

YEAR BOOK—2011

Blue Mountains Football Club

Knapsack Park, Glenbrook



Over 45 years of local football

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Important Dates & Information

- **February:**
Team muster and grading.
Please refer to information sheets on the club's website.
- **19-20 & 26-27 March:**
Trial matches played (tbc).
Details will be distributed via your manager and published on the Club's website.
- **2-3 April:**
First weekend of games.
- **18 September:**
AGM and Presentation
Day for U5-U18 teams.
- **Club Newsletter:**
A newsletter is available via e-mail. To receive your copy, provide an email address at the time of registration or via the Club's website.
- **More information:**
All draws, results, tables, field locations, club policies, match reports etc appear on the Club's website:
www.bmfc.com.au

Introduction

Blue Mountains Football Club can proudly claim to be the first junior football club established in the district. Its colours of sky blue and white are reminiscent of the founders' admiration of the UK team, Manchester City. The Club plays in the competition managed by the Nepean District Soccer Football Association (NDSFA), which covers nearly 1,100 teams.

We are a voluntary sporting association that relies totally on the efforts and skills of our members.

Please bear in mind that "the Club" is the sum of its Members. We can only continue to prosper with the support of players and their families. Part of the responsibility of belonging to a volunteer organization such as BMFC is the need for all parents and senior players to undertake duties to ensure the smooth running of the Club.

Parents and players can support the club by:

- Attending the games
- Coaching or managing a team
- Helping the coach at training or games
- Helping when it is your team's turn for canteen duty
- Assist with putting the nets/goals up when rostered to do so
- Assist with canteen duty when rostered to do so
- Attend working bees to improve the amenity of Knapsack Park
- Serve on the committee or volunteer to assist committee members with specific tasks throughout the year
- Act as Duty Officer for a couple of hours on a Saturday or Sunday—you get to watch a good game of football or two

If you have any concerns or issues with the running of the Club or have any suggestions for improvements, contact a committee member (preferably in writing) so that it can be discussed at a committee meeting and action taken. General inquiries may also be made via the "Contact Us" page on the Club's website.

We hope you have an enjoyable season of football with Blue Mountains Football Club.

The 2011 Board & Committee

Important Points

- The Club can only continue to function with the full support of players and parents.
- Please consider donating some of your time to make the Club even better so we may continue to prosper for many years to come.

Board/Committee Members—2011

Position	Name	Contact Details
BOARD MEMBERS:		
President	Ian Monaghan	0400 489 807
Vice President / Competition Secretary	Gordon Aiken	0449 800 389
Secretary	Sandy Duetoft	0414 207 051
Treasurer	Len Bowman	0417 652 677
Senior Team Representative	Barry Summers	0417 201 260
COMMITTEE MEMBERS:		
Registrar	vacant	
Assistant Registrar	vacant	
Member Protection Officer & Safety Officer	vacant	
Coaching Coordinator	Dave Gordon	
SSF Coordinator	vacant	
Publicity & Promotions Officer	vacant	
Equipment Officer & Women's Coordinator	Margaret Semeniuk	
Canteen Coordinator	Sue Watson	
Roster Officer	vacant	
Fields and Maintenance	vacant	
Web Master	vacant	
Committee Member	vacant	
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Committee Member	vacant	

You are welcome to contact the committee via 'contact us' page of website

Help Is Always Appreciated

Ever wondered what goes on in the background to keep the Club running smoothly?

The Committee always appreciates the assistance of Club members in helping with the day-to-day tasks that ensure the Club is an enjoyable place to play football for all.

If you are able to give some of your time please contact the club via our website www.bmfc.com.au or call the President on the number listed above. You will be provided with clear and concise instructions for a task that needs completing.

If every one does their best to assist the club by donating a small amount of their time and skills we will continue to prosper.

BMFC CALENDAR 2011

MARCH		
THUR	17	C&M Meeting
SAT/SUN	19/20	Trial Games 1 TBC
SAT/SUN	26/27	Trial Games 2 TBC
APRIL		
SAT/SUN	2/3	Round 1
SAT/SUN	9/10	Round 2
SAT/SUN	16/17	Round 3
SAT/SUN/MON	23/24/25	Easter/ANZAC Day
SAT	30	Round 4
MAY		
SUN	1	Round 4
SAT/SUN	7/8	Round 5
SAT/SUN	14/15	Round 6
SAT/SUN	21/22	Round 7
SAT/SUN	28/29	Round 8
JUNE		
SAT/SUN	4/5	Round 9
SAT/SUN	11/12	Round 10
MON	13	Queens Birthday - Spare
SAT/SUN	18/19	Round 11
SAT/SUN	25/26	Round 12
JULY		
SAT/SUN	2/3	Round 13
SAT	9	Spare - Saturday games
SUN	10	Round 14 Sunday only
SAT/SUN	16/17	Round 14/15
SAT/SUN	23/24	Semi Final 1/Round 16
SAT/SUN	30/31	Semi Final 2/Round 17
AUGUST		
SAT/SUN	6/7	Semi Final 3/Round 18
SAT/SUN	13/14	Pennant Finals/Semi Finals
SAT/SUN	20/21	Finals
SAT/SUN	27/28	Finals Standby
SEPTEMBER		
SUN	18	Presentation Day

Note: 2 Gala Days for U5 to U7 teams to be advised

Achievements & Awards—2010

Team(s) - Achievement

14G.3, 16.3 & O35.1 - League Competition Winners, Grand Final Runners-Up

O35.5 - League Competition Winners

AA.5 - Grand Final Runner-Up

16G.2 - Pennant Final Winners

11.4 & 12G.3 - Pennant Finalists Runners-Up

Special Awards	Criteria	Recipient
Life Members	Long-standing, dedicated and exceptional service to the Club	Len Bowman Ian Monaghan Margaret Semeniuk
Robbie Madden Award	Highest Division / Age competition winner	O35.1
John Costello Award	Most Improved team performance throughout the year	16G.2
Tony Millington Award	Recognition of a team's commitment to battle on	15.2
Dedication Award	For dedication by the team to playing and training of the game	11.4
Margaret Wagner Award	Senior Best & Fairest	Andrew Newton (AA.7)
2010 Club Person Award	Awarded in recognition of the dedication, time and effort put in by an individual to assist the club.	Dave Frankham
20 Year Awards	For players who have played for the club for 20 years	Adam Jack Derek Page
10 Year Awards	For players who have played for the club for 10 years	Dale Applebee, Tyler Barker, Lachlan Barnes, Brenton Bell, Rhett Czapla, Michael Dent, Katie Garay, Stephen Hurley, Nathan Manning, Joshua Morgan, Luke Morgan, Brianna Trigg, Matthew Trigg

Competition Results—2010

Div	Pos-n	Played	Won	Lost	Drew	GF	GA	GD	Points
11/4	6	14	4	4	4	40	23	-17	16
12/2	6	14	4	8	2	25	33	-8	14
12G/3	6	18	6	7	3	22	29	-7	21
14/4	4	14	7	6	1	36	22	14	22
14G/3	1	14	10	1	1	52	7	45	31
15/2	7	14	4	9	1	25	37	-12	13
16/3	1	14	12	1	1	86	14	72	37
16G/2	5	14	4	7	3	36	45	-9	15
AAL/3	5	14	6	5	3	25	24	1	21
O35/1	1	15	14	1	0	52	11	41	42
O35/5	1	18	14	1	3	73	19	54	45
AA/4	6	18	8	7	3	30	27	3	27
AA/5	3	18	11	4	3	62	24	38	36
AA/7	8	18	5	11	2	30	64	-34	19
PR/R	7	18	5	8	5	29	30	-1	22
PR/1	3	18	10	4	4	34	31	3	34

Additional 2010 Information

- Total number of teams: 42
- Total number of registered players: 437
- Non Competition Teams:
 - 4 x U5 teams
 - 7 x U6 teams
 - 8 x U7 teams
 - 4 x U8 teams
 - 3 x U9 team

HISTORY OF BLUE MOUNTAINS FOOTBALL CLUB

The Blue Mountains Soccer Club (BMSC) was formed in 1965. The 1st Annual General Meeting was held 12 November 1965. In 1966 the club had 4 teams playing in the Nepean Competition – Under 8, Under 13, Under 15 and All Age team. All games were being played on Glenbrook Oval, which the club shared with Glenbrook Baptist Soccer Club. By 1968 the club had 12 teams. During this time consideration was given to merging with the Baptist Soccer Club and to change the name of the club so as to include more sports.

It was proposed in 1970 that the BMSC become a Limited Liability Company with seven directors in order for the club to progress. This proposal was passed at a Special General Meeting held on 13 July 1970 with the club becoming Blue Mountains Soccer Club Ltd on 24 November 1970. The first Annual General Meeting of BMSC Ltd was held 29 September 1971. During 1971 the lease of Knapsack Park commenced with the Blue Mountains City Council (BMCC). On 15 February 1974 the lease for Knapsack Park was signed for 20 years.

The Robbie Madden Trophy was first presented for the highest placed, highest age competition winner in 1972. In 1974 the Ladies Auxiliary was formed to assist with fund raising and the running of the canteen. The Auxiliary ran until 1995 when it ceased due to lack of support. The tractor was purchased in 1974 for \$500 and sold for \$500 in 2003.

In 1976 John Costello passed away and the John Costello trophy was first presented in 1984 for the Most Improved Team. The first earthworks for Knapsack Park were started in 1976.

In 1979 the old club house at Leonay Country Club was moved to Knapsack Park to become the BMSC club house at a cost \$6,000. By this stage the club had grown to 20 teams plus one ladies team. In 1980 the Most Improved and Dedication Trophies were presented, along with the Robbie Madden Trophy.

Tony Millington passed away in 1982. Tony was one of the clubs longest serving directors, 12 years from 1970 to 1981. The Tony Millington Shield for the Battlers Award was first presented in 1983.

In 1983 the amenities block was constructed at a cost of \$1000. In 1985 cricket was first played at Knapsack Park.

In 1986 the Club Person Award was introduced to recognize the contribution made by a non-committee member to the Club. The first recipient was Ian Wykes.

In 1991 the Club received a \$9,000 grant from BMCC to upgrade the fencing around the fields. The 10 years Awards were also instigated. By 1992 the Club had 30 teams, 26 Junior teams and 4 Senior teams, with 366 players. In 1993 negotiations on renewal of the lease of Knapsack Park began with BMCC.

In 1997 the U15.1 team, having won their competition, were invited to play in the South Pacific Junior Soccer Championships in Fiji. In 1998 the U16.1 team, again winning their competition, went to Vanuatu to play in the South Pacific Soccer Challenge. In 1998 the field lights were upgraded at a cost of \$12,500. The Club paid for half the cost, with the rest of the money coming from a Dept of Sport and Recreation grant.

In 2000 the club had 382 players in 28 teams. This grew in 2001 to 421 players in 31 teams, including 51 female players in 3 teams. On 10 September 2000 the 30th AGM was held. At an Extraordinary Meeting held on 9 August 2001 a resolution was passed to register the club under the NSW Associations Incorporation Act, and adopt the Model Rules for Incorporated Associations (with changes), according to the Associations Incorporation Regulation. A copy of the rules is available on the Clubs web site. The name of the Club was changed to Blue Mountains Soccer Club Inc.

In 2002 the Club's first twenty year award was presented to Michael Curry. After 10 years of negotiations with the BMCC the Club decided in 2003 to no longer pursue a lease for the use of Knapsack Park. The Club came to an agreement whereby Council would take over the maintenance of the fields, with the Club "booking" the fields during the soccer season. This resulted in the freeing up of considerable funds, which can be put back into the purchasing of additional equipment for players and teams. It also meant that the upgrading of the fields and car parking became the responsibility of Blue Mountains City Council.

2004 saw the return to a single Premier League 1st Div team. The combined team finished Competition and Top 4 Runner Up's. Strict water restrictions were enforced across Sydney for the full season hampering field maintenance.

In 2009 we changed our name to the Blue Mountains Football Club Inc.

Please visit www.bmfc.com.au for additional Club history.

Codes of Behaviour

Players

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with a referee or assistant referee. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official on your behalf.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in football.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport; recognize all good plays whether they are part of your team or the opposition.
- Treat all participants in football as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of other competitors.
- Cooperate with your coach, team mates and opponents. Without them there would be no game.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Coaches

- Remember that junior players participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never ridicule or yell at junior players for making a mistake or not winning.
- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach your players to do the same.
- Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. All junior players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- Avoid overplaying the talented players; the just average need and deserve equal time.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. Encourage your players to do the same.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players.
- Any physical contact with a junior player should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's development.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Parents

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Encourage children always to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.

Codes of Behaviour – Continued #2

- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by all participants.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from all of football's activities.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

If you have an issue or are concerned about how your son or daughter is being treated:

- Discuss the issue with the responsible Coach or Manager. It is strongly recommended that you do not attempt to do this before or after a match or prior to training. At these times the Coach and or Manager are likely to be extremely busy and probably unable to give your issue the attention it needs. Make an arrangement to talk to them at some other mutually agreeable time.
- If you are not able to deal directly with the Coach or Manager or are dissatisfied with the outcome, your next option is to discuss the issue with the BMFC Coaching Coordinator (see list of Club Committee members).
- If the Coaching Coordinator is unavailable, make a written complaint to the BMFC Secretary who will bring the matter to the attention of the full Committee at the next scheduled Meeting.

Spectators

- Remember that young people participate for their enjoyment and benefit, not yours.
- Applaud good performance and efforts from all individuals and teams. Congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
- Respect the decisions of officials and teach junior players to do the same.
- Never ridicule or scold a player for making a mistake. Positive comments are motivational.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Show respect for your team's opponents. Without them there would be no game.
- Encourage players to follow the rules and the officials' decisions.
- Do not use foul language, sledge or harass players, coaches or officials.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Committee

- Provide opportunity for involvement of young players in planning, leadership, evaluation and decision making related to their activity.
- Give all young players equal opportunities to participate.
- Create pathways for young players to participate in football not just as a player but also as a coach, referee, administrator etc.
- Ensure that rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules are modified to suit the age, ability and maturity level of young players.
- Provide quality supervision and instruction for junior players.
- Remember that young players participate for their enjoyment and benefit. Do not over emphasize awards.

Codes of Behaviour – Continued #3

- Help coaches and officials highlight appropriate behaviour and skill development, and help to improve the standards of coaching and officiating.
- Ensure that everyone involved in junior sport emphasizes fair play, and not winning at all costs.
- Give a code of Fair Play sheet to spectators, officials, parents, coaches, players and the media and encourage them to follow it.
- Remember, you set an example. Your behaviour and comments should be positive and supportive.
- Support implementation of Football Australia's National Junior Development Policy.
- Make it clear that abusing young players in any way is unacceptable and will result in disciplinary action.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

NDSFA – By-Laws SECTION 1, 10 VIOLENCE, HARASSMENT OF MATCH OFFICIALS, ABANDONED GAMES, FIELD INVASION.

NDSFA – By-Laws SECTION 6 MISCELLANEOUS (a) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AT GROUNDS

For a copy of the most current version of the NDSFA By-laws, go to http://www.bmfc.com.au/images/stories/pdf/ndsfa_bylaws_2010.pdf

BMFC Club Policies

Registration

Junior Player Grading

Discipline & Fines

Sponsorship

Use of Club Name and Logo

Junior Player Grading

Under 10 -18

Junior Player Team selection

Under 5-6-7-8-9s

For a copy of the most current version of BMFC'S POLICIES, go to <http://www.bmfc.com> | About | Policies

Frequently Asked Questions

What do I do if I think any player or young person is not getting a fair go in a team?

Discuss the issue with the responsible Coach or Manager.

Note: - It is strongly recommended that you do not attempt to do this before or after a match or prior to training. At these times the Coach and or Manager are likely to be extremely busy and probably unable to give your issue the attention it needs. Make an arrangement to talk to them at some other mutually agreeable time.

If you are not able to deal directly with the coach or Manager or are dissatisfied with the outcome, your next option is to discuss the issue with the Coaching Coordinator.

If the response you get from the Coaching Coordinator is unsatisfactory, make a written complaint to the BMFC Secretary who will bring the matter to the attention of the full Committee at the next scheduled Meeting.

Wet weather cancellations?

If the NDSFA or another Club cancels a game, the BMFC Competition Secretary will advise your Team Manager who in turn will advise you.

If in doubt, call your coach or Manager. It is strongly recommended that each team makes specific arrangements for general matters like these at the start of the season.

On most occasions a message will be recorded on the Clubs phone, 4739-5121, giving the details on washed out rounds and ground closures, including Knapsack Park, due to wet weather.

If Knapsack Park has been closed due to wet weather details will also be posted to the Club's website. NO training on the park is allowed when the fields are closed.

Games can be called off due to wet weather in the following ways:

- The NDSFA Competition Secretary will call **all** games off if Councils in the NDSFA area 'close their' grounds. Note, arrangements for such occasions should be discussed / agreed at a team meeting at the start of the season.
- The NDSFA Competition Secretary will call games off scheduled to take place on grounds closed by individual Councils in the NDSFA area. In these circumstances, the BMFC Competition Secretary will advise **the affected** BMFC team Managers of the cancellation. The Team Manager will advise the team members. Again, if in doubt, ring your Team Manager
- Individual clubs will close their grounds. In these circumstances, either the other Club Competition Secretary or the NDSFA Competition Secretary will advise the BMFC Competition Secretary who will advise the affected BMFC teams.
- Note – These cancellations can occur 'at the last minute' there have been occasions where teams have travelled to games only to find that the grounds have been closed. Every effort is made to avoid this, but it does happen.

Insurance

Please refer to the "ACCIDENT SUPPORT PROGRAM" leaflet that was handed out at registration time. A copy of this leaflet can also be found on the BMFC web site www.bmfc.com.au

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Field Locations
 Visit www.bmfc.com.au for latest field information including maps

Club	Name of Ground	Address	Suburb
Blaxland	St Johns Oval	St Johns Road	Blaxland
Bligh Park	Berger Road Reserve	Berger Road	South Windsor
Blue Mountains	Knapsack Park	Levy Street	Glenbrook
Blue Mountains Grammar	Grammar School	Matcham Avenue	Wentworth Falls
Colo	Cougar Park	Inalls Lane	Richmond
Colo	McMahons Park	McMahons Park Road	Kurrajong
Cranebrook	Andromeda Fields	Andromeda Drive	Cranebrook
Cranebrook	Sherringham Road Fields	Sherringham Road	Cranebrook
Emu Plains	Hunter Field	Nepean Street	Emu Plains
Glenmore Park	Blue Hills Oval	Westerly Way	Glenmore Park
Glenmore Park	Ched Towns Reserve	Town Terrace/Luttrell Street	Glenmore Park
Glossodia	Woodbury Reserve	Spinks Road	Glossodia
Hazelbrook	Gloria Park	Lester Street	Hazelbrook
Hazelbrook	Lawson Oval	Ferris Lane	Lawson
Henry Lawson	Parkes Avenue Sport Complex	Parkes Avenue	Werrington
Jamisontown	Eileen Cammack Reserve	cnr Trent & Evan Streets	Penrith
Londonderry	Londonderry Park	Carrington Road	Londonderry
Mulgoa	Gow Park	Littlefields Road	Mulgoa
Penrith	Jamison Park	cnr York & Jamison Roads	Penrith
Penrith Rovers	Harold Corr Reserve	Herbert Street	Cambridge Park
Penrith RSL	Jamison Park	cnr York & Jamison Roads	Penrith
Pitt Town	Oakville Reserve	Oakville Road	Oakville
Richmond	Icely Park	Dight Street	Richmond
Springwood	Summerhayes Park	Hawkesbury Road	Winmalee
St Clair	Mark Leece Oval	Endeavour Avenue	St Clair
St Josephs	Parker Street Reserve	King Street	Penrith
St Marys	Potter Field	Shepherd Street	St Marys
St Marys Band Club	Colyton Park	Roper Road	Colyton
St Marys Convent	South Creek Park	The Kingsway	St Marys
Warradale	Waterboard Oval	off Warradale Rd	Warragamba Dam
Wentworth Falls	Pitt Park	Matchem Avenue	Wentworth Falls
Werrington	Colyton Park	Roper Road	Colyton
Western Storm	Mamre Christian College	Bakers Lane	Erskine Park
Western Storm	Erskine Park High School	Swallow Drive	Erskine Park
Wilberforce	Woodlands Park	Woodlands Road	Wilberforce
Wollemi	Wollemi College	Gipps Street	Werrington