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Hi Tim,

The 2024 season for U9 and up (excluding Tamaki League) is kicking off tomorrow, I know we are all excited to finally get on the park - each year the buildup for the season seems longer and longer and busier and busier so I'm pleased we have got to this point and can get people on the park.

I know the team in the office (Ryan, Dylan, Hollie, Lynnette, Ben and Fred) have been working hard to try and meet the deadlines, I appreciate it might feel a little chaotic at this point in the season but I know the team is working extra hours to try and sort all the issues, hopefully by kickoff tomorrow we have all the critical issues resolved.

For this edition of the newsletter I just wanted to focus on three key areas - those areas are:

- 1) Carparking on a Saturday at Michaels Ave
- 2) The new Michaels Ave Community Centre
- 3) Field Access and some reminders about protocol.





PARKING AT MICHAELS AVE

As always parking at Michaels Ave is at a premium on a Saturday

Just a reminder that all yellow lined areas must be kept clear for maintenance and emergency vehicle access.

There is extra parking available at Liston Park for those who don't mind a short walk (which is at the Marua end of Michaels Ave). If you end up parking on the street, please be considerate of our neighbours and don't park over people's driveways or too close to corners.

Obviously wherever it's possible please consider using bikes, walking or public transport.

MICHAELS AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE (or MACC for short)

Our new building is fully operational for the 2024 season - which is really exciting, meaning members can access our hospitality areas and modern bathrooms and our open viewing areas.

We are excited to confirm the standard opening hours for the building as:

Mondays - 5:30pm to 9:30pm (Quiz Night - starting on the 6th)

Tuesdays - CLOSED

Wednesdays - 5:30pm to 10pm

Thursdays - 5:30pm to 10pm

Fridays - 5pm to 10pm (ish)

Saturdays - 8am (Coffee and Kitchen) to 1pm and then the bar open from 1pm to 9pm (or later if needed)

Sundays - 12pm to 6pm

Please feel free to come in and watch your games from the building or have a quick aftermatch - we just ask that any wet and dirty clothing is changed out of before you sit down and please no boots.

The quiz night on Mondays is also open to all members - you can email centremanager@macc.net.nz for more info or just turn up on the night - details below.



MICHAELS AVENUE FIELD ACCESS

Thanks to council for a lot of hard working maintaining our fields to a good standard (in most places) - but we need your help to keep them this way - here are a few simple things we need from members:

- Please stay behind the fence/rope (only players and a coach/manager should be on the playing fields)
- If you are walking to a field behind another field, please walk around the field when we say field in this context we
 mean the full size white line walking down the middle section of a full sized field between two half field games is
 not helpful for pitch maintenance
- While your furry companions are welcome to enjoy watching football as well, Michaels Ave is a leash area and all
 dogs must be on a leash at all times and no dogs are allowed on the playing surfaces
- Please also help remind people who forget or who are from away teams as to the protocol most people are receptive to a friendly reminder!

That's all for this edition of the newsletter - we look forward to talking to you again soon, wishing all teams the best of luck this weekend.

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