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Sports World

WHAT MORE DO THEY WANT?

Some people you can never please.

Not matter what you do or say, they find fault in something. Bagging a football club is easy, far easier than praising it. But enough is enough fellas. Whether they like it or not.....

Sydney Olympic's season in 2008 has been a highly successful one. And that is even IF the side loses again this weekend and ends its season ther and then-which is probably what these 'experts' are probably hoping will happen anyway! Let's have a look at Sydney Olympic's year from the beginning shall we?

The previous year Sydney Olympic ALMOST got relegated! The club survived courtsey of some late results in the 2007 and the President and his Board began almost immediatelt the task of addressing a lot of the issues at the club. And so the club welcomes 2008..... Milan Blagoyjevic at the helm of a club which has gone all-out to ensure that 2008 is not a repeat of the previous season.

JOHNNY WARREN CUP SUCCESS!

Although many consider the competition to be nothing mre than a series of ognanised trials, Sydney Olympic used the event not only as much-needed preparation for the season proper, but to also serve notice that 2008 they mean business.

A 10-man Sydney Olympic went on to win the Johnny Warren Cup silverware in extra time (2-1) against the Sutherland Sharks.

The win also signalled the end of Sydney Olympic's lean-spell of trophies won at senior level- the last notable honour arrived back in the 2002/03 NSL season, when Sydney Olympic clinched the Minor Premiership.

NSW PREMIER LEAGUE

And so began the NSW Premier League season

New chums and 'brother club' West Sydney Berries caused a huge upset in the opening round beating Sydney Olympic 3-1 at their state-of-the-art Sydney Athletic Centre on a sensational summer's evening.

But after that opening shock defeat, sydney Olympic regrouped and went on to finish a respecable 3rd and were headed for semi finals football. They are scheduled to meet Manly United this weekend at Belmore.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

In the meantime, causing much heartburn to its critics, Sydney Olympic went on to win the NSW Club Championship in 2008. Proving to all concerned what a strong football club Sydney Olympic had become in

The critics may not want to acknowledge this, but a victory in the Club Championship does not come around often- and to win one speak volumes about the tremendous develoment going on at the club in all age

To the club's opponents, take a couple of panadols to help ease your discomfort.

U/20's MINOR PREMIERS

To add further discomfort to the club's critics, Sydney Olympic's U/20's managed to win the Minor Premiership by a 5-point margin, and losing just three games all season.

The youngsters had the weekend off last week as Minor Premiers and will be competing against Marconi on Sunday at Belmore for the right to become the first team through to the U/20's Grand Final.

YOUTH LEAGUE

Sydney Olympic also experienced an excellent season with its youth league teams.

Sydney Olympic's U/18's also made the semi finals this year but were eliminated after losing to Marconi 3-

The same can be said for the club's U/15's who were eliminated by Marconi again- this time courtesy of a penalty shootout (3-5) after the scores were level 1-1.

So I ask you all.....

Did Sydney Olympic have a bad year?

Don't let the 'experts' tell you otherwise.

Sydney Olympic can hold its head up high and be extremely proud of the success it has achieved in 2008 so far already- irrespective of what happens at Bemore on Sunday afternoon.



EARLWOOD'S U/13'S UNDEFEATED **PREMIERS & CHAMPIONS 2008**

Congratulations to one of our local football clubs, Earlwood Wanderers' U/13's, who not only went through season 2008 as undefeated Minor Premiers, but the youngsters also won the Grand Final over the weekend.

The side defeated arch rivals Burwood 3-0 to be crowned champions and achieve the "double' in 2008.

In fact, this particular crop of Earlwood juniors have now won back-to-back Grand Finals for Earlwood

Congratulations to all concerned on a most memorable season. I am advised that the club will be acknowledging their best performed team later on this month via a very special presentation.

Α-ΛΙΓΚ - 2η αγωνιστική

Περθ Γκλόρι-Νιούκαστλ Τζετς Παρασκευή 22 Αυγούστου, 19:00, Members Equity Stadium

Σένταλ Κοστ Μάρινερς-Σίδνεϊ FC Σάββατο 23 Αυγούστου, 19:00, Bluetongue Stadium

Ουέλινγκτον Φοίνιξ-Μέλμπουρν Βίκτορι Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 17:00, Westpac Stadium

Κουίνσλαντ Ρόαρ-Αντελάιντ Γιουνάιτεντ Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 17:00, Suncorp Stadium

ΠΡΕΜΙΕΡ ΛΙΓΚ ΝΝΟ - Τελική φάση

Μεγάλος ημιτελικός Σάθερλαντ-Γούλονγκονγκ Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Seymour Shaw Park

> Μικρός ημιτελικός Σίδνεϊ Ολύμπικ-Μένλι Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Belmore Sports Ground

ΣΟΥΠΕΡ ΛΙΓΚ ΝΝΟ - 22η αγωνιστική

Μπόνιριγκ-Σέντραλ Κοστ Λάιτνινγκ Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Bonnyrigg Sports Club

Φρέιζερ Παρκ-Μπόσι Λίβερπουλ Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Fraser Park

Γκράνβιλ Ρέιτζ-Σαιντ Τζορτζ Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Garside Park

Φέρφιλντ-Μελίτα Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Norford Park No2

Μάουντ Ντρούιτ-Νόρθερν Τάιγκερς Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Popondetta Park

> Ροκντέιλ-Πανεπιστήμιο Σίδνεϊ Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Rockdale Ilinden Spors Centre

1η ΚΑΤΗΓΟΡΙΑ ΝΝΟ - 22η αγωνιστική

Στάνμορ Χοκς-Μπλακτάουν Σπάρτανς Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Arlington Oval

Σκόφιλντς Σκόρπιονς-Ντάλιτς Χιλ Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, CSI Sport Ground

Μάουντις-Σπίριτ FC

Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Cook Park (Mounties)

Πανεπιστήμιο ΝΝΟ-Ίντερ Λάιονς

Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, David Phillips Field

Χέρστβιλ-Σίδνεϊ Γουόντερερς Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Hajduk Stadium

Χιλς Μπράμπις-Μινώταυροι

Κυριακή 24 Αυγούστου, 15:00, Second Ponds Oval