



Banora Point Soccer Club

Ron Wilkinson Fields, Fraser Drive Banora Point

Welcome to Banora Soccer. We trust you will have an enjoyable season with us.

The following is provided for your information;

Newsletters

Will be distributed regularly through-out the season by your Coach/Manager.

Additional copies may be obtained at the canteen and are also available on the Banora Soccer website.

Please take the time to read it as it will keep you informed on what's happening at your club as well as upcoming events, carnivals etc. Should you have anything of interest you might like to include please contact us.

Club Uniform

Each player is required to wear the following uniform for Banora Soccer; gold shorts, red/white socks and a red/gold playing shirt. Shin pads and soccer boots are also compulsory. Competition age players are also expected to wear their club polo shirt to and from each game. These are given to new players with the club and replacements are available for purchase. Please note that the uniform is sanctioned by Gold Coast Soccer and therefore must be purchased from us.

All of the above, with the exception of the playing shirts and boots (we hold them on consignment at the beginning of the season only), are available at the clubhouse on game days. Someone is usually in attendance at the club from 7.30am on Saturdays and prior to games on weekdays. **The clubhouse is unattended on training days - coaches have no access to uniform supplies.**

Your coach will be issued with your playing shirts for the season. They will be handed out prior to the commencement of and collected after the game each week. The team shirts must remain together as a kit. Each player may not take home their own shirt to launder for the following week. For this reason it is a good idea to have a roster for the washing of the shirts by each family and to have them returned on training days. This alleviates any problems on game days if the player is unable to attend. It is not the responsibility of your coach to wash shirts.

Training

Please ensure your child attends each training session and is punctual, both for training and match day. This is important for both skills and team building. If they are unable to attend training or a game, please be considerate and contact your coach prior to the event.

This season players are provided with a soccer ball at sign-on. It is your responsibility to ensure that these balls are brought to each training session. Please also ensure your child is properly attired with shin pads and boots and has a water bottle.

Match Days Information

Firstly and most importantly, support your child/children. Have them at the game $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before commencement, properly attired in shorts, shin pads, socks and boots with a water bottle.

Parents are requested to assist with the set-up of nets. See below.

Please be of assistance to the canteen either before or at the completion of your child's game.

Support the Coach/ Manager. Show respect to your coach, club officials and opposing players. Display good sportsmanship. Encourage and support your team mates.

Bad behaviour and foul language will not be tolerated at any game by players, parents or visiting teams.

Competition age players are also required to wear their club shirt and must complete the match sheet upon arrival at the fields. Any competition player receiving a red or yellow card, because of foul language, arguing with an official or unacceptable play, will be required to pay the fine that is levied to the club.

(Please refer to the Parent/Player code of conduct in this booklet).

Carnivals

There will be age and invitational carnivals available to many age groups during the season. These will be passed on to your coaches as they are received and are also available for viewing on the Gold Coast Soccer website.



Nets

If your team is the **first** to play on your field you are required to put the nets up prior to commencement of the game. In this regard please be at the fields 30 minutes prior to kick-off. If the net is not on your field they can be collected from the clubhouse.

If your team is the **last** to play on your field you are required to pull them down and return them to the canteen.

It is not the duty of your committee, canteen staff or referees to attend to your nets. Nor is it the responsibility of your coach, who is there to organise the team before the game commences.

Canteen

Canteen facilities are offered at each game including BBQ facilities each Saturday. We offer sausage, steak and bacon and egg sandwiches (great for brekkie) as well as pies, sausage rolls, packet chips, drinks, lollies, tea and coffee.

As our club is run by volunteers each team is required to supply the canteen with one or two helpers each time you play at home. Every family in the team is asked to volunteer during the season. This is only for a 15 - 20 minute period and need not be serving on the front counter. There are many other jobs that need tending to - BBQ etc and your assistance means that we are able to assist customers more quickly.

Please support the canteen - prices are very friendly and this is our major source of fundraising during the season.

Volunteers

There are no paid positions within our club. Banora Soccer is run solely by volunteers. For this reason assistance from parents is required and greatly appreciated. Should you be able to help in any way please contact one of the committee.

The area of greatest need is in the canteen on match days and, as noted above, each team is asked to provide assistance.

Your coach is also a volunteer at the club who is giving his/her time for your children. Please support them through-out the season by having your children to every training session and the game, on time properly equipped with uniform, shin pads and water bottle.

Should any problems arise please approach them directly and then, if the matter is not resolved to your satisfaction, contact one of your committee.

Match Draws

At the commencement of the season the draw for each team is available on the Gold Coast Soccer website. You may also access the link through the Banora website (see below)

However, changes occur during season for many reasons (teams pulling out of the competition, wet weather etc). These are unfortunate but inevitable.

For this reason, it is **imperative** that you check the Gold Coast Soccer website each week, before your scheduled game, to confirm that there is no change to times, fields etc. Weekly game confirmation will save much anguish and confusion.

This is the responsibility of every player, **not** only your coach. Should you find a change don't forget to relay the information.

Websites

Are invaluable sources of information during the season.

Our Club Website <http://www.banorasoccer.com>

Is updated regularly and includes the following information;

- latest club news
- a link to the Gold Coast soccer website
- field locations for other clubs on the coast (including a link to the location map)
- committee and coach contact details

Most importantly the website indicates the status of the fields. This is updated daily during wet weather as we receive information from the Tweed Shire Council.

The closure of other fields in the Tweed Shire is also available on the Council website as follows;

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Community/ParksHome.aspx then click on Sport Field Closures (Banora is listed as Ron Wilkinson Fields not Banora Green)

Please always remember to check the status of our fields on our website on Saturday morning to confirm that they are open.

Gold Coast Soccer Website (goldcoastsoccer.com.au)

Remember to check regularly to confirm your draw.

This site also includes the following information

- competition ladder
- latest local and A-League news
- upcoming carnivals and events
- Wet weather details - updated until late Friday afternoon. For Saturday games follow the link to the club where your team is scheduled to play.

If you are unsure whether your game will be played due to the weather please contact your coach first.

A reminder from our Registrar

To enable us to keep our records current we ask that you advise your coach/committee of any changes to your information during the season.

A reminder from Gold Coast Soccer

Any queries to Gold Coast Soccer must be made through your committee. Gold Coast Soccer is an extremely busy office and we have, in previous seasons, received complaints from them regarding the number of calls they have received from parents and coaches.

Please remember to use the correct channels.



PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Encourage your child/children to be a team player, to play fairly, according to the rules of the game.

Do not be abusive to any player or official. Any disputes may be taken up with one of the committee.

Foul language will not be tolerated at any time, if you persist, you may be requested by the club official, to leave the grounds.

Ridiculing or yelling at a player's mistake is not acceptable - any issues will be dealt with at the completion of the game.

Remember at all times the aim is fun and fitness for the children

REQUIREMENTS OF PARENTS

Firstly and most importantly, support your child/children.

Ensure your child/children attend training sessions with shin pads, soccer ball and water bottle. Should they be unable to attend training or the match, please advise your coach.

Have them at the game $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before commencement, properly attired in shorts, shin pads, socks and boots with a water bottle. Competition age players are also required to wear their club shirt.

Support the Coach and Manager and remember that any disputes are to be taken up with them first. Should you still be unhappy please contact one of your Committee.

Under no circumstances are Parents to approach referees or linesmen regarding their decisions during or after the game.

Most importantly

Recognise the value of volunteering within the club, your child/children will benefit from your involvement.

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

Be punctual for training sessions and have respect for your coach/manager. Remember they are volunteering their time to train you.

Be punctual for all games - $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before commencement.

Remember bad language will not be tolerated.

Encourage and support your team mates.

Display good sportsmanship at all times.

For graded players (competition) 11 years and upwards;

At the coaches discretion a player can be sidelined from fixtures for inconsistent or disruptive behaviour at training sessions.

REQUIREMENTS OF PLAYERS

Ensure you attend each training session for your team, properly attired with your shin pads, boots, soccer ball and a water bottle. If you are unable to do so, please be considerate and contact your coach.

Ensure you are $\frac{1}{2}$ hour early for your game, again properly attired with shin pads, boots, and shorts and with a water bottle. Competition age players are also required to wear their club shirt.

Show respect to the Coach/Manager, all officials and opposing players at all times.

Act and behave in a manner befitting the Club.

During a game, any player receiving a red or yellow card (because of foul language, arguing with an official or unacceptable play) will be required to pay the fine that is levied to the club.

Team Effort Achieves More

Season Dates

The 2010 season commences as follows;

- 9th and 10th April for Under 6s to Under 10s.
- Competition age groups will commence in late March, early April - dependent on the number of teams in the competition. Your coach will advise you.
- Under 15 girls, Under 17 girls and Women's team commence 22nd March.
- Men's team commence 17th/24th March

Last rounds as follows:

- U6 - U10s, all competition age groups including 11 girls, 13 girls 20th, 21st August
- Under 15 and Under 17 girls 16th August.
- Men's teams 18th August and Women 23rd August.

Finals draw and dates will be available on the Gold Coast Soccer website.

Rooball Information Evening (Under 6 - 10s)

Will be held on Thursday 25th February at 5.30pm at the fields.

Competition Age Groups only (11s and up)

All players are graded into teams and divisions.

Parents will be advised of the criteria at the grading sessions on the following dates in February

Under 11s	6pm	15 th and 22 nd
Under 12s	7.30pm	15 th and 22 nd
Under 13s	6pm	16 th and 23 rd
Under 14s	7.30pm	16 th and 23 rd
Under 15,16,17,18s	6.30pm	17 th and 24 th

Registration Fees for 2010 are as follows:

6 - 10 year olds	\$150
11 - 16 year olds	\$180
17 - 18 year olds	\$200
Senior Men/Women	\$260

To ensure a clearer understanding of how your fees are distributed, the list below indicates the expenditure the Club has to cover from each Registration fee:

- Gold Coast Soccer Affiliation fee (approx 65% of registration) and Team Fee
- Referees, Linesmen and match balls
- Line-marking of fields (which is carried out weekly)
- General running and maintenance costs including lighting.

Banora Soccer hopes you have an enjoyable season.