

# Weston Creek Soccer Club

PO Box 13 Waramanga ACT 2611

www.westoncreeksoccer.org.au



## February 2005

### 2005 - Weston Creek's 35th Season

The Weston Creek Soccer Club welcomes new and continuing players and their families, and looks forward to a great year of soccer in 2005.

### Registration Day Saturday 12 February Coolman Court 10:00am to 4:00pm

Continuing players please bring your completed registration form and photo, if required. New players may print a form off the website [www.westoncreeksoccer.org.au](http://www.westoncreeksoccer.org.au) to complete and bring along, or fill one in on the spot. New players will also be required to show proof of age. Payments on the day can be made by cash, cheque, or credit card

Player ID cards - a passport size photo is required from all new Junior players (U11 up), and players whose ID cards are now over 3 years old. ID cards are not required for Rooball.

Referees - Those over 13 wishing to referee should advise an official on Registration Day. If you wish to become a referee, there will be a course in April, and you will need to be prepared to buy your own uniform & equipment.

Note: Where a number of players know they wish to play together, it will assist us if one person can negotiate the formation of the team.

## Junior Club Contacts

Junior Chair: Steve Rohan-Jones  
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Coaching Co-ordinator: Mike Aldred  
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Please refer to the club website for additional contact details, including age group coordinators.

## Rooball Organisation Day

### Waramanga Playing Fields on Saturday, 2 April

For Rooball players (and parents) to get together and finalise the placement of players into teams, meet team mates, appoint coaches/managers, and finalise team names as necessary. (U10's @ 9.30am, U9's @ 10.00am, U8's @ 10.30am, U7's @ 11.00am, and U6's @ 11.30am)

## Important Dates

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### Calendar

6/7 Feb	SC Academy Gala Weekend, Mawson
12 Feb	Registration Day 10am-4pm, Coolman Court Weston Creek
15 Feb	Appoint Div 1 Coaches
23 Feb	Coaches Pre-Grading Meeting
23 Feb	Junior Committee Meeting
5/6 Mar	Junior Grading
12/13 Mar	Junior Grading
19 Mar	Coaches Jr Licence I (8hrs both days)
30 Mar	Coaches & Managers Meeting
2 Apr	Rooball Organisation Day Rooball Coaches Course (9am-12pm)
4 Apr	JL Draws available
30 Apr	Season Kick off - Round One
27 May	JL Team & Rooball Lists to SC
2-10 Jul	Kanga Cup XIV
23 Jul	Season Resumes (week 10)
17 Sep	JL Soccer 2005 Final Match day
18 Sep	Presentation Day

## Junior Grading

### Waramanga Playing Fields

Please arrive 30 minutes before your session. Prospective coaches/managers are also asked to attend.

### Mixed Teams - Sundays - 6 & 13 March

Under 11 10.00am - 11.00am  
Under 12/13 11.00am - 12 noon  
Under 14/15 1.00pm - 2.00pm  
Under 16/17 2.00pm - 3.00pm

### Girls Teams - Saturdays - 5 & 12 March

Under 11/12 10.00am - 11.00am  
Under 13/14 11.00am - 12 noon  
Under 15/16 1.00pm - 2.00pm

See the Club's Grading and Selection Policy on the club website for further information. Players must be registered before attending grading.

## Special Notes

- There is to be no training sessions conducted on fields without permission from the club.
- There are a number of players who have not finalised registration fee payments from last year, and it would be appreciated if this was rectified prior to registration for this season.

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**Websites**      <http://www.westoncreeksoccer.org.au>

For all manner of club information, including registration forms, guidelines and policy, updates, newsletters, important dates etc. visit the club website at [www.westoncreeksoccer.org.au](http://www.westoncreeksoccer.org.au). Queries can be sent via email to [juniors@westoncreeksoccer.org.au](mailto:juniors@westoncreeksoccer.org.au). For other soccer information relating to the Canberra district visit the Soccer Canberra website at [www.soccercanberra.com.au](http://www.soccercanberra.com.au)

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**Coaching**

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Weston Creek has over the last few seasons looked to improve and develop the coaching side of the club, culminating in the introduction this year of a coaching policy. This season, all coaches will have to be appointed – the days of assuming that you will coach again because you coached last season are gone. The appointment process is as follows:

- Prospective coaches complete an application form (Available from the website or on registration day) and send to the Coaching Coordinator via email.
- Coaching coordinator assesses applications and then makes a decision on each position. Dispute resolution will be handled via the Junior Committee.

It is expected that all div 1 and 2 coaches will attend a pre grading meeting, which will be held the week before grading, for detailed information regarding the grading process and the coaching policy. The club will be actively recruiting for coaches where applications are not received.

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**Volunteers**

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Weston Creek Soccer Club is community based, relying entirely on the efforts of volunteers to run smoothly.

**Managers** - as organisers, are invaluable in helping teams run smoothly, and require no knowledge of soccer.

**Coaches** - courses are held for new coaches and those wishing to upgrade their skills, and assistance is provided during the season. Junior players who would like to coach or assist coaches of Rooball teams are most welcome.

**Age Group Co-ordinators** - are the main contact between individual team managers and the Club committee. They assist the registrar with the placement of players in teams and are often the first point of contact when problems arise. If you can help in these roles, or fill any of the clubs vacant positions, please tick the relevant box on the registration form, or contact a committee member to find out more. Offers of assistance are always appreciated.

**Junior Committee meetings** - For discussion of issues in running the Club, your attendance is welcomed and encouraged at all meetings, which are usually monthly. If you'd like to come, check the website or contact a committee member for details of the next one.

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**Additional Information**

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**Registration Fees** - help to pay Soccer Canberra (capitation, insurance, player levies, ID cards), ground

hire for matches and training, equipment (balls, cones, shirts, net replacement), referees match fees, training courses for referees and coaches, newsletters, trophies, the yearbook, presentation day, and GST. The Club offsets these costs wherever possible with sponsorship and fundraising. This year fees are set at \$80 for U6-U9 and \$125 for U10-U17, with discounts for families with more than 2 players living at the same address.

**Location of Games** - all mixed Rooball games are at Waramanga, Girls Rooball and all Junior games are played at Waramanga and other grounds on a home/away basis. Field allocations for games will be displayed on a board near the Canteen each Saturday. All players will receive a copy of their draw for the season and addresses for the location of away games.

**Playing age** - is generally based on the calendar year ie. children turning 6 during the playing year can play in the U6 age group. Younger players may be accepted at the discretion of the club eg. a child turning 5 who wishes to play with school friends in the U6 age group. Also, girls playing in mixed teams may choose to play a year down eg. an U7 girl may decide to play in an U6 mixed team. Please check with a co-ordinator for special requests like this. The soccer season runs throughout Terms 2 and 3 with a break during the school holidays.

**Teams Age Groups**

Mixed Rooball Under 6 - Under 10

Girls Rooball Under 8 - Under 10

Mixed Junior Under 11 - Under 18

Girls Junior Under 11 - Under 18

**Rooball** - is non-competitive soccer played by younger children under modified rules, in teams based on schools, suburban areas or friendship groups. Where possible, age group co-ordinators will notify Rooball players of team placement by email so that any problems can be ironed out before Rooball Organisation Day.

**Support** - parents are asked to assist with setting up fields and packing away afterwards as required. This is not a job for the coaches and managers who will be busy organising their teams.

**Cheer Squad** - parents are also asked to support referees, encourage all players, and help promote fair play. Remember that supporters who get a bit hot under the collar can affect the attitude of players as well, especially in the older age groups. A Zero Tolerance Policy for Swearing will continue to be enforced by referees and players who go too far may find themselves suspended. Please address any concerns with inappropriate behaviour to the committee, as this is an important issue in our sport.

**Fundraising** - a Canteen operates at Waramanga to raise funds used to reduce fees and subsidise equipment purchase. The major fundraising activity for this year will be a single club-wide raffle conducted during the season. Your support of these activities is appreciated.

**Uniform** - shirts are provided for teams on match days on a 'loan' basis, with rosters organised for parents to launder them between games. Players will require their own black shorts, socks (black and white), shinpads and boots. (Club socks, shorts and shinpads are available through Jerseys are Us at Cooleman Court.) The wearing of shinpads is compulsory for training and games.