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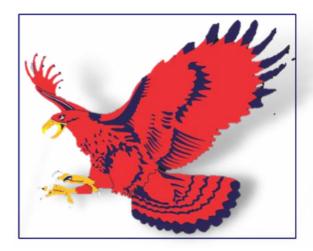








# PRESIDENT'S REPORT



As is always the case with any football year, Season 2022 presented its own set of challenges.

The Curse of Wuhan, Covid, still had a big impact on our operations. Then there was the issue of no social facilities, playing away from home for the first half of the year, and giving up marquee games such as the season opener v Reynella, and having to make the tough decision of transferring the highly valued Digger Day game.

And the butchering of the SFL Senior Women's competition, only weeks from the start of our season, with the significant collateral fallout at ground level. Thanks to the energy, commitment and resilience of Catherine and Pete Cavouras, Hegs, Chloe, Kelsey and so many others, not only did we quickly right the sinking ship, we ultimately tasted the sweetest success.

But all challenges were faced head on, and solutions were found. From the amazing efforts of Bec, Mel, Grant, Darrell, Nat, Stoney and other helpers as we operated temporary merchandise and catering facilities from the gym shed early in the year, to the combined teamwork and comradery that shone so brightly when we hosted the entire second half of the season at home, plus hosting two Sunday finals when our competing teams were scattered far and wide on game day.

We started off the year with a lot of new faces on the committee, some in key roles. A new President, a new Vice President, a new Secretary, a new Senior Football Director, and a new Junior Football Director.

Losing the talent we did from last year's committee meant that many of us were literally learning on the job. For me personally I am very grateful for the ongoing support provided to me from past presidents Neil and Brett. And a big thanks to Kate Williams and Jules Mitchell for guiding us through secretarial and other admin responsibilities.

And I have received so much encouragement and support from so many other wonderful people. Above all, every president needs a trusted VP. And I have an absolute gem, thanks for all your kindness, dedication and support Bec.

To our beloved Treas, Grant, your support not just on financial matters but everything else football, has been enormous and greatly appreciated. And to every other member of the club's management committee, thank you so much for your valuable and selfless contributions.

To all our players, coaches, assistants, team managers, runners, water carriers, timekeepers, catering supporters, thank you. To the mums, dads, carers, grandparents and extended families, thank you for your support.

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

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And a special and massive thanks to our club trainers, headed by Col Russell and supported by Emma (who was presented with the SFL Trainers' Encouragement Award), Kelsey, Steve, Ryan, David, Chris and others chipping in to help out when needed. Each weekend your contribution is unparalleled, starting at first light, and at the end of the day you are always the last to pack up and head for home.

Onfield it was a very successful season. We had seven out of nine teams play finals, with the other two teams just missing the cut. Four teams progressed to the final dance, with one, the A Grade Women, taking home the ultimate prize for the third successive season.

There were many other highlights, including fielding our first Under 11 girls' team, our inaugural First Nations jumper, massive numbers of kids coming through our Auskick and Subbies programs, retaining the Baxter Farrell and Digger Day shields, and our A Grade Women going back to back to back. And of course, eventually returning home to the new Centre facilities. It was a long journey, travelled by many contributors over the years, but one that ultimately has been worth the wait.

And celebrating our club's 60th year of competition, with a fantastic turnout of legends of days gone by in attendance as we hosted arch rivals the Valley Vikings. A truly special highlight was having our club patron Bob Farrell and wife Natalie join us for the day.

Despite the lack of social facilities in the first half of the year, off field we also enjoyed a great season. To all our generous sponsors, a massive thank you. It takes mega \$\$ to run a club like ours, and your generous support cannot be taken for granted. Please continue to support those who support us, whenever and wherever you can. And thanks to Grant and Neil for the tireless work they did managing sponsorship matters this year.

The fantastic Senior Presentations function at The Highway was another highlight. Thanks to Leigh O'Malley for the power of work he did organising the event, and playing MC on such a wonderful night of celebration.

Congratulations to all 2022 trophy and award winners, especially Bec Couldwell for taking home her second successive Brett Charlesworth Club Person of the Year Award. As we all know, Bec does a power of work that goes way beyond her 'official' duties.

And an extra special thankyou Bec for your enormous commitment to the future of our club in your role as Subbies Coordinator for the past three years. It was a massive effort, especially managing disrupted training and match schedules and restrictions during the height of the pandemic. And, of course, thanks for preparing this Annual Report. And the Senior and Junior Awards presentations. Etc etc. etc.

Well done also to Declan and Lauren, joint winners of our Junior Club Person of the Year Award. Very deserving recipients, thanks for all the work you have done to support our club.

Congratulations to all other award winners this season, and to those players who reached significant playing milestones.

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

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To our two SFL medallists, Mel Anderson in the Girls U17s and Sienna Aldridge in the 14s, congratulations. And to all the players and coaching and support staff who were selected in the SFL Teams of the Year, and those who represented our League and Region at representative level, well done.

And to our newest Life Members #78 and #79, Ollie Meinecke and Michael Shearer, congratulations. It is a great honour, and as with all our Life Members, very much deserved. Thank you both for the enormous commitment and contribution you have made to our club over many years.

To our departing A Grade men's coach, thanks for your dedicated input to the success of our club over the past three years. Best wishes Rusty on your future footballing journey, and remember the doors at Flaggies will always be open to you.

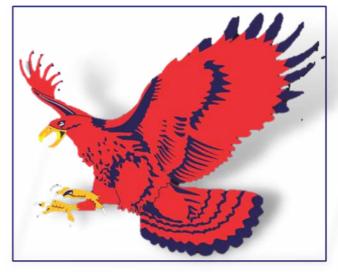
A lot of good people are genuinely invested in our great club, from Auskick, through to subbies, juniors and senior men and women. We are a united club, and have rightly earned an enviable reputation not just in our League, but in sporting circles far beyond.

We are all shareholders in an inclusive and welcoming environment, run by dedicated and committed volunteers. Thanks to each and every one of you for the contribution you make, whether it be onfield, off field or a combination of both.

We can all look forward to Season 2023 with great optimism. Bring it on, and stay Falcon Strong.

David Heard President

# VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



What a year! It all started back in November when we packed up the clubrooms and were excited about the upcoming season and our new digs. What we didn't know then was the clubrooms weren't going to be ready in March as anticipated.

Then at late notice we had to organise the logistics of a home trial game. Thank you to our team of volunteers who helped make it happen, in particular Mel Brennan who was with me at ridiculous o'clock helping stack fridges and sorting how we would sort and operate a canteen from the shed. We did it and kept it going for subbies training and games until we finally had use of the new canteen facilities which are completely amazing!

Then we decided that we would try a few new things in the canteen, who knew gravy would be as popular as it was and then we added Bake Bakery products near the end of the season which turned out to be hugely popular. We look forward to adding some new items next season.

This season we had our first under 11 girls team, while we struggled with numbers to begin with as the season started we did manage to get a few new girls on board.

We managed to get 7 of our 9 teams to the finals which was a great effort by everyone, with the two missing out only be the smallest of margins. Of these 4 teams being our 14 Girls, 17.5 Boys, C Grade and A Grade Women made it to the Grand Final. Unfortunately only our A Grade Women came home with the win. You all did the club proud.

Thank you to all our coaches and their support staff for all their efforts throughout the season. Another big thank you to all our parents and for everyone that has volunteered their time throughout the season. A big thank you to our committee for all their help and support throughout the season.

A few special thank you's, to Dave Heard for all your help, support and guidance throughout the season. To Grant for answering all my stupid questions and agreeing to all the ideas however crazy! To Mel Brennan for supporting and helping me constantly, thank you! Nat Bunworth who took jobs off my to do list every Saturday, big thank you. Catherine Cavouras you are amazing, thank you!

To Bill and Neil, thank you for answering every text and phone call for all the words of wisdom over past 12 months or so.

See you in season 2023, I can't wait froward to it!

**Bec Couldwell Vice President** 

# TREASURER'S REPORT



Once again, the Club has returned a solid performance off the field, ending the 2022 season in a healthy financial position.

The Club's financial year started in November, and we held a very successful Team of the Decade function. At that stage, everything was on track for our sixtieth Anniversary Celebrations, a possible seventh A Grade Premiership in a row, and the use of new facilities that were sure to bring increased revenue for the Club.

However, the 2022 season became two distinctive halves. After moving everything out of the Centre after last year's AGM, everyone was looking forward to Round One. Unfortunately, due to the continuing COVID dramas and resultant shipping delays and building supply shortages, our first game was pushed back a week, then another, and before long it was fairly obvious that we would be playing Away for some time.

Somewhat surprisingly, we were given approval to play Blackwood at Home in our last trial. With a makeshift Canteen operating from the Gym we were able to get by, but the opportunity of hosting one of the biggest clubs with their army of supporters was lost, and the day was only a shadow of what it could have been. In the past, trial games against Blackwood result in takings as big as a normal SFL clash against the top clubs – the only thing missing is the Gate Money.

We didn't eventually have a Home game until the last half of the season, and whilst we did end up playing every team at Home, it was the big occasions that we missed.

Round One was meant to be at Home against Reynella, and it looked like being the greatest match-up in the SFL's history. As reigning Premiers, we were playing the previous year's Preliminary finalist. The second and third ranked sides were playing in the B Grade. The Under 17½ game was a meeting of the Grand Finalists where we were beaten 11-0 to 7-12, but had eight more scoring shots, and the U15 game was a replay of the Grand Final where Reynella won by a point. It would have been a great day.

We also had to move the next game against Morphett Vale, which was the ANZAC Day clash, and arguably our most important game of the year. Whilst our previous Digger Days have drawn big crowds, an advertised helicopter landing at the ground, and the Morphett Vale community's ability to draw 10,000 people to their Dawn Service, would have ensured a huge crowd.

So unfortunately, we missed out on Blackwood, Reynella and Morphett Vale all in a space of about five weeks. The other significant loss was that the Girls' and Women's teams were also Away until halfway through the year. Sunday's takings are not far short of Saturdays nowadays, but at least we were able to still play the Subbies games at Home which meant we weren't completely penniless.

## TREASURERS REPORT CONTINUED

As usual, it was our band of volunteers that kept everything going in the hard times, and when we eventually had access to the new facilities, it was those same volunteers who worked even harder. The last half of the season saw us take more in the Canteen and on the BBQ than we took during the whole year in 2021.

We secured a new Meat sponsorship as well as grants for veranda heaters, new goalpost padding and netting behind the southern goals. We played in Indigenous Jumpers and auctioned them after the game in what was the first step of an initiative that is planned to continue for many years. The Centre allowed us to run a Bar during the rebuilding stage where we made a tidy profit. Gatetakings, Coffee Sales and Sponsorship increased dramatically while Merchandising, the Tipping Competition and Meals continued to add their revenue to the bottom line.

Bingo was well attended and the 125 Club was as good as ever, and suddenly our twelve week Home season was over just as we were getting started.

The 2023 season is building already, and with some new faces in the playing ranks and new facilities that are finally completed and ready to go, it's not hard to predict that 2023 WILL be our best year ever. We are already in a good position.

**Grant McAvaney Treasurer** 

#### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 21 NOVEMBER 2022**

EXPENDITURE RECEIPTS

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	2022		2020	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Players, Coaches	6882.65	50179.41	60233.20	Balance B/F	1 <b>4</b> 178.04	70554.21	59767.85
Player Awards	4400.00	8160.00	9335.00	Subscriptions	34110.50	60182.50	68387.00
Umpires	12342.55	19643.53	20602.00	Pledges	14878.75	20202.00	00007100
Trainers	2238.00	4520.00	5604.00	<b></b>			
Coaches/Trainers Courses	254.50	2761.00	675.00	Gate Takings	4509.65	6291.80	10051.15
Medical	5114.92	6861.22	4133.32	<b>-</b>			
				Auskick		115.44	42.56
Guernseys	4375.00	4386.00	2193.65				
Equipment	5649.43	6487.93	12191.22	Canteen Surplus	14615.02	23740.70	24884.97
Match Day Filming	150.00		300.00	_			
Maintenance	1745.62	1280.41	2377.16	Sat BBQ	3054.58	3258.27	
				Fri/Sun BBQ	3079.04	6806.91	
Trophies	4059.40	4036.70	3911.30	Fri/Sat Sun BBQ			8364.96
Sub Junior Trophies	1705.60	1828.40	1928.85				
Premiership T Shirts		2248.40	798.30	Barista Coffee		3965.73	3215.57
				Bar			2439.43
Oval Hire	1768.50	1006.50	1402.50				
Affiliation Fees	7040.00	10165.00	10095.00	Meals		666.60	677.70
Insurance	6607.78	8144.88	8586.32				
				Sponsorship	23995.00	15555.00	33995.00
Security Costs	1064.25						
GST	8702.00	8661.00	9684.00	Indigenous Jumpers			222.00
Sports TG Fees		2102.43					
PlayHQ Fees			961.73	Merchandising	12469.20	7024.27	5366.85
EFTPOS Fees	546.68	1115.23	1381.20				
Licenses			97.00	Budgie Smugglers	245.00		
Fines		150.00					
Scoreboard Project			2893.00	Raffles	877.00	1339.00	
Coaches Box	598.03						
Team Expenses	229.25	1031.95	1816.10	Toyota Raffle			562.23
Grand Final Expenses	100.00	365.75	170.30	Entertainment Books	192.00	126.00	80.00
Coaches Gifts		1199.16	1494.55	n int	440.50		
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Premiership Posters	1240.00			Stickers/Stubby Holders	40.00		
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Stationery Advertising	156.00	792.00	205.50	Donations	2210.00	3628.32	160.00
Floats	100.00	752.00		Thurs Meal Donations	814.06	1243.40	799.00
Auskick	286.80	239.10		Grants	6900.00	3300.00	23650.00
Sponsorship Expenses	280.80	233.10	2656.50		10.93	0.22	23030.00
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Asset Purchases	2660.00	287.90	6131.37				
, and the residence	200000	207.00	0131.37	Social Events			
Canteen Consumables	469.55	<b>84</b> 7.8 <b>1</b>	864.40	Presentations			
Vouchers	1273.90	2054.00	3286.97	Senior	55.00		575.00
Hire and Misc Purchases	6.58	33.71	528.69	Junior			
Gas Bottle Refills			639.05	Sub Junior	191.87		280.00
				Tipping Competition	475.00	525.00	610.00
Social Events							
<u>Presentations</u>				100/125 Club		<b>27</b> 45. <b>0</b> 0	100.00
SFL		980.00	1175.00	Bingo		30.00	364.00
Senior		70.00					
Junior				Registration Day	541.55		
Sub Junior				Hot Dog Night			239.45
Baxter/Farrell Shield	5.50	2 <del>9</del> .15	60.50	Pie Night			142.93
Half-Time Functions		199.50	199.00	Bleasedale Wine Promotion			360.00
				Meat at the Mount Promotion			628.65
Past Players Day			218.00	Donuts			23.60
SFL Morning Tea	8.90	41.18	1.75	Grand Final Night	815.00		
ANZAC Day		302.50	450.00	Bunnings BBQ		617.65	
Team of Decade		426.54		Team of the Decade			2726.00

Expenditure Relating to				Receipts Relating to			
Previous Years	2020	2024	2022	Previous Years		2024	2022
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>		<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Players, Coaches	893.45	2411.36	4077.85	Players. Coaches			99.00
Trainers		364.00	455.00	Player Awards	200.00		
<b>-</b>	400.50			Sponsorship	13465.00	5500.00	5500.00
Trophies Sub Junior Trophies	192.50		19.20	Subscriptions	1225.00	3480.00	682.50
DVD's			13.20	Merchandise	1225.00	5415.15	1643.86
<b>Grand Final Expenses</b>	67.75			100/125 Club		2568.05	
Subscriptions		1031.00					
Equipment		320.00	100.00	Scoreboard Project	105.00		150.00
Internet Premiership Polos/Tees			100.00	Insurance Goods and Services Auction	46.34 400.00		150.00
Merchandise		470.00	704.00	Trainers	40.00		110.00
Vouchers	480.00	22.00		Venue Hire			150.00
				Entertainment Books	904.00		
Senior Presentation Nigh	40.00			Dank Face		0.71	
Training Tops Postage	1421.75 17.00			Bank Fees Security Costs		0.71 742.50	817.96
Stationery	35.70			Canteen Stock		742.30	10.50
Team Expenses	180.90			Gameen Stock			10.50
Maintenance	68.40			Stickers			
Medical	24.00			Coaches/Trainers Courses	85.00		
				ANZAC Day	100.00		
Balance on Hand	70554.21	59767.85	73158.38	SFL Presentation Night	150.00		
				Meals Warm Up Tops	306.00 100.00		
				waim op rops	100.00		
TOTAL	155802.03	229422.43	259901.72	TOTAL	155802.03	229422.43	259901.72
				<b>Subscriptions</b> Total Received Paid to FCC	<u><b>2020</b></u> 40982.50 6872.00	<u><b>2021</b></u> 71057.50 10875.00	<u><b>2022.00</b></u> 68387.00
				Net Subscriptions	34110.50	60182.50	68387.00
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				Canteen	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022.00</u>
				Takings Cost	19945.25 5330.23	34895.70 11155.00	36462.10 11577.13
				Profit	14615.02	23740.70	24884.97
				,	73.3%	68.0%	68.2%
				Sat BBQ	<u>2020</u>	<u> 2021</u>	
				Takings	4866.00	6712.00	
				Cost	1811.42	3453.73	
				Profit	3054.58	3258.27	
					62.8%	48.5%	
				Fri/Sun BBQ	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	
				Takings	4872.20	12907.00	
				Cost Profit	1793.16 3079.04	6100.09 6806.91	
				rrojit	63.2%	52.7%	
				Fri/Sat/Sun BBQ			<u>2022.00</u>
				Takings			<u>2022.00</u> 19090.60
				Cost			10725.64
				Profit			8364.96
							43.8%

# 2022 CLUB AWARD WINNERS



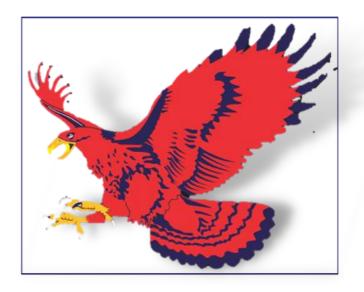
**FHFC Life Member Inductee** Ollie Meinecke – 78th Member Michael Shearer – 79th Member

FHFC Brett Charlesworth Award - Senior Club Person of the Year Rebecca Couldwell

FHFC Junior Club Person of the Year

Lauren Anderson Declan Couldwell

# SENIOR FOOTBALL REPORT



This was my 1 st Year in the role & I certainly had a lot to learn especially with the introduction of PlayHQ which was an interesting experience for everyone who had the pleasure of using it. I would like to thank Donny Aldridge for his assistance knowledge from doing the role previously, his help at the start & encouragement to take on the Role was certainly appreciated.

We also had the challenge of not having Club rooms for the 1 st half of the season so the 1 st round of matches were all played away until we could finally head home & get on our deck. It was nice to lay the 2nd half of the season at home however there is something to be said for playing home & away consistently & poor old Flaggy Oval was looking average by the end of the minor round.

Unfortunately, across all the Senior Grades we didn't manage to secure the ultimate prize however once again we had solid Seasons with the following results:

A Grade - minor round 2 nd place, end of season result 4 th

B Grade - minor round 4 th place, end of season result 3 rd

C Grade – minor round 1 st place, end of season result 2 nd

#### A Grade

We started the season on the back of 6 consecutive premierships & looking to break the all time SFL record going for 7. Unfortunately, the season started off with a loss to Reynella who had recruited well & they looked to set the benchmark for the season. We did get pay back later in the year at home when a Team which consisted of quite a few 1 st year players took it up to the eventual Premiers & got the points. It was a frustrating year at times, we lost some games we shouldn't have for a variety of reasons however the Coaching staff & players battled hard to fight back to 2 nd spot at the end of the Minor Round. Key injuries played at part in our finals campaign & 2 narrow loses to Noarlunga & then the charging Morphett Vale outfit saw us lose both finals by 12 points or less & consign us to 4 th spot officially. We farewelled Russell V after the Season was finished after he accepted a Coaching role over at Glenelg FC in the SANFL. During the season we had 35 players pull on the A grade jumper which may seem a lot however due to injuries & player unavailability this was required. I would like to acknowledge & congratulate the 9 young men who made their A Grade debuts this year, they are the future of our Club along with quite a few who consistently played B Grade this year & the future continues to look bright at FHFC.

#### **B** Grade

We welcomed Graham Tomkins (GT) back to the role of Coach & Damp; this saw a few players return to the Club wanting to play under their favourite Coach. It was a challenging year for GT & Cav as they constantly juggled what players were available as they were in & out of B Grade on a regular basis. I take my hat off to anyone who Coaches B Grade / Reserves at any Club, you generally never

#### SENIOR FOOTBALL DIRECTOR CONTINUE

have a settled side week to week & trying to get the right balance is a weekly challenge in the role. Congratulations to you both for your effort, commitment & desire week in week out. We had 47 players pull on the jumper this year in B grade which is a staggering number when you think about it & a lot for the Coaching Team to take on. The boys battled hard all year & finished the minor round in 4 th spot, this was never going to be good enough & after solid finals wins against Happy Valley & then Morphett Vale, they faced Noarlunga in the Prelim Final. It was a close game however Noarlunga experience won thru in the end by a narrow 2 points. Congratulations on a solid result given how the year went at times, less than a kick away from a Grand Final spot, bring on 2023.

#### **C** Grade

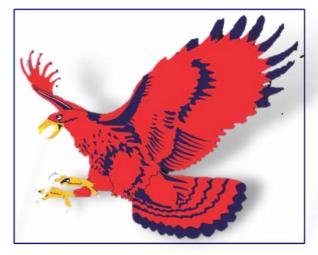
What can I say about C Grade that doesn't involve Wade Stone & Dan Crisa, these 2 guys are the heart & soul of C Grade & the reason why such a challenging grade has produced consistent results at FHFC. We were blessed this year with very consistent numbers each week & less posting for players at the last minute by Stoney. We also welcomed Saleh Baltagie into the Assistant Coaches role this year & the support we continue to receive from the Baltagie Family & extended family in being available to play was amazing, quite a few of the Baltagie boys play Saturday & Sunday so strong is the desire to play with family & mates. The boys had a consistent year as we battled our nemesis Morphett Vale for bragging rights during the year, it was a tight Top 4 however we finished minor premiers & went into the finals confident. Unfortunately, Morphett Vale with their bigger bodies & experience took care of us in the 1 st final, we bounced back against Happy Valley & then faced Morphett Vale again in the Grand Final but once again they took the result comfortably & claim the flag. Congratulations to Stoney, Saleh, Leith Mitchell Snr & all the players & support staff on a great year & let's do it again in 2023. C Grade had a staggering 51 players pull on the boots this year with some playing a sole game to help out & others playing the full season, well done guys.

Overall, it was an enjoyable year without achieving the ultimate prize. As a Club we had 99 Senior players pull on the Falcons jumper this year & I would like to acknowledge the 2 players who managed to play in all 3 grades this year. Also, the numerous amounts of players who played a combination of A/B grade or B/C Grade, I know its not easy but well done & keep striving for the highest level you can play. In closing I would like to thank the Coaches & Team Managers for the work you put into the Playing group this year & getting us on the Oval, special thanks to Colin & the Trainers for dealing with the injuries & again getting players on the Oval & ready to go. Special thanks however go to our amazing volunteers who are there every week, setting up, helping, doing the canteen or bbq, making us look fabulous in our club colours & then tidying up afterwards, a lot goes on behind the scenes & without our Volunteers we wouldn't have a Club. Planning is well underway for Season 2023 & hopefully you would have seen the exciting announcements so far in Social media, lets get the Club buzzing in 2023, get Involved & come along for an exciting ride.

Cheers

Pete Wright
Senior Football Director

# A GRADE COACHES REPORT



Season 2022: Pre-Season was to start on the 10th of January however some of the leaders had decided to run a session on Wednesday nights before Christmas and these were well attend by senior and young players alike. With a lot of 2021 Under 17.5s coming into the senior group I had a meeting with them in November to talk about senior footy and what they could expect, we also spoke about what their goals should be for the year. I got them to start thinking about where they fit and where they would like to be by the end of the year. This was a very beneficial for the lads and they had some goals to aim for through the year.

Pre-Season was well attended and we managed to engage Jordan Sellar to run our fitness programme for us which was very helpful. The group benefitted from this programme greatly and the variety kept it interesting aswell. I also had the introduction this year of Graham Tomkins and Pete Cavouras who were only too happy to help where required. These guys were fantastic from Day 1 till the end of the year and I cant thank them enough for their help.

We had 2 trials as always and we set ourselves to play really well in the first one which was against the 2020 GSFL Premier in Willunga @ Willunga, We went there wit the usual availability issues but we had a good group of kids that would get the opportunity to put their name forward fro Round 1, We won this game on a hot day at Willunga and the signs were good from the whole group. Our Second trial ended up being a 6 quarter hitout against Blackwood who had a shortage of players due to a wedding, it ended up being a good little hitout without exhausting blokes at the same time, so we were ready for Round 1.

The Season Proper Started with a Game Against Reynella at Reynella, this would be the first of 8 away games in a row to start the season as it was decided by the committee that we could not play at home whilst the Club rooms were under Construction, and we lost our first game in 2 years as they had recruited very well and got a hold of us in the third quarter to beat us by 5 goals. This was an unusual feeling for the group however we did have 5 Debutants in this game and some key Players missing so it was far from panic stations. We had a couple of Low points through the year, namely losing to Noarlunga at Noarlunga by almost 10 goals and also losing to Cove at Cove By 10 points with a few Key players missing and the weather conspired against us but we still should have won. We did have a few highs throughout the year aswell, the best of all was Beating Reynella in Round 10 who had not lost a game until then and we had our whole leadership group missing. This gave us the confidence that we could win the whole thing again as the young guys started to believe they belonged and also started to understand the Game style better. Unfortunately, it was not to be and I firmly believe that playing 8 Home Games at Flaggy in the back half of the year hurt us when it came to Finals on the bigger grounds. We Ended up finishing Second on the Ladder behind Reynella and Played Noarlunga at Christies Beach oval in a Qualifying Final. The disappointing thing About this day was with 3 mins to go inthe third Quarter we were 19 points up and due to some experienced players making very bad decisions we went into the break only 1

## **A-GRADE COACHES REPORT CONTINUED**

point up ended up getting over run to lose the game by 12 Points. We did however do enough through the year to give our selves the double chance which meant we met Morphett Vale at Aldinga the next week, unfortunately we did not start well here and Kobe Cavouras getting knocked out 3 mins in did not help. This aside we 5 goals to none in the last quarter to almost steal the game however we had left ourselves too much work to do and lost this game by 9 points and that was Season over and the Quest for Seven was done and not achieved.

It is Hard to win 7 Premierships in a row in the modern era, that's why no one has done it. It is generational then as 7 years after your first premiership you are into a whole new generation and the original group is all but gone. The year was not a complete write off though as I believe we have set the club up for another era of sustained Success with the games that we have gotten into the first-year players and some really good growth from our mid-tier players aswell.

I would like Don Aldridge For all his help throughout the year, Saul Abbott for being the runner which can be a thankless job at times, Matt Brennan who did a great Job as Team Manager and the trainers (Col, Emma and Kelsey). Special thanks goes to Graham Tomkins and Pete Cavouras, they were both a great help to me and through the year and it was a pleasure top work with them.

Stay Falcon Strong!!

#### **2022 Stats**

34 Players Played A Grade 11 players made their A grade Debut (8 of these were first year seniors) 2 Under 17.5's played their first A grade Games.

#### Milestones:

Ryan Mountford – 50 A Grade Games Luke Beenham – 50 A grade Games Brayden Heyward Ferors – 100 A Grade Games Bradley Patterson – 100 A Grade Games

Russell Veenvliet
A Grade Coach

## **2022 SENIOR MEN'S TROPHY WINNERS**

#### **A-Grade Trophy Winners**

**Best & Fairest** 

**David Kearsley** 

#### **Runner Up Best & Fairest**

**Brad Kirk** 

#### **Best Finals Player**

**Brad Patterson** 

#### **Best Team Man**

Brayden Heyward-Ferrors

#### **Rising Star**

Blake Aldridge

#### **Leading Goalkicker**

**Daniel Butcher** 

#### **B-Grade Trophy Winners**

**Best & Fairest** 

Matthew Caire

#### **Runner Up Best & Fairest**

Jamie Dell

#### **Best Team Man**

Tim Meinecke

#### **Emerging Talent**

Saleh Baltagie

#### **Coaches Award**

James Brennan

#### **Players Player "Pride"**

Jackson Williams

#### **Grant McAvaney Club First Award**

Aiden Grayson

#### **C-Grade Trophy Winners**

**Best & Fairest** 

Dan Crisa

#### **Runner Up Best & Fairest**

Luke Stewart

#### **Leading Goalkicker**

Matthew Hunter

#### **Coaches Award**

**Todd Alexander** 

#### **Team Man Award**

Ben Hawkins

#### **Most Consistent**

Declan White



#### 2022 WOMEN'S & GIRLS TROPHY WINNERS

#### A-Grade Women's Trophy Winners

**Best & Fairest** 

Tamsyn Morris

Runner Up Best & Fairest

Alana Baker

**Best Team Woman** 

Kelsey Rodman

**Most Courageous** 

Bella Nicholls-Newman

**Most Consistent** 

Sienna Chapman

**Best Utility** 

Chloe Meyers

#### **Under 17 Girls**

**Best & Fairest** 

Mel Anderson

Runner Up Best & Fairest

Emma Hodgson

**Most Consistent** 

Kaitlyn Aldridge

Best First Year Player

Tiana Lush

**Most Improved** 

Sascha Nancarrow

**Most Courageous** 

Tia Taylor

#### **Under 14 Girls**

**Best & Fairest** 

Sienna Aldridge

Runner Up Best & Fairest

Teagan Siekman

**Rising Star** 

Angela Rose

**Most Courageous** 

Alyssa Marlow

**Most Consistent** 

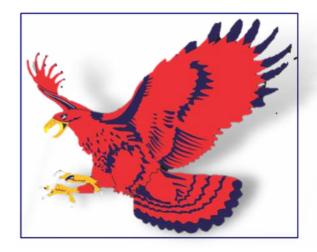
Sophie Vowles

**Best Team Player** 

Zoe Hodgson



# TRAINERS REPORT



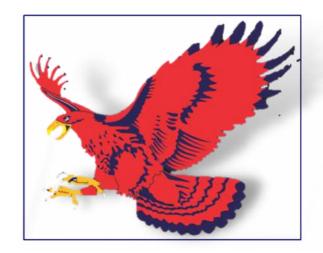
Another busy, interesting and challenging year. With the reno of the club we were without any facilities to use so the trainers had to improvise and utilise what we could to keep everyone on the park. Being on the road for the first 10 rounds was challenging but with a bit of help from people we rose to the challenge and got us all through. Glad to get back to the club for the 2 nd half of the season and looking forward to new trainers room next year.

This year we had myself as head trainer, Emma as 2IC with Steve helping on Saturdays and Ryan looking after the U17 girls with Dave and Chris looking after the U14 girls. We had Kelsey joining us this year helping out on Saturdays and Sundays when available.

Looking forward to a successful 2023 and as always looking for more people to come and join the trainers

Colin Russell Head Trainer FHFC

# JUNIOR FOOTBALL REPORT



We Started the preseason in January with high hopes after previous season.

Our under 17.5's had a new leader in Craig Bunworth or as most of know him Bunga. He moulded the team into a first class unit. Bunga had many challenges on the way with players playing for South and West, but he managed this extremely well. But his biggest hurdle was yet to come, injuries and some long term season ending ones. At some stages Bunga only had 18 players to choose from but with help from the under 15's had a team each week.

This season saw Jackson Costello and Aidan Carney made their A grade debuts, congratulations boys! Ethan Johnson, Riley Stone and Josh Lees made their B grade debut, well done.

The team finished fourth at the end of the minor round. They played brilliant football in the finals series to just go down in the Grand Final. Well played!

Our under 15's started the season with 35 players under Steve Hibbert. Unfortunately we couldn't get more numbers to have a second team so Steve had the hard task of rotating the boys around so they got a match most weeks. Well done Steve that wasn't easy! The team played well but with new players in week by week it made it hard to settle the team down. At the end of the minor round we had to settle for sixth position to miss out on finals by a percentage of .06%. Well done all.

The under 13's had a new coach this season with Nick Conway at the helm. We started with 26 boys but lost a couple throughout the season. The team started slow as they were coming to terms with Saturday footy. It is a big step out from Sunday footy with training twice a week and the fitness required for games. They also have to bond with players coming from three different sides. It took a while for the boys to get moving, but then the middle of the season you could see a remarkable improvement in them winning more games than the 1st round of matches. The climbed to 6th on the ladder missing finals by a match.

We have a bright future going forward in 2023 and beyond. I would like to thank all coaches, assistant coaches, team manager, trainers, goal umpires, boundary umpires and water runners. A big thank you to the parents that bring your sons out to practice and games, help in the canteen and BBQ. Thank you as without you we wouldn't have a club.

Darrell Graham Junior Football Director

# **2022 JUNIOR TROPHY WINNERS**

#### **Under 17.5 Trophy Winners**

**Best & Fairest** 

Jackson Costello

**Runner Up Best & Fairest** 

Ethan Johnson

**Most Consistent** 

Cameron Nuske

**Most Determined** 

Darcy Kelsey

**Best New Talent** 

Aidan Carney

**Most Improved** 

Mitch Chapman

### **Under 15 Trophy Winners**

**Best & Fairest** 

Jay Scanlan

**Runner Up Best & Fairest** 

Joe Keating

**Leading Goal Kicker** 

Coby Hibbert

**Coaches Award** 

**Eutien Boey** 

**Most Improved** 

Ryan Jamison

**Most Consistent** 

Dylan Smith

**Under 13 Trophy Winners** 

**Best & Fairest** 

Jude Thomas

**Runner Up Best & Fairest** 

Steven Conway

**Best Team Man** 

Walker Minnie

Most Improved

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Dylan Easton

**Coaches Award** 

**Grey Talbot** 

**Most Consistent** 

**Campbell Parlsow** 



# SUB JUNIOR DIRECTOR'S REPORT



We started this season with 138 children giving us 2 under 8 teams, 2 under 10 teams and 3 under 12 teams. We had a lot of under 8's come over from Auskick which has been fantastic and something we have been working on for the past 3 years. Next year may be our best intake of Auskickers yet!

The season started with no delayed starts and started in our new normal. First one in two years! The beginning of the season saw us operating out the shed while the clubrooms were being renovated. There was lots of mud and no shelter, but some how we got through with not many wet Sundays or Friday nights. It was with massive relief when we finally got the clubrooms back but more so the kitchen.

Once the kitchen was back we got to try a few new things and a couple of oldies for Friday night food choice nights. Chip night was a massive hit and it was the perfect cold night for it!! Pie night is always a favourite and again another freezing night for it. Then there was hot dog night which was always a good night, but we just haven't been able to get it over the line in the past 2 years. Some of us will remember hot dog night for other reasons though!

The best bit about this season was that carnivals were back!! For some of our children they hadn't had the experience of a carnival and for others they finally got that carnival they were missing. Under 8's headed down to Cove which for the first time I don't know how long had a beautiful sunny day down there (it's usually cold wet and windy!) Our Under 10's went down to Hackham for an afternoon session. The under 12's was an all day event, and was held down at Aldinga. It was a great day but even more sweeter by our under 12 red team taking out win and the shield. Well done to all.

Before I get onto the thank you's we need to say some farewell's 33 children have finished their subjunior journey and move into the world of junior football in season 2023. We wish you all the best in your journey's and to those that decide they are not going to continue with football next season we wish you all the best. We say goodbye to Jay Ankers, Kojo Antwi, Lochlan Armstrong, Callum Athey, Harrison Basley, Liam Beckley, Macklin Brook, Mitchell Chapman, Lewis Collyer, Liam Cooper, Joel Curtis, Cameron Green, Mason Hall, Zac Harrison, Owen Hibbert, Hunter Jordan, Jack Lemmey, Hudsen Macnab, Campbell Page, Aidan Parton, Joel Quigley, Charlie Roberts, Liam Salter, Jacob Sirkorski, Jack Slattery, Declan Stone and Jack Willment. Good luck in whatever you choose to do in 2023.

Thank you to all the parents that volunteered to coach this season, thank you because without you you we wouldn't have been able to play each week. Thank you also to all the parents that were game day helpers this season. In the freezing cold and pouring rain it isn't always fun.

## SUB-JUNIOR DIRECTORS REPORT CONTINUE

#### **Auskick**

We had a great turn out of children for term 2 Auskick with many new families joining us and many retuning. We then tried something different and doubled up with Auskick and ran again in term 3 which was a great hit. Then when we ran into Sunday finals we ran Auskick on a Friday night which was a great success.

A big thanks to our leaders on the field each week, Leith, Neil and Leigh, thank you for all you do for the Auskick program and keeping all the young people at our club. To Laine and Jackson thank you, your smiling faces on a Sunday morning is brilliant. There have been many other players and helpers over the season and I thank you to. A big thanks to the parents too that help each week. I love Sunday morning Auskick and looking forward to the program next year and what it may bring.

Thank you to all the parents that volunteered to coach this season, it's a big job and I really appreciate your help and support throughout the season. To our parents THANK YOU! Without you we can't do what we do. Thank you for all the BBQ shifts (especially in the mud and rain when we were operating out of the shed), canteen shifts or volunteering with your child's team as without our volunteers we can't put teams on the oval each week. There are also some people out there that help do bits and pieces when they see I'm busy or to take something from my to do list, thank you to you I really really appreciate it.

It is with much sadness I say goodbye as Sub-Junior Football Director. I have absolutely loved the last 3 years and met some wonderful people along the way. I know the club and our Sub-Junior is in great hands as I hand over to Sam Pastro. I look forward to seeing Sam bring her flair to the role and all her new ideas. All I ask Sam is can we keep pie night!!!

There are many people to thank and I'm apologising now if I forget you. To Jamie and Katie Dunnicliff who I have know for many seasons. They have done so much over my time and all I can say is thank you thank you.

To Donna and Wade thank you, you have both been great supports over the past 3 years and do more than their fair share to help. I would have been lost without the 2 of you over the years.

To my Dad Darrell who comes out each Sunday morning to help me set up (he won't be missing that next season), I couldn't do Sunday mornings without you. A big thank you to Grant also this season who came early on a Sunday too not only to set up the canteen and make sure we have all the supplies we need but for coming out and helping Dad with the goal post pads every week, the two of you have kept me entertained!!!!

To Dave Heard thank you for all the support you have given me while in the role, we meet when you were coaching under 10's for your first season as a Sub-Junior coach and then became your team manager and here we are now!

# SUB-JUNIOR DIRECTORS REPORT CONTINUE

Finally to my family. To my husband Rob and my boys Declan, Jameson and Abel. Thank you for giving me support while doing this role (especially this year when I've tried to juggle two roles). While the year has been crazy busy and I have been away from home a little more than even I anticipated, I have absolutely loved it and I couldn't do it without your support. The reason I started this journey was to make sure we had a great football program for all children and we have that and we strive each year to make it just that bit better. I promise next year I will try my hardest to be home 1 more night a week (Friday's have freed up) and Rob we are bringing back cocktail night starting next Friday!

See you on the sidelines next year (I'm going to try at least)!

Bec Couldwell
Sub-Junior Football Director

1963	Club started as Brighton Methodist Football Club
1967	1st Premiership - A1 Res EJ Thomas Memorial Trophy
1974	A Grade Premiership Div 2
1975	Moved from Mitchell Park to Mawson High School
1977	Changed name to Brighton Tigers, omitting 'Methodist'
1978	Changed from Uniting Church to Glenelg South Football Association
1979	Changed name and incorporated as the Flagstaff Hill Football Club
1981	First year on Flagstaff Oval Clubrooms opened by Mayor Geoff Simpson
1982	First year with 3 sides
1983	Introduction of U16's side
1984	Introduction of U18's side
1985	Changed Associations to Southern Football League Changed uniforms to Red & Blue (Norwood) Introduction of U14s side A & B Grade sides both Undefeated Premiers Highest Score A Grade - 65.30 to 2.0, an Australian record
1986	Promoted to A1 Division - finishing 6th C Grade Premiers
1987	A Grade missed out on Grand Final by 6 pts in only their 2nd year in Div 1
1991	Introduction of U13's side
1994	Changed from 'Bushpigs' to 'Falcons'
1995	Clubroom Expansion and Renovations
1996	Clubrooms Re-opened
1998	Introduction of Under 11's and Under 9's teams (Modified Rules)
1999	Introduction of Under 13's team (Modified Rules)

First Junior Premiership (Under 14's) 2000 Under 14's - Undefeated Premiers Div 1 2003 Under 14's - Premiers Div 1 - Back to Back 2004 New Oval lights unveiled. 2005 New Oval Drainage System Completed 2006 U18s played in Grand Final - runners up Upgrade to home change rooms by players and club supporters First ever U16s Premiership 2007 C Grade Premiers – 1st Senior Premiership in 21 years Year 6/7 team won Sub-Juniors Lightning Carnival Audio Visual System installed - initiated through FHFC grant and sponsorship U14s Premiership 2008 Past Player Adam Cooney won AFL Brownlow Medal playing for Western Bulldogs Wade Stone breaks the FHFC record for most number of Senior Games played for 2009 the Club U14s & U16s Sunday Teams introduced for the first time Both teams played in finals U18s played in Grand Final - runners up Gym constructed for use by club members through donations and grant payment Gym and Strengthening Centre officially opened for 2010 use by Club members U14s played in Grand Final - runners up U16s Premiership

Awarded SFL Champion Club of the Year 2011 U16s Premiership All 5 Saturday teams played in Preliminary Finals Erection of new AFL standard goal posts 2012 All 8 teams made finals, 5 of which made the Preliminary Finals U18s Premiership U16s miss out on Premiership by just 2 points B Grade played in Grand Final - runners up 5 Saturday teams made the Finals - Won 2 out of a possible 3 2013 Sub-Junior Carnivals U18s Premiership back-to-back B Grade Premiership 7 teams made the Finals 2014 Wade Stone played his 400th game B Grade played in Grand Final – runners up 5 Saturday teams made the Finals 2015 3 Sunday teams made the Finals - 2 teams played in Grand Finals U14s won Premiership EVERY team made the Finals 2016 Sunday U14s Premiership C Grade Premiership U14s Premiership A Grade Premiership – the 1st Div 1 win for the As SFL Champion Club of the Year Most successful year to date First Womens team for FHFC 2017 Sunday U15s Premiership Women's Open grade win inaugural premiership U15s Premiership A Grade Premiership - back to back SFL Champion Club of the Year - back to back C Grade Premiership 2018 U15s Premiership B Grade Premiership

A Grade Premiership – 3 in a row

SFL Champion Club of the Year – 3rd consecutive year

2019 New Eletronic Scoreboard Erected

Fielded 3 teams in SFLW for first time

Under 14 SANFL Division 4 Premiership

Under 16's Girls SFLW Premiership

Under 13's Premiership - Undefeated Season

A-Grade Premiership - 4-Peat

SFL Champion Club of the Year - 4th consecutive year

2020 New Opposition Coaches Box Erected

COVID-19 Affected Season - Adjusted to 9 Rounds + Finals (start July 20)

Under 17.5 SFL Premiership

B-Grade SFL Premiership - Undefeated Season

A-Grade SFLW Premiership

A-Grade SFL Premiership - 5 Peat - Undefeated Season

New Changerooms built and officially opened in July 2021

Wade Stone played his 500th club games

COVID-19 Affected Season - 2 weeks missed due to lockdown etc.

10 out of 11 teams played in finals

A-Grade SFLW Premiership - Back to Back

A-Grade SFL Premiership - 6 Peat - Undefeated Season

**2022** First Under 11's girls team

Inaugral First Nations guernsey

Renovation of Clubrooms opening in July 2022

Celebrating the club's 60th Anniversary

Under 12 red winners of Alan Griffin Lightning Carnival Sheild

Sienna Aldridge and Melissa Andreson win SFL Best and Fairest

A-Grade SFLW Premiership - 3 in a row

#### FHFC LIFE MEMBERS

J Browne P Browne G Davison D Degenhardt C Dewar K Dohring G Drechsler **B** Ellery W Ellery N Farrell R Farrell D Heard D Hooper B Jaehne V Jaehne P Jaehne T Mace D Miles C Monks D Size P McMaster D Kearsley M Fuss D Butcher

A Fisher

P Cavouras

**G** Noakes K Noakes D Nuttman R Pavlovich C Podzuweit M Podzuweit K Priest B Rowe D Rowe P Stacey D Stewart S Pavlovich **G** Kearsley S Horrocks A Heatley N Fishpool R Hunter G Haese **I** Rumbelow D Crisa M Lendrum D Osmond P McGuire R Mitchell C Langcake O. Meinecke

GM Fletcher
K Stone
M Fisher
W Stone
C Bradley
G McAvaney
L Ellison
DA Smith
S Murfitt
T Taylor
M Haslam
L Eyers
S Dempsey
J Robshaw
B Charlesworth

P Petrov
J Strout
S Abbott
C Burfitt
L O'Malley
K Abbott
T O'Malley
M Green
J Harrington
C McMaster
M Shearer

## **FHFC GAMES RECORDS**

Most Seasons Played		Most Senior Gam	es		Most Combined Senior & Junior Games		
WADE STONE	35	WADE STONE	480	WADE STONE	507		
DARRYL ROWE	30	DANIEL CRISA	341	LEIGH O'MALLEY	393		
DOUG DEGENHARDT	24	DARRYL ROWE	336	DAVID KEARSLEY	378		
LEIGH O'MALLEY	24	DOUG DEGENHARDT	326	SAUL ABBOTT	348		
SAUL ABBOTT	24	LEIGH O'MALLEY	325	ANGUS FISHER	342		
PAUL PETROV	22	ANDREW HEATLEY	319	DANIEL CRISA	341		
ANDREW HEATLEY	21	SAUL ABBOTT	316	DARRYL ROWE	336		
NEIL FISHPOOL	21	PAUL PETROV	304	ANDREW HEATLEY	333		
DAVID SMITH	21	DAVID KEARSLEY	284	DOUG DEGENHARDT	326		
DAVID KEARSLEY	21	CRAIG BRADLEY	268	MATTHEW LENDRUM	322		

#### **ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBERS**

M Fletcher (SFL)

DA Smith (SFL)

C Bradley (SFL)

W Stone (SFL)

D Kearsley (SFL)

P McMaster (SFL)

S Gater (SFL)

S Dempsey (SFL)

D Butcher (SFL)

S Smith (SFL)



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