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Mr E L Grace M.P. P O Box 865 LIVERPOOL NSW 2166

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Dear Mr Grace

Re: Official Opening of Grand Stand - 4th February, 1996

We Bonnyrigg White Eageles Sports Club have a great pleasure of inviting you and your wife to be our guests of honour at the official opening of our Grand Stand which will be held on Sydney 4th February, 1996, at the Serbian Centre, Lot 13 Simpson Road, Bonnyrigg, Commencing at 1.00 p.m. (Entrance to the Club is from Simpson Road which runs parallel to Elizabeth Drive).

At the opening function the club supporters, former committee members will also be invited.

The opening of the Grand Stand is part of an enormous construction project of the Club Soccer Stadium the first phase being the flood lightning of the soccer field which was completed two years ago.

The new Grand Stand will accommodate 800 people and further construction of seating and score board is expected within the next few months. Needless to say, the Club was very proud of its achievements and as the Club is originally started in Cabramatta and has always been Cabramatta/Fairfield base club, your attendance at the opening would be greatly appreciated.

We enclose a short history of the Club and we eagerly await your favourable reply to our request.

Please forward your acceptance to the Club's Secretary Jack Cirjanic at P O Box 226 Cabramatta 2166; Telephone: 823 7714; Fax: 610 1622.

Yours faithfully, Bonnyrigg White Eagles Sports Club

Jack Cirjanic Secretary Encl

History of Bonnyrigg White Eagles Sports Club Limited

Bonnyrigg white eagles sports club, previously know as Cabravale and Avala sports club has been existing for 32 years it was established in 1968, and is the leading Serbain sponsored sporting organization. Currently the club is playing in the Premier State soccer league, which is just one league underneath the National League

In short the history of the club: our club had always been predominately in the Cabramatta Area and in our earlier days at Carramar as our home ground, and in the later years at Knight Park in Yennora. Recently we have developed our own home ground at the Serbain Centre, Simpson road Bonnyrigg. We have just upgraded our home ground, with the new look grandstand that seats up to 800 people. A new electronic scoreboard has been erected. In the years to come we are hoping to put drainage on the main soccer field and a new grandstand on the eastern side of the soccer field.

Records to date:

In 1976-second division winners and in 19977 promoted to first division and Ampol cup winners. Two of the clubs players were the Rothmans gold medal winners, Mr Agenor Muniz in 1983 and Mr Ricky Budini in 1984. In 1988 Second division winners and grand finalists and repromoted into first division. In 1992 in the state super league we became the state league winners, Waratah cup winners and the grand final winners. In 1997 we achieved to reach the grand finals but we only achieved 2nd place. In 1998 we won the premiership but only once again in the finals to come up second best. In 1999 we won the premiership but only once again in the finals to come up second best. In 2001 we were promoted once again to the Premiere state soccer league and became the first team in this division to become grand final winners.

1977 30,000 spectators gathered at the Sydney Sports Ground to watch Red Star Belgrade Vs Australia. Avala played against Yugal and won 3:1: in January 2001 Bonnyrigg White Eagles Club Ltd had the honour of playing against once world champions Red Star Belgrade on our home ground with a record attendance of close 7,000 spectators: even though our boys didn't win we had a great honour of playing against them.

Longest serving committee member, serving since 1975 Dusan (Jack) Cirjanic. He has been in every capacity of the club.

In 2002/2003 the first grade team finished 3rd on the compentition table, and lost in the preliminary final against Blacktown City on penalties kicks. Our under 19s team finished 5th on the compentition table and reached Grand Final, and will play against Blacktown City on Saturday 31 May 2003.

We have strong Youth policyand have been running Youth League compentition approximately 19 years and the benefits are many.

OPENING AVALA SOCCER STADIUM 31ST MARCH, 1991 LOT 13 SIMPSON ROAD, BONNYRIGG

Avala now has its own ground at Simpson Road, Bonnyrigg at the back of the Serbian Centre Club which is on Elizabeth Drive. Avala has been in existence for 25 years, and its previous home ground was Knight Park. Avala now has its own Soccer Stadium known as the Serbian Centre, and in future to be known as the Avala Soccer Stadium. Entrance is Simpson Road, Bonnyrigg.

Well over 5,500 people attended the grand opening which included Local, State and Federal Politicians, and members of the Australian Soccer Federation, New South Wales Soccer Federation and Referees Association. Speeches were given by Senator Michael Baume, John Newman's representative (Member for Cabramatta), Peter Gray, President of the New South Wales Soccer Federation, and John Constantine, President of the Australian Soccer Federation, and Deputy Mayor of Fairfield, Nick Lalich.

The opening ceremony consisted of a Congratulations Flyover, three parachutists landing on the soccer field with the Australian Flag, Avala Flag (Serbian), and one carrying a soccer ball which had been flown from Red Star, Belgrade, and had been signed by all the Red Stars players. Red Star, Belgrade is one of the leading soccer teams in the world, and is currently in the European Cup Semi-final.

Opening ceremonies were conducted by Senator Michael Baume and Miroslav Povlovich who is an ex-Red State player and is currently on the Board of Red Star Belgrade.

The following day the New South Wales Soccer Federation held its seven a side competition which included sixteen teams. The Federation was very pleased with the amenities provided at the Avala Soccer Stadium, and intends to use the progress made by Avala Stadium as an example to other clubs. The Stadium can hold in excess of 6,000 spectators, and has an immaculate playing surface, and probably some of the best amenities in New South Wales. There is ample parking on site, and the soccer complex is next to the Serbian Centre Club which will welcome visitors after soccer games.

Avala has recruited many new players including Milan Blagojevic, Dragan Pupovac, Alex Bundalo and Miro Radosavljevic just to name a few. This year under its new coach Tomhar Mihalovic, Avala is anticipating a successful season. The President of Avala Soccer Club, Michael Pajic, together with Vice President, Tic Stoikovich, have indicated big things for Avala, and there is to be further development of the stadium.

A new board has recently been appointed to the Serbian Centre Club (Club house adjoins Avala Stadium) which intends to completely modernise and extend the membership of the club to make it a truly community based organisation. The new Board of the Serbian Centre Club consists mainly of young professional people who are highly motivated. The new President of the Serbian Centre is Bosco Tsanovich. Bosco and the new Board have agreed to give Avala has much support as is possible.