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PRESIDENT REPORT



he past year has been one of great change as we prepare for a new era.

The handover of a new \$8-million facility means that for the first time in 24 years, we will have a true football club to operate from. A place where we can display and develop our culture as well as a place that we can utilise as a means for developing new income streams. The Board has spent the last year scrutinising every facet of our operation to ensure we set ourselves to maximise every opportunity that presents itself from this once in a lifetime facility development.

FINANCE

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To start this report, I am pleased to report a net profit for the year of \$40,000.

This is the largest profit we have achieved in many years, but it was necessary in order to reduce some long-term debts that have been hanging over the club for some time. There were many costcutting measures taken to enable this to occur, but we now hope to be able to inject more funds into our football operations as we eradicate our accrued debt and reinvigorate income streams that were lacking this year. Make no mistake, there were areas of our business that did not fare well financially this year, but we are confident that when we get every cost centre fiscally sound and with your on-going support, our financial position will continue to grow and prosper in the years to come.

NEW FACILITY

Whilst there is much to be excited about in relation to our new home, I am mindful of the enormous responsibility we have to ensure the venue is a financial contributor for the club, not a financial burden. Nine home games a year is not enough to sustain a facility of this magnitude. Hence we have been working tirelessly for two years to identify commercial opportunities that will provide us with sustained income and I am excited about the scope of events and partnerships that will come our way next year.

Already we have been fortunate to secure a Western Derby during the 2018 AFL JLT Community Series and we are confident that a broad range of events and functions will land at our venue in the months to follow as our commercial staff assume management of the premises.

MEMBERSHIP

Better engagement with our existing members and re-engaging with our past is now a clear focus of our Board.

From re-focussing our existing membership categories, to developina new membership groups and reinvigorating our Past Players and Officials Association has also been a priority. Each of these objectives has been designed to use 2018 as a springboard for better connecting with people who align themselves with our club and to engage with a new generation of people who should.

The ability to utilise our facility as an attraction and a home for our members and past players is a massive undertaking and one that our Board is committed to. To all our members, I thank you for your continued support and to our supporters, I encourage you to become a member, come and see what we have created for you and truly support the club in 2018.

SPONSORSHIP

As most people are aware, our sponsorship income took a \$160,000 hit in 2017.

The past two years have been extremely tough for the WA economy and in understanding this, I am more grateful than ever to the many businesses and people whose financial contributions to our club make it possible for us to exist. Too many to mention here, but every one of them critical to the viability of our club.

In 2017 we launched a partnership MOU with ECU Joondalup and we look forward to expanding that relationship into some long-term projects next year. Our immediate target is to get sponsorship back up to the 2016 level of \$400,000 next year and then to achieve our objective of \$650,000 by 2020.

FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

All these commercial and financial objectives are conducted in order to allow us to constantly improve our football operations because, at the end of the day, on-field success is the reason we are all here. For more than 20 years our club has had the lowest financial turnover in the competition because of a lack of commercial facilities. Now we have them we are committed to making sure every dollar we earn is directed towards making our football programs the best in the competition.

A combination of elite staff, elite facilities, a solid culture and adequate funding will make this happen and I can assure our members that from your Board to your executive and football staff, we are focussed on making sure we achieve each of these targets. Planning for the 2018 season started some months ago and we are now in the midst of the most extensive recruiting campaign we have undertaken for many years.

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Our talent development programs continue to expand and grow annually in an effort to reach more athletes in our region and our women's programs will be further refined next year as we start to develop training programs tailored to the female athlete. With training facilities to match any state league football club in Australia, we are now confident that we have all the tools required to maximise the learning and development opportunity for every player and staff member at our club. I am excited to see what 2018 holds for US

THANK YOU

To say that the past year has been a demanding one would be an understafement. The responsibility of managing a major facility project was undertaken with no extension to our staffing structure, which meant that many people had to pick up the slack to make our club and our development run concurrently. I would like to take a minute to thank a few of the people that have been integral to this process who otherwise may not get the plaudits they deserve:

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Vice President Rob Jackson and CEO David Crute have done an amazing job over the past two years to bring the building project to completion. Managing the finances, procurement, licensing and compliances for a venue of this nature is an enormous undertaking and both men have worked tirelessly to achieve what you will soon see is an amazing venue. With valuable counsel from leaal lonaserving Director Richard Homsany, they have also been able to ensure the on-going management and operational costs for the venue will be capped and provide the club with a platform to generate considerable profit from commercial ventures. These three men have given us the perfect platform to launch our new business and now the responsibility falls on each and every one of us to ensure we maximise the use of the venue and generate this much - needed income.

To ensure the facility is appropriately furnished and branded was always going to be an enormous underfaking and one that would require people with a strong understanding of our culture and our heritage. To this end, I would like to thank Director Peter Cutler and past President Phil Hanna for their outstanding contribution to our facility development.

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Peter has led the Heritage Committee for the past year and this group has capably handled the epic task of collating, recording and preparing our memorabilia for display. Hanna's Phil background in has construction been an invaluable asset to our club in both the management of the project and the procurement of our furnishings and fixtures. Through Phil's connections and business acumen we have been able to achieve almost everything on our wish list, within budget. Phil has been integral to every development and extension we have undertaken at Joondalup and I thank him for his continued support and passion for our club.

Over the coming months we will pay tribute to many people and agencies who have been integral to the achievement of this project. Most notable of these are the WA State Government, the City of Joondalup and the AFL, whose combined contributions of eight million dollars made this happen. Former President Brett Raponi was instrumental in obtaining this funding in 2012 through his relationships with State Minister Peter Collier and Joondalup Mayor Troy Pickard. Collectively, theirs is a contribution that needs to be widely lauded in the coming months as we celebrate this milestone for our club.

Peter Cutler has fulfilled many roles over the past season, but none as demanding as the role of Football Director. As a past player with a passion for player development, he has ensconced himself into the Football Department and established strong credibility and respect from the players and staff through his steadfast commitment to achieving results and improving our programs. Peter has also been the orchestrator of the Heartbeat newsletter that was created this vear and now reaches more than 400 past players of our club. We are fortunate to have past players return to our club and give so willingly of their time to 'pay forward' the benefits they received from their time at West Perth. I thank Peter sincerely for the enormous contribution he is making at many levels of our operation.

Whilst speaking about the value of past player involvement, we were also fortunate to have former players Rob Hunt and Russell Ellen join our Board this year. Russell has passionately assumed responsibility for our portfolio membership and has worked tirelessly with his subcommittee this year to find ways of better engaging with members and supporters, old and new. Rob accepted the challenge of developing a player welfare subcommittee and program, to ensure we are cognizant of the challenges, many demands facing and social issues our player group. His balanced and compassionate approach to this important role make him the perfect person to take this program forward. new The presence of more past players on our Board has been an important development this year and I thank Rob and Russell for their efforts.

For the past four years Chris Erikson has assumed two extremely important roles for our club Chairman of our mittee and Direc District As Committee and Director of Talent Development, Chris has the enormous challenges of growing our game in a multicultural district and ensuring we have the appropriate

development programs place to maximise the quality of players entering our senior club. Much of Chris's work is done behind the scenes and can be thankless, but he has shown an unwavering commitment and absolute passion to growing our game and our brand. When you consider that deep down he is a rugby union tragic from New Zealand who originally got into football to help his sons assimilate in their new country, you start to get the picture of a man who knows the important role a sporting club can play in the life of any person. His passion to use our club as a tool for social integration is a vital asset and we are fortunate to have both Chris and his hard working family in our corner

In an effort not to replicate the appreciation of others in this report, I will thank all our staff and coaches collectively for your invaluable contributions.

Being part of a WAFL club can mean long hours, many demands and constantly putting your hand in your pocket. The quality of our programs are only as good as the people running them and to this end, we are fortunate to have some of the best people in the business. I thank you all for your dedication.

Finally, I would like to once again acknowledge our CEO David Crute. In many respects 2017 will have been one of the toughest of David's working life given the massive increase to his workload created by the facility development and the business chanaes strategic undertaken by the Board. At no time did David ever complain about the exorbitant demands placed on him, nor did he flinch when faced with numerous operational challenges during the year. I have heard him constantly say that it is 'a privilege to work in this industry and at this club' and those words make me realise that we have the right man steering our ship. I look forward to watching David take the helm of our new facility, with a new executive team and chart the course that we have spoken about so often in the past year.

My very best wishes to you all for a safe and happy Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all at the football in 2018.

Scott Ballem

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT



e should all feel justifiably proud of what we as a club, which includes the Board, staff, support staff, volunteers, coaching staff, players, members, supporters and sponsors have been able to achieve over the past two or three years.

This season, however, has been challenging to say the least. With the focus turning firmly to ensuring all aspects of the new clubrooms meet everyone's expectations, a lot of time and effort has been directed in this area.

staffing Improving our and football structures has also been high on the agenda, necessitated by the new clubrooms and the introduction of female football into the club. While integration of female the football has been challenging, it has also proven to be a huge success and we have been widely acknowledged as setting the benchmark throughout the football industry.

There is no doubt 2017 has had its moments but it has also been underlined with a sense of excitement in building towards the future.

NEW FACILITY

Work on the new facility is now completed and following the signing of the lease in late November, we are set to move in prior to Christmas in 2017.

Function rooms, members' areas and memorabilia space upstairs overlooking the oval will provide us with the best member amenities in the WAFL. The ground floor will have AFL standard player facilities, gym and a warm up area as well as a significantly improved administration space. It will also include commercial lease space that will underwrite our financial commitments into the future.

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From 2018 when the new facility is operating, our current home rooms will become the visitor's rooms on match day but will be used exclusively by our women's teams and colts group during the week.

A critical aspect of the new facility is that we will lease it directly from VenuesWest and have full operational control. Under what is known as 'quiet enjoyment' we will run and operate the facility as if it were our own with 100 per cent of the function area and bar revenue going to the club.

STAFFING RESTRUCTURE

We are currently undergoing a major revamp of our staffing structure. Following an extensive review into our Football administrative Department and leading operations into the commissioning of our new clubrooms it became very clear we needed a significant increase in staffing resources.

You will already be aware of the appointment of Steve Trewhella to the position of General Manager, Football Operations and we are currently in the process of recruiting a General Manager, Commercial Operations who will oversee the operations of the new facility.

The diagram below sets out this new structure.

FALCONS RADIO

In another first for West Perth Football Club we introduced Australia's first 24/7 streaming clubbased radio station. In partnership with Radio Edge we can stream online on multiple websites, apps and social media to engage West Perth supporters worldwide. This provides an opportunity to cover of all aspects of the club including; league, reserves and colts games; Junior Development and District games, results and events; women's football; country zone results and engagement; our history including interviews with Past Players; profile current players, coaches, officials and volunteers; and profile and promote our sponsors directly to a West Perth audience

This proved such a success that every other WAFL club has now followed our lead.

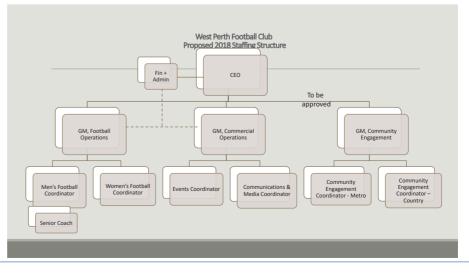
FEMALE FOCUS GROUP

In order to drive the future direction of our club, we identified a number of women to form a focus group that looks specifically at how we can better engage our female members, supporters, sponsors, players and players partners in all aspects of our operations.

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They will focus initially on:

- 1. ensuring female football is appropriately integrated into the club
- 2. how females will utilise the new clubrooms and
- 3. providing direct feedback and advice to the Board and administration



The following people are currently involved:

- Margaret Young longtime member of the club and also a member of the Ladies fundraising group
- Maria Lynch mother of Aidan, Conal and Keely (all of whom are current players at the club)
- 6. Nicole Roosdorp partner of Jay van Berlo (club captain, life member)
- Nicole Strijk partner of Andrew Strijk (current player, life member)

FINANCIAL POSITION

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While we will post a reasonable profit this year, this is inflated somewhat due to funding received from the AFL to assist in the fit out of the new clubrooms. There's always fluctuations within a budget but overall there has been a concerted effort to remain disciplined in this uncertain economic climate. The most difficult financial issue for us continues to manage cash flow. Without the revenue from function space and bar takings that all other WAFL clubs have, this will continue to be the case until our new facility is operational.

The most significant concern for all WAFL clubs however, is the changing financial model for WA football post 2017. The WA Football Commission's income will be significantly affected by the new stadium at Burswood. There is a lot of uncertainty around the level of funding the WAFC can continue to contribute to grass roots football. This means all WAFL clubs need to be working hard now to be in a position to be less reliant on the WAFC for their annual Coaches and Management grant.

SPONSORS

lt's no secret this is a challenging time economically for businesses all all at and our levels club is no exception. While were we fortunate in retaining a large portion of our sponsorship base, we did lose a significant amount of revenue from several large sponsors. Our financial strugales will continue if we are unable to replace this sponsorship.

As a club who at this stage haven't had the ability to fall back on revenue generated by our own club rooms and function space, sponsorship is a significant portion of our revenue and we just can't thank all our sponsors enough for their on-going support.

PAST PLAYERS & OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

The Past Players & Officials at all WAFL clubs play a critical role. They provide an important link to the current players and those who have been involved in days gone by. Our current group of past players and officials stands at about 70 members and contribute a significant amount of funding to the club. In preparation of the opening of the new facility there has been a concerted effort to relaunch and rebrand our Past Players & Officials Association.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I would sincerely like to thank the entire Board of Directors for their commitment and dedication to the club. They are all volunteers who give selflessly of their time and money for the betterment of this great club.

I would like to say a special thank you to Ward Harris, our outgoing Football Operations Manager for his loyal and dedicated service over the past five years.

As 'Volunteer of the Year', Gavin

Donaldson represents all of wonderful our volunteers and support staff who work so hard to ensure our players receive the very best of care and attention. The value they add to the club must always be recognised and appreciated.

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Thank you to all the coaches and players who test themselves physically and mentally week in week out for our benefit.

David Crute





Colts Coach Ryan Lasscock with WA State 16s and 18s representatives

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NEW GENERAL MANAGER, FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

The West Perth Football Club is delighted to announce the return of a Falcons great to help usher in the new era at HBF Arena with the appointment of Steve Trewhella to the role of General Manager, Football Operations.

Trewhella is a West Perth legend having played 174 games between 1994 and 2003 with his last game being the triumphant 2003 grand final victory over Subiaco. He also became a premiership skipper on that famous afternoon at Subiaco Oval.

During that 10-year stint as a Falcons player, Trewhella became a triple premiership player having been there for the 1995, 1999 and 2003 flags. He is also a three-time Breckler Medallist having claimed the Falcons' fairest and best award in 1996, 1997 and 2000.

Now he returns to the West Perth Football Club to take on the newly created position of General Manager, Football Operations which came about following an extensive review of the club's operations during 2017.

With the Falcons set to move into a new \$8-million state-of-the-art commercial and training facility in the coming weeks, the appointment of Trewhella is the first of a series of pending announcements as the Falcons prepare for a new era at their Joondalup home at HBF Arena. During a career spanning 174 games with the Falcons, Trewhella carved out a reputation as a fierce competitor and a disciplined leader, qualities that were seen as critical to this new position.

Since his retirement from playing he has developed his business career through executive

HR roles and more recently finance broking, while also spending time on the West Perth board in 2005. He also was part of Claremont's coaching staff in 2017 working with another Falcons legend, Darren Harris.

West Perth Chief Executive Officer David Crute is delighted to have such a famous West Perth person come back to the club in the newly created position that he sees as being crucial to the on-going success of the Falcons.

"We are thrilled to announce that a club Legend in 'Stevey T' is returning to West Perth in a professional capacity," Crute said.

"Following an exhaustive and intensive selection process, Steve Trewhella will start in the role of General Manager, Football Operations on 27 November 2017 – the same day our playing group commences pre-season.



"Following а post-season review of our football department, 10 key recommendations were submitted to the Board for approval. One was to restructure our entire football department with a focus on creating an elite environment where our players have the best possible chance of success.

"Part of creating an elite environment included evaluating and improving our culture. There are few better people to drive a culture of self-sacrifice, discipline, perseverance and success than Steve Trewhella."

Trewhella, himself, is excited to be able to return to West Perth. His playing career with the Falcons will always provide him with remarkable memories and now he hopes to help a whole new generation of players in the Red and Blue enjoy the same sort of success.

"I'm just really excited to be given this opportunity at this stage of my professional career. I gave everything for this club when I was playing and I plan to do the same in this new role as General Manager, Football Operations," Trewhella said.

"This role brings together all of the skills and experience I developed during my playing days and in my professional life. I hope I can make a difference to the coaching and playing group both male and female."

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FACILITY REPORT

A fter the last few years of discussion, designing, negotiation and approval, the myth is now a reality with the completion of our new home for the West Perth Football Club.

To be given the opportunity to head up the project from a board position together with our CEO, David Crute, and lead the club that has such a successful history, strong culture and established community values is a great privilege and a significant responsibility, which we have all taken extremely seriously.

Understanding that our club has a standing in the community built on hard work. that a club strives continually for improvement, invests for success and is always determined to innovate, this facility has been built to support and maintain these attributes and objectives.

Upon reflection, I think it would be fair to say that designing the facility was the easy part.

David and I have over the last 12 months have been negotiating the new lease and



Former President Brett Raponi officially opening our new facility at HBF Arena

licence, which while it has always been amicable and professional, has been challenging to ensure the club obtains the best possible outcome now, but more importantly into the future.

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The official handover took place on November 30, 2017 allowing our Heritage Committee to begin the process of fitting out the club's memorabilia, a task that, as you may imagine, is significant to ensuring that when our supporters walk in, they feel and know that this facility is OUR HOME and represents all that is OUR CLUB.

This is an exciting time for the club and I hope that when you visit our new home, the final product provides a sense of pride and satisfaction.

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I look forward to sharing a beer with you in the very near future.

Rob Jackson



The \$24-million redevelopment of HBF Arena providing a home for not only the West Perth Football Club but the Wanneroo Basketball Association and the Joondalup Wolves was officially opened on Saturday November 4 marking an exciting new era for the Falcons at the Joondalup venue.

Sport and Recreation Minister Mick Murray on officially opened the brand-new basketball and football facilities at HBF Arena extensive \$24 following an redevelopment million with majority of the funding from the State Government.

- \$24 million redevelopment to support community and elite sport, supporting local jobs
- West Perth Football Club and Wanneroo Basketball Association to be major tenants
- Thousands more weekly visitors expected



Member for Joondalup Emily Hamilton and Member for Burns Beach Mark Folkard at the opening

The finished project marks the completion of a four-part investment in community sporting infrastructure which has seen the existing community sporting facilities at HBF Arena transformed while creating local jobs in a variety of industries.

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The redevelopment includes new function areas, player amenities,



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Four brand new basketball courts have also been constructed to the south of the existing courts at HBF Arena, providing a new home for the Wanneroo Basketball Association. Additional parking facilities have also been delivered.

Northern suburbs communities, the Wanneroo Basketball Club and West Perth Football Club now have access to a venue with world-class facilities, providing the perfect place to foster sporting success and support social sport.

Local and State government representatives, key project contributors, and members from the respective basketball and gathered football clubs to celebrate the completion of the project and mark the official opening.

Comments attributed to Sport and Recreation Minister Mick Murray:

"I am thrilled to officially open these brand new world-class facilities that provide new homes for the West Perth Football Club and the Wanneroo Basketball Association.

"These facilities will provide new opportunities for local sport - from grassroots to State-level, with the \$24 million State Government project having also created local jobs in a variety of industries.

"State and elite levels of sport can't exist without the grassroots areas supported by quality, accessible venues."

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TALENT REPORT



very eventful 12 months it has been in Talent at the West Perth Football Club. We certainly have exciting things ahead over the next year as Talent moves to the control of the WA Football Commission.

COLTS

The 2017 colts season saw the return of a familiar name to the club, Lasscock, not the former skipper in Clayton but former Football Manager Ryan was the newly appointed head coach of the colts program after spending some time away at Claremont.

Supported by his assistants Charlie Holmes, Bruce Bennett, Ash McKeown and support staff including Ben Cassidy, Jade O'Callaghan, Tahlia DiBiscaglie, Travis Bostock, Paul Turner and Ben Horgan, this fresh group continued to do us proud in developing young men into future league footballers.

The season took off with a flying start winning our first three matches and showcasing a brand of football that allowed many of our players the opportunity to compete at the next level. We were lucky enough to see nine players move up from the colts into senior football including Oscar Allen making his league debut in Round 20 against East Perth.

Two players from our colts were selected in the State 18s squad; Connor West, son of 1992 Sandover Medallist Robbie, and Allen who was named co-captain. He was the first West Perth player to captain the State 18s. Oscar was also awarded the Larke Medal as best player in the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships, the first West Perth Player since Kepler Bradley in 2003. It was very exciting to see Oscar Allen become the 51st West Perth player drafted into the AFL since 1988 at pick 21 to West Coast in the 2017 NAB AFL National Draft. He has been on an awesome journey and we sincerely wish him all the very best at AFL level.

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LES FONG 16s

Our Les Fong 16s squad headed by Simon Quayle had another successful carnival. It was pleasing to see the group buy in to the high standards we set across all our programs. The players matured off the field, presented themselves really well and became a close group of mates. Through hard work and determination two of our players represented the National Championship winning State 16s in Ryan Hudson and Jaxon Prior.

Several others were very unlucky to miss selection, which is certainly

an indication of the talent that was nurtured throughout this program. Furthermore, five players from this Les Fong 16s group made their colts debut, making the 2018 season one to look forward to.

COUNTRY

Our country program, the Yilgarn Falcons, continues to provide opportunities for young men from our country zone to be exposed to the WAFL environment. The program shared bases out of Corrigin and Merredin, and was coached by Cody Duncan, a young up and coming coach out of Narembeen and managed by the new Regional Development Officer for this part of WA in Paul Reid.

Together they were able to reinvigorate the program and we saw our greatest transition of country based players gain

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selection into our development squads. It can't be underestimated how tough the travel and time commitment of being a country based player can be. It's a credit to the 17 boys and their families for all their efforts to take part in our programs.

DEVELOPMENT SQUADS

Lastly, the Years 8, 9 and 10 development squad programs proudly supported by Kevrek commenced in July in preparation for the WAFL Talent Carnival held over the October School Holidays.

There were 185 players and more than 30 coaches and support staff involved in the programs. The is committed program to maximising the potential of every footballer within our club by providing football education, life skills, and welfare. We aim to provide a learning environment where everyone can achieve their goals and performing at their best.

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It is a great opportunity for young talented athletes to begin their football journey. It was pleasing to see how far the boys came along in just a short period of time. Head coaches Wes Moran, Tom Moscarda, Craig Wilson, Ben Horgan and Brad Kenney and their support staff did a fantastic job.

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There looks to be a few gems amongst these groups of which we have already seen five selected in a State Academy preseason program. We all watch with anticipation to see how these five and many more kick on over the next few years.

LOOKING FORWARD

As we move into a new Talent structure with the WAFC, West Perth FC fans should all be excited about what it will produce. Having the support and resources from the AFL and WAFC close combined with the connection to the WAFL club combined with the new facility makes it a really exciting time to be involved in Talent Development.

THANK YOU

As we wrap up the 2017 season there are many people to thank. I would personally like to thank the support from all our appointed coaching and support staff, our long list of volunteers, all the parents, Chris Erikson and his portfolio of Talent representing the Board, Simon Quayle in his role as Coaching and Development Coordinator, all the District staff, WPFC staff, all the sponsors and the players.

Ben Cassidy, Lou Menzies, Jess Fordum, Erin Capsis and Diane Watts as they depart for new adventures. Last but not least, Ward Harris as he also moves on to new challenges. Thank you all for the support you have given me personally as well as the players in our programs. Without your tireless efforts we would not be able to maintain an enjoyable environment in which many people wish to be a part of.

Carn West in 2018!!

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MALE PLAYER LIST

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PLAYER	COLTS	RESERVES		LEAGUE CAREER	PLAYER	COLTS	RESERVES		LEAGUE CAREER
Max Alexander	COLIS	11	3	19	Kody Manning	COLIS	RESERVES	19	102
Nathan Alexandre		10	10	10	Trent Manzone			21	82
Angus Allen	17	10	10	-	Nicholas Marinovich		14	2.	-
Oscar Allen	8	2	2	2	Ben McGillivray		10		-
Brayden Antonio	Ŭ	12	7	31	Luke Meadows		10	21	69
Mitchell Antonio		12	2	2	Thomas Medhat	18		21	-
Michael Ashfield		16	-	-	Tyrese Miller	12	3		-
James Batterham		12	6	7	Jordan Mills	12	11	1	3
Joel Bennett		12	Ŭ	-	Kurt Monaghan	11	1		-
Aaron Black		12	20	151	Jordan Moore	6	I		_
Shane Bonney		3	20	101	Tex Moran	2			
Rhys Bostock	2	0		_	Beau Morgan	2	8		_
Thomas Boyes	16			_	Joe Morrow		1	3	57
Mackenzie Brown					Tyson Moulton		2	15	16
Jack Burke	13				Seva Mozhaev		7	3	26
Dylan Campbell	15	18			Filimone Muavou	17	/	0	20
Bailey Chalmers	18	10			Dean Munns	17	3	15	30
Corey Chalmers	10		21	44	Nathan Murray	19	5	15	50
Noah Clune	15		21	44	Scott Nelson	17	1	15	15
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Alexander Coe Dennis Colbung		4	1	1	Shane Nelson Tommy Nickels		1	21	117
Jared Cole	2	4		-	Thomas O'Brien		18		-
Kael Coleman	Z	20		-	Thomas O'Donnell	15	10		-
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Brayden Cook	6	I		-	Zak Patterson	11	1.5		-
Daniel Cruickshank	5	4		-	Mitchell Peirce	4	15	4	6
Cale Delbridge	1.4	4		-	Jake Pomare-Hughes	4	,	1.1	-
Jamie Dowen	16			-	Steve Potente	2	1	11	75
Che Driscoll	2	<i>c</i>		-	Jaxon Prior	3			-
Allan Garlett		5		-	Graham Richards	15	_	10	-
Martin Geraghty	0	8		-	Rudy Riddoch		5	13	13
Adam Gerritsen	2	-		-	Nick Rodda		1.5	21	96
Patrick Graham	12	5	1	-	Joshua Romanelli		15	0	-
Matt Guadagnin		3	1	192	Sam Rotham	10	13	3	10
Zac Guadagnin		15	10	-	Daniel Rowe	12	0		-
Mark Hamilton			18	37	Zac Saunders		3		-
Kyle Harms		0		-	Lane Sedgwick	4	1	0.1	-
Joshua Hatch	10	9		-	Kris Shannon	17		21	67
Slade Hawkins	13			-	Lachlan Sherriffs	17		00	-
Kurt Hindmarsh	3	10		-	Scott Simpson			20	20
Joel Horgan	-	12		-	Andrew Strijk	_		19	209
Ryan Hudson	2			-	Benjamin Tapper	5			-
Joshua Hunter	10	10	0	-	Koopah Todd	8	17		-
Riley Hutchinson	-	12	3	3	Jacob Turner		17		-
Baylee James	9	7		-	Zachary Turner	17			-
Lachlan Johns	12			-	Jay van Berlo			21	165
Alec Johnson	17			-	Mitchell van Berlo		15	5	21
Jake Jones	6			-	Broderick Walton		17		-
Tyler Keitel		-	21	56	Brannen Warland	3			-
Chris Keunen		9	5	188	Connor West	10	4		-
Declan Kidd	1			-	Blake Wilhelm			20	48
Oliver Kidd	19			-	Dylan Yem	17			-
Ben King		1	15	31					
Corey Kirk	1			-					
Corey Kirwen	16			-					
Kaj Kremer	5			-					
Jaxon Lombardi	1			-					
Michael Lourey			17	63					
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SENIOR COACH



S eason 2017 was an up and down ride with a poor first three weeks followed by a seven-game winning streak only to fall away over the latter stages of the year. However, the period of strong form enabled us to again qualify for the finals series in a nail-biting narrow victory against Claremont in the last round.

Looking closer at the season it was evident that we were clearly behind the top three sides in Subiaco, South Fremantle and Peel Thunder with the eight games against them ending with just one victory. We were however, able to play some good football against the lesser teams with a nine-win, three-loss record.

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Along with the difference between the top teams and the rest of the field, there were a couple of issues that contributed to our performances.

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Firstly, after increasing inside-50 entries and creating more scoring opportunities (third behind Subiaco and South Fremantle), our poor finish in front of goal meant we were not able to fully capitalise on the periods when we controlled our games. We only managed to convert at 46 per cent with the league average being 53 and South Fremantle leading the way with 58. Ironically, we managed to win that final game with good conversion opposed to a wayward Claremont.

Secondly, in having a greater focus on scoring, we let our attitude to defend fall away which ultimately proved as costly as our conversion.

We were however, able to play some good football against the lesser teams with a nine-win, three-loss record. We will go back to the drawing board with conversations between coaches and players all pointing to the need to get back to defending well in all areas of the ground.

We had many great achievements throughout 2017 including Andrew Strijk reaching the 200-game milestone and Jay van Berlo and Aaron Black reaching 150 games which means they join the wonderful club which is life membership of the West Perth Football Club. All men should be congratulated on their loyalty, quality of play and achievements with all being Breckler Medallists, premiership players and multiple state players.

Again, WPFC was able to provide a large contingent in the drought breaking victory over the VFL in Victoria. All five players in Andrew Strijk, Aaron Black, Luke Meadows, Kody Manning and Shane Nelson did both the club and state proud in that victory.

On individual performances, Shane Nelson won a third Breckler Medal to elevate him into rare company at the club and at only 24 years of age I believe that Shane can continue to improve on what he has been able to achieve so far in his career.

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Lining up prior to the ANZAC Round clash with Swan Districts at HBF Arena

Scott Nelson was a worthy winner of the Rising Star with his work rate, competitive nature and want to perform his role being a stand out in his performances. Along with Scott we saw Tyson Moulton and Nathan Alexandre emerge as players of the future. Corey Chalmers, Tyler Keitel and Trent Manzone all showed improvement and Kody Manning and Luke Meadows again raising the bar with their performances.

l'm always very grateful to coaching staff of Paul the Sanzone, Craig Smoker and Joe Comande for their commitment,

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guidance to the players and the support they give me. To Craig Soley and his staff, Team Manager Carbone, Runners Ryan Vic Fong and Luke Adams, Reserves Assistants Matt Dobson and Wes Moran, Jack of all trades Chad Harding and to all the other staff and volunteersthankyouforyourtime and commitment to the cause.

Paul has been by my side for nine years as both an Assistant Coach and a drought breaking Reserves Premiership Coach.



Coaches Award Winner: Corey Chalmers

It is with some sadness we farewell two great recent servants of the WPFC in Paul Sanzone and Craig Solev.

Paul has been by my side for nine years as both an Assistant Coach and a drought breaking Reserves Premiership Coach. His ability to bond and form a strong relationship with players as well as his knowledge and dedication to his role makes him a true legend of the WPFC. More importantly, he has become a wonderful friend.

Craig overseen has α program, which includes the 2013 premiership and 2014 reserves premiership, and has always had the players strive to improve their physical standards. I thank him for his service and wish him well in the next phase of his career.

From a coaching point of view, I am looking forward to moving into our new facility and whilst that will players provide the with opportunities to improve their performances, it is extremely important that both on and off the field they, along with the coaches, leave no stone unturned to improve upon our 2017 results.

Can't wait for season 2018 and look forward to your support.

Bill Monaghan



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RESERVES COACH



🖰 eason 2017 was a tough year for all that were involved. The season got off to a good start with some promising performances in the early rounds from the plaving group that took to the field for the club.

Our young playing group, many who had graduated from the colts had acquitted themselves well. However, with a young group, performances both individually and more importantly as a team can fluctuate quite dramatically which we witnessed through the middle part of the season through to the end.

At times through this stage of the season, we found ourselves, due to injuries to many players, having to call on some colts players to fill and I thank Ryan Lasscock and his coaching staff for their support in doing so. In this period whilst the results of games didn't flatter us, the pleasing thing as a coach was to see the playing group stay committed and positive to the cause.

The first-year players would have tasted what it's going to take to play week in week out, the second-year players continue to strive to consistently play at their best. The key to these young players is to continue to work on improving in training and playing to get the best out of the themselves for the betterment of our footy club.

To the senior players who found themselves playing reserves football at different times of the season, I thank you for your commitment and education of our younger players.

particular Chris Keunen In Guadagnin and Matt who are at different stages of their careers imparted their knowledge and guidance to the younger players was invaluable and much appreciated.

There are always many thank yous to hand out as it takes so many dedicated people to get our players to run out every week.

To the Board, admin staff and many volunteers behind the scenes thank you for the time and effort you give to our club. Ward Harris our Football Manager, thank you for your patience and support throughout

the season. To our S&C staff, trainers and medical staff run by Louise and Jess, thank you for your expertise in getting our players fit healthy and ready to play every week.

To my support staff and fellow coaches Matt Dobson and Wes Moran, a massive thanks for your support and input throughout the year, it's been very much appreciated.

Bruce Gaskin, Gavin Lambert and Lui D'damo a huge thanks to you all for your match day roles, to our infamous runners in Brett Raponi and Chad Harding for delivering messages on game days.

It was a pleasure to scream down the phone to you both.

To my little mate Ray Garcia who worked tirelessly every week to make sure the playing group looked their best when they took to the field. It's been a pleasure to walk into our club every week and have our chats and a joke or two.

Thanks to my fellow coaches in Joe Comande and Craig Smoker, your continued support of myself and our playing group is very much appreciated. To Bill Monaghan, a massive thank you for allowing and believing in me to coach the reserves again, your support and continued guidance has and always will be appreciated.

To our playing group, a massive thank you for your support and commitment to our club.

In closing, the most important people in my life need to be hugely thanked, my family. To my partner Maria, I will forever be grateful for your support and encouragement to continue to do what I love to do and to our four kids Emily, Ellie, Brodie, Jayde your words of wisdom and encouragement have meant the world to me.

To all at the West Perth Football Club enjoy the festive season, stay safe GO the FALCONS 2018.

Paul Sanzone



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Coaches Award Winner: Zac Guadaanin

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COLTS COACH



The 2017 football season was a rollercoaster of a year, with plenty of highs and a couple of low points for the colts program.

Firstly, I would like to thank the club for their support over the course of the year. Casey Haw (Talent Manager), Ward Harris (Football Manager) and David Crute (CEO) backed the colts program staff and I was lucky enough to have quality assistant coaches to help guide me in my first year of coaching at West Perth.

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Bruce Bennett, Ash McEweon and Charlie Holmes were amazing in their efforts to help develop our players, dedicating a mountain of time and effort, which was greatly appreciated.

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Our support staff worked as a team and did a great job in getting our players on the park every week. Thanks to Ben Cassidy (strength and conditioning) who, with his crew ensured the players were fit and strong. Our medical team of Lou Menzies, Jade O'Callaghan, Tahlia Dibisceglie and Physio Nathan Stephens looked after our injured players and worked to ensure our players were available for selection as quickly as possible.

Others who volunteered their time during the year include Paul Turner and Travis Bostock (Runners), Chris Erikson (Team Manager), Ben Horgan (Rotations), and Ray Garcia (Property).

A big thanks to Bill Monaghan and his senior coaching staff. Their support of our program made it easier to achieve the standards we set at the start of the year. Congratulations to players Oscar Allen and Connor West, who both represented WA at the State 18s National Carnival and had an impact, with WA finishing second. Oscar who co-captained the side, also won the Larke Medal for the best player during the carnival.

Additionally, players Tom O'Donnell, Tom Medhat and Zac Patterson represented WA in the State 17s program during the year. Congratulations also to these three talented young men.

A big thanks must go to our playing group. As a team the players committed to the direction set by the coaching staff, they worked hard to meet our expectations and to achieve, working their hardest to be sound representatives of the West Perth Football Club. I couldn't have asked for a better group of young men to coach and lead this year.

Finally, I would like to thank my wife Liz and daughter Harper. I couldn't have done this without their love and support.

Ryan Lasscock



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BRECKLER MEDAL

Prolific midfielder Shane Nelson has cemented himself as an all-time great of the West Perth Football Club winning the Breckler Medal as the fairest and best for a third time at a glittering awards night at Joondalup Resort.

It was a historic night for the West Perth Football Club with not only the celebration of the 2017 WAFL season with the Falcons' league, reserves and colts award winners, but also the introduction of the women's team awards with winners announced from the league, reserves and Youth Girls teams.

The major awards on the night were taken out by Nelson (league fairest and best), Conal Lynch (reserves), Dylan Yem (colts), Laura Pugh (women's league), Ruby Cunningham (women's reserves) and Dana Mullumby (Rogers Cup).

The Breckler Medal count to crown the West Perth 2017 fairest and best winner saw for the third time Shane Nelson claiming the honour.

The clearance machine, prolific ballwinner and consistent midfielder had a brilliant season for the Falcons averaging 33.2 possessions a game. It was his consistency that stood out the most with his seasonhigh coming in Round 18 against Perth of 51 disposals.

All in all, 17 of his 20 games during the home and away season saw him finish with 28 possessions or more proving himself the best natural ball-winner in the league. He left nothing behind in the elimination final loss to Swan Districts either collecting 36 possessions to finish the season with 700 touches.

That ended up seeing Nelson win the Breckler Medal for the third time going with his wins in the premiership year of 2013 and a year later in 2014.

By becoming a triple Breckler Medal winner, Nelson joins fellow three-time fairest and best winners at West Perth John Loughridge, Bill Valli, Peter Menaglio, Steve Trewhella, Kim Rigoll and Dion Fleay. He sits only behind nine-time winner Mel Whinnen, five-time winner Ray Schofield and four-time recipient Terence O'Keeffe. It was a big year also for Nelson who celebrated his 100th game against Peel Thunder in a memorable Round 5 victory at Bendigo Bank Stadium. He also played in the historic WAFL state game victory in Melbourne over the VFL and was named in the wafl.com.au Team of the Year.

Despite Nelson's brilliant season, it was a tight count in the Breckler Medal with him winning just ahead of 2015 winner Aaron Black.

The 2014 Sandover Medallist and 2015 Breckler Medallist had another superb season for the Falcons averaging 28.7 disposals a game splitting his time between playing both on the wing and as an inside midfielder.

Making up the top three positions was Luke Meadows who received the Ken Ashdown Memorial Award in recognition of his career-best season.

Having cemented his spot in 2016 at half-back, he moved into the midfield and had a tremendous impact right throughout 2017 and that was reflected in third-placing in fairest and best voting.



Meadows also won the City of Joondalup Best Clubman Award, the Players' Player Award and Carbone/De Vita Award.

Another man who had a careerbest season was Kody Manning with the renowned hard man finishing fourth in fairest and best voting to claim the Past Players' Award.

Manning also won the coveted Wayne Dayman Courage Award. He also celebrated his 100th game along the way during 2017 while being part of the victorious WAFL state team and being named in the wafl.com.au Team of the Year.

Tyler Keitel received the Ray Scott Memorial Award as the leading goalkicker having kicked 46 goals, cementing himself as a leading key forward in the competition following an outstanding 2016 as a key defender.

Scott Nelson burst onto the scene as a promising small defender and was presented with the Cardinals Rising Star Award while the League Coaches Award went to Corey Chalmers who also had the best season of his career at league level.

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Another player undoubtedly with a bright future is Conal Lynch and he was rewarded for his 2017 season by winning the Roy Ennis Medal as the fairest and best winner in the reserves.

He won just ahead of 2016 winner Mitch Peirce while Kael Coleman finished third and Zac Guadagnin won the Coaches Award.

Dylan Yem had a breakout season in the colts for West Perth in 2017 and he took out the Dominish Medal as the fairest and best winner.

Laura Pugh claimed the Women's league fairest and best award while Danica Arnold won the Coaches Award.

Ruby Cunningham won the reserves fairest and best with Lucy Haynes taking out the Coaches Award.

In the Youth Girls, Dana Mullumby was the winner of the fairest and best with Scovia Anzoa claiming the Coaches Award.

LEAGUE AWARD WINNERS

BRECKLER MEDAL (Fairest and Best): Shane Nelson





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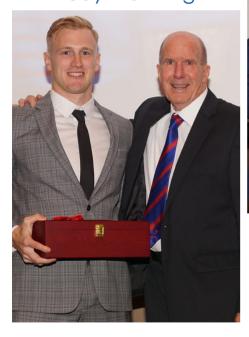
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PAST PLAYERS AWARD (Fourth Fairest and Best): Kody Manning

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CARDINALS RISING STAR: Scott Nelson

RAY SCOTT MEMORIAL AWARD (Leading Goalkicker): Tyler Keitel



League Coaches Award: Corey Chalmers City of Joondalup Best Clubman Award: Luke Meadows Wayne Dayman Courage Award: Kody Manning Players' Player Award: Luke Meadows



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RESERVES AWARD WINNERS

ROY ENNIS MEDAL (Fairest and Best): **Conal Lynch**



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RUNNER-UP Fairest and Best: **Mitch Peirce**

PAST PLAYERS AWARD (Third Fairest and Best): **Kael Coleman**



COACHES **AWARD**: Zac Guadagnin

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COLTS AWARD WINNERS



DOMINISH MEDAL (Fairest and Best): **Dylan Yem**



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FEMALE FOOTBALL REPORT

There was a historic change heralded in 2017 for our club, creating three Female teams and joining the Mundella WAWFL competition for the first time.

The Joondalup Women's Football Club after 10 years as an independent club and winning two reserves premierships in that time moved all its players across to assist in creating these teams.

This change is full α integration across all areas of the football club and one that will see many benefits for the players; updated change rooms, own gym, dedicated strength and conditioning coaches. specialist coaches from amongst the senior men's squad as well as the recognition that comes with being part of such a wellestablished and successful club. But more importantly a very defined and shortened pathway to the AFLW for those who dare to dream.

Like so many female clubs we saw a huge increase in interest which enabled us to easily fill the three teams for the season. We welcomed over 60 new players to add to around 60 that carried on from season 2016. Many of them whom had never played the game before or returning to it after many years away.

Round 1 was the pinnacle of several years of work to have females play in the traditional red and blue and to run out before the senior league team was a day to remember for



so many reasons. Yes it was a win and against the old foe East Perth in very convincing fashion, but the response from the Cardies faithful was fantastic and bodes well for the future.

To hear comments about how talented and skilful the players are, meant that female football is certainly creating a ground swell not only amongst the enthusiastic girls and women but also throughout the die-hard followers.

The excitement continued through the season with several State representations; Ashton Hill and Tyhara Garlett headed to Queensland to be part of the WA under-23s, Jacinta Valentini made two trips with under-18s. We had Maggie MacLachlan (WA Black leadership team), Evie Corcoran (All Australian selection), Madi Jeffery and Abuk Nyok all taking part in the recent National Schoolgirls carnival.

While our three teams may not have played finals this year the growth across all three teams has been fantastic and all had memorable games that will make 2017 special, but all has created real excitement for what can be achieved in 2018.

We are extremely grateful for our Major Sponsor – National Storage who enabled us to turn plans into reality in terms of becoming one big Falcons Family and to Emily Hamilton the local Member for Joondalup who assisted greatly to outfit all three teams with the new jumpers. Baileys Bar and Bistro were simply awesome in providing a place to go after all our home games and to provide hospitality to us and our opponents as well.

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Most of all we thank all the hardworking volunteers as without them we wouldn't be able to take the field each week - our coaches, team managers, water runners, goal umpires, timekeepers, strength and conditioning coaches and to our sports trainers.

Peter Cutler



FEMALE FOOTBALL SUPPORT

The West Perth Football Club's Female Football program was promised support by the Labor Government in the lead up to the recent State election with Emily Hamilton MLA ensuring delivery of that guarantee.

The West Perth Football Club welcomed the previous Joondalup Falcons senior, reserves and youth female football teams into the club for the first time in 2017 in an exciting move for the future of the Falcons.

With the redevelopment at HBF Arena for the West Perth Football Club to be completed by the end of the year, the Falcons will be able to provide all the facilities required by the male and female football programs alike with the future looking tremendously bright.

It has been an exciting initiative in 2017 to welcome the female teams into the West Perth Football Club but it is one that continues to make the Falcons a community leader in the northern corridor.

As the Labor candidate for Joondalup in the recent State election, Ms Hamilton pledged her support to the new West Perth female football program.

Upon winning the seat and earning her place in the State parliament, Ms Hamilton has kept to her word helping in the need to outfit all the female players involved in the Falcons program. Ms Hamilton pledged her support via the Community Improvement Fund which provides money to local councils and community organisations in Joondalup to build local infrastructure and support local programs.

The fund empowers community organisations and local councils to deliver projects that could have been financially out-ofreach.

With the massive interest and increase in Female Football following the successful AFL Women's inaugural season, numbers at the Falcons swelled from just over 80 to just under 150.

This growth meant the club was desperate to seek support for the purchase of new playing jumpers.

"Emily's generosity will go a long way in helping us to further develop the integration of female players into the West Perth Football Club," West Perth Football Club President Scott Ballem said.

"Through Emily's magnificent gesture of funding \$6,750 towards much needed jumpers we were able to progress and outfit our girls ready for a successful 2017 season."

Quite simply, the West Perth Football Club would have had difficulty funding the Female Football program to get



underway in 2017 and for the players to look the part running out onto HBF Arena or any other ground throughout the WAWFL.

Ms Hamilton attended the West Perth clash with Claremont at HBF Arena to see what the money she had helped provide went towards, and is delighted to have been able to offer some support.

"I really enjoyed watching the West Perth game recently and seeing the passionate and talented women of the West Perth Football Club play a great game of football," Ms Hamilton said.

"I support and encourage women's participation in sport at professional and community level. It's great to see such a professional women's team in the Falcons, based in Joondalup."



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Zoe Jones					10	1	
Alyssa Kelly					4	0	
Teighan Kelly			12	0			
Holly Langensiepen					4	0	
Faith Larder					1	0	
Katie Lenane			1	0		0	
Brooke Lloyd			14	0			
Rebecca Looker			14	0	1	0	
Keely Lynch					8	1	
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Maggie Machlachlan					6		
Kaitlyn Mackie			0	0	4	1	
Chloe Madamadiotis			2	0			
Ann McMahon	13	8					
Patricia Medwin			9	0			
Chloe Metcalf	13	22					
Grace Moodie	1	1	14	10			
Alexandria Moss					5	0	
Tess Moynihan	9	2					
Dana Mullumby					11	0	
Jodie Mumford					8	0	
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Abuk Nyok					9	0	
Sally O'Hagan	8	0					
Brooke Pannell			10	0			
Elicia Ruby Petreski					9	1	
Rebecka Phipps	8	1					
Jahna Pomare-Hughes					10	0	
Sophie Prizeman	8	0					
Laura Pugh	14	12					
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Candice Shepherd			13	0			
Janet Sida			9	0			
Jessica Singleton			2	0			
Rebecca Singleton			1	0			
Caitlin Smith			1	0			
Zoe Smith			8	2			
Georgia Sneddon					10	0	
Amy Szeliga	14	4					
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Grace Tapp					3	1	
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Jenna Woodman					5	0	
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CAPTAIN - ASHTON HILL



t was a significant year in 2017 for us with the integration of Joondalup Women's Football Club with the West Perth Football Club. There were over 100 women and young girls who were proud to wear the red and blue and represent the rich history of the club. I would like to thank the Board of Directors and everyone involved in making this integration possible.

Coming off the back of a premiership in the reserves with the Joondalup Women's Football Club in 2016, we knew this year would be challenging as we took the leap to league football in the Mundella WAWFL. The teams were faster, stronger, fitter and a lot more competitive. We knew that we had to put in the hard yards and prove our place in this competition.

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Throughout the season we had some great wins including our first game of the season against East Perth which was played as a double-header with the men's league game at HBF Arena. It was an honour to lead the club out on the home ground as the inaugural women's captain and to take away the win against the long-held rivals was even better. Another memorable game was our thrilling win over Peel with a goal slotted in the final minutes of Round 12, which in turn prevented them from reaching finals.

We had some tough games along the way losing unfortunately, by some big margins against the top teams. I believe we showed great resilience in these games and used them as learning experiences to identify what we need to do in order to reach that top level. We were proud to finish our first season of league football in sixth place on the ladder. Although a successful season is usually defined by whether a team has made finals or taken home the premiership, I believe that we were still successful this year with the significant growth and improvement of all the girls both individually and as a team.

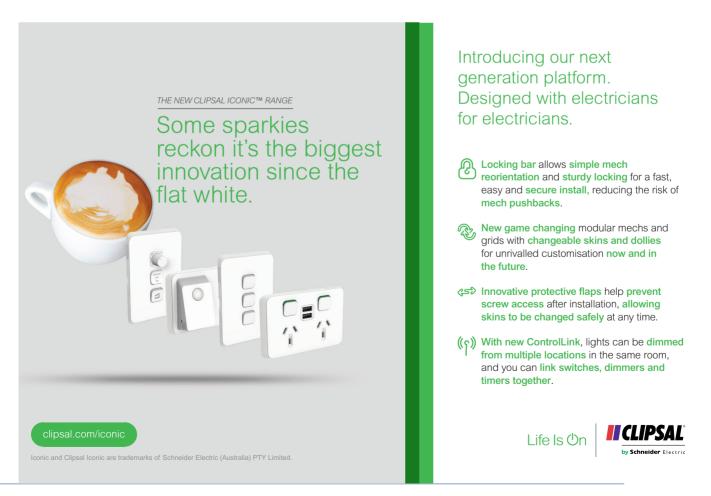
I would like to say a special thank you to our coaches, Paul Beaver and Naomi Bowran, for their tireless efforts throughout the season. Likewise, to our strength and conditioning coaches, physios and volunteers, thank you for all your support and efforts.

I would also like to congratulate the reserves and Rogers Cup teams for their first season representing West Perth Football Club.

It is exciting to see the talent coming through and I can't wait to see you all progress next year.

Here's to 2018 and a bigger and better season.

Ashton Hill



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CAPTAIN - JAY VAN BERLO



t was another big year in 2017 for our footy club both on and off the field. While we didn't achieve the ultimate goal of a premiership, we have laid some strong foundations heading into 2018.

It was a very up and down season with some tremendous performances at times, and some disappointing efforts at others.

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Inconsistency throughout games and from week to week was a key issue for us in 2017 and is something we need to fix in order to compete more strongly in 2018.

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I am proud that the League team fought our way into another finals campaign, however given it was only a short-lived experience, I think we are all ultimately disappointed. At the end of the day we were not good enough when it counted during the season and finals so there is plenty of work to be done.

with After reviewing the year coaches and players, the message is clear moving forward that we must be better across the board, and that the standards need to raised higher in order for us to be at the top. If we accept mediocrity then we won't get to where we want to be, and so a big focus going forward in 2018 is to challenge everyone players, coaches and staff - to operate at the highest possible level consistently, and not be satisfied with anything less.



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with am excited the appointment of Steve Trewhella as General Manager of Football Operations heading into 2018. Steve is an extremely wellrespected individual with a wealth of experience, and we all cannot wait to work with him. It is great to have one of the legends of our footy club in charge of our football operations, and I have no doubt Steve will excel in the role and have a big impact on us improving across all areas.

The new facility looks better than expected and we finally have a place we can truly call home. It gives the players and club the best possible opportunity to succeed both on and off the field, and so we must make the most of it.

I look forward to seeing the all the sponsors and past members players filling the function rooms after each home game and being proud of our great club.

l'd like take this to opportunity to acknowledge the people who have been involved at the club during 2017 who won't be returning to a role in 2018. Thank you so much for your service, and the time and effort you put in. We wish you all the very best in the future.

I would also like to thank the players, coaches and Board for the opportunity to captain this great club for the last four seasons. It has been a true honour and privilege, and something I certainly have not taken for granted. I will forever be proud to tell people that I belong to the West Perth Football Club.

Finally I would like to thank Bill and the coaches, players, support staff, administration team, Football Department, Board, members and supporters for all your support and efforts in 2017.

While the season didn't finish the way we would have liked, we could not have achieved what we did without you. I look forward now to the 2018 season where we will be doing everything possible to make sure West Perth returns to the top of the competition where we belong.

Jay van Berlo



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TOP ROW: Clayton Taylor, Byron Sherwood, Noah Farrow , Finn Lawson, Kane Bevan , Liam McWha, Cameron Whittaker, Mick Robis (Assistant Coach) MIDDLE ROW:</u> Mike Fountain, Ben Dixon , Charlie Fountain, Aiden Nguyen, Nate Dimanlig, Anthony Turner, Josh Atherton, Luke Michael, Paul Turcato (Assistant Coach) FRONT ROW: Tayln Robis, Callum Henry, Zane Lo Monaco , Zac Bennett, Ben Horgan (Head Coach), Griff Julian , Blake Garroway, Jake Rundle , Jack O'Leary ABSENT: Lachlan Gallagher, Declan Kileen, Daniel Mann, Louie Oakes, Harry O'Donnell, Jay Solly, Jamaica Woods



FRONT ROW: Jaxon Poole, Connor Barron-Simon, Lachlan Morris, Lachlan Cox, Luke McIntosh, Noah Coutas, Ronan Fitzgerald, Ben Singh, Jaylen Brimson

ABSENT: Lochlan Paton, Ryan Nicholls, Kyle Faulks, Ethan White, Kane Morris

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TOP ROW: Paul McKenna (Asst Coach), Ethan Ferguson, Matthew Hooper, Cameron Conduit, Joe Cashmore, Liam Benaquista, Isaac Demarte, Saverio Marafioti, Scott Minchin (Asst Coach)

<u>3RD ROW:</u> James Bailey (Asst Coach), Michael Ross, Bailey Greenslade, Jayden Medwin, Coen Milicevic, Ashley Miller, Aiden Nelson, George Newport, Ethan Raymond, Brett Jackson (Asst Coach)

2ND ROW: : Griffin Pope , Tyrell Nannup, Jordan Smith , Josh Hugi-Ferguson, Craig Wilson (Head Coach), Jack Demarte, Jarrod Circosta, Connor Ougan, Harrison Brown FRONT ROW: Hamish Hunt, Jordan Criddle Charlie Klemm, Jayden Kane, Brandon Lusk, Mitchell Griffiths

ABSENT: Harrison Baxter, Blair Morris, James Pruiti, Malachi Ryder, Tom Strauss



TOP ROW: Paul Beaver (Assistant Coach), Lincoln Hills, Thomas Foss, Tyson West, Javier Pelkonen, Peter Coles, Ethan Turner, Cody Connell

3RD ROW: Ken Dillon (Assistant Coach), Jordan Berry, Seth Gibson, Luke McDonald, Jayden Chinnery, Ryan Koch, Devlyn Mitchell, Steve Hazell (Assistant Coach)

2ND ROW: : Cooper Blackburn, Thomas Settineri, Mitchell Williamson, Jacob Oskam, Thomas Moscarda (Head Coach), Zane Clark, Jack Grossman, Sebastian Smith, Christian Henderson

FRONT ROW: Luke Reilly, Pat Warangkool, Ryan Gallen, Riley Waters, Taj Hazell, Noah Tonkin

ABSENT: Garang Deng, Darcy Dixon, Logan Foley, Reece Gerrand, Jack McGahy, Lachlan Vanirsen, Adrian Vanirsen (Assistant Coach)







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TOP ROW: Jordan Gray (Assistant Coach) Jordan Wild, Harry Quayle, Connor Budimir, Michael Mallard, Charlie Newport, Samuel O'Boyle, Tyler Klemke Taylor-Shreeve <u>3RD ROW:</u> Paul Turner (Assistant Coach), Heath Chapman, Connor Klemke, Kailble Bailey, Jack Lawson, Declan McCormack, Kellen Johnson, Rohan Abbott, Dean Smith (Assistant Coach)

2ND ROW: Josh Kinnersley, Kieran Logan, Zarne Robis, Wes Moran (Head Coach), Lachlan McLeod, Brock Lewis, Corey Rundle, Ben Lewis

FRONT ROW: Ryan Leicester, Will Shepherd, Jacob Garland, Sol Williamson, Rohan Scurria, Phillip Farmer, Tyler Fraser

ABSENT: Jack Downsborough, Matthew Leahne, Darcy Lowe, Tyler Nuku, Billy O'Callaghan, Cooper Schulz, Toby Smith, Royce Williams, Gavin Muir, Sam Alberti





THIRD ROW SECOND ROW FRONT ROW ABSENT

BACK ROW

Ben Cassidy (S & C Coach), Harm Bastick, Anthony Donovan, Taj Tedder, Regan Jackson, Wyatt Siakia, Jeremy Crouch, Ben Johnson, Liam Martin, Keegan Finn, Chris Papadopoulos, Scott Minchin (Asst Coach) Chris Erikson (Manager), Tyron Hindmarsh, Lachlan Heal, Jay Cutler, Jaxon Prior, Lachlan Rewell, Travis Vickers, Adam Gerritsen, Ryan Hudson, Kyle Harms, Matt O'Brien, Josh Watkins, Charlie Holmes (Asst Coach), Ben Horgan (Asst Coach)

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Luke Smith, Connor Hinchliffe, Ryan Teeuwissen, Henry Ryan, Bryce Laing, Ryan Hosking, Taylor Ashworth, Simon Homsany Jack Dixon, Callum Taylor, Tavis Pool, Jack Downsborough, Mackenzie Brown, Dylan Hayden, Tom Moscarda (Asst Coach), Craig Wilson (Asst Coach), Kel-Anne McGhie (Asst Coach), Naomi Bowran (Asst Coach), Steve Hazell (Asst Coach), Warren Meulenkamp (Asst Coach)

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Ben Tapper, Filimone Muavou, Ben Cook, Brannen Warland, Jamie Dowen, Ben Cassidy (S&C Coach), Casey Haw (Talent Manager)

3RD ROW: Chris Erikson (Team Manager), Lachlan Johns, Declan Kidd, Clayton Austin, Kaj Kremer, Eamon Gilbert, Zak Patterson, Slade Hawkins, Tex Moran, Corey Kirwen, Lachlan Sherriffs, Kurt Hindmarsh, Daniel Cruickshank, Graham Richards, Charlie Holmes (Assistant Coach), Bruce Bennett (Assistant Coach)

2ND ROW: Patrick Graham, Zac Turner, Ollie Kidd, Thomas Medhat (VCapt), Kurt Monaghan (VCapt), Oscar Allen (Captain), Ryan Lasscock (Head Coach), ordan Moore (VCapt), Connor West (VCapt), Thomas O'Donnell (VCapt), Hamish Culbert, Tyrese Miller

FRONT ROW: Jack Burke, Jared Cole, Nathan Murray, Tom Boyes, Rhys Bostock, Baylee James, Josh Hunter, Koopah Todd, Dylan Yem, Corey Kirk

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SIGNIFICANT DAYS

POLLY FARMER SHIELD

West Perth played East Perth in Round 2 at HBF Arena and for the very first time the Polly Farmer Shield was up for grabs.

The Falcons claimed a terrific 21-point victory to make the opening to their season following the opening round bye.

Graham 'Polly' Farmer's daughter Kim was on hand after the match to present the shield named in her father's honour to West Perth captain Jay van Berlo.

Of more than 10,000 league footballers in WA's rich history, Farmer sits head and shoulders above the pack.

1996 the AFL bestowed In legend status on 12 champions in the inauaural Australian Football Hall of Fame. Farmer was one of them. The same year he was named ruckman in the AFL's Team of the Century, the only West Australian to get a guernsey.

The only accolade to elude Farmer was the Brownlow Medal. More than just a champion player, he changed the game. His trademark handball revolutionized the ruck.



Captain Jay van Berlo with Graham 'Polly' Farmer's daughter Kim after winning the inaugural Polly Farmer Shield

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In the 1950's he was the power behind East Perth's six-year domination of WA football. Arch rival, Carlton's John Nicholls, described him as the best ruckman he had ever played against. Another Victorian great, Ron Barassi, said "He is dedicated to the elimination of error."

Farmer returned to WA as captaincoach of West Perth in 1968 and the following year he had one of his best seasons, despite being 34. He was runner-up in the Sandover Medal, won West Perth's fairest and best award and led the club to a premiership.

The Polly Farmer Shield will remain an annual contest between East Perth and West Perth moving forward.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

The Falcons Football District has a rapidly growing population with the fastest growing migrant and multicultural demographic in the state. Australian Rules

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West Perth key position star Tyler Keitel modelling the Heritage jumper

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Football is continually being embraced by these new populations.

In celebration, the West Perth Football Club and the Falcons District again hosted the International Festival Football on Saturday July 1 at HBF Arena, as the Falcons took on Subiaco.

West Perth's league team played in a special one-off themed guernsey for the Round 15 contest to embrace the local international community.

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2017 recruit Scott Simpson in action during the International Football Festival

The day included a special Kids Zone which included inflatable footy activities, the City of Joondalup youth truck, lolly bus, face painting and more.

The weather wasn't kind to make the occasion everything we hoped this year, but that is one thing out of our control.

The International Football Festival remains one of the biggest days now on the WAFL calendar and the West Perth Football Club

is proud to have been behind it and will continue to ensure it thrives moving forward in 2018 and beyond.

HERITAGE ROUND

West Perth continued its momentum winning a fifth straight match and celebrating the 120year anniversary of its first premiership in style with a 32-point win over Claremont at HBF Arena in Round 10.

Perth West was coming off the bye and four impressive victories against Peel Thunder, Swan Districts, Perth and East Fremantle. and started strongly against Claremont with six goals to one in the opening quarter.



West Perth players warming up in the International Football Festival jumpers

The Falcons were never threatened from there going on to record the 13.14 (92) to 7.18 (60) victory.

The Falcons were wearing specially designed commemorative jumpers featuring a photo of the 1897 premiership team. The 32-point win over the Tigers was the ideal way to celebrate the club's first ever premiership.

It just happened to be the first time that West Perth legend Darren Harris coached Claremont against the Falcons as well.

NAIDOC ROUND

West Perth returned to HBF Arena to take on Peel Thunder in the WAFI

NAIDOC Round in Round 16 with the Falcons looking to replicate its earlier season standout performance.

The West Perth NAIDOC Round jumper featured a striking design with the artwork over the top of the traditional red jumper with the blue sash.

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The snakes symbolise the intertwining of two cultures with the feet showing walking together. The white stars represent the 343 games played by Bill Dempsey.

West Perth has among the strongest history of Indigenous players in the state dating back to legendary figures like Dempsey and Graham 'Polly' Farmer. and the Falcons were represented on the day by lively forward Rudy Riddoch having crossed from Swan Districts.



West Perth lining up before the NAIDOC Round clash with Peel Thunder at HBF Arena



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DEBUTANTS

ine players made their league debuts with West Perth in 2017 with all of them suggesting they have bright futures with the Falcons.

West Perth's season began in Round 2 with a strong win against East Perth at HBF Arena and on that day Scott Simpson, Scott Nelson and Nathan Alexandre all made their debuts.

Simpson joined West Perth in 2017 following a career that saw him spend time on Geelong's AFL list while playing some strong VFL football, and more recently be a standout in the Mornington Peninsula Football League.

Having started his WAFL career early in the season at centre halfback, it quickly became apparent Simpson was best suited to playing in the ruck on the wide expanses of the WA ovals where he could use his superior aerobic capacity.

His first starring performance was

in the Round 5 win against Peel Thunder and he maintained his position as West Perth's No. 1 ruckman most of the rest of the season and did tremendously well.

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He proved a tremendous recruit for 2017 and will be an important player again in 2018 whether used in the ruck or a key position at either end of the ground.

In the same season where his older brother Shane won a third Breckler Medal and reached 100 games, it became a special time for the Nelson family with Scott showing he was a more than capable league footballer in his own right.

In his 15 appearances he was terrific putting himself forward as one of the best small defenders already in the competition despite yet to turn 20 years of age. He was named in the wafl.com.au Team of the Week twice

Alexandre has done a good apprenticeship at West Perth

playing 26 colts matches over 2014 and 2015, 20 reserves games in 2016 and got his chance to show what he could do at league level.

He went on to play 10 games throughout the season mostly filling a role in defence and showed enough to suggest he has a bright future ahead of him.

The next debutant came a week late when Alexander Coe lined up for the Falcons against Subiaco also at HBF Arena.

The 21-year-old from Bencubbin returned to West Perth last year to play a strong season in the reserves following a brief colts career over 2012 and 2013. He good continued his form to start 2017 leading to his debut there league and certainly could be more to come in 2018.

There was then much excitement surrounding the debut of burly forward Rudy Riddoch in Round 5

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SCOTT SIMPSON ROUND 2 West Perth v East Perth HBF ARENA



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RUDY RIDDOCH ROUND 5 West Perth v Peel Thunder BENDIGO BANK STADIUM

CONAL LYNCH ROUND 15 West Perth v Subiaco HBF ARENA



OSCAR ALLEN ROUND 20 West Perth V East Perth HBF ARENA

MITCH ANTONIO ROUND 22 West Perth v Subiaco LEEDERVILLE OVAL against Peel Thunder at Bendigo Bank Stadium.

Having crossed from Swan Districts where he previously played 32 games and kicked 34 goals, Riddoch was looking for a fresh start and it began brightly for him with the Falcons.

Riddoch did well with 19 possessions, seven marks and a goal on debut in that win over Peel and by Round 7 against Perth, he set HBF Arena alight booting a career-best seven goals in a dazzling display putting on full show his array of tricks.

While he couldn't quite recapture that form, he did end up playing 13 games and kicking 11 goals having joined West Perth after the season already started. Now with a pre-season at the Falcons under his belt, he will look to have an even greater impact in 2018.

It wasn't until Round 15 when it was time for another West Perth debutant with Conal Lynch joining older brother Aidan in the Falcons league side.

On the back of two strong seasons in the colts in 2014 and 2015, and another good reserves season in 2016, it was only a matter of time until he made his league debut.

He would ao on to look at home in his three games as well while in the reserves he finished up winning the fairest and best award further putting his name up in lights.

In Round 18 it was time for former East Perth player Riley Hutchinson to earn his chance in the West Perth league line-up. He ran out for the Falcons against Perth at Lathlain Park

Round 20 saw future draftee Oscar Allen make his league debut with West Perth against East Perth at HBF Arena.

Mitch Antonio has long been earmarked as a player of the future at West Perth dating back to his colts career.

He showed good signs in the reserves in 2016 and after some more good form in the back half of 2017, the exciting forward earned his league debut in Round 22 against Subiaco at Leederville Oval.

Antonio kicked 40 goals in the colts season of 2015 and then having kicked 22 goals in 12 reserves games in 2017, he earned his league opportunity playing the last two games of the home and away season.

There's no doubt the 21-year-old can become an important part of the West Perth forward set up for years to come.

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CORPORATE CLASSIC

The West Perth Football Club wishes to acknowledge all 2017 Corporate Classic entrants and thank them for their continued support.

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HERITAGE COMMITTEE

he newly established Heritage Committee focused its efforts on three key areas; collecting and preparing memorabilia for display in anticipation of the club's move into the new Joondalup clubrooms, working closely with the club's Membership Committee to re-engage past players and officials by developing and publishing HeartBeat, and introducing a heritage component to half-time activities at several of the club's President's lunches at home games.

The club would like to thank volunteers Bill Spittles, Terry Stokesbury, Stan Broom, Sean Cowan, Elizabeth Lourensz and Frank Alvaro for the contributions they have made to the committee in 2017, and also for their various efforts in raising money to fund that will initiatives support recognition of the club's heritage in the new facility.

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The summer months will be a busy time as the committee readies the premises and endeavours to create a home venue that celebrates the proud history of our club. Plans are also afoot to create a Hall of Fame for the West Perth Football Club, details for which will developed in 2018.

Peter Cutler





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MILESTONES

hat а remarkable season 2017 turned out to be for the West Perth Football Club in terms of celebrating milestones of some of the Falcons' modern day greats.

By the time the 2017 season ended, West Perth had celebrated a 200game milestone for a premiership star and Breckler Medallist, while two more fairest and best winners and premiership players became life members.

A couple more inspirational 2013 premiership stars also reached the century mark in 2017 while another four players also notched up 50 games.

The biggest of the milestones came in Round 12 when West Perth celebrated the 200th game of Andrew Strijk with a memorable win against Swan Districts at Steel Blue Oval.

It was yet another accolade in an increasingly decorated career for the 30-year-old.

Strijk became the 20th player to reach 200 games with West Perth and the first since dual premiership player, 2013 flag-winning skipper Jason Salecic did so four years ago.

It has been a remarkable journey with him proving equally effective and damaging at half-forward or half-back, both positions allowing him to use his power, running ability and lethal right boot.

He made his league debut at West Perth in 2006 and has been a regular member of the side ever since aside from his 13 games with the West Coast Eagles in the AFL and when he missed the last seven rounds of 2014 while completing his acceptance program to join the fire brigade.

Along the way, Strijk played in West Perth's become a life member of the club, won a fairest and best award in the flagwinning season of 2013 and represented the WAFL in state matches on six occasions.

"It does mean a lot and it's something that I'll look back once I'm retired and appreciate it a lot more, and be quite proud of and so will my friends and family," Strijk said.

"It was always a bit of a target for me to wear the No. 3 for West Perth for the most number of games. So many great players have worn it before me like 'Checker' O'Keefe and Corey Johnson, and 200 was the most games played.

"So that's always been a bit of a target of mine to get to that 201 and try to be the most games played in the No. 3 jersey. It does mean a lot. It's such a fantastic club and to have been part of it for so long, 12 years, has been unbelievable."

Jay van Berlo was in his four seasons as captain of West Perth in 2017 and along the way he earned life membership when he

played his 150th game in the 19-point Round 7 against Perth at HBF Arena.

From the moment he made his league debut for West Perth in 2007, van Berlo has been one of the WAFL's hardest working and most consistent on-ballers with him winning the club's fairest and best awards in 2008 and 2016 along with being runner-up in 2014 and 2015.

His form and commitment to West Perth has never dropped off now over a 165-game career that the two Breckler includes Medals, the 2013 premiership, representing Western Australia on three occasions being in his fourth season as captain.

"It was always a bit of a target for me to wear the No. 3 for West Perth for the most reaching 100 games. premiership of 2013, has number of games. So many great players have worn it before me like 'Checker' O'Keefe and Corey Johnson..."

- Andrew Strijk



He also played 32 AFL games with Fremantle either side of his West Perth career.

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The life membership he earned in 2017 will always be something he especially cherishes.

"It's a massive honour. I guess the number isn't so much the biggest thing for me, but the life membership is huge and that's something that you sort of dream about when you first come up to the club as a young kid," van Berlo said.

"The first goal was obviously to get a gig in the development squads, then the colts and work through the reserves, and eventually try and play a league game. I managed to do that and then you see some of

> the names on the lockers and you want to achieve that by

"After that it was a matter of if I can get to life membership and it's great that I've made. It's such a great family club and it has given me so much over the years that to reach life membership is a huge honour.



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it all into perspective and makes me feel very humbled to be part of that group."

Another player to earn life membership in 2017 was prolific West Perth midfielder and wingman Aaron Black. He reached the milestone in the Round 23 victory against Claremont at Claremont Oval that proved a memorable day for the Falcons as they secured a finals berth in thrilling fashion.

Initially starting his career in tagging



midfielders and wingmen in the competition, the accolades began to come his way as he continued to rack up plenty of games and achievements at a young age.

Now Black is still only 24 and already has earned life membership to go with the 2013 premiership, 2014 Sandover Medal, 2015 Breckler Medal

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as club fairest and best and represent WA on four occasions.

"It's a pretty big honour to become a life member of the West Perth Football Club," Black said.

"It's a really prestigious club and has been around for over 130 years so in comparison to how long it's been around and how many players have come through the club, there's a small number who have played 150 and become a life member.

"To do it at 24 years of age means I've played a lot from a young age and I'm proud of what I've achieved in that time and got to 150 games while still being relatively young. I'm really proud of that and hopefully that can continue on for a while yet."

"I guess the number isn't so much the biggest thing for me, but the life membership is huge and that's something that you sort of dream about..."

- Jay van Berlo

Shane Nelson became a triple Breckler Medallist in 2017 and along the way celebrated his 100-game milestone in the Round 5 win against Peel Thunder in Mandurah.

That proved a memorable day for the Falcons to bounce back to beat the reigning premiers a week after losing to South Fremantle by 103 points.

Getting to the century and booking his name on the No. 14 locker was a proud moment for Nelson.

"It's obviously an honour and a privilege to represent the West Perth footy club at all, let alone for 100 games," Nelson said.

"It is something that I wanted to achieve when I was younger and watching the Falcons as I was growing up, and to get my name on the locker and be put up there







with a lot of the other great names at the club is a massive honour."

It's hard to imagine too many more revered figures at the West Perth Football Club than Kody Manning through his first 100 games.

His fierce attack on the football and the opposition combined with his skill, pace and general football ability make him a unique player at the Falcons.

"When I first got the jumper, knowing who had it before me was big enough and now to finally play 100 for the club and in that jumper is something that's quite special."

- Kody Manning

The 2013 premiership player brought up 100 games late in the season against Subiaco. ۲

He was proud to join 2003 premiership player Clayton Lasscock on the No. 47 locker.

"It has taken a long time to get there and longer than it probably should have, but I play the way I play and I am never going to hold back. But it's nice to finally to reach the 100," Manning said.

"There's just Clayton on my locker at the moment so it will be nice to now be under him. When I first got the jumper, knowing who had it before me was big enough and now to finally play 100 for the club and in that jumper is something that's quite special."

Tyler Keitel, Michael Lourey, Aidan Lynch and Luke Meadows are four more regular league players who celebrated their 50-game milestones during the 2017 season as well.



PAST PLAYERS & OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

The 2017 season had its highs and lows on the playing field, but has been an exciting year with the construction of our soon to be opened, new clubrooms.

We have been actively involved in sorting the club's memorabilia as part of a committee set up to display our history in the new premises. This has been and continues to be a daunting task.

This season we held sausage sizzles for the league and colts' squads and this included a special training night where we invited past players and officials to attend. This was part of the club's strategy to get past players to return to the club and be part of the future.

Many thanks again to Joe and Tony Scarfo from 'Scarfo's Meating Place' for their wonderful Italian meats. Thanks to Sandy Hasler for her sandwiches that she has been providing for more than a decade and to Viv Higgins for delicious sandwiches.

For the second year the Past Players and Officials, ran the bar for the Colts Quiz Night and many thanks to those who volunteered on the night.

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Our major fundraising event was the gate raffle at the Subiaco home game in April and thanks to the many volunteers on that day.

In conjunction with the Membership Committee, we have been more involved in planning for the future running of our new premises. We are now a recognised tier of membership and as such the club will now collect membership fees and a membership card will be issued recognising this membership.

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In addition to having a fabulous area for our half-time function, we will now be operating a can bar under the eaves of the terraced area.

Best wishes to all our members and supporters over the Christmas and New Year period and we hope to see you all again next year. Congratulations to our Past Players and Officials award winners:

Kody Manning (League)

Kael Coleman (Reserves)

Bailey Chalmers (Colts)

Eamon Gilbert (Encouragement Award, pictured below)

Stan Broom President



MEMBERSHIP

he West Perth Football Club appreciates the committed support of our many members. Membership grew again in season 2017 and we are very fortunate to be surrounded by such loyal and passionate supporters. We wish to thank the following First Class Falcons for their generous financial support in 2017.

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STATE REPRESENTATIVES

est Perth had five players pull on the West Australian jumper and create history in the 2017 State Game triumph as the WAFL made history beating the VFL in Melbourne by 63 points.

West Perth's Shane Nelson, Kody Manning, Aaron Black, Luke Meadows and Andrew Strijk were all key contributed in the historymaking win by the WAFL State Team.

WA beat Victoria for the first ever time in Melbourne and the impact the five West Perth players had was significant in the triumph.

Manning was the most physically imposing player on the ground with his attack on the ball and the Victorian players when they had the ball unlike anyone else in the game. He finished with 14 possessions and five tackles.

Nelson was again a prolific ball winner as he has been all season for West Perth racking up 25 possessions in third appearance for WA.

Black was playing his fourth game representing the WAFL and had it 18 times to go with six tackles and a goal.

Strijk was playing a sixth game for WA and Meadows a second, and both had little to do off half-back but played their roles well.

On 23 previous attempts, WA teams whether they be interstate matches, as part of carnivals, State of Origin or representative clashes they have failed to find a way to beat the Big V in Melbourne.

And on the last attempt it was a day everyone in the WAFL would care to forget at the very same Port Melbourne venue in 2007 with a 119-point defeat.

The WAFL came into the clash at North Port Oval on the back of wins the past four years against the VFL in Northam, NEAFL in



Luke Meadows, Shane Nelson, Aaron, Andrew Strijk lining up with WA teammates

Sydney, SANFL at Lathlain Park and Tasmania at Steel Blue Oval to have some confidence.

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Then it was a performance for the ages in the state game itself with the WAFL dominating the home team after quarter-time kicking 17 goals to seven.

Not only did WA break a drought that began with the first attempt to win in Melbourne since 1904, but did so emphatically with the eventual 20.14 (134) to 10.11 (71) victory.

The 63-point winning margin was a terrific reward for WAFL coach Michael Broadbridge and his staff who picked a squad who was experienced, had big bodies and were



Oscar Allen in action for WA State 18s

VAFL V VFL REPRESENTATIVES

Aaron Black, Kody Manning, Shane Nelson, Luke Meadows, Andrew Strijk

WA STATE 18S Connor West, Oscar Allen

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WA STATE 16S Ryan Hudson, Jaxon Prior

> FEMALE STATE 18S Jacinta Valentini

FEMALE UNDER 23S Ashton Hill, Tyhara Garlett

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perfectly suited to play to the conditions on the small ground.

Black was representing WA for the fourth time and to be part of history in the side beating Victoria in Melbourne is something he will always cherish.

"It was such an awesome experience to be a part of a WA state team who conquered the almighty Vics in Melbourne," Black said.

"With such a tight nit WA side who bonded so well in such a short space of time, it made it all the more exciting and special and definitely something I'll appreciate for a long time to come."

Those players who took part in the WAFL's win over the VFL weren't the only WA state representatives from West Perth for 2017.

Not only did Oscar Allen play in the WA State 18s team, but he was captain and won the Larke Medal as the best player for the NAB AFL 18s Championships. By doing so, he became the first West Perth player to ever captain the State 18s team and teh first Larke Medallist from the Falcons since Kepler Bradley in 2003.

Ryan Hudson and Jaxon Prior were also part of the victorious WA State 16s team that won the National Championships.

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Meanwhile, Jacinta Valentini made two trips east to be part of the WA State 18s female team.

Ashton Hill and Tyhara Garlett also played in Queensland as part of the WA under-23s side.

It didn't end there either with Maggie part MacLahlan of the WA Black leadership team, Evie Corcoran earning All-Australian selection along with Madi Jeffery and Abuk Nyok all taking part in the National Schoolgirls Carnival.



WA celebrates the big win over Victoria in Melbourne



Andrew Strijk gathers during the WAFL's big win over the VFL



Luke Meadows lays a strong tackle



Kody Manning with his trademark ferocious attack



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Life members Jay van Berlo, Andrew Strijk, Aaron Black

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DRAFTEES

est Perth once again had 10 players in the AFL system in 2017 and now Oscar Allen will be another in 2018 having been selected by the West Coast Eagles.

Allen was taken by West Coast with selection No. 21 at the NAB AFL Draft on the back of his stellar 2017 that included him winning the Larke Medal from WA's State 18s campaign where he captained the team along with playing colts, reserves and league football back at West Perth.

The exciting young forward will now begin his time as an AFL footballer with the Eagles from 2018.

Allen's first step he is looking forward to is getting to know his new teammates and Josh Kennedy is one player he has already earmarked that he wants to follow closely in the footsteps of.

"At the moment I'm just taking small steps to get all my physicals done and get to know the guys. That's the most important thing, building that trust in the teammates," Allen said.

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"I think that's the most important thing in football clubs, not only to build those relationships on and off the field but to really spur each other on instead of competing for a spot in the side. That allows everyone to perform at their best.

"He (Kennedy) plays that key forward role and although we're

not really the same physical dimensions, he's someone who had his work rate in his early years at the club really set him up to have a successful career.

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"That's something I want. I want to really live in his back pocket and follow him to see what I can take from him."

Allen will now join fellow Perth West products losh Rotham, Marcus Adams, Nick Robertson, Blake Acres, Hutchings, Bradley Mark Hill Jack Rohan Bewick, Darling, Stephen Hill and Mark LeCras in the AFL system.

Of those, LeCras, Darling, Hutchings and Rotham are now teammates with him at the Eagles.

LeCras played another 19 games with the Eagles in 2017 to take his career tally to 196. He earned himself another contract for 2018 and now looks set to reach the 200game milestone.

He will become just the third West Perth player to achieve that feat since the AFL draft began in 1986, joining Quinten Lynch and his old colts teammate Nathan van Berlo.

Darling reached his 150-game milestone late in 2017 for the Eagles to earn life membership at the club having played another 23 games and kicking 43 goals.

Hutchings was able to become a more regular member in the West Coast midfield playing some important roles as well in 2017. The 2013 West Perth premiership player and Simpson Medallist added 19 matches in 2017 to take his career tally in the AFL to 75.

Rotham was picked up by West Coast in last year's National Draft and while he didn't make his AFL debut in 2017, he played some strong WAFL football off half-back and will look to push for selection with the Eagles in that role through 2018.

Adams once again had an interrupted season at the Western Bulldogs through injury, but when healthy he was a first-choice player for the reigning AFL premiers. He managed 10 more games to give him 21 in two seasons at the Bulldogs.

Robertson had the most prolific season of his career at the Brisbane Lions in 2017 as well. Going from a fringe player to a permanent fixture, he added 21 games in 2017 to take his career tally to 47 with his career appearing ready to take off.

His Brisbane teammate Bewick played eight games but that was enough for him to reach the 100game milestone with the Lions.

Acres was another Falcons product to have the best season of his career in 2017. He played 18 games with St Kilda to reach 44 in his career to date.

Bradley and Stephen Hill were united at Fremantle in 2017 and both had tremendous seasons.

> Bradley joined from Hawthorn where he was a triple premiership player and he instantly fit in at the Dockers.

> He was so impressive that he won the Doig Medal as the best and fairest as he approaches the 100-game AFL mark.

> His older brother had another strong season too as he moves into the veteran class with 17s games under his belt.



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PLAYER	CLUB	YEAR	GAMES	PLAYER	CLUB	YEAR	GAMES
John Gastev	West Coast	1987	143 ^	Wayde Skipper	Western Bulldogs	2000	60
Dean Laidley	West Coast	1987	149 ^	Mark Seaby	West Coast	2001	115
Sean King	West Coast	1987	1 ^	Digby Morrell	North Melbourne	2001	72 #
Paul Mifka	West Coast	1987] ^	Quinten Lynch	West Coast	2002	227
Craig Turley	West Coast	1988	131	Kepler Bradley	Essendon	2003	117
Dennis Repacholi	Western Bulldogs	1989	0	Michael Pettigrew	Port Adelaide	2003	103
Brad Gwilliam	West Coast	1989	8	Brent LeCras	North Melbourne	2003	6
Derek Hall	West Coast	1990	76	Nathan van Berlo	Adelaide	2004	205
Todd Curley	Collingwood	1991	118	Mark LeCras	West Coast	2004	196 *
Paul Symmons	West Coast	1992	99	Max Bailey	Hawthorn	2005	43
Brady Leckie	Richmond	1992	0	Steven Browne	Carlton	2007	23
Mark Merenda	Richmond	1993	101	Josh Smith	North Melbourne	2007	11
Ashley Blurton	West Coast	1994	24	Stephen Hill	Fremantle	2008	190 *
lan Downsborough	West Coast	1994	39	Jay van Berlo	Fremantle	2009	32 #
Ryan Smith	Fremantle	1994	0	Jack Darling	West Coast	2010	151 *
Neil Mildenhall	Fremantle	1994	7	Rohan Bewick	Brisbane Lions	2010	100 *
Brendon Fewster	West Coast	1995	70	Andrew Strijk	West Coast	2010	13 #
Craig Smoker	West Coast	1995	17	Josh Donaldson	Carlton	2010	0 #
Paul Whitelaw	West Coast	1995	0	Bradley Hill	Hawthorn	2011	117 *
Darren O'Brien	Melbourne	1995	24	Jordan Lockyer	Sydney	2011	0
Steven Koops	Fremantle	1995	89	Mark Hutchings	West Coast	2012	75 *
Martin Whitelaw	Fremantle	1995	1	Blake Acres	St Kilda	2013	44 *
Brendon Logan	Adelaide	1996	0	Nick Robertson	Brisbane Lions	2013	47 *
Phil Smith	Hawthorn	1996	0	Marcus Adams	Western Bulldogs	2015	21 *
Troy Longmuir	Melbourne	1997	83	Josh Rotham	West Coast	2016	0 *
Ryan Webb	West Coast	1997	0 #				
Justin Longmuir	Fremantle	1998	139	* Currently playi	ng ^ Inaug	ural squa	ad membe
Clayton Lasscock	North Melbourne	1999	0	# Rookie-listed			
Simon Duckworth	West Coast	1999	0 #				
Mark Pearson	West Coast	1999	0 #				

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YEAR	PRESIDENT	GENERAL MANAGER / SECRETARY	TREASURER	CLUB POSITION	СОАСН	CAPTAIN	FAIREST & BEST
1885	J. C. H. James	H. R. Dixson	-	Second	-	A. G. Rankin	-
1886	J. C. H. James	H. R. Dixson	-	Third	-	A. G. Rankin	-
1887	C. H. Rason	A. Lake	-	- Third -		H. Wilson	-
1888	C. H. Rason	A. Lake	-	Second	-	H. Sadler	-
1889	Dr. Kenny	J. P. Peters / G. D. Moffat	H. Sadler	Second	-	F. McDonough	-
1890	J. Thomas	D. Brennan	T. Hardwick	Third	-	J. B. Kneale	-
1891	T. Quinlan MLA	E. Bishop	E. Ranford	Second	-	K. McKenzie	-
1892	T. Quinlan MLA / A. Lee	H. Sadler	H. Wilson	Second	-	A. Newlands	-
1893	A. Lee	E. Wilson	-	Second	-	G. F. Sykes	-
1894	R. H. Barrett	E. Wilson	E. Wilson	Second	-	G. F. Sykes	-
1895	R. H. Barrett	E. Wilson	E. Wilson	Third	-	J. W. A. Morgan	-
1896	R. H. Barrett	A. Fischer	-	Second	-	J. Coward / D. J. DeCoit	-
1897	R. H. Barrett	C. McEwan / W. Clifton	-	PREMIERS	-	E. F. Grecian	-
1898	R. H. Barrett	W. J. Pickup	W. Woodham	Second	-	E. F. Grecian	-
1899	R. H. Barrett	J. Cullen	W. Woodham	PREMIERS	-	E. F. Grecian	-
1900	R. H. Barrett	R. Abell	R. Abell	Third	-	E. F. Grecian	-
1901	R. H. Barrett	R. Abell	R. Abell	PREMIERS	-	L. Jones / W. B. Plunkett	-
1902	R. H. Barrett	J. Cullen / E. Hanley	J. Cullen / E. Hanley	Second	-	H. L. Loel	-
1903	R. H. Barrett	E. Hanley	E. Hanley	Second	-	H. L. Loel / T. J. McNamara	-
1904	R. H. Barrett	E. Hanley / J. Cullen	E. Hanley / J. Cullen	Fourth	-	W. B. Plunkett	-
1905	R. H. Barrett	E. Hanley	E. Hanley	PREMIERS	-	W. B. Plunkett / A. C. Ford	-
1906	R. H. Barrett	W. Cross	W. Cross	Second	-	A. C. Ford	-
1907	R. H. Barrett	A. Strickland	H. Rowe	Third	-	G. A. Balme	-
1908	R. H. Barrett	J. Webb	W. Cross	Fourth	-	F. P. Strickland	-
1909	J. M. Lapsley	J. Webb	W. Cross	Fifth	-	J. S. Everett	-
1910	J. M. Lapsley	J. Webb	W. Cross	Third	-	G. A. Balme	-
1911	J. M. Lapsley	E. Hanley	J. Webb	Second	-	G. A. Balme	-
1912	J. M. Lapsley	E. Hanley	J. Webb	Sixth	-	G. A. Balme / W. H. Mose	-
1913	J. M. Lapsley	E. Hanley	J. S. Everett	Sixth	-	S. H. D. Rowe	-
1914	J. M. Lapsley	G. H. Hunter	J. S. Everett	Seventh	-	S. H. D. Rowe	-
1915	J. M. Lapsley	C. Hales	W. H. Bellion	Seventh	-	A. N. Austin	-
1916	J. M. Lapsley	F. Selby	W. H. Bellion	Third	-	A. N. Austin	-
1917	P. Barrett	J. O. Hughes	W. H. Bellion	Fifth	-	S. F. Jeffery	-
1918	P. Barrett	R. Henkel	W. H. Bellion	Sixth	-	J. O'Dea	-
1919	P. Barrett	R. Henkel	W. H. Bellion	Sixth	T. R. Willoughby	T. R. Willoughby	-
1920	P. Menzies	H. Rice	W. H. Bellion	Fifth	G. S. Tyson	G. S. Tyson	-

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1921	P. Menzies	J. Webb	W. H. Bellion	Third	G. S. Tyson / T. W. Soutar	T. W. Soutar	-
1922	P. Menzies	J. Webb	W. H. Bellion	Second	T. W. Soutar	T. W. Soutar	-
1923	P. Menzies	J. Webb	W. McBride	Third	A. D. Herd / J. Leckie	H. Boyd	H. Boyd
1924	P. Menzies	J. Webb	W. McBride	Sixth	J. Leckie	H. Boyd	-
1925	P. Menzies	J. Webb	W. McBride	Sixth	G. R. Taylor	G. R. Taylor	-
1926	P. Menzies	J. Webb	W. McBride	Third	T. W. Soutar	T. W. Soutar	-
1927	A. Todd	W. Barnes	W. McBride	Sixth	T. W. Soutar	D. C. Sinclair	J. Gosnell
1928	P. Menzies	W. Barnes	W. McBride	Fifth	H. Boyd	W. A. McRae / J. Gosnell / J. Craig / J. F. McDiarmid	E. J. Flemming
1929	P. Menzies	T. C. Reid	W. Barnes	Third	H. Boyd	E. A. Moyle	E. S. Budd
1930	A. Breckler	T. C. Reid	W. Barnes	Seventh	H. Boyd	J. Craig	E. S. Budd
1931	A. Breckler	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	Fifth	S. M. Tyson	E. J. Flemming	W. M. Rainoldi
1932	A. Breckler	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	PREMIERS	J. Cashman	J. Cashman	M. J. Tetley
1933	A. Breckler	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	Third	J. Cashman	J. Cashman	D. L. Marinko
1934	A. Breckler	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	PREMIERS	J. J. Leonard	D. L. Marinko	W. J. Benton
1935	A. Breckler	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	PREMIERS	J. J. Leonard	D. L. Marinko	J. T. Anderson
1936	A. H. Panton MLA	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	Fifth	J. Cashman	W. J. Benton	E. J. Flemming
1937	A. H. Panton MLA	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	Fifth	J. J. Leonard	E. J. Flemming / W. Buttsworth	W. F. Buttsworth
1938	A. H. Panton MLA	T. C. Reid	D. Deering	Eighth	M. J. Tetley	M. J. Tetley	T.B.O'Keeffe
1939	C. J. Veryard	D. Deering	H. Jackson	Eighth	M. J. Tetley	M. J. Tetley	T.B.O'Keeffe
1940	C. J. Veryard	T. W. Soutar	R. W. Hill	Fifth	R. Hutchinson	R. W. Hill	T.B.O'Keeffe
1941	C. J. Veryard	T. W. Soutar	R. W. Hill / C. Parks	PREMIERS	R. Hutchinson	R. W. Hill / J. S. Pola	T. B. O'Keeffe / J. S. Pola
1942	W. Nevard	T. W. Soutar	E. Bidstrup	PREMIERS	J. Brooker	L. T. Harman	L. W. Bowen
1943	W. Nevard	T. W. Soutar	E. Bidstrup	Fourth	J. Brooker	L. T. Harman	A. W. Anning
1944	W. Nevard	T. W. Soutar	E. Bidstrup	Third	J. Brooker	F. J. Buttsworth	F. J. Buttsworth
1945	W. Nevard	T. W. Soutar	E. Bidstrup	Third	J. Brooker	J. S. Pola	J. W. Loughridge
1946	W. Nevard / R. P. Fletcher	T. W. Soutar	E. Bidstrup	Second	R. Hutchinson	R. Hutchinson	J. W. Loughridge
1947	R. P. Fletcher	T. W. Soutar	R. W. Hill	Second	S. Heal	S. Heal	S. Heal
1948	R. P. Fletcher	T. W. Soutar	R. W. Hill	Second	S. Heal	S. Heal	R. J. Schofield
1949	R. P. Fletcher	T. W. Soutar	R. W. Hill	PREMIERS	S. Heal	S. Heal	J. W. Loughridge
1950	R. P. Fletcher	T. W. Soutar	R. W. Hill	Third	S. Heal	S. Heal	R. J. Schofield
1951	R. P. Fletcher	T. W. Soutar	R. W. Hill	PREMIERS	S. Heal	S. Heal	F. J. Buttsworth
1952	R. P. Fletcher	J. Fleming	R. W. Hill	Second	S. Heal	R. J. Schofield	W. J. W. Price
1953	R. P. Fletcher	R. E. Standing	R. W. Hill / N. L. Garland / R. Reid	Second	J. P. O'Donohue	J. P. O'Donohue	R. J. Schofield
1954	R. P. Fletcher	R. E. Standing	R. Reid	Third	J. P. O'Donohue	J. P. O'Donohue	R. J. Schofield
1955	R. P. Fletcher	C. F. Cavanough	R. Reid	Fourth	D. R. Scott	D. R. Scott	R. J. Schofield
1956	R. P. Fletcher	C. F. Cavanough	R. Reid	Fifth	F. V. Sparrow	F. V. Sparrow	K. R. Porter
1957	R. P. Fletcher	C. F. Cavanough	R. Reid	Fourth	F. V. Sparrow	R. J. Schofield	T. B. Foley

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1958	R. P. Fletcher	L. A. Day	R. Reid	Fourth	R. J. Schofield	R. J. Schofield	K. London
1959	R. P. Fletcher	L. A. Day	R. Reid	Fifth	D. A. Marinko	D. A. Marinko	T. B. Foley
1960	R. P. Fletcher	L. A. Day	R. Reid	PREMIERS	A. Oliver	D. A. Marinko / T. B. Foley	P. L. Medhurst
1961	R. P. Fletcher	R. P. Barnett	R. Reid	Fifth	A. Oliver	T. B. Foley	J. Fanchi
1962	R. P. Fletcher	L. A. Roper	R. Reid	Third	A. Oliver	T. B. Foley	A. M. Whinnen
1963	E. F. Ptolomey	L. A. Roper	R. Reid	Fifth	A. Oliver	T. B. Foley	B. L. France
1964	E. F. Ptolomey	L. A. Roper	R. Reid	Fifth	C. W. Lewington	T. B. Foley	A. M. Whinnen
1965	E. F. Ptolomey	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Fourth	R. L. Spargo	R. L. Spargo	B. L. France
1966	E. F. Ptolomey	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Third	R. L. Spargo	R. L. Spargo	W.B.Dempsey
1967	E. F. Ptolomey	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Fourth	R. L. Spargo	R. L. Spargo	A. M. Whinnen
1968	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Third	G. V. Farmer	G. V. Farmer	A. M. Whinnen
1969	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	PREMIERS	G. V. Farmer	G. V. Farmer	G. V. Farmer
1970	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Sixth	G. V. Farmer	G. V. Farmer	A. M. Whinnen
1971	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	PREMIERS	G. V. Farmer	G. V. Farmer	A. M. Whinnen
1972	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Fourth	P. W. Steward	P. W. Steward	A. M. Whinnen
1973	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Second	D. Jones	W. B. Dempsey	A. M. Whinnen
1974	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Eighth	D. Jones	W. B. Dempsey	W. T. J. Valli
1975	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	PREMIERS	G. Campbell	W. B. Dempsey	A. M. Whinnen
1976	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid	Fourth	G. Campbell	W. B. Dempsey	I. W. Logan
1977	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	R. Reid / L. A. Day	Third	G. Campbell	A. M. Whinnen	W. T. J. Valli
1978	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	L. A. Day	Fourth	P. J. Johnson	A. J. Duckworth	W. T. J. Valli
1979	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	L. A. Day	Seventh	P. J. Johnson / G. Campbell	G. S. Taylor	R. M. Prunster
1980	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	L. A. Day / H. Knaggs	Fifth	G. Campbell	L. R. Fong	S. F. Fitzsimmons
1981	L. A. Roper	K. L. Bradley	H. Knaggs / A. G. Cahill	Sixth	G. Campbell	L. R. Fong	P. R. Menaglio
1982	R. J. Brown	G. P. Pleydell	A. G. Cahill	Third	D. J. Cometti	L. R. Fong	L. R. Fong
1983	R. J. Brown	G. P. Pleydell	A. G. Cahill	Sixth	D. J. Cometti	L. R. Fong	L. R. Fong
1984	R. J. Brown	G. P. Pleydell	A. G. Cahill	Sixth	D. J. Cometti	L. R. Fong	P. R. Menaglio
1985	R. J. Brown	G. P. Pleydell	A. G. Cahill	Fourth	J. F. Wynne	L. R. Fong	P. F. Bradmore
1986	R. J. Brown	G. P. Pleydell	A. G. Cahill	Fifth	J. F. Wynne	L. R. Fong	D. J. Foley
1987	B. A. Atkinson	G. P. Pleydell	A. G. Cahill	Fifth	B. J. Monteath	P. R. Menaglio	C. B. Nelson
1988	B. A. Atkinson	G. P. Pleydell	A. G. Cahill	Sixth	B. J. Monteath	P. R. Menaglio	M. A. Williams
1989	T. James	A. White	A. G. Cahill	Fourth	G. Michalczyk	P. R. Menaglio	P. R. Menaglio
1990	T. James	A. White	A. G. Cahill	Eighth	G. Michalczyk	P. D. Hasler	D. J. Palm
1991	T. James	S. G. Woodhouse	A. G. Cahill	Eighth	G. Michalczyk	D. J. Palm	C. B. Nelson
1992	T. James	S. G. Woodhouse	A. G. Cahill	Eighth	J. Gieschen	C. B. Nelson	R. J. W. West
1993	T. James	S. G. Woodhouse	A. G. Cahill	Second	J. Gieschen	C. B. Nelson	P. S. Mifka

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1994	T. James	S. G. Woodhouse	A. G. Cahill	Third	J. Gieschen	C. B. Nelson	D. O'Brien
1995	T. James	S. G. Woodhouse	R. J. Holden	PREMIERS	J. R. Dimmer	D. J. Harris	D. J. Harris
1996	L. Hasler	S. G. Woodhouse	R. J. Holden	Fourth	J. R. Dimmer	D. J. Harris	S. M. Trewhella
1997	L. Hasler	S. G. Woodhouse	R. J. Holden	Sixth	J. R. Dimmer	B. J. Barrows	S. M. Trewhella
1998	L. Hasler	S. G. Woodhouse / N. Bryant	R. J. Holden	Second	J. R. Dimmer	B. J. Barrows	K. D. Rigoll
1999	L. Hasler	N. Bryant	R. J. Holden	PREMIERS	J. R. Dimmer	K. D. Rigoll	K. D. Rigoll
2000	L. Hasler	N. Bryant / C. Knapton	R. J. Holden	Fifth	A. A. Lockyer	K. D. Rigoll	S. M. Trewhella
2001	P. B. Hanna	C. Knapton / R. A. Malone	R. J. Holden	Fifth	A. A. Lockyer	S. M. Trewhella	C. J. Kelly
2002	P. B. Hanna	R. A. Malone	R. J. Holden	Second	D. J. Harris	S. M. Trewhella	R. J. Skender
2003	C. S. Rockman	R. A. Malone	R. J. Holden	PREMIERS	D. J. Harris	S. M. Trewhella	K. D. Rigoll
2004	C. S. Rockman	B. Stewart	R. J. Holden	Seventh	D. J. Harris	K. D. Rigoll	B. J. Murray
2005	C. S. Rockman	B. Stewart / K. Torrance	R. J. Holden	Fifth	D. J. Harris	T. B. Curley	S. R. Duckworth
2006	C. S. Rockman	K. Torrance	R. J. Holden	Fourth	T. B. Curley	C. K. Lasscock	D. R. Fleay
2007	C. S. Rockman	K. Torrance	R. J. Holden	Fifth	T. B. Curley	C. K. Lasscock	D. R. Fleay
2008	C. S. Rockman	K. Torrance	R. J. Holden	Second	T. B. Curley	J. S. Salecic	J. Van Berlo
2009	B. A. Raponi	G. M. O'Dea	R. J. Holden	Fourth	W. P. Monaghan	J. S. Salecic	J. S. Salecic
2010	B. A. Raponi	G. M. O'Dea	R. J. Holden	Fifth	W. P. Monaghan	J. S. Salecic	D. Burns
2011	B. A. Raponi	G. M. O'Dea	R. J. Holden	Second	W. P. Monaghan	J. S. Salecic	D. R. Fleay
2012	B. A. Raponi	G. M. O'Dea	B. Musca	Fifth	W. P. Monaghan	J. S. Salecic	M. Hutchings
2013	B. A. Raponi	D. Crute	B. Musca	PREMIERS	W. P. Monaghan	J. S. Salecic	S. Nelson & A. Strijk
2014	B. A. Raponi	D. Crute	B. Musca	Sixth	W. P. Monaghan	L. Tedesco & J. van Berlo	S. Nelson
2015	B. A. Raponi	D. Crute	B. Musca	Second	W. P. Monaghan	L. Tedesco & J. van Berlo	A. Black
2016	B. A. Raponi	D. Crute	B. Musca	Fourth	W. P. Monaghan	J. van Berlo	J. van Berlo
2017	S. Ballem	D. Crute	B. Musca	Fifth	W. P. Monaghan	J. van Berlo	S. Nelson

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The West Perth District Football Development Council (DFDC) exists to grow, develop and promote football throughout the West Perth Football District. Our objective is to deliver benefit through the great game of football to our communities within the West Perth District.

This is expressed in our vision:

To provide a positive experience, unmatched by any other sport, that generates significant community benefits.

As I reflect on 2017, Funding and the Structural Review of Football remain top of mind particularly with the significant coverage within the media this year. It is acknowledged that the review undertaken by Boston Consulting Group has been able to gather some highly worthwhile evidence on the issues and opportunities that exist within the football landscape. The report that was released May this year included a list of recommendations, an implementation plan and an outline of the resources required to achieve each recommendation.

Regarding press that you may have seen and heard earlier in the year it is important to clarify the funding discussions in light of the media lead by the West Australian's Mark Duffield's story painting the picture that "footy is fat and living in a world of entitlement".

My response:

I agree, sure the AFL Economy is strong.

The Grass Roots Football Economy is not.

It's important that we understand the money historically derived from Domain Stadium up to the final event this year (International Rules Game), other sporting events, concerts and rent paid by the two AFL clubs to use Domain Stadium as their home ground funds community football programmes. Every Dollar Does Count to maintain the minimum viable delivery of these community programmes.

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We deliver social outcomes via our district programmes such as:

- 1. Male and female football
- 2. Umpires
- 3. Juniors
- 4. Auskickers
- 5. Schools
- 6. Community programmes
- 7. Other District interactions, etc

It is also important to understand the Government money how has been structured. Effectively all that was being asked from Government during the the marathon negotiation was revenue replacement (my term not that of the WAFC) - i.e. the \$100M collected by the new stadium paid by football - continues to go back into the grass roots football economy. You may recall the State Government stated publicly that Football would be no worse off when football moves to the new stadium next year.

It is pleasing that as we closed our 2017 football season, agreement has been reached by all five parties: West Australian Football Commission, West Coast Eagles, Fremantle Dockers, AFL, and the West Australian State Government that the new Perth Stadium was confirmed as the new home for AFL clearing the way for our industry to move forward. With the funding of WA Football now secured we can now continue to progress the initiatives detailed in Structural Review of Football and the implementation of new initiatives with confidence and certainty.

Another 2017 milestone was the finalisation of the recommendations from the Youth Football Working Group, which will focus on retaining and engaging more teenage participants at our community football clubs. Engaging and retaining participants in the youth segment is critical for the future of the game, I know you all agree. We want to ensure that once participants are engaged they remain involved as life-long participants. The recommendations of the Youth Football Working Group give us a clear plan of how we will work with the industry to ensure growth in this segment continues

Based on research, consultation and survey feedback, recommendations were developed for inclusion in a WAFC Youth Football participation plan for 2017-2020, which is aimed at achieving growth in youth community club football, improving player retention and increasing the interaction of school football with community competitions for 13 to 17-year-olds in Western Australia.

Key Focus Areas:

1. Environment: Create an environment where players continue to have fun, enjoy the game, learn new skills and are challenged.

2. Leadership: Develop and support quality coaches. The impact of the coach on player retention is critical.

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3. Format: Consider new timeslots and alternative game formats such as Friday night games and 15-a-side football to address competing time demands with school, study and/or work.

4. Partnerships: Build stronger partnerships between junior clubs, schools and senior clubs to improve conversion rates through the age groups.

The West Perth District Football Development Council look forward to working with our clubs to work collectively on an implementation pathway during 2018.



Looking ahead to 2018 to face the reality of a structural review of our game I remain extremely positive, working collaboratively is now more important than ever. Change is the only certainty. We understand completely (and I know a many of you hear me say this a great deal), with change comes a responsibility to ensure those it affects understand and buy into what the future needs to look like for the good of the game. We are as an industry on notice and must live by the mandate of transformation is certain and we must evolve - adopt rather than adapting.

We must find a balance between the desire to strive for something new and the importance of reflecting on what has gone before and the lessons learnt. We must leverage the achievements that have been made over the last 14 years as The West Perth District Football Development Council.

Switching focus to recognize and celebrate our collective 2017 success stories:

2017 we ramped up our engagement with Multicultural Communities; International Round and our partnerships with the Next Generation Academies and Edmund Rice Centre.

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District Dreaming and NAIDOC events rolled out across the three districts and strong representation in the Nicky Winmar Programs.

Sarcoma Awareness Round across the three districts with just over \$10,000 raised for Sarcoma charity Sock it to Sarcoma this year.

2017 unlike other sports we have managed to not only hold the line with our junior football and youth numbers, we have seen a growth.

Unprecedented Growth of female football and a solid pathway now available from Auskick, Junior, Youth and Senior Football; watch this space for a state league completing the pathway to AFLW

Recognizing service to our great game and unconditional support, I can assure you one of the best I have seen in my 29 years of being involved in professional sport in someone well known to us all -Warren Nel. During his time with the WAFC Warren was instrumental in the development of the District Model achieving unprecedented growth from a standing start of 60,000 to 280,000 plus participants, owned and delivered reform of the WA Football Junior By-Laws and delivered extensive support to key game volunteers.

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thank you for "imagining

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Congratulations

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JUNIOR FOOTBALL



WE ARE KIDS
 OUR COACHES ARE VOLUNTEERS
 THE UMPIRES ARE HUMAN
 WE DO NOT PLAY IN THE BIG LEAGUE



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Dave Dickson, Darryl Sanders, Rob Fuller, Ken Morgan, Dave Burton, and Marty Trewhella. The industry was saddened by the sudden loss of Raelene Trewhella early November - Marty our thoughts, love and unconditional support is committed to you and your family.

massive thank you to our leadership group and all employees for the exceptional work they do on behalf of our District each and every day. I should particularly mention the three staff members I have worked with most closely: Community Development Manager Andrew Ridley, District Operations Manager Callum Warner and District Administrator Kathy Monck. Supported by our Community Development Officer James Sheehan-Nel.

I would like to formally acknowledge and thank my fellow DFDC Board Members; Darryl Sanders (Deputy Chairperson), Natalie Sharman (Competition Director), David Crute (WAFI Representative), Adam Dyer (Senior Community Football Representative), the famous Annette Titterton (Umpire's Advisor), Kristopher Fenn (Schools Representative), unconditional supporter, Mayor Tracey Roberts, Mayor of the City of Wanneroo (Local Government Representative), David Burton (Female Football Representative), Charlie Holmes (District Coach Coordinator), Karen Mullumby (Secretary), Simon Turner (Treasurer) and Andrew Ridley (Executive Officer) for your commitment to the governance and oversight of our District.

In closing, congratulations to our 2017 Award Winners both on and off the field.

THANK YOU to you all our volunteers. You all have indeed impacted and changed the environment for the better. You are leading the way, setting the benchmark. Without you we can't deliver. We don't exist. You are ALL Making a difference.

Please all, have a safe and wonderful festive season.

Chris Erikson

Chairperson



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WPJFL COMPETITION DIRECTOR

A nother great year of football in the West Perth District with over 4500 male and female juniors taking part, and for the first time over 200 girls have participated.

Again there was over 2000 players participating in Pre-primary to Year 3, over 1500 players in the modified competition and close to 1000 players in the youth ages.

A major change this year was playing year 3 games on a Sunday morning in a full home and away fixtured competition. This appeared to be a welcome change for the players.

235 teams participated on Sundays. Modified player numbers were up, however youth retention was down and we need to find a way to keep players in the game. Surveys and stakeholder engagement has taken place over the last few months with changes to come into effect in the 2019 competition in Year 11's and 12's and the possible introduction of 15 a side competitions in 2018.

Whilst most of our clubs coaches conduct themselves very well keeping the spirit of the game at the forefront, however this season a compulsory meeting was called for all Year 5 – 7 coaches to attend as the game day environment at some games was not good. 49 out of 52 coaches attended where robust discussions were held and rules, policy's and protocols were discussed. This had the desired effect and the game day environment improved greatly for the last half of the season.

This year the district had 35 teams (31 last season) take part in the youth competition competing in the Northern Conference. Finals



times saw 14 teams involved, with 3 teams winning Grand Finals.

Thank you to Ocean Ridge Junior Football Club Year 12's who represented the Northern Conference in the State Championship in September.

Blanchard completed Nick his 1st year as Umpires Advisor and continued the efforts of his predecessors to instil in the umpiring group a high level of skill, professionalism and integrity. A lot of effort was put into the younger umpires and improving their skills. It is awesome to see the senior umpires assist, mentor and coach the younger umpires and their efforts can been seen week in week out. The comradery amongst this group is very strong.

Andrew Ridley, the Metro North Community Development Manager, Callum Warner District Operations Manager – Metro North and Wes Moran have continued to service our district exceptionally well. Thank you Andrew, Callum and Wes for the support that you provide the JCC.

In her 4th year district as Kathy administrator Monck continues to provide support to all and has been as hard working as ever. Kathy provides game day feedback to clubs and assistance to registrars whenever is required. Kathy puts incredible effort into her position and I truly appreciate the support and assistance Kathy provides to me.

Junior Club of the Year was awarded to the Joondalup Kinross Junior Football Club. Their retention of players and growth of female football participants is second to none, and both on and off field

efforts have been recognised.

We have several new Presidents for the 2018 season. On behalf of the West Perth Junior Competition Council, I would like to thank the following outgoing Presidents for playing such a vital role at your clubs, it has been a pleasure working with you.



Richard Lawson Brighton Seahawks Junior Football Club

Phil Furmage Ocean Ridge Junior Football Club

Mick McGarry Quinns District Junior Football Club

Jason Todd Wanneroo Junior Football Club

On behalf of the West Perth Junior Competition Council, thank you for playing such a vital role at your clubs, it has been a pleasure working with you.

Ben Horgan will not be continuing in the role as Assistant Competition Director. Ben spent many hours on Sundays making sure that all players enjoyed their football experience. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Ben for his effort over the last 2 years.

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Rhys Mola had a change of position on the JCC this season and took on the role of Assistant Competition Director. We all know that Rhys is a very enthusiastic person, and he has taken this role on exceptionally well and I enjoy working with him.

Thank you also to Karen Mullumby and Annette Titterton for their continued efforts.

There are some changes to the structure of football in 2018, firstly the year 7's will revert back to 15 a side, the possibility of 15 a side completion in the youth ages and female football coming under the control of the JCC. Full details will be finalised in the coming months.

An end to another great season of Junior Football.

As I have another year of my term as Competition Director I look forward to seeing you in 2018.

Natalie Sharman Competition Director

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2017 DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

FAIREST AND BEST AWARD WINNERS

Northern Conference Year 8 Red Fairest and Best Winner Jayden Crane (Wanneroo Roos) Year 8 Red Runner Up Byron Sherwood (Quinns Thunder) Year 9 Maroon Fairest and Best Cooper Blackburn Whitford Wildcats Year 9 Blue Fairest and Best Saverio Marafioti (Edgewater Woodvale Eagles) Year 9 Blue Runner Up Jae Colley (Wanneroo Roos) Year 10 Red Fairest and Best Tommy Taylor-Shreeve (Wanneroo Roos) Year 10 Red Runner Up Connor Hinchliffe (Ocean Ridge Sharks) Year 11 Runner Up Jaxon Bilchuris (Wanneroo Roos) Year 12 Runner Up Nicholas Carter (Whitford Wildcats) WA Amateur Football League E3 Matthew Hatch (ECU Jets)

DISTRICT PREMIERS

West Perth JFL Year 7 Ocean Ridge Pointers

West Perth JFL Plate Division Year 7 Whitford Tigers

Northern Conference Year 8 Red Wanneroo Roos

Northern Conference Year 9 Maroon Ocean Ridge Pointers

Northern Conference Year 11 Whitford Wildcats

WA Amateur Football League B Grade Wanneroo

WAAFL Drew Banfield Colts Wanneroo

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AWARD WINNERS

Sunday Times Volunteer of the Year Lorraine Elliss Young Achiever of the Year Jayden Crane Auskick Coach of the Year Brad Johnson Modified Coach of the Year David Stevens Youth Coach of the Year Tom Hills Female Coach of the Year Leslie Farrell Senior Coach of the Year Stephen Healy Umpire of the Year Ben Johnson Junior Club of the Year Joondalup Kinross JFC Senior Club of the Year Brighton Seahawks FC



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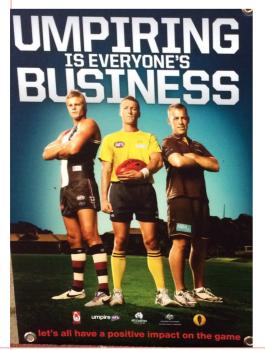
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GET IN THE GAME. BECOME AN UMPIRE.

2017 was a challenging year for our umpiring group and it was pleasing to see the group rise to meet it. New systems for appointments, payments and paperwork were in place which took some getting used to and there were new competitions to service as well. This was also my first year as umpire manager and most of the umpire coaches were new to their roles as well. Training and coaching on match days had a focus on consistency of decisions and being in the correct position. Consistency across the Northern Conference was also a focus area and I look forward to again working with the umpire managers from Subjaco and Claremont Districts to further improve this next year.

We had 59 umpires again this year (the same number as last year), with 24 new umpires this season. The 24 umpires who didn't return this year had a combined 740 games of junior football experience, a loss that was felt early in the season when we had to push some umpires into higher age groups than they were ready for. This should leave us with better depth moving forward and I look forward to seeing how these umpires progress next year.



Fourteen umpires debuted in open rules this year (nine of whom were first year umpires) and two umpires made their debuts in the year twelve competition.

This year, we were umpiring Year 5 football for the first time in a number of years. This was challenging for all umpires and even the umpire coaches struggled to get their heads around the Year 5 rules in the first few rounds. While this improved as the season went on, it was one of our biggest weaknesses as a group this year and will be a focus movina forward. We supplied umpires for the girls' competition for the first time. This offered new challenges to the umpires, particularly in the Junior Girls competition, where they often had to explain their free kicks to the players. For the umpires involved, this challenge allowed them to develop their communication skills which they carried into all of their umpiring.

Umpire payments this year were electronic for the first time. This was a big change from previous years and took some getting used to. These were processed through Schedula, an online appointment system

AWARD WINNERS

Best 1st Year ModifiedRules Umpire: Liam Murray

Rookie Umpire of the Year: Michael Cole

Best 1st Year Umpire in Open Rules: Dylan Ross

Mark Vivian Encouragement Award: Jamie Wedgwood

Most Improved Umpire: Dylan Ross

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Jordy Wright Coaches Award: Tim Sharman

Golden Whistle: Dylan Cooper



which we also used for the first time this year. Schedula made collating appointment confirmations/ declines much easier. Paperwork was also submitted electronically through the MDP app. There were a few issues with this during the season, including log-ins not working, matches not appearing and paperwork not correctly or completely submitting. When everything was working well, things ran smoothly and not needing to physically drop off paperwork on a Sunday night proved popular with most of the group.

I would like to thank the coaches from this year: Mitch Whan, Dylan Cooper, Adam D'Ascenzo, Rob Corrigan, Ben Johnson, Andrew Filing and Connor Bryant Evans. Their efforts regarding match day coaching, planning/running training sessions and putting together appointments were of massive help this year. Thanks also to Annette Titterton. As she has done for a number of years now, Annette keeps everything running smoothly behind the scenes.

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Nick Blanchard

Umpires Manager

David "Dicko" Dickson Association Award: Mitch Whan

Merigan Medal for Umpire of the Year: Ben Johnson



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WEST PERTH DISTRICT FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Building on the foundations set in previous years the growth and promotion of Australian Rules football continued to excel throughout school engagement programs in 2017. This included:

• 20,000 kids engaging in school based initiatives

• Over 750 females participating in our female football programs

• 7 finalists across 6 categories within the state-wide AFL school ambassador program.

Servicing 75 schools, the West Perth District delivered programs and competitions to 80% of our schools. The programs included:

- Freo Dockers Shield
- Freo Footy Skills
- Freo Dockers Cup
- Eagles Faction footy
- Eagles Cup
- In-School Auskick Programs
- After School Auskick Programs
- Sporting Schools
- Footy Fundamentals

After surpassing 2016's figures through our in-school and after school programs, the district again recorded significant growth in 2017 within our primary schools. We saw a growth within our female competition, specifically the year 4, 5 & 6 Fremantle Dockers cup from eight teams in 2016 to ten teams in 2017. The Fremantle Dockers



shield carnival increased from 28 competing schools to 41.

The future growth of AFL in schools would not be possible without the continued support and hard work provided by our AFL school ambassadors. West Perth District is also very proud to have all except 2 schools with at least 1 AFL ambassadors, the vast majority of schools are also now aiming to have a male and female ambassador within in their ranks. The 2 schools without ambassadors are small, new schools and have still been engaging with the district to promote football at their school.

This year the West Perth District was again strongly represented

by our ambassadors with seven ambassadors selected as finalists. The West Perth District accounted for one quarter of all 30 finalists represented across Western Australia. Congratulations Amanda Croxall from Brighton Catholic primary school, Kris Fenn from Alkimos primary school, Paul Batskos from Eddystone primary school, Thomas Moscarda from Wanneroo secondary college, Jessica Wheeler from Mater Dei College, Wendy Martin from Mater Dei College and Ken Dillon from Irene McCormack Catholic College.

We are also extremely proud to announce that Thomas Moscarda was the winner for the category 'Most Outstanding Secondary

Ambassador of the Year' for a second consecutive time. Thomas taking out the award for a second time in consecutive years goes to show the dedication, effort and time he applies to growing the great game of AFL. Thomas along with all our ambassadors do an outstanding job year in year out and we as a district are very fortunate to have high-quality ambassadors and teachers. Thank you for all your efforts and we look forward to what 2018 has in store.



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DEVELOPMENT

COACH EDUCATION

The West Perth District recognizes the important role that coaches have had and will continue to have in not only growing but sustaining the health of our great game. We are proud of our commitment to our coaches and will continue to seek out opportunities to support the development of our coaches.

Charlie Holmes was once again our District Coaching Coordinator. Charlie engaged his wealth of knowledge and shared his passion for coaching and developing our players to not only become better players but better people. Charlie's work this past season to assist and support our coaches and club coaching coordinators within our district was second to none. He worked tirelessly on Sundays and during the week amongst his already jam-packed schedule to ensure he was supporting coaches and helping them to develop solid philosophy's and correct coaching techniques.

The District would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude on the exemplary job our clubs have continued this season in supporting their coaches. The importance placed on coaching is not only a value that the District holds in high regard, but also our clubs clearly share the same value. This was demonstrated by the 100% compliance with coach accreditation. This was also represented again in 2017 by clubs in eagerness and ability to deliver our Introduction to Auskick coaching program, targeted at our first-year coaches.

We look forward to continuing to support and develop our coaches ensuring all experiences are an enjoyable one as we launch into



FEMALE FOOTBALL

t was a historic year for female football, full of achievements nationwide and in particular within the West Perth District. These achievements include and are not limited to:

Commencement of Female Junior and Youth girl's competitions

Commencement of the Mater Dei College Female Football Academy

Joondalup Women's Football Club teams become West Perth Football Club teams

West Perth Football Club had three teams in the WAWFL - Rogers Cup, Reserves and League

Announcement of two more AFL Women's Licenses for 2019, and four more AFL Women's Licenses for 2020 including the West Coast Eagles

The first AFL Women's Trade Period

The second AFL Women's Draft

With the commencement of the AFL Women's competition in 2017 and strong contribution from our schools, female participation in football is continuing to grow.

All the hard work to increase the profile of female football cannot just be credited to the AFL, our schools do a fantastic job in supporting female football. In partnership with the Fremantle Dockers, our schools work together to promote female football. These programs include:

Fremantle Dockers Cup: Year 4 - 6

Fremantle Dockers Cup: Year 7 - 9

The West Perth District recorded an increase in participation in both primary and secondary competitions, with 140 girls participating in the Year 4 - 6 competitions and over 220 females participating in the Year 8 - 9 competitions. Many thanks must go to our teachers, both primary and secondary, for their continued support to help drive female football within our schools.

The commencement of the West Perth District Junior and Youth girl's competition was a great success, with over 150 girls participating in the 10-week program. A total of nine teams from five Clubs participated in 2017. With a focus on growing



and strengthening our competition, the JCC will adopt the governance of the competition in 2018, which will extend the competition length and include a finals series.

On the other end of the spectrum, Footy 4 Mums recommenced in 2017, with the limit of 50 registrations filled within the first four days of opening. Having an outlet for Mums to learn the game has increased their investment in their children playing football, as well as their involvement in community Clubs.

In AFLW, an exciting time ahead in seeing one of the 16 marquee players, Kellie Gibson return to WA to play for Fremantle Dockers in 2018.

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The integration of Joondalup Women's Football Club into West Perth Football Club is down to the hard work of Joondalup Women's Football Club president, Dave Burton and West Perth Football Club CEO, David Crute who were the leaders and drivers amongst many who contributed to make this partnership possible. The partnership and integration into a more professional sporting environment allowed the Women's team to develop both on and off the field.



LITTLE LEAGUE 2017

The success of the Movie Masters-Grand Cinemas Little League program continued in 2017 providing Year 6 players from each of our junior clubs a half time match experience at a West Perth Home game. During every home game the Junior Club of the Week provided up to 30 players to gear up in the home and away team's replica jumper sets and run out onto the field for a game of Football.

All players that participated approached their game with such a positive attitude and no one left without a smile on their face having played in front of some pretty big crowds and against players who were often usually their own team mates.

The Little League program is a unique experience to be able to provide to Year 6 players across our districts juniors clubs. It's a great opportunity for teams to bond and a foundation for memories that will enrich a player's junior career.

Many thanks to the Clubs for their support in this program, your efforts in coordinating players, coaches and parents to attend the Little League half time games is exceptional and greatly appreciated.

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FOOTY FUNDAMENTALS

ooty Fundamentals is an AFL based toddler fundamental movement program. The program was launched in 2013 by the West Perth Football District and the WA Football Commission. The program is designed to introduce toddlers to AFL as well as develop their movement skills, language skills and object skills. The program consists of 3 classes that have a specific curriculum designed for each age group, Toddler Kickers (2 years), Mini Kickers (3 years) and Kindy Kickers (4-5 years).

The program at Alkimos Beach has had continued growth during 2017 thanks to the support of the Developers, Lend Lease.

Classes held at Joondalup on both Wednesday morning and Saturday morning have continued to attract new participants while retaining regular members and both have grown in numbers during 2017.

There has been a number of one off programs run within day care centres and for Kindy and Pre-Primary children which has raised the profile of the program during the year.

2017 has been a record breaking year with over 700 kids participating in Footy Fundamentals across the metropolitan area. The program will continue to develop and grow its existing centres and expand to new locations in 2018.



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FALCONS WEST PERTH FOOTBALL CLUB ABORIGINAL FOOTBALL PROGRAMS

his year has been a big year for West Perth District Indigenous players with more opportunities for both males and females. Sharon Kenney, the Head Coordinator of the Djinda Falcons has done some magnificent work with the program this year seeing more Indigenous kids engaging. Sharon's work was recognised by being appointed the WA Female Kickstart State Team Manager which saw her fly over to Byron Bay with the team, who took out this year's championship. The Djinda Falcons program was involved in some major events this year such as NAIDOC Round, Djinda Falcons Leadership Camp and both Nicky Winmar and Kirby Bentley Carnivals.

This year's Nicky Winmar program had some immense success in developing Indigenous players and growing their football to become better players. Out of the 2017 Falcons Team we had 4 boys make the WA Kickstart team, going on to Sydney to take out the championship. From that carnival we saw two of the boys, Michael





Mallard and Reece Gerrand make the Boomerangs Team. They will be heading off to Fiji at the end of the year to represent Australia while developing their own football and leaderships skill with the AFL.

This year's Kirby Bentley Team had their first appearance in the carnival which is a great outcome for the West Perth District, seeing more and more Indigenous girls participating in football. From this year's team we had Estelle Abraham represent in the WA Kickstart Girls State Team. Estelle performed well in Byron Bay with the team beating Northern Territory in the grand final.

M U L T I C U L T U R A L FOOTBALL PROGRAMS

This year we have contained our relationship with the Butler Falcons, led by Joe Moniodis from the Edmund Rice Centre. This year has seen more Multicultural kids getting more engaged with football in WAFC state programs (All Nations) but more importantly at the Junior & Youth levels in the West Perth District. Joe and the Butlers Falcons have also started up their own coaching and umpiring academies which give more opportunities and different pathways in football.

This year we saw 4 girls in the WA All Nations team who went to Byron Bay to compete in the carnival. This year the girls were very unlucky just going down in the grand final against Victoria. Of the 4 girls, 3 made it into the Medleys team (All Australian Team) which is a great achievement. Two boys from the District made this year's WA All Nations Team who went over to Sydney and won the championship.

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The Fremantle Dockers Next Generation Academy (NGA) have had a variety of come and try days and high-performance days for players who fall in the criteria for the academy. Next year we will see the NGA expanding their programs to all the schools in the West Perth area providing in and out of school programs with multicultural kids to help them with their pathways in football.





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Footy Fundamentals aims to prepare our kids for the future. Footy Fundamentals is a carefully planned and structured toddler AFL program, which encourages your active toddlers to develop their fundamental movement skills in an AFL environment, using AFL equipment. Active parent involvement is required in all of our toddler AFL programs.

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TIGER CUBS (2 yrs to 3 yrs) Tiger Cubs is all about exposing toddlers to the shape of an AFL football, and using big AFL equipment. THE PROGRAM WORKS ACROSS THREE AGE GROUPS



FALCONS FLEDGLINGS (3 yrs to 4 yrs) Falcons Fledglings are at the age of starting to learn the art of kicking a football, listening skills, and introducing some basic teamwork skills.



LION KINGS (4 yrs to 5 yrs) The Lion Kings program enjoy advanced obstacle courses to challenge their fundamental movement skills and participate in more teamwork games to encourage sportsmanship.

Get your active toddler involved in our toddler AFL classes held in Joondalup and Subiaco • The only AFL toddler program endorsed by the WA Football Commission • Develop your toddler's fundamental movement skills in at AFL environment using AFL equipment

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