Chairman's Blog - December 2019



Dear members,

Welcome to my final blog for 2019, and what a year 2019 was, probably the most difficult season any of us have been through in relation to the disruptions caused by the redevelopment of Richardson Reserve. As I have mentioned before we knew we would experience some short term pain for long term gain, but I didn't realise it was going to be that tough. Credit to all members for getting through this season and as I've said to the Committee, this year has really shown the resilience of this club and its members.

Despite these challenges and disruptions, seeing the new state of the art synthetic pitches and the scale of the redevelopment makes all the disruptions worth it when viewing the new grounds and the surface that our members will have access to for seasons to come.

As we approach Christmas I want to take this opportunity on behalf of the Committee to wish you and your family a safe and happy holidays and hope that you enjoy the break and are looking forward to season 2020 as much as we are.

Richardson Reserve Upgrade – Update

Since my last update hopefully you have had the opportunity to venture out onto the new synthetic pitches at Richardson Reserve and experience what a fantastic new surface our players have to train and play on.

The city of Tea Tree Gully council, FSA and Greenplay have done a fantastic job in installing these new pitches and making this redevelopment possible. In addition the new portable building for our canteen and bar is now set up and the new portable change rooms mean that we will meet FSA regulations in regards to our senior men's competition enabling us to host senior state league games for the first time which is extremely exciting for the club. We can now confirm that we have five preseason matches already scheduled for the new pitches for our seniors. Details of these are posted later in my blog.

Last week I received a final draft of the proposed new clubrooms which were forwarded to the Committee for comment. I can confirm that what is being proposed is a three-storey building with offices/community space on the lower level (carpark level), change rooms and kiosk/canteen at pitch level and a function room/bar on the upper level. There is also a proposed grandstand with seating capacity of up to 200 people. Once the plans are finalised and available to the public I will ensure a copy of the plans are provided to members. At this stage the council are advising that pending no delays through consultation and development planning processes they are hopeful work will commence on the new clubrooms around Easter time 2020. They expect around a 12 month build timeframe.

Naming rights sponsor

In November the club put out an expression of interest for businesses to submit proposals to become the new naming rights sponsor for Richardson Reserve. This was seen as a great opportunity for the club to go into partnership with a local business to promote their brand and to have their business name become synonymous with our new pitches and venue.

The club received three proposals from local businesses which were reviewed and voted on by the Committee. To each of these businesses who submitted a proposal the club was very impressed with their enthusiasm and level of interest in the opportunity. After careful consideration and discussion between the Committee I'm pleased to announce that long-term club sponsor, Newspot Motors was the successful proposal to secure the naming rights to Richardson Reserve for the next 3 years. The club has submitted the proposal to the city of TTG council for their endorsement, which we are hopeful of receiving early in the new year. Once the council have reviewed the proposal and provided their endorsement we will announce the new name of the venue and publicise to all members.

Registrations

The club is continuing to take registrations for the 2020 season with spots filling fast. As at the time of writing this blog there were the following vacancies for positions in teams:

Mini Roos – Age group	No. vacancies	E&D – Age group	No. vacancies
U6	1	U7	2
U7	3	U8	2
U8/9	2	U9	6
U10	6	U14	2

If you know of anyone interested in wanting to play soccer or if you haven't re-registered from last season, please contact the club registrar Kendall Popping via email at registrar@mvsc.com.au to secure one of these last remaining spots before teams fill up.

Payment details for registrations are included below for your reference.

DIRECT DEPOSIT

Deposit funds into:

Bank SA Account Name: Modbury Vista Soccer Club Inc

BSB: 105-122

Account No: 448 909 540

Please put child's name and age group e.g. JOHN SMITH U10 E&D or JANE SMITH U11 Mini Roos.

Men's senior trial games

The following details list the 5 pre-season trial games for our senior men's teams. It would be great to see as many members as possible support and attend these games as our men's teams get their first opportunity to play home games at Richardson Reserve. There will be full BBQ, bar and canteen

facilities available on the nights. If anyone is able or willing to volunteer and help out on the BBQ please get in contact with me via email at chairman@mvsc.com.au

Game 1: Friday 17 January v Mt Barker @ Richardson Reserve

Kick-off times:

U18 – 6:30pm (pitch 1)

Reserves – 6:45pm (pitch 2)

First team – 8:30pm (pitch 1)

Game 2: Friday 24 January v Adelaide Cobras @ Richardson Reserve

Kick-off times:

U18 – 6:15pm (pitch 1)

Reserves – 6:30pm (pitch 2)

First team – 8:15pm (pitch 1)

Game 3: Friday 31 January v Adelaide University @ Richardson Reserve

Kick-off times:

U18 – 6:15pm (pitch 1)

Reserves – 6:30pm (pitch 2)

First team - 8:15pm (pitch 1)

Game 4: Saturday 8 February v Gawler Eagles @ Richardson Reserve

Kick-off times:

U18 - 6:15pm (pitch 1)

Reserves – 6:30pm (pitch 2)

First team – 8:15pm (pitch 1)

Game 5: Friday 14 February v Adelaide Vipers @ Richardson Reserve

Kick-off times:

U18 - 6:15pm (pitch 1)

Reserves – 6:30pm (pitch 2)

First team - 8:15pm (pitch 1)

Team App

The best way to stay informed with what is happening around the club is to get access to the MVSC club team app. The club regularly posts information on this platform and is a great way to stay connected with what is happening around the club.

If you are unsure as to how to access team app, please follow the simple instructions in the attached brochure.

https://user-content.teamapp.com/images/newsletters/documents/original/90011-632b46f61c9c19d86e9270a36be406c4e08a3dd4.pdf?1474591640

Merchandise

With the setup of the new clubrooms at Richardson Reserve we have merchandise available and able to be viewed. We have items such as the Adidas Tirio club polo's and Adidas Tirio tracksuit jackets, beanies, scarves, hoodies and Adidas stadium jackets (perfect for a cold winters day) for sale.

If you have any questions or would like to purchase club merchandise, please speak to Cara Gomez who is our merchandise officer. Cara can be contacted via email at merchandise@mvsc.com.au

Volunteers

The Committee are always on the lookout for volunteers to assist around the club where possible. This next season we will be in need of people who can assist with the setup and pack up of wine barrels or marquees and the cooking of the BBQ at our senior men's and women's home games. If you think you will be attending these games and will have some spare capacity to assist in these duties, please contact Brenton Stehniak (FSA coordinator) at ffsacoordinator@mvsc.com.au for men's games and Jason Barnden (FSA female coordinator) at femalecoordinator@mvsc.com.au for women's games. Also if you hold a responsible service of alcohol licence and are willing to help behind the bar on game day for our senior's matches and Friday night games, please let Brenton/Jason or myself know.

For junior games the club will be developing a roster system where all junior teams will be assigned a date where they are required to assist in cooking the BBQ and helping out behind the canteen. Details of this roster and duties required will be provided closer to the beginning of the season.

Till my next update Stuart Carlisle MVSC Chairman