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Welcome to the first edition of the club newsletter for season 2009.

### PREMIERSHIP FLAGS UNFURLING

The first home game of the season sees the unfurling of the 2008 Reserves and Seniors Premiership flags. Welcome to our special guests and our valued sponsors for this momentous occasion.



### NEW SPONSORS

Supporters will notice that we have new warm up jackets compliments of "The Edge" Bar & Restaurant. Special thanks to Cameron Ling & co. for their valued sponsorship. Please show your support whenever you get a chance to call into the Edge for a drink or a meal.



PIZZA HUT – have generously agreed to be the jumper sponsor for all junior footy jumpers this season.

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW DUE

See your team manager or Kevin McMahon, the deadline for player membership is round four.

### NETBALL REPORT

St Mary's will be putting 14 junior netball teams on the court this season, with eleven playing in the Friday night comp and three on Saturdays. They join our four senior teams to give us a total 18 netball sides for season 2009.



2009 Netball coaches are:

- 11&U: Fiona Biggs
- 13&U: Kate Redden
- 15&U: Nicky Purves
- 17&U: Narrelle Schmidt
- A & B Gr: Mel Martinelli
- C Gr: Bern Boxer & Kate Blood
- D Gr: Bern Boxer & Fiona Biggs

Several parents will also be assisting with the Friday night coaching duties.

Congratulations to Kenisha McMahon who has been selected for the 15&U Interleague Netball Squad.

### NEW LIGHT TOWERS

Special thanks to the Geelong Cats Sports Foundation for their \$60,000 grant enabling the installation of new light towers. Thanks also to Ben Storey (COGG), Adrian Burns (Kardinia Park Mgmt) & Laurie Bond for their assistance in this project.

### SPONSORS:



### **UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS**

Sat 18 Apr – Halos / Sponsors Day  
Sat 25 Apr – Parents Day  
Sat 2 May – G.I. Joes & Janes Night  
Sat 9 May – Junior Club Function  
Sun 17 May – After match at “The Edge”  
Sat 30 May – Ladies Day  
Sat 13 June – Contiki Tour function

### **JUNIOR FOOTBALL REPORT**

The junior football section continues to grow, with ten teams entered into the Newtown Little League competition (U/9's – U/12) which starts on 1 May. We also have three U/14 & two U/16 teams in the GJFL which kicks off this weekend (17 April). At last count we had a total of 283 registered junior players.

Auskick is alive & kicking on Friday nights with Alf Clark supported by Juanita & Chrissy.

2009 Junior Coaches are:

U/9: Ian Courtney, David Batson, Matt Farrow

U/10: Gavin Mahoney, Scott Hosking,  
Kevin McMahon

U/11: John McMahon, Mark Nolan

U/12: Gary Biggs, Russell Mitchell

U/14: Michael Kol, Eric Smith, Marc O'Donohue

U/16: Russell McMahon, David Stewart

### **ST MARY'S CANTEEN**

The club is indebted to Nicole Peck for co-ordinating the club canteen again this year. All players (football & netball) are reminded to check the duty roster and ensure they fulfil their once-a-year canteen duties.

### **2009 CULTURAL CUP POSTPONED**

After three successful years (including two trips to Cape York), the Cultural Cup has been suspended this year due to AFL funding cuts. Although we won't be hosting the boys from up north this year, it is only a temporary setback and we hope to be back on track soon.

### **PAST PLAYERS STAND**

The Geelong FC Past Players Stand has been relocated to the Southern end of the ground. Arrangements are in place for final restoration work and once ready for use, the stand will be used as a “Family Friendly” viewing area.

### **NEW U/18 COACH - Gerard Harrington**

We welcome Gerard to the club & wish him continued success, after his thrilling 1 point win over South Barwon in round one.

### **THURSDAY NIGHT MEALS**

Don't forget \$10 meals at the club each Thurs.

### **FOOTY TIPPING UPDATE—Round 4**

Leader board:

1st	Bradley O'Brien	21
2nd	Anthony Cassar	20
	Tom Collins	20
	Mark Hogan	20
	Julianne Matcott	20
	Angus Rollinson	20
	Adam Turnley	20

### **ST MARY'S GOLD MEDALLIST**



Congratulations to Robert “Snowy” Snowdon (above) on his gold medal haul during the recent Masters Games. The privileged few who witnessed his football display said “we missed nothing”. Despite being unable to kick or run and constantly out of breath (and that was only at training), he somehow found himself on the winner's podium. Snowy intends to tour schools & community groups, showing off his medal. Corporate bookings can be made through his media manager Bruce Doherty.

### **CHANGE ROOMS RENOVATIONS**

Plans are now on display in the clubrooms for the proposed change room renovations. We are currently awaiting final costings, further information will be relayed when it becomes available.

### **CLUB CLOTHING**

New supplies are due in shortly, bulk orders will be submitted at the end of each month. Please order through your football or netball team manager.