



Queenstown Junior Football Club Newsletter, No.2 for 2010

Welcome to the second Queenstown Junior Football Club Newsletter of 2010. We hope that you are enjoying the start to the football season!

I just wanted to take this opportunity to highlight some important dates and information for the season ahead, and invite you all to come and take part in a pre-season home day from **10am Sunday 28th March @ Queenstown Events Centre**. Coaches will let individual teams know their draw and game times this Wednesday.

Important Dates:

Sunday 28th March - 1st Pre-Season Home Day, 10am Queenstown Events Centre

Easter Weekend - No Football, so no U6 Friday 2nd April

Sunday April 11th - *POSSIBLE* 2nd Pre-Season Home Day, 10am Queenstown Events Centre

Sunday April 18th - 1st COFA Match Day - Alexandra 10am - 4pm - Draw yet TBC from COFA

Sunday April 25th - ANZAC Day - No COFA game, possible Home Day for QJFC

Sunday May 2nd - Normal Season resumes with Queenstown hosting this COFA round.

Player Information:

For those who are new to Queenstown, here's how it all works;

The Club provides the shirts, all you have to do is buy Club socks and shorts - please contact me if you need these - or you can purchase from the car park near the cricket nets on Sunday this week.

As part of our commitment to safety, all players must wear shin pads during **both practice and games** - NO Shin Pads - NO Play - NO Excuse.

I have also had a number of people ask about broken arms - players may play with these as long as they are bubble wrapped up.

Team Information:

This year we are fielding a number of teams in each grade and division.

U8 - 4 teams in each Div 1 & Div 2

U10 - 4 teams in each Div 1 & Div 2

U12 - 3 teams in each Div 1 & Div 2

U14 - 2 teams - only one division here

U16 - 1 team, with the opportunity to play in the Galaxy Development Squad

In regards to the team selection for 2010, we have tried to have the following - players split into Div 1 or Div 2 (with some of the younger players starting off in Div 2), then selecting equal teams across each division with the input of all coaches in each grade. We are aiming to have not only competition between QJFC and the other clubs but also between the teams within our club, so there are no A or B teams etc...

There have been some very minor adjustments to teams with some players moving from Div 2 up into Div 1 and some considerations in the transport respect, however I will advise you all of this individually and liaise with the coaches involved. Should you have any concerns please contact me direct asap.

Personalised Shirts:

I have had a number of players and parents ask about personalised shirts for this season and have some bad news. Due to Adidas New Zealand no longer being able to supply the shirts we cannot personalise any shirts for the 2010 season, however we will be having a draw on Sunday 28th March at the Pre Season Home day to select one lucky player this year who will receive a FREE personalised shirt!

Communications:

Firstly I want to apologise for those of you who did not receive emails and all the hiccups associated with this communication. Due to a problem with Xtra and their new spam policies I had several problems emailing most of you. However this should be all sorted now as I now have a new email info@queenstownfootball.com , kindly provided through our website provider Headquarters. If you require you can always contact me via cell phone on 027 291 9884.

Website

All the information, including newsletters, is published on the Queenstown website www.queenstownfootball.com. This website will contain all the fixtures, results and information and is designed as a 1-stop shop for football information in Queenstown. Also I will be updating the gallery during the season so if you have photos you wanted to be included please email them to me, and check regularly for the updated pics! We have also included a club supporters page that will allow you to access some of the clubs main sponsors and any deals that we can arrange for you, so it pays to watch this space as well!
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Finally:

I just want to extend my gratitude to all those who have put their hands up to coach for the 2010 season and ask that if there are any other parents who can help out with teams, even part time if they can please let me know as players & coaches can benefit from all the help they can get. We will provide you with all necessary training as well, so don't be afraid, come and get involved and enjoy football with your kids!
COFA fixtures will be emailed through and posted on the website as soon as they are released sorry this is out of my hands.

Any Questions? Please contact me at, info@queenstownfootball.com or mobile 027 291 9884

Enjoy the sport, have fun, and we'll all have another great season.