

# Rivo roos' news

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**Sensational Sam** lets the opposition ruckman know who is the boss in the fifteens scratch match against Wesley in early April. This was Sam's first game of competitive footy and he looked as if he has been playing for years. Coach Andy Ritchie was pleased with the players' early season hit out despite having a number of his regulars unavailable. A strong breeze early in the match made marking difficult and the game was played at ground level for most of the first half.



Luke (right) traps the ball on the ground ready to fire out a hand pass to either Blake or Joey. Unfortunately Joey had to leave the ground in the third quarter with a shoulder injury after playing well in the first half.



Mark (no. 4 - left) was right into everything in the middle of the ground and teamed well with the 14's players who stepped up and helped the fifteens out on the day. Special thanks to the Wesley parents who provided a sausage sizzle and soft drink for all the players after the game. Andy is now much better placed to help his players charge into the 2009 season.

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## East Fremantle Board Member Visits Riverton



East Fremantle board member Mr. Rod Cronan attended the April meeting of the Riverton Junior Football Club. Rod is responsible for junior development in the Shark's district and informed the committee about how things worked in his area of responsibility and generally on the workings of the junior council. The main message (that I received) was that East Fremantle is genuinely committed to junior footy.

He wants to be part of a proactive board (visits to junior clubs) and in addition to putting a face to the board, stated that a key objective is to reduce or eliminate unnecessary work for volunteers at junior clubs.

Rod wanted the Riverton committee members to know that the East Fremantle board is available to assist us in our efforts and that the lines of communication between Riverton and East Fremantle are well and truly open. His visit to our club was appreciated by all committee members and Club President Ray Gibson thanked him on behalf of all Rivo members for coming along.



*Rod Cronan addresses the committee*

## Rising Stars Recognise Roots

WEST Coast Eagles recruit Nick Naitanui and Fremantle Football Club debutant Stephen Hill were special guests at the inaugural junior football season launch, hosted recently by the West Australian Football Commission.



The night also featured rising female football star Lauren Osborne from Swan Districts Women's Football Club, as well as over 150 junior football club presidents, volunteers, and football officials, making the launch a huge success.

The event was also used as a lead-in to the State-wide junior registration day, with early indications showing WA is in for another strong year of participation. The number of registrations highlighted football's importance in WA's junior sporting landscape and to our local communities.

WAFC Manager of Community Development Warren Nel said that in 2008 there were over 110,000 participants in WA football, which was a 9.5% increase on 2007. "This growth was mainly attributed to the fun, safe and fair environments established by over 300 Junior Football Clubs and their presidents across WA," Mr Nel said, "Nick, Stephen and Lauren all spoke at length about the importance of their junior clubs and the effect they had on their personal development both as footballers, and young citizens.

"All were glowing in their praise and appreciation of their mentors at Nick's Midvale Junior Football Club, Stephen's Quinns Junior Football Club and Lauren's Morley Bulldogs Junior Football Club," Mr Nel said.

The Junior Launch was also used as a professional development opportunity for the club presidents with a presentation from Volunteering WA Member Services and Development Manager Jennie Loveridge, who discussed the changing face of volunteers and provided the presidents with some strategies on how to recruit, retain and reward their valuable volunteers.

Apart from Nick, Stephen and Lauren, the real stars of the night were James Sheehan-Nel from Whitfords JFC and Ryley Dunbar from Quinns JFC. Both players thanked the presidents and volunteers for all of their work on behalf of the 65,000 junior players across the State, and officially launched the 2009 Smarter than Smoking Junior Football Season.



## Fixtures For 2009

Thanks to a great job from Riverton's Susan Cassidy-Parker the fixtures for all teams can be found on the Shark's website at [www.eastfremantlefc.com.au/fixtures-results](http://www.eastfremantlefc.com.au/fixtures-results). They are subject to minor changes at this stage and we should check the site each Friday during the season for any amendments. Thanks Susan.

## Club Merchandise For Sale

You have the opportunity to wear Riverton supporter's gear and show your support for the kids each weekend when they play.

Caps are \$10 and Polo Shirts are \$25.

All official Riverton gear has the Rivo roos logo.

Contact Sue and Kirsten 9457 1890 and let them know what you need.

## Milestones, Photos etc.

During the course of the season quite a few players will reach personal milestones, take a screamer or kick goals. If you manage to get a photo of the event please feel free to send it to me for inclusion in the newsletter.

Any contribution of a football nature will be included. My e-mail address is tholford@bigpond.net.au.



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Auskick commences Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 10:00 am (Riverton Reserve) followed by the pack presentation.

Cheers,  
Glenys.

## Year 4's

Training on Fridays at 4:30 pm to 5:30 or 5:45

## Ten's (White) News

Training on Thursdays 16<sup>th</sup> April 4:30 to 5:30 pm

## Ten's (Green) News

Training on Wednesdays 1<sup>st</sup> April 4.30pm – 5.30 pm

## Elevens News

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## Twelves News

Training on Wednesdays from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm

## Thirteens News

Training on Wednesdays and Fridays from 4:30 pm to 5:45 pm.

The 13s have had an excellent preseason leading up to the 2009 season. A number of new players have joined the team and they have all fitted in well. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome these players:

Dylan Bowe	Willis Wiringi
Beau Reale	Darren Bone
Dyzel Cullvergeer	Jazz Woodhouse
Morgan Judd	Paddy Bennell
Talon Martin	Trystan Payne.

I'm looking forward to seeing the development and improvement of the boys over the course of the season. Dwayne Read has volunteered to assist with the coaching duties this season and has done an excellent job so far. I'm looking forward to working with Dwayne throughout the season.

Joe Shipard is also not far from the action and his input at training and on match days is invaluable. Big thanks also to Michael Croke (15s player) who is giving up his night off to assist at training.

Welcome to Steve Cooper and thanks for taking on the Team Manager role, I'm sure you'll enjoy it. Any parents who wish to get involved at training or on game days don't be shy - just come along and join in. I'm really looking forward to the season.

Barry Cable  
(13s Coach)

**Fourteen's News**

Training on Tuesdays from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm.



*Jack on target*

*Jason lines them up*

*Daniel balanced*

*Mark sets up the drill*

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**Fifteen's News**

See front page for what the 15's have been doing.

**Happy Birthday**

Birthday lists will be included when the team lists for 2009 are completed.

**Calendar of Events 2009**

MAY

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Friday 16<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Season commences

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Footy on the Road, EFFC, 12:30 pm

Committee meeting, club rooms commencing 7 00 pm.

State Game WA v SA

JUNE

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>

Committee meeting club rooms commencing 7:00 pm

JULY

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>

Committee meeting club rooms commencing 7:00 pm

AUGUST

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

Committee meeting club rooms commencing 7:00 pm



Perth's long running Friday hotel Football panel show is back again in 2008. The show travels around the metro area with a panel of experts discussing the main football issues of the week and previewing the weekend's games.

The panel includes former Eagles premiership champions Glen Jakovich and Karl Langdon, football journalists and commentators Mark Readings, Kim Hagdorn and Peter Vlahos and joined this year by WA Football legends John Todd and Robert Wiley.

Vlahos and Readings steer the panel through a variety of topics, which at times can cause the show to get explosive and controversial - but always entertaining!

With prize giveaways, quizzes and more, 'Members Equity Footy on the Road' is a fantastic way to spend a Friday lunch and get ready for the weekends big games.

**LIVE**  
**East Fremantle Football Club**  
**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2008**  
**12.30pm sharp**  
 Ring 9339 5533 for reservations

**SENIOR LIFE MEMBERS**

Mrs Gloria Varschetti (Dec)	Mr Vic Varischetti	Mrs Kay Tames	Mr Neville Kiely
Mr Alf (A.J.) Smith	Mrs Bet (B.R.) Smith	Mr Geoff Fogarty	Mr Graeme Giles
Mr Ian Sharpe	Mr Jock McGowan (Dec)	Mr Max Nicholls (Dec)	Mr Rex Nicholls
Mr David Vodanovic	Mr Barry Lewis	Mr Alan Ahola	Mr Peter Pyke
Mr Rob Hayward	Mr Tom Cassidy (Dec)	Mr Anthony Cassidy	Mr Kevin Edgar
Mr Ken Ferguson	Mr Ross Monger	Mrs Carlene Wakefield	Mrs Alison Phelps
Mr Ron Phelps	Mr Alan Richardson	Mr Robert Parker	Mrs Marilyn Grant
Mr Paul Grigg	Mr Norm Mitsopoulos	Mr Bob Perhavec	Mrs Janette Crooke
Mrs Lucy Haines	Mr Trevor Crooke		

**JUNIOR LIFE MEMBERS**

Thomas Dickson	James Grant	John Grant Jnr	Travis Grigg	Rohan Lilly	Kane Mitsopoulos
David Olivieri	Jesse O'Keefe	Joshua Parker	Craig Phelps	Ashley Taunt	Mitchell Clark
Ben Fox	Clayton Grigg	Andrew Grove	Damien Grove	Brent Johnson	Ryan Kilgour
Stephen McFarlane	Karl Kunze	Jeremy Perhavec	Ben Kunze	Lachlan Perhavec	