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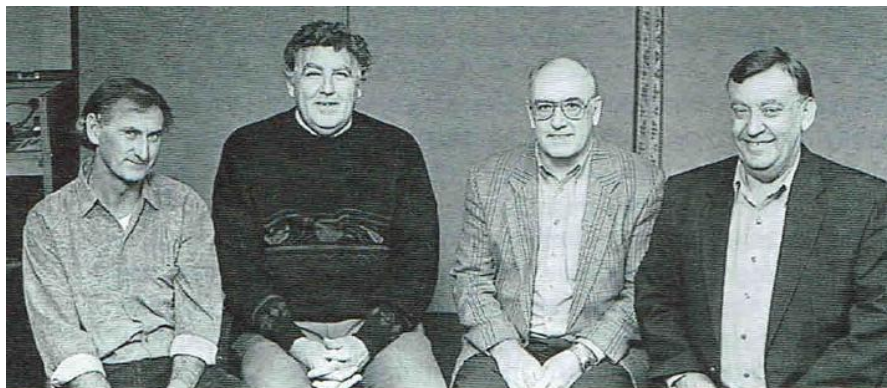
Lest we Forget

After a good start to the season the league came crashing back to earth with a spanking from WAFL powerhouse Subiaco and an Anzac round defeat to West Perth at home. A moving pre-game Anzac commemoration could not see the league overcome a more determined West Perth. After an even 1st quarter, unforced errors and costly turnovers let the visitors enjoy a 31 point victory.

They say that a week is a long time in football and that could not be further from the truth. The team that ran out onto Steel Blue Oval against East Fremantle was a completely different side. With slick ball work, hard running and relentless pressure the league boys demolished their opponent to the tune of 90 points. It's been a long time since the Swannies have enjoyed a win like that. We just hope they can take that down to Fremantle Oval against South's before the double bye.

On a more sombre note, the Swansmen are mourning the loss of long time member Dave Etheridge who passed away on Thursday 19th April. Dave was a big part of Swans over many years. He started off in the late 1960's running the bar in the McDonald Stand and then the oval bank with Tom Brown. He joined the Swan Businessmen's Association in the 1970's which then became the Swansmen in 1984. He was an active member of the Swansmen Committee for many years, being instrumental in the running of the annual auction and the mafia nights. He was very generous with his donations to the Club and never short of quick wit at our meetings. Dave was awarded the Swan Districts FC Certificate of Merit in 2000 for his service to the Football Club. Dave was a surprise guest at our away meeting at the Woodbridge Hotel last October. We extend our condolences to his wife Judy and family and may he rest in peace.

....Back in 1997....



*Left to right:
Ted Martin, Bob Harcourt, John Hamment, Dave Etheridge*

The Club has also lost a legend in Dave 'Sidey' Sidebottom. Dave played 129 games between 1961 and 1969 including the 1963 premiership and was also involved at the club in a coaching role and at an administration level. He was also a life member of the club.

Swansmen life member Roy Jewell also lost his father Ted.

Our sincere condolences go out to all the families concerned.

Trevor Hoy (President)



MAY DINNER MEETING

***Tuesday 15th MAY 2018 6:30pm
Past Players & Officials Room Upstairs***

GUEST SPEAKER

***Josh Catalano
Chef, MasterChef Contestant,
Catalano's Seafood***



Josh Catalano was catapulted into the spotlight after his appearance on the first season of Channel 10's MasterChef in 2009. Josh is now Perth's resident fishmonger with culinary skills. Josh has also added his own flare on several other television shows such as 'Just Add Water' (channel 9), 'Garden Gurus' (channel 9) and co-hosted a food program called 'Delish' (channel 7), where he shared his knowledge on fresh seasonal local foods.

He was born and raised into Perth's leading seafood business Catalano Seafoods. The family business was started by Josh's grandfather in 1969. With his father and brothers also part of the business, it was a fait accompli that Josh would follow in their footsteps. A strong focus on fresh WA produce is in Josh's blood, when his Grandfather Francesco Catalano first migrated to Australia he began farming potatoes and selling them to the fish and chip shops in Perth. These days, it is quite common that you can find Josh cooking up a storm in many different environments and locations, with his own catering business The Fish Boss, which provides guests with live and interactive experiences.

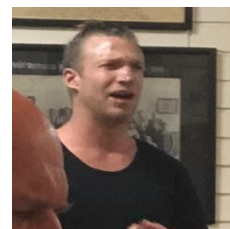
Josh is also very generous in his charity support with Telethon and heads up the 'Bring It To The Table' campaign, raising awareness and funds for Alzheimer's WA.

Numbers must be confirmed by Tuesday 8th May by one of the following methods:

RSVP via the online link at [RSVP](#) or phone Dave Cianciosi on 0430 068 092

April Dinner Meeting

- **AFL** recruit Rhys Palmer gave an insight into his AFL experiences and what brought him to Swans.
- Young reserves player Josh Cipro enlightened us on his football journey.
- Phil Smart from the football department took time out to answer questions from the floor.
- Our guest speaker Chris Egan gave an interesting talk about the historical side of Bassendean Oval.
- The dinner raffle was drawn by our guest speaker Chris Egan with Gary Ames taking out the prize.



Invite a Guest

We ask all members to RSVP to the dinners early and ask that you endeavour to bring along a guest so that we get good numbers and increase our profile.

Membership Drive

A reminder for those who have not renewed their membership to please do so. Subscriptions are still only \$40 and can be paid by any of the following methods:

- Pay at the Club Office (together with your Club Membership) and add the Swansmen membership
- Pay online via the Club webpage
- Pay at the first Dinner Meeting
- Pay direct to the Swansmen bank account, BSB: 036-080 A/C: 276254, include your name.

Fundraising for 2018

The Swansmen fundraising projects are up and running.

The AFL Raffle - Tickets are now available from any committee member. Winner will be drawn at the July dinner meeting.



A coterie group of Swan Districts
Football Club Inc.

ORDER TICKETS NOW FROM

Peter Snow (0402 448 896) or in the Swansmen's Lounge on home game days, or "Over the Net" – just email snow.sdfc@gmail.com and transfer \$100 per ticket to the Swansmen Inc bank account at Westpac, BSB 036-080 A/c No 276254 with "AFL [and your surname]" in the reference box and email "swansmen@gmail.com" with your details (including mailing address) and ticket(s) will be mailed to you.

Peter Snow, AFL Grand Final Raffle Co-ordinator, Swansmen Inc.
Lottery Permit No. Application Pending

The Club 20 project is also up and running. There are 10 'investors' thus far, so if you see a 'Club 20' project advertised, please support it. We still have spots available. Contact Des Hardiman for more details.

The Auction planning is well under way however we still require **donations from businesses and members, so if you can supply any goods or services or have any contacts who can, would be appreciated.** Contact Trevor Hoy or Des Hardiman.

Thursday Nights – Swans Members Night

All Club Members and Supporters are invited to Steel Blue Oval on Thursday nights to watch the team train and join in the following activities in the main bar:

League Team Announcements – Adam will give a season update and announce the senior team.

Chase the Ace – The jackpot as of Thursday 26th April is \$1700.

Chook Raffles – Win meat packs, chooks, wine plus more.

Free Members Draw – The jackpot as of Thursday 26th April is \$1700. The lucky member must be in attendance and must claim the prize with-in 2 minutes, otherwise \$100 is added to the jackpot.

THE Swansmen Game Day Experience (10-25 people)

Organise a group and enjoy a day at the footy in the comfort of the Swansmen Lounge. Various packages available include, but not limited to:

- Admission
- Football Budget
- Swansmen stubby holder
- Reserved Seat in the Swansmen Lounge VIP area
- Drinks – various drinks packages available
- Lunch – various food packages available
- Half time snacks – various food packages available
- Access to upstairs after the game

Contact Trevor Hoy or Des Hardiman for further details.

Coming Events

Date	Event	Time	Venue/ Guest
Tuesday 15th May	DINNER MEETING 3	6:30pm	Josh Catalano (Chef, Catalano's Seafood)
Tuesday 5th June	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge
Tuesday 17th June	DINNER MEETING 4	6:30pm	Glen Foreman (Wally Foreman Book)
Tuesday 17th July	DINNER MEETING 5	6:30pm	TBC
Tuesday 7th August	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge
Saturday 18th August	GALA AUCTION DINNER	6:30pm	Steel Blue Function Room
Tuesday 21st August	DINNER MEETING 6	6:30pm	Ladies Night/Michaela Carr (Newsreader)
Tuesday 18th September	DINNER MEETING 7	6:30pm	Shane Beros (VSwans)
Tuesday 2nd October	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge

Next Month's Dinner Guest Speaker

Look who's coming to dinner. After a false start for our April dinner, Glenn Foreman will be our guest speaker for the June dinner. Glenn is the son of legend Wally Foreman and the author of Wally' biography 'The Legend from Bruce Rock'.



Glenn and daughter Charlotte

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