

2011 Inter Lions Under 6 & Under 7's

Training will commence at 6pm sharp & will be on Ron Routley Oval until further notice. All players must wear shin pads & are advised to bring their water bottle and ball *with their name clearly marked on it!*

Small Sided Games

In 2009 the Football Federation of Australia and all the state-based federations instituted the concept of small sided games (SSG) for U6s and U7s. Small sided games are 4 players per side (no goal keepers) on a micro-pitch. There is no formal competitive framework (no formal draw, no competition tables, no scores kept), ensuring that the focus is solely on providing the players with a multitude of opportunities to develop ball control skills as well as basic team play. There are some links to the SSG concept and implementation on the club website (follow the SSG links).

Training & Team Structure

In 2011 there is one squad of two U6 teams and two squads of U7s . One U7 squad comprises two teams and the other 3 teams. A squad will train together and be split into teams of even numbers of players on game day.

Generally there will be two-three coaches to a squad so that at training the squad may be split to enable better focus on training drills. Any parents who are interested in helping out on a Wednesday night should contact me as there will be occasions when both coaches cannot be there.

Game Days

The regular season begins on Saturday 2 April 2011. Games are on Saturdays beginning at 9am or 10am. Generally the U6s will begin at 9am and U7s at 10am although the start times may be reversed on occasion.

Each week a squad will assigned a venue . Due to the unpredictable nature of young children there may need to last minute adjustments to the composition of the U7 squads as the aim is to ensure that players get maximum game time.

Players should be ready to play at least 30mins prior to start time and parents available to help set up the goals. Conversely after the 10am games, parents are asked to help with the pack-up.

Note that for U6s and U7s there is no competition or formal draw as such. All games are organised on a week by week basis and parents and players will be notified of the venue on the prior Wednesday at training. Home games will be played at Ron Routley Reserve while away games will be played at various locations in the inner west. Every effort will be made to ensure that we play as much as possible against teams from other clubs. However this will not be possible every week, at which time we will play intra-club games.

Saturday Game information will be posted on the SSG page of the club website. You can access this directly via

http://www.members.iinet.net.au/~nil_all/InterLions/

Referees

Referees will be either Parents or Junior Inter Lions players who volunteer to do so. There will be no abuse or arguing with a referee as they are volunteering & if you want to argue then there is no place for you here at Inter Lions- this is not the World Cup (yet).

Coaches

Coaches are just that – coaches, not babysitters or sounding boards for abuse. All the coaches are volunteers that have families, jobs & in one or two cases are high school students. They are giving up their time to share their knowledge & experience for the benefit of your Child & are not asking for anything in return.

If you have an issue with anything approach me to sort it out, I will address any issues or problems you may have. – however, I will not sort anything out in front of the children.

We all seek your feedback, advice & comments as we are flexible with our training structure & are basing it successful experiences from the 2009 and 2010 seasons.

I will collate a Contact List, so please advise me if for whatever reason you don't wish to have your contact details issued to all parents on a team sheet.

I require an email address for most correspondence as this is the fastest form of communication as well as a mobile number.

I will also ask if there are any objections to having player's photos taken during the Season. If any budding photographers wish to photograph or video games regularly, we need you get a Working with Children Form signed.

Good Luck for the Season

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