



The Bulldogs set to Bark in 2010

The Committee of the Thuringowa Bulldogs Australian Football Club welcome all new and existing players to the 2010 Season and we trust you will have an enjoyable and successful season.

The Thuringowa Bulldogs Australian Football Club is impatiently looking forward to upcoming Season as 2010 will hold many great challenges and opportunities. 2010 will be the 40th year that the Bulldogs have competed in the AFL Townsville competition. There is a HUGE Bulldog Reunion planned for the Queens Birthday Long Weekend as this is sure to be one of the highlights of the season.

The Executive Committee is virtually unchanged from 2009 with the exception of the addition of Theresa Elferson as Secretary and Michael Bice as Junior Vice President. This stability will give the Club the stability needed in the season ahead. The General Committee has had some new and exciting members added to its ranks (Barra & Coyote) and all are keen to assist wherever needed.

The Senior Coaching Staff also remains unchanged with Doug Ward heading into a record fourth season as Senior Coach and Season 2009 Premiership Coach Steve Zhara again at the reins of the Reserves.

The Junior Coaching Staff have a few new additions with Jake Hogan & James Markham taking up the role of Under 9 Coaches. The stability flows through to the Juniors as well with Gerrard (Wheels) Wheelahan and Steve (Shakey) Warner coaching the Under 11, Dale (Tassie) Emmerton, Sean Nancarrow and Peter Picknall the Under 13, Michael Bice, Dennis Holden and Tom Boyd the Under 15's and Dave Tullett the 17's.

It has been two years since the Bulldogs moved into our new Home Ground, the Tony Ireland Stadium and there is also a feel of stability as we have well and truly settled into the magnificent complex. All the hard work of the past decade is behind us and our not so new Home Ground is a comfortable place to be and the envy of many opposition clubs!!!

Hard Work Ahead!!!

There is a lot of hard work to be done before we hear the sound of the first whistle but as the old saying go "Many hands make light work" and "Hard work never killed anyone" Please lend a hand when and where you can



Doug Ward & Steve Zhara pumping up the balls for the 2010 Season

Senior Reserves and Under 17 Training Commenced

The Bulldogs officially commenced training on the 5th of January and will continue each Tuesday and Thursday at Tony Ireland Stadium at the Riverway at 5:30. Make sure you bring your boots, runners and a towel. If the past two seasons are anything to go by the Bulldogs will enjoy the use of the Tony Ireland Stadium while the other clubs are affected by the Wet Season.

Junior Training to Commence on 16th February

Training Times: U9, 11, 13, & 15's Tuesday's and Thursday 4:30 – 5:30

Senior Pre-season Matches

This pre-season the Bulldogs will look to host **North Cairns** in what will be a tough opener for the season. North Cairns have been rebuilding and by all reports may be the team to beat in 2010. This match will be preceded by a **Townsville v Cairns Masters** match. All players involved will then venture to **Cazaly's** to watch the **NAB Cup** match. **"You just gotta be there"**

Airlie Beach will again be a popular venue with all the players as the Bulldogs as the club will travel to Airlie Beach to participate in either the **AFL Mackay Pre-season Lightning Premiership** or a match against the **Withsunday Sea Eagles**. This is an opportunity to not only participate in the Lightning Premiership and collect some \$\$\$\$ but a great opportunity for the new players to mould into the Bulldogs. **"This is a must attend match"**

Junior Pre-season Matches

The Bulldogs will be looking to participate in a number of Pre-season matches as well as the AFLT Junior Lightning Carnival to be staged in conjunction with the Grand Opening of the Junior Oval at the Murray Sports Complex. Details are yet to be finalised so keep an eye on the Bulldogs Web site and the newsletters.

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Team Managers Wanted

*If you keen to get involved with your children's team we still require Team Managers for all teams
Please contact any committee member or your child's Coach.*

2010 Fixture Draw

The Fixture Draw for the Junior, Reserves & Seniors has yet to be finalised and as soon as they are completed they will be posted on the notice board and the clubs Web Site
www.thuringowabulldogs.com

"Junior Bulldogs on Tour"

The Junior side of the club have been busy planning a tour to Brisbane to play some matches and attend a Brisbane Lions match at the Gabba. This is a fantastic opportunity for the junior players and parents to be a part of Bulldogs History. Fundraising is underway and there will be plenty of opportunities to assist in raising the much needed funds to assist with the project.

Visit the Club Web Site

www.thuringowabulldogs.com

2010 Senior Home Matches

Season 2010 will see the Thuringowa Bulldogs AFC play all their Home Matches at the Tony Ireland Stadium. To build on the popularity of AFL the Bulldogs are looking to play a number of Twilight Fixtures during the 2010 AFL Senior Season. These matches will be set down for 4:00 Pm for Reserves and 6:00 for Seniors. This will provide the opportunity for a greater use of Tony Ireland Stadium by all the Bulldogs Junior teams as they will be able to play later in the day at non-traditional timeslots.

Chris Boyles Payless Chemists – Major Club Sponsor

This season the Thuringowa Bulldogs Australian Football Club have again be successful in retaining our Major Club Sponsor – Chris Boyles Payless Chemists. Chris and Louise Boyle have been great supporters of the club and the Committee encourages all members to visit Chris Boyles Payless Chemists at the Willows Shopping Centre for all your needs. Chris’s staff actively supports the club by their attendance at our Home Matches so when you visit Chris’s store introduce yourself to his staff.



THURINGOWA BULLDOGS 2010

PREFERRED SUPPLIERS CLUB

In 2009 the Thuringowa Bulldogs had a total of 345 Registered Players and supporters and untold silent members. Approximately 200,000 people have visited Tony Ireland Stadium since opening in 2007 so the venue is a valuable asset to the club and a great marketing tool. As the popularity of AFL grows, Season 2010 is set to be another record year! In 2010 the Bulldogs are looking to form exclusive partnerships between local business and the Club, Players, Club Members, Families and Supporters in the form of a **“Bulldogs Preferred Suppliers Club”**. Each club member will be given the opportunity to recruit a **“Preferred Supplier”** For each **“Preferred Supplier”** signed up by a player or member the Committee is offering a discount or reimbursement of \$20.00 off the Membership Fees.

This is a new initiative to assist with the running costs of the club so please promote far and wide so that we can get as many community business involved in our great club.

BULLDOG SPONSORS

The Bulldogs have a number of great sponsors that have been a part of the club for many years and many that have been involved since the opening of Tony Ireland Stadium. The committee encourages all members to support our Sponsors as without their support the club would need to increase membership fees and other fees. The club has a Mission statement "Keeping Football Affordable for Families" so the more we support our Sponsors the more they support the Bulldogs.

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In 2010 the Thuringowa Bulldogs Australian Football Club (TBAFC) are looking to form exclusive partnerships between local business and the Club, Players, Club Members, Families and Supporters.

In 2009 the Thuringowa Bulldogs had 115 Registered Senior Players, 175 Juniors, 55 Social Members and untold silent members. In excess of 15,000 AFL supporters attended AFL matches in Townsville with the majority attending matches at Tony Ireland Stadium. As the popularity of AFL grows, Season 2010 is set to be another record year!

The Thuringowa Bulldogs would like to invite your company to be part of the Inaugural
"Bulldogs Preferred Suppliers Club"

What will it cost? \$300.00 Cash or \$300.00 worth of your Company's Products
What will my Company receive?

- ✓ Two Free Tickets to the *Inaugural Bulldogs Preferred Supplier Club Luncheon*
- ✓ Company Logo displayed at Tony Ireland Stadium.
- ✓ Free entry for two Adults to all TBAFC Home Matches – valued at \$128.00 (Children Free)
- ✓ *Bulldogs Preferred Supplier of the Week* featured in the weekly Newsletter.
- ✓ Company Logo in the TBAFC Weekly Newsletter *Bulldogs Preferred Supplier Club* Section
- ✓ Company Logo displayed on the Bulldogs Website *Bulldogs Preferred Supplier Club* Section.
- ✓ Link from TBAFC Website to *Bulldogs Preferred Supplier* Website.
- ✓ Free ticket into draw for *Framed 40th Anniversary Football Jumper* valued at \$400.00
- ✓ Framed *Bulldogs Preferred Supplier Club Certificate* to be displayed at your workplace.
- ✓ Promotion of your company's Products & services over the PA system at Tony Ireland Stadium.
- ✓ *Bulldogs Preferred Suppliers* will be given the opportunity to participate in a "Show and Tell Day" at Tony Ireland Stadium with static or interactive displays to promote your products & services.
- ✓ Invite to the AFL Grand Final Broadcast at Tony Ireland Stadium.

TOTAL COSTS = \$300.00 cash or \$300.00 worth of your Company's Products

✕ _____
We at _____ would like to become a member of the *Inaugural Thuringowa Bulldogs Preferred Supplier Club of 2010*. My contact details for any correspondence are:

Ph _____ E-mail _____ Fax _____

Please return this section and a cheque payable to Thuringowa Bulldogs AFC, Po Box 807 Thuringowa Central Qld 4817. (A Tax Invoice will be issued on receipt of payment)

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