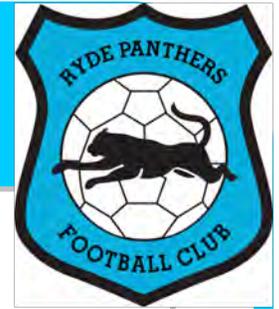


# PANTHER Spotlight



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Ryde Panthers FC

## Under 16-1 Girls

### Round 9 Match Report

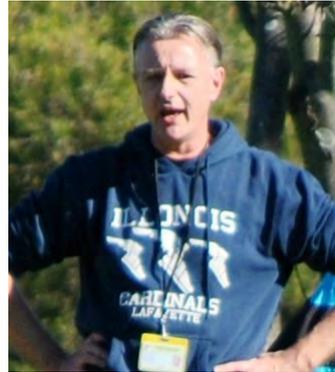
Ryde Panthers U16-1 Girls

Opposition Roselea FC

Field: Harold West, Carlingford

Time: Sunday 5 June - 10.15am

This team has some members who have played together with the Panthers since 2005 including Rachael Brummell, Liz Mills, Anna Meikle, Ellie Bortz and then joined by fellow long term players Ashley Chan, Mel Boulton and Chloe Sing. This year Gaelyn Jacobson, Jemma Cairns and Carlene Yee joined Jessie Peach, Jasmin Mostafa, Sam Millard, Julia and Angela Torissi of last year's Premiership team. With a full squad of 15 players the team was looking forward to this match with great anticipation!



Coach — Rob



The Panthers and Roselea teams were promoted to Division 1 from Division 2 this year. Panthers were the Premiers but Roselea beat them in the Grand Final in extra time so this game was always destined to be a hard fought match.

Played under a crisp, clear blue winter sky this was an exciting game where the Panthers played enthusiastically and cohesively with all players making important contributions.

Whilst most of the game was played in the opponent's half we were unable to convert our control of the game into goals and, it has to be said, we were unfortunate not to win.

The whole team played strongly with especially solid performances and reliably high work rates by midfielders Carlene, Ashley, Chloe, Gaelyn and Anna while Angela and Ellie were as solid as ever in defence cutting out through balls and dealing with attacking forays of the opposition. Team captain, Chloe, led the way with another spirited effort and continued to talk to the team and encourage greater effort from the players.

Mel played well in a new role in the backs using her speed and strong clearances to relieve defensive pressure. Julia and Jessie's defensive efforts and non-stop running throughout the game were also impressive.

Rachael played as striker for the first half and her aggression and determination to get to the ball first put a lot of pressure on the Roselea defenders. Upfront Sam made several trademark attacking dribbling runs but was unable to net the ball. Jasmin came close to scoring her first competition goal!

Towards the end of the match Liz made an important save in the top corner from a direct free kick just outside the penalty box in what was an otherwise fairly quiet match for the goalkeeper!

Jemma won 'player of the match' for her influential role as sweeper, reading the game well and distributing the ball with powerful clearances and with her pace turned defence into attack.

Great team spirit has always been a positive feature of this team and, while not so many competition points have come their way this year, the girls continue to improve and enjoy the game and each others company!

Match reports on their progress are included on the Panthers website on the result page. Final Score—Draw 0 : 0

Well played girls! Will Meikle—Manager



## Player of the Match



Jemma

Jemma

Age: 14

Previously a "Koala", new to the Panthers this season.

Favourite football team is Chelsea.

## Photos in Action!



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# The Team—U16-1 girls 2011

