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## ELTHAM JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 21st April 2009

### THE NEW SEASON HAS BEGUN!

Round 1 and the club has fielded 15 teams with an U/9 and then 2 teams in every age group from U/10 through U/17. It's looking like another big year for the Panthers with again around 320 kids representing the club.

This is the first official chance I've had to welcome all the families who join us in 2009 for the first time; in particular our U/9 and U/10 families. Enjoy and be proud of your kids as they don the red and black every Sunday. It's always exciting welcoming and meeting new families to the club and I look forward to catching up with as many of you as I can as we go through the season.

The Junior Committee has worked diligently over the summer to prepare for the season that kicked off on Sunday with all 15 teams participating.

It takes a lot of effort to prepare the club and to have each of our teams ready for Round 1. I'd like to thank each of our junior committee members for their contribution. In particular I want to acknowledge the tireless work that Helen Smith and Deb and Rob Mallard have put in between them to manage all our registrations, attract and secure sponsors whose contributions are of course so vital to the club each year, arrange panthers merchandise and footy gear and then countless behind the scenes organizational activities.

For the new season we have an outstanding list of sponsors. My thanks to all our sponsors for 2009; those joining us for the first time and those renewing their sponsorship after past successful years with us. Thanks too to our major sponsors Max Kirwan Mazda and Morrison Kleeman Real Estate who have continued their long term major sponsorship of the club for 2009.

Off-field this season, the club will continue to work hard to improve our facilities and services. We've nearly finished work on a long overdue refurbishment to the ladies toilets at Central and

are doing some things to improve the functionality of the canteen at Central.

New junior website also up and running. Visit it at [www.elthamjfc.com.au](http://www.elthamjfc.com.au).

The "biggy" is the new Electronic Scoreboard for Central which we've now signed off on and look forward to seeing up and running in the second half of the season. More on this exciting major project in coming weeks.

I wish all our teams well for the season ahead and wish the senior club well also for its 2009 campaign. Support the Senior Club by purchasing a membership ticket and going to watch our seniors play throughout the season.

I look forward to seeing all our junior families at our first Junior Function at Central on Sunday night May 3rd.

Regards,  
Peter Lamont  
President

### WELL DONE ZAKA

Congratulations to ex-Eltham Junior David Zaharakis who made his AFL debut in Round 2 against Fremantle. Topping it off with nomination as NAB Rising Star for the round.



# Round 2 - 26th APRIL 2009 MATCH SCHEDULE & VENUE

## CENTRAL (black shorts)

8:30AM Under 10 Blue **ELTHAM** Vs Montmorency  
 10:00AM Under 11 Blue **ELTHAM BLUE** Vs Montmorency Black  
 11:30AM Under 14 Blue **ELTHAM** Vs South Morang Blue  
 1:00PM Under 15 Red **ELTHAM** Vs Whittlesea

## WALLAN (white shorts)

8:30AM Under 12 Red **ELTHAM RED** Vs Wallan

## HURSTBRIDGE H.S. (white shorts)

8:45AM Under 9 Blue **ELTHAM** Vs Hurstbridge

## LALOR (white shorts)

8:30AM Under 10 Red **ELTHAM RED** Vs Lalor

## MONTMORENCY (white shorts)

11:30AM Under 12 Blue **ELTHAM BLUE** Vs Montmorency Black

## EPPING (white shorts)

11:30AM Under 15 Blue **ELTHAM BLUE** Vs Epping

## MILL PARK LAKES (white shorts)

11:30PM Under 11 Green **ELTHAM GREEN** Vs South Morang Maroon  
 1:00PM Under 13 Blue **ELTHAM BLUE** Vs South Morang Blue

## WHITTLESEA (white shorts)

1:00PM Under 13 Red **ELTHAM RED** Vs Whittlesea  
 3:00PM Under 17 Blue **ELTHAM BLUE** Vs Whittlesea

## GREENSBOROUGH (white shorts)

3:00PM Under 17 Silver **ELTHAM GREEN** Vs Greensborough

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Under 14 Red **ELTHAM RED**

## Under 17 (blue)

### Eltham Vs Research

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	2.1	2.4	4.6	4.7 - 31
Research	2.0	5.0	6.0	10.5 - 65

**Goalscorers:** Lukas Avramov 1, Josh Anderson 1, Sam Montanaro 1, Anthony Stephens 1

**Best Players:** Sam Montanaro, Anthony Stephens, Mikael Avramov, Jay Kemp, Stefan Bontempelli, Matthew Tantsis- Hall, Ryan Romeril, Robert Reid, Josh Anderson

**Coaches Comments:** Disappointing to not get a win, but a number of positives came out of a tough first up match. Our efforts throughout the game were pleasing. Our tackling and physical pressure on the opposition were highly commendable. We didn't grasp our opportunities when they arose and to Research's credit they absorbed it all and kicked clear at the end of the match. We need to improve our decision making and ball use as we didn't get enough value from the amount of possession we had. Our clearance work also needs to be better. We will hone in on some of these deficiencies and work on not only maintaining but building our individual and collective competitiveness. Kevin

Don't be a dope "say no to drugs." The Eltham Junior Football Club operates "smoke free" facilities and supports the responsible use of alcohol.

## MILESTONES

Congratulations to the following players who have achieved games milestones for Eltham Junior Football Club this week:

Brandon Haddon Stanton Under 14 (red) 100 games

**JUNIOR CLUB  
FUNCTION  
SUNDAY 3rd MAY**  
 Guest Speaker  
 5.30 - 8.30 pm  
 100 & 50 games awards

## DIARY DATES

Junior Function - Sunday 3rd May  
 Team Photos - May  
 Major Raffle - June  
 Trivia Night - June/July



## Under 17 (green)

### Eltham Vs Montmorency

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	0.1	1.3	4.6	6.11 - 47
Montmorency	6.3	10.4	13.6	14.8 - 92

**Goalscorers:** Corey Pillot (2), John Steele (1), Joe Reischel (1), Jeremy Fleming (1), Zach Cowan (1)

**Best Players:** Ben Jackson, Zach Cowan, Matthew Deards, Joe Reischel, Taylann Luckman, Mitch Gasowski

**Coaches Comments:** After a slow start the boys started to gel producing some great passages of play and eventually outscoring the opposition in the second half and finishing strongly in the last quarter. All good signs for the future. Thanks again to Ben and Limo for doubling up and giving us a bench for rotations. Warren



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## Under 15 (Blue)

### Research V Eltham

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Research	0.0	2.2	4.3	4.4 - 28
Eltham	4.3	9.8	11.11	16.18 - 114

**Goalscorers:** Luke Ericson (4), Jake Crockford (4), Michael Bullock (2), Jack Philpott (2), Jordan Pettigrove (2), Mitch Kennedy (1), Nick Vlastuin (1),

**Best Players:** Alphabetical order: Michael Bullock, Harrison Burns, Jake Crockford, Mitchell Kennedy, Jordan Pettigrove, Jack Philpott, Jon Van Wynen, Nicholas Vlastuin

**Coaches Comments:** The Grand Final replay at Research saw two teams really hard at the ball. Both teams tackled hard but we managed to break away often enough to put a score on the board. Jon Van Wynen's 2nd efforts with his smother's and tackles was fantastic and created many opportunities. Nick Vlastuin flew with the birds then kicked half the length of the ground. His hard at it, never give up approach also created many chances for our on ballers. Every single player did the hard work required to get the footy and it was very pleasing to see. It's only the 1st game and we still have a lot of improvement to go, but we must continue to do the hard yards to be successful. Other very good players were Harrison Burns, Mitchell Kennedy, who stood up in the tackles and delivered the ball very well. Good solid team effort. House of Salad Restaurant Reward - Jon Van Wynen. Regards Peter Brown.

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## Under 15 (red)

### Eltham Vs Yarrambat

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	0.3	0.4	1.6	3.11 - 29
Yarrambat	6.2	10.10	15.16	21.20 - 146

**Goalscorers:** Nick Rowe (2), Aaron Moon (1)

**Best Players:** Dale Smith, Aaron Moon, Matt Gasowski, Ben Smith, Ryan Keys, Lachlan Tuke

**Coaches Comments:** Tried hard early but missed some easy goals. We need to improve in areas like team play, fitness, decision making and general skills. This will help us play to our full potential. The second half was a great improvement and showed glimpses of what can be achieved with team work and hard running. Lets look for a big improvement next week. Terry

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## Under 14 (blue)

### Eltham Vs Greensborough

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	5.2	10.5	15.7	21.11 - 137
Greensborough	0.0	0.3	1.4	1.5 - 11

**Goalscorers:** Dylan Battenally (5), John Nicolaci (4) Marcus Bontempelli (4), Liam Hunt (3), Lachlan Wain (2), Todd Owen (2), Jake Baschiera (1)

**Best Players:** Jake Kalanj, Lachlan Wain, Tom Petts, Marcus Bontempelli, Dylan Battenally, Jerome Luxon.

**Coaches Comments:** Great performance from every player. A good display of discipline and unselfish football. Game plan was well executed by all players. After 1/2 time positions were mixed up using many players in the middle, up forward and back and we were still able to execute the game plan and play direct football. Thanks to all. Nick Allin



## Under 14 (Red)

### Eltham Vs Wallan

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	0.0	0.1	2.3	4.3 - 27
Wallan	6.0	10.0	16.0	18.15 - 123

**Goalscorers:** Jesse Ball (2), James Reid (1), Jack Hardy (1)

**Best Players:** Liam Elso, Jack Hardy, Daniel Setches, Evan Kalcovski, Jesse Ball, James Lowe

**Coaches Comments:** According to the scoreboard it was a loss. But from a development point of view it was a huge win. With 3 guys playing their first game and limited training together, to work on our game plan, we struggled in the first half. After half time the attitude and commitment to the contest improved greatly, and some very promising signs emerged. Congratulations to Brandon on 100 games, a great achievement, and to Will Phipps, Adam Barcellona and James Caligari on their first game for the club. Darren



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## Under 13 (Blue)

### Eltham Vs Epping Blue

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	5.5	11.8	17.11	20.13 - 133
Epping Blue	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0 - 12

**Goalscorers:** James Reid (5), Adam Brovedani (4), Nick Mercuri (3), Daniel Wood (2), Chris McCabe (1), Michael Gynn (1), Tom Phillips (1), Liam Keane (1), Sam Edward (1), Jordan Catela (1)

**Best Players:** Adam Brovedani, James Reid, Nick Mercuri, Ethan Said, Liam Keane, Tom Burns

**Coaches Comments:** A dominant display from the outset. I'd have to say however, Epping won just as much ball out of the middle, so we have work to do on our clearances. But, we rebounded well off half back, and our forward line functioned with Tommy, Nick, James and Adam marking most things and when they didn't the others boys were crumbing well front and centre of the packs or building our defensive lines across half forward and the centre. Most pleasing, the stats for our shepherding improved as the game wore on, which underlines the boys discipline and preparedness to protect each other. In the last quarter, Epping flooded our forward line and played about 10 on the ball and we failed to pick up the lose players moving forward which allowed them to score. Well done today guys, but the test comes this week with South Morang...

## Under 13 (Red)

### Eltham Vs Wallan

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 - 0
Wallan	3.1	6.2	8.3	12.5 - 77

**Best Players:** Billy Raines, Matthew Reynolds, Ryan Shinton, Joshua Mallard, Luke Cinerari, Dylan Karlake

**Coaches Comments:** On a windy day a disappointing start for this group. Wallan who have played together for four years showed us how to get the ball first and use it well. We need to work hard on our skills, fitness, discipline and to stick to our opposition players. When we did switch the play it was encouraging. We need all parents to chip in each week and share the duties around. See you at training this week. Dave

## Under 12 (Blue)

### Eltham Vs South Morang

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	0.0	1.1	2.1	2.1 - 13
South Morang	1.1	3.5	4.5	9.8 - 64

**Goalscorers:** Jackson Deards 1 , Caleb Crabtree 1

**Best Players:** James Marchbank, Lachlan Campbell, Simon Krug, Jack Neale, Max Summers, Max Maynard.

**Coaches Comments:** It was a hard day for the boys only having 18, they were a bit nervous. Unfortunately we were playing a lot better than what the score said. South Morang ran away at the end. A bit of work needs to be done, the boys know that and will come out a lot harder next week. Mitch



**ELTHAM**

## Under 12 (Red)

### Eltham Vs West Preston

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 - 0
West Preston	8.2	15.9	23.11	28.13 -181

**Goalscorers:** NONE

**Best Players:** Ben Cox, Derin Clough, Lewis Jaksic, William Schoof, Zach Shinton, Aaron Smale

**Coaches Comments:** A tough game, the opposition played a good game which we failed to respond to in the first half. The second half was a different game with all the players answering the challenge thrown out to them, the score was not indicative of the endeavour shown by the boys in the second half in particular.



## Under 11 (Blue)

### Eltham vs South Morang Blue

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham Blue	1.0	1.1	1.1	2.6 - 18
Sth Morang	2.3	3.5	8.6	9.6 - 60

**Goalscorers:** Jordan Taylor(1) , Bronson Glasgow (1)

**Best Players:** Bronson Glasgow, Riley Hunt, Jordan Taylor, Samuel Warren, Ethan Richards, Lachlan Turnbull

**Coaches Comments:** Congratulations Jordan Bullock for being captain for the game against Sth Morang. We started the game of really well, with the boys showing good endeavour, going hard at the ball, making good position around the ground and using each extremely well. Unfortunately after half time the boys decide to do their own thing and forget team rules. They started kick chasing and not manning-up resulting in the opposition scoring five goals. However, after regrouping the boys fought back well, outscoring the opposition in the last quarter. Had our scoring opportunities been more accurate, I'm sure the scoreline would have been a lot closer. Some encouraging signs for the season and areas we will need to work on.

Regards Phil



## Under 11(Green)

### Eltham Vs Epping

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	3.1	6.3	6.3	8.5 - 53
Epping	0.0	0.0	3.1	3.5 - 23

**Goalscorers:** Andrew Baschiera 3, Alexander O'Dell 2, Luke Wachinger 1, Joshua Campbell 1, Sean Van Oosterwijck 1

**Best Players:** Andrew Baschiera, Alexander O'Dell, Sean Van Oosterwijck, Tim Ellis, Nicholas Marriner, Lachie Davine

**Coaches Comments:** A good positive start to the season with a really consistant effort from all of the players. Right from the start we attacked the ball and put Epping under pressure to go in at half time with a strong lead. Epping improved in the thrid quarter and we seemed to fall away a bit, which allowed Epping to kick 3 goals and get themselves back into the match. But to the credit of everyone, we worked hard again in the last quarter and kicked a couple of goals to seal the match. Ross

## Under 10 (Blue)

### Eltham Vs South Morang Blue

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	1.1	1.3	2.4	5.5 - 35
South Morang	0.0	0.0	4.0	5.1 - 31

**Goalscorers:** Joel Belvedere (2), Thomas Smith (2), Matthew McLellan (1)

**Best Players:** Adrian Kalkovski, Hilton Luxon, Liam Reid, James Way.

**Coaches Comments:** Welcome to all the new players and parents, not just to the team but to the club. A good start to a game in good conditions. In the second half we let the opposition get the better of us but the boys dug deep to pull off a good win. Was it the bit about Mick Malthouse and Collingwood? An all round good effort. To all the parent helpers, thankyou. Darren



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## Under 10 (Red)

### Eltham Vs Whittlesea

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr
Eltham	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 - 0
Whittlesea	1.1	4.2	6.5	7.6 - 48

**Goalscorers:** None

**Best Players:** Max Mitchell, Riley Byrne, Orson McIntyre-Wills, Fintan Ryan, Jarrod McMillan, Cameron Pietzsch

**Coaches Comments:** Our Boys battled hard against a very strong and well disciplined Whittlesea team. We saw a good improvement as the game progressed. It was noticeable by game's end that the boys got into the rythm of the game. In the second half we saw an improvement in tackling, teamwork and kicking. We have to work on team rules, ball control and kicking to targets. Well done and congratulations on your first game and we hope for many more to come for Eltham. Platon Paxinos

## Under 9 (Blue)

### Eltham Vs Whittlesea

SCORES ARE NOT KEPT IN UNDER 9'S

**Goalscorers:** Liam Rushton-McCoach, Max Minney, Cameron Sullivan, Rylan Herrick

**Best Players:** Jackson Bowne, Kobe Bodley, Rylan Herrick, Jake Griffin, Liam Coen

**Coaches Comments:** The first game of the year displayed great team work for a bunch of boys that hadn't played together before, with handballing and kicking to each other a great feature. Over the last three weeks, the boys have continued to improve, which was evident with the game on the weekend. Well done lads, and look forward to this week. Mark

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