

13/2's Emu Plains Football Club
Match report
25th April 2009

vs Penrith FC

Being the first match report for 2009, I thought I would briefly talk about the opening 3 games of the season including the weekend game, round 3.

The U13/2's have had a positive start to the year. After 3 rounds, we have 1 win, 1 draw and 1 loss. The team is a new look team as we have 5 new faces in the side from last year's side. We also have a new coach, Sandro B. Sandro has come to the club from Mulgoa and has already made a positive impact on the boys.

Round 1 game against Hazelbrook was a great opening game. The boys played surprisingly well for the first game of the year and came up trumps after a hard fought game.

Round 2 game was a more even affair with a 3-3 draw against Colo. Our boys were trailing most of the game but came home super strong to score 2 late goals and were unlucky not to come away with a win. Our opposition just held on for a draw.

Round 3 game this weekend was a game of 2 halves. The first half was amazing. Penrith FC led 2-0 after only 5 minutes. Our boys were really flat and had no answer to FC's attacking style. As the half progressed, our boys starting playing football and ended the first half with a flurry of attacking runs and scoring shots. We went to the break 3-2 down but could have easily been 3-3 after a cracking shot hit the crossbar just before half time.

The 2nd half of the game was an even affair for the first 10 minutes but the Penrith FC side really turned it on late in the game and scored 4 unanswered goals in quick succession. Our boys lacked cohesion and started kicking the ball away without maintaining possession. This is an area that we can work on at training.

Our side this year has started really well and there's plenty of smiling faces. The boys will continue to improve the more they play and train together. The boys have really welcomed the new coach and manager combination of Sandro B and John N.

Well done to all for a great start to the season. Let's just hope the rain stays away so we get to play some more football.

With regards to this years match reports, all parents will take turns, week in, week out.

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