



MACARTHUR DISTRICT SOCCER FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION



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# MACARTHUR PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

# 2013

# INFORMATION BOOKLET



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## About Football in Macarthur

The idea of forming a football Association south of the crossroads at Liverpool was first discussed in 1979. By 1983 the MDSFA was to become a reality and in 1984 the MDSFA became an incorporated body with the charter of fostering, developing and promoting junior soccer in the Campbelltown, Camden and Wollondilly municipalities.

In the Association's inaugural year there were 20 Clubs registered with the Association, these being Bradbury Ambarvale, Burragorang, Camcraft, Camden Tigers, Campbelltown City, Campbelltown Police Boys, Campbelltown Collegians, Campbelltown Districts (now Gunners United), Campbelltown RSL, Eschol Park, Ingleburn RSL, Johnson & Johnson, L & K Lions (now Leppington Lions), Macarthur Raiders, Macquarie Fields United (now Fields United), Minto, Narellan, Tahmoor Nepean Rovers, Picton Rangers and Ruse. Thirteen Clubs moved from the Southern Districts Association, three Clubs from the Southern Highlands Association and five new Clubs were formed.

Since the Association's inception clubs have passed by the way due to various reasons and have made way for new clubs. Clubs newer to the Association are Appin, Camden RSL (now Camden Falcons Soccer Club), Campbelltown Southern Districts, Campbelltown Uniting Church, St Mary's Eaglevale, Douglas Park, East Campbelltown, Mount Annan and Harrington Park. All of this makes the Association 23 clubs strong, providing football for over 9000 players and officials.

Over the years clubs supported Super League outside the control of the MDSFA with some mixed success. In 1987 Campbelltown City Soccer Club and Campbelltown Districts Soccer Club amalgamated forming Campbelltown City and Districts Soccer Club, which opened the door for negotiations between the Federation club of the area and the MDSFA. This led to the MDSFA and Campbelltown City and Districts Soccer club agreeing on a change of colours of both bodies to make the identifiable step of furthering soccer and providing a career path for our better players. Campbelltown City and Districts played out of Bensley Road Complex and the Junior Representative Teams (Junior and Youth League) played out of Lynwood Park, St Helens Park which is now the Headquarters and home ground of the Association. The Super League and the Association colours were changed to grey tops, maroon shorts and maroon socks.

During the 1991 season the Campbelltown City and Districts Soccer Club approached the MDSFA to discuss the transfer of their Federation team to the control of the Association. After agreement had been reached between the parties the Association approached the NSW Soccer Federation to ratify the agreement and from the 1992 season the Federation team representing the Association would be the Macarthur Rams. This boosted the profile of soccer in the Macarthur area and provides a role model for the younger players in the District, and a career path for the more talented players.



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## About the Program

As the concept of SSG has been part of the football scene for a few years now it has become evident that the best place to target skills development of our young players is when they are most willing and eager to play the game and learn the skills required to succeed. We have targeted this age as it is deemed to be the golden age of learning

The coaching methodology that we are embracing is the Football Federation of Australia (FFA) National Curriculum and as such the participants will be both boys and girls in the 9 - 11 age bracket that want to progress to the next level of learning.

Players born 2004 – Under 9, 2003 – Under 10, and 2002 – Under 11 will form part of this program.

The FFA National Curriculum is a structured development pathway from U/6 through to senior competition football. It is a National initiative and as a stakeholder in the promotion and development of football in Australia the MDSFA, are pleased to be able to support and promote this National initiative.

The area that we will begin our development is termed the SKILL ACQUISITION PHASE (9 – 13 year olds).

The SKILL ACQUISITION PHASE concentrates on four core fundamentals,

1. Striking the ball and passing,
2. Running with the ball,
3. First touch
4. 1 v 1

Each child selected will attend a training session on a Monday night at Ambarvale Sports Complex for an hour long session with a qualified coach. The child will then train as per normal with their team during the week and play with their team on the weekend. We will organise games against other Associations during the course of the season. These games will not interfere with any club games and will be played on a Sunday. We will be looking at squads of 12 players per group and also a dedicated girl's squad.

UNDER 9's Trials commence on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February and 4<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm at Ambarvale Sports Complex.

UNDER 10's Trials commence on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February and 5<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm at Ambarvale Sports Complex.

UNDER 11's Trials commence on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February and 6<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm at Ambarvale Sports Complex.

Further selection trials will be held if required and players will be notified individually.

For all trial and training sessions please ensure that players are at the venue and ready to start no later than 15 minutes prior to each session.

The program is not in competition with the Macarthur Rams who hold a Football New South Wales (FNSW) Skill Acquisition Program (SAP) Licence. Our program is a community service that is for players to be better prepared for their future involvement in the game and can become the best player that they can be .

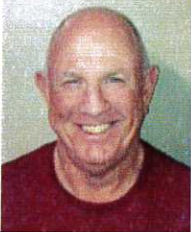





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## The Coaches

Our Coaching staff will be led by Max Groll who is the MDSFA's Coaching and Development Manager. Max currently holds an FFA Class A coaching licence and has a wealth of experience as a high level coach both in Australia and overseas.

The coaches will have as a minimum the Youth Licence and will be fully supervised under Max's leadership.

			
<b>MAX GROLL</b>	<b>MARK PACE</b>	<b>TOM BAZDARIC</b>	<b>JUSTIN MICKAN</b>

## What can you expect

The cost of the program is \$170.00 and provides great value for what is on offer. Training sessions start 6.00pm 18/3/13 at Ambarvale Sports Complex and will run until 9/9/13. There will be no training on Easter Monday 1/4/13 or Monday of the June long weekend Monday 10/6/13. 1 or 2 sessions interrupted by inclement weather will not be attempted to be made up however longer disruptions will be rescheduled at dates and places as advised. The MDSFA should be your first point of contact to check for training cancellations.

The office can be contacted on 4625 – 1333

Each child will receive the following

- Training strip including, shirt, shorts and socks.
- Hoodie
- Training ball
- Water bottle
- Sports bag
- Minimum 20 weeks training
- Game opportunities against other Associations
- Game day experience at a Western Sydney Wanderers home game
- Player visits from Western Sydney Wanderers
- ½ yearly report card on child's progress
- End of year report on child's progress
- Participation award at end of season function



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It is compulsory that all players wear football boots and shin pads and supplied training gear i.e. ball and water bottle be brought to each session.

**What we expect from you**

As a parent we expect you to support the program and the initiatives of the MDSFA. This program is offered to assist the development of our players i.e. your children. If you are unhappy with any aspect please refrain from any form of verbal public abuse, make an appointment to discuss your issues with Max Groll or the MDSFA General Manager Glenn Armstrong who will gladly listen to your problem and advise the best course of action for you and your child.

We expect the courtesy of adhering to training times and punctuality. We appreciate that children from time to time suffer with seasonal afflictions however a quick phone call to advise that your child is unable to attend training will be greatly appreciated.

Leave the coaching to the coaches we are teaching the players to follow the National Curriculum as set by the FFA.

Parents are expected to support their children and other players in a positive manner. Negative criticism is counter productive and can create disharmony within the program.

As the program is heavily subsidised by the MDSFA there is no need to fund raise or do canteen duty so come along and watch and enjoy the experience with your child.

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PLAYER NOMINATION FORM

PLEASE COMPLETE AND EMAIL TO [admin@macarthursocket.com.au](mailto:admin@macarthursocket.com.au) prior to 22/2/13

AGE GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

SURNAME ..... FIRST NAME .....

DATE OF BIRTH .....

ADDRESS .....

SUBURB..... POST CODE.....

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

NAME	MOBILE #	EMAIL ADDRESS

CURRENT CLUB ..... FFA # .....

DOES THE PLAYER HAVE ANY KNOWN HEALTH ISSUES? YES / NO

IF YES PLEASE SUPPLY DETAILS AND MEDICATION REQUIREMENTS

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ADMINISTRATION USE ONLY

TRIAL NUMBER ALLOCATED.....

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