



Match Day Reports

Southport Sharks Junior AFL Club



**Superstars (U6's) –
Silver Team**

**By
Glen Forster**

No report received

**Under 8's – White
By**

Matthew Dalgairns

Friday 9 June

We had another under lights spectacular on our hands and thankfully it was nowhere near as cold as last time. It is always good coming up against the yellows and they took more enthusiastically to the game in the first quarter than we did.

After some first class pep talking from the coach at quarter time though we were right back in it and remained competitive for the rest of the game.

I was heartened to see a few instances of unselfish play where previously players would have just blasted away on goal. This time there was actually some effort to give someone with a better shot the ball. To me that is better than seeing someone take a spectacular diving mark. It shows that as a team we are starting to think about the game a little bit more and consider options that don't end in personal glory.

Overall it was a good team effort and it was heartening to see everyone wanting to play their best for the whole game.

**Under 8's – Black
By
Simon Collins**

Friday 9 June

U8s Southport Sharks Blacks v Southport Sharks Silvers (Green jumpers)

Great game under the lights! The boys looked switched on in the warm up and started well with our best first quarter for the year which was pleasing. The kicking was the highlight tonight, both at goal and passing around the ground. We are starting to go for more marks and play in front more often too. It's been great to see **Sam** grow in confidence each week and he was rewarded with a beautiful goal in the 3rd quarter. **Tayt** fought hard all night for the hard ball, and his quick play on and handball to **Koby** was one of the highlights of the night. **Onyx** was in and under for the ball on the ground and plays a lot bigger than he is. **Orlando** backed up his player of the match award from last week with another excellent game, good skills, decision making and hard attack on the ball - probably kicked goal of the night as well! **Oskar** took plenty of marks and won a lot of the contested ball, with some nice goals too - another solid game from him. **Blake** continues his good season, winning the footy in all zones and taking more care with his disposal. **Harvey** fought hard for the ball in the air and on the deck, using his long kicking as a weapon throughout the game.

Players of the match:

- 1) **Koby** - Ran flat-out all game, racking up hard ball gets in every zone, taking marks and kicking well, was especially strong in defence where we were under the pump all night from a strong Silver team.
- 2) **Owen** had his best game for the season and showed everyone his great kicking skills, hitting teammates all around the ground - also took a number of marks and ran hard to make himself an option.

Well done **Owen** and **Koby** - enjoy your noodles and happy meals!

Thanks and well played to Garry and the 'Silvers' - a great contest with some fierce attack on the ball which is always great to see.



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Thank you Eve for assisting with quarter time breaks, arm bands, etc, Sam's brother for Goal umpiring, Dominic for the oranges, Cindy for washing the jumpers through the week and all parents for getting the boys there in good time and supporting them in the right spirit. See you at training!

Simon Collins
Under 8s Blacks Coach

Under 8's – Silver
By
Garry Frenklah

Friday 9 June

Under the brightness cast by two light towers, excited Supporters of Southport Sharks U8 Silvers and Blacks gathered hoping for a good contest. This was delivered in spades by the Players who were spurred on to greater heights by the LOUD and boisterous barracking from the packed stands. Definitely the loudest crowd we've played in front of to date!

First – the positives. In an enjoyable exciting free flowing and high scoring game, Silvers competed hard all day, played on, kicked long and largely accurately, marked well, showed desperation when going for the ball. The virtual scoreboard was a fair reflection of the effort and application.

The negatives – there was not enough teamwork and looking for passes / teammates in better position with all the boys intent on just kicking the pill after putting the blinkers on and charging downfield. Some sookiness was also exhibited when the umpire correctly penalized our players for indiscretions such as running too far (see above). We need to improve these facets of our game plus remember to man up in defence - will work on these at training.

In terms of individual players, it was the smaller boys' turn to shine with BOG 'Raging' **Riley** doing his best impression of a cannonball as he made the ball his singular target, woe be to anyone who got in his way – teammates included! **Ace** did not have as many touches but made every possession count in an impressive display of footy skills to win the encouragement award on his birthday.

At the end of the game both teams got together for two songs: 1. Happy Birthday for **Ace**; and 2. Good Old Southport Forever.

Coach hoping training can go ahead this Wednesday despite the forecast downpours...

Under 8's – Yellow
By
Steve Yzel

Friday 9 June

Round 8 saw us play Friday night under lights again but this time the difference was we use the training lights not Game lights and this was appreciated by parents after Garry setup fields to work well with the lights. Well done Garry!

We came up against the U8 White team and from the start the team played really great footy and continued that throughout the game. What is really impressive to see is the way we are calling each others names a lot more and getting into space to receive the ball effectively resulting in goals. The teamwork at the moment is outstanding.

We were short players but welcomed **Kye** who with no AFL background worked the game out quickly and scored a couple of goals and for his efforts picked up the Coaches award.

Captain for the game was **Ollie Alexander** who did his job and his form lately sees him up there with second year players.

Best on ground was awarded for the second time to **Tyson** who is week in week out the standout player. Well deserved!



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Thanks again to the parents who helped out at the game David and Ben as well as Stacey Haira for supplying the oranges.

I look forward to seeing everyone at training on Wednesday.

Regards,
Coach Steve

Under 9's – Black
By
Brendan Hall

No report received

Under 9's – White
By
Glen Forster

Saturday 10 June 2017

We came up against one of our fellow Southport Sharks under 9s team, the Black team. We knew how good the Black team played so we came ready to take them on.

From the first bounce we had to work hard to get possession of the ball and move it forward, **Levi & Lucas** laid some great tackles that help lift the team going into quarter time.

Our second quarter started like our first with all the team contributing all over the ground. Both teams hit the scoreboard in the first half which was great to see.

The 2nd half was like the first with full team commitment with impressive ball handling & tackling. When the final siren sounded, we kicked several goals which was very encouraging for coaches and parents.

Our award winners this week were **Levi & Kobe Lee** for their great efforts throughout the game. Welcome back **Kobe Lee**, you fitted straight back into the team.

Also special mention to **Jonnie**, he has had a 'stop and start' season so hopefully now he can string some games together as we missed **Jonnie** and **Kobe Lee** in the early part of the season.

Under 9's – Silver
By
Josh Houlihan

No report received



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Under 10's – Silver

By

Jeff Bell & Chris Harris

Saturday 10 June 2017 - ROUND 8 V Carrara Saints

Our U10 Silver side were certainly switched on from the opening ball up today at Nielson's Rd Oval against a very strong Carrara outfit. Our players, led by Captain **Matthew** and Vice-Captain **Riley**, displayed an impressive mix of precise skill execution, correct decision making and unwavering focus all match outlining a really mature performance from the whole team. Kicking with the aid of a strong breeze in the first quarter, the boys made good use of this advantage by kicking long but with good purpose and accuracy. The team would not be headed after this fast start with the boys really applying themselves to ensure a consistent four quarter effort.

Whilst it was very difficult to single players out after such an even team performance, special mentions must go to our award winners **Issaiah** (Macca's Player of the match) for his best match for the club to date by controlling play through the midfield and displaying excellent decision making skills, **Blayd** (coaches award) for his consistency and dogged determination in never wanting to lose a single contest, **Sam** (Noodle Box Sports Award) for his ability to play with injury and continue doing the one percenters for the team, **Riley** (GC Suns Team Play Award) for his team oriented focus of chasing and tackling all match long and **JR** (Koolkids Canteen Award) for his four quarter effort and ability to continually draw tacklers whilst releasing hand balls to his team mates in better positions.

An all-round fantastic team performance from the boys who now need to back up this great match play with the same focus at training each week!!

GO SHARKS

Coach JEFF & Assistant Coach CHRIS

Under 10's – White

By

Jason Uppill

Saturday 10 June 2017

At the halfway mark of the season and only 8 weeks to go, it's great to see our players continue their rapid improvement. Let's keep up the great work for the rest of the year. We have a special little group of kids at the moment and after this year things will change when we will move out of zone footy.

Good game today against a strong Carrara team. After a good effort in the first half you all decided to man your man, that's when we got well on top. Today we kicked 12 behinds which is unlike us.

Today I was especially proud of the boys because they all keep taking their player on and taking the game on. Even after they get tackled or things didn't go your way. Keep taking the game on boys when you can.

Cooper J was sensational today, he started in the middle and starred and then went forward to have 5 shots on goal. **Ryan** didn't fumble once today and played one of his best games this year.

Jayden had a great four quarter effort and sometimes even beat three players. **Jaxon** is starting to show his class now that he is settling into the team.

Travis took two great over head marks and how good was that long looping handball. **Flynn** took a lot of marks again today and always looked good when he has ball in hand.

Austin fought hard all day and I love his aggression (sorry Shaz). **Beau** took some good marks again and when I asked him to play on their best player he did really well.

Alfie did a perfect handball in the backline to free **Riley** up and did some great kicks to his team mates out of the backline to set up plays. **Alfie** & **Cooper G** are almost impossible to get past down in our back line at the moment.



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JoJo, I'm so proud of you today, you never stopped trying to take the game on even after you got caught a couple of times. Your willingness to keep trying paid off when you did that great fend off and then kicked the ball long. Great work **JoJo**.

Riley and his partner in crime **Josh** did what they normally do week in and week out by always doing the team thing. They never put themselves first, it's great to see the talent you both have.

Jake was good but could've had an even better day if he would've kicked straight, unlucky Jake, but again you put yourself in the right spot and never stopped trying to kick more goals. Even though things weren't working out perfectly you kept going and I think one day you will get those type of goals and kick a bag of 10.

Thank you to **Cooper J's** older brother Mitch for doing the interchange today and his dad Dean for looking after the back line. Also thanks you to everyone who helped with the warm up.

Special thanks to our star **Carly** again.

Special thanks to Mark (Travis Dad) for those brilliant photo's we all enjoy

This week I will not be at training so I have organise for you all to train with Jeff's team this week . See you all at next weeks game.



Under 11's – Black
By
Jason Swanson

No report received



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Under 11's – White

By

Corey Gillie

Round 8, Friday night footy back on our home turf.

After another good week on the training track and the boys came out firing in the first quarter. We dominated the whole first quarter but struggle in front of goal. We ended kick 3 late goals to take a 23-point lead into the first break. The second quarter was much the same, we dominated the play and had the ball in our forward half for most of the quarter, once we got the ball into our forward line we were able to lock it in there for long periods and also made more of our opportunities in front of goal. We were 7-8 goals in front at half time and had kept Pacific Pines goalless to this point.

The 2nd half I decided to throw the team around a bit and play players in different positions and while at times it was a bit chaotic the boys still managed to work well together as a team and still hit the score board. At 3 quarter time, I just asked the boys to continue their teamwork and try and keep the opposition goalless for the game, they did that and it was very pleasing to see them stick to the team structures throughout the entire game.

It was a great team effort and a much-improved performance on last week.

A huge thanks to my assistant Coach Stu Russell, Manager Breckan Clough and Runner Jason Alderson for your continued support as a volunteer to the Southport Sharks. Its greatly appreciated.

The final scores were: Sharks 11-11-77 to Pacific Pines 0-3-3

Goal kickers were: **Ethan 5, Callum 2, Jake 2, Sam 1, Xavier 1**

Awards were: **Flynn Babic, Xavier, Noah**

Thanks to all the parents who helped tonight its greatly appreciated.

Cheers Corey

Under 12's – Div 1

(report not received)

Under 12's – Div 2

By

Hayden Ewens

Under 12 Div 2 vs Palm Beach Currumbin

Pre game we discussed that as a team we weren't satisfied with respectful less than a goal losses in the past couple games and that a win against the Lions would get our season back on track. An undefeated Palmy on their home ground would be our toughest test this season especially considering they put us away by 5 goals earlier in the season. Making the contest more challenging was the fact that 7 of our boys were called up to fill vacancies in the Div 1 team created through South Coast representation. In an aspiring act of unity and loyalty those boys made the decision to back up and play both games within a few hours of each other.

We definitely didn't get the start we were after. Palmy flew out of the gates with us struggling to match their run and speed with our boys consistently second to the ball. It was frustrating to watch as Palmy completely outplayed us. **Nathan, Zaihe** and **Billy** saved us on numerous occasions but fortunately the home team failed to capitalise on the scoreboard with us going into the first break 8 points down.

The introduction of a couple of our bigger boys in the second term plus a few positional changes in regards to some shut down roles got us back into the game by half time. While we weren't on top we



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Under 12's – Div 2 Cont...

were winning more of the ball and being more accountable when it counted. **Callum** playing his first Under 12 game provided the required spark being responsible for two desperately needed goals. His footy smarts and ability to read the play was important for us throughout the game.

The second half of this game was just sensational to watch as our boys just smashed and crashed an intimidated Palmy side that had no answer to our momentum. **Lachlan** for the second week in a role sacrificed his strong first half to successfully shut down Palmy's most damaging player. **Jayden, Harry** and **Connor** were simply superb down back. **Connor's** hard work all season was rewarded with his best game this year. **Reef** was the most dominate forward in the game and **Liam J** was outstanding in the ruck. **Nathan, Kellen** and **Zachary** continued to rack up the possessions. **Will, Tom, Max** and **Payton** should also be happy with their contributions at vital times throughout the match.

With 5 mins to go the game was ours and at the final siren the jubilation was evident, we had just knocked off the ladder leaders by 9 points on their home turf. Having all our family and friends in the rooms with the boys joining in the celebrations after the win was unreal highlight of the season thus far. With this statement win and Broadbeach this week we are back in this competition boys!

Best players **Reef, Liam J, Connor, Lauchlan, Nathan, Jayden, Zachary, Kellen**

Under 14's – Div 1 By Amanda Garry Mann

No report received

Under 14's – Div 2 By Amanda Garry Mann

No report received

Under 16's – Div 1 By Shayne Nicholls

ROUND 8 – LABRADOR TIGERS def by SOUTHPORT SHARKS

GOALS **A.Fyfe 3, D.Lewis 2, S.Hilton-Joyce 2, F.Wolsey, M.Riddle, R.Johnson, M.Bell, C.Griffin, S.Hope**

The half-way point of the season at Round 8 saw the U16 Div 1 squad playing away against the Labrador Tigers. An overcast day with high wind and intermittent rain meant the boys had to bring their absolute best – and they did.

Labrador always bring their best against the Sharks, but a storming first quarter by the Sharks kicking into the wind resulted in the boys having 3 times more forward entries and a whopping 17 opposition turnovers from all-round team pressure, tackles and smothers across the ground. The messages from the Coaches about making a strong start was well-executed and the Sharks started with a lead of 4 goals at the first break.

The conditions became greasy as the rain and wind ebbed and flowed, but the boys game remained consistent throughout all four quarters, with the midfield building clearances, defensive pressure creating turnovers, good conversion from inside 50's to scoring shots and strong tackling resulted in the Sharks controlling the game.

Overall, this weeks game demonstrated a great step forward for the squad in working through the conditions together as team, looking for options through the corridor to switch and open up the fat side and bringing physical pressure across all four quarters. All the team can be really proud of the progress and development which will be important in crunch games in the back half of the season - Well done to the entire team for the all-round effort.

Shayne, Wayne, Corey and Paul.



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Under 16's – Div 2

By
Rob Gerlinger

With another slow start, we let PBC take the lead and we struggled to get our game going all game in extremely wet conditions.

After half time we managed to put some pressure on to make a contest. Not a great deal of positives to take from this one, with the exception of our physical pressure in the last quarter. Had we brought that for 4 quarters, we may not have won, but it would have been a very different game.

Rob Gerlinger
16 2's Coach

GIRLS Under 13's

By
Jeff Bell & Chris Harris

What a great win by our U13 girls' team on Saturday during our home game against a very good Ormeau side. After winning the toss we decided to kick with the wind in the opening quarter. Under immense pressure our defence held up superbly which soon turned into attack and scoring opportunities. Lead by our captains **Sophie** (best on ground) and **Lilli** (who worked hard all day) our team displayed great communication on field and at the breaks. There were times in the last quarter where our girls could have given up, but they stuck to the task working hard and showed a level of commitment to each other which resulted in us being ahead on the scoreboard at the final siren.

It was a very good brand of hard, fair and free flowing footy and both teams should be very proud of their effort. Special mention goes to **Tony** (umpire) who was sensational in the way he communicated with the players and allowed the girls to just play footy.

The team awards this week went to **Sophie** (a brilliant game all over the ground) **Kaitlyn** and **Mya** (our dynamic defence duo) and **Paris** who is ever consistent switching between defence and attack. Again the win was due to the effort by the entire team and your coaches and parents are again very proud of you all.

Thanks to the mum's and dad's who assisted on the weekend!

GO 'Team G' SHARKS
COACHES HARRO & JEFF
Under 13 Girls team

GIRLS Under 15's

By
Paul Redley

Our 15's Girls had 2 games last week. The first was a Round 6 postponed match to be held on Wednesday night at Southport V Burleigh. Our Girls team had 5 regular players out due to injury and players being away for other representative events.

We inducted 5 x U13 Girls for their first ever U15 games to make up the numbers. **Jemma Ryan, Sophie Slinger, Fleur Davies, Paris Couzjin & Illiana Gelagotis**. Unfortunately we were up against the team we beat by 4 points in round one and at full strength. With so many senior Girls out for Southport, our team received its first defeat of the year. We did manage to keep Burleigh scoreless in the second half and take away the fact that our new players stepped up to U15's football.

Burleigh 6.8.44 def Southport 0.0.0

ROUND 8

Backing up after a Wednesday night's game, our Girls were in the firing line again against Tweed Heads at Southport once again. A total of 7 players out due to injury & rep football.

Coming off a loss the Girls were pretty fired up and our Game plan was implemented for one on one



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GIRLS Under 15's cont...

football. With 4 X U13 Girls now feeling a little more comfortable joining us, our Saturday morning got off to a good start. In a low scoring game Southport Girls put in 100% team effort. Every player on the ground had a cracking game. With a total of 46 tackles (new benchmark) we came away with the 4 points over Tweed.

Best on Ground was **Olivia Dolkens. Giselle, Ellie, Charli & Jimmy** all had a great day too.

Next week we hope to have all back on deck as we prepare for the second half of the season as equal ladder leaders.

Southport 4.4.28 Def Tweed 2.2.14

GIRLS Under 17's

No report received

Colts By Pete Doherty

Colts report – Round 8 Maroochydore

This week saw us travel to Maroochydore to take on the undefeated Roos and in difficult conditions we acquitted ourselves well. Unfortunately, we had a few unavailability's and some late withdrawals to overcome, which saw a very different team take to the field this week. Our theme for the week was preparation and resilience and in the face of difficult situations this served us well during the game. With a dominant breeze taking affect our game plan centred around direct long entries into forward 50 which had us head into quarter time with a 15-point lead, with great supply coming off hard work around the ball from **Terry, Max, Trent and Brett**.

Scoring became difficult in the second quarter and our defence was tested throughout – excellent games from **Benny** and **Hayden** in key back positions, were supported by a gutsy display from **Bailey** trying to repel the ball back and Paddy providing run.

Scoring was easier again in the 3rd quarter with scoring output from **Josh** and **Kye** and a continuation of **Mitch's** work rate providing an excellent target. Our work rate was excellent across the board in what was a physical encounter for both teams.

The first half of the last quarter held the scoring capacity up but unfortunately with repeat entries piling up on us we were unable to hold up the tide of ball forward. We entered the game with only 2 fully fit players on the bench and **Dammo** who has been diagnosed with Glandular fever and who bravely helped with bursts of play. In the end this lack of run from us along with some sore bodies was enough for them opposition to score the 4 goals required take secure an unlikely victory.

As I mentioned to the group post-match, I know our best is good enough, we just need to sustain it for long enough. I am a firm believer that there can be worth net value coming from a tight loss than a tight victory and I am sure this will stand us in good stead deeper into the season.

Looking forward...

Bye this week – chance to reset goals for the second half of the year, treat our injuries and continue to prepare well.

Best Players: **Terry, Benny, Mitch, Bailey, Hayden, Maxy, Trent**

Score Josh 3, Kye 2, Terry 1, Cooper 1, Mitch 1,

Southport	8 – 8 – 56
Maroochydore	8 – 15 - 63