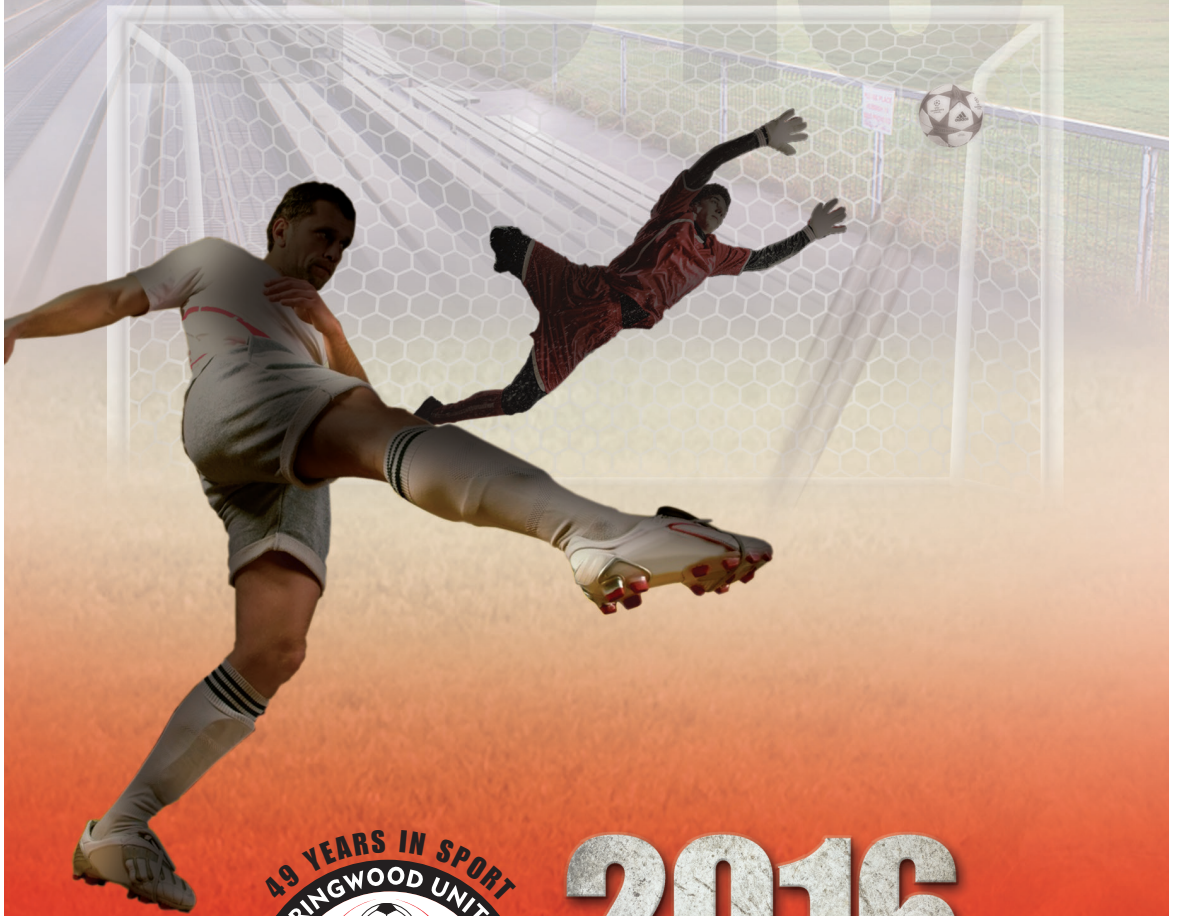


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SPRINGWOOD UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2016

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Wendy Millar	Events

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Annette Harrop	Administration Officer
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2016 Annual General Meeting

Saturday 22 October, 7:00pm at the
Clubhouse

Refer to SUFC Website within 30 days of AGM date for all details
regarding nominations.

Merry Christmas and a Safe New Year

2017 REGISTRATION

Registrations will be available online from 7
January - 5 February 2017.

Club house registration days - 28 & 29 January
and 1 February 2017.

Some players, Coaches and Managers may need to
attend the Summerhayes Park Clubhouse for
photos, proof of ID checks and to complete the
Working with Children documents.

Please take advantage of registering early. Delays
can be experienced on MyFootballClub if
registering in late January/early February due to
the high volume of on-line traffic.

Chairman's Report



Season 2016 has been a year in which we have been blessed with a season that had little in the way of disruption and teams were able to get on with enjoying their football. Like all previous seasons the Coaches, Managers, Age Coordinators and Committee put in a lot of hard work each week to ensure that the players were able to enjoy their football experience. Thank You to all of these hard working volunteers for your effort, time and passion.

Although the much needed canteen refurbishment hasn't been delivered yet, there is still work going on behind the scenes to finalise plans and gain approval from BMCC to commence construction. The committee are optimistic that the works can be completed prior to the start of Season 2017, however we need to be assured we have a design to service the club and its members well into the future. The tender for additional fencing has been released and will be back by the time you have received this booklet, the new fencing will allow the installation of off field training goals by the start of Season 2017.

As the season was commencing with registrations, grading and training you would have all seen the great work from BMCC to complete Stage 1 of the car park improvements, what a difference it makes to the appearance, safety and flow in the car park. BMCC also replaced all lighting across Fields 1, 2 & 3 and installed lighting to the SSF area, we now have 3 fields accredited for games under lights and have increased the available training space under lights.

The club welcomed new Canteen Manager's Tony and Agnes. They have done a fantastic job in their first year in the role, apart from the good old sausage sanga and B&E roll off the BBQ, they have been introducing various alternatives which have been well received by the members.

The clubs social calendar involved the Kids Disco and the Trivia Night, both events were enjoyed by the people attending and will continue to be run again in Season 2017 to give members the opportunity to meet other members, enjoy each other's company and have a few laughs throughout the evening.

Season 2017 will be a celebration of our history, as the club prepares for a significant milestone in what is to be celebrated as the 50th Season for Springwood United FC and its previous names when known as Springwood Soccer & Sports Club and its establishment as Springwood Soccer Club in 1968. There is a new playing kit to be unveiled prior to the start of the season, there are plans to have several festivities to acknowledge the achievements and hard work of the past and celebrate a club that will remain strong into the future.

If you are keen to be involved in any 50th Season planning, please let myself or one of the Management Committee know.

As we sign off on Season 2016 and head towards Season 2017 I would like to thank all of the Management and Football Committees and Age Coordinators for their hard work and valuable

contributions they make as volunteers to keep the club running along smoothly each week. Thank you to the Coaches and Managers for your passion and dedication to your players in guiding, teaching and mentoring them through their football experience. Thank you to the players, parents, partners, family and supporters for playing for and supporting Springwood United FC teams each week and making Springwood United FC a great part of our local community.

See you in our 50th Season 2017!

Chris Gilchrist
Chairman
Springwood United Football Club

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Vice Chairman's Report



2016 has been another great season!

I would firstly like to thank the entire team that make up both the Management and Football Committee at Springwood United Football Club for all your hard work, time and dedication in ensuring that all our members are able to enjoy football every weekend at Summerhayes Park. There is a significant amount of time and effort spent behind the scenes and as a player and Committee Member, your support and dedication is very much appreciated. Thank you!!

Our Sponsors!

This season, SUFC welcomed the return of 4 of our existing sponsors and welcomed 9 new sponsors to our Club. I would like to thank all of you for supporting our Football Club throughout 2016. Your support is not something we take for granted and is very much appreciated by everyone connected to Springwood United FC.

A huge thank you to:

- Templeman Consulting
- Lister & Cole, Springwood
- PhysioPoint, Springwood
- Winmalee Pizza
- Anytime Fitness, Springwood
- Domino's Pizza, Springwood
- StraliaWeb
- Blue Mountains Computers
- The Sydney Boys & Girls Football Academy
- SJ Electric
- Ian. T. Hill Excavation
- Ella Baché, Springwood
- Brewed Awakening
- Western District Trophies

In 2016, Springwood United were also very proud to announce **Penrith Subaru, Lister & Cole Springwood & SJ Electric** as Major Sponsors for seasons 2017-2020. This has provided the club with a fantastic opportunity and we look forward to building strong partnerships that will assist the growth and development of our club over the next 4 years.

Additional to our traditional sponsorship offerings, Springwood United have also aligned themselves with PSG / UMBRO and AMART Sports. These partnerships will provide the Club an opportunity to provide football equipment to assist in the development of our players ensuring that we are providing our players quality products.

2017 – A time to celebrate!!

Season 2017 will see Springwood United enter its 50th season of football. To celebrate this milestone, your Committee have been working very hard to ensure that a new playing strip will be ready for the start of the new season. I look forward to seeing our teams running around the park in a more traditional Springwood United playing strip, a strip that ties the club back to its foundation.

There is also much happening behind the scenes within the Club to celebrate the occasion!

This year, Summerhayes Park boasted a new car park, new lights, our Clubhouse received a small face lift, new championship goals were purchased and installed on Field 1 and our MiniRoos teams received some fancy new goals - this was welcomed by all our Mini's who finally had "real goals" to shoot at!

There are also 2 major projects still in progress and will continue to progress throughout the off season. Plans include a new 6m high fence for the western side of Field 1 and a complete internal renovation for the canteen. The team are hopeful that both these projects will be ready for the start of 2017 but ambition may get in the way of the required governance. All I will promise is they will be complete sometime during 2017!!

It has been another year that has gone far too quickly! Football is without a doubt the world game! It captures the hearts of all age groups and this season I have thoroughly enjoyed watching our junior players develop, our competition teams enjoy success and listening to the players of our more "experienced" teams reminisce about how good they use to be!

It truly has been a wonderful season and I would like to finish by thanking you the members, who consist of Mums and Dads, players of all ages, Coaches and Managers, teammates and friends that have made Summerhayes Park a wonderful place to be throughout Season 2016!!

Thank you,

Pete Dempsey
Vice Chairman
Springwood United Football Club

President of Football Report



As the curtain has now been drawn across the 49th season at Springwood United Football Club, backstage preparations are already on foot to celebrate half a century in 2017. This is a major landmark in the club's history when you consider that an organisation which is totally reliant upon volunteers is still going strong after nearly 50 years.

This season will certainly add another layer to the club's history. Once again our registrations topped out around the 1000 mark making up 36 competition and 55 non-competition teams. These figures have been consistent in recent years which demonstrates the interest of the community to play at our club.

As we seek to bring to the community many levels for playing football, this year saw the inception of an U21 competition for men. This created an opportunity for U18 players to progress to a more suitable level of football before embarking upon playing in the All Age men competition. The club also submitted two teams in the association's U17 men competition. This was in lieu of having this age group amalgamated with the U18s. We have now added this layer of football which will provide distinct competitions for these two age groups.

Our MiniRoos and non-competition football continues to grow at a rapid rate. The mod form of the game is very popular and the benefits for player development has become evident as players move through the various stages. These youngsters are the foundation of football at our club as they learn and enjoy the fundamentals which they will carry through to the competition form of the game.

Next season will see the requirement of coaches to have the appropriate coaching certificate. This is a positive step by the Football Federation of Australia, to ensure the nurturing of our young ones as they grow and develop. The club has been proactively encouraging coaches to complete the appropriate courses before next season commences, so that they can hit the ground running with the FFA curriculum fresh in the minds.

It was pleasing to witness this season many of our competition teams enjoy the fruits of their labour. Congratulations to the following teams:

Competition winners – U12G/1, U15/1, U16G/2 & U16/3 (Black)

Competition runners-up – U12G/2 (Black), U13/3, U16/1 & AAL/1

Championship series winners – U14/3

Championship series runners-up – U12G/1, U15/1 & AAM/3

Champion of Champions qualifiers – U12G/1 & U15/1

Thank you to all our dedicated coaches and managers for volunteering your time this season. These roles are very rewarding and I hope that it brought you much pleasure without risking the loss of any hair follicles. Thank you also to the parents, ferrying your children across the association to matches, washing shirts, preparing half-time snacks and helping out on the BBQ/canteen. I know life can be hectic sometimes but your involvement is important and appreciated.

The effort of putting a season of football together doesn't just occur by sprinkling fairy dust – although if someone is aware of such a fairy I would be very interested to know. There is a great bunch of people working behind the scenes to ensure players and teams get on the pitch to play football. The

club is very fortunate to have a dedicated Football Committee working through the registration process; grading; allocation of equipment; coordinating MiniRoos, mod football, junior and senior football; competition information; and coordinating coaches. Without this work, the season would not leave the launch pad. Thank you.

The Football Committee appreciates the support of the Management Committee approving the purchases of new goals for the MiniRoos and mod football, including the new goals on field 1. A lot of work has been done in achieving new sponsors and a new playing strip for next season. All this hard work will benefit the club and our members as we move forward in the future. Thank you.

At the end of each season, the last weekend of football can leave a feeling of mixed emotions ranging from sadness to satisfaction. Sad that football concludes for another year however satisfied that the club has enjoyed a wonderful season.

Hope to see you all in 2017 to celebrate 50 years!

Sean Leehy
President of Football
Springwood United Football Club

Treasurers Report



It has been another good year for Springwood United; it's great to see so many returning members each year.

Income

Registration income is comparable to last year based on the slight reduction in registrations. Canteen revenue has seen a significant improvement on last year in part due to fewer interruptions but also the terrific work of our new Canteen

Peter Dempsey has done a tremendous job in attracting some new sponsors and I am sure we all welcome their support for our local club.

Projects

Managers, Tony Pipes and Agnes Zalan.

You notice the improvements to the car park and the field lighting – a special thanks to BMCC for facilitating these necessary works. The clubhouse has also had a make-over thanks to a pre-season working bee. We've also purchased some new equipment for both Seniors and Juniors.

A few work in progress projects include the fencing on field 1 and a revamp to the canteen block. We hope to have these projects underway subject to council approval and the availability of contractors over the off-season.

Appreciation

I cannot finish up my report without saying a big THANK YOU to all the volunteers involved that make all this possible. Whether your part of a formal committee or a parent who helps to put the nets up at 8.00am on a cold Saturday morning – your efforts are sincerely appreciated.

As always, thank you all for playing your part in the greatest team sport and I look forward to our 50th season in football with great anticipation.

Ciaran O'Flanagan
Treasurer
Springwood United Football Club

Coaching Coordinator's Report



2016 was a busy year with another strong enrolment of players needing almost 90 coaches and as many managers to help get them on the park each week.

Recent changes and expectations of our association meant that a concerted effort has been made to encourage coaches and managers to up skill themselves in line with the National Curriculum's Building Blocks and Skills Acquisition models.

The club had a high uptake in Grass Roots Certificates during the season and hopefully a number of coaches and managers will take the opportunity to complete the variety of courses on offer before season 2017.

Keep your eyes on the club's website, Facebook and newsletters for more info during the off season.

2017 should see an U12's Transition program and Goalkeeper mentoring sessions conducted to assist coaches and players continue their football development.

Thanks to all the coaches and managers for their efforts throughout the year and congratulations to those that enjoyed success at various levels with their respective teams.

Looking forward to seeing many of you back in 2017.

Dale Wade-Ferrell
Coaching Coordinator
Springwood United Football Club

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MiniRoos & SSF Coordinator Report



We've had another great season for the MiniRoos and Small Sided Football at Springwood United FC. The weather was on our side this year with very few wash outs compared to previous years. In fact, the weather gods were definitely on our side as we had some perfect winter days. Our numbers yet again are very strong with many age groups full to capacity. Our Under 7's continue to burst at the seams, forcing the committee to look at new and creative ways to accommodate as many teams as physically possible on our small sided fields.

Thank you to the Football Committee and the Management Committee for their continued support of Grassroots Football within our club. We continue to grow and develop our littlest players through the commitment and dedication of all surrounding them. In 2016 the Management Committee approved the purchase of the new, more sturdy and 'professional' goals – much to the delight of the U5 – U7's. I also thank the MC for funding the topping up of training items for kits – additional balls and cones.

Due to the requirements expected of coaches from the NFA, we had many more coaches, managers and interested parents/caregivers participating in the Grassroots Training Program. Feedback about this course is consistently positive. It gives our coaches the tools to contribute to the overall development of football within our club. I thank those participants for dedicating their personal time to further develop their skills which ultimately benefits our SUFC members. I take this opportunity to remind those wishing to coach in 2017 that have yet to complete the Grassroots Training Course to ensure you enrol for 2017 to enable you to continue in your role.

We've had great rounds of football with many goals scored and many coaches celebrating the moments when the children 'got it' after all those training drills! We've celebrated many milestones in 2016! We enjoyed special visitors – Mat Ryan from the Soccerroos and we loved our Superheroes round (some coaches more than the kids!).



Thank you to our coaches, managers and parents/caregivers who contribute week in and week out to give our MiniRoos and Small Sided Teams the fantastic experience of football. In the years I have been the SSF/MiniRoo coordinator I have come to know many of you and I am thankful for all each of you do each week for our children and our Club.

Thank you to the MiniRoo/Small Sided Age Coordinators. This year we welcomed Simon Lyne as the Under 5 coordinator. Our well-oiled team returned for another season – Jessica Taylor (U6), Alena Anderson (U7), Ross Kerkham (U8) and Glen McCaffery (U9). I am very appreciative of the support they provide to me as well as our members. What a team!

Thank you to the Football Committee members who ensure that the MiniRoo/Small Sided teams kick off the season and continue to run smoothly. In particular, Nigel Stubbs (training roster), Annette Harrop (team registration) and Dale Wade-Ferrell (coaching support).

As we look toward 2017, it's hard not to get excited as we celebrate our 50th season of football! The MiniRoos and Small Sided teams (and all teams across the Club) will have a new playing strip. Thank you to the Management Committee for all their hard work in this area. I have been fortunate enough to have been invited to contribute to the design of the new MiniRoo playing shirts. The designs so far are amazing and I can't wait to unveil them next season. We will have the smartest and sharpest looking players on the pitch!

Thank you all for another great season – I look forward to welcoming you back in 2017!

René Dempsey
MiniRoos & SSF Coordinator
Springwood United Football Club



Save the Date!

Online Registration opens 7th January 2017

GOAL



BE QUICK! Some age groups fill quickly – don't miss out!

www.myfootballclub.com.au

All players must be registered (with an FFA number) prior to being allocated a team.

Teams already formed can email their team registration request prior to Muster Day (date TBA). Keep an eye on the club website and FB page for further information.

See you in 2017 as we celebrate 50 years of Football!

ssf@springwoodunited.com.au

MiniRoos Team Reports

U5 Alligators (non-competition)

WOW what a terrific debut for the team of Alligators! I'm immensely proud to see the boys evolve as not only individuals but more importantly understanding and working as a team. The team has constantly developed new skills during training with many challenges and hurdles been overcome. It's great to see the kids arrive for game day or training and the boys wanting to show the practice at home that has been done! The energy, enthusiasm, sportsmanship and commitment has been terrific for a team of 5 year olds. You should be extremely proud of yourselves on your achievements this year.

I thank all of the U5 teams, managers and coaches as without you we don't play. The Alligators team's parents who have been amazing during the season not only bringing the kids to training and game day, more importantly for been a positive influence with not only your child but the entire Alligator team.

To SUFC, Rene Dempsey and Dale Wade-Ferrell thanks for your support during the season, I'm looking forward to coaching in 2017!

Players: Alfie Cook, Felix Kelly, Charlie Lyne, Darius Nanva, Lachlan Newport, Darcy Ryan

Coach: Simon Lyne

Manager: Natacha Ryan

U5 Bears (non-competition)

It has been such a great season for the U5 Bears, with each player showing an improvement to their game, lots of enthusiasm and great team work. Towards the end of the season, we have started to see the team passing the ball to each other which is a great achievement for an U5 team – well done. Thank you to all the parents for their support during the season and to older siblings helping out at training, you set a great example to our team. Thanks Springwood Football Club for a great experience, we look forward to coming back next year.

Players: Jonathan Bradshaw, Michael Broadhead, Jasper Engelhard, Rhys Hale, Bronson Mills

Coach: David Hicks

Manager: Michelle Engelhard

U5 Giraffes (non-competition)

It's been a fun season, watching and helping the kids encounter their first year of team football.

Training was fun each week, seeing the kids learn some new skills, and develop their abilities as the weeks passed. Plenty of fun has been had, as the kids got to know each other and learn to play as a team. Towards the end of the season, the new skills the team learned were put to use well in games. Hopefully everyone plays again next year to continue their development. Big thanks to all the families for the support and encouragement each week.

Thanks also to Ian, for all his work as team manager.

Players: Alex Anderson, Noah Beer-Estall, Max Fryer, Benjamin Hawkes, Samuel Holdsworth, Aiden Lloyd-Cartwright, Charlie Reid

Coach: Keith Holdsworth

Manager: Ian Fryer

U5 Lions (non-competition)

The Lions had a great season where the number 1 focus for both training & games was Fun. Some of our players have had more exposure to the game due to older siblings, as a result, they demonstrated

a confidence & enthusiasm that some of the less experienced players emulated. Fast friendships have been made both in the team & with our 'competitors'. We are looking forward to next season, where these friendships & our little team can grow & build on the positive experiences that we've had this year. Thanks to the parents for braving the winter weather to get the kids to training & games. See you all next season.

Players: Ebony Beames, Katie Billiards, Lillian Borg, Sienna Bracegirdle, Mischa Gardner-Gentles, Sophie Rayner

Coach: Marty Billiards

Manager: Ben Rayner

U5 Tigers (non-competition)

We started off the year as a bunch of very excited, very inexperienced little boys. It took them several weeks to remember that the corner markers weren't the goals!

As the season progressed so did the boys skills, teamwork and mate ship. Each one brought a different asset to the team, but the Tigers wouldn't have been the same without them.

Special thanks must go to our wonderful parents who would help out on the field or at training at a moment's notice. And of course, our Super Coach Nat, who wouldn't give up on any of them. Thanks to all involved!!

Players: Jimmy Bowman, Harper Dufty, Levi Jaccoud, Michael Killeen, Justin Scanlon, Leo Zeballos

Coach: Natalie Scanlon

Manager: Kahli Bowman

U5 Wolves (non-competition)

The U5 Wolves have had a brilliant first season of football, although I am not sure who had more fun, the Wolves or the parents. Their team spirit & enthusiasm was present from their first game right through till the end. Most of the boys didn't know each other before the season, however they have developed some great friendships over the season & picked up many great football skills doing it. The improvement the team has made since the start of the season is enormous, and we have to thank their coach Brad for his dedication and enthusiasm coaching the team. Thanks also to the parents for bringing their kids to training and games each week & cheering the boys on every game. We are all so proud of each of the boys and can't wait to do it all again next year!

It has been such an enjoyable season, with great communication & support from Springwood Football Club committee.

Players: Isaac Abboud, Miles Barker, Callum Gibbons, Myles Golby, James Horner, Julian McWilliam

Coach: Brad McWilliam

Manager: Emma Abboud

U6 Bears (non-competition)

What a wonderful season watching our bears come out to play each Saturday. Our team of 7 always put in their best effort and had great fun playing with each other and against friends of other teams. I was so impressed with their ability to listen learn and cooperate – they really learnt how to be part of a fun team, and understand that football brings joy and energy to each other and to their family that shares those experiences with them. I am very proud to have been their coach this year. One last big bear hug for 2016 – Grrrrrrrrrrrrrr!

Players: Harrison Brown, Blaze King, Hugo Koutsonikolis, Elizabeth Mulhall, Patrick Payens, Malachi Smith, Grace Wardle

Coach: Brogan Mulhall

Manager: Jennie Payens

U6 Dingoes (non-competition)

What a season Dingoes! We started with great enthusiasm and an eagerness to continue to learn, develop our football skills and to work as a team! We saw some skills develop at lightening pace and some star performances throughout the season with both plenty of running, chasing, goal scoring and defending!

Although we had some changes late in the season with coaching, the Dingoes continued to turn up each week and put in a fantastic effort. Training and the big game days were filled with energy and fun.

Well done to all the boys on a big effort this season. A big thank you to all the parents for helping out at training and the big games.

Players: Benjamin Dawson, Ezaiah Edwards, Tadgh Fahy, Logan Gardner-Gentles, Noah Hicks, Aiden Seisun, Zachary Zalan-Pipe

Coach: Dave Fahy

Managers: Stacey Gentles and Kristy Edwards

U6 Foxes (non-competition)

In their second season together the Foxes showed dramatic improvement from last year. An increase in determination and enthusiasm mixed with greater team work and skills led to an enjoyable season for all. Our budding Matildas and Soccerroos are great sports having fun every week!

A huge thanks to all families for supporting the Foxes enthusiastically and in good spirit. To our super coach Ciaran, and all parent helpers, a huge thanks for your patience and support with an at times very 'enthusiastic' group!

Well done 2016 Foxes!

Players: Chloe Blattman, Abigail Croucher, Oscar Doyle, Abby Griffiths, Cody Mackin, Sunnee Murtikos, Layla Sawyer

Coach: Ciaran Doyle

Manager: Julie-Ann Thorndike

U6 Iguanas (non-competition)

The Iguanas were back for season 2016 primed to pick up from where they left the wet and dark season of 2015. With guidance from Supercoach John, who had been busy recruiting in the off season picking up star players Ashton and Ryan, training begun on the small sided fields under new illumination.

It didn't take long for these new recruits to pick up on the antics of the other boys as well as develop skills as a whole team. The boys focused on passing and not just scoring goals, however the chocolates at the end of the game were the highlights this year.

A big thanks to all the Iguanas parents who helped step in when Supercoach unfortunately had to retire hurt.

Players: Ryan Andrews, Ashton Danks, Connor Leahey, Archie Saliba, Oliver Stevens, Tyson Verriere, Hamish Wills

Coach: John Leahey

Manager: John Wills

U6 Lions (non-competition)

This season was the second football season for the Lions with 4 boys from last season returning to play again. The Lions welcomed 3 new players to the team this year. All the boys started the season with great enthusiasm, ready to have fun and make some new friends. Training always started with

ball skills and some drills and the boys couldn't wait for their weekly game of dodge ball which we played at the end of each training session.

Jude improved on his skills from last year and put the ball in the back of the net on many occasions. Jack developed some great passing techniques and really grew as a player thanks to the off field training sessions with his big brother. Timmy once again showed a hunger for the ball and a clean set of heels with great speed. Liam showed a desire for the ball and a cool head in defence and saved many goals. Asher enjoyed playing with his friends and became a better football player each week. Uly was a delight and always happy, he produced some big kicks on the ball. Nicholas was not afraid to get physical and muscle others off the ball in a contest.

All the boys made great improvements throughout the year in their skills and confidence on the field.

The Lions are a wonderful group of boys and are always smiling. Thank you to all parents and grandparents who made this year possible.

Players: Jude Alderton, Liam Costigan, Asher Kaminski, Nicholas Koulouris, Ulysses Legrand, Timothy Peters, Jack Sherriff

Coach: Michael Alderton

Manager: Jacqui Sherriff

U6 Tigers (non-competition)

What a great season of football the Tigers have had! For some of our little players it was the first time around and some had already played the previous year. Our boys learned a lot during Monday training sessions and were able to show off their great passing skills on Saturday mornings with our parents cheering them on. They all got on so well and formed a great team spirit during the season. They've each grown in their own way and played with lots of enthusiasm and fairness. But most importantly our boys had so much fun playing and that's what this should be all about kids having fun playing a sport they love.

Thank you to all our parents for bringing the kids to training and games every week and to our great coach for teaching our boys so many great new football skills.

Players: Noah Francia, Lennon Hagan, Corey Maalouf, Koby Morgan, Zach Morgan, Luke Pospischil, Cruz Wraight

Coach: David Pospischil

Manager: Tabea Francia

U6 Wolves (non-competition)

We're all very proud of our Wolves and how they have continued to develop as both individual players and as great team mates this season. Their skills have been on show weekly for all our enjoyment and their energy and great sporting spirit have been a joy to watch. The kids have loved training and playing even more so this year now they better understand the concepts of passing, running with the ball and working as a team. Thank you to the Wolves for being great team mates and to the parents, supporters and Springwood United for continuing to provide a great atmosphere and environment for our kids to flourish.

Players: Lucas Bernays, Emilie Dempsey, Oscar Harrison, Archie Lamont, Bobby Smoth, Mitchell Taylor, Angus Weir

Coach: Robert Taylor

Manager: Jessica Taylor

U6 Zebras (non-competition)

The U6 Zebras were a new team in 2016 with all seven kids playing their very first games of football. A formative year which saw the kids develop new skills and grow into junior football players. Between all the hugs, cartwheels & grass picking, the Zebras enjoyed every minute of every game of the season.

It was an absolute pleasure to see each of the Zebras turn up to training and game day with great enthusiasm and excitement, which they could not have done without the support and sideline encouragement from their Mum's and Dad's, a big thank you to all of them. A big thanks also goes to Kyle Newport and Adam Richardson for their reliable management and coaching support throughout the entire season and Brad Prior and Brad Flack for stepping up when we weren't available.

We hope to see all the Zebra's come back for another season in 2017.

Players: Carys Beaton, Jonathon Flack, Iris Hirst, William Iskov, Harrison Newport, Alana Prior, Adele Wade-Ferrell

Coach: Glen Wade-Ferrell
Assistant Coach: Adam Richardson

Manager: Kyle Newport

U7 Alligators (non-competition)

U7 Alligators had another great season this year! Being the second year together, the boys really built on their skills and developed as a team, with lots of passing and secret plays - "Apples!" There were many exciting, close games providing lots of entertainment for all the parents, grandparents, family and friends cheering from the sidelines. Many thanks to our coach Jaemes Driver for all his time and efforts over the season, and for our wonderful team manager Julia Schuetrumpf who kept everyone organised. Looking forward to another great season next year!

Players: Liam Boys, Flynn Driver, Albie Neill, William Rayner, River Rodemark, Andrew Schuetrumpf, Kristof Trinajstic.

Coach: Jaemes Driver

Manager: Julia Schuetrumpf

U7 Bears (non-competition)

This was the third year the boys have played together and they all continued to improve their skills, particularly their passing. The boys showed good sportsmanship and had a lot of fun this year. Well done Bears!

Players: Nathan Broadhead, Flynn Engelhard, Will Ghata, Owen Roberts, Travis Sagovac, Tristan Wade-Ferrell, Tom Withers

Coach: James Ghata

Manager: Lucy Ghata

U7 Cougars (non-competition)

What another great season with these boys. They all showed great sportsmanship this year and have given 100% each and every week. They really found their teamwork this season with some great passes and plenty of goals set-up for their team mates to score. We can all see the fun that they were having and how much enthusiasm they have for the game. The hardest thing as Manager is taking them off the field for a rest. No-one ever wants to come off!

The training that Rob gave them was fantastic and you could clearly see them improve each week as a result of it. It's a big commitment to coach small kids and it was job well done.

They are really a great bunch of kids and hopefully they will all come back next year for another exciting season on the bigger field. Well done Hayden, Lucas, Robbie, Thomas, Aiden, James and Cameron.

Players: Hayden Chapman, Lucas Chapman, Thomas Dawson, Aden Hather, Cameron James-New, James Magner, Robbie Pigram

Coach: Robert Pigram

Manager: Louise Chapman

2017 IMPORTANT DATES

Grading Commences - 11 February 2017

SSF Muster Day - 18 February 2017

Senior Muster Day - 19 February 2017

Paul Bryden Cup - 4 March 2017

U7 Emus (non-competition)

No report submitted

Players: Ben Coster, Jack Cottrell, Alex Dufty, Boston George, Will McKeown, Jose Ramires, Tyson Ramires

Coach: Karen Dufty

Manager: Rebecca Ramires

U7 Foxes (non-competition)

At the start of the season each player demonstrated their individual commitment to team work and attending as many training sessions as possible. This foundation was crucial to improving the team's set plays and this proved the difference in most matches as the season progressed. The U7 Foxes were able to blend an enviable mix of fun and team spirit to ensure they finished their last games on a high, and confident in their new skills to progress in the sport next year.

Players: Edward Brown, Micah Elia, Isla Field, Amber Hanvey, John Lau, Kate McIlveen, Joshua Sach

Coach: Andrew Elia

Manager: Sean Lau

U7 Iguanas (non-competition)

It has been a pleasure coaching the Iguanas this year. I have watched the kids blossom over the season. This season the kids learnt how to pass extremely well. I loved seeing the style of game change over the season with their new and improved skills. I have seen some of the children come out of their shells and learn to love the sport.

I would like to thank the parents for all their help over the season and to the Manager Michael Gwenossis for everything he does especially keeping the Iguanas organised.

Players: Joshua Archibald, Aiden Denton-Boerger, Isabelle Hansen, Carter Huggins, Oliver Livingston, Jett Murtikos, Robert O'Brien

Coach: Ester Huguet-Archibald

Manager: Michael Gwenossis

U7 Giraffes (non-competition)

2016 has been a great season for the Giraffes. We welcomed Liam into the team this year, with him settling in straight away! Such a fun team to coach and seeing their skills continue to develop across the season has been great to see. We worked hard on passing and close control this year, and played some great football which was fun to watch on Saturdays.

It's been 3 fun years with these guys as they learned their way in football, and we look forward to seeing them progress as they move up to a bigger field next year. Thanks to the parents / families for all their support and encouragement along the way, and for always helping out when needed, it's been a fun journey.

Special thanks to Melissa for all the coaching assistance, to Darryl and Chris for covering me when needed, and also big thanks to Gill and Fiona for the management of the team.

Players: Hamish Clark, Jacob Gilchrist, Georgia Holdsworth, Xavier Johnson, Okani Vaiomounga, Liam Van Leerdam, Joshua Wright

Coach: Keith Holdsworth

Manager: Fiona Wright

U7 Lions (non-competition)

What a fabulous season! And what a change from the early days when the Lion 'cubs' were hesitant to step on the field. This season produced a team that were full of energy and excited to play. As our lion 'cubs' continue to grow stronger, so do their ball skills and friendships. The boys are continuing to work well as a team and are more strategic in their plays. Each player contributed to the team which was pleasing to see.

Thanks again to coach Steven and to all of our wonderful parents who continue to offer us support and encouragement. With many great improvements this year I'm excited to see them take on the bigger teams on the bigger fields next year! Thanks to all of the kids for another fun season of football this year.

Players: Leonidas Anderson, Henry Beames, Lachlan Billiards, Joshua Croucher, Jack Ralphs, Tyler Walker

Coach: Steven Anderson

Manager: Alexandra Anamourlis

U7 Monkeys (non-competition)

It was a pleasure to coach the boys this year. We worked hard on our movement off the ball and our passing, hopefully this will put the boys in a good position next year on the bigger field. I loved the team work and sense of fair play that the team displayed all year. I would like to pass on my thanks to all the parents and family members who made the trek to training each week and supported the team with such positivity on the weekends. Overall a lot of fun was had by all and I look forward to coaching again next year.

Players: Owen Bishop, Oliver Cusack, Brodie Dufty, Ryan Ferguson, Hugo Lewczak, Joel Machin, Talon Molony

Coach: Brendan Cusack

Manager: Jayden Molony

U7 Owls (non-competition)

It has been another fantastic season for the U7 Owls. The girl's skill levels have increased significantly this year and their determination to succeed never fails.

The majority of the team have been playing together for three years now but we've also been lucky enough to have a few new faces join in this year and last year. The benefits of playing a team sport

are undeniably evident when you watch this team. The support they all give each other is a pleasure to see and the friendships formed between the girls are ones I am sure will continue into their futures.

The Owls seemed to really find their places within the team, with each player displaying skills that complemented each other. Using their height advantage were our big kickers Isabella and Seda. Lexie's grasp on the game this year has seen her tactical skills flourish, always thinking and looking ahead. Pocket rockets Elysia and Daniella never let anyone stand in their way. Isobel was awesome at making those quick breaks while Lyla seems to pop up just when needed to get the ball out of those messes in the middle.

Thanks also to our new mascots, puppies Maisy & Flynn. We hope to have your continued support next year, along with all the wonderful parents of this fun loving team.

Players: Seda Amputch, Elysia Burchall, Lyla Douglas, Isabella Furguson, Lexie Firth, Isobel Rowntree, Daniella Stanley

Coach: John-Paul Amputch

Manager: Rachael Stanley

U7 Raccoons (non-competition)

It seems like just yesterday that they were in the under 5's and buzzing around the ball like a swarm of bees. In their shorts so big they could be pants, and their socks that reached all the way to their waists. One look at the Raccoons playing this year and you could tell they have grown so much. Gone are the days of wild kicks that simply aimed to make contact with the ball. Those wild kicks have been replaced with passes that are actually aimed for another team mate and usually get there too! To see them rush down the field, cross the ball to a waiting team mate near the goal and then score, was both amazing and very rewarding for the parents and coach. We had some very skilful players in our team this year and I have no doubt that there are a few future representative players amongst the group.

Much thanks must go to those who joined our team this year after we lost a few at the end of last year, and congratulations to those new players who played extremely well in their first year of football. It has truly been a pleasure to witness all of the boys grow over the past year. We all had so much fun at training and on Saturdays, that I have no doubt all the effort put in by the parents to make this team possible has been a worthwhile venture.

Players: Ethan Banks, Ben Cassidy, Cooper Golby, Harrison Iles, Samuel Lister, Harvey Rhodes, Angus Wills

Coach: Matt Rhodes

Manager: Amy Golby

U7 Tigers (non-competition)

The tigers had a fantastic season in 2016!

In all areas of the game improvement was seen.

Goals were scored and great sportsmanship was displayed.

Energetic running, accurate kicking and unrelenting defence were on show.

Relationships between the players were positive and encouraging.

Support from the sideline was wonderful - thanks to all for a great season!

Players: Caeden Brown, Blake Gough, Angus Hare, Josiah Hawkins, Eli Jenner, Asher Nicholls, Lucas Winfield

Coach: Damien Jenner

Manager: Deb Hare

U7 Wolves (non-competition)

We had a great second season for the Under 7 Wolves. Our Monday evening training sessions were ably lead by Coach Steve Taylor who continued to show genuine care for the boys following up from last season. A fun atmosphere was perpetuated in order for the boys to further develop a love for the game. The boys continued to develop their skills and improved significantly as individuals and a team as the season progressed.

Throughout the season they developed their skills and demonstrated improvement in playing as a team including passing, defending and goal scoring. Brydan showed prowess in attack showing lightning speed regularly outflanking his opponents. Luke improved greatly in defence and attack. Liam likewise increased his ability to pass as well defending and clearing the ball away from his own goal. Toby demonstrated fantastic defending skills as well as passing the ball long distances; he also scored some excellent goals. Hugo continued to develop his ability as a team player, passing the ball, attacking the opposition goal, and defending his own. Daniel increased his desire to play football improving his skills in passing, defending and attacking. Matthew improved significantly in attacking the opposition goal, defending his own goal as well as passing the ball to his team mates.

Our boys continued to develop fair play and respect becoming friends through spending time together playing and training and want to remain together as a team. The commitment of the parents in helping out and turning up each week is very much appreciated including their willingness to assist at the BBQ and washing the team shirts. I look forward to the boys continuing to play together in future.

Players: Brydan McLeod, Luke Minard, Liam Murphy, Toby Roediger, Hugo Strickland, Daniel Taylor, Matthew Watson

Coach: Steve Taylor

Manager: Brad Murphy

U7 Zebras (non-competition)

The Under 7 Zebras had a wonderful season in 2016 in which they played some great football, developed their skills, started some new friendships and had a whole lot of fun!

Cisco "Messi Junior" was one of our most determined and focused players each week. Cisco was a real team player and his desire to get the ball to someone in a better position to him was a testament to this. Well done on a great season Cisco!

Owen was a brilliant member of the Zebras team. He was rock solid in defence and made ever team earn their goals whenever he was around. He improved immensely in his kicking, passing and tackling during the season. Well done Owen!

Zoe "Z" was always a very active and enthusiastic member of the team who was busy in every game. She brought a delightful sense of fun and excitement to each game and continued to improve with every training session and game. Well done Zoe! The future looks bright for this budding young Matilda!

Oliver brought a real sense of fun to the team and was one of our big improvers for the year. As the season progressed he showed great improved and often went on big runs up the field beating numerous opposition players along the way. Great stuff Oliver you should be very proud of a great football season!

Isabella "Issy" enjoyed every game and training session and was playing some confident strong football by seasons end. She showed real tenacity in chasing down the ball and her determination was rewarded with some really fine goals. Well done Issy on a brilliant first season!

James "Jimmy" had a fantastic season with many highlights, including quite a few amazing length of the field goals! If he wasn't scoring goals he was making big sliding tackles. Well done James on a great season!

Noah had a super season! Playing with skill and determination he kicked a couple of good goals and came extremely close of numerous other occasions. He always had a cheeky smile on his face and never far from the action. Well done Noah on a great year!

A special thank you to Manager Seamus Rafter for his great support on match days and sending texts during the week as required. Thanks you to all the mums and dads, grandparents, aunts and uncles, cousins and siblings that came along to cheer and support the kids. You are all a lovely bunch and made the season extremely enjoyable. Well done Zebras!

Players: Cisco Borbely, Owen Jansons, Zoe Mein, Oliver Musgrave, Isabella O'Connell, James Rafter, Noah Weston-Cole

Coach: Luke O'Connell

Manager: Seamus Rafter

U8 Blue (non-competition)

It has been a privilege being able to watch our Blue Boys and the successful year they have had. Their team development and spirit has been really enjoyable to witness, as has their footwork, ball control, passing, emerging goalkeeping skills, awesome goal scoring and growing passion for the game. Another thing that has been great to watch is some of our more reserved players and their growing confidence in themselves. As always, their energy is endless!!

Thank you for another great year, and thankyou to our parents who are always ready to cheer on our boys.

Players: Liam Clink, Lachlan Hurley, Alexander Kerkham, Archie Livingston, Niklas Orel, Bailey Rutten, Riley Sinclair, Ryan Tosatto, Hamish Weir, Jackson Whitfield

Coach: Craig Weir

Manager: Charlie Tosatto

U8 Green (non-competition)

Thank you to all the boys in the U8 Green Team, it has been great fun coaching again. The boys have kept me on my toes this year as they continue to improve their football skills and I try to manage their on-field antics. Thank you to Mandy for stepping up and managing the team. Every player has continued to developed their own skills and to work together to score some great team goals. We spent the season learning to pass the ball and playing in positions. While a couple of the boys have taken to goal keeping, full backs were occasionally in short supply! I continue to love watching the boys grow as individuals both on and off the field.

Looking forward to 2017 and trying some touch footy with the team in the off season!

Players: Seth Abel, Ashton Anderson, Joshua Budd, William Ford, Max Leach, Hugh O'Connor, Max Perkovic, Alex Renneberg, Thomas Ward

Coach: Lachlan Leach

Manager: Mandy Douglas

U8 Grey (non-competition)

The Under 8 Greys had a great season this year, with half the team playing football for the first time, it was awesome to see how far they came. This season was the first season on the bigger fields and with the introduction of goalkeepers, it added a whole new element for the kids to get used to. They handled it really well and worked so hard at learning a lot of new skills and building on those they had learnt previously.

Throughout the season we worked really hard on the fundamentals of teamwork, passing and controlling the ball. It was really encouraging to see it coming together by the end of the season. We had some really great games and we put together a really good team win towards the end of the season that boosted the kid's confidence immensely.

Thanks to everyone who helped make things happen throughout the season, the parents for bringing the kids to training and the games every week.

A big thank you to the club for facilitating all the football every week throughout the season.

Players: Lainey Beames, Hayden Cservak, Liam Dale, Connaugh Dane, Finn Davidson, Nathan Keith, Francis Marks, Nora Pilawa, Kalarni Smoth

Coach: Keiran Dane
Assistant Coach: Tracey Davidson

Manager: Tiernee Smoth

U8 Maroon (non-competition)

The Under 8 Maroons had a terrific season. Well managed by Kate and coached by Nick and Rob the team have gone through a steep learning curve whilst always managing to achieve the main objective of having fun. The team had new additions this year and some that had never played football before, but by the end of the season they were all playing together as one team. The step-up to the bigger pitches and goals along with travelling to other football teams meant everyone has had to absorb a lot of change, however with parents support and the team putting in extra practice at home everyone adapted extremely well.

Key skills the team have learnt this year, have been goalkeeping, keeping positions, how to deal with corners, throw-ins, goal kicks, along with some balls skills and working together as a team through effective passing. At times the experience our opponents had over us was evident, however the team can take great pride in the fact that they never once gave up or stopped trying or more importantly never stopped working as a team. As parents we are proud of the progress they have made and confident if they stick together next season they will continue to progress and no doubt continue to have fun!

Players: Gabriel Devine, Leonie Ellis, Ewan Leslie, Matthew Minard, Jacob Pospischil, Christian Ramos-McNeil, Mia Rodermark, Jamie Sharp, Oliver Trinh

Coach: Nick Devine

Manager: Kate Wharton

U8 Orange (non-competition)

It was a great season and the boys have seen their skills develop considerably over the year. The boys slowly worked out where they play their best football whether it be, defending at the back (Ryan, Ben and Malaki), taking charge of the mid-field (Cooper, Aadyn and Christian), scoring great goals up front (Sam and Bowen) or showing great versatility whether in or out of goals (Toby). All the boys enjoyed the season and most importantly played their football in a commendable spirit. Well done boys!

Many thanks to Jon for his tireless efforts coaching, to John for his management on game days and to all of the parents for their contributions throughout the year and importantly for getting the boys to the games and training every week. Hope to see everyone again in 2017.

Players: Bowen Batchelor, Ryan Brown, Ben Harrison, Cooper Henderson, Aadyn Hoare, Malakai Keyes, Tobius Ritchie, Christian Sophokleous, Sam Wright

Coach: Jon Wright

Manager: John Harrison

U8 Red (non-competition)

U8's football sees the introduction of a goalkeeper, 2 extra players on the field and a larger playing area. These changes provided many challenges and opportunities for our team throughout the year. They have all come a long way in developing their individual skills, as well as becoming much better team players. At training we concentrated on passing, dribbling and shooting and everyone was able

to transfer these skills onto the field each Saturday. It was great to watch the players gravitate towards particular positions that suited their interest, personal characteristics and skill levels.

Two important features of our game each week were having fun and shaking the referees and oppositions hand at the end of the game. Too often the focus on kids sport is who has won the game. I am very thankful that our players were happy at the end of our games knowing that they had done their best and enjoyed their time on the pitch. I can only hope that these values and attitudes are never lost on the players and their supporters as they grow up.

To the wonderful group of parents and supporters that were there cheering our team on each week and assisting with training. You were always, without exception great role models and ambassadors for these players and the club. Thank you. Linda, our manager – thank you for being the organisational whiz that you are. We would have been lost without you.

Finally, thank you to the players. You are all legends in my eyes and it was my pleasure being able to coach you this year. I hope you all enjoyed the season and I look forward to seeing you again in 2017.

Players: Annalise Blattman, Leo Borg, Cooper Brown, Zac Carr, Amelia Crouch, Emily Dougherty, Noah Edwards, Kiahna Koutsonikolis, Olivia Prior, Patrick Smith

Coach: Heath Borg

Manager: Linda Byrne

U8 White (non-competition)

2016 was a great year of football for the U/8 Whites. The team adapted very quickly to the change in player numbers, field sizes and playing against other clubs. With a lot of the team having never played together, they really gelled as a playing group. They all learnt how to play in set positions and the importance of doing so. Their teamwork improved all season and to see them string passes together was very pleasing. Hopefully all of the players will return for an even better season in 2017.

Players: Cameron Dempsey, Macauley Down, William Hansen, Tom Larkin, Jack Leahey, Maddison Machon, Christopher Oliver, Harrison Stevens, Lachlan Todd, Harry Weeks

Coach: Michael Down

Manager: Leigh Hansen

U8 Yellow (non-competition)

Following on from a great season last year the boys regrouped and enjoyed another great season as the Springwood U8s yellow team. The boys tried very hard at each game and were able to refine their focus on the ball and kick some winning goals along the way. Their comprehension of the game is improving as are their ball skills and positional play. All of the boys displayed a commitment to develop their talent throughout the year and displayed some great team work to others on the field. Many thanks to all their parents and grandparents for their support and encouragement on the side line and dedication to training. A special thank you to Luke for coaching in Ethan's absence and to Lisa for managing the team.

Players: Zane Alderton, Phoenix Andrews, Edward Carr, Quinn Fryer, Matthew Hawkes, Felix Hurley, Joseph Jacob, Angus Laws, Isaac Pereira, Micah Roberts, Robert Slockee, Denzel Wallace

Coach: Ethan Wallace

Manager: Lisa Carr

U9 Black (non-competition)

2016 - What a year for the Black Lions. They were joined by 2 new players and together they had to form new friendships and learn their positions. There were ups and there were downs, goals, tackles and wins. Throughout the season the boys had to learn how to play together in a more fierce and competitive environment (coach and parents too). In the year of the Olympics the values of Friendship, Respect and Excellence were adhered to as were the Paralympic values of Determination, Inspiration, Courage and Equality. In particular in the last away game of the season. The boys demonstrated

these values by assisting a young boy score his first goal of the season. The Black Lions were the pride of their Coach, Manager and parents and they should be so proud of the young sportsmen they are. Well Done Boys.

Players: Maximus Anderson, Ayden Balson, Alex Billiards, Rory Cole, Kane Griffiths, Miles Latham, Dillon Slevin, Kallan Wahl, Lochlan Wilkins

Coach: Steven Anderson

Manager: Alena Anderson

U9 Blue (non-competition)

2016 has arguably been the most successful, most entertaining and most satisfying year since starting with the majority of these boys in Under 5's. Our second season on the larger fields has seen our additional players flourish in a great team environment strongly supported by a close group of parents, friends and family.

Our attacking players amassed on average 8 goals per game with uncompromising defence only conceding 6 goals in all our 15 matches.

The boys played beyond their years tactically, and with all the desire of top flight footballers. The biggest praise must go to the boy's strong sense of teamwork and above all, their sportsmanship which they displayed every week after strong wins over all opposition teams.

Big thanks to my manager Ria and our parents. See you all next year!!!!

Players: Lachlan Dempsey, Harry Ghata, Matt Hall, Frano Hirst, Peter Koulouris, Gareth Roberts, Flynn Steinhoff, Jeremy Taylor, Aiden Wade-Ferrell, William Weir

Coach: Dale Wade-Ferrell

Manager: Ria Hamblett

U9 Green (non-competition)

2016 brought a new look for our team. Looking for a fresh start with a vibrant Green colour thanks to some intervention from our manager saving us from inheriting its equally organic cousin Brown. An equal combination of girls and boys with a few new starters made for an interesting mix. But mix they did!

A very satisfying season saw each and every one of our players take their game to another level. This is attributable to great attendance and effort at training. Special thanks must go to Brendan Cusack whose assistance at almost every training session helped immensely. Special thanks also to the person who invented the "Numbers defending" drill which made our team one of the best passing teams, if not THE best in our league.

This year also saw our players start gravitating towards their chosen field positions. Natural defenders, strikers, utility players and a couple of goalkeepers emerged from the pack, to the point where team selection and formation was almost left entirely up to the kids.

Thank you also to Sarah Reynolds our manager for keeping us well informed all season, and also for helping to implement the highly successful numbered substitution system, a system which takes most of the stress out of substitutions and is administered largely by the kids themselves.

A final thank you to all of the parents for their unconditional support throughout.

An enjoyable season for all involved.

Players: Montana Barry, Ysobel Chalice, William Cusack, Brendan Golby, William Jones, Finn McCaffery, Taya Moore, Alexis Owen, Jack Reynolds, Mia Watson

Coach: Glen McCaffery

Manager: Sarah Reynolds

U9 Grey (non-competition)

The 2016 U9 Greys developed an exceptional team cohesiveness throughout this year's season. It was the first season they played together as a team. I really enjoyed watching the team grow together as players learned their own strengths as well as the strengths of their team mates. The players adapted that knowledge at game time by happily positioning themselves in the place most appropriate to their individual skills.

Goalkeeper was a position played by all team members, the players who returned to that position on most occasions were:

Zachary Jenner – bringing a defensive attack approach topped with a massive goal kick. Zack is also an excellent all-rounder.

Flynn Alderton – a very quick reacting keeper. Never shy at yelling directions at the players from his vantage point in goals, Flynn is also a very strong all-rounder.

Oliver Gili – as well as a dedicated defender, Oliver also returned to the goal keeping position showing great improvement throughout the year.

William Lister – although unfortunately absent for part of the season, Will showed great skill and speed. He returned to the keeper position and played it very well.

Defensive positions were dominated by the following players:

Abbey Gibbs – showed massive improvement in confidence and skill. Abby is never afraid to get stuck right in and defend as well as attack when needed.

Hamish Milligan – Also demonstrated a huge leap in confidence and skill. Hamish proved to be a quick runner and great defender.

The forward and wing positions were predominately played by the following:

Tyler Gray – a very quick runner showing excellent ball positioning skills and ability to kick goals under pressure.

Bailey Stevens – naturally able to place himself in the right place at the right time with an ability to kick quick off the pass. He was our top goal scorer of the season.

Jacob Kelly – great in the wing position. Very fast and an expert at dodging players while he has the ball. He is also great at crossing the ball to the centre.

I'd like to thank the parents for their support especially Ashleigh Phelan our Manager. And a big thanks to all the players for making my first year coaching a memorable one. Hope to see you all back next year.

Players: Flynn Alderton, Abbey Gibbs, Oliver Gili, Tyler Gray, Zachary Jenner, Jacob Kelly, William Lister, Zachary Maalouf, Hamish Milligan, Bailey Stevens

Coach: Brett Stevens

Manager: Ashleigh Phelan

U9 Maroon (non-competition)

It was another great year for The U9 Maroons. Under Matt's coaching, the boys really performed as a team and developed skills that helped in their game. In particular, their passing and defensive game improved greatly this year. Later in the season, one of our players was out with a broken arm. This meant that we were often playing without a reserve. The boys worked extremely hard in these games and showed great sportsmanship and teamwork. Well done boys!

Players: Hamish Bernays, Harry Farrell, Harry Greenaway, Jakub Grus, Thomas Iskov, Jett Lawson, Mitchell Lonergan, Liam O'Loughlin, Joshua Watkins

Coach: Matt Lonergan

Manager: Jenny O'Loughlin

U9 Purple (non-competition)

Another wonderful year of fun football was had by all! What an amazing bunch of players these fantastic boys are growing into. A huge thank you goes out to our Coach whose tireless efforts can be seen each and every week and a massive thank you to our mums, dad, grandparents, aunts and uncles that have supported us along the way. We are all looking forward to coming back next year to continue our football journey together.

Players: Brock Ardouin, Angus Briggs, Justin Brooker, Caelum Hatch, Ethan Hughes, Jack Mohring, William O'Connell, Quinn Power, Riley Power, Zac Stanley, William Taylor

Coach: Steve O'Connell

Manager: Rebecca Hulbert

U9 Red (non-competition)

Towards the end of another season of outright victory in all matches, the Reds showed promising signs of adding the concept of teamwork to stellar individual performances.

Daan Borg lead the way with generous short passing to feet in midfield, coupled with gutsy jockeying and decisive tackling. Harrison Flook's calming presence and line of sight passing brought much needed stability to midfield. Liam Moir's eye to foot coordination and mastery of high ball control ensured full spectrum dominance down both wings. Caleb Goman's erratic, sure footed dribbling ignited FUD (fear, uncertainty and doubt) in opposition defences, while centre forward Rhett Goman evoked the physicality of Didier Drogba and assertiveness of Diego Costa when they decide to fire up. Jack Savage neutered any opposition forays over the half-way line with laser like tackling, complementing Oliver Savage's hazy-mazy 'now you see him, now you don't' systems disruption of opposition defences. Will Crighton's running and rapid shooting game kept opposition keepers busy picking the ball out of the back of the net. Oscillating between assertiveness and plausible deniability Benji Synnott hustled and hustled to commandeer the attacking third. Real deal Tom Grodzicki convinced in all departments, outfoxing the opposition with well-timed running, intricate dribbling, and precision shooting. Off-season signing Toby Payens added maximum grunt to all aspects of the Red's performance thanks to an intuitive understanding of team work, excellent passing and well-taken goal scoring.

Players: Daan Borg, Will Crighton, Harrison Flook, Caleb Goman, Rhett Goman, Thomas Grodzicki, Liam Moir, Tobie Payens, Jack Savage, Oliver Savage, Benji Synnott

Coach: Mike Synnott

Manager: Steve Grodzicki

U9 White (non-competition)

Springwood United U9 White had a great season. They took to the field with enthusiasm and sportsmanship every game. The core of the team has been playing together for a few years now, but this year we had a few new recruits who fitted in exceptionally well. The team really matured this year, they were a fantastic cohesive unit and were highly competitive in every game. Beau, Brendan, Felix, Seth and Will were fantastic in defence and in goal and improved their skills every week. Ashton, Max, Noah and Sebastian always gave their best on the field, no matter what position they played. Lachie and Sumalee were strong in the midfield, rarely letting a ball get past.

The team was well coached by Eduardo, who the boys and girls respected and loved. All players improved their skills and passing this year under Eduardo's guidance. Thanks also to Adele for managing the team's schedule and all parents for their continued support throughout the season. We thoroughly enjoyed watching the friendship and sportsmanship of the U9 Whites.

Players: Sebastian Archibald, Beau Atkins, Max Campaner, Felix Mann, Ashton McLeod, Brendan McMaster, William Mudge, Sumalee Radzki, Lachlan Spencer, Seth Weston-Cole, Noah Wraight

Coach: Eduardo Campaner

Manager: Adele Reid

U9 Yellow (non-competition)

U9 Yellow had another great season this year! With a couple of new players, the team gelled quickly with some exciting early wins. The team continued to improve over the season with some close games providing lots of entertainment for all the parents, grandparents, family and friends cheering from the sidelines. Many thanks to our two coaches Mathew McGrouther and Stephen Neill for all their time and efforts over the season, and for our team manager Clarissa Driver who kept everyone organised. Looking forward to another great season next year!

Players: Ruby Bishop, Hugh Driver, Baxter Ellem, Finn Hanvey, Alexander Hovelmann, Tully McGrouther, Oliver Neill, Lachlan Steadman, Anya Thomson, Klara Trinajstic

Coach: Mathew McGrouther and Stephen Neill

Manager: Clarissa Driver

U10 Black (non-competition)

The Under 10 Blacks consisted of a bunch of boys that have been good mates and have been playing together for a few years now. The boys have played together in various shapes and forms, along with a couple of new mates joining them in the move to the bigger field and a bigger team. We had a good year with a lot more wins than losses that saw a huge improvement in the boy's skills, their commitment to the team and the game itself. The boys started to play with more structure and started to find their strengths in positional play.

The season had some great highs and a few lows. We had some great wins, but I think all the boys would agree that by far the best win of the year went to their Dads at our last training session!

Players: Caleb Bennett, Jordan Campbell, Ashton Dobson, Caleb Dougherty, Aiden Machon, Liam Murphy, Jack Nicholls, Zane Palmer, Braeden Smith, William Tandy, Samuel Todd

Coach: Ben Palmer

Manager: Warwick Dougherty

Assistant Coach: Tim Cooling

U10 Blue (non-competition)

At the start of the season we set a goal to improve the level of sportsmanship across the team and am happy to report that all matches were played in an appropriate, respectful spirit. From a football perspective, the kids made significant improvements in passing as well as positional play even though we seemed to have more forwards than defenders! A big thankyou to Emma, our manager, and the other parents who stepped in to help with all the various duties required to get the team on the park. And lastly thank you to the kids, whose commitment to having fun is a constant reminder of what it's all about.

Players: Aidan Anderson, Bodie Bennett, Jayden Cavill, Thomas Cole, Robson Cole, William Happell, Liam Harrison, Matilda Holder, Jack Hooley-Lang, Caitlin Morel-Butterworth, Brooklyn Ritchie, Jared Shanks

Coach: David Anderson

Manager: Emma Happell

U10 Green (non-competition)

Thank you to all the boys for another great year. We welcomed Xavier into the team and the boys always trained well and were respectful. The boys were set the challenge of scoring with their heads this year both literally and figuratively. Not only did they score one but a number of the boys were able to score by heading the ball into the goals from crosses.

As a coach it was awesome to see the team goals scored from consecutive passing efforts, often from the goal keeper at the back right through the team. We have stuck with the player rotation system throughout all positions, you can really start to see players developing towards certain positions.

The team appreciates the Club allowing us to play up an age group, which has been tremendous for the boys to gain a better appreciating for the defending skills required. The boys, despite the occasional size difference, still managed to challenge all the teams throughout the season.

Thank you to all the parents, in particular Andrew Mills who was the official timing and substitution coordinator. Thanks to Greg, Peter and those that assisted with ref duties.

It has been awesome to see them develop their technical abilities and we look forward to all the players returning in 2017.

Players: Jordan Banks, Kallen Boss, James Croucher, Zachary Filla, Samuel Graham, James Hinchcliff, Macklin Miall, Oscar Mills, Lucas Sawyer, Oliver Scurr, Xavier Williams

Coach: Andrew Graham

Manager: Tanya Filla

U10 Purple (non-competition)

2016 has been a great season for the U10 Purples! We have watched the team develop in skill and the ability to work together under Tony's fantastic leadership.

Declan has played in various positions this season managing to read play well, pushing the ball forward and often finding the net. Tate seems to know just where to position himself to coax the ball into the goal and make his team (and parents) proud. Daniel and Jasper have honed their skills in the forward line and have not only scored many goals, but have shown an enthusiasm for the game which have spurred their team on. Oliver has also played in a number of positions during the season and has displayed an amazing ability to adapt to wherever he is playing including being a very effective goalie. When Josh is on the field, the opposition have to improve their skill to avoid his presence. Lucas has stretched the opposition each week, keeping them guessing whether in attack or defence. Andrew holds his position well on the field and effectively passes the ball to his team-mates while Rowan, who can move like the wind, constantly cuts through the opposition pushing the ball forward. Whilst playing in many positions, Jye proved particularly formidable in defence preventing many goals to our advantage. Rory sums up our season this year, improving in skill, playing as an invaluable team member and always sporting an amazing smile!

Thank you both players and parents for making this season one to remember.

Players: Joshua Audley, Rowan Brischetto, Oliver Dickens, Andrew Dillen, Jasper Douglas, Declan Edmondson, Tate Firth, Lucas Henderson, Daniel Horton, Rory Jenner, Jye Mackin

Coach: Tony Firth

Manager: Judy Dillen

U10 Red (non-competition)

No report submitted

Players: Addison Bradshaw, Cooper Budd, Sebastien Clark, Luke Edwards, Summer Faulkner, Ronan Hurley, William Hurley, Jacob Mendham, Louie O'Connell, Declan Power, Antonio Todarello, Lachlan Waters

Coach: David Waters

Manager: Carolyn Edwards

U10 Yellow (non-competition)

It was another great year for the team. It was good to see that the majority of the team returned for another season, and integrated together with the new recruits to form a brilliant mixed team.

The team performed above expectations and it was great to see they continued to develop their skills and form close friendships and team work on and off the field. This was in no small part to Coach Chris and his dedication and enthusiasm at training and on the sidelines. His patience and efforts with the team are invaluable. A BIG THANK YOU COACH!! Once again a big thanks to all the Mums and

Dads, Grandparents, family and friends who joined us for the journey this year to cheer on the team. Thanks also goes again to Pete Crouch, our resident referee who provided some much needed skills on the whistle. A big effort all round. Thank you to all team for another great year...Cheers...!!!

Players: Makayla Crouch, Patrick Dawson, Lachlan Golby, Zachary Gonzalez, Regan Huggins, Isabelle Iversen, Jonathan Peters, Orion Pick, Connor Rigney, Luke Roorda, Grace Smith, Holly White

Coach: Chris Roorda

Manager: Craig Huggins

U11/1 (non-competition)

What a fantastic season with a great team of players.

As you all entered your first year of graded teams and the excitement that brought playing graded teams from other clubs you stepped up and took the challenge. Each week you put on a demonstration of exciting football, playing the game with passion, commitment and team work.

There was some great team work across the whole pitch. The passing and movement off the ball setup some great team goals and many other creative attacking opportunities that although not always resulting in goals, allowed the team to play an attacking style of football that showed not only good team work but brought out some moments of individual skill and brilliance.

As a defensive unit you all worked hard together to hold your opponents out and win the ball back, when winning the ball, you got your heads up looking for a pass and a way to attack. Great work and well done for having the composure and patience to play this way.

Thanks to all of the players for working hard all season, playing the game as it should be played, demonstrating great sportsmanship each week and making my job as Coach enjoyable.

Next year will see you stepping onto the full size field and give you the opportunity to play competition football. I look forward to seeing you all return to continue with your passion for football and the enjoyment that brings to you.

Thanks to Brogan for taking on the role of Team Manager and doing a splendid job in managing the off field affairs, keeping everyone well informed on everything they needed to know throughout the season.

Thanks to Jon Wright for volunteering each week to referee and to all of the parents for your loyal support and encouragement of the players and team each week.

Players: Vincent Applebee, Samuel Crook, Harry Gilchrist, Zoe Leach, Oliver Rizzuti, Thomas Rizzuti, Benjamin Robertson, Lachlan Smith, Matthew Sullivan, Cameron Trotter, Alexander Wright, Aled Young

Coach: Chris Gilchrist

Manager: Brogan Mulhall

U11/2 (non-competition)

Our 11/2s have gone from strength to strength this year, starting as a group of individuals that became a solid team unit by the end of the season. It's been great watching the boy's progress in their own skills, their ability to read the play, pass the ball and set up plays for each other.

Initially the boys had a say in where they played. It soon became obvious this didn't resemble any kind of proper football and it was time for our coaches to direct them to where they were best suited. If it was up to them, we would have been fielding a team of forwards and one midfielder but within a week or two of set positions, the results spoke for themselves. The boys were soon able to anticipate a pass from a teammate, rely on a feed from another and cover each other in defence. Most goals were the result of a beautiful team effort. Our defenders were equally tough with few goals getting past our backline.

We were fortunate to have a great group of boys who all brought a love for the game and total enthusiasm each and every week. Their sportsmanship was admirable, both for each other and the opposition.

Thanks to our super organised Coach Mick (who always had the subs mapped out so that it was completely fair) and Assistant Coach Richard. Together they have developed the boy's skills, understanding of the game and ability to work as a team. And thanks parents – you've raised wonderful young men and should be very proud. A great season boys!

Players: William Alexander, Charlie Barrett, Emanuel Borg, Oliver Carr, Texas Down, Sam Ford, Declan O'Riordan, Riley Pagitz, Wilkin Payens, Ryan Taylor, Gabriel Valle

Coach: Mick Down

Manager: Rachel Pagitz

Assistant Coach: Richard Ford

U11/3 (non-competition)

Firstly, I'd like to say a huge thank you to this fantastic team of boys for making Saturday football the place to be! It has been an absolute pleasure to watch this newly formed team come together and achieve great results in the game and individually.

Thank you to the number one fans who have joined us each game to support and encourage the team with as much passion for the game as the players.

A special mention to Tim Hahn who found himself refereeing our home games, we thank you for your commitment even when it meant going at it barefoot.

Last but not least, thank you to our coach Adrian Hancock-Collins, and his training side kick Matt Fraser, who have had such a positive impact on both the individual growth of these boys and the forming of a well-balanced team that resulted in a very successful season of football.

Congratulations team!

Austin: brought a high level of skill, consistency and passion to the game. With an ability to predict an opponent's move he was a tough challenger scoring many goals for the team this season. His hard work both on and off the field has certainly proven him to be an asset to the game.

Mason: As a defensive player it's hard to get a ball past Mason, his speed and deflection has saved the team many times from an opponent scoring. He has solidified his position as a valuable defensive player and has grown in confidence and ball skills.

Jaxon: has been a strong, focused player that has proven his adaptability within different positions. He has used his speed and agility to cover all areas of the field and his super boot has been a force to be reckoned with.

Filip: quick thinking and good judgement as goalie has certainly saved the game many times. Fil always gave his best for the team and has shown his flexibility to play skilfully both in goal and on the field.

Finlay: With a positive have-a-go attitude to all aspects of the game and quick on the foot, Finlay had a strong season. Working his magic with the ball and navigating around the opposition put him in great goal scoring positions. Fin stepped up to the challenges and earned the team many goals.

Max H: was the rock in centre defence. He has a strong boot which consistently demonstrated his ability to clear the ball in defence. Max has been a consistent and reliable player that has positively supported his team mates both on and off the field.

Max J: Max stepped on to the field each game and was not afraid to put his body on the line. He showed fantastic footwork and great determination when chasing that ball down to score those goals. He has been a very focused player with a positive attitude to the game and his team mates.

Sean: proved to be a very reliable player that worked well in the midfield partnership. Strong in tackle situations, Sean displayed a talent at weaving through the opposition with the ball stuck at his feet and ready to pass to our strikers.

William: has shown an enormous amount of improvement over the season. Always listening to coach and working hard at training in order to improve his game. Will's confidence has continued to grow when moving the ball in midfield.

Louis: joined the team a few games in as an under 10's player, proving quickly he had a strong skill set. Louis has been a reliable all-rounder this year showing star qualities on the field and in goal. With his eye on the ball at all times and always ready for the chase, he knew just what to do with the ball when he had it.

Jarvis: From kick off to the final whistle Jarvis was always moving. His quick responses and determination to stick with the ball has been an asset to the team. His fair play and enjoyment for the game has been contagious across the team and spectators.

Darian: has been a conscientious player who is always looking to please. He has maintained a give-it-a-go attitude and always ready to play out coach's instructions. His skills improved greatly over the season especially when making those important tackles or passes.

Players: Austin Boss, Mason Cooper, Jaxon Fraser, Filip Grus, Finlay Hahn, Max Hancock-Collins, Max Jackson, Sean Konwerski, William Richardson, Louis Short, Jarvis Wraight, Darian Zunic

Coach: Adrian Hancock-Collins

Manager: Michelle Cooper

U11/6 (non-competition)

Our team were an eager group of boys with a wide range of experience and skills to offer.

We had a lot of great moments this season, with the boys developing their skills at training and improving their performances every week.

They were all keen to try various positions on the field, and did so with pride and determination for their team.

We also had some challenging moments this season, and it was great to watch the boys use their communication skills, work hard as a team, and face these times. Never complaining when asked to defend, instead showing depth of character and playing with all their hearts.

The boys displayed respect for both coach and manager, as well as one another, a true reflection of the type of boys we want to see growing up in our community.

Finally, the very supportive and great parent group our team had behind them were incredible. Very positive, and always willing to help out. Thank you.

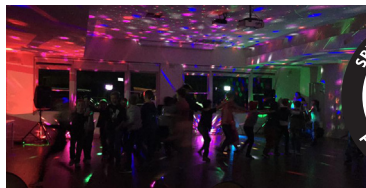
Players: Ryan An u, Jeremy Barker, Cameron Bodkin, Ziggy Fraser, James Gibbs, Lachlan Jacob, Dylan King, Brayden Lawson, Samuel McGregor, Luca Penserini, Dylan Toby

Coach: Tulio Penserini

Manager: Leanne Kennedy



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2017 REGISTRATION

Registrations will be available online from 7 January - 5 February 2017.

Club house registration days - 28 & 29 January and 1 February 2017.

Some players, Coaches and Managers may need to attend the Summerhayes Park Clubhouse for photos, proof of ID checks and to complete the Working with Children documents.

Please take advantage of registering early. Delays can be experienced on MyFootballClub if registering in late January/early February due to the high volume of on-line traffic.

2017 IMPORTANT DATES

Grading Commences - 11 February 2017

SSF Muster Day - 18 February 2017

Senior Muster Day - 19 February 2017

Paul Bryden Cup - 4 March 2017

Saturday Football – Competition Team Reports

U12/1 – 3rd

The boys had to overcome all the teething problems that occur with a new team, once they establish this and gained confidence with each other it showed in the results. They finished 3rd on the ladder and really looked like they had the potential to place 2nd.

Overall, it's been a learning year and the boys showed signs of improving and developing their skills to become better players so well done to them. Special thanks to Tim Jones who helped Mark each week with training. Thankyou also to Mark for being so committed to the team and putting on extra training sessions when we needed it.

Thank you to those parents who assisted on game days and as always all the hard working club volunteers.

Players: Oliver Alves-Jones, Ezekiel Bromley, Riley Fryer, Mali Haynes, Xavier Haynes, Bailey King, Benjamin Mallin, Declan McKay, Dylan O'Flanagan, Ethan Power, Lachlan Tarleton, Hamish Thomas, Owen Webster, Oliver Weeks, Reuben Young

Coach: Mark Weeks

Manager: Michelle O'Flanagan

U12/2 – 7th

The team showed great attitude, spirit and sportsmanship this season and everyone can be very proud of this group of young players. In a division with some very strong teams we showed some fantastic skills and attacking football all season and never did the boys give anything less than 100%. It was also wonderful to see the way the boys became a very close group as the season progressed as was evident by the fun they had at all training sessions and on game days. Should they continue to develop in this manner they will become excellent players and members of the club.

Players: Harrison Bernays, Conor Cox, Vaughan Dugdale, Jordan Hather, Ben Jenner, Thomas Kirschner, Joel Knott, Jomei Love, Aemon Marshall, Diesel Moore, Bryce Skinner, Jasper Taylor, Jack Thomas, Ryley Walker, Dylan Watt

Coach: Trevor Cox

Manager: Rachel Collyer

U12/3 – 6th

The team came together as a large squad but quickly reduced in size and even missed fielding a full team on one or two occasions. The season saw three players receive bone fractures or breaks. One during a comp game to Connor Le Breton which saw him out for most of the season and Blake Heron received his at his own leisure, and unfortunately he was out for half the season.

The player's growth by the season end as individuals and as a team was impressive. During the trial games you could see the team had a wide range of abilities and a real lack of understanding of the team game. We had a few players who wanted to be 'Instagram' hero's from watching way too many short videos of their football heroes doing their tricks! It was a committed coach, Sean Leehy, who had to spend every training session drumming this mentality out of them and helping the others develop their passing and team game.

It was a tough season against several formidable teams yet the players can hold their heads high at season end after the character they showed in the final couple of games. Well done team!

Players: Hallam Baker, Thomas Brischetto, Jye Cooke, Wilson Douglas, Lachlan Goodman, Blake Heron, Connor Le Breton, Brady Leehy, Finn McDonald, Jack Mein, Nathanael Mott, Joshua Robinson, Oliver Short, Dexter Stretton, Conna Taylor, Nathan Treble

Coach: Sean Leehy

Manager: Chris Mein

U12/4 – 6th

This year was my first to coach a team. The players of the U12/4 team had different levels of experience. We had players that came back from a few years break of competition, others played together in the years before. Luckily all players had their preferred position and I could position them accordingly for most the games. The team had a number of very versatile players that I put into different positions to develop additional skill sets.

My aim as coach was forming a team that acquires the technical skills needed in their age group. The team formed quickly within the first weeks of the competition with a good understanding of positioning. We had a number of excellent games with some surprise wins against the top teams in the competition. Even when the U12/4 lost, they never gave up and kept playing strong until the last minute.

All players made an outstanding effort to make every game a good game. I was extremely pleased with my line of defence. The midfield players defended and attacked with enthusiasm. Our strikers attacked from the first to the last minute. My thanks go to the parents for all the support they gave at the matches.

Special thanks goes to Paul Tapuska and Baz Salisbury who coached and managed the U12/4 team when the coach and manager were absent.

Players: Oscar Atkins, Maddison Budd, Tallyne Cassar, Angus Durie-Fox, Mason Evans, Liam Galluzzi, Martin Higginbotham, David McMaster, Daniel Salisbury, Ellie Savage, Marcel Schwarz, Flynn Shiels, Ethan Sophokleous, Jayden Tapuska

Coach: Oliver Schwarz

Manager: Latifa Amal-Schwarz

U13/1 – 8th

Reflecting on the season that has just finished, it is hard to summarise the experience in a few short words. However, for my first season as a coach, I could not have asked for more supportive parents, or for more determined and fiercely competitive players. From playing games with only 9 or 10 players, to having 3 players from a different team play for us on consecutive weeks (many thanks to the U13.3s and U12.1s), this team was put through trial after trial and they never gave up. Although we positioned last on the ladder, the team produced some wonderful football at times, and held many of the top teams at bay for great periods of the match.

While we didn't get the points we were after, the boys developed really well throughout the course of the season, went into each game with the perfect attitude and most importantly had fun in every game that they played.

I must thank all of the parents for the unwavering support and dedication in bringing everyone to training and games, as well as the help on the sideline. I must also thank Brendan Luchetti for the fitness training which was a huge help throughout the season. Finally, a big thank you to Eduardo Campaner for the massive help in being the team manager for the season.

I look forward to next year and for the chance to help the boys develop further into a top contending team.

Caleb played as our primary keeper this season, producing some very gutsy performances and some fantastic saves, as well as providing many opportunities in counter attacks with quick restarts of play.

Jaiden was our left defender and was just a dynamo. Jaiden's growth in skills and confidence was fantastic.

Eamonn's ridiculous pace and determination in defence shut down many attacking moves which was integral to our defence. His ability to motivate and coordinate teammates made him a great captain.

Riley was just outstanding in centre back, a solid and crucial unit to our defence. Riley's skills on the ball surprised many attackers as he was not afraid to take the ball for a run.

Dom's growth over the season was magic to witness. His ability to beat attackers and take the ball up the wing was great to watch.

Ollie was our universal player this season, playing all over the park and performing outstandingly in every position. His grit and determination to win the ball was fantastic.

Miles played as our defensive midfielder, not only stopping many attacking runs, but producing great opportunities in counter attack. His through balls and passing ability was a great asset.

Ben arrived after the first few games of the season but became a vital part of the team instantly. His skill, vision, determination and strength are a great feature of his game.

Leo is a very exciting player to watch. His ball skills are fantastic and his vision enables him to set up many attacking raids with precision passes.

Sam was our other universal player, being our secondary keeper, solid defender and creative attacker, his aggressive runs down the wing created many problems for the opposition.

Owen has shown a fantastic improvement with his skills and his confidence grew each match with threatening attacks and numerous shots on goal.

Logan's ability to shut down plays before they even began upfront saved us countless times from devastating counter attacks. His positioning upfront made for some terrific attacking opportunities as well.

Ethan has provided many attacking chances with some solid runs and crosses throughout the season. He has had many great shots with keepers just saving them.

Players: Dominic Bailey, Jaiden Bes, Riley Burgess, Leo Campaner, Ollie Davidson, Samuel Edwards, Logan Goffett, Caleb Hamwood, Miles Lidster, Eamonn Luchetti, Owen Miller, Ethan Szymtka, Benjamin Tracey.

Coach: Mitchell Robson and Michael Robson

Manager: Eduardo Campaner

U13/3 – 2nd

This year saw the majority of the team from last year staying together which was noticeable from game one. In the normal tournament we only had two losses all season. The sportsmanship of each player was outstanding and I was proud to see them each week getting in there, having fun and being great sports no matter which opposing team they were playing. They played a strong game down the wings and it was encouraging to see what they learnt at training being put into practice on the weekends. Every player was a great team player and their passing game just kept getting better as the season progressed. Hopefully we will see the majority of the team stick together again next year so they can continue where they left off.

I'd like to thank Liz for all the hard work she puts in as manager, keeping us all fully informed of what is going on and where we are supposed to be. I'd also like to thank Brett for being the assistant coach taking the 2nd night training and filling in when I was not available. Plus I'd like to thank all the parents for the support and encouragement they have given the boys and to Liz, Brett and myself. It is always a lot easier coaching a team when the parents are fully supportive and love watching the boys have fun.

Players: Gabriel Bagatella, Caleb Frost, Matthew Gilchrist, Jack Hunter, Joseph Iversen, Blake Jones, Kaseko Mgaza, Lawrence Northmore, Zac Sampson, Aidan Smith, Oliver Tebay, Andrew Williams, Rhys Williams.

Coach: Tim Gilchrist

Manager: Liz Hunter

Assistant Coach: Brett Jones

U13/4 – 3rd

With a little bit more luck this year our boys could have finished top of the ladder. Two very unlucky losses in games we dominated to the first and second placed teams meant we had to settle for an honourable third.

The improvement in every player this year has been our biggest achievement. Two years ago some of our players struggled to get a kick. Today every player contributes, every player makes an impact on the game, every player has enough confidence in their own skill to take the game on, and every player puts their best performance in every week. This is all down to their attitude and hard work at training to develop their skill and confidence level.

It's been a pleasure and a privilege to coach such an outstanding bunch of young men.

Players: Zachary Carvasiglia, Alex Gismondo, Lyam Grayson, Noah Gyori, Matthew Hand, Louis Heritage, Deyne Jones, Benjamin Keith, Elijah Traykovski, Trent Wallace, Matthew Ward, Alex Wydmuch, Goran Zunic

Coach: Robert Higgins

Manager: Ian Ward

U14/1 – 3rd

2016 proved to be a frustrating yet rewarding year. Frustrating because I felt the constant disruption of game time along with injury to Khye and a forfeit mix up which all went against us, yet rewarding because the boys showed courage and determination to put all that aside and go through the regular season only losing 1 game and being the only team to beat the competition winners.

The boys played for each other this year and I can honestly say it was the most rewarding year I have had as a coach for a good few years. I would like to thank the parents for their support this year and my manager Steve and Ian Stubbs for their contribution to the team. I found both your input very valuable and look forward to joining forces with you next year.

I also want to thank the boys. They played with pride and determination and represented their parents and the Club with great integrity. Special mention to Andy and Tanya Graham for their support and Geoff 14/2 coach and Michael 13/1 coach for allowing Hunter, Cooper, Josh and Ben to help out during the year.

Bring on 2017.

Players: Ben Corne, Orlando Gilbert, Jack Graham, Cameron Hume, Jack Hunter, Tom Hunter, Kane Jackson, Llewellyn Lloyd, Khye Nelson-Hanss, Nick Sharp, Aaron Stubbs, Ryan Taylor, Aidan Willis, Daniel Zucak

Coach: Adam Corne

Manager: Steve Nelson

U14/2 – 6th

A mixed bag for the boys this season. Having been promoted up a division, the first half of the season was a baptism of fire. With goalkeeping duties shared between 3 players, injuries and a lean bench, the boys struggled for consistency. Reward for their effort came in latter part of the season, with some great games and courageous performances. Finished the season well, narrowly missing out on qualifying for the championship final on goal difference only. 3 wins, 4 draws, 5 losses.

Players: Thomas Ford, Hunter French, Isaac Frost, Logan Heron, Connor Hogan, Justin Kralj, Luke Major, Alec Priora, Alexander Roorda, Cooper Selinger, Lachlan Simpson, Joshua Sneesby, Jack Sparkes

Coach: Geoff Kennedy

Manager: Adam Major

U14/3 – 4th

The team ended the regular season in 4th place with 4 wins, 2 draws and 9 defeats. Our goals were 33 for and 51 against. This really doesn't tell the story of this team's season.

The coach inherited the team and fully half the team was at the beginner level, having never played in a team or just having completed 1 year either at school or indoor football.

Our goalie Hudson McNamara was keen and a beginner having only ever played futsal for 1 year. Our defence had no experience in lining up in formation and positional play. Most of our experience came in midfield and attacking positions but the team had never played together.

We started the season reasonably well and lost our opening game to a good Colo team 5-2, then beat Warradale 4-1 in an entertaining fixture. The team did not lack for firepower and scored regularly in defeat. Our front line of Ethan Cooper and Matthew Samuelson were prolific early on and ably supported by Aaron Hodges. A bad defeat to St Mary's Convent was followed by two good games, a 3-3 draw with St Mary's and a 6-3 win over Colo. We then lost 3 in a row to drop us down the table. Some of our set piece goals were out of this world – notably from Ethan and Matthew.

At training we concentrated on basic passing, trapping and laying off for the first few weeks. We also spent time to learn how to master our 4-4-2 and 4-3-3 positions and improve throw-ins and corners. At this time much of the team struggled to improve their passing and trapping.

We started to concede a lot of goals mid-season as other teams learnt to pass around us and set up chances. So we spent more time at training on our defensive positions and our midfield improving its pressing and controlling.

Our left back Harley Howell improved each game during the season and was an eager worker at training. His positional, tackling and passing play was excellent all season. The rest of the defence gradually got their confidence and Joshua Taylor was an impressive centre back and ably supported by Sasha Titovs who showed good improvement. By the latter part of the season Ford Atkins had begun to read the game very well and started contributing greatly.

Our midfield struggled against the other teams, due to their better passing, running and lay-offs. But they stood up when required especially Oscar Norrie who shows good potential. Lachlan Reid improved a lot, and became a tireless worker in the centre midfield area. Aiden Miller is a gifted left winger able to run strongly and his link up play got better as the season wore on. His effort was always 110%. Erik Osterberg had some good midfield games and developed his stamina well. Lastly Andre Bakija was enthusiastic even when asked to be substitute for long periods. As this was his 1st season kicking a ball he will get better.

Hudson McNamara had an outstanding season for us. He signed up for extra goalkeeping coaching at Blacktown and his work rate was high. In most games around mid to late season he saved 4-6 certain goals and kept us in games we could have easily lost. Even when we lost some high scoring ones (5-1 to Warradale) he kept the score down from hitting double figures. His performances led me to nominating him for one of the club's Special Awards.

Matthew Samuelson had a very good season in a number of positions. He was always willing to assist us as we started to lose players to holidays and illnesses. He was able to fill in midfield and defence and was a steady influence on the team.

By the end of the season we had finished 4th and this enabled us to play in the finals. A 5-3 win over Warradale away and then a great 1-1 draw with St Marys saw us move past them into the final. The game was against St Marys Convent who had finished the season with 15 straight wins out of 15.

We went into a 2-0 lead with both goals scored by Aiden who was excellent all day. Further goals by Ethan and Matthew gave us an unassailable 4-0 lead before we conceded 2 late goals. The team reached a level of play that we had failed to do all season. Their defensive work, midfield pressure and attacking brilliance all shone through on a glorious finals day.

Players: Ford Atkins, Andre Bakija, Ethan Cooper, Aaron Hodges, Harley Howell, Hudson McNamara, Aidan Miller, Oscar Norrie, Erik Anders Osterberg, Lachlan Reid, Mathew Samuelson, Joshua Taylor, Aleksandrs Titovs

Coach: Gordon Scott

Manager: Dianne Samuelson

U15/1 – Premiers

Over the past 5 years this team has been developing into outstanding players and individuals. The team spirit is second to none and I feel very privileged to be their coach.

The U15/1 boys had an outstanding season this year finishing undefeated Premiers and now will represent the club and the district in the Champion of Champions tournament come September.

The season started in January with a lot of hard work leading up to the competition. Once the games started I could see it paying off with a much more mature, controlled style of football and mix that with determination and no team were a match for us.

Our fullbacks consisting of Oliver, Tom, Jarrod, Jeffrey and goal keeper Jordan only conceded 9 goals and were instrumental in deflecting any oppositions challenge. This laid the foundation for midfielders and strikers to do their job which is dominating play, creating chances and scoring goals. Which was staggering 107 goals.

Midfielders – Connor, Riley S, Lleyton, James, Riley T. The 'engine room' of the team consistently controlling the game with their composure and skills.

Strikers – Aidan, Max, Andrew, Jack. Rattled every defence that tried to stop them with their speed, skill and strength.

I would like to thank Managers Kelvin and Janine Peters for the support and hard work that goes on behind the scenes. A special thanks to Russell Hawkins and Glenn Wilson and all our parents for making sure the boys attend every training session and supporting the team on game day.

Well done boys on a great season, very proud of you all.

Good luck in the Champion of Champions.

Players: Lleyton Agius, Oliver Clancy, Andrew Davey, Jordan De Stoop, Aidan Dugdale, Jeffrey Gismondo, Jack Hawkins, Thomas Keith, Max Peters, James Roberts, Riley Sophokleous, Riley Thompson, Connor Thorpe, Jarrod Wilson

Coach: Pat Agius

Manager: Kelvyn Peters

U15/2 – 5th

It was going to be a tough ask for our boys to follow up their success from the previous season considering Divisions 2 & 3 were combined and some of our competition was unknown to us. Our first test was round 3 against Colo Soccer FC.....an exciting win, 5-3, against a former Division 2 team. Jordan scored 3 goals, Adisen 1 goal and Jimmy obtained his first goal from a header. Kaleb played a great game in goal.

Another highlight was our 1-all draw against our nemesis Pitt Town. With only 10 players, Jarod had the smarts to lob the ball over the goalkeeper's head. On this day the boys rose above the exhaustion and pain and pulled off an exceptional draw in trying circumstances.

Mid-season saw the boy's mo-jo drop and despite all efforts they were unable to achieve the dizzying heights of last season, but a fantastic effort all round.

Our biggest thanks goes to Ian Hill, 'Coach'. We all appreciate the time you sacrifice to share your skills, knowledge and experience. We are grateful that you kept the boys focused on football and not Pokemon.

Thank you to Sean Leehy for coaching in Ian's absence and to Lai-Mun for the continual supply of vitamin C on game day. Thanks to those parents who accepted the offer to wear the 'Orange Team Marshall vest'.... remember "Orange is the new Black".

Finally, thanks to Kelly & Ethan Hughes and Kylie & Andrew Renneberg for volunteering for BBQ duty. See you all next year.

Players: Jimmy Alexander, Kit-Meng Balnave, Preston Dinning, Caleb Grima, Brendan Hill, Jarod Hughes, Jordan Jones, Lachlan Leehy, Luke Renneberg, Adam Richardson, Luca Segedin, Blake Tester-Bailey, Zachery Wise, Adisen Wright

Coach: Ian Hill

Manager: Renee Richardson

U16/1 – 2nd

With a final squad of only 13 players, the season was always going to be a challenge.

The season got off to a great start, with training commencing early in March. The first few sessions were based on fitness and preparing them physically and mentally for the season ahead. They all put in a 100%, along with the challenge of not being beaten by the coach.

My focus this year was possession and 2 and 3 touch football. The training sessions were based around limited touch and movement off the ball. The boys adjusted to the training drills well, and it was pleasing to see them transferring it to the games. Some of their play throughout the season, particularly the movement and passing, was a pleasure to watch. We had some fantastic results.

I think our best performance of the season (sure the boys will agree) was our catch game against Penrith FC on a bitterly cold Thursday night at Summerhayes. We had a great crowd turn up to cheer the boys on despite the weather. The commitment and effort displayed by the boys that evening was absolutely fantastic. They literally put their bodies on the line. Their reward was to inflict the one and only loss for Penrith FC all season. I know that Clive and I could not have asked for anymore from the boys.

Losing our left back Nick Pasilow just over half way through the season was a big blow. This left us with just 12 players. With injuries and school holidays, we were left short, and had to borrow players from the other U16's, U15/2 and U14/1 teams. I would like to give a big thanks to the coaches for allowing me to borrow the players who all stepped up and did a great job.

With a bye the first round of the championship final series, and a win in the second round, meant we just needed a draw against Pitt Town to make the Final. The lack of reserves and late injuries, finally took its toll and we went into the game with the bare 11 with one player having already played that morning. Unfortunately, we lost 3-2.

Although we missed out on the Final and the boys obviously upset, they can all be very proud of the way they had conducted themselves as representatives of the Springwood United Football Club. Thank you all for a wonderful season, it was truly a pleasure to coach you lot.

Once again thank you Clive for taking on the manager's role again. You were a great help to me and provided valuable input both at training and on game day. A big thank also for Scott Jacka who covered for Clive when he was unavailable.

Lastly and most importantly, I would like to thank all the parents for your support all year, with washing the shirts, canteen duty and particularly getting the boys to training and the games each week.

Players: Ben Allan, Daniel Bradshaw, William Brazier, Liam Clifford, Ashley Corne, Adam Hancock, Marcus Harrison, Josh Jacka, Leon Lynch, Nick Pasilow, Ben Paul, Louis TeBay, Ethan Wallace

Coach: Craig Harrison

Manager: Clive Bradshaw

U16/3 Black – Premiers

This was a fabulous season, with the boys capturing the title in dramatic fashion in the last game of the season proper.

After a win and 2 heavy losses the team embarked on a run of 8 consecutive wins which was the foundation of their achievement. In the run-in a couple of season-ending injuries made it a challenge to get 11 players on the park and Springwood Black came to the final and deciding game with no substitutes and in second place, 1 point behind our opponents, Cranebrook, with their 5 subs! Springwood scored in the first minute and held off wave after wave of attacks to win 1-0 and leapfrog Cranebrook to become Premiers.

Statistics show that Springwood Black had the 4th best attacking record and 4th best defensive record in the league yet came top. The boys were not big on chants and huddles or even on celebrating goals, unless scored by someone who had not scored before. They played fairly (no cards all year), always played for each other, trained well and were fun to coach. And they just knew how to win!

The fact that the team ultimately got there by the skin of their teeth makes it absolutely true that every player at some stage made a critical clearance, save or tackle, or scored a decisive goal, without which the title would not have been theirs.

Players: Ko Boeser, Liam Carvasiglia, Toby Frost, Karl Gethin-Damon, Jeremy Hume, Brendan Kazarian, Samuel Lockwood, Ho Wan (James) Ma, Max Ong, Benjamin Pout, Dylan Taylor, Callum Thorburn, Jarrah Tuckerman

Coach: Alex Damon

Manager: Debra Beechey

U16/3 White – 7th

It has been a roller coaster of a season; we experienced some incredible highs contrasted by moments we would rather forget. The mental toughness of the team was put to the test a few times this year and the team responded every time to play some very classy football. One case in particular was playing against Glenmore Park with 10 players at Glenmore Park who had 15 players. To score the opening goal and walk away with a 2-2 was a moment I will never forget. To say that this team has depth of talent and commitment to the game and each other would be an understatement. This team boasts some of the most mature, well-mannered and respectful young men I have ever had the pleasure in coaching.

I want to say thank you to each and every one of you for the season, it may not have yielded the results we wanted at times but as a team you have grown stronger and I look forward to seeing you progress into senior football next year. Thank you to Ken who has always ensured the smooth running of this team and has provided valuable advice to me through the year. Thank you to the parents and supporters, every cheer, every encouraging word lifted the team on many occasions when energy levels were depleted. Thank you to the players for giving me the opportunity to coach you, enjoy the summer break and I hope to see you next year.

Players: Oscar Adams, Isaac Breia, Wilson Dowling, Bailey Ellis, Mitch Hawes, Sam Heritage, Ethan Hughes, Tim Hurley, Callum McKay, Nick McMaster, Ryan Nightingale, Jack Prineas, Josh Smith

Coach: Graeme Ellis

Manager: Ken Nightingale

U17/1 – 5th

The boys struggled to prevent early goals this year and played from behind far too often. That being said by the second half of the season they were more than competitive in every game and took pride in knocking off, at the time, the undefeated premiers St Clair. This game alone showed what they were capable of and augers well for the future.

Thanks to all the lads for another enjoyable year, thanks also to Steve for looking after the game day Manager's duties.

I also want to pay tribute to the volunteers who run the club, from the football and management committees through to the coaches and managers who give up their time. It is a pleasure to be involved with such a great community club.

Players: Lachlan Atkins, James Boidin, Zac Comfort, Julian Maguire, Kieran McDonald, Aiden Morgan, Ryan O'Flanagan, Jacob Patterson, Aidan Richards, Jackson Saunders, Scott Sharp, Ben Sneesby, Ryan Tait, Dom Torcasio

Coach: Bryan Richards

Manager: Steven McDonald

U17/2 – 7th

This season brought new challenges after the team's success in 2015. Apart from playing in a higher division, the boys had to set their alarm clocks early to arrive in time for a 9am start on Sunday mornings. After having the luxury of afternoon matches last season enabling a sleep-in most Saturday mornings, the boys were given a touch of reality being the first cabs off the rank playing each Sunday.

It is surprising how each of the boys coped with rising at dawn. Some were quite energetic and raring to go, others were not sure whether getting out of bed was such a good idea and a few of them spent the first 15 minutes of the match wiping the sleep out of their eyes. However, when their morning dose of weetbix had digested and the blood started pumping through the veins, the boys played some very entertaining football.

Being slow starters to get into the groove did have its disadvantages. At times when I wandered to get my morning coffee just after the referee blew the whistle to start the match, I returned to the coach's box minutes later only to find we conceded a couple of early goals. This never formed part of the pre-match discussion however it did mean that we spent the rest of the match playing catch up football.

Now some teams like to play from behind on the score board and relish the challenge. As a coach I was never a great fan of the concept. That's not to say we chased every game. Some of our best results were on the back of taking the initiative and playing with the scoreboard in our favour. When this happened, the boys walked off the pitch with three competition points in the bag.

On our day we were capable of beating any team in our competition. There were matches when everything seemed to click into gear and our opposition struggled against us. There were occasions when the scoreboard did not reflect how well the boys played. Despite the end result, I was proud of the way they conducted themselves; displaying the utmost level of sportsmanship.

I have been very fortunate to coach this group of boys for a few seasons now. It is rewarding to watch a group of boys grow into young men and know that you have had, albeit a small role to play, in their development. Thank you boys for letting me be a part of your football life.

Thank you to our wonderful manager Wendy who was the matriarch figure of the team. She ensured the boys were all organised to take the pitch. Parents, I know it was a bit of a rude shock having to rise early on a Sunday morning however thank you for supporting the team.

Players: Daniel Bosley, Griffen Burgess, Tom Falconer, Oliver Freame, Kieren Holder, Gerard Holman-Lee, Jonah Keown-Halley, Ryan Leehy, Simon Maher, Ryley Millar, Brendon Minney, Luke Porter, Brendan Vittozzi, Braydon Wells

Coach: Sean Leehy

Manager: Wendy Millar

2017 IMPORTANT DATES

Grading Commences - 11 February 2017

SSF Muster Day - 18 February 2017

Senior Muster Day - 19 February 2017

Paul Bryden Cup - 4 March 2017

SUFC COACHING POSITIONS

SUFC are currently seeking expressions of interest for all Coaching positions for the 2017 season.

If you would like to be considered for a position, please contact

coaching@springwoodunited.com.au

2016 Annual General Meeting

Saturday 22 October, 7:00pm at the Clubhouse.

Refer to SUFC Website within 30 days of AGM date for all details regarding nominations.

Female Football Team Reports

U12/1 Girls - Premiers

What a fantastic season for the U12G1. Right from the start, under the guidance of Coaches Robert and Tegan, the girls were a force to be reckoned with despite being the first time some of them had participated in a competitive competition! All players brought their own set of skills to the team and Tegan and Rob did a great job of developing the girls, focussing on strategy, technique and teamwork and the results speak for themselves.

The team finished the season with 13 wins, 1 draw and 2 losses. A quick goal tally showed the U12G1 scored 85 goals while only allowing 7 goals against them. What a sensational effort! The girls were able to win a very tight Division 1 competition and qualified for the Champion of Champions. The team finished the season with an extremely tight match against Lowland Wanderers who stole the match 2-1.

Kaydi: Goalkeeper, committed and brave playing in the grand final with broken fingers. During quiet times in games Kaydi would practice her artistic ability, drawing in the dirt. Kaydi was also a force when on the field with an eye for goal.

Holly: Playing right defence, Holly proved to be very determined, showing pace and skill with excellent overlapping runs setting up numerous goals. Holly also provided cover for the central defence sweeping behind and preventing dangerous counter attacks.

Emilee: Team captain and central defender. Powerful and reliable, Emilee could always be relied on when needed. Also, when the opportunity arose a keen striker with a thunderous shot.

Catriona: Central defender with a fantastic ability to read the play. Won many tackles and never gave up the chase. Classy touches and turns facing her own goal a feature.

Demir: Left side defence. Won difficult tackles under pressure providing the opportunity to start attacking phases. A terrific team player who showed outstanding sportsmanship. Trained hard and worked on her game with great results. Right side attackers beware.

Cassidy: Defensive midfield/defender. Flexible, solid showing composure beyond her years. Cassidy's desire to maintain possession and pass through teams or feed the ball wide provided the catalyst for many attacks.

Bridget: Attacking midfield. Great ball control and dribbling skills a feature. Formed part of a tireless engine room tackling and running down opponents. Scored one of the goals of the season and celebrated in style!

Alice: Midfield. Tenacious and aggressive never afraid of a challenge. Played a vital role maintaining possession and linking with attackers. Short passing a season highlight.

Olivia: Attacking midfield. Extremely strong, fast and skilful. Scoring goals for fun from inside or outside the box and providing multiple opportunities for others with crossing of an extraordinary level. Had goalkeepers quaking in their boots.

Ella: Striker/midfield. Excellent ball skills with the ability to dribble long distances through the centre of the field. Scored and created many goals. Provided the pick me up tonic for the team when needed.

Evey: Right attacker. The entertainer, providing opportunities for others and also scoring great solo goals. Extremely dynamic and motivating to the whole team. Left fullbacks everywhere are having nightmares about Evey's dribbling skills.

Hannah: Left attacker. Skill, speed and fitness. Able to dribble beyond right backs for fun, created and scored many goals this season. Excellent individual and team player. Able to provide assistance to our left defence with recovery runs.

Kayley: Forward/reserve goalkeeper. Goal poaching expert. Pressing forward and always putting pressure on opposition central defenders. Finished off many team moves with goals inside 6-yard box. Infectious enthusiasm often providing the lift the team needed.

Zoe: Defender. Brought up from U11's. Has provided tenacity and tackling ability when called on. Has fitted in seamlessly toward the end of the season.

A big thank you to the parents of the U12G1 team for their willingness to help with oranges, washing jerseys, canteen duty and of course the infamous dash for shirts when one parent (who won't be named here) forgot it was his turn to bring shirts. The shirts did make it back in time for the game, much to the dismay of the opposing team who were hoping we would have to forfeit as "they hadn't yet won a game this season!"

Well done everyone, thanks for a great year! From you managers, Michelle & Rachelle

Players: Alice Bishop, Cassidy Chambers, Kaydi Christie, Olivia De La Harpe, Catriona Haberman, Hannah Haberman, Bridgette Lloyd-Williams, Ella Lynch, Holly McIlveen, Evey McLaren, Kayley O'Reilly, Emilee Schatzman, Demir Vassallo

Coaches: Robert Haberman & Tegan Haberman Managers: Rachelle Greentree & Michelle O'Reilly

U12/2 Girls Black – 2nd

Eve was our fierce goalkeeper who was a force to be reckoned with at times saving many spectacular goals throughout the season. Eve is a coach's dream keeper. She read the play well and was always the first to offer words of encouragement to her team mates.

Lauren proved to be a powerhouse and key player to our defence. Our centreback, she read the play well and would always strip the opposition of the ball. Lauren was solid as a rock on the ball and off the ball so good had the time to do the Macarena.

Audrey was one of our backs also assisted in left midfielder. She gave her best effort every week and was never far away from the action. A strong player, Audrey was always keen to learn new skills & develop as a player.

Olivia was our left back and midfielder. She plays with confidence and determination. An energetic player who showed good sportsmanship towards her team mates and opposition, Olivia was always willing to defend and give 100%.

Piper was a great team player who showed good skill improvement throughout the year. Her willingness to play all positions including goal keeper was commendable and she even provided entertainment during games by doing the Macarena in defence.

Kate was one of our solid backs who also assisted in goals. Kate turned out to be a valuable team player making it difficult for the opposition to pass. Nurse Kate was so caring she even assisted the opposition when they were down and injured.

Annie was our solid stopper playing sweeper. She is a coach's dream player. Annie was fearless getting to the ball fast and frustrating the opposition on many occasions. Throughout the season, her confidence developed immensely.

Roxy was our ever ready bunny so fast to get to the ball winning most tackles. I am sure Roxy frustrated the opposition with her speed and skill. She was a valuable team player who worked well in the team.

Rebecca can run with the ball and would put her body on the line when needed and instrumental in assisting teammates in positioning. Proving that great things can come in small packages, Rebecca showed great sportsmanship offering words of support to not just players but to the referees as well.

Chloe proved to be a strong and reliable player. As a striker her determination proved a force to be reckoned with scoring some top notch goals throughout the season. As the season progressed her confidence grew. Chloe had a knack of coming out of nowhere to steal the ball from the opposition.

Ella is a strong midfielder who would get in the face of the opposition to steal the ball. Her eagerness and determination saw her often score or assist many fantastic goals. Ella was always quick to get to the ball and defend when needed. A very strong and reliable player.

Grace has had a spectacular season. A very skill and reliable player, Grace has scored and assisted many goals. Her eagerness and tremendous skills has seen Grace become a highly valued player this season.

Sia-Rose is a strike to be reckoned with. She worked hard and never gave up the chase. She proved week after week she was tough as nails with great ball control and determination to challenge her opponents and beat them to the ball.

Rose's confidence and skill has seen her score many goals. She has had a spectacular season showing great determination and enthusiasm each week. Throughout the season, Rose has developed great ball skill. She is always full of energy and eager to beat her opponent to the ball.

Players: Lauren Beaton, Sia-Rose Campbell, Rebecca Hand, Audrey Haynes, Roxy Howell, Piper Hunter, Eve Hurley, Ella Irvine, Chloe Kitching, Olivia Long, Grace Miller, Rose Priora, Kate Roberts, Annie Smith

Coach: Keith Hand

Manager: Linda Hand

U12/2 Girls White – 7th

What a great team to coach. This team was made up of 9, 10 & 11 year old girls making it a very young team. Despite the girls coming up against some much bigger opposition they gave it everything. The girls gelled together quickly and some great friendships were made.

The start of the season was aimed at learning positions and new skills. The girls won some games and lost some games but they always had a smile on their faces.

Our team as follows:

Isabella Bonnici - striker who never stopped running. Always where the ball was. Set up some nice goals and rewarded by scoring in the last game.

Ashley Chrighton - gained new skills and a better understanding of the game. Made some fantastic saves in goals.

Alexanna Gould-Towns - the quiet achiever. Playing midfield she stopped the opponents and had some great runs down the side.

Molly Jones - fastest player on the field with great ball skill and control. Rewarded with some very nice goals.

Elizabeth Kerkham - always a strong performer in the midfield and in goals. Scored some great goals through the season.

Emelia Lonergan - started during the season but soon became part of the team. Skills developed quickly and she was always ready to give it her best.

Eliza Manners - the energiser who never stopped. Great skills in centre mid, setting up many goal opportunities.

Tamsyn McGrouther - strong attacker whose skills developed through the season and always put in 100%. Scoring some goals and setting up others.

Chyna Moore - midfielder who never gave up. Enthusiastic player with energy and skills to match. Little pocket rocket. Great in goals also.

Chelsea Muller - the little defender who let nothing past. Big kick with great skills she was a pleasure to watch.

Alkira Rintoul - what a defender. Not many got passed her and if they did she was quick to get it back. Confidence grew every game.

Amy Rowntree - started off a bit shy but each week her confidence grew and she was fantastic in the midfield. Great to see her skills develop every game.

Anastasia Sawyer - the great all-rounder. Strong in defence, great skills in mids and scored goals. Always happy to play wherever she was put.

Charli Settree - fantastic left mid and left back. Knows how to read the game and a big kick to boot.

Isabella Trinajstic - fantastic in goals making some great saves throughout the season. Played well up front also.

Thanks to all the girls, their parents and a special thanks to Carla Sawyer for managing the team. Carla was always prepared and communication was fantastic.

Players: Isabella Bonnici, Ashley Crighton, Alexanna Gould-Towns, Molly Jones, Elizabeth Kerkham, Emelia Lonergan, Eliza Manners, Tamsyn McGrouther, Chyna Moore, Chelsea Muller, Alkira Rintoul, Amy Rowntree, Anastasia Sawyer, Charli Settree, Isabella Trinajstic

Coach: Megan Gilchrist

Manager: Carla Sawyer

U14/1 Girls – 3rd

"Boom". Like the gun going off at the start of a race we began the season. Although placing third in the end, the girls never took their winning smile off their faces.

Brittney once again you proved to be one of the most courageous goalies going around, you gave the team the confidence to go forward and attack the opposition.

Our defence was strong and playing out was never a problem, which meant we kept possession of the ball, Isabella led the defence and Jordan and Lizzy fed the midfield really well out wide.

With Lauren in the midfield running down every ball and fighting to get the ball back, encouraged the other players to get involved.

It was great to see players like Hayli, Chloe, Holly and Georgia come out of their skin and evolve into stronger, more confident players.

With Bella, Katherine, Ally and Elena in the attack always creating a headache for the opposition.

We had a few disappointing moments through the year, like when Dutto (Alanna) broke her collar bone. It was great to see her recover and finish the season playing.

Huge thanks to our team managers, Jenny, Michelle and Jo.

We would also like to thank all the players that were upgraded to our team though out the year.

Can't wait for next year to do it all over again. Well done girls.

Players: Lauren Allan, Katherine Bettencourt, Jordan Chambers, Chloe Chapman, Alanna Dutton, Brittney Farrelly, Elena Goudis, Isabella Ligteringen, Hayli Shiels, Holly Skinner, Georgia Sroczynski, Isabella Valle, Elizabeth Vidler, Alexandra Whitfield

Coach: Dion Valle

Manager: Jo-Anne Allan & Jennefer Whitfield

U14/3 Girls – 5th

No report submitted

Players: Carla Adams, Lauren Bailey, Lila Bishop, Macey Cameron, Georgia Chew, Hannah Frazer-Montgomery Hughes, Eliza-Jayne Frost, Cassidy George, Ashlyn May, Emily McMaster, Lilli Prineas, Ellie Smith, Ellie Watson, Alora White

Coach: Russell May

Manager: Katrina Hughes

U16/2 Girls – Premiers

Congratulations to this brilliant group of footballers on a deservedly successful season which finished with us on top of the table with 15 wins and just the 1 loss. When we started the season with a couple of convincing wins we knew that we were going to be competitive but at that stage we weren't to know just how successful we were going to be.

By the time we reached the half way point in the season we had won every game but we also knew that the second time around was going to be more difficult. With this in mind the girls went into every game respecting their opponent. Equally, if things weren't going to plan they always remained positive and played with great determination. This was never more evident than in the crucial win at Wentworth Falls.

Even though on the pitch the girls were playing to win, they were having fun, enjoying their football and enjoying each other's company. As their coach I'm really proud of the way these girls played their football, carried out instructions, played with spirit, teamwork and sportsmanship. It's also pleasing to see the development in individual skills from one end of the season to the other.

They are a great group of kids supported by a great group of parents. Thank you to everyone that has helped out during the year, particularly our Manager, Tonje, and also the girls that we borrowed from the 14/1Gs.

Congratulations team on winning the competition. You deserve it.

Players: Genevieve Blandin de Chalain, Kiaesha Durie-Fox, Lily Edwards, Natalie Frost, Brodie Hancock, Siobhan Harrison, Chelsea Jones, Brooke Kay Vaughan, Summer Mabon, Mikayla Robertson, Madison Sroczyński, Lily Stubbs, Georgia Thomas, Marlena Thomson

Coach: Nigel Stubbs

Manager: Tonje Akerholt

AAW/1 – 2nd

ONE POINT! That's all that was in it, EVERY TACKLE, EVERY CHALLENGE AND EVERY GAME COUNTS. We all know a point is a point and can make all the difference between finishing second or winning. After winning division 1, the grand final and competing in the Champion of Champions last year, it was a little disappointing to finish runners-up, the ladies themselves would agree I am sure. The ladies knew from the beginning that it would be difficult to win back to back titles but were prepared, make no mistake finishing runners-up was still a huge achievement in a difficult 10 team competition and the set-backs we had throughout the season. We won 12, drew 2, and lost 3, scoring 54 and conceding 20, finishing on 41 points.

We brought in 5 new players this year and all settled in superbly, everything pointed towards a very successful season and we were so close, we simply lacked scoring against some of the sides we should have beaten convincingly. We defended superbly and dominated most of the games with our superb and very strong midfield but lacked that killer instinct. We were down players at some critical parts of the season and this did not help our objective, but that's life and we must do what we can do with what we have at that time, this caused a number of reshuffles despite this we still were successful.

The ladies were positive and supportive of each other, teams enjoyed playing against you because you conducted yourselves in a mature and professional manner with many compliments coming from the opposition. With Eliza being the goalkeeper, the defence was primarily made up of Lucy, Jemma, Natalie, Fiona E and Fiona H. They were resilient and worked their socks off.

The midfield formation was strong, organised and dominating. They were primarily made up of Georgia D, Nicole, Georgia V, Amy, Fiona S and Kiera, their possession and distribution enabled the team to move forward effectively and they created many chances for themselves and the forwards they also dominated possession.

The forwards consisted of Jess Bell, Maddie T and Emma S. They worked extremely hard, the fact is we scored the most goals in the competition well done.

All-in-all not only a successful year on the field, you all should be proud of yourselves and reminisce of your achievement thinking about the obstacles that you had to overcome and the challenges you endured, so ladies chin up and see you next season.

Thank you to all the girls for your promptness and politeness to communications during the season, a special thanks goes to Emma joining the team 8 weeks or so after having a baby. A big thanks to the SUFC club officials, they all put so much into the football at SUFC and ask for so little in return. Guys you did an awesome job.

A special thank you goes out to Alyssa for fulfilling the role of Assistant Manager, a role that she learned and took over with great effectiveness. Thanks to all the players and of course the parents etc.

This is a special, special thanks which goes out to Andrew (the best manager ever) as he has decided to resign from the role of manager next year and relinquish his duties at the club for personal reasons. He has contributed to the club for 16 years or so doing so much for the players and local community, he is a manager who left no stone un-turned and is extremely professional, passionate and precise. The ladies were always updated with the latest changes and information his communication and organisation is second to none, he and I always sought advice and opinions from each other I shall miss that. This man will be greatly missed and SUFC will be disadvantaged as a result of his resignation, we will all miss you Brother Andrew, but I know you will still come and watch, we will keep your seat warm and may even allow you to stand next to the coach lol!

Players: Jessica Bell, Georgia Dunham, Fiona Erich, Lucy Fenech, Amy Harris, Fiona Harrop, Eliza Johnson, Jemma Jones, Natalie Meehan, Kiera Minney, Fiona Skrzypnik, Emma Sloan, Nicole Sloan, Maddie Todhunter, Georgia Voura.

Coach: Steve Jones

Manager: Andrew Harrop

AAW/4 Black – 3rd

This is an amazing and unique team. 5 mother/daughter combinations plus my own daughter and 5 more good players makes for a unique coaching experience. The team has continued to improve making them a pleasure to coach. Premiers AAW/6 two years ago, premiers AAW/5 last year and now 3rd in the AAW/4's this year has proven how good a team they are.

Some very good players combined with some very determined players combined with some very consistent players all displaying great teamwork and all showing a willingness to improve.

My thanks also to Leanne who due to injury could not play this year so put her hand up to manage just so she could still be with the team. A team with spirit and dedicated to enjoying their football.

Players: Jessica Cambourn, Sarah Carter, Karen Dufty, Breianna Gilchrist, Megan Gilchrist, Casey Hartup, Sue Hartup, Jade Kralj, Michelle Kralj, Angeliqye Lynch, Cheryl Lynch, Jane Manners, Melinda Morris, Sarah Reynolds, Marina Rowe, Louisa Weston

Coach: Ken Dufty

Manager: Leanne Smith

AAW/4 White – 6th

It's amazing we finished the season!! This season has been full of action, some girls playing All Age for the first time. Unfortunately, our first hiccup came in one of our first games of the season, when Jess damaged her knee and that was the end of her season, Jess was also our coach, so not only were we one player down, we lost our coach, we hope you are recovering well Jess. A new coach was found and Jimmy was welcomed by all the girls, bringing enthusiasm and fun into the team - thank you Jimmy for your continued support throughout the season.

This season has seen these girls deal with much more than just football. I wish to congratulate all the girls in the way they handled everything, they showed a great deal of respect and wonderful support for each other, well done girls.

With work, study, university, social and travel commitments we found it hard to field a team most Sundays, but in all games the girls showed great sportsmanship and wonderful team spirit, there was always laughter and a good time had.

A special thank you to Katrina & Olivia for fulfilling the role of "Laundry Ladies", our jerseys were always clean and smelt lovely, thank you Katrina for purchasing a tonne of softener for Olivia to use.

Thank you also to Sonia for fulfilling the role of "Orange Lady", thank you Sonia.

As Manager, I have enjoyed the season with you all, such a lovely group of girls - thank you girls and hopefully I will see you all next season.

Players: Melinda Allan, Brooke Ashby, Olivia Hutchinson, Kasey Krywinski, Taylor Krywinski, Karina Maloney, Tamika Pulbrook, Kaitlenn Rutland, Emily Smyth, Sonia Spence, Megan Sturges, Jessica Taylor, Chloe Waghorn, Jadelyn Williamson

Coach: Jimmy Millar

Manager: Samantha Rutland

AAW/6 – 6th

To a group of outstanding ladies whose enthusiasm for the game was a joy all season. Well done and as always great team spirit.

Players: Michelle Christie, Rachel Collyer, Amanda Cooksley, Melanie Dighton, Susan Dunn, Eva Gerencer, Annette Harrop, Rhonda Jenkinson, Sharon Morgan, Michelle O'Flanagan, Jenneifer Paton, Donna Patterson, Julia Richardson, Rita Sipione, Ingrid Wells

Coach: Annette Harrop

Manager: Michelle O'Flanagan

*To get yourself and/or your children on the fields each week we need people to help out on the Committee. These is a great way for you to become involved, meets lots of the members and have a say in the way YOUR club is run. If you think a committee position may take up too much time but would still like to be involved, there are plenty of areas you could help without committing to a dedicated role. **If you think you can help please make yourself known to a committee member or email secretary@springwoodunited.com.au***

Male Football Team Reports

U18/1 Black – 4th

Our expectations for this season were fairly simple, we wanted to be competitive without being too serious & yet be serious enough to be competitive.

I think we can honestly say that we succeeded in both objectives. From a fairly rough start where we struggled to field a team, we went on to give both Glenmore Park & Blaxland, the 2 best teams by a long shot, the frights of their lives in the return games & both teams needed lucky goals to beat us. We ended up finishing in 4th position.

The boys gelled quickly with players making positions their own quite quickly. The team was well balanced & the boys backed each other up through thick & thin. I cannot recall a bad word between them & win or lose they were laughing with each other at the end.

It was a pleasure to coach this team, I enjoyed the banter & joking & although training sometimes felt like I was trying to herd cats, it was all good fun. I hope that the boys every now & then learnt a little too. A huge thank you to Sylvia from all of us, for all her brilliant organisational skills & hard work behind the scenes. I'm not sure the boys know exactly what it takes to run a team, but Sylvia made it look easy as usual.

Best of luck to all the boys doing their HSC over the coming months & I hope everything works out exactly as you want it to.

Thanks again.

Players: Paul Ajok, Louis Boyd, Mitchell Duncan, Zac Grima, Niahm Jarrett, Nicholas Johnston, Luke Kowald, Benjamin Ong, Ryan Parlato, James Sherriff, Isaac Smith, Stuart Smith, Lachlan Thomas, Fionn Wilkinson

Coach: Ray Sherriff

Manager: Sylvia Ong

U18/1 White – 5th

2016 was a great year for our team; the boys made some great friendships and most of them were forced to play out of their comfort zone and played in positions they had never tried. We started the season without a goal keeper which led to one of our field players stepping up to the position. Jack did an outstanding job as keeper and saved some tremendous goals, the team was very grateful, thank you. To the rest of the players you are to be commended on your team effort, and respect to the other players and referees. You all played so well, each contributing your own individual skill to the team, it is a shame that we encountered so many injuries during the season as this affected our place on the ladder each week, however it was nice to end the season with a win. Above all, we hope that you all enjoyed the season as much as we did, thank you hope to see you all next year.

Players: Bailey Attard, Christian Bakija, Connor Byrne, Dean Camilleri, Daniel Erich, Brodie Gilchrist, Dean Hill, Angus Hosking, Lewis Hughes, Liam Jones, Zachary Maxwell, Benjamin Medveczky, Gianni Sipione, Jack Woodlands

Coach: Tim Whitting

Manager: Fiona Erich

U21/1 – 6th

The season started with 12 registered players – a mix of old and new, good friends looking to kick around a football on a Sunday. Some were working and others undertaking university studies and working part-time.

Against this backdrop and my knowledge of their fondness for late Saturday nights I foresaw some challenges for the year. This proved correct and we played most games with 10 or 11 against teams

with larger playing squads. However the boys rose to the challenge and most games were decided by just one or two goals or ended in a draw.

We were fortunate to have great support from the U17s and U18s with upgrades. In particular the U17s helped us out on many occasions with Zac Comfort and Lachlan Atkins, and Lachlan ending up being our leading goal scorer with 6 goals. Thanks to these players and their respective coaches for allowing their participation.

I would also like to thank the team for a great year. A few extra wins would have been nice, but it was one I thoroughly enjoyed. Our final position on the ladder didn't reflect our successes – friendships, good times, some fitness and some good football. You were coachable, humorous, in the main reliable, and most importantly, young men that I am proud to be associated with.

Players Player Award – Nicholas Duncan

Coaches Award – Freddie Fletcher

Players: Nathan Brokman, Nicholas Duncan, Freddie Fletcher, Nathan Frost, Cooper Jackson, Jordan Lever, Grant Melville, Patrick Moloney, Lyndon Moss, Jake Scaramuzzi, Dylan Severs, Daniel Wheatley

Coach: Graeme Brokman

Manager: Nathan Brokman

AAM/3 – 3rd

Wow! What a year for this great bunch of guys. Last year we couldn't seem to win a game but this year we worked really hard to better ourselves and managed to make it to the Grand Finals only losing 4 games all season. A huge thank you to Ciaran Rooney and Pat Bartush for managing all the administration and making sure everything ran smoothly. Thank you to all our family and friends who made the effort to come and support us throughout the year and last but not least a massive thank you to all the guys for making this a season to remember. It has been an honour to coach the team this year and can't wait for next season.

Players: Pat Bartush, Nick Carlino, Chad Caruana, Stuart Cooke, Ashley Dickson, Harry Gill, Hess Hami, Nick Kramhoft, Iain Lynch, Mitch Lynch, Jayden Magennis, Zac McIlvride, Dylan O'Brien, Alex O'Connor, Mitch Robson, Ciaran Rooney, Joshua Sayers, Oli Smith, Callum Stopford

Coach: Joseph Labour

Managers: Ciaran Rooney & Pat Bartush

AAM/4 – 8th

No report submitted.

Players: William Bennetts, Dennis Dorofeev, Dmitry Dorofeev, Aaron Driscoll, Jake Hankin, Bradlee Longley, Bradley Millevoi, Jackson Moss, Luke Oliver, Blake Rayner, Rhys Rayner, Brenton Taylor, Connor Toland, Ashley Wacher, Jason Ward

Coach: Connor Toland

Manager: Jason Ward

AAM/11 – 6th

It's been a pleasure to coach the lads this year (most are returners), which says a lot about the type of people we have in our side as we aren't exactly the best result based team.

A few honourable and dishonourable mentions this year...

For our honourable;

Nick, Adam, Danni and Mark (ET), welcome to your first year of football with the Springwood 11's, fresh blood has made a very nice addition to our squad. To Lachlan and the 3 musketeers, Sean,

Mark and Nyeff, our solid backline that kept out what would have been 100+ more goals out, thank you. Giles, David, Liam and Munro, whether it be scoring screamers or the sweatiest of dirtiest tap-ins, I thank you.

For our dishonourable mentions;

Nick, Lachlan and James, not getting off the mark. You've made me extremely unhappy, that I have to see what I now have to see at EOS. On that note, dishonourable mention for weirdo Reirido who lived up to his name with some unmentionable pictures. Now to his uncle, our out and out striker scoring only a handful of goals, maybe they were all in Windsor. To Grumpy Dave for being Grumpy Dave.

It has truly been a pleasure coaching each and every one of you, I hope to see you all at end of season and again next year!

Players: Geoff Bailey, Danilo Capuyon, Liam Dalby, David De Chelard, Morgan Drake, Riordan Drake, Mark Eller-Turner, Stuart Fox, Adam Gascoigne-Cohen, James McArthur, Giles McLoughlin, Mark McLoughlin, Sean McLoughlin, Marc Munro, Nicolai Sorenson, Lachlan Way

Coach: Stuart Fox

Manager: David De Chelard

O35/1 – 5th

2016 saw the squad once again pitted against the finest of the district's aging population. The season would once again prove that we did not fall into the category of 'finest'.

The question at the start of the year was, would Bruce score an own goal? Bookmakers rightly weren't taking bets as he showed his finishing skills at the wrong end of the park.

Christian may complain that his goal return was low due the lack of balls to his feet from his team mates. His team mates may suggest that he needs to move his feet in order to find the ball.

New to the team, Brendan showed extraordinary flair, skill and pace that suggests he may in fact be 25.

Newcomers Marty & Ash proved, despite popular belief, that you can be both Everton fans and decent blokes. They've got some skills on the park as well.

Gavin shocked his team mates by failing to receive a red card although his absence at Werrington was worthy of a suspension.

When Peter D hobbled off Summerhayes late in the season, the shockwaves were felt across the globe. He was joined on the injured list by Tom and the two of them were to learn that unfit players were useful for standing on the sidelines screaming at their team-mates. We believe that they may have been messages of support and encouragement.

Chris stepped into goal on occasion and had some shining moments. He also showed what a generous human he is by offering opposition strikers the occasional gift.

Terry returned the club and had a flawless season in defence although there is no truth to the rumour that the grandstand will be named after him.

Nigel's composure in front of goal showed why he has been shifted to the backline.

Despite being best friend to all physiotherapists, Trevor managed to fling himself around in goals to save the blushes of the defence in front of him.

Defender / Midfielder / Forward Sean may not be aware that the managerial group were discussing adding goalkeeping to his range of tasks.

An Irishman (Ciaran), a Dutchman (Peter M) and a South African (Craig) walked into a bar... well that may have been a better place to be each Sunday in a season that saw us score just 16 and concede 52 in 15 games.

Thanks to all for another fun-filled season and particular thanks to everyone that pitched in on match day or training nights. Hope to see you all back next year.

Players: Brendan Cusack, Peter Dempsey, Terry Frost, Christopher Gilchrist, Tom Goudis, Craig Harrison, Sean Leehy, Ashley Livingston, Martin Livingston, Peter Monnink, Gavin Morgan, Ciaran O'Flanagan, Trevor Pride, Bruce Robins, Christian Shaw, Nigel Stubbs

Coach: Tom Goudis

Manager: Nigel Stubbs

O35/3 – 7th

Quickly another year draws to an end. This year we actually had reserves but unfortunately that still didn't help us win games. Two draws (that's not a loss) was the best we could muster. There were some highlights, the Ellis handball unfortunately the 18 yard box is not the sideline! Who could forget Michael Flatley AKA Horner with his step-overs? Linc joined the team and got a little excited when he scored his first goal since he was 6 years old. Scotty the "axeman" Jacka was dropping opposition forwards all season. Baz was always toiling up front with a number of players getting on the top scorers sheet. Poor Linc made it onto the scorer's sheet only to finish on minus with some spectacular own goals. A few injuries to a number of players hampered our winning momentum along the way, but never our enthusiasm. We laughed and celebrated post-match each week. We thank Scotty our esky manager, he was always the first player picked each week, we might not have a match ball or the jerseys but we had beer. Who can forget playing at St Marys when Mark asks who has the shirts? A few frozen seconds and the realisation was that he did!!! A mad dash back up the mountain and back to the ground. We still managed to kick-off, only a few minutes late.

The boys have all enjoyed the season and we look forward to our end of season debrief. Looking forward to you all returning next year.

Players: Christian Batchelor, Graham Ellis, Matthew Frail, James Ghata, Andrew Graham, Graeme Horner, Scott Jacka, Peter Murphy, Lincoln Rintoul, Barry Salisbury, Lee Scurr, Michael Skinner, Andrew Smith, Mark Tandy, Dale Wade-Ferrell, Byron Walker

Coach: Andrew Graham

Manager: Michael Skinner

O35/4 – 7th

The Springwood United Club should be very proud to have a team as committed as O35/4.

Although it didn't show in our results, we were repeatedly undermanned week after week but the guys made the opposing teams know they were in a football game up to the final whistle.

Playing every week for each other and usually in a position that put them out of their comfort zone the guys got on with the job as usual without complaining.

On the 50th Anniversary I believe next season with a strong reserve bench, our team will be picking up a Premiership medal on Presentation night.

Players: Craig Adams, John Baxter, Dean Berwick, Patrick Campbell, Michael Cini, Roy Clifford, Alan Griffiths, Noel Lynch, Michael Magyary, Scott Palmer-Brown, George Papatotiriou, Tullio Penserini, Trevor Rowntree, Rory Shanahan, Derek Temple, Duncan Walker

Coach: John Baxter

Manager: Jane Walker

SUFC Football Competitive Teams Summary - 2016

Team	Pos	P	W	D	L	Forf.	Byes	F	A	GD	PTS
U12G/1	1 from 6	15	13	1	1	0	0	84	5	79	40
U12G/2 Black	2 from 10	18	15	2	1	0	0	67	12	55	47
U12G/2 White	7 from 10	18	5	2	11	0	0	24	55	-31	17
U14G/1	3 from 6	15	7	4	4	0	0	26	18	8	25
U14G/3	5 from 8	14	3	5	6	0	0	16	24	-8	13
U16G/2	1 from 9	18	15	0	1	0	2	83	12	71	45
AAW/1	2 from 10	18	13	2	3	0	0	54	20	34	41
AAW/4 Black	3 from 8	14	9	2	3	0	0	53	23	30	29
AAW/4 White	6 from 8	14	4	1	9	0	0	25	70	-45	12
AAW/6	6 from 8	14	2	3	9	0	0	27	46	-19	9
U12/1	3 from 6	15	6	2	7	0	0	22	28	-6	20
U12/2	7 from 8	14	3	2	9	0	0	24	42	-18	11
U12/3	6 from 7	14	2	0	10	0	2	11	55	-44	6
U12/4	6 from 8	14	5	1	8	0	0	42	55	-13	13
U13/1	8 from 8	14	2	0	12	0	0	9	36	-27	6
U13/3	2 from 6	15	12	1	2	0	0	58	22	36	37
U13/4	3 from 6	15	8	4	3	0	0	37	25	12	28
U14/1	3 from 7	14	8	2	1	1	2	36	22	14	26
U14/2	6 from 7	14	3	4	5	0	2	21	31	-10	13
U14/3	4 from 6	15	4	2	9	0	0	33	51	-18	14
U15/1	1 from 10	18	17	1	0	0	0	106	9	97	52
U15/2	5 from 8	14	6	3	5	0	0	28	25	3	21
U16/1	2 from 6	15	11	0	4	0	0	44	19	25	33
U16/3 Black	1 from 8	14	11	0	3	0	0	44	33	11	33
U16/3 White	7 from 8	14	4	2	8	0	0	25	41	-16	14
U17/1	5 from 6	15	4	2	9	0	0	29	47	-18	14
U17/2	7 from 9	18	4	2	10	0	2	29	42	-13	14
U18/1 Black	4 from 8	14	5	5	4	0	0	41	40	1	20
U18/1 White	5 from 8	14	5	3	6	0	0	50	70	-20	18
U21/1	6 from 6	15	1	3	10	1	0	18	53	-35	6
AAM/3	3 from 9	18	11	1	4	0	2	51	27	24	34
AAM/4	8 from 8	14	0	0	8	6	0	7	58	-51	0
AAM/11	6 from 8	14	3	1	10	0	0	24	41	-17	10
O35/1	5 from 6	15	2	3	10	0	0	16	52	-36	9
O35/3	7 from 7	14	0	2	10	0	2	11	48	-37	2
O35/4	7 from 8	14	4	1	9	0	0	14	35	-21	13

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FOOTBALL

The Nursery Trophy (U5-7)	Ben Cassidy
The Little Legend Award (U8-9)	Mia Watson
Most Promising Junior Player (U10-11)	Cameron Trotter
Kerry's Motors Trophy (Most Outstanding U12-13)	Leo Campaner
Andy Howard Trophy (Most Outstanding U14-16)	Connor Thorpe
The Bill Seymour Trophy (Most Outstanding AA Player)	Ciaran Rooney
The Junior Girl Player of the Year (U11-12)	Olivia De La Harpe
The Junior Women's Player of the Year (U13-16)	Isabella Valle
The Senior Women's Player of the Year (U17-AAL)	Jemma Jones
Trevor Pride Trophy (Most Outstanding GK U10-11)	Caleb Dougherty
Robert Stubbs Trophy (Most Outstanding GK U12-U16)	Jordan De Stoop
Matt Dyer Trophy (Most Outstanding Striker U12-18)	Aidan Dugdale
Templeton Trophy (Most Outstanding Senior GK)	Chad Caruana
Paul Bryden Trophy (Most Outstanding O35 Player)	Brendan Cusack
B.M.C.C Shield for the Highest Placed AA Team	AAW Division 1
The Lee Kol Trophy for the Most Successful Coach	Pat Agius
President's Trophy for Coach of the Year	Alex Damon
G.E. Watson Trophy – Senior Clubman	Brogan Mulhall
Junior Clubman	Adam Richardson
Volunteer of the Year	René Dempsey
B.M.C.C Trophy for Best & Fairest U12 – U18 years old	Lleyton Agius



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