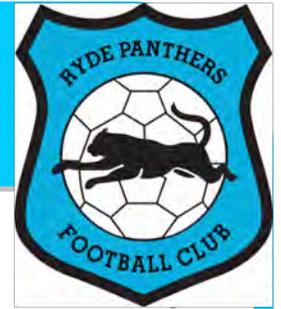


PANTHER Spotlight



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Ryde Panthers FC

Under 7 Green

Round 11 Match Report

Ryde Panthers U7 Green

Opposition Ryde Saints United FC a

Field: Pidding Park #3

Time: Saturday 25th June - 10.30am

A crisp, clear morning saw the Ryde Panther U/7 Green's in action again at Pidding Park.

Most of these young Panthers have played together for two years now. In 2011, new recruits **Matthew and Will** joined the boys from last year's U/6 Reds - Cooper, Luke, Nathan, Omar and Zane. Luke cannot play today and his tenacious defence will be missed!

Kick-off and the Panthers are off to a fast start with a nice solo effort by Cooper finding goal in the second minute. The game is very even, but the Saints score two goals in succession to edge ahead. Solid defence by Will and Zane results in the possession starting to turn our way and a cracking left foot strike by Nathan from the side line makes its way through three Saints players to secure the equaliser. A couple of quick Saints goals provide the motivation for the young **Panthers to finish the first half in style. Matthew's defence is outstanding** this week, as he disrupts further advances by the Opposition. Then a cross from Cooper is nicely deflected by Omar to find the goal. A beautiful passage of play follows, combining passing and dribbling by Will, Omar and Zane ending up with the **ball at Nathan's feet, unmarked and he scores the equaliser!**

Half time and the Panthers indulge in a herbivore diet of Oranges and Apples. Coach James congratulates the team on a great effort so far. He asks the team to remember to mark a player each in defence and keep having fun.

The early part of the second half is a tight tussle. Both Cooper and Zane go very close to scoring but then some physical contact sees three panthers go down simultaneously giving a Saints player a free run to the goal. A few minutes later, and an unmarked opposition player lurking around the goals gets a nice through ball and finds the goal again. However the never-say-die attitude of our team is great to watch and we stay in the game with more great defence. A tackle by Matthew and then a string of passes started by Will ends with Cooper getting the ball and scoring near the end of the match.

Omar was awarded 'player of the match' this week. **Individual skills, confidence and awareness builds with every week and it's great to see everybody getting involved and having a go.**

Thanks for another great effort boys!!

James & Steve



Manager — Steve



Player of the Match



Omar

Like Soccer Because: Playing with friends, eating oranges at halftime, running around after the ball

Omar

Age: 6

Fav Sport: Soccer!

Fav Football Team:
Socceroos!

Hobbies: Playing with friends, running, video games, drawing, Pokemon collection

Years Playing for RDP: 2

Photos in Action!



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The Team—U7 Green 2011

