

# WEST PERTH FOOTBALL CLUB 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



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**Director of Womens Football:** Trish Medwin

**Director:** Kate Vivian

**Director:** Richard Cohen

**Director:** Graeme Yukich

**Director:** Pia Drummond

## Club Patrons

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Vice Patron: Emily Hamilton MLA Member for Joondalup

Vice Patron: Mayor Albert Jacob City of Joondalup

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# Staff

**CEO :** Joe McCarthy

**GM Football Operations:** Ryan Mackenzie

**Talent Manager:** Clint Rudd

**Football Operations Co-ordinator:** Callum Paroczai

**Head of WAFLW Development:** Luke Richardson

**Administration Manager:** Tracy Venner

**Project Officer:** Paola Zito

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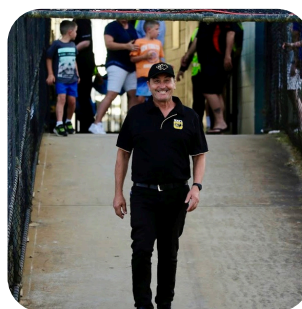
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Gary Cole, Eddy Wade



# Coaching Staff & Trainers

## League Coaching Staff

Senior Coach: Jason Salecic  
Assistant Coach Fwd: Brayden Duckworth  
Assistant Coach Backs: Blake Arnold  
Assistant Coach Mids: Kim Rigoll  
Ruck Coach: Ron Skender  
Interchange Steward: Roberto Pierio  
Team Manager: David Prout  
League Runner: Dan Barnard  
Timekeeper: Andrew Strijk  
Property Manager: Ray Garcia

## Reserves Coaching Staff

Reserves/Development Coach: Paul Sanzone  
Assistant Coach Backs: Dan Barnard  
Assistant Coach Mids: Phil Johnson  
Assistant Coach Fwd: Steve Russell  
Interchange Steward: Gavin Lambert  
Team Manager: Brett Dyke  
Timekeeper: Andrew Clarke

## Medical Team

Club Doctor: Dr Greg Smith  
Physiotherapist: Nathan Stephens  
Head Trainer: Maddy Simon  
Sports Trainer: Siobhan Carroll  
Sports Trainer: Isabella Bernardini  
Sports Trainer: Tom Murphey  
Sports Trainer: Renae Eichner  
Sports Trainer: Kirra Price  
Sports Trainer: Bart De Vita  
Water Carrier: Andrew Collett

## Futures Coaching Staff

Futures Head Coach: Todd Stewart  
Assistant Coach Mids: Derek Jenkins  
Assistant Coach Backs: Michael Luca  
Assistant Coach Fwd: Luke Richardson  
Assistant Coach Dev: Michael Barton  
Welfare Officer: Matt Lownes  
Team Manager: Chris Erikson

## Colts Coaching Staff

Colts Head Coach: Steve Chapman  
Assistant Coach Mids: Josh Wooden  
Assistant Coach Backs: Ryan Fong  
Assistant Coach Fwd: Michael Luca  
Assistant Coach Dev: Brendan Long  
Assistant Coach Rucks: Chris Keunen  
Mindset Coach: Anthony Silvio  
Colts Runner: Phil Reynolds  
Colts Runner: Brendan Long  
Timekeeper: Alan Veipch



## Talent

Head Physio: Nathan Stephens  
Head Trainer: Jess Fordum  
Sports Trainer: Brandon Landsdown-Goodman  
Sports Trainer: Zoe Courtney  
Sports Trainer: Oscar Devey



## Strength & Conditioning

Seniors S & C Coach: Corey Green  
Seniors S & C Coach: Angus Easton-Hayes  
Colts & Futures S & C Coach: Ashton Stampalia



# Coaching Staff & Trainers

## WAFLW League Coaching Staff

Senior Coach: Clint Degebrodt  
Senior Assistant: Jason Bloom  
Line Coach: Donna Field  
Line Coach: Tori Audino  
Line Coach: Kristen Nelson  
Assistant Coach: Carly Sutton  
Assistant Coach: Louise McBride  
Assistant Coach: Paul Beaver  
Team Manager: Jennifer Bennett

## Department Heads

Head of High Performance: Megan Kauffman  
Head of Personal Excellence: Travis Fitch  
Head of Medical: Brendan Aitkins  
Head of Pathways: Dave Burton

## Strength & Conditioning

WAFLW S & C: Megan Kaufman  
Rogers Cup S & C: Giorgia Neill

## Medical Team

Head Physiotherapist: Brendan Aitkins  
Assistant Physio: Jack Hunter  
Head Trainer (Rogers): Breanna Entwistle  
Head Trainer (League): Tom Papathannissou  
Sports Trainer: Olivia Neal  
Sports Trainer: Sam Le  
Sports Trainer: Aimee Evans  
Sports Trainer: Katelin Bertolami

## Academy

Manager: Dave Burton  
Head Coach: Ray Bartholomew  
Assistant Coach: Bianca Webb  
Assistant Coach: Brooke Hongell  
Assistant Coach: Jacinta Jensen  
Assistant Coach: Jen Dwyer

## Rogers Cup Coaching Staff

Senior Coach: Scott Kounis  
Line Coach: Damon Brimson  
Line Coach: Brett Foster  
Line Coach: Hannah Philip  
Team Manager: Vanessa Thomson





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# President's Report

Dr Neale Fong

It is with a tinge of sadness that I present my final report as President of our great club. The past seven years have been an immense privilege for my family and myself, and I want to thank all members for the opportunity to serve and work with a great group of people in so many different areas in leading the Falcons.

We are all aware that in 2018 our club faced perilous times as we were placed in voluntary administration. As I end my term as president, I want to state emphatically that the turnaround of our club was indeed a team effort, carried out by many people; some held formal positions; but also, by many others in the background, as unsung heroes, who got involved to assist our great club get back onto its feet. Like a great footy team, success is built on the TEAM. And we assembled a good one to get us where we are now.

These people included our coaching staff, our support staff, administration staff, volunteers, the board and of course the members, fans and last but not least our sponsors who supported us unwaveringly.

And above all of this, our playing group (men and eventually women), who stayed true to our club colours during this time, with a majority of the playing lists staying loyal to the club even when financial issues made the future look uncertain.

The Men's coaching staff and one in particular Geoff Valentine, who came back to our club at the beginning of those uncertain times in 2019 and led the group was outstanding. When Club legend Darren Harris returned to the club in 2022, he was able to build on that amazing foundation and bring us that great and memorable premiership at Leederville Oval which will long be remembered.

The last two seasons and this last season in particular have been difficult for our men's senior teams. That's said we were Runners Up in 2023 in the Reserves and our Colts team has also seen some success.

But we have never really had a period where we have suffered defeat as much as we did in Season 2024, and this is not in our DNA. The board and in particular the new board who will take the club forward in 2025, have and will continue to meet the challenge to do better by bringing a number of required and urgent changes to how we do things.

Looking back, we must remember that there were many factors that caused the senior men's teams to perform poorly. As this is the report of Season 2024, we cannot hide from this fact of poor performance. We must admit there were mistakes made throughout the year. But these have been reviewed and will be rectified moving forward in 2025.

With Jason Salecic now moving into his second year as senior coach and with a number of new football department appointees we are building a strong foundation, and we look forward to the new blood bringing new enthusiasm, new ideas and new success!

I want to thank the senior men's player leadership group led by Dean Munns, Tyler Keitel and Luke Meadows for their support of the club and each other during these times of defeat, when sometimes it's easy just to walk away and give up. They and the players did not.

They have all stayed and worked hard to maintain a positive forward-looking attitude, and that is a great testament to the characters we have in our club.

Throughout these past years of my presidency our sponsors and partners have also been critical to the turnaround. For those sponsors that have been with us for decades and continue to put money in with little economic return to their own businesses or families, I want to thank you for your support of the club.

You have enabled us to continue to be a leading light in terms of our off field and financial performance where we achieved all the necessary targets that are set and benchmarked by the WA Football Commission (WAFC).

Without our sponsors new and old, we just could not exist let alone be successful, so thank you for being part of this journey and hopefully it will continue into the future. We do not take you for granted.

However, on a positive note, we must not forget the great success of our Women's programmes in 2024, winning another Rogers Cup grand final, three out of the last four years, and having a WAFLW team get into a preliminary final where they were beaten by the eventual premiership team. This in itself was an amazing feat. I want to thank Clint Degrobot, Scott Kounis, Luke Richardson and all the volunteers, coaching and support staff who have worked so diligently to build a great women's programme. It is and will be a really important part of the club's future.

We have a great group of players men and women, experienced ones, and newcomers and with a revamped and strengthened team to support our on-field performance I look forward to you a good season in 2025.

Our relationship with VenuesWest has been one of the central reasons in our club's turnaround over the past seven years and we thank Dave Etherton (CEO) and his team for this amazing support to improve the club's home. The lights installed this year have been a highlight and we look forward to a digital video scoreboard and time clock, new seating in the front grandstand, a new media centre and coaching box improvements. All of this builds us into a venue to be desired for key sporting events and we were pleased to host the WAFLW grand final and the Perth Football League A and B Grade grand finals this season.

I want to thank our board who have tried their hardest to provide the right framework and good governance to ensure that our club never gets into the situation that it did in 2018. All of our board members are volunteers, and we've enjoyed great representation from our female members two of whom will retire this year. Thank you to Kate Vivian and Pia Drummond for your involvement and support. Also, to Graeme Yukich who steps aside. His financial support and board experience will be missed. I especially want to pay tribute to our finance director Adam Myers who puts in a mountain of unseen work to ensure that we are financially professionally managed, and to our financial controller/bookkeeper Lillian Kluge supported by the administration staff - thank you to a job well done.

I also thank all the other board directors who have served with me over these past seven years, and in particular Ross Kelly who joined me with a great deal of experience back in 2018 to help set the club on the right path. He and Leith are great West Perth people and continue as our patrons. To Claire O'Donnell who has been our Junior Club's representative as well as a huge volunteer, thank you.

Our balance sheet is relatively strong and this year we will repay to the WAFC the outstanding amount on our loan which was provided under the 2018 Deed of Company Arrangement (DOCA).

Our club administration size is probably the leanest in the WAFL and we have relied a lot on our CEO Joe McCarthy assisted by Paola Zito and Tracy Venner. The board in 2025 will look to see



that we are better covered in this area, but of course this all takes finance and so we need to ensure that we can pay as we go. But considering all this, great job by all.

We also thank the WAFC led by outgoing Chair Wayne Martin. They have been incredibly supportive of our club, in difficult circumstances and the collaborative approach to solving issues has been exemplary. We thank Wayne and his commission.

Finally, I repeat, it has been an immense honour to be the President of our great club. Having started at the club in 1976 as a colts' player and finishing as President 47 years later is something I will be enormously proud of.

I take great memories, a passion for success and a continued belief that the WAFL competition is central to the success of football in our state. And the West Perth Football Club is one of those critical players, who 30 years ago stepped out into the unknown, leaving the safety and comfort of our home for 70 years in Leederville and taking football to the north of Perth, where fans and talent to a lesser extent were both scarce. Over the 30 years we have developed the talent and grown the game ensuring WAFL is the Winter season ballgame of choice for all boys and men and soon hopefully girls and women.

This momentous move is something we should be proud of. It's ironic and personally pleasing, that I was a board director in 1994, along with current sponsor and club stalwart Joe Scarfo when we made that decision to move. I think it has repaid us handsomely as a club and contributed to the growth of football overall in spades.

Joondalup is our home, and we now have characters, legends, memories, and tales of the last 30 years to add to the previous illustrious and glorious 100 years.

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Dr Neale Fong



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# CEO Report

Joe McCarthy

2024 Season, it was one which could be described as turbulent. From the highs of our Rogers Cup girls winning another premiership to our senior men's teams lowest finish in the last 25 years. It certainly had its ups and downs. Let's focus on the ups for now. Our Female teams continue to shine under Luke, Clint and Scott. The WAFLW girls making the final 4 was amazing and the future looks very bright for them with some high expectations for the 2025 season. Clint as the senior coach and to your whole team well done on a great year.

Now onto the ever-conquering Rogers Cup environment – 3 flags in 4 years is an amazing achievement. Scotty and your team of coaches and support staff you have done a brilliant job with this team and the results show – we can't wait to see how 2025 shapes up. Our Colts under the guidance of Steve Chapman had a great year and under the management of our Head of Development Clinton Rudd we are expecting to see continued improvements in this area as we strive to develop our young men in order for them to achieve their football goals both on and off the field.

There is no shying away from the fact that Senior men's group did not perform up to expectations in the 2024 season. Let me reassure you though this was not due to a lack of effort. Every member of the group from our Senior coach Jason through to our players and support staff each week gave it their all to turn around what was a frustrating season. We have identified the areas that required improvement, and I can reassure everyone that the 2025 season will see our club move back up the ladder where we belong. I would like to personally thank every player on the senior men list for their hard work and resilience throughout the year – in a season which didn't go to plan you all kept fighting to the very end.

Sponsors, large and small thank you. Our club cannot move forward without you. All your contributions allow us to function and provide the best we can for both our male and female teams. I thank you for your support in 2024 and look forward to working with you all the in the 2025 season.

A special thank you to Venues West who continue to support our venue and the upgrades that are required – this partnership is growing from strength to strength and to CEO David Etherton and the team thank you for supporting our club.

A few special thank you's from me. Firstly, Kersti Rundle each week with Sally ran the Food Truck without a complaint and they both did a fantastic job for our club making money for the club and providing amazing burgers and chips for our patrons. To Stan Broom, Len and the newly branded Chip bandits thank you for the work you do for the club each week from cutting onions to fixing boundary signs the work of the "Chip Bandits" is part of the fabric of the West Perth Football Club and finally to Ray Garcia, I have thoroughly enjoyed our coffee's and conversations this year and I look forward to you being part of the club for many years to come.

To Dr Neale Fong and the WPFC board thank you for your support and guidance through this year, Neale a special mention to you, the work you have done as President over the last 6 years has been above and beyond. You have constantly supported myself and the team and I look forward to seeing you at games next year supporting the team you love so much.

Finally, our small office team of Paola, Clint, Tracy, Luke and Ryan thanks for all you do each week. You all constantly go above and beyond as you have to in a WAFL environment- success on the field is equally driven by success off the field. I am looking forward to 2025 as we seek our first WAFLW flag and our 21st WAFL premiership. To achieve both of these you need great people involved and we are fortunate to have this.

From our coaches, sponsors, staff and very importantly members let's get around the Falcons on 2025 as we aim for WAFL/WAFLW success.

Joe McCarthy

Good bye to  
our old scoreboard  
and time clock

Heritage Committee  
saved the  
scoreboard numbers



Club Legends  
Ray Garcia &  
Bart De Vita



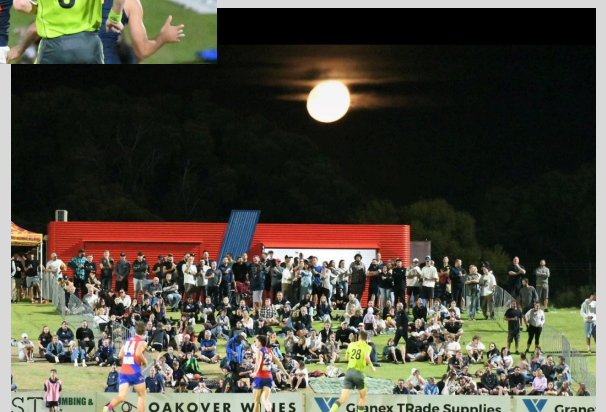
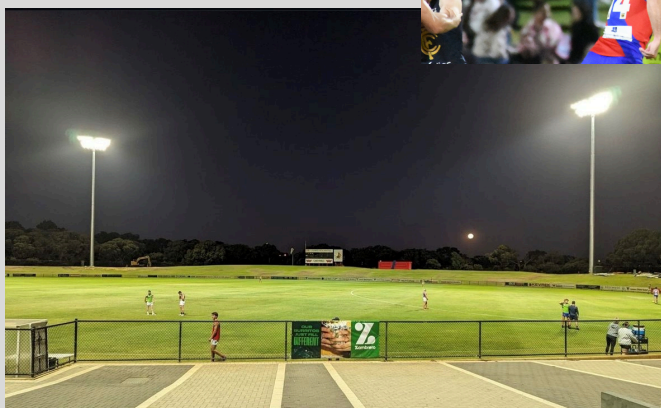
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# 30 YEARS IN JOONDALUP

The club held a wonderful night celebrating the 30th Anniversary of our move to Joondalup  
The players wore a special guernsey to mark the occasion.  
We then celebrated with the players selected as the team of the last 30 years.



# Mens Football Report

Ryan Mackenzie



The 2024 season will be remembered as a year of unprecedented challenges for the West Perth Football Club. However, as we all know, with challenges come great opportunities. It is crucial that we embrace these challenges, learn from them, and use them as steppingstones towards a brighter future for our beloved club and return to finals in 2025.

The start of the season for the West Perth Football Club brought about several significant personnel changes, particularly in the coaching staff.

It was with great enthusiasm and optimism that we announced the appointment of Jason Salecic as the new Senior Coach. Jason, a two-time premierships player and premierships captain, brings a wealth of experience, knowledge, and passion for the game to his new role. Having undertaken an impressive apprenticeship under the mentorship of previous coaches Todd Curley, Bill Monaghan, and Darren Harris, Jason is well-prepared to take on the responsibilities of leading our senior team to success despite the difficult start to his coaching career. His dedication, leadership skills, and deep understanding of the club's values and culture will ensure he leads us through to greater success.

Another notable appointment was the return of Paul Sanzone to the club. Paul rejoined the West Perth Football Club after a successful stint as a line coach at East Fremantle. Paul's familiarity with the club's culture and his proven track record of success makes him a valuable addition to our coaching staff.

With the unfortunate off season losses of key premierships players in Mitch Peirce, Sam Rotham, Tristan Hobley, and Mitch Dobson, presented a unique opportunity for our talented young players to step up and make their mark on the team.

Embracing this period of change, this group of promising young players emerged to fill the gaps left by the departed players. Brock Carter, Jasper Scaife, Blake Garraway, Bailey Long, Callum Smith, Aidan Nelson, Will Hopkins, and Kayle Gerreyn have shown they have the dedication and attributes to build strong careers for the club in the WAFL competition.

Jasper Scaife's great early season form was recognised by several AFL clubs and eventuated in him being drafted to Hawthorn in the mid-season draft.

The season was one of so close yet so far. Despite the young team put on the park, we put ourselves in many winnable positions without being able to close out games. With 9 losses by 3 goals or less and 5 games decided by under 10 points, the win loss record was not reflective of how extremely resilient and competitive the team was. The effort was never in question, yet we are left to rue the missed opportunities.



Again, we were well represented at State level with Zac Guadagnin and Tyler Keitel rewarded for their strong early season form. Tyler continued this form through the entire season and was again awarded the Brenie Naylor Medal for the League's leading goal kicking.

One of the highlights of the season came in the last round of the year against South Fremantle. As difficult it was for the league team this year it was as every bit as difficult for the development team. To see them rewarded with a win and that passion displayed by the supports and support staff was a great reminder of reason we play this great game.

2024 marked the 30 years since the transition to Joondalup. This was celebrated by the club in the final round with a unique one-off jumper and the team of the 30 years celebrated in great event held at the club after the game. This event brought together so many not only the players, but supporters and sponsors that have made this club the special place it is over a long period of time.

As is the case with every season the careers of great players come to an end. This year we saw the retirement for 4 players that have had a massive impact in this club. Mark Hutchings, Sasha Kernutt, Troy Yukich and Mark Hammond decided to call time on their WAFL careers and will be greatly missed at the club.

Despite the obstacles we faced in 2024, both on and off the field, I am proud to say that we have shown resilience, determination, and unwavering team spirit. Our players, coaching staff, and support personnel have displayed dedication and passion, which has been truly inspiring to witness.

As we reflect on the past season, it is important to acknowledge our shortcomings and areas for improvement. We must use these lessons to fuel our drive for excellence and propel the club forward in the coming years. Building a culture of continuous improvement and a relentless pursuit of success will be key to our future success.

Looking ahead to 2025, I am confident that we have the talent, the commitment, and the vision to achieve great results. By working together, supporting each other, and staying true to our core values, we will continue to elevate the West Perth Football Club into a feared club in the WAFL.

I am excited for what the future holds for our club, and I am honoured to be a part of this journey with all of you.

Ryan Mackenzie







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# ANZAC DAY



# CONGRATULATIONS



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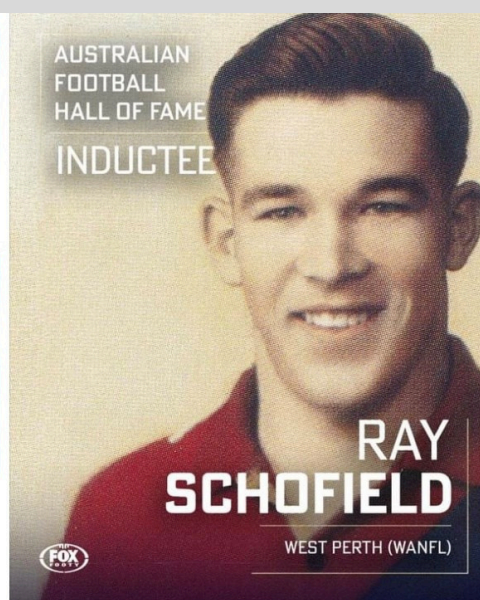
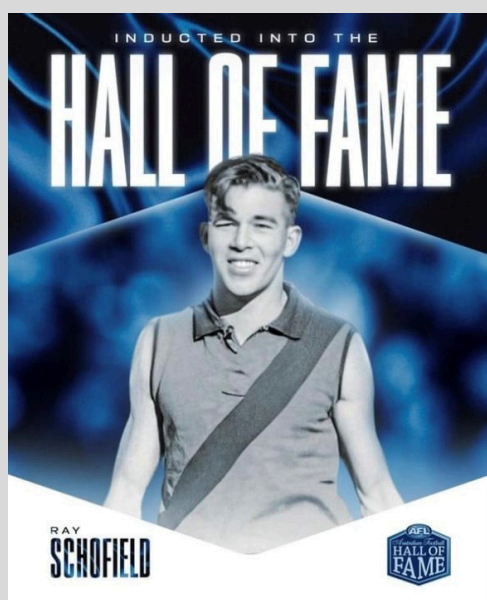


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# Men's Senior Coach Report

## Jason Salecic

2024 was a year we faced significant challenges we hadn't faced for a long period of time, with the challenges we there have been many learnings and areas of improvements which have been identified and need to be actioned to ensure that our club returns to the level of success we have been accustomed to over our rich history.

We, as in everyone that is involved at our football club are good people and care that's what makes our club so special and to no surprise this year when it got hard, as the best clubs do, they back their people in and stick together so in saying that I would like to thank our President Dr. Neale Fong, Vice President Jim Cafferri, All our Directors, CEO Joe McCarthy, GMFO Ryan Mackenzie, Club Patrons, Administration Staff Tracy Venner and Paola Zito, Strength & Conditioning Corey Green & Dave Cassidy, Physiotherapist Nathan Stephens, Head Trainer Maddy Simon & all of our Trainers and Volunteer's, Doctors Greg Smith, Match Day Staff and our loyal Sponsors and Supporters.

Thank you for everyone's contribution to make our club what it is, we as Coaches and Players truly appreciated what you do for us.

Personally, I would also like to thank the Coaching Staff & Players who at no stage throughout the year gave up, we needed to be resilient, and we were.

Thank you also to our Leadership Group who throughout the year needed to show strong leadership and help us find ways to get better and what we were able to do without necessarily getting the desired results but we have set the foundations going forward and I have no doubt that what we value and the way we play will be evident next year from the work we have put in this year.

To all the Partners and Families who have been there to support the Players and Coach's throughout the year, you don't get enough credit.



The reality is football has an emotion attached to it that's why our players love to play, and supporters love to support but that emotion can be taken into our homes and throughout this year I'm sure it wouldn't have been very often on the positive side so from the bottom of my heart I would like to Thank you all.

Finally let's all stick together and pull in same direction on the Road to Premiership 21.

Jason Salecic





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# Development Coach Report

Paul Sanzone

Firstly, can I say what a privilege it was to return to the club that has been a huge part of my life to date. It was exciting, little nerve-racking, walking back through the doors of Joondalup Arena. It was great to reconnect with most of the playing group that I had coached at the club in a previous stint and welcome some newcomers to the club.

After meeting with Ryan McKenzie and Jason Salecic it was very clear what direction they both wanted for this great club, and what role they wanted me to perform. History will tell us it wasn't to be a great season for the Senior programme for many reasons.

The Development team certainly went through what was to be a frustrating season for all involved, however through the challenges we were to see the emergence of some young men get a chance at Senior WAFL footy:

- . Bailey Long
- . Callum Smith
- . Aiden Nelson
- . Will Hopkins
- . Jye Skender
- . Blake Garraway
- . Kale Gerreyn



Part of the Development role is the ability to identify the talent and see the player promoted to Senior Football, each of the above players acquitted themselves well when given their chance at different stages of the season.

It was also a chance to elevate young players from our Colts programme to allow them to be exposed to firstly training at Senior level then competing on game day at a different level. We coaches, at Senior level are excited to see the nucleus of those players begin their journey as Senior WP players this season and beyond.

As always there are many thankyou's to share:

Firstly, to the WFC Board and CEO Joe McCarthy, for approving of my return as Development Coach,

- . Ryan McKenzie for your support throughout the year.
- . Clinton Rudd – Talent Development Manager.
- . Admin Staff for your tireless work.
- . Jason Salecic and Senior coaching staff a great bunch of WP men who worked tirelessly week in week out.
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- . Steve Chapman and Colts staff – excellent season had by all involved.
- . Brett Dyke and David Prout for their role as Team Managers.



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. Callum Paroczai for your efforts throughout the season – stats and vision.

. Ray Garcia / Joe Salecic who epitomise what WPFC is – in good & bad times fronting up each week and giving to the club.

. To our Members and Supporters thankyou for sticking by us all, your support will always be pivotal in the success of this great club.

. The Senior playing group for your support of us coaches and Development players.

. To our Development players I can't express how much gratitude I have for you all for continuing to turn up despite the tough season, week in week out to continue to find ways to improve as an individual and as a team.

. Lastly, but most importantly, my family who are always there to support and allow me to be the best person I can be for our great club, I can't thankyou enough.

To finish, as we prepare to head into season 2025 aiming for Premiership 21, the hard work has started and I look forward to working alongside some great people to make OUR club the BEST club.

May you all have a great Xmas and New Year – stay safe see you all again in 2025.  
C'MON FALCONS!!!

Regards

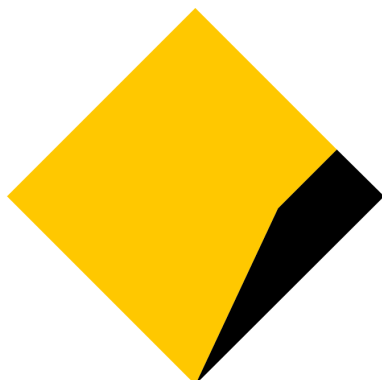
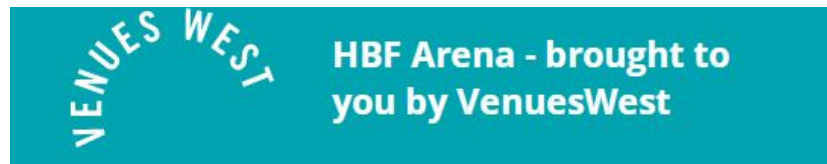
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# Talent Manager

Clint Rudd

## Talent Report

Season 2024 for our WPFC Talent Pathway has been a successful, enjoyable & rewarding one for the 200 plus athletes involved. All our programs in 2024 had new coaches at the helm, along with various new staff members in support and administration roles, such uncertainty generates challenges, but it also created opportunities to advance our approach on & off the field.

## Colts

An indifferent pre-season with a few bumps along the way, a few potholes at Mater Dei, a camp in Lancelin & some new faces resulted in this group learning to ride the wave from the outset. A slow, but promising start to the home & away fixture indicated this group was up for the fight, and fight they did. Sitting winless after three rounds, the boys went on a 7-game winning streak, none better than the clutch "Marcello" kick in the dying stages of our R13 clash against Perth, to give the boys a stirring 5-point win. In R14 we played Swan's at home, who gave our group a bit of a reality check, however we bounced back to win the last 5 games of the regular season, none better than our R19 win over Claremont which was our best performance of the season.

Finishing 2nd on the ladder was a great achievement for the squad, which surpassed our expectations in terms of the age demographic & challenges we had throughout the season. We didn't bring our best against Subiaco in week 1 of the finals, and unfortunately, we let one slip against Swans after a brilliant 2nd half of football from the boys. None the less it was a great experience for the group to play 2 games of football in the finals, which included plenty of learning opportunities which will hold the boys in good stead into the future.

From a wider lens it was a tough season for the WPFC club, a lean & injury ravaged senior squad resulted in the need for many Colts squad members to advance and play Senior football throughout the season. We had 15 Colts squad members play Reserves football through various stages of the season, & in R20 we had Kayle Gerreyn make his league debut for the club, which was my personal highlight of the season, & I know I wasn't alone. As a club, with fresh faces in all head coaching roles, we navigated our way through with the playing resources available, we had some testing moments however as a whole we've come out the other end with many learnings which will put the club in a good position for the years to come & on our road to 21.





## Colts Awards

Dominish Medal – Jack Wooden  
Runner Up – Sam Swadling  
Third Place – Kayle Gerreyn  
Player of the Finals – Darcy Keenan  
Past Players Encouragement Award – Lochlain Carpenter  
Leading Goal Kicker – Judd Marcello  
Jack Appleby Rising Star – Sam Swadling  
Volunteer of the Year Award – Ray Garcia



## Futures

An overall fantastic campaign from our Futures group, which similarly to the Colts group started slowly, however once the boys hit their straps, they went on to win 6 of their last 7 games with a draw against Claremont sitting in the middle of those wins. We faced a self-promoting “undefeated” Subiaco side in the last game of the season, of which we treated like our GF, the boys played a spirited brand of football to come away with a 2-point victory. Our head coach in Todd Stewart had a few surprises for the squad in the rooms post-game, it was a delight to witness the joy in every team member’s face post this victory, along with family & friends.

The development in this group from a raw bunch of kids who came together in December 2023, to when the campaign finished, and to what where now seeing from these kids in & around the club has been a delight to observe.

## Futures Awards

Fairest & Best – Luca Boczar  
Runner Up – Harvey Spawton-Guy  
Players Player Award – Max Bradbury  
Coaches Award – Josh Heady  
Rising Star Award – Koby Lecras



## 14's & 15's Development Squads

These programs underwent various changes in 2024, which has also provided the club with some opportunities & learnings of how we can build upon such, to ensure ultimately, we are striving to improve our Talent Pathway programs. It was great to see some exciting talent on display through the various games played, it's equally as exciting to see these young men come into our programs and develop holistically as athletes, both on & off the park.

In 2025 we are expanding our Talent Pathway programs, and we are looking to adapt our model to ensure we account for developing a wider group of athletes, with “growth & maturation” concepts at the forefront of our approach.

## Talent Pathway Highlights

Kayle Gerreyn’s league debut, R20 vs Subiaco which resulted in a well fought victory  
Colts finishing 2nd on the ladder  
16 x Colts players making their Seniors debut  
Kayle Gerreyn, Trent Hiscock & Jayden Rigoll representing WA in the National 18’s Carnival  
Kayle Gerreyn, Judd Marcello, Sam Swadling & Jack Wooden – 2024 WAFL Colts Team of the Year  
Jack Wooden – 2024 WAFL Colts Coaches MVP  
Futures GF victory over Subiaco  
Todd Stewarts post-game celebrations after the victory against Subiaco  
Luca Boczar, Max Bradbury, Sam Hill, Koby Lecras & Harvey Spawton-Guy – WA State 16’s squad  
Hunter Bewick, Campbell Creyk & Lachlan Jones – WA State-schoolboys 15’s squad

Thankyou's

A big fat thanks goes to Steve Chapman, Todd Stewart, Clint Degebrodt & Michael Barton who head coached the various Talent Pathway programs, an additional thankyou & acknowledgement to the wider coaching group for your tireless efforts. We have so many wonderful volunteers at the West Perth Football Club, to many to name, however a sincere thankyou to the following legends who have helped me above & beyond in various ways, Brendan Long, Ray Garcia, Joe Salecic, Matt Lowndes & Kim Rigoll.

To the WPFC staff members, Joe McCarthy, Ryan McKenzie, Luke Richardson, Tracy Venner, Paola Zito, Jason Salecic, Paul Sanzone & the WPFC board, thanks for welcoming me into the club & supporting the Talent Pathway. To the parents & guardians of our athletes at the WPFC, thank you for the support & investment you make into these developing young men, and to all the athletes, be "unique" & "get after it"!

Take care & good health.

Ruddy







# Colts Coach Report

**Steve Chapman**

Here at the West Perth Football Club, our development pathway focusses heavily on player development and producing quality players for our club both on and off the field, not necessarily the wins and losses.

Every year there is a significant turnover of players within our colt's program, therefore it is understandably difficult to gauge where our talent sits against other clubs. We commenced preseason in early December with over 70 players on the track, which would eventually be narrowed down to 45 squad members. There was certainly a heightened level of expectation amongst the group which could be sensed by being around the boys. Preseason concluded in late February and culminated in a player driven camp in Lancelin to build connection further amongst the group. This camp proved pivotal in what would mould the group for what was to come.

We powered through the preseason games followed by two-night games to start the season against last year's Grand Finalists. Coming up against Claremont in Round One who were last year's premiers, did not daunt the group at all. In what was a tight game the boys fell just short, but the disappointment on their faces was good to see as they realised, they could match it with the best of past years. Round 2 against Perth was a tight game that went down to the wire with a drawn match the end outcome. Once again, the look of disappointment was there and although not the ideal start, the boys knew their best was good enough. Ultimately, our colts group played 16 games for the regular season finishing 2nd on the ladder with 12 wins, 3 losses and a draw qualifying for the colts sixth finals series in succession.

Unfortunately, once finals were upon us, we looked to have spent most of our tickets and were not at our best. Two relatively close finals losses will no doubt hold the players in good stead and give them plenty of learnings to carry forward. Upon reflection, the results and year of development for our young boys was a great outcome with the squad playing 42 players, with 16 debuting. We also had one of the youngest teams in the competition highlighted with our ability to debut Koby LeCras and Luca Boczar as 16-year-olds as well as playing many 17-year-old boys each week.

During the year, we had three State 18s representatives, represent Western Australia at the National carnival. Jayden Rigoll, Kayle Gerreyn and Trent Hiscock all performed at an extremely high level. Every year the WAFL selects a "Colts Team of the Year". Well done to Jack Wooden, Kayle Gerreyn, Judd Marcello and Sam Swadling for featuring in this side.

We were fortunate throughout the year to have the support of our senior program and all affiliated coaches. Jason Salecic and Paul Sanzone were great to work with and offered great support to the colt's program. Some of our top end talent spent some time in the senior program with Kayle Gerreyn earning himself a senior debut in the back end of the season. Regarding our senior program, the pleasing part for our club but difficult part as a colts coach is to say goodbye for now to players that have now progressed to our senior program. appreciate all of you.

We have managed to have 16 players from this year's colts squad looking at completing a preseason with Jason, Sanza and the senior program, so credit to everyone involved in the development of these boys so far.

Support staff are key pillars in every program, and at West Perth we have some of the best going around. Clint Rudd came into the club as our Talent Manager this season and led the program well right from the start. Jess Fordham headed up our medical team and has built such a solid rapport with all players and staff over many years. Matt Lowndes works in our player welfare space and is an asset to our program. This year we introduced a mindset coach in Tony Silvio who was a great addition. Our assistant coaches in Michael Luca, Ryan Fong, Josh Wooden and Brendan Long all put significant time and assistance into each of our players to get the best out of them. Chris Keunen continues to offer support for our tails and give back where he can. Ray "Stinger" Garcia is still around providing all he can to our colts group. There are so many we could thank who have contributed so to everyone involved, we really appreciate all of you.

Any WAFL program requires a huge level of commitment from the players and support staff who put considerable time in every week. A big thank you to the parents, partners, siblings, family members or anyone else involved that allow us to all put the work in to be the best we can be. Without your support, we wouldn't be able to do what we do to prepare these boys for what is hopefully a long senior career at the West Perth Football Club.

Lastly, to such a special playing group, for our 100+ sessions together, we achieved so much with the development and growth that we saw in each individual as a person and people throughout the year, we have built a connection that will last a lifetime.

2025 promises to another exciting year of development at our football club and with some key learnings from all involved in 2024, we can't wait to get started.

Steve Chapman





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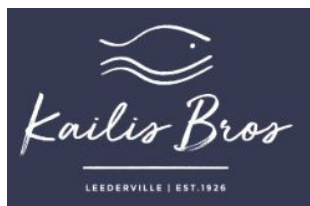


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# WAFLW Football Report

Clint Degebrodt



## **A Journey of Growth and Resilience**

Reflecting on the journey from 2022, it is almost surreal to see how far the West Perth Women's team has come. The 2022 season was a tough initiation into the WAFLW for the newly established side. With no wins on the board, the team was written off by many as a team lacking the necessary talent and experience to compete at the highest level. However, 2023 saw the first shoots of recovery. With five wins, the team began to build a foundation that would support future success. It was clear that the side was starting to understand the demands of the league and, more importantly, beginning to believe in themselves. The lessons learned during this period of adversity proved invaluable as they headed into 2024.

### **The Premiership Model: Playing with Freedom and Purpose**

The success of 2024 can largely be attributed to the club's evolving premiership model. This framework has enabled players to play with a sense of freedom while ensuring adherence to their role expectations. The model emphasizes a balance between structure and creativity, allowing each player to bring their unique strengths to the fore while maintaining a cohesive team strategy. This year, the team's attacking flair and defensive solidity have become trademarks of their play, being one of the highest scoring sides in the competition. The adaptability and versatility of the squad have been a key factor in their ability to outmaneuver opponents and secure crucial wins. By focusing on both individual development and team coherence, the premiership model has laid the groundwork for sustained success.

## **Bold List Management and Recruitment Strategy**

West Perth's resurgence has not been an accident but the result of meticulous planning and bold decision-making. The club's list management strategy has been both daring and forward-thinking. By targeting key personnel from other clubs, leagues, and states, the club has brought in players who not only fill gaps on the field but also contribute significantly to the team culture off the field. This approach has seen a blend of youth and experience brought into the squad, creating a dynamic environment where talent is nurtured, and performance is enhanced. The infusion of fresh talent has complemented the development of home-grown players, fostering a competitive yet supportive atmosphere within the club.

## **Leadership and Coaching Excellence**

At the heart of this transformation is the coaching group, experienced and visionary, led by the incomparable Clint Degebrodt. Degebrodt's leadership has been instrumental in steering the team through challenging times and into an era of success. His ability to inspire, educate, and strategize has brought the best out of his players and coaching staff alike. Degebrodt's emphasis on player welfare, professional development, and tactical acumen has created a positive and progressive environment. His coaching philosophy, which combines a deep understanding of the game with a genuine care for his players, has resonated throughout the club, setting the standard for what a modern football club should aspire to be.

He was supported in 2024 by David Lindsay (Runner), Jason Bloom (Snr. Assistant | Opposition Analysis & Tactics), Tori Audino, Louise McBride, Donna Field, Paul Beaver, Kristen Nelson and Carly Sutton – The most experienced and well-rounded coaching team in the WAFLW competition.

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We also must thank our Department Heads for their commitment to fostering development and connectivity within the football club: Travis Fitch (Head of Personal Excellence), Megan Kauffman (Head of High Performance), Brendan Aitkins (Head of Medical) & Dave Burton (Head of Pathways).

### **The Road Ahead**

Managing expectations and striving for small gains despite the outstanding success of 2024, West Perth Football Club is acutely aware of the challenges that lie ahead. The club's leadership understands that resting on laurels can be detrimental to long-term growth. There is a need to manage expectations across all levels, from the boardroom to the grassroots, to ensure that the focus remains on continual improvement. The mantra for the coming seasons is clear: good to great. This philosophy emphasizes the importance of incremental progress and the need to remain grounded despite success.

By concentrating on daily improvements and fostering a culture of constant learning and adaptation, West Perth aims to build on the achievements of 2024 and lay the foundation for future successes.

The 2024 season has been a defining chapter in the story of the West Perth Football Club's Women's team. From a winless season to becoming the most successful expansion side to date, the journey has been one of growth, resilience, and relentless pursuit of excellence. With a robust premiership model, bold list management strategies, exceptional leadership, and a commitment to continuous improvement, the future looks bright for this remarkable team. As the club looks ahead, there is a sense of optimism and belief that the best is yet to come. With the right blend of talent, vision, and dedication, West Perth is not just aiming to participate in the WAFLW but to set new standards and redefine success in women's football.





# Rogers Cup Football Report

Scott Kounis



## **A Season to Remember: The Unparalleled Success of West Perth Football Club's Rogers Cup Youth**

The 2024 season has been nothing short of phenomenal for the West Perth Football Club's Rogers Cup Youth Team. With an astonishing undefeated streak and back-to-back premiership titles, this young squad has not only set the benchmark for talent development but has also etched its name in the annals of football history.

### **Unmatched Dominance: 34 Wins and Counting**

In a feat that may never be surpassed, the West Perth Rogers Cup team has now won 34 consecutive games since the final rounds of the 2022 season. An unprecedented run, this streak speaks volumes about the quality, consistency, and resilience of the team. They have outclassed every opponent, demonstrating a level of dominance rarely seen in youth competitions. The culmination of this remarkable run came in the 2024 Grand Final, where West Perth not only secured a back-to-back premiership but also kept Subiaco scoreless. This emphatic victory underscored the team's superiority and marked another chapter in their extraordinary journey.

### **Leadership and Brilliance: Hayley Bidefeld's Stellar Year**

At the heart of this exceptional team performance is captain Hayley Bidefeld, whose leadership and individual brilliance have been pivotal to West Perth's success. Bidefeld's 2024 season has been a masterclass in football excellence. She was awarded the Rogers Cup Competition Fairest & Best by an incredible margin of 19 votes, a testament to her consistent dominance throughout the season. On Grand Final day, Bidefeld's influence was undeniable. She was named the recipient of the Charmaine Rogers Best on Ground Medal, further cementing her status as one of the brightest talents in the league. Her crowning achievement, being named West Perth FC Rogers Cup Fairest & Best, caps off a season that is sure to be remembered for years to come.

### **The Kounis Effect: Skill Development and Fun**

Much of the credit for the team's remarkable success must go to Head Coach Scott Kounis. A proven coach with a keen focus on skill development and acquisition, Kounis has masterfully blended fun with rigorous development, creating an environment where young players can thrive. His approach has been instrumental in elevating the Rogers Cup program to heights that may never be reached again by other clubs.

Kounis's philosophy revolves around building a strong foundation of skills while encouraging creativity and enjoyment of the game. This balance has not only produced a winning team but has also fostered a culture of excellence and camaraderie that permeates throughout the squad.

Under his guidance, the Rogers Cup team has become a shining example of what can be achieved with the right mix of talent, hard work, and enjoyment. It should be noted though, that Kounis' vision for success and development was well supported and nurtured through his exceptional coaching team: Fiona Boucher (Snr. Assistant), Brett Foster, Damon Brimson and Hannah Philip.

### **The Road Ahead**

Defining Future Success as the Rogers Cup team reflects on their 2024 achievements, the question naturally arises: what does success look like moving forward? Having climbed the mountain three times in the last four years (2021, 2023, and 2024 premierships), the challenge now lies in translating this level of success into the WAFLW league program.

There is a clear pathway that needs to be developed to ensure the continuity of this success. The focus must shift towards increasing the draft ability of the club's players and producing even more league-ready talent. By doing so, West Perth can build a bridge from the youth ranks to the senior level, ensuring that the talent nurtured in the Rogers Cup program has a direct impact on the WAFLW side.

### **Conclusion**

The 2024 season for the West Perth Football Club's Rogers Cup Youth Team has set a new standard for excellence in youth football. With an undefeated streak, a dominant premiership win, and a roster of exceptional talent led by Hayley Bidefeld, the team has achieved what many clubs only dream of. As the club looks to the future, the lessons learned from this season will be invaluable. By continuing to focus on skill development, fostering a positive culture, and creating clear pathways to senior football, West Perth can build on this success and ensure that the Rogers Cup program remains a cornerstone of the club's future.

The challenge now is to not just maintain this level of success but to elevate it, integrating the triumphs of the youth program into broader club achievements. If the past few years are any indication, West Perth Football Club is more than capable of meeting this challenge head-on, continuing to inspire and set the benchmark for youth development in football.





# BACK TO BACK ROGERS CUP CHAMPIONS





# Female Academy

Luke Richardson  
Head of Female Football  
& Talent Pathways



## Shining Bright: The Moora Citrus Female Football Academy's Remarkable Success

The Moora Citrus Female Football Academy continues to set the standard for excellence in developing young female footballers in Western Australia. As the only club offering such a comprehensive program in this space, we are incredibly proud to lead the way and serve as a beacon of success for aspiring players.

Our academy's dedication to growth, skill development, and community engagement makes it the premier destination for young athletes looking to excel in the sport.

### A Platform for Growth and Opportunity

One of the academy's standout moments this year was the privilege of being invited by the School Sport WA (SSWA) 15s State Side to play a practice match on WAFLW Grand Final Day. This unique opportunity allowed our players to showcase their talents in front of state coaches and staff, providing invaluable experience and a taste of what it takes to progress to the next level. It was an exciting event that highlighted the academy's role in preparing players for future state selection and beyond. It's exciting to note that 8 of our own Academy girls actually made the SSWA State side and represented the state proudly: Mia Shelley, Elizabeth Young, Trista Smoker, Jas Giles, Teah Houlihan, Arybella Nelson, Vienna Matera and Alexis Henderson.

## Community Connection with Moora Citrus

Our annual visit to the Moora Citrus Orchard has become a cherished tradition, bringing families, players, and staff together to witness firsthand the positive impact our naming-rights partner has on the community. This experience not only strengthens our connection with Moora Citrus but also emphasizes the importance of community support in fostering a thriving football environment. The orchard visit is a testament to our commitment to building relationships that go beyond the football field, nurturing a sense of belonging and shared purpose.

### Leading the Way in Female Football Development.

We recognize that we are currently the only club offering such a robust academy for young female footballers, and we are proud to hold this position. We hope that other clubs see the immense value and impact a program like ours can have on the sustainability and success of their female football pathways. By leading the way in skill development and player progression, we aim to inspire others to join us in elevating the standard of female football across the region.



## Leadership and Dedication

The success of the Moora Citrus Female Football Academy would not be possible without the exceptional leadership of Dave Burton, our Head of Pathways. Dave's enthusiasm, vision, and commitment to excellence have made him a beloved figure in our Northern Corridor and a driving force behind the academy's growth. His passion for the game and dedication to developing young talent have been instrumental in shaping our program into what it is today. Equally important is the fantastic team of coaching and support staff, led by club legend Ray Bartholomew. Ray's extensive experience and knowledge of the game are complemented by the expertise of ex-AFLW player Bianca Webb, Jen Dwyer, Jacinta Jensen, and Brooke Hongell. Together, they provide a nurturing and challenging environment where our players can thrive and reach their full potential.

## A Bright Future Ahead

The Moora Citrus Female Football Academy remains committed to excellence, growth, and community engagement. As we continue to develop and expand, we are excited about the future of female football in Western Australia and the role we will play in shaping it. With a dedicated team, strong community ties, and an unwavering commitment to player development, we look forward to many more years of success and inspiration. Our academy stands as a testament to what is possible when passion, dedication, and community come together. We invite others to join us in this journey, leading the way for the next generation of female football stars.







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# Community

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During the 2024 season, there has been a total of 49 primary schools in the West Perth district that have experienced an AFL school clinic this year. Out of the 49 schools, 5 were visited by our West Perth Football club players. Newcomer Will Hopkins, in his first season at the club, went out to these schools and taught our potential future Falcons all the basic skills of the game and spoke about what it takes to be successful at WAFL and WAFLW level while having a ton of fun with the students.

The clinics that they ran in term 1 and 2 this year was either as a Free One-Day clinic at the school during the Play AFL campaign in an attempt to boost participation numbers throughout not only in the West Perth District, but across the whole of WA or they delivered a clinic via the Sporting Schools program, where schools engage in high-quality clinics run over a course of 4 weeks to deliver a football program of their choice taught by our WAFL/WAFLW players.

Our players didn't just visit schools, they also visited multiple events within the district. In Term 1 we had a great turnout from our West Perth Rogers Cup & Academy girls that came out and ran a Girls Come and Try day for the Ocean Ridge JFC. It was a great day for all involved and club was very appreciative of how engaged the West Perth girls were with interacting with these newcomers who had a positive experience playing football for the first time. In the term 2 holidays the Metro North district ran a Year 7 Academy that was held at MacDonald reserve. There were 60 Yr 7 boys that represented the West Perth district during this two-day academy, and we were lucky enough to have some of the West Perth colts down to give the boys a hand. The players were great at running some of the training drills as well as having a chat with the boys about their experiences so far in football and what playing in the WAFL is different to community football.



2024 was a fantastic year on the Auskick front as WA set a record for the most participants ever recorded in a season with more than 16,600 Auskickers across WA. West Perth district clubs had just shy of 1,500 for season 2024 which was a great number from our eight district clubs. The West Perth district also enjoyed another successful Auskick Gala Day held at Heathridge Park on Saturday 3rd August. 8 junior clubs, 74 teams and over 800 kids braved the chilly conditions early to have an absolute blast having their first taste of competitive football against Auskickers from different centres in a carnival like event.



Little League was again another hit amongst junior clubs and those involved with all 8 district clubs experiencing a WAFL/W home game this season with all Little Leaguers experiencing the thrill of playing at half-time of the Reserves and League. We also had the return of WA Day junior parade with our mascots showing off their clubs in a lap of honour around Pentanet Stadium. We also kicked off the season on Easter Thursday with WAFL Wonderland, with the Year 5/6 from Quinns JFC lucky enough to be the club of the round as they enjoyed the experience of seeing the league boys warm-up before their big clash against Claremont and were even lucky enough to have some of the reserves players down to give the team a warm up as well as a quick tour of the facilities which the Little Leaguers absolutely loved the experience!

The season was again a great success in my second year, and it was great to build on all the good work done last year to make this season even better. Looking forward to 2025!



## **Breckler Medal – League**

**Breckler Medalist (1st place)** – Luke Meadows

**Jason Salecic Medalist (2nd place)** – Tyler Keitel

**Ken Ashdown Medalist (3rd place)** – Dean Munns

**League Players' Player** – Dean Munns

## **Ennis Medal – Reserves**

**Ennis Medalist (1st place)** – Byron Sherwood

**Reserves (2nd place)** – Brock Lewis

**Reserves (3rd place)** – Nicholas Davidson

**Reserves Players' Player** – Luke Reilly

**Past Player Assn Encouragement Award** – Bailey Thompson

**Rising Star / Rookie of the Year** – Kane Bevan

**Ross McMillan Volunteer of the Year** – Frank Alvaro

**Ray Scott Medalist Leading Goal Kicker** – Tyler Keitel

**Wayne Dayman Award Most Courageous Player** – Dean Munns

**Carbone-DeVita – Best Clubman** – Nathan Alexandre

### **Debutants**

Brock Carter – Aiden Nelson

Jasper Scaife – Will Hopkins

Jye Skender – Blake Garraway

Bailey Long – Callum Smith

### **Milestone Awards**

Luke Meadows – 150 games

Zac Guadagnin – 100 games

Connor West – 50 games

### **Retirements**

Sasha Kernutt

Mark Hamilton

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Carbone-DaVita Award



Retirement Sasha Kernut



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# **WAFLW Awards**

**WAFLW Fairest & Best** – Taylor Ferguson

**Runner-Up Fairest & Best** – Imahra Cameron

**3rd Runner-Up Fairest & Best** – Bianca Webb

**Coaches' Award** – Gemma Bailey

**Players' Player Award** – Gemma Bailey

**Leading Goal Kickers** – Brooke Hongell

**Best 1st Year Player** – Mia Russo

**Player of the Finals** – Kaitlyn Roper

**WAFLW Volunteer of the Year** – Jennifer Bennett

**Debutants** –

Ruby Freeman, Gemma Bailey, Ritihia Dunn

Stacey Francis-Bayman, Isobel Strover

Imahra Cameron, Kailea Thomas, Daloda Hallam

Kenleigh Duve, Magan Kaufman, Tarnica Golisano, Samara Sallie

Sarah Kirkbride, Tahlee McVee, Taylor Drummond, Taylah McGorlick

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# **ROGERS CUP AWARDS**

**Roger Cup Fairest & Best** – Hayley Bidefeld

**Runner-Up Fairest & Best** – Cara Dziegielewski / Lexi Strahan

**3rd Runner-Up Fairest & Best** – Jamarah Woods

**Coaches' Award** – Bree Porritt

**Players' Player Award** – Paige Dodunski

**Leading Goal Kicker** – Lunay Van Den Heever

**Best 1st Year Player** – Hayley Mann

**Player of the Finals** – Jamarah Woods

**Rogers Cup Volunteer of the Year** – Vanessa Thomson





# Rogers Cup & WAFLW





# Colts Awards

**Dominish Medal Fairest & Best** – Jack Wooden

**Runner-Up Fairest & Best** – Sam Swadling

**3rd Runner-Up Fairest & Best** – Kayle Gerreyn

**Jack Appleby Rising Star** – Sam Swadling

**Past Players' Encouragement Award** – Lachlain Carpenter

**Leading Goal Kickers** – Judd Marcello

**Past Player Combined Assn Award** – Jack Wooden

**Player of the Finals** – Darcey Keenan

**Volunteer of the Year** – Ray Garcia



# Futures Awards

**Fairest & Best** – Luca Boczar

**Runner-Up Fairest & Best** – Harvey Spawton-Guy

**Coaches Award** – Josh Heady

**Rising Star** – Koby Lecras

**Players' Player Award** – Max Bradbury







2024 - SENIOR SQUAD

## WAFL TEAM 2024

**BACK ROW (L-R):** Tristan Hobley, Egan Brooks, Kane Bevan, Riley Sprigg, Noah Pegoraro, Kayle Gerreyn, Troy Yukich, Zak Patterson, Brock Carter, Riley Hill, Jasper Scaife, Mark Hamilton, Jye Skender, Zarne Robis, Brock Lewis. **SECOND ROW:** Phil Johnson (Coach), Ron Skender (Coach), Connor West, Matt Galjaardt, Nate Dimanlig, Corey Rundle, Bailey Thompson, Kellen Johnson, Tyson Moulton, Blake Garraway, Griff Julian, Will Hopkins, Josh Bell, Byron Sherwood, Paul Sanzone (Coach) Dan Barnard. **THIRD ROW:** Steve Russell (Coach), Zac Guadagnin, Koopah Todd, Aiden Nelson, Nathan Alexandre, Tyler Keitel (Vice Captain), Dean Munns (Captain), Jason Salecic (Head Coach), Luke Meadows (Vice Captain), Conal Lynch (Vice Captain), Aaron Black, Daniel Gathercole, Bailey Long, Sasha Kernutt, Blake Arnold (Coach).

**FRONT ROW:** Henry Ryan, Nathan Murray, Jack De Marte, Zac Fleiner, Darcy Dixon, Shane Nelson, Rohan Scurria, Ben Johnson, Joseph Hinder, Scott Nelson, Luke Reilly, Keegan Knott, Jayden Evans.



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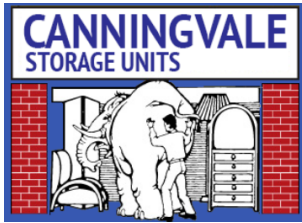
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# COLTS TEAM 2024

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**THIRD ROW:** Clinton Rudd (Talent Manager), Hudson Fowler, Cruz Murat, Byron Blatchley, Hope Rawson, Taj Martin, Joel Reynolds, Noah Hakesly, Josh Malinyak, Josh Heady, Bryce Blatchley.

**SECOND ROW:** Michael Luca (Assistant Coach – Backs), Luke Richardson (Assistant Coach, Forwards), Sam Hill, Koby Lecras, Kalan Rigoll (Captain), Todd Stewart (Head Coach), Fraiser Cairnduff, Max Bradbury, Tom Kennedy, Derek Jenkins (Assistant Coach – Mids), Ashton Stampalia (Strength & Conditioning Coach). **FRONT ROW:** Blake Clatworthy, Scott Stegman, Oisin Allen, Bryan Mclean, Lucas Pelle, Stirling Prasaad, Josh Palmer, Zarran Dwyer, Lachlan Bidefeld. **ABSENT:** Ambrose McGrath, Taj Dunseath, Michael Barton (Assistant Coach – Development).





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