# Institute Challenge

The SASI Men's Football Team have been crowned Institute Champions in last weeks Institute Challenge which was held in Canberra. SASI finished equal top with Football West but had a better goal difference. SASI also finished top in the bonus points where they followed the FFA's National Curriculum on playing the 1-4-3-3 system. The accolades didn't stop there with Teeboy Kamara crowned joint top goal scorer with 7 goals. Ben Warland, Jake Halliday, Jacob Melling, John Karatzas, Joshua Barresi, Ben Garuccio and Teeboy Kamara were all selected in the All Star Team. Tony Vidmar was selected as the coach of the tournament and was coach of the All Star Team. The final match of the Tournament saw SASI draw 4-4 against the All Star Team in the exhibition match.

Congratulations also go to Jacob Melling and Ben Garuccio who were offered AIS scholarships for 2011. It is great news for both boys who have shown their quality throughout the year.

The squad that went to the Institute Challenge and results

Sam McKechnie-Merrick West Adelaide Mark Ochieng WT Birkalla Nathan Mauriello Campbelltown

Ben Warland SASI

Thomas Hector Adelaide City

Jacob MellingSASIAwer MabilSASIJordan KalliosSASI

Stefan Mauk Adelaide City

Ben Garuccio SASI Jake Halliday SASI

Chris Christofilos Adelaide Comets
Ryan Haverty Adelaide City
Jack Bladen WT Birkalla
Joshua Baressi Croydon Kings
John Karatzas Adelaide Comets
Teeboy Kamara Salisbury

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#### Day 1

SASI 4 (T Kamara 2, J Karatzas 2) defeated FFV 2

SASI 3 (J Karatzas, B Garuccio, S Mauk) defeated TIS 2

#### <u>Day 2</u>

SASI 1 (T Kamara) defeated QAS 0

SASI 3 (T Kamara, B Garuccio, S Mauk) drew NSWIS 3

#### Day 4

SASI 4 (J Baressi 2, R Haverty, A Mabil) NT 0

SASI 2 (S Mauk, T Kamara) NNSWIS 0

#### Day 5

SASI 3 (T Kamara 2, J Karatzas) drew with Football West 3

MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 24 SEPTEMBER 2010

The SASI Men's Football Team finished their last game of the season losing to Adelaide City 3-0 in the Super League Reserves Final at Adelaide City Park last Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September. Credit goes to Adelaide City who made life tough with constant pressure and creating numerous chances which the team were unable to cope with the on the day. We hope that the players have learnt a lot this year with different styles of football they have played against with different situations that were given to them.

Overall it has been a good year of development for the Men's Football Team who earlier in the season were crowned State Institute Challenge Champions, FFSA Super League Minor Premiers and Grand Finalists. Even though it is not about what they win, it is about their development as football players and winning and losing is part of that. As the season has finished some players will be staying on others will be going back to the local club football. I would like to wish those boys all the best in their future football travels.

Congratulations to Nick Munro, Jordan Elsey and Allan Welsh who have signed Youth League contracts with Adelaide United. John Solari, Ben Garuccio and George Hatzipanagiotis will be training with the Youth League Team. Jacob Melling has been training for the last 2 weeks with Adelaide United A League team and has done very well.

Last week the team held its end of season awards night and it was great to see all players and parents attending. The 'Players' player of the year award went to Jordan Elsey with Shannon Claridge in second place and Shaun Harvey in third. SASI's player of the year for the Super League Reserves went to Jordan Elsey by 1 point from Jacob Melling and Allan Welsh. At the FFSA awards night Shannon Claridge came runner up in the player of the year award for the Super League Reserves.

This coming Sunday we will be holding a trial game for 22 players who have been identified throughout the season to see which players will be offered a scholarship for next season, we wish them all the best.

# MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 27 AUGUST 2010

SASI Men's Football Team played a friendly game against Adelaide United Youth Team last Friday night at Hindmarsh. At half time the game was 1-1 when it was called off due to the wet pitch conditions, as the game was a curtain raiser to the A League game Adelaide United versus Melbourne Heart. **Jordan Elsey** converted a penalty awarded to SASI half way through the first half and just on half time Adelaide United scored their equaliser. It was a good game for SASI to test themselves but unfortunately the game could not continue.

This Saturday morning SASI has a friendly game against MetroStars Super League Team as a preparation for the Top 5 Finals starting the following week.

### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 13 AUGUST 2010

The SASI Men's Football team completed their last game of the Super League Reserves Competition with a 2-1 win over Western Strikers to finish the season first with 14 wins from 20 games. After going a goal down after 28 minutes SASI continued to try take control of the game but found it difficult with the pressure from Western Strikers. In the second half with a few minor changes to the way SASI were playing goals from **George Hatzipanagiotis** (6th goal for the season) and **Shannon Claridge** (7th goal for the season) was enough for SASI to win. Overall it was a very pleasing season to see them develop their team play and develop individually. Their next challenge is to see how they perform in the Top 5 Finals Series, which begins on the weekend of September 4th, and 5th.

This week **Jacob Melling** is away with the Joey's Team on a tour of The United Kingdom where they will play against Fulham and Tottenham Hotspur Youth Teams and then be involved in a 4 Nation Tournament against Portugal, England and Turkey. **George Hatzipanagiotis** and Ben Garuccio are on stand by; we wish Jacob all the best on the 2-week tour.

# MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 30 JULY 2010

The SASI Men's Football Team has had their work cut out for them recently. The boys have had 4 games in 14 days. Winning 2 and loosing 2 the boys have managed to remain at the top of the ladder equal with the Adelaide Blue Eagles. Last Saturday SASI were defeated by Adelaide Cobras 2-1 who played with several first team players. The SASI players didn't look out of their depth and were unfortunate not to score more than one goal. Throughout the game they frustrated their opponent with the ball and forced the Cobras to turn possession over with good pressure. A goal from **George Hatzipanagiotis** 25 minutes before the end of the game made it 2-1 and SASI continued to create chances but unfortunately couldn't find the equaliser.

On Wednesday night SASI were defeated 2-1 against Para Hills, a goal from Para Hills after 2 minutes and 48 minutes made SASI chase the game. Chasing the game, as was the case in their previous four games, SASI continued to play the way they have all season making sure the opposition did not have the ball for long periods of time and creating numerous goal scoring chances with that possession. On 3

occasions SASI had the ball cleared of the goal line to deny them goals but got one over the line when **Ryan Kitto** scored from outside the box to make it 2-1 in the 61st minute. From then on Para Hills were defending deep in their half as SASI's constant pressure forced them back and were unfortunate not to score more goals.

# MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 23 JULY 2010

The SASI Men's Football Team has won their Round 17 Super League Reserves game against MetroStars 3-2. After going a goal down in the first half SASI played some very good football but couldn't find the goal. After 4 minutes had past in the second half **Giorgio Pantelis** (4th goal for the season) scored from long range to deceive the goalkeeper and put SASI on level terms. MetroStars hit back 12 minutes later to go 2-1 up. From this point onwards SASI maintained control of the game and created many chances to score and got their reward in the 77th minute. **Dion Kirk** crossed form the right for **Alan Welsh** to header in (4th goal for the season) to level the game at 2-2 and then with 3 minutes to go **Angelo Varricchio** (3rd goal for the season) shot at goal took a deflection off the defender to give SASI a 3-2 win. It was a deserved win; SASI will now play Adelaide Cobras and Para Hills in the next 5 days

### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 25 JUNE 2010

The SASI Men's Football Team defeated Adelaide Galaxy 4-1 in the round 13 Super League Reserves match at Santos. The score line did not reflect the match as Adelaide Galaxy had several chances in the first and second half to make it a different score. SASI started the match with several players playing in unfamiliar positions and that possibly had an affect on the first half performance. After going a goal down SASI were given 2 penalties in the first half and both were taken and scored by **George Hatzipanagiotis**. Just before half time an Adelaide Galaxy player was sent off reducing them to 10 men. In the second half with a man extra SASI started to take control and scored a further 2 goals from **Jordan Kallios** and **Paul Radice**. Currently after 13 rounds SASI is sitting on top of the table with 1 point more than Adelaide Blue Eagles. Next week match is against Adelaide Cobras to be played at The Paddocks with a 7pm kick off.

### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 11 JUNE 2010

The round 12 Super League Reserves game between SASI and Adelaide City ended in a 1-0 victory for SASI. The goal was scored in the second half by a

good individual goal from **Ben Garuccio**. It was a good performance for the entire game with SASI having a lot of controlled possession and picking the right moment to go forward. There were chances at both ends of the field with Adelaide City hitting the post and having one cleared off the line. There will be no game next week but SASI's next game will be Wednesday 23rd June against Adelaide Galaxy with a 6.30 pm kick.

# MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 04 JUNE 2010

Last Wednesday night the SASI Men's Football team were defeated in their Round 11 Super League Reserves game 3-2 by Adelaide Blue Eagles. Adelaide Blue Eagles came to Santos fielding several first team players indicating their desire to win the game. In the first half SASI was put under constant pressure in their defence by a hard working Blue Eagles attack. The SASI defence stood up well in particular **Nick Munro** whose goal keeping was of a high standard. SASI went into half time leading 1-0 from a wonder strike from **Jacob Melling** who unleashed a powerful drive well outside the box. In the second half Blue Eagles persistent pressuring paid off as they scored 3 goals in a 15 minute period in the beginning of the second half, SASI grabbed a consolation goal from **Alan Welsh** towards the end of the game. The result being a fair indication of Blue Eagles controlling the game for a majority of the ninety minutes but SASI did have their fair share of joy in the first half.

Next week SASI is away to Adelaide City on Wednesday 9th of June at Adelaide City Park kick off 7pm

### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 28 MAY 2010

#### Round 10 results

SASI's round 10 Super League Reserves game ended in an emphatic 9-2 win against Western Strikers at Carnegie Reserve. The game was almost called off as constant thunder and lightning threatened to halt the start of the game. The lightning and thunder disappeared but the heavens opened up and the continual downpour did not dampen the way SASI played. Before the game Jacob Melling pulled out with a virus and as the game was about to start Stefan Cali also had to pull out of the game due to sickness.

It started out that it was going to be a difficult night when after 60 sec Western Strikers capitalised on a bad defensive pass to take a 1-0 lead. Within 3 minutes SASI were on level terms and from there never looked back. They took total control of the game and created chance after chance. Considering

the conditions SASI played some great controlled football and it showed with the amount of possession they had that the score should have been more. Goals from Jordan Elsey, Ben Garuccio, Alan Welsh, Shannon Claridge, Ryan Kitto, Giorgio Pantelis and 3 from Dion Kirk have taken SASI's goal scored for this season to 27 from 10 games.

SASI's next game will be on Wednesday June 2nd against Adelaide Blue Eagles at Santos with a 7pm kick off.

#### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 21 MAY 2010

#### Round 9

The round 9 Super League Reserves Men's game between SASI and Adelaide Raiders ended in a 1-1 draw. In a game where either side could have won it was good to see Adelaide Raiders, fielding several first team players, put the challenge to SASI physically and tactically. Adelaide Raiders continued throughout the game to put SASI under pressure and had several chances to score but where denied by the post or good goalkeeping from John Solari. SASI took the lead in the first half from a perfect right wing cross by Shaun Harvey, which was met by the head of Jordan Kallios (that is Jordan Kallios's fourth goal in 2 games). In the second half Raiders equalised from a defensive error that was going to happen as the defense was under a constant barrage from the Raiders attackers.

Next weeks game against Western Strikers has been moved from Wednesday night 26th May Santos Stadium to Monday night the 24th May 7pm kick off at Carnegie Reserve.

### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 14 MAY 2010

The SASI Men's Football Team Defeated Para Hills 5-0 in it's Round 8 Super League Reserve game at The Paddocks. Three goals from Jordan Kallios, and one each to Jacob Melling and Awer Mabil gave SASI a big win but it could have been a different story had Para Hills taken it's chances in the first half. The score line did not reflect the game as in the second half Para Hills were reduced to nine men as they had several injuries (all substitutes were used) plus the goal keeper was sent off.

In the first half SASI had control of the game and took a 3-0 lead into the half, but defensively gave up easy chances for Para Hills to score. Due to some poor finishing and good goal keeping from Dominic Lloyd it should have

been a different score line. In the second half SASI gave away easy possession and made poor decisions when in possession and defensively as a team. This was not one of SASI's better performances collectively for the full 90 minutes.

## MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 07 MAY 2010

The SASI Men's Football team played their round 7 Super League Reserves game against MetroStars at TK Shutter Reserve on a wet and windy evening and came out on top with a 2-1 win. Second half goals from Jordan Elsey (penalty) and Angelo Varricchio gave victory to SASI in a game where the longer the game went on the better they played. SASI had a lot of possession of the ball but the final pass let them down plus a solid defensive performance from MetroStars made it difficult for SASI to put any pressure on their goalkeeper. In the second half SASI were able to get past the defense of MetroStars with good passing and good running off the ball to create scoring chances. Awer Mabil in a space of 3 minutes had 2 one on ones against MetroStars goalkeeper but was unable to find the net. It was a good performance but it was soured with the injury to **Ben Warland** 10 minutes from the end of the game forcing SASI to play with 10 players as all substitutes were all used. Next week's game has been moved away from Santos and rescheduled for Tuesday May 11th at The Paddocks with a 7pm kick off.

Last week **Ben Garuccio**, **George Hatzipanagiotis**, **Jacob Melling** and **Nicholas Munro** returned from Canberra after a week of Joey's and Young Socceroo's camp. The feedback we received from the coaching staff was that all boys performed well.

# MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 30 APRIL 2010

Last Wednesday night the SASI Men's Football Team defeated Cumberland United 2-1 in it's round 6 Super League Reserves game at Santos Stadium. Goals from Dion Kirk (after 90 seconds) and a second half strike from Giorgio Pantelis (2nd goal of the season) was enough for SASI to give Cumberland their first loss of the season. Rain and windy conditions made it difficult for both teams to try to play an entertaining game of football. SASI had moments of good play and overall it wasn't one of their better performances, but in saying that they held out Cumberland who were trying to get an equaliser late in the game, SASI gave debut starts to Ben Warland, Awer Mabil and Dominic Lloyd.

Last Wednesday night the SASI Men's Football Team were defeated by Campbelltown City 3-2 in an entertaining game. In the first half SASI had considerable possession but where unable to make the final pass count towards goals. Goal Keeper John Solari made 3 one on one saves to keep the score at 0-0 but after that in a five minute spell Campbelltown capitalised on Defensive errors to lead 2-0 at half time. In the second half SASI took total control of the game and created numerous opportunities. Goals from Shannon Claridge (3rd of the season) and a free kick scored by Alan Welsh brought the score to 2-2. Unfortunately when a team has all the play they are vulnerable to a rare attack and that's what happened in the last minute of play when Campbelltown scored to win 3-2. The players were devastated with the result but in that second half they played probably the best football they have this year. Next week SASI will play Cumberland Utd at Santos Stadium with a 7pm kick off

### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 16 APRIL 2010

## **Program Update**

The Men's Football Team have had a very busy week with the arrival of 2 new scholarship holders. They are **Ben Warland** from Campbelltown City and **Awer Mabil** from Playford City. These two players have taken the places of **Brandon Borrello** who has moved interstate and **Liam Wooding** who signed for Super League team Adelade Galaxy. I would like to thank both Campbelltown City and Playford for releasing their player to come into the program.

Next week in Canberra, 7 current or former scholarship holders will be in camp for one week training with The Joeys and Young Socceroos and playing games against ACTAS, Melbourne Victory Youth Team and the two National Teams. **Ben Garuccio**, **George Hatzipanagiotis** and **Jacob Melling** will join former SASI scholarship holders and current AIS scholarship holders **Paul Izzo** and **Jake Monaco** in the Joey's training camp. While **Nicholas Munro** (currently with Adelaide United and soon will be joining SASI) and **Liam Wooding** will be training with the Young Socceroos. We wish all the boys the best of luck in the week long camp.

Last Wednesday night at the Paddocks ground Para Hills, SASI defeated Adelaide Cobras 1-0 in the round 4 Super League Reserves competition with a goal from **Angelo Varricchio**. Each week there has been an improvement in the way the players go out and play the game. So far we have played against four different opposition with varying styles of play, and credit to those teams they are trying to play football. In the overall context of the game SASI was in control of the game but on many occasions gave away possession in our defensive area which gave Adelaide Cobras chances to create scoring opportunities which they didn't take advantage of. Next week SASI are playing Campbelltown City on Wednesday night 21st April at Newton Village with a kick off of 8pm.

Round 3 of the Super League Reserves competition was played last Wednesday night with SASI Men's Football Team defeating Adelaide Galaxy 2-1. Goals from Shannon Claridge (2nd goal for the season) and Giorgio Pantelis was enough to get SASI over the line. It was an improvement from the week before as in this game SASI had more control of possession. Galaxy at times put SASI under pressure but the team was better prepared to cope with that. Overall an encouraging performance and some good performances individually.

Next week SASI play Adelaide Cobras at The Paddocks with a later kick off time of 8 pm as the SASI Women's Football Team will play the earlier game at 6pm.

#### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 02 APRIL 2010

The SASI Men's Football Team started their season in the Super League Reserves competition on Wednesday 24th March against Adelaide Blue Eagles with a 3-0 win. Goals from Shannon Claridge, Paul Radice and Ben Garuccio capped off a good start to the team. In particular the first half SASI played a good passing game which resulted in many scoring chances. SASI were leading 2-0 at half time but the second half was different. Adelaide Blue Eagles put more pressure on SASI which the players found more difficult to keep possession and didn't control the game as they did in the first half.

The SASI Men's Football Team played Wednesday night in the Super League Reserves Competition against Adelaide City and were defeated 2-0. It was a game of two halves as Adelaide City put SASI under a lot of pressure in the first half and were the better team and led 1-0. In the second half SASI started to get more effective possession thus creating more chances but couldn't finish off the final move. Overall the boys were disappointed but showed enough in the second half where they had more possession.

# MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 12 FEBRUARY 2010

The Men's Football team are involved in the FFSA pre season cup competition, last Saturday SASI lost to Gawler 5-4 (goals scored by **George Hatzipanagiotis** 2, **Dion Kirk** 2) considering the score line the boys played very well against a senior men's team. On Wednesday night SASI played Playford and won 3-1 (goals scored by **Paul Radice** 2, **Dion Kirk**) and again they performed well.

The SASI Men's Football Team along with new SASI Coach Tony Vidmar was in Canberra last week to participate in the annual Institute Challenge. The SASI team was crowned 2010 FFA State Institute Challenge Champions at the conclusion of the tournament.

The FFA Technical Committee awarded SASI an additional 5 bonus points for the quality of their play being the most in line with the principles of the National Football Curriculum. In the special last match of the tournament, the SASI team drew 1-1 with the All Star team in a fitting end to the competition.

SASI collected further accolades when midfielder **Jacob Melling** was named the player of the tournament, striker **Jordan Kallios** took out the Golden Boot award with five goals and Tony Vidmar collected the Coach of the Tournament Award.

### MEN'S FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 22 JANUARY 2010

# **Program Update**

Before Christmas two athletes from the newly selected SASI squad were offered AIS Scholarships. Jake Monacco and Paul Izzo accepted the AIS scholarship offer and as a result two new players have been selected to join the SASI squad. **Dominic Lloyd** and **Giorgio Pantelis** commenced training with the squad in early January and will travel with the rest of the squad to participate in the Institute Challenge in Canberra this weekend. The boys will participate in 8 games over the next seven days against all other State Institute teams.

Last week the Men's Football Team played their first friendly game against Para Hills under 19, and won 5-1. Goals scored by **Jake Monaco**, **Jordan Elsey**, **Jordan Kallios** (2) and **Giorgio Pantelis**.

On Wednesday night the team played against the State Under 18 team and came away with a 3-3 draw. **Jacob Melling**, **Shannon Claridge** and **Jordan Kallios** scored goals.