



# PEEL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

April 2008



## FOOTY SEASON IS BACK

By Charlie Burke – District Operations Manager

We are days away from the start of the Peel Football League and only a few weeks away from the Junior Competition.

This gives the staff at Peel District an opportunity to communicate with all football stakeholders in way of the Peel District Newsletter (PDN), this will be a monthly newsletter to inform everyone on what is happening on and off the field.

As many people are aware Mal Smith, former PFL chairman has stood down but will stay on as a director, I'm sure I speak for everyone and thank Mal for his contribution to his previous position. Kim McIntosh will take on the role as chairman in season 2008, we would like the opportunity to congratulate Kim on his role and wish him all the best for a successful 2008.



## Peel Thunder Holiday Clinic 2008

Meet & be coached by WAFL & AFL Players

Every Child at the clinic will receive a gift pack including a Football.

AGE: 5 years—12 years (Girls & Boys) COST: \$50.00  
TIME: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm

Mandurah - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April at Rushton Park

Rockingham - Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at Anniversary Park

For Further details call Chris Moody on 0402 799 925

## JLT Insurance (AFL Risk Management Program)

We have had confirmation from the WAFC that the base coverage for non-Medicare insurance is the BRONZE level as it has been in previous years. Clubs can still increase the level of non-Medicare coverage if they wish, if you would like further information just visit the JLT web site.  
[www.jltsport.com.au/afl/](http://www.jltsport.com.au/afl/)

## Level One Coaching Course

(Senior, Youth and Auskick)

As you would be aware that the policy governing all competitions within Australia is that any coach at any level must pass a level one coaching course. Please ensure that all your coaches have attended a course or book them in straight away to the Sweeper course being conduct at Rushton Park on 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> June (Monday nights 6pm – 10pm).

## Grow the Game Rewards 2007

There are still a few clubs (Senior & Junior) that have not utilised the rewards from last year's Grow The Game Program, please ensure that they are used by the end of April otherwise the remaining amounts will be added to this season's program.

## Coaching Seminars

The first of three coaching seminars this year will be at Rushton Park on the 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2008, Presenters will be Peter Brear, Chris Waterman and Michael Pratt and will include topics of Player Welfare, Planning and Structure of Training Sessions. Seminar is available for all district Coaches.

RSVP to PTFC Admin Staff on 08 9535 3448 or [admin@peelthunder.com.au](mailto:admin@peelthunder.com.au)

Before Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2008

## School Based Auskick Centres

If your club is conduct any School based Auskick centres this year please ensure you pass details to the District Manager by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April so resources packs and bonus gear for both schools and their associated clubs by the commencement of Term 2.

## Footy Facts

Growth in Western Australia for senior players has been 32% from 2003 to 2007, from 14,009 players to 18,492 players (aged 18+ years).



### UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

8<sup>th</sup> April – Peel Football League Season Launch @ Mandurah Offshore Fishing Club

13<sup>th</sup> April – Peel Football League Season starts, 20<sup>th</sup> April – Level 1 Coaching Course (East Fremantle)

21<sup>st</sup> April - JCC Coaches Meeting, 26<sup>th</sup> April – Peel Juniors Season starts

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District Website - [www.peelthunder.com.au](http://www.peelthunder.com.au)

## Funding Opportunities



Apply for your share of \$400,000

Are you a leader in sport? The Sport Leadership Grants for Women provide funding and support for women to seek accredited training and education in coaching, officiating, governance and management. Grants of up to \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organisations are available in five categories: high performance coaching and officiating; Indigenous sport; disability sport; culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds; and general sport leadership.

Be the best you can be and apply today [Click here](#)

Web: [ausport.gov.au](http://ausport.gov.au) Phone: (02) 6214 7994 Email: [leadershipgrants@ausport.gov.au](mailto:leadershipgrants@ausport.gov.au)  
This program is jointly funded by the Australian Sports Commission and the Office for Women.

## Woolworths has announced the new Woolworths Fresh Food Kids Community Grant Program.

As part of their ongoing children's health campaign **Fresh Food Kids**, Woolworths has pledged \$2 million in 2008 to assist not-for-profit community groups develop grass-roots initiatives for primary school aged children.

The **Woolworths Fresh Food Kids Community Grants Program** is looking for ideas across food and nutrition, exercise and physical activity.

Grants of up to \$5,000 will be available to community groups around Australia. These grants can be used for sporting equipment, playground facilities and even healthy snacks.

Applications open on the 25th of February and close on the 25th of April. Application forms can be obtained from any Woolworths/Safeway store and online at [www.freshfoodkids.com.au](http://www.freshfoodkids.com.au).

Applications can be completed on line or the form can be downloaded and is very short and easy to complete.

If your club is interested in applying and you would like some assistance in completing the form please feel free to contact us. Questions directly associated with the program can be found on the above mentioned website.

## 16S D SQUAD – PRIDE OF THE DISTRICT

The 2008 WAFL 16s Carnival is currently under way and Peel District has turned out an impressive team of talented footballers. With the Final Squad having representation from the majority of Clubs within the Peel Zone, it certainly is a great indication of the level of football talent coming through the ranks. The 16s "D" Squad is being coached for the second year by Mark Tilbury with Marc Arnold, Geoff Hayes and Paddy Rogers filling the positions his Assistant Coaches. The program started on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December last year, with the initial squad undergoing a Base Testing Measurement Session to identify each player's fitness base. The Players were then sent away for the Christmas-New Year Break with fitness and conditioning program to work on. On their return on the 4<sup>th</sup> February, the Squad was put through another Base Testing Measurement Session to identify any improvements and/or deficiencies. From here a 12 week program was embarked upon to select the final squad of 30 from the 70 original invitees. Training has been conducted at a variety of venues including Rushton Park, Leschenault and Harvey with Scratch Matches against Perth at Lathlain, GSW Albany and Clontarf Bunbury at Leschenault and Swan Districts at Rushton Park. Players who missed on inclusion in the Final Squad were all given Exit Interviews and presented with individual written Appraisal Reports, which highlight their strengths and weakness and suggested areas that require improvement. All Clubs can be proud of the contribution they have made to the development of all youth players and the support that they give to the Players that are involved in all phases of the Development Squad Program. The 2008 16s "D" Squad Leadership Group consists of Blayne Wilson as Captain, with Joel Beasley and Kieran Butcher acting as his Vice Captains and it is hoped that they will gain even further benefit to their football experience from their elevation to these roles. All in all and exciting times awaits these young men of the 2008 Peel District "D" Squad.

## 2008 Peel District Development Squad – Final 30

Club	First Name	Surname
Safety Bay	Jacob	Ayres
Mandurah Centrals	Joel	Beasley
Pinjarra	Harley	Bennell
Halls Head	Caleb	Bloomer
HBLJFC	Kieran	Butcher
Halls Head	Adam	Corunna
North Mandurah	Benjamin	Cowdray
Eaton	Joshua	Cunniffe
Harvey	David	Faulkner
Pinjarra	James	Fleming
Baldivis	Mitchell	Graham
Halls Head	Dominic	Hardy
HBLJFC	Sam	Hughes
Collie	Marcus	Jackson
Baldivis	Cameron	Lazzari

Club	First Name	Surname
Pinjarra	Bradley	May
South Mandurah	Devin	McFarlane
Rockingham	Matthew	McGowan
Safety Bay	Liam	McKenna
Harvey	Ryan	McKenney
Warnbro	Liam	Milburn
Mandurah Centrals	Travis	Murphy
Pinjarra	Joel	O'Driscoll
Mandurah Centrals	Zachary	Podmore
Halls Head	Tim	Shand
Warnbro	Cody	Thompson
Pinjarra	Bradley	Tinker
Baldivis	Jacob	Vlahov
Halls Head	Blayne	Wilson
Halls Head	Mitchell	Wilson