

Drummoyne Power

Junior Australian Football Club

2010 Yearbook



Principal Sponsors



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DRUMMOYNE POWER CLUB OFFICIALS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2010

President	David Sanders
Vice President	Gavin Nelson
Treasurer	Anna Edwards
Secretary	Jodie Queenan

GENERAL COMMITTEE 2010

Football Manager /Coaches Coordinator	Darren Lewtas
Auskick Coordinator	Peter Higgs
Sydney Harbour Delegates	Darren Lewtas
	Gavin Nelson
Sydney City Delegate	John O'Donoghue
Registrar	Graeme Durrant
Recruitment Manager	Adrian Walton
Newsletter Coordinator	Alan Dunne
Canteen Coordinator	Bonita Nelson
Umpires Liaison	Denise Currie

Drummoyne Power Life Members

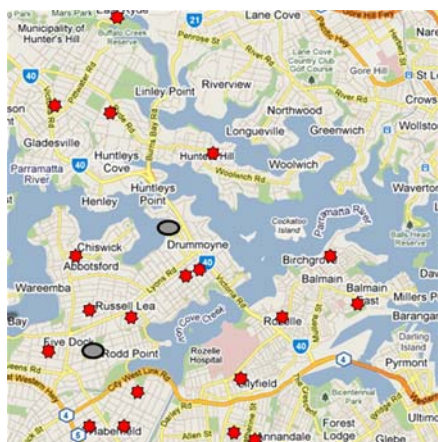
Mick Bowles
Darren Lewtas
Peter Higgs
Gavin Nelson

SEASON 2010 TEAM OFFICIALS

Under 5/6's	Coach	Clint Hawthorne	Manager	Anthony Bertrams
Under 7's	Coach	Nic Angelos	Manager	Elizabeth Hogg
Under 8's Silver	Coach	Duncan Ford	Manager	Gabrielle Brown
Under 8's Teal	Coach	Tommy Rich	Manager	Gabrielle Brown
Under 9's Black	Coach	Adrian Walton	Manager	Margaret Cassidy
Under 9's Silver	Coach	Steve Wall	Manager	Anthony Lanigan
Under 9's Teal	Coach	Vaughan Paul	Manager	Jenny Loughnan
Under 10's	Coach	Anthony McNamara	Manager	Ann Lewis /Victoria Hollick
	Assistant	David Sanders		
Under 11's Black	Coach	Glen Burgess	Manager	Sean Rankin
Under 11's Teal	Coach	Neil Kenzler	Manager	Chris Durack
Under 12's Black	Coach	John O'Donoghue	Manager	Ann Maree Ludeke
Under 12's Teal	Coach	Noel Storan	Manager	Janine Doyle
Under 13's Division 2	Coach	Brendan Cann	Manager	Tracey Lenton
	Assistant	Mark Willis		
Under 14's Division 2	Coach	Simon Ringer	Manager	David Garrick
	Assistant	Alex Vozzo		
Under 16's Division 1	Coach	Mik Car	Manager	Denise Currie
	Assistant	Jon Williamson		
Under 16's Division 2	Coach	Darren Lewtas	Manager	James Anthony

DRUMMOYNE POWER JUNIOR AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL CLUB

Founded in 1999 with a single team of under 12s, Drummoyne Power now fields teams in age groups from the Auskick under 5/6s through to under 16s. With almost 270 registrations and 16 teams in 2010 Drummoyne Power is now established as one of the largest junior football clubs competing in the Greater Sydney Juniors association.



Drummoyne Power's principle "catchment" zone includes a score of primary schools located in the suburbs of Haberfield, Leichhardt, Orange Grove, Rozelle, Balmain, Five Dock, Abbotsford, Drummoyne, Hunters Hill, Gladesville and Boronia Park.

Power play their home games at two venues; the Five Dock Oval and the newly refurbished Drummoyne Oval with its first class playing surface and substantial facilities for players, parents and spectators, the envy of all visitors.

Drummoyne Power JAFC achievements on-field, and in operations/administration have been widely recognized and the Club awarded the title of Sydney Harbor City Club of the Year in 2002 and 2009.

Drummoyne Power draws strength from the enthusiasm and support of the now hundreds of boys, girls and families associated with the Club wearing black, silver and teal livery and their connections into the local community.

Drummoyne Oval Refurbishment Officially Opened

<http://www.aflnswact.com.au/index.php?id=4>

Drummoyne Oval will be suitable to host international fixtures following the Australian Government's announcement they will invest further into the sporting facility.



Drummoyne Oval is poised to become one of the top sporting complexes in Sydney following the Australian Government's announcement that they will invest a further \$1.75 million into the recently redeveloped ground should the Gillard Government win the next election.

The new precinct, which includes two state-of-the-art amenity blocks containing grand-stand seating, function space and improved storage, was officially opened on Thursday by Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Local Government Anthony Albanese.

The Australian Government's commitment to deliver six lighting towers of international broadcasting standard is a major boost for the local ground with the possibility of elite AFL games being played at the oval now a reality.

Following their \$5.3 million investment in phase one of the Drummoyne Oval redevelopment, the Australian Government has pledged to invest a further \$1.75 million should the Labor Government be re-elected.

AFL State Manager – NSW/ACT Development Simon Laughton is happy to announce the AFL and the Drummoyne Power JAFC will invest a combined total of \$200,000 towards the completion of the project and access to tenure.

Former Sydney Swans and Carlton player Jason Saddington, who now plays for the Balmain Dockers, said he is excited to be playing at the redeveloped ground.

"We're very fortunate to have our home ground as one of the best venues in all of Sydney," Saddington said.

"The facility rivals most local football facilities in Melbourne and is better than most of the VFL venues which AFL clubs use on a weekly basis.

"The Balmain Football Club looks forward to continuing to utilise the facility. It's now a distinct possibility to hold club functions at the ground, including our best and fairest night, and the match-day experience will now be better than ever. Hopefully we can get the whole community to come along to our games."

At the official opening of the oval on Thursday, Minister Albanese was joined alongside John Murphy, local Labor candidate for Reid, while Australian opening batsman Simon Katich was also in attendance.

The redeveloped oval will provide opportunities for the local community to enjoy international and national sporting and cultural events. The Balmain Dockers will play at the ground for the remainder of the season.

Presidents Report

Well the 2010 season has certainly had it's challenges, the disruption and limited availability of Drummoyne Oval as a result of the upgrade works, the amount of weather interruptions with loss of games and so many training nights and several key and season ending injuries to some of the youth players but through it all we provided the football experience for a record number of players.

We sincerely thank everybody for your patience with regards the inconvenience of the upgrade works and the cancelled fixtures and training. Numerous ways of limiting the impact on weather driven ground closures are being investigated, particularly with regards alternate training methods and venues as well as notification methods in an effort to make Season 2011 more fruitful in this regard.

It has been a terrific experience to inherit the reigns of the club from those that have previously and so tirelessly laid the solid foundations from which we continue to build and enhance. Whilst there are of course many; Darren Lewtas, Rod Bertino and David Garrick deserve special mention as they all still go out of their way to provide assistance as and where required and are always available at the end of the phone to provide guidance and an experienced view.

My colleagues on the Executive and General Committees have all done a great job in helping to bring the football experience to reality for the circa 270 young players that were with us this year, I can't thank you enough. Bonita Nelson has done an absolutely sterling job with the canteen this year with the additional challenges of the ground upgrades meaning very little meaningful storage was available at the ground and even more disruption than normal besetting the Nelson household as a result of this.

It was a very special moment indeed being able to present with Darren the Life Membership awards to Peter Higgs and Gavin Nelson (effectively on behalf of the whole Nelson family). Two very worthy recipients and indeed only the clubs third and fourth persons to be so recognized alongside Darren Lewtas and Mick Bowles.

To all of the Coaches and Managers that have provided the hands on experience for our children this season, well done and thank you. It takes a lot of time, more than most who have not been involved realize, to do this but with the help of those around you and experiencing the fun and development that the boys and girls go through it is a very rewarding experience.

Our Sponsors, our club patron and local member Angela D'Amore and our numerous volunteers have again been very generous this season and we thank you all. It takes a lot of effort by a lot of people to effectively run a club like ours, even more as the club grows toward 300 players and beyond. Your efforts have assisted greatly in ensuring we can provide the best possible experience that we can in our likewise volunteer capacities.

Most importantly of all though, thank you to all the boys and girls for choosing to play AFL and giving it your best shot, whether it was your first season or your tenth. To see you on the field having some fun, getting a touch of the footy and experiencing the friendship of others and the life skills that team play brings is what it's all about. You have done some great things this year both individually and as a team and we hope to see you back next Season.

That of course cannot be the case for all, many of our Under 16 players have to move on. We wish you well and hope you have enjoyed your junior footy and good luck at the higher levels of football. For some this has involved playing for up to a decade at our club and that is a huge involvement from you and your very supportive families, all who have done so much to help our club grow and prosper over the years. You may be moving on but the fruits of your labour abound for the next generation of players to enjoy. I now have an inkling as to what it feels like for a teacher to see their senior students moving on to enjoy their future elsewhere. Simultaneously sad, reflective, positive, encouraging and oh so rewarding.....and we'll come back and do it all again next year.

To those players who have had some level of individual recognition through selection for development squads, rep teams or other individual awards well done to you all and remember it was your team mates who helped to get you there. The best way you can repay them is by bringing back some of the experience and knowledge you gain from these opportunities and share it with your mates so that everyone can improve their game.

One of the most rewarding groups I have been additionally exposed to over the past couple of years through various ground management duties is the Umpires. The majority of these young people also play club games but their attitude and commitment to the game is fantastic. People like Matt and Zoe Vicic provide such wonderful role models for the younger players coming through; it is fantastic. It indeed was a very proud moment, and so well deserved, when Matt was recently recognized by the AFL with the "Silver Whistle" award at the league presentations for being recognized as the best umpire in our Sydney City comp.

Thank you one and all, my stay with the club has been busy and brief and I wish those that come forward now to guide and manage the club from here on all the very best and remember, it's all about the kids! Go Power!

David Sanders, President

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TREASURER'S REPORT

As I finish my 3rd and final year as the treasurer of Drummoyne Power Junior AFL Club I look back on the past four years I've been associated with the club with immense pride.

Income

1. Club Sponsorship

Drummoyne Power is fortunate in the support it receives from many generous sponsors. This year we had a number of new sponsors approach the Club to lend their support, thus providing a clear indication of the esteem in which our Club is held throughout the community. Without the sponsors we simply would be able to provide to our players the wonderful experience they currently enjoy.

Drummoyne Power now has four gold sponsors including:

- ☐ GNC Constructions;
- ☐ FDC Construction & Fitout; and
- ☐ PJ Gallaghers Irish Pub, Drummoyne

We have two silver sponsors:

- ☐ Warwick Williams Real Estate
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This brings our total number of sponsors to 17. Gavin Nelson's tireless work in raising the profile of the club with local businesses as well as ensuring we provide our sponsors with feedback on how they've assisted us grow cannot be underestimated - thank you so much Gavin.

We cannot survive as a club without the continued support of our sponsors, both financial and otherwise. Sincerest thanks to you all, you have played a vital role in the success Drummoyne Power in Season 2010.

2. Canteen

The club is fortunate to have very good facilities at our home ground, Drummoyne Oval and to a lesser extent at Five Dock Park with the help of all our helpers with the back-of-the-ute-and-trailer mobile canteen. It has been a difficult year in regards to the canteen due to our regular canteen facilities being renovated as a part of the Drummoyne Oval upgrade. We rely on canteen takings at our scheduled home games to alleviate the need for other significant fundraising activities during the year.

Bonita Nelson has once again coordinated the teams to ensure a smooth running of the canteen on both Saturdays and Sundays. Thank you Bonita - you're a marvel! With four children and a husband who travels regularly, you've done an amazing job. I urge all Power families to think about putting their hands up and helping out. The commitment required is minimal and the difference it makes to the "regulars" is immense.

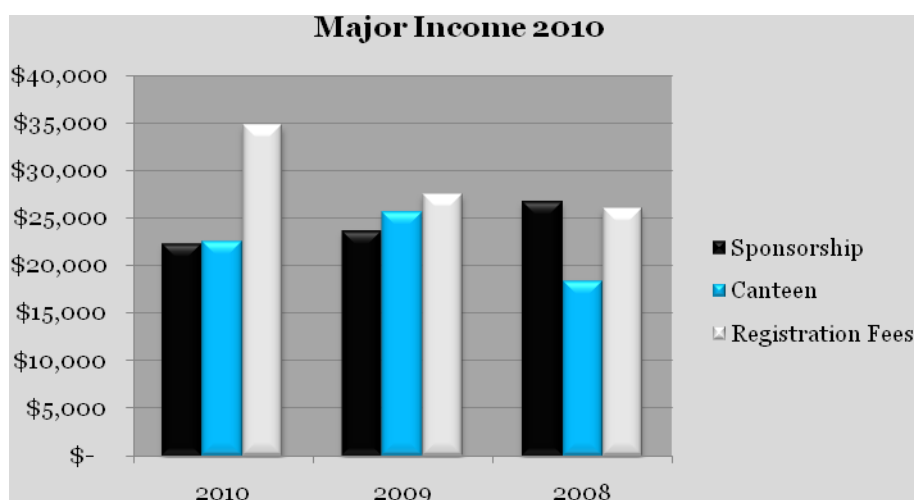
3. Registration Fees

This season, over 270 players were registered at Drummoyne Power and the season registration fees are used to cover many of the game day costs, insurances and the like that the club must meet to have our children playing each week.

4. Your time and effort

The Club cannot put a price on the continued support it receives each week from all the parents and supporters who put their hands up to help out each week. Whether it be on the canteen, helping out on the ground set-up or supervising children during Auskick, your time and effort is invaluable – Thank You!

3 Year major income comparison:



Sponsorship dollars dipped slightly this year in comparison to last year, this is due primarily to the loss of our long-term major sponsor, Vodafone Australia (Digicall), whose \$25,000 commitment over the last 5 years has surely set the foundations of our Club on a solid footing. Canteen sales were also slightly down due to a number of missed games because of washouts, as well as the fact that we had fewer home-games at Drummoyne Oval due to the renovation works. Registration fees were up due to an extra 40 players and a slight increase in registration fees or 2010.

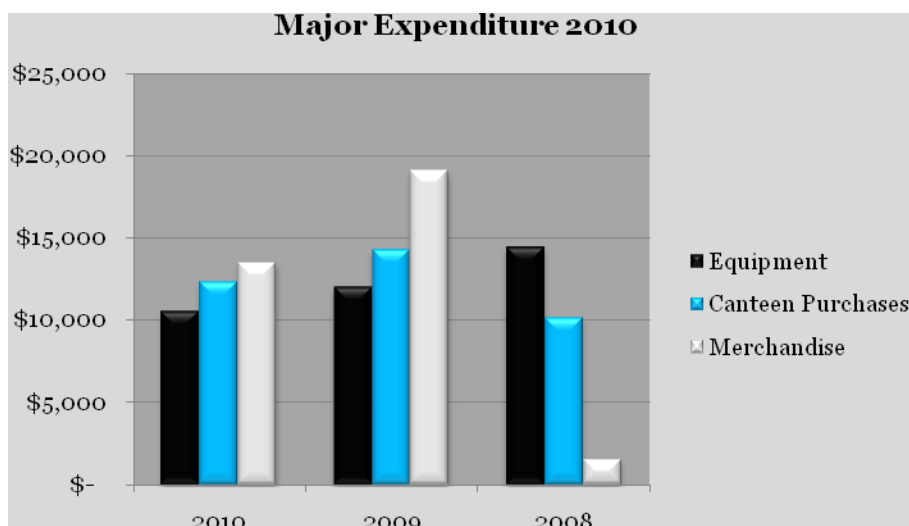
Expenses:

The income received from our generous sponsors, the funds raised from the registration fees and the revenue from the canteen are all used to ensure the club meets its financial commitments. The most significant costs are the AFL association fees, to which the Club is obliged to be a member, as well as a number of other areas which allow the kids to train and participate in AFL each week during the season.

The significant expense items include:

1. Club /Association Fees - AFL Greater Sydney – City & Sydney Harbour
2. Council/Ground Hire fees - Drummoyne Oval, Taplin Park, Five Dock Park
3. Equipment Costs - Footballs, Auskick packs, team jumpers, year-end giveaways
4. Merchandise Costs - Training jumpers, hoodies for last season's giveaway, hoody top-up, new polos and caps
5. Match Day running costs - Canteen expenses, umpire fees, sponsor banners
6. Presentation Day - Trophies, running costs
7. Sponsors' dinner - speakers, catering etc

3 Year major expense comparison:



All major expense line items were lower than last year. This has been as a result of the redevelopment of Drummoyne Oval which has not allowed us to have a permanent display of merchandise items. We have tried to run-down our stock of merchandise with a view to investing in some new gear in 2011.

Again, with a number of washed out games, and many games being played at Five Dock Oval, we have not had to purchase as much stock for the canteen.

Drummoyne Oval upgrade:

We can finally see the final touches to the Drummoyne Oval upgrade. Whilst the redevelopment has not been kind to our Saturday players this year, we trust that next year's draw may see a few extra games to be held at our home ground. The moving of the practice cricket pitches to their purpose-built nets at the end of this season will also mean that we can avoid the inevitable grazes that come with the laying down of the cricket wickets in the southern forward pocket at the end of each season.

We have planned, over a number of years, for the financial commitment required to contribute to the Drummoyne Oval upgrade (and therefore to secure our lease), and we are happy to confirm that the Club is in a sound financial position to make this commitment without any further financial impost on families, either now nor in the future. This year saw us adding to our term deposit to enable us to contribute towards the upgrade.

Final comments:

We are a junior football club that relies on the financial support we have been fortunate to receive from both sponsors and families of the club. Supporting the canteen, buying the occasional raffle ticket, purchasing merchandise and just by paying registration fees on time, all contribute to the smooth running of the financial affairs of the club.

Thank you to all who made some contribution financially or as a volunteer to the running of the Drummoyne Power Junior AFC in 2010. In particular, thank you to all our valued sponsors and the many hard working members of the committee. We look forward to your continued support again in season 2011.

On a personal note, I have enjoyed being a part of a dynamic and hard-working team of professionals who are the Drummoyne Power Committee. I have been privileged to work with some wonderful Club people who have made the experience both very enjoyable and hugely satisfying, including; Gavin Nelson, Darren Lewtas, David Sanders, Rod Bertino, David Garrick & Jodie Queenan. Working for a community based organisation does bring with it incredible personal satisfaction and I encourage you all to help in any way you can in season 2011.

Anna Edward, Treasurer

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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The 2010 season saw Drummoyne Power grow significantly as a club with large growth in playing numbers which resulted in the club needing many more volunteers to help run our great club.


To all our club family members - the great spirit in which you bring to the club whether it is at training, games or club functions is fantastic. The sense of community, teamwork, support and good humour creates an environment that allows our children to enjoy their football in a spirit of adventure, cohesion, friendship and camaraderie. Thanks for being part of Drummoyne Power - without our families there is no club!


I'd like to recognise the hard working efforts of fellow executive committee members David Sanders, Anna Edwards, Jodie Queenan and all the significant efforts from Graeme Durrant, Bonita Nelson, Alan Dunne and Adrian Walton for a great job with Registrar, Canteen, Newsletters and Recruitment. The core of our club is our dedicated coaching and team management group who have put in many hours planning, training, organising and running games. Many thanks to you all.

Special mention to Peter Higgs who has taken on the role of Drummoyne Power Auskick Coordinator for 6 years, and single-handedly has contributed enormous value to our young players and parent groups. How he remembers over 100 children's names each year sure amazes me!



To our sponsor and partner community thank you for your support and commitment - we are truly grateful. Your contribution is a major factor in our ability to maintain and grow a successful local junior club. Through these partnerships we aim to provide our children with excellent facilities, first aid support, communication tools, playing attire and equipment and invest in ways to build our Drummoyne Power club culture in both the short and long term.




Our gratitude goes to David at FDC , Brad & Nick at GNC , Patrick & Angela at PJ Gallaghers  for the long term major sponsorship support you provide the club.


Also to Ryan at our website sponsor Neubreed , a big thanks for the wonderful website and electronic newsletter system that you provide.


Welcome to our new sponsors Michael and Sally at Cincotta Chemists at Five Dock , great to have you on board and thanks for both your sponsorship and the supply of much needed first aid kits and equipment, strapping tape etc.





A big thank you to Amanda at Wizardry  for the striking banners and a wonderful job covering our new "Power Bus" from top to bottom.



Thanks again to our long standing sponsors Warwick at Warwick Williams , Jason at Five Dock Physiotherapy .

Mark at Ambassador International , Marcus at Sofa Bed Specialists , Maria at Eye Connect  and

Carla at Bakehouse Bakery .

Finally a big Welcome to our new sponsors joining "The Power" this year in Laurie at Paint Place Gladesville , David at

Poolwerz Gladesville , Lee at Personal Fleet , John at Productive Services  and U V Solar , Ben at

Damn Good Productions  and to our favourite coffee man Paul at Cafe 2 U .

Great to have you all with us!

Enjoy your off season and I hope to see you all back next year,

Gavin Nelson, Vice President.



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AUSKICK COORDINATOR'S REPORT

After six years of sterling service Peter Higgs has retired as the Club's Auskick coordinator and was awarded Life Membership of Drummoyne Power JAFC in recognition of his dedication to the cause and a job thoroughly well done.

Thank you from the Drummoyne Power AFL U5/6's

Peter, on behalf of the Parents & Players of the DPAFL U5/6's we would like to congratulate you on receiving Life Membership of our wonderful club.

The dedication that you have shown to the club over many years has been greatly appreciated and we thank you for the contribution you have made to the culture, spirit and history of our club.

Furthermore, we thank you for the contribution that you have made to the future stars of our club and our great game. Each and every week the tireless effort that you've put into the Auskick program has resulted in many lasting memories, friendships, happy memories, fun, laughter and smiles and most importantly you've helped contribute to our children developing a passion and love of AFL that will develop and grow throughout their lifetime. Congratulations and well done!

Kindest regards,

Clint Hawthorne and the Fantastic Under 5/6's of 2010



Thanks from the Power Under 7's to Peter Higgs

A special note of thanks to Peter Higgs, who has been a reassuring presence for the Auskick coaches and managers for many years (and many years after his children graduated from Auskick). Peter was ever-willing to step in when a coach was absent, ever supportive to a struggling coach, happy to umpire if necessary, willing to share his coaching experience with 'green shirt' coaches and the person who made sure the cones and posts were 'magically' in place on match day and the balls pumped up on training nights. He was deservedly made a life member of Drummoyne Power at the end of his 'reign' as Auskick coordinator. Please accept the three cheers given to you by the under 7s on Gala day as a token of our thanks.

Nick and all the crew from the u7s

A note of thanks from Under 8s to Peter Higgs

All the parents and children in the Under 8s teams would like to thank Peter Higgs for his fantastic support during the 2010 season.

A number of our U8 players have benefited from Peter's commitment to Auskick for 3 and even 4 seasons.

Throughout his time as Auskick Coordinator, Peter has been a man of action, rather than words.

Whether Peter was putting out the cones on a frosty Saturday morning, rounding up overtired little players on Drummoyne Oval after training on a Wednesday night, umpiring matches, negotiating with opposition coaches, training children without a coach or helping a coach "with training wheels", he was always pleasant and reliable.

Peter left his ego at home and provided help when he was needed or stepped back when coaches had their own ideas. The children all loved Peter's training sessions and always expected him to be there – he did not let them down. Thanks for everything Peter.

RECRUITING MANAGER'S REPORT

This year saw the club increase from 234 players to 270 an increase of over 15% from a total of 30 local schools which is a very pleasing result considering that AFL is the newest sport on the already busy week end activities landscape, where there are plenty of sporting / recreational options for 5 years to 16 years to participate in.

On the back of being awarded the Sydney Harbour City Junior AFL Club of the year we were able to have the highest retention rate since the clubs inception, with some age groups not losing any of last year's players. This is very positive sign and is a testament to all the parents who volunteer their time each and every week of the footy calendar.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have helped get information into the school newsletters and in particular Gabrielle Brown for helping me get the information out to the schools in early February and Graeme Durrant as registrar for his excellent spreadsheet work. Last but not least, Anna Edwards for all her energy in organising and attending each recruitment and registration day.

Our numbers favour well with the larger clubs in our competition which apart from keeping our kids fit, having fun, teamwork aspects, it also means for healthy competition for our sons & daughters on game day,

Next Season we have a goal of passing the 300 registration mark and look forward to exposing as many boys & girls to this great game. We will be working more closely with the NSW /ACT AFL linking school programs and joining our club together as well as fostering positive relationships with all schools head masters and sports co coordinators.

We are also fortunate to have a very user friendly website www.drummoynepower.com that is a great conduit for spreading the good word about our club.

2011 > Info. /Recruitment / Registration Day Calender

October (2010) > Registration option at Presentation Day

January (late) >organise press releases

February > 2 Rego. Days, Season Launch to 16 key schools & various Auskick School programs

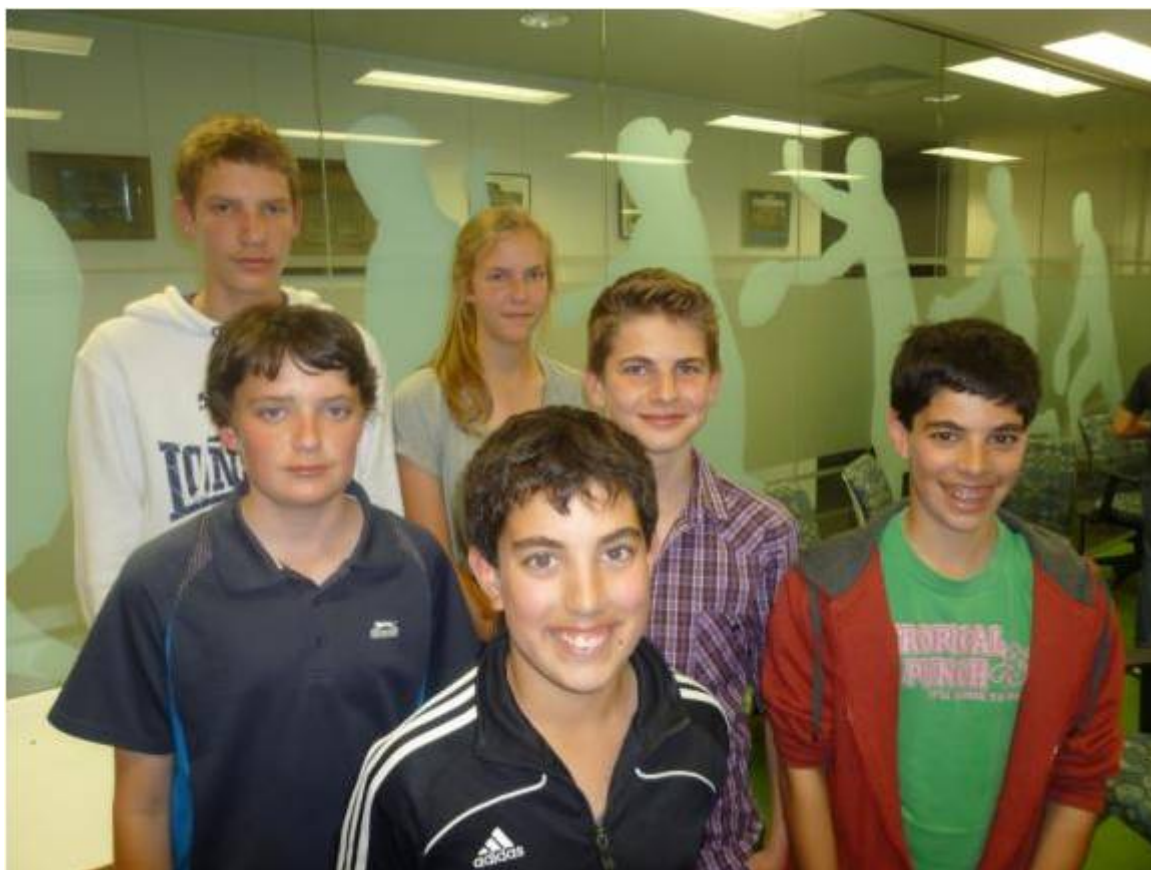
For any further information re recruiting and or if you would like to assist in this important part of the clubs operation please don't hesitate to contact me on 0412 866 569 or retail@cincottachemistml.com.au

Kind Regards

Adrian Walton, Recruitment Manager

UMPIRES COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Drummoyne Power increased it's contribution to the GSJ Umpires panel in 2010.



Pictured at the 2010 NSWAFUA Annual Presentation Night held on Saturday 9 October

Matthew Vicic	(orange shirt) - U12's
Zoe Vicic	(orange shirt) - youth football U13/14's
James Enderby	(green shirt) - U9/10's
Matt Laz	(green shirt) - U9/10's
Xavier Nelson	(orange shirt) - U11/12's
Ryan Nelson	(orange shirt) - U11/12's

Denise Currie, Umpires Coordinator

2011 AND BEYOND PLANNING WORKSHOP

On September 12th 2010 Drummoyne Power JAFC held convened a discussion forum with Jeremy Stanwix as the facilitator. The workshop was attended more than half of the club's 2010 coaches with team managers, committee and Club sages.

Identifying & developing coaches

Brainstorm

- Use Assistant Coaches as grooming roles
- Create easy to understand roles
- Communicate named coaches to parents early
- Develop tools/videos for skills
- Use strong coaches for mentoring
- Create space for coaching on training ovals
- Support coaches from Exec Committee & beneath
- Matching coaches with team needs/hot-spots
- Skill development/ pre season for new kids or with skill gaps
- Skill benchmarking required by age group
- Training "homework" & extra sessions
- Differentiate coach & umpiring roles on game day
- Roles matched to team requirements
- Skill & game based at training
- Older kids as umpires/assist coaches
- Early appt pre-Xmas where able

Priorities

1. Conduct capability & availability assessment across the club to identify "deltas"/focus areas by team
2. Create Coaching Coordinator role
 - Steve (lead) /Rod /Adrian /Glen /Simon /Chris
3. Staggered training sessions/locations/times
4. Age group based skill targets to enhance development

Kids fit, fun & performing well

Brainstorm

- Fun, fresh drills & positional play
- Maximise retention strategies
- Equal game time (Provide club policy at registration/ pre season)
- Rotating bench process – 2 min reward for good performance vs. problem
- Quality players get opportunities to excel e.g. Reps/Academy
- Increase fitness training
- Sunday morning skills sessions/extra training
- Alternate training options eg. Multi-age groups
- Swans/GWS training visits
- Pie nights
- Team based trips
- Impact of modified rules on NSW demographic vs other football codes
- Promote private school teams under DP banner

Priorities (TBC)

1. Wet weather training alternatives
2. Swans home game ticket "block" for teams events
3. Club participation philosophy communicated in pre-season
4. Fun, fresh drills & positional play at training

Engaging parents & promoting involvement

Brainstorm

- Scope time commitments for volunteering
- Keep duties before/after game times
- Increase engagement of mums as well as dads
- Volunteer recognition/ acknowledgement during season
- Involve other parents in huddle (who else has something to say)
- Ensure 1 coach/1 manager per team
- Invite people to volunteer, especially end of previous season
- Map gaps & approach people
- Engage extended family
- Game day run sheet/structure
- Pre-season social by team
- Recruitment via comms/media, camps at schools

Priorities (TBC)

1. Defining roles & responsibilities of key positions. Provide resource folder (inc. Team planner, match report, photo page)
2. Communicate team level parent "responsibilities" at registration (small/do-able requirements) & fill gaps early
3. Promote team level social activities & provide funding (pre-season &/or during season)

SEASON 2010 TEAM REPORTS

THE CLASS OF 2010

Each year Drummoyne Power sees another crop of under 16's finish their careers with the Club. We are now seeing the graduation of players who have played their entire careers with Power, some beginning as Auskickers.



Throughout their rise through the age groups, the class of 2010 was competitive and regular finalists.

This is the age group that played in the u11s Grand Final of 2005 against East Sydney, only going down with all guns blazing from a controversial, after the siren, goal. A team that again ran Easts so desperately close in the 2006 decider. They finished fourth in 2007, third in 2008, won promotion in 2009 and were grand finalists against Glebe. This achievement won them the right to compete at the highest level in Division 1 in 2010.

The Sunday Telegraph "Sport" 04-Sep-2005 by Tim Morrissey

The son shines for Roos

LESS than 12 hours after one of the most painful defeats of his coaching career, Paul Roos caught the red-eye flight from Perth to savour grand final success.

After watching his Swans lose a controversial finals opener on Friday night, Roos dashed to Sydney to help coach East Sydney Bulldogs to their under-11s premiership yesterday.

With son Dylan in the Bulldogs team, Roos had what he called "grassroots therapy" as he watched them beat Drummoyne Black at Picken Oval, Croydon Park.

"I finally got some good news for the weekend -- the boys got up and won, it was unbelievable," Roos said.

Three points down with a minute to go, Dylan Roos set up Hugo Goodes, who marked to kick the winning goal. Mike Whitney's son Fergus is also in the team.

The Australian "A week at a time" 16-Sep-2006 by Andrew McGarry

Roos bounds in to keep perfect record intact

THE East Sydney Bulldogs under-12s had a dilemma last week before their Australian Football grand final against Drummoyne Power.

Regular coach Mick Keogh had to be at his brother's wedding and couldn't be at the game. So the under-12s had to settle for the next best coach available and called on some dad named Paul Roos.

His renowned motivational powers came in useful when the Dogs team, which includes Roos' eldest son Dylan, was three goals down at the last break after an undisciplined third quarter.

Roos strode to the huddle and told the boys -- and one girl, Liz, who was handy in the forward pocket -- they could learn a valuable life lesson if they gave their all in the final term.

The little Dogs took a leaf out of the Swans' never-say-die handbook and kicked five goals in the last quarter to snatch the flag, keeping Roos' winning grand final record intact.

He admitted later that at three-quarter time he had been a bit worried about a potential blot on his copy book. But it came good in the end, as it so often does for Roos, and it was the Drummoyne coach who was miffed -- at three-quarter time he had been looking forward to telling anyone who would listen for the next 40 years that he out-coached Roos in a grand final.

NEWSLETTER 21, ROUND 14 - A PROUD LAST GAME AT THE OVAL



It was an absolute pleasure to be at Drummoyne Oval on Sunday in near perfect conditions to watch the Under 16's go around in what, for many of the boys, will be their last game for Drummoyne Power at home. I was very proud of their effort, which never waned, and for the dignity with which they held themselves whilst parents and friends were probably embarrassing them by making an even modest fuss about them.

The fact is, boys, you have been a very special part of this club. Some of you indeed have played all of your junior football with this one club and even if it has only been a season or two, you have all provided a very significant part of the fabric, the essence, the culture of what is Drummoyne Power. The younger age groups, as you not that long ago were

yourselves, look up to you and the way you play your football and conduct yourselves and they are inspired, they want to be you. Mick, Darren and Jon have done a great job with you and helping to turn you into the fine young sportsmen that you are.

It was a fitting tribute to a respected opposition that Westbrook willingly set up a guard of honour to see you off your home ground for the last time. When your captain, Jack, then stopped you just short of the rooms to lead off a rousing three cheers for the parents, the people that have supported you throughout your footballing pursuits to date, there was many a lump in the throat or slightly moistened

It was great too that the parents were clearly enjoying the unity of the occasion themselves. A realization that they were witnessing a kind of graduation parade of sorts, putting aside any differences of the past and sharing in a wonderful moment, together.

The power of sport and the sport of the Power we love, Drummoyne Power.



David Sanders

President

CAREER STATISTICS

Name	FootyWebID	Debut	Age Group	Round	Seasons	Games	Finals
Hall, Richard	00564542	2001	AK (Under 7's)		10	170	10
Kerrison, Jacob	00564539	2001	AK (Under 7's)		8	131	9
Bertino, Adam	00299246	2002	AK (Under 8's)	R 1	9	130	7
Scott, Jack	00564544	2003	AK (Under 9's)		8	122	10
Perez, Tomas	00974027	2004	Under 10's	R 1	5	61	4
Barnsley, Jack	00564555	2005	Under 11's	R 1	6	89	10
Grant, William	00564552	2005	Under 11's	R 1	6	84	10
Shouldice, Hugh	00564549	2005	Under 11's	R 1	7	119	9
Gray, Taylor	00564554	2006	Under 12's	R 1	4	51	4
Ringer, Kristian	00564534	2006	Under 12's	R 5	5	69	6
Edwards, Jack	00582607	2007	Under 13's	R 1	4	57	5
Newton, Ned	00582669	2007	Under 13's	R 1	4	49	5
Lee, Marshall	00566065	2008	Under 14's	R 1	4	187	4
Moroney, Mitchell	00838403	2008	Under 14's	R 1	3	34	4
Parbury, Ben	00838412	2008	Under 14's	R 1	3	37	4
Yole, Bill	00980756	2008	Under 14's	R 3	2	6	0
Charolenwacharavit, Louis	01384716	2009	Under 16's	R 4	2	16	3
Hayward, Luke	00625640	2009	Under 16's	R 1	2	20	3
Spencer, Jonathan	01278085	2009	Under 16's	R 1	2	26	3
Vevers, Luke	01327258	2009	Under 16's	R 4	2	16	2
Wood, Mitchell	01377573	2009	Under 16's	R 3	2	24	3
Brady, Tyrone	01631878	2010	Under 16's	R 1	1	11	0
Cleary, Tom	01571071	2010	Under 16's	R 2	1	8	0
Craven, Tom	01569412	2010	Under 16's	R 1	1	13	0
Dizon, Vance	01016134	2010	Under 16's	R 3	1	10	0
Dizon, Vincent	01016126	2010	Under 16's	R 3	1	10	0
McLean, Hugh	01115628	2010	Under 16's	R 3	1	3	0
Munsami, Dean	01668216	2010	Under 16's	R 2	1	3	0
Queenan, Max	01558158	2010	Under 16's	R 1	1	11	0
Rogers, Ben	01569982	2010	Under 16's	R 2	1	10	0

AUSKICK TEAMS

UNDER 5/6'S

Coach's Report - **Clint Hawthorne**



What a wonderful, rewarding experience!

Having had no prior coaching experience, taking on a coaching role was a big decision. Season 2010 has now come and gone and I must admit I had a fabulous time coaching the Drummoyne power Under 5's and 6's and I can't wait to get involved next year.

During the early stages of the season my main focus was to get the children to focus on some of the basics of Australian Rules Football, and to be honest with you the first 2-3 training sessions were a very big learning curve for me.

My 5 goals were very simple, yet very important: Team Work, basic kicking technique, basic handballing technique, picking up the ball as opposed to diving on the ball and most importantly having FUN!

At this age getting a child's skills right in anything they do is so important, and this applies equally to the basic skills that we

focused on throughout the year. These skills will be fine tuned throughout the child's football career however the basics will remain with that child from this point on, so obviously very important. It was great to see the majority of the children developing their skills throughout the year and further more implement those skills in a game situation.

The most memorable moment for me was definitely our first game of the year at Drummoyne Oval. The kids all had a chance to run through the banner prior to the start of the game which was obviously a big thrill. Problem was, I forgot to tell the kids to stop once they had run through the banner, so to every ones comical delight the fantastic 5's & 6's burst through the banner and proceeded to continue running right the way down to the other end of the oval. A very memorable funny moment.

Our best game of the year was probably the 2nd last game of the year when we played the bulldogs at Five Dock Oval. I was just amazed at how well our great team played throughout that game, some wonderful skills, fantastic team work and plenty of fun was had by all.

I'd like to thank Anthony Bertrams for being our team manager for 2010. Anthony was always very reliable in his communication throughout the year and always very organised on game day. Anthony, if you are keen for the job next year I'd be delighted to work with you again.

I'd also like to thank all the parents who I met and shared some wonderful experiences with during the season. Congratulations to all of you, you should be very proud of the brilliant children you have raised and thank you for giving me the chance to coach them during 2010. I hope to see you all again next year.

And finally, I'd like to thank the children of the Drummoyne Power under 5's & 6's for being absolutely perfect. I had a wonderful time coaching you all in 2010 and I'm looking forward to watching you all develop as your AFL careers progress. I should also make mention of my little buddy Jesse Hawthorne. Having Dad as the coach was probably a little unusual at first however Jesse was very good at sharing me around throughout the year so thanks for being a good sport. I'm looking forward to continuing our 'Speckies' and kick to kick in the back yard for many years to come mate.

Player Profiles:

Louis Bertrams – It was great to see Louie's footy skills develop over 2010. If Louis is blessed with his father's height he has a bright AFL future ahead of him. Next year we'll be concentrating on Louis kicking skills, other than that he's developing very well. Thanks for being such a great team player Louis, I really enjoyed having you in our team and I hope to see you again in 2011!

Benjamin Cook – I remember the very first training session for 2010 and little Ben was kicking the ball a country mile. The nickname 'Super Boot' stuck and Ben proceeded to be one of the real shining lights in our team. Well done on a great year Ben, keep practicing with Mum & Dad mate and your AFL journey will be very rewarding young fella.

Cooper Donald – A star in the making! Cooper is one of those children who are blessed with good co-ordination and natural talent. This was clearly evident throughout the season as Cooper was a regular solid performer game after game. Furthermore Coop's is a really wonderful child, always very well behaved, a great listener and excellent team player...and very hard to catch when playing stuck in the mud!

Claudia Everitt – Every team has a little pocket dynamo and Claudia was exactly that throughout the year. She is blessed with wonderful athletic ability and if she stays focused she will have a big sporting career ahead of her. Claudia always had a smile on her face, was very well behaved and made sure that everyone had their fair dose of fun either at training or on game day. An exceptional kicker and great team player.

Jesse Hawthorne – The Coaches Son! Always the toughest gig I reckon but Jesse did very well. Blessed with a lethal left foot, and Jess was always a very enthusiastic team mate. Living in an AFL mad household should see Jesse develop a lifelong passion for AFL, just like his Dad. Jesse was a great team player all year and a big fan of stuck in the mud. Well done Jesse!

Findlay MacDonald – Wow! Fin was so impressive, for a child at the age of 6 to be so advanced in all areas of the game was just amazing. A great kick, excellent mark and solid contributor to the team Fin was one of the stand out players in the Under 5's & 6's. On several occasions Fin kicked 4 or more goals in 1/3 of a game. To top it all off Fin has a strong passion for AFL and he is a really wonderful kid. Findlay's Mum & Dad must be very proud of their little boy!

Charlie McConville – What a ripper kid! I really enjoyed coaching Charlie in 2010. Charlie was super enthusiastic and very team orientated. Most memorable though was Charlie's celebrations every time he kicked a goal. A real entertainer and Charlie really brought a smile to everyone face with his zest and enthusiasm. Charlie is also blessed with great natural ability and to top it off he's a super kid. I hope to see you again next year Charlie!

Isabella Moriarty – Bella was a real champion. One of the youngest children in the team she always tried her best and it was great to see her skills develop throughout the season. Next Year Bella will again be eligible for Under 5's & 6's so her introduction to AFL next year will hold her in good stead for season 2011. Thanks for being such a great kid Bella; I really enjoyed having you in our team.

Lachlan Ole – Little Lachy was the youngest member of our team yet one of the most enthusiastic. He's a real great kid and I have no doubt he'll grow into a fine sportsman. Furthermore if he's blessed with his Mum's height (just like his brother) he'll have one of the key attributes to dominate in the game of AFL. Thanks for being a great sport Lachy and we'll see you again in 2011.

Gretel Payne – Gretel was a very keen member of the team. She has picked up the skills of AFL very quickly and on several occasions she had games where she got a lot of the ball. I hope to see Gretel back in 2011 as she was a fantastic contributor to our team and very cheerful and enthusiastic.

Joshua Tamke – I could write paragraph after paragraph about Josh. The very first training session Josh attended I was just blown away. A 6 year old kicking drop punts on the run over 30 meters... WOW! Josh was just brilliant all year long, he dominated in a lot of the games and his passion for AFL is very strong. Josh has a very bright future ahead of him and I'm looking forward to watching Josh's career progress over the coming years. Well done Josh, you had a super year little fella and I really enjoyed having you in our team.

Lachlan Thomas – Lachlan was a regular very early in the season however we did not see him for the last 7-8 weeks which was a shame because Lachlan's AFL skills were developing very nicely. Hopefully we'll see his smiling ace again in 2011.

Biancia Walton – If we had a 'Best Clubman Award' Biancia would win it hands down. She was at every training session and every game and her enthusiasm and wonderful nature was contagious. Every team needs a team mate like Biancia, she was always very team orientated, very well behaved and most importantly her AFL skills really come on in leaps and bounds throughout the year. Well Done Biancia on a fantastic season.

UNDER 7'S

Coach's Report - **Nic Angelos**



The 2010 season was a joyous one for the Drummoyne Power under 7 players, parents and coaches.

With a lot of training sessions and several matches lost to rain, the team remained upbeat throughout the year and relished every opportunity to play football. And with such a wet season behind us, it was inevitable that the Gala day would be played in the wet.

Despite the weather, the under 7s worked hard throughout the season to improve their football

skills, develop a strong sense of team and finally master the club song.

It was an honour to be asked to coach the team and very rewarding to see their individual and team development throughout the season. While each player has improved their football skills, I also hope they have a greater awareness of teamwork and a 'sporting ethic'. Combined with having fun and being safe, these were my objectives for the season.

With 18 players for most of the season, the team was mixed and matched each week to form two sides of nine players, providing everyone with the opportunity to play alongside different team-mates each week. This enabled all of the team to develop their football and team skills working alongside other players and it was rewarding to see some good combinations develop.

One of the most positive aspects of the season was to see each member play several really good games and they were all mentioned as a 'best' player in the post-match report more than once. This highlights the 'team effort' that developed during season.

In congratulating the players for a fabulous season, I must also acknowledge that the role of the parents who provided a fantastic crowd each week. Thank you to all the parents who managed to get their child to training and games punctually each week and for allowing me to coach their child. With special thanks to those who helped in the smooth running of the club by assisting with the canteen, washing jumpers/bibs and doing match reports.

The efforts of Elizabeth and Russell Hogg were amazing; making sure that everything that needed to happen, happened and then a lot more on top of what was needed. Thank you to Steve Connell who willingly coached one of the two teams each weekend and umpired when necessary. And thanks to Paul O'Connor (who doubled as team photographer) and Lisa Ole who helped at training. Finally, thanks to Adrian Walton and Peter Higgs who provided great support.

Player Profiles:

The under 7s were a great bunch of kids, who made a great team and the 2010 team was (in no particular order):

Gabriella Stanwix was our only female player, who imposed herself on the team and every opposition during the season. A strong competitor and keen to learn; she was one of the first to training and lead by example on match day. During the season she led the team in marks and was a popular team-mate.

Last year, **Cameron McLean** was one of the best kicks in the under 6 team and this year proved he had worked on his skills during the off-season. During the season he also stepped up and became a determined competitor, winning a lot of ball in the middle field and taking some excellent marks.

Last year's under 6 team lacked a bit of height, so first year players like **Angus Ole** were great addition to the side. A keen sportsman, he also brought his competitive nature and was always willing to fight for the ball. His strengths also included his ruck work, kicking and marking.

Oscar Bradstock-Forgan was another of the new tall players to join the team in 2010. During the season he developed a strong ball sense and was keen in contesting the ball in open play and supporting his team-mates. Oscar kicked one of the goals of the season.

One of our seasoned veterans, **Gilbert Hogg** played his third season with the Power and (like Angus) did not miss a game in 2010. Gilbert enjoyed being in the mid-zone and he blossomed towards the end of the season, with several strong games.

Another returning player was **Tom Gilmore**, who also stepped up in his second season. He was a lot more involved and become a play-maker. Tom kicked the best team goal of season after some excellent team work, which was a great reward for a player who has a strong desire to be part of the team.

Luke O'Connor was the team's 'tall' last season, and he seemed to enjoy the year with some added help. He was a lot more involved in play; collecting a lot more possessions and supporting his team-mates in around the ground.

Riley Mullins is one of the seasoned veterans in the side and 2010 was his best year to date. He has become a leader, who always maintains a cool head when under pressure from the opposition. Again he showed his prowess in defence, after winning most defensive 50 clearances last season.

After a season off, **Luca Fotea** rejoined the team and hit the ground running. Full of run and a desire to win the ball, he picked up from where he left off and clearly enjoyed his return to the fold. He played several very strong games late in the season.

Another new tall who joined us in 2010 was **Atticus Bertrams**; a keen first year player who brought a strong left foot kick with him. He seemed to enjoy playing in the backline and using his penetrating kicks to create attacking opportunities for the forwards.

In his second year **Will Gorman** seems to have developed as the team's keenest forward, ever willing to play in the front third, and filling the role of goal sneak. Will saved his best until the Gala day, with several long runs and a great individual goal under pressure.

Nathan Wrigley quickly settled into the team, and enjoyed his first season with the club. A great team player and eager to learn, he was always in the thick of the action or creating options down field for his team-mates. Definitely a player to watch in 2011.

After joining the team at the start of May, **Patrick Van der Wel** quickly fitted in and showed a great a passion for the game. He was always keen to be the first to the ball in a pack, then run with it and provide the long kick that launched an attack.

Playing his first season, **Ethan Jamieson** was another player who quickly developed an aptitude for the game and enjoyed being part of the team. After settling in, he was a team member who could be relied upon to give his best every week and contest fiercely for the ball.

Ned Boyd-Kingston only joined the team in June and played a few games late in the season, but proved himself to be a fine acquisition for the side. Another player with a strong passion for the game, he has shown that he is ready to play a key role with the team next year.

First year player **Alex Lawson** launched himself into football in his first game at the start of the season and never looked back. He always enjoys being involved during training and in games and is a player to watch in future years.

Maxim Angelos is always a keen competitor and enjoyed running with the ball in open play as he did in previous seasons. A passionate and thinking footballer, he is always keen to be involved in the action and bring his team-mates into play.

Thomas Connell was another player who stepped up 2010, and like Gilbert, Riley and Maxim who were also in their third season at the club, he took on a leadership role. A keen footballer, he uses his experience to win possessions and has retained the strong goal sense that won him leading goal kicker last season.

2010 UNDER 8'S SQUAD



UNDER 8'S SILVER

Coach's Report - **Duncan Ford**

Wow, what a great season of Australian Rules Football. Thanks guys for giving your best all year. We had some great days which "rained" goals and some days where we could not kick goals because of the rain !!! It was frustrating that the season was interrupted by so many washouts, but we have to be luckier next season.

There were some matches where the goals weren't always being kicked at our end. The important thing is we always gave the opposition a contest. Anyone who saw the U8 Silver team play on Gala Day would have been impressed with the improvement in their skills and teamwork.

I would like to thank Gabrielle Brown for doing such a great job as Team manager. It is the most important position on the team in a Junior Footy Club and Gab does it extremely well. I would also like to thank Bill Allan for his assistance at every training session and to the other mums and dads who helped out at some stage throughout the season, especially Rod Carter.

I hope all the boys have a footy at home that they can practice with. Go easy on them if they are booting it around the house, as this is still a better option than PlayStation. Thanks again for a Great 2010 and I hope to see you all lacing up the boots next year.

Player Profiles:

Daniel Adamski - As one of the Silver team's feared "blood nut brigade", Daniel showed great endeavour and some great skills throughout the season. One of the highlights was some great teamwork with Christian, especially on Gala Day. He could be a great half back flanker in future. Congratulations on a great season Daniel.

Angus Carter - Angus was one of our "go to" guys all season. He could always be relied upon to win an important contest. Unlike his "old man", Angus has a great sense of where the "big sticks" are and kicked several terrific goals, including one ripper on the run from the boundary line at Five Dock. Well Done Angus, you have a terrific future playing Aussie Rules.

James Durran - James is a strongly built utility player, who led the way in "hard ball" gets. I can see James working well in the "engine room". It was great to see his skills develop as the year progressed. Late in the season James did some great handballs to team mates in a better position. James could make the baseball cap a fashion in senior AFL ranks.

Joe Evans - As one of the Silver team's "mosquito fleet", Joe drove opposition teams crazy with his pace and attack on the ball. Joe was always keen to keep the scorers busy, making him one of the stars of the team. I would recommend Joe works on his snaps for goal before next season and he will be a very dangerous forward. Good work Joe.

Edward Ford - As father of this lad, modesty prevents me from mentioning Edward's two goals this season from well outside the 50m arc. Edward makes some terrific overhead marking and some great tap work in the ruck. It was a terrific season for you Edward. I hope you had a great time playing this great game.

Oscar Hogg - Oscar showed great endeavour at both ends of the field. A reliable kick out from full back, Oscar kicked a great goal against Concord and proved it was no fluke but nailing a "goal of the year" contender on Gala Day. Thanks for all your hard work this year Oscar and keep working on your kicking and handball. You have really improved this season.

Joseph Langman - Joining us late in the season for match days. Joseph managed to make his mark on the team. He was always a handful for opposition teams with his "in and under" approach. Joseph's skills developed really well as the season progressed. Keep working on your kicking and handballs Joseph and you will be a "thorn in the opposition's side" again next year.

Liam Loughrey - Another eager "Goal sneak", Liam was one of our most versatile players. He gave us plenty of drive out of the centre and was a "Rock of Gibraltar" in the backline. Make sure you practice your kicking and overhead marking Liam and you will be a handful for opposition backmen. Thanks for a great season.

Riley Nelson - Riley was another member of our "mosquito fleet". Riley was the fastest guy in the side and unbeatable at "British Bulldog" on training nights. Once he got the ball and saw a path towards goal he was impossible to stop. Riley, you should practice running and bouncing the ball over the summer and you would be a killer running down the wing at Drummoyne. Thanks for all your great efforts this season Riley.

Nicky Sabine - Nicky was best playing in the centre where his aggressive attack on the ball often gave us first use out of the ruck. It was a great season for Nicky as he really showed us how to win the footy in a contest with great skill and controlled aggression. I've got a feeling Nicky might get the nickname "Mad Dog" somewhere along the line in his footy career! Great work Nicky and thanks for being brave enough to play up for the U9s when needed.

Christian Taylor - Christian threw air traffic control into a panic with two absolute screamers on Gala Day. His rundown and smother on Gala Day was the best footy I saw all year, from any player on any side. Hope to see you back again next year and thanks mate for a great season and for being brave enough to play up for the U9s when needed.

UNDER 8'S TEAL

Coach's Report - **Tommy Rich**

Well it's, unfortunately for everyone I'm sure, a good-bye to this year's footy season. I really have to start off by saying, thank you to all concerned for accepting my offer to guide these young players of the future, and hopefully, mind you with a lot of back-up support from, Mark, Gabby, and Izzy, of which like myself, have their kids playing in the Teal Team.

My aim this year, was not only to teach the members of the under 8's the basic skills of the game, whilst trying to also keep it fun at the same time, was to pass on my own personal passion for the game that I truly love and give them the enjoyment that I experienced when I played at their age.

It was my absolute pleasure to meet and greet every single member of both Teal's and Silvers under 8's. Unfortunately due to the constant rain we did miss numerous games, but most important, our training nights, however they soon picked back up the skills and techniques from the previous training, which was sometimes 3-4 weeks in a row.

I personally believe that a lot of these young players have a great potential in their future, or really get to a certain level where they are comfortable with. I would like also to say that my team worked out towards the end of the year that they were on the same team, and that they could kick or pass the ball to someone else. Once that was worked out, and they were playing against the other teams, not each other, they started to enjoy it more as they got better and better. I again would like to say thank you for the year, and would love to see a lot of familiar faces next year.

Player Profiles

Darcy Bourke - I would have to say the biggest and best character's of the team. I always had to stop myself from laughing with his facial gestures that were used when he either wanted something or didn't want to do something. He gained confidence more and more each week, which then turned into a goal kicking machine and we were then presented with his post goal celebration, moves that are second to none, to which I'm sure the AFL itself will be introducing to the game after observe Darcy at his finest...

Rory Everitt - Rory is an amazing footy player, and I'll explain why. He goes about, playing the game well. He marks well, handballs well for possibly 70 - 80% of the game. Then out of nowhere, this amazing, super-natural, super-human thing occurs. Rory literally jumps out of his skin, dazzling his opponents with sheer skill and determination. During this phase of brilliance, he is the "best on ground"...

Zayn Melhem - Tall confident and picked up the game quite quickly because of nature. Zane really played well on Saturday's, but

unfortunately because of the rain, Zane Asthma played up and couldn't make some days. I seriously can't wait to watch him play footy next year; I think big things will happen...

Joel Ditcham - Joel, one evening, turned up to training and presented us all, with one of the most fluent and sweetest kicking styles, I've ever seen. His hand eye co-ordination is awesome, and really glad to be there to watch him in action....

Oscar Lanigan - Started off quiet and a little shy. Did well at training and on Saturdays until one Saturday morning, mid season out jumped Oscar but this time he was in the form of a 1st Grade Swan's Player, marking, handballing, smothering and yelling for the ball. It was awesome to watch and all who saw enjoyed. Can't wait to see him go around the oval next season...

Jack Hauschild - Well, the first time I met Jack, he asked me to call him "JACK ATTACK" in which I accommodated. We then watched him train and realised that the nick-name really suited him. Yes a human battering ram held together with sticky tape. He'll be a great mid-fielder if his passion for this great game of ours never fades....

Hugh Garraway - It was fantastic to meet Hugh that first training night showing off all the skills and showing them off well. The thing that I most remember was, whilst I was umpiring one game which we were winning. Even though we don't score and every game is a draw, however he was scoring and was adding up well, but when he would tell me the scores, I'd say that he was wrong and that he can't add. Gosh he got upset....

Meera Chinnappa - I'm just going to have to say it Meera is the best player in the whole entire Drummoyne Power Footy Club because she goes for the Mighty Richmond Tigers. I bet you knew I was going write that Meera. However I also do remember your first goal for the season and how happy you were, I'm just glad I didn't miss it like your Mum did. Thank God that you kicked three that day...

Kosta Vaxevanis - Introducing "Mr, I'm not going to be stopped by you, kicking a goal, Guy", or as he's really called...Kosta. His never say die attitude is awesome. He muck's about at training, but that is Kosta and that's the way I like it...

Alistair MacDonald - Alistair is every coach's dream. He never stopped impressing me with his skills and or ability. Game in; game out he played well, never ever letting himself or his team down. Hope I get the opportunity to coach him again...

Toby Rich - Throughout the year Toby got more and more confident, which showed on the field. One Saturday, whilst in the car asked me how to bounce the ball while running. Jokingly I said, put the ball in one hand as your running out of the pack, and reach down with it and touch it on the ground. My jaw hit the ground when he did it and successfully. It was awesome to watch my best mate do really well

2010 UNDER 9'S SQUAD

This year saw the Under 9's go to another level with virtually all players returning from last season and bringing in a further 15 new recruits. This influx boosted numbers to a peak of 37 budding champions. Taking this opportunity, we successfully created three even teams. During the season all three demonstrated a strong on field performance each week, matching it with the best the Sydney City harbour competition had to offer in this age group.

These boys were affectionately described by our Club president as the **"Effervescent & Irrepressible 9's"** turning up in big numbers and always keen to get some game time every Saturday and even hours after the game some are still practicing their kicking for goal.

The influx of new players also brought a talented group of new parents who were happy to roll up their sleeves and make a contribution to the squad's development. In particular a special thank you to Steve Wall, Andrew Hamilton and Anthony Lanigan who looked after the Silver team. We were also very fortunate to have the services of parents that have had at least five seasons with the club like Vaughan Paul and Jenny Loughnan looking after the Teal Team. And last but not least, to Margaret Cassidy for managing the Black Team very efficiently as well as her brilliant photography on game day.

It must be noted that all coaches and managers volunteered their time which is a credit to them.

There were many highlights this season. We had 15 player's participate in the half-time AFL experience at the SCG and also had a team in the Under 10's round robin day winning a game and going very close in the other four games.

Another great highlight was when the Black team were joined by players from Teal, Silver and Angus McNamara. This composite team won their way into the finals series, won their Semi Final by beating Maroubra Red and on to the Grand Final where the boys did their best going down to a very sharp East's team.

A great effort to be the 2nd best Under 9's team in the 15 strong Sydney Harbour City Competition.

Congratulations to Ryan Shirlaw (Silver), Josh Paul (Teal) & Blaise McKee (Black) for being awarded the "Spirit Of Football" medal at the recent Sydney City Harbour presentation evening

The under 9's also saw six players go through to the 1st stage of the Swans Academy and Brendan Doyle, Brendan Ford & Fraser Phillips earning a place in Stage 2 of this well recognised program of excellence. We all wish them the very best.

On behalf of the coaches & managers we would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their support is it at training, on canteen, doing match reports and the many others behind the scene duties to help make it possible for Jessica & the boys to learn and enjoy this great game.

We look forward to the 2011 season very positively and hope to see every player back next year hopefully with a few mates also.

UNDER 9'S BLACK

Coach's Report - **Adrian Walton**



This under 9 Black team had a very successful season winning all games except one which is testament to how well they played. This was also achieved by some changes to the line up during the season due to holidays & overseas relocation and the odd bout of flu.

A special mention to the following parents that helped make it happen at training or game day, John McKee, Garry Phillips & Rob Williams.

Margaret Cassidy who was resilient in making sure that our canteen duties, jumper roster, emailing game day information, and a myriad of other things that go to helping Jessica and the boys be as organised as possible and play good footy.

This is my last of five years working with this age group and I have taken on the role of Auskick Coordinator for the club next season. I would like to thank every parent for the opportunity of adding some value to their footy and also the social interaction over this time.

Player Profiles:

Samuel Bignold - In Samuel's first season of Australian Rules, he demonstrated a great deal of natural athleticism and ball handling ability. He was quick to pick up the rules of a new code and was a handy player in each position of the game. Samuel brought some real grunt into the team with his tackling skills and his ability to get the ball and do something constructively with it. He kicked 12 goals for the season. Samuel was a well-deserving recipient of the team's "Rookie of the Year" award.

Brendan Doyle - In his fifth season with the club, Brendan achieved a Sydney Swans Academy position which has been continued for 2011. This reflects Brendan's all round athleticism and love for the game which is demonstrated through the passion that he displays each match day on the field. Brendan continues to work hard on the team work aspect of his game and needs to focus on improving his drop punt execution. Brendan kicked 22 goals for the season.

Ethan Frankland - Tall and quiet, Ethan has grown into a very skilful and confident player as the season has progressed. He has developed skills as a strong and reliable follower, prepared to deliver some great tap outs from the ruck. While he is still developing his all round disposal skills, Ethan has grown into the role of a footballer and has demonstrated an enthusiasm for the game. Well done Ethan on a fine first year of footy – we look forward to your return next year.

Harvey Greene - In his first season, every game saw Harvey build on his skills, discover his natural strength and capability to get to the ball and dispose of it downfield. He is developing into a very capable player and this was demonstrated by his efforts in the last game against Easts. Harvey has got a "no fear" approach and has considerable potential; we look forward to helping Harvey to develop even further next season.

Blaise McKee - Of all the players, Blaise demonstrates the strongest leadership skills, real team work and excellent ball skills in every game he played. Blaise plays well in all positions across the ground as he has a keen ability to read the play and get to the ball. In his fourth season with the club, he combines well with his sister Jessica and kicked 9 goals during the season. Congratulations Blaise - the team really appreciated your efforts and you are a very worthy winner of the team's "Club Man" Award.

Jessica McKee - Jessica's game really matured in her fourth season with the club. She is never afraid of getting the hard ball with a very memorable goal against Glebe in the second game of the season and a devastating run out of the backline at Sydney Uni against Newtown in her last game for this season. Jessica demonstrated a passion for her footy and she was a pleasure to have on the team.

Alex Medjumurac - This is Alex's first full season with the club. He is very capable, taking some really strong marks and strong kicks. He needs to be a little more confident in getting in among the rough and tumble when the ball is on the ground. Alex is a silent achiever with a very athletic and fast moving approach to the game. He kicked nine goals for the season. He has developed a greater understanding of the game during this season and we look forward to him returning for an even stronger season in 2011.

Xavier Papps - In his first season, Xavier unfortunately broke his arm before the first game and hence had a much interrupted season. He worked hard at training – even with his arm in a cast! – and after finally playing his debut game after halfway through the season, he developed more confidence and he got more and more into each game he played. Perhaps his highlight for the season was the tackles he did without thinking while playing at the SCG at halftime at the end of the season. We look forward to Xavier returning for a much stronger second season.

Fraser Phillips - Once again Fraser brought a real sense of class into the side with his ability to read the play and to get around a pack being pivotal to the side winning most games. Fraser also gained entry into the Sydney Swans Academy and has been invited to continue in 2011. He is always very focused on improving his footy. Above all, he has a very pleasant manner about himself and he is always working hard to involve his teammates. Fraser plays well down the ground and proved a strong spearhead in the forward line with 23 goals for the season. Well done Fraser.

Michael Tomarchio - Michael only joined the code midway through last season and has demonstrated a great deal of determination and skill in every game. As a very dependable and reliable player, Michael is an essential member of the team who puts in a very solid effort each week, especially with some great work in the back line and also kicking a number of goals during the season. His enthusiasm and preparedness to back up his fellow team mate and share the ball unstintingly makes him a very worth recipient of the team's "Most Determined" Award for 2010.

Billy Vaxevanis - In his second season playing footy, Billy has stepped up and demonstrated some strong skills in his best games. He is a determined and tough player in defence who is prepared to get in and get the ball out when required. He always looks to the team mate to get the ball out to and is always prepared to share the ball. The wet weather and illness prevented Billy from having the continuity of a flowing season of continual reinforcement of training and a game on Saturday.

Luke Walton - This is Luke's fifth season with the club and he hasn't missed one game. He is continuing to develop into a strong attacking player and has developed a very hard and accurate tap down from the ruck. He is always prepared to go in and get the hard ball. His tackling was a highlight as was his ability to get the ball in the forward line, resulting in him kicking 12 goals for the season. Luke needs to work his over head marking.

Ben Williams - In Ben's second season with the club, he demonstrated great talent and a determination to get the ball, particularly in the forward line. Ben also kicked 23 goals for the season, with some memorable overhead marks and converting them to 6 points. Ben has got natural talent, but he needs to focus on the basics and work hard on team work and be prepared to work hard for the full game.

UNDER 9'S SILVER

Coach's Report - **Steve Wall**



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for the privilege to coach your son and in particular those that have helped along the way in the season by helping out at training, goal umpiring, in the canteen, providing oranges, washing the gear, the after match summaries and the newsletter reports, et cetera.

A special mention must go to Anthony for managing the team so effectively for every week of the season and Andrew for doing a fantastic job in coaching whilst I was away for six weeks and for assisting greatly in coordinating training during Wednesdays and also prior to our games on Saturdays. This season would not have been possible without their valued input.

The growth during the year individually and collectively is without a doubt the highlight for me. The progression of each player and the team has been outstanding and is a credit to each and every person involved in this team. WELL DONE.

Thanks, especially to all the players who gave their all every time they took the field and showed RESPECT, TEAMWORK and I hope had a great deal of FUN throughout the year.

Thanks for the opportunity to be involved with this great club and a wonderful group of people.

PLAYER PROFILES

Nick Jenneke - Nick is a very talented and physical player and was the most consistent player throughout the year. He wins a lot of his own ball and has a high level of skill that is displayed every time he is on the field. He was a pleasure to coach and has a very bright future in Australian Rules football.

Harry Lanigan - Harry is a pocket rocket who is very determined and plays the game with a quiet intensity that makes him easy to coach. His skills improved throughout the year and his determination was evident on the field and at training. No one else worked harder without the ball than Harry.

Ryan Shirlaw - Ryan is a very skilled player who is always looking to involve his teammates, has the most accurate kick in the side and has great hands. He is a talented player and an absolute pleasure to coach. Ryan was awarded the Spirit of the Game award for the team for his attitude and for being a great team player.

Joshua Hamilton - Joshua displays a lot of skills, has great hands and works hard at his game. He is a determined player and approaches the game with a great attitude that sets an excellent example for teammates. Joshua reads the game better than anyone else in the team and places himself in the right areas to get the football and once he has it, always looks for team mates and contributes a great deal to the team. He is a pleasure to coach and a great team mate.

Lachlan Wall - Lachlan is a hard worker on the field, has a good feel for the game and reads the play well. He is always willing to do the little things that help be part of the team like taking the mark or running to space and has displayed a physical side to his game which has made him the best tackler in the team.

Luke Lawrence - Luke is a very talented player whose skills with the foot and goal sense are highly developed. He has a quick turn of speed and played to a high level every game. He was our most dangerous player in the forward line throughout the year, but also showed a willingness to play hard in the backline where he took telling marks and repelled many attacks.

Logan Newling - Logan is new to Australian Rules football but has shown great endeavour and a lot of improvement over the season. He is a very willing player, trains hard and gets involved in the game. He was the most enthusiastic player in the team and it is a credit to him that he developed into a contributor so quickly this year.

James Phillips - James has really grown in the last few weeks (no pun intended) and is using his gifts to great advantage. He has the largest kick in the team and is also (not surprisingly) the best ruckman. James plays in a determined manner that is good to watch and easy to coach.

Brendan Ford - Brendan is a very good player with a high level of skills and solid fundamentals. He has continued to improve throughout the year and could be relied upon to play a role where ever he played. Brendan is the most versatile player in the squad and has a sound feel for the game and was very easy to coach.

Zach Newport - Another pocket rocket, Zach makes up for his lack of size by determination and great hands. He is often found fighting hard for the ball and is surprisingly one of the strongest marks in the team. Dangerous in the forward line and determined with the football Zach is a great team mate and was a pleasure to coach.

Bryson Hart - Bryson is a hard worker with sound skills and is very determined in his efforts on and off the field. He trains very hard and is very determined in his approach to the game. He reads the game well and was often found in the right place at the right time. Bryson scored the goal of the year with an amazing snap over the shoulder that went through the big sticks and brought a cheer from the crowd.

George Morgan - George is a very physical and skilled player and wins a lot of his own ball and is often found at the bottom of the pack fighting to get possession. As a result of this he is a perennial contender for the coveted "dirtiest knees" award. Once George has the ball his determination is even more evident and at time he looked like a pinball working through packs, it is notable that this focused determination was partnered with great teamwork, as often George would look for team mates after splitting the pack. George is the most determined player in the side and his approach to the game is a great motivator for the team.

UNDER 9'S TEAL

Coach's Report - **Vaughan Paul**



The Teal team started off with a win against Newtown. What was important about this game was that the team who had come together for the first time showed an amazing amount of passion and commitment, and I knew that was going to make the season very enjoyable as a coach.

The boys didn't disappoint. Over the season they showed significant skill development, started to read the play and learnt to play attack and defensive football. Most importantly while they didn't win every game, they showed a strong team commitment and love of the game.

I was also pleased that every one of them tried hard each week, never gave up and played the football at all times. They became a very competitive side and while we didn't keep score (I'm sure the boys did) they were a top side by the end of the season.

I would like to thank Jen Loughnan for her excellent support as Manager and Peter Cooper for his support on game day. To the parents thanks for all your support with jumpers, match reports, BBQ's and goals during the season. The boys were a delight to coach and their respect for umpires, coaching staff and their club was first rate, as was your support.

The best way to sum up the season was we had 12 boys who developed into a team and I know everyone of them didn't want the season to end. Bring on next year!

Thanks to Adrian, Steve and the other coaches/ managers for the under 9's. Our tribe really fired this year because of the support provided.

Player Profiles

James Loughnan (10) – James led the team as captain on the first game and he took a leadership role throughout the season. A skilled player he loves to get the ball and take it for a run. James has a big kick and great mark. He was dominant in the centre and has a huge workload. He loves following the ball (even when he is in the backline) and gets plenty of possessions each game. James had an outstanding season. Champion play James!

Louis Mullins (8) – Louis gave his all every week. This is his third season and he further developed his skills over the year. He started getting plenty of the ball in the backline when it came to ground. His kicking improved during the year as did his ability to read the play. Unfortunately Louis couldn't see out the season due to health reasons but it was great to see him back for the Gala day. Well done Louis!

Luke Gallen (11) – Luke joined the Teal team for his first year of AFL. He quickly became a key member of the team and showed great skill development. Luke is strong in the air and when the ball is on the ground. He developed a real sense for the game and ability to read the play. Luke can really kick a ball - (sometimes as high as it was long) and became an asset in all positions. He had a great first year and will be a force in years to come. Thanks Luke – great year.

Ely Corliss (9) - Ely loves his footy and showed plenty of determination throughout the season. His skills improved and he started to read the play well on game day. Ely likes open play, and had some great passages of play in moving the ball from the centre down to the forward line. He has a strong team sense and is always amongst it. Great work Ely

Steven Wells (6) – Steven's first year in AFL was split in half's. The first half he was building his confidence and knowledge of the game. The second half he was getting plenty of the ball, taking marks and kicking goals. Overall Steven's development in one year was fantastic and despite often being the smallest on the field he has a big heart and loves to kick goals.

Henry Cain (2) - Henry developed into one of the key goal attackers during the year. Before every game Henry was focused, had set his objectives for the game and set about achieving this (that was how many goals he would kick). He also sharpened his defensive skills and was really effective at clearing the ball from the backline. Henry's passion and commitment for the game rubs off on all the team and he gave one of the best captain speeches of the year.

Zach Dennis (12) - Zach was one of the leading goal scorers of the year. He played well in all positions particularly in defense. Zach has a great mark, big kick and always goes for the hard ball. He always puts his body on the line and gets plenty of possessions. His ability to create play by kicking the ball into space is outstanding and made Zach a key member of the team. Zach kicked one of the longest goals of the year. Top Footy Zach

James Cooper (4) - James is a versatile player who dominates when the ball is on the ground. He fights hard for the ball and always wins it. He can play forward and backline and is a nice shot at goal. In one game he bagged 4 goals in one quarter. James was one of the most consistent players throughout the year. Great stuff James.

Liam Soper (3) - Liam has had a strong year, he continues to develop his skills and game sense. His handball and kicking improved and he began collecting possession in the game. Liam was most effective in the forward line where he would pick up the loose ball. He took some solid marks during the year and he always gives it his best. Most pleasing was his desire to get in and win the ball. Excellent work Liam.

Benjamin Wrigley (5) - Benjamin's second year of AFL he continued his skills development. He fights hard for the ball and doesn't give it up. He loves to go for a long run from the centre to forward line and can weave his way through many opposition players. He has a strong mark and was really effective in the centre as ruck. Benjamin's consistency and strong team play make him a valued member of the team. He has a big future ahead.

Joshua Paul (1) - Josh is another player who gets plenty of possession and fights hard for the ball. He took some excellent marks during the year and is hard to beat at ground level. He has a strong game sense and always likes to create the play via a handball out of the scrum. A handy goal scorer Josh uses his pace to create space and open opportunities for the team. Well done Josh

Armando Perri (7) - Armando was another new member of the team and he had a big impact during the year. He quickly picked up the pace of the game and applied his skills to have an impact during the match. His skills developed well and he became a handy goal scorer. Armando can take a strong mark and uses his body to push through the packs to open up the play. A really great first year, Armando.

SYDNEY CITY TEAMS

UNDER 10'S

Coach's Report - **Anthony McNamara**



As we approached the start of the 2010 football season, we believed all was in place for an excellent competition, but no one could have planned for what "Mother Nature" had in store for us.

Our ability to develop our skills and practice game day tactics was adversely impacted by the weather. Not only were training sessions cancelled, a number of games were also impacted which only increased the frustration of players, parents, managers and coaches. Despite these "distractions", the boys banded together and were able to further develop their footy skills and enjoy some wins along the way.

In 2010, we welcomed Sam Rider, Marcus Della Marta, Jack Vozzo and Xavier Bolger to the team and we acknowledge their contribution to the teams on field performance, and we also congratulate those in this group who played their first AFL season and the manner in which quickly acquired their basic football skills.

At the beginning of the year we established our basic team principles, which were:

1. Sportsmanship – we set the standard, so others aspire to "be like us".
2. Teamwork – is everything! It even extends beyond the player group to our coaches, our team managers and our parents.
3. Commitment – to always strive to do our personal best. We must work hard at training, at home and on game day to be the fittest and the most skilled team in the competition.
4. Time Management – on time at training and on game day
5. And most importantly – we'll have lots of fun!!

In reflection, I believe the team held firm to these principles and I'd like to thank the boys, their parents and the Team Managers for the way they performed and supported "the cause" in 2010.

Finally as a famous tennis player once said "Champions keep playing until they get it right".

So with the notion that we can always improve – I look forward to seeing you all in 2011 for another season of the game we all love – AFL.

Regards,

Anthony McNamara

Player Profiles

Thomas Queenan - A true Drummoyne Power identity, whose dominance in centre bounce clearances was a major positive to the team's performance in 2010. Thomas' kicking skills improved significantly in 2010, which ensured accurate delivery into our forward line. **Player Reference: Brett Kirk**

Angus McNamara - Gus had an exceptional year 2010, and clearly taking up the challenge to play outside his comfort zone in the forward line. Great defensive work and centre clearances ensured the ball was quickly delivered into the forward line **Player Reference: Marty Mattner**

Will Heine - The team's rising star of 2010. Will was able to show consistent improvement in kicking, handball and marking skills through the season and his game day performances in all three zones was exceptional. **Player Reference: Daniel Hannebery**

Liam Ferrier - The goal sneak returned in 2010 with his kicking boots on. His reputation to snap a goal from impossible angle is now entrenched the team's folklore – and in 2010, he did not let us down! **Player Reference: Adam Didak**

Matthew Sheridan - Matt was often called upon to "nullify" a competitor who was dominating their respective zone. As the "enforcer" Matt was flexible in his playing style and positioning, and on many occasions rose to the occasion and turned the game around. **Player Reference: Joel Corey**

Ewan MacDonald - Ewan was again the leader of the pack in 2010. His on ball work all around the ground was outstanding and he set the benchmark for ground covered throughout the game. His kicking, handball and marking skills continue to develop. **Player Reference: Chris Judd**

Josh Kerr - "The rock". Josh was every forwards worst nightmare as his defensive skills were simply outstanding throughout the season. When swung into the forward line, Josh developed a reputation of creating opportunities from nothing. **Player Reference: Heath Grundy**

Ben Sanders - Ben started the season with the Under 10's but as a spirited clubman that he is, he moved into the under 11's to complete that team's line up. In the games he played with us, he displayed a strong commitment to the team and was always a valuable contributor and across all zones. **Player Reference: Tadhg Kennelly**

Jonah Van Wachem - Jonah had an outstanding season in 2010. His performance across the centre line was a standout, with his marking, kicking and speed a-foot he often left the opposition in his tracks. He was also often asked to support the backline, and playing as a defensive centre he was able to quickly return the ball to our forward line. **Player Reference: Lewis Jetta**

Lewis Patton - A solid clubman who is always focussed on the team's objectives and making a sure he contributed to "the cause". Lewis' kicking and marking skills improved in 2010, and on game day he often stamped his authority on the game. **Player Reference: Jessie White**

Michael Lambropoulos - When moved into attack Michael often stamped his name on the forward line with authority. Solid and forthright, he often took on the full force of defence, and was then able to effectively snap for goal. Another great year by this Drummoyne Power stalwart. **Player Reference: Jude Bolton**

Charlie Griffith - Charlie's game was highlighted by his consistent hassling in defence and his ability to find space and create opportunities when in attack. His skills continue to develop and mature. **Player Reference: Mike Pike**

Lindon Durrant - A player not scared to put his head over the ball and defend as if life depended upon it. A tough ball getter, who's able to play in all three zones. **Player Reference: Josh Kennedy**

Bailey Cox - Bailey is a renowned backman who doesn't give his opponent an inch, and heaven forbid if you find yourself in a position of being between Bailey and the football. In fact, most forwards breathe a sigh when they see Bailey picking up another forward! **Player Reference: Reece Shaw**

Samuel Rider - When Sam walked into the club this year – our prayers for fair dinkum ruckman were answered. His showed this potential in a red hot performance against Maroubra, winning centre bounce after centre bounce, which ensured swift clearances into our forward line. It was key in what was a magical win! **Player Reference: Shane Mumford**

Jack Favero - Jack was our reliable forward and centreman and was able to display a positive development of his kicking, marking and handball skills. The coaching staff believes that 2011 will be the year when Jack stamps his authority in the game. **Player**

Reference: Jarrod Moore

Marcus Della Marta - Marcus arrived unannounced at Drummoyne Oval one day “wanting a game” – he started that day and made an impression on all who watched him. Unfortunately he played only four games before injury forced him out for the remainder of the season. There's one word that that holds true about Marcus and AFL – and that is “potential” – so I'd suggest you keep an eye out for this guy in 2011!!. **Player Reference: Daniel Currie**

Phillip Ringer - Phillip came out of retirement this year to rejoin the team. He played a few games early in the season, but unfortunately for the team he sought other challenges outside AFL. **Player Reference: Henry Playfair**

UNDER 11'S BLACK

Coach's Report - **Glen Burgess**



The season was always going to be a challenging one with a number of experienced players and stalwarts from previous seasons having moved on.

We also knew and faced a number of opposition teams that were on the improve and this added some uncertainty and excitement even before the season began.

With some fresh new faces, the focus had been on the boys learning from each game and setting their own individual goals. By learning and improving on their own performance they could contribute more to the team and their own enjoyment of this great game.

It was pleasing to see us play finals this year and our build up was pretty exciting and full of promise. Whilst the season had been one of mixed fortunes, the boys played some entertaining games and there were memorable moments for each and every player. In terms of the new boys, seeing the excitement of them kicking their first goal or their enthusiasm in winning a contested possession was priceless!

All parents should be proud of the desire and good sportsmanship their sons have displayed at training and in each and every game. These qualities are what this footy club is all about.

The season does not run smoothly without assistance of others. I want to take the opportunity to recognise the following guys for making it all happen:

- **Sean** Rankin for his flawless performance as Team Manager. An enormous amount of work goes on behind the scenes and Sean was up to it with gusto. Everyone was kept informed and the shopping trolley added a little panache on the sidelines!
- **Mario** Pellegrino for his enthusiasm and assistance as the Team Runner on game day and his help at training on Wednesday's.
- **Chris** Karounis for stepping in as coach for a number of games this season when I was unavailable and for his ongoing help and encouragement at training.
- All the dads for their assistance as goal umpires on game day and for the parents for helping with match reports, voting, canteen duties and their positive encouragement from the boundary.

Representative Team (U11 Sydney Harbour Juniors)

Angus Rankin & Lewis McNamara

Representative Team (U10 City West)

Rory Barkley

Player Comments

Alexander Alley - A first year player who was always keen to learn and play. Further skills development is needed to help him become a more effective player. Pleased by his determination to apply tackles and gain possession of the ball.

Rory Barkley - Rory has a very high work rate and his fearless attack on the ball each and every game reflects on how important he is to the team. His season was simply outstanding and he is so critical to the team's success. A talented individual who continues to impress and develop.

Hugh Black - Has adapted well in his first season with the club and always eager to participate. He found his best footy in the forward line, where he kicked some good goals but needs to work on his physical game to get more involved.

Lachlan Burgess - Whilst Lachlan played in both the forward and backlines throughout the season he was found to be rock solid at full back with long accurate penetrating kicks that found a team mate every time. Technically proficient and a good reader of the play.

Murali Chinnappa - Played well up forward for most of the year but started to find his niche as a ruckman late in the season. Murali seemed to relish the opportunities which added versatility to his game and depth for the team.

Alistair Davies - New to AFL, Alistair was a bit of a confidence player. If he gained some early touches he would really have a solid game. Kicked some terrific goals and is an ideal crumbing forward. Further game time and up skilling will improve his realise his true potential.

Sam Finch - Another rookie and also new to the game of AFL. Sam grew in confidence as the season progressed and was justly rewarded with his first goal in the game against Easts. Well done.

Peter Karounis - Peter joined the team from a rival club and this recruiting coup was a blessing for the team. A small lively type, Peter never gave up and never slowed down and showed his versatility and drive across the field. Peter's great attribute is that he listened and applied himself for the team every game. Looking forward to seeing Peter next year.

Dylan Kennerson - Dylan battled hard all year and was always an eager participant at training and on game day. Struggled early with the faster pace of the game but grew more confident as time went on. A focus on the physical aspects of the game is needed with the step up to under 12's.

Jack Loughnan - Jack had limited game time due to his rugby commitments. When he did play the team benefited enormously with his presence and fierce tackling. Has the size and controlled aggression to make an impact next season.

Lewis McNamara - Courageous player who backs himself in every contest. Showed great speed and versatility in the midfield and as a rebounding half back flanker. Put in a couple of standout games this year and earned him representative honours.

Max Morrison - Consistent year and continues to put in the effort. In the latter part of the year he stepped up and provided a great run from half back after capping off a season best performance against Newtown in Round 14.

James Pellegrino - Characterised by commitment and dash, often outsized but rarely outplayed. James clearly enjoys his footy and is confident player with plenty of drive and focus. His best football is yet to come.

Angus Rankin - Another outstanding year for Angus. He troubled the opposition with his height and athleticism and put in 100% every game. His on ball dominance and our team structure saw him play in the ruck and midfield where he outclassed his opponents and won plenty of the ball. He will continue to get better.

Ben Sanders - Not many parents realised but week in week out Ben would back up from playing with the Under 10's and throw himself into another four quarter contest. Appreciated his efforts each week and a handy utility player able to play in any position.

Daniel Stanwix - No one in the team was more passionate about the game than Daniel. In his debut year he played the majority of the game as a target in the goal square. Great to have him as part of the team this year.

UNDER 11'S TEAL

Coach's Report - **Neil Kenzler**



The season started well despite the minimal preparation with a memorable draw. One of the few teams in the competition to have it all during the season – a win, a draw and a loss.

No matter how the game went the team stuck together and supported each other well despite some initial confidence-sapping results. The team bounced back and gradually through the rain disrupted training sessions and games developed their skills. One of the joys was different players demonstrating their skills, be it contested marks, accurate kicks to team mates or the quick clean hands.

There were some great quarters where the team held their own or challenged the other teams. The features of the season were Riley's long kicks from goal, the running of Jack and Rohan, the dominance of Lars in the backline, the commitment of Sean, Andrew and Gabe in heavy traffic and the tag team of Joe and Jordan sharing and growing in the Ruck/Rover roles to name but a few.

The season was difficult with numerous rain disruptions to training and games. Despite this the team was always well supported by parents and family who yelled encouragement and offered support when the times were difficult.

Thank you to the parents, especially Chris Durack (Manager), Mark Wills (Runner), Richard Beswick (Goal Umpire) and the various assistant coaches (David James, Richard Beswick and Chris Durack).

Special thanks go to all those Under 10s who helped fill a few holes on match day, especially Angus McNamara who managed to score a couple of goals for the team.

Until next season, keep on running, kicking and catching. Thank you to all who contributed – be it canteen, laundry or making sure we had those players ready to go on match day.

Player Profiles

Gabe Beswick - The Brett Kirk of the team. Always ready to be in the thick of play from the top of the pack to the bottom of the pack. There was no fear as he chased and tackled. Always the first up, ready to go again. Some great marks during the year. He has continued to build on his game.

Alex Bulley - Often the last line of defence but adept when playing up front. He took some great marks and applied plenty of pressure to the opposition. By the end of season was playing with more confidence and skill and showed good positional play from reading the play.

Lars Cramp - Put on an impressive display in the first game of the season with hard running. Became the legendary Mal Brown of the team with impressive displays as fullback in the latter part of the season. Taking marks and bursting through to turn defence into attack. Lead the backs with distinction.

Edward Crocker - Never fear Eddie is here. Whether it was to stop a goal or kick a goal, Eddie was there. A deft left footer who played non-stop, often against taller opponents. His speciality was a quick pick-up from the ground or wrapping the ball carrier up. Either way, he always brought excitement to the team and spectators.

Darby Durack - He found his calling late in the season with some hard matches up in the roving. He was prepared to run from one end to the other to tackle, mark and kick. He became part of the engine room of the team. Often inspired by half time pep talks that inspired him to higher levels of performance. (Thanks, Mum).

Joe Dusevic - Started the season with aplomb and became the leading ruckman of the team with very impressive displays towards the end of the season. Very much part of the engine room of the team. As his confidence grew so did his performance.

Charlie Gibbs - Another of the pocket rockets that tackled and pursued his opposition with relentless energy and enthusiasm. Through his hard work and constant pressure, he had some memorable shots at goal. He showed great courage and determination and was the champion of the 'hard ball gets'.

Rohan Gupta - The little master. He is able to read the run of play extremely well and get himself to the right position at the right point of time for a great mark and long accurate kick. Managed to kick a couple of goals with his weaving runs to break the opposition defence. 'Run Gup, run!' was often the call when his safe hands took the ball and the feet motored away.

Andrew Hawken - Mister Reliable. No task too hard. Always plays with enthusiasm even when against larger opponent (including the team runner). He had no hesitation in putting his body on the line for the team. He took many contested marks. And became one of the safe hands for the team. His skill level increased as the season progressed.

Jack James - The Marathon Man. He was able to run from one end of the field to the other and back again with ease. He made a great contribution to the team and was always one of the best on ground. Quick feet and hands with a beautiful kick.

Tim Kenzler - The fastest hand-baller in the team. Many times turned defence into attack with the slick hands that had the opposition flat footed. Despite long odds, he was an early season goal-kicker. Some great positional play that often left him unmarked and in the open which was matched some quality marks.

Riley Lucas - He stood tall in many of the games with some great marks and long kicks. Looking for Gup and Joe in many a kick-out. Regularly turned defence into attack. A safe pair of hands and a natural athlete who steadied the team and made many decisive runs.

Sean McCann - Braveheart. He always gave his all for the team with some great memorable tackles and excellent marks during the season. If there was an opponent to be stopped, Sean was there. The terrier of the team. He was always quick to scoop on the loose ball and get play moving for the team. He made a fantastic contribution to the team, be it training or match-day.

James Raciti - Found his calling at the end of the season with some great full forward plays. Willing to help out the team in the centre of the ground which sometimes left him a couple of metres short on the long-range kick for goal. A safe mark and tireless worker for the team.

Jordan Willis - The smiling assassin who played a vital role in the getting the team started each week with tap here or there. Always had the opposition guessing. Some very memorable marks and kicks when under intense pressure. He was always there for the ruck work, no matter which end of the field.

UNDER 12'S BLACK

Coach's Report - **John O'Donoghue**



With a name change from Silver to Black and new players arriving from all over, my third season of coaching looked encouraging and with a squad of 19 players we were ready for our first game. Sam Barkley was made captain for the season and led from the front with the team having a strong win over Wests. Then the wheels fell off.

Consecutive losses to East Red, East Blue called for some major positional changes which with hindsight proved to be a disaster. More losses to Glebe and Newtown saw us languishing second last on the ladder after round 5 and questions were being asked of players and coaches alike. Then something happened. We won a game! But it was the way we won that was most pleasing.

A narrow, hard fought, gutsy win over 5th placed East White saw the players not just playing for themselves, but for each other. Was it a one off? Perhaps, but coach John was not to know the aftermath as he disappeared into the arid wastes of Central Australia to cross the Simpson Desert on a short holiday.

Meanwhile, fill-in coach David Sanders was instilling a new self belief in the players that they must maintain the intensity in the following games against Teal and Maroubra Black. Slowly messages started to arrive on coach John's satellite phone: "Win", "Win" and "Win".

By the time coach John arrived back in Sydney, Under 12 Black had won 4 of its past 5 matches, were sitting 6th on the ladder and were not to lose another game in the home and away season. A mercy win over East Blue, a big win over East Red and a close one against Teal saw us finish the season in 3rd spot with 8 wins and 5 losses and an elimination final awaited.

This was the first time this group had played in a final together and coming up against the rapidly improving Glebe with a giant ruckman proved too much for the Blacks.

It was a rollercoaster of a year but my support team really helped steady the ship. To Anne Maree my manager and Paul for their tireless efforts all season. Demetrius Adgemis my runner, Terry Pappapetros and Noel Ford behind the goals, John Fernandes and Jamie Barkley for help on game day, Noel Storan at training and especially David Sanders for filling in when I was away. Thanks to all of you.

And finally the players who really pulled themselves out of a hole in mid season and showed a new self belief and improvement right across the whole squad that helped us make the finals for the first time. Well Done!

Player Profiles

Nick Adgemis - Nick had a great year kicking out from full back and his strong defensive skill of bursting through packs with 2 or 3 of the opposition hanging off him really helped us contain the other teams to low scores. A switch to full forward mid season saw him bag 3 against East White and he finished the season with 7 goals but looks more at home in the back line.

William Anthony - After having a year off footy William returned to Drummoyne Power and quickly got back in the action playing a variety of roles in the forward and backline. He attacks the ball hard and tackles well but still needs to work on his kicking skills. Was rewarded with a super goal in the big win over East Blue at Five Dock Park.

Sam Barkley - Captain Sam had another outstanding season winning the Best and Fairest and being selected in the Rep team. His reputation in the league is such that he is now constantly tagged in every game but this does not stop Lefty. The most pleasing part of his game this year was his ability to shake his tagger and drift down forward and he booted 25 goals for the season.

Rodney Boyce - Rodney who had not played much AFL joined the team in the game against East White in round 6 and should have been awarded a goal in his first game if Jarryd had not pounced on it in the goal square! Shows great balance and poise off half forward and finished with 2 goals for the season.

Oliver Burke - You can't talk about Ollie without mentioning Isaac. These two were the engine room in the midfield this year and both took the next step in greatly improving all aspects of their game. Like Ablett and Bartel, they combined beautifully to block, tackle and clear the ball or get it to Lefty at the stoppages. Ollie finished with 7 goals for the year with 2 against Teal and a difficult snap against East Blue that could have been goal of the year.

Jarryd Fernandes - As runner up in the Best and Fairest and a reserve for the Rep team, Jarryd had a sensational year in his first year at the club. Rotating between the ruck and centre half back Jarryd settled into Locky's role as a floating backman that had the opposition kicking into a brick wall for most of the game. Not content with this, Jarryd decided he would also be a goal kicking back man finishing with 7 for the season with a high of 3 against East White in round 6.

Nick Ford - Nick started the season off at full forward with 2 goals against Wests but a neck injury and a week off hampered his form and he was switched to the back line. After doing his penance there and being challenged by his coach a few times Nick's second half of the season was nothing short of phenomenal. His form turnaround mirrored the team's, kicking 18 goals in 7 games with three 4 goal bags.

Isaac Foster - You can't talk about Isaac without mentioning Ollie. These two were the engine room in the midfield this year and both took the next step in greatly improving all aspects of their game. Like Ablett and Bartel, they combined beautifully to block, tackle and clear the ball or get it to Lefty at the stoppages. As one of the longest serving players in the team, Isaac was recognised for his efforts with an Outstanding Achievement award from the Greater Sydney Juniors. Congratulations!

James Gatsos - James' soccer commitments made him unavailable for a few games but as a crumber he really excelled kicking a bag of 3 on his debut against Wests and continuing his good form throughout the year. Shows great potential.

Edward Gregory - Eddie had never played AFL before as he came from a Rugby background but had almost mastered the art of the drop punt before the first game! Running in from the wing or half back I have never seen a player take to AFL as quickly as Eddie did. Finishing equal 3rd in the Best and Fairest he was picking up votes all over the place and was easily our most improved player. It took him to round 5 to kick his first goal but after that he was a regular contributor finishing with 5 for the season.

Lachlan Johnson - Locky only played 4 games for the Blacks but in 2 he was best on ground and as the biggest boy out on the field really exerted his physical presence. His floating role across centre half back laid the blueprint for when Jarryd was switched there to great effect.

Nick Jorgensen - Another greatly improved player Nick really took the next step this year running off half back or back pocket. Trained hard and played hard. All facets of his game developed particularly his overhead spoiling skills and his fitness and he shows great promise.

Klaus Kazamias - Klaus joined the team mid season but I did not see him play till the third last game against East Blue. From all reports he had been playing very well in the forward pocket but had not scored a goal yet. The mantra that "anyone could score a goal today" really hit home to Klaus and he seemed more determined than ever. Somehow he barged through a pack, picked up the pill and drilled it from 5 metres out. To prove it was no fluke he did the same again in the next game against East Red.

Lachlan McLean - Another greatly improved player Lachy spent most of the year in the back pocket and was another brick in the wall of our impregnable back half. A quiet team player, Lachy is solid and reliable and goes about his business each week without much fuss but to great effect.

Jack O'Donoghue - Jack had a consistent year spent mainly at half back and provided a valuable role as a back-up if the ball went past Jarryd. He reads the play well, goes in hard and picked up many free kicks. His ability to spot a player on his own and deliver an accurate pass was also a satisfying improvement.

William Pappapetros - William started off the year in fine style with 4 goals against Wests creating havoc for the opposition at half forward in nearly every match. Averaging nearly 2 goals a game William had hauls of 3 against East Blue, Glebe and Teal and finished the year with 23 goals, just behind Lefty. His unselfishness in kicking to the top of the square rather than blazing away from a long way out meant that nearly everyone in the team got to kick a goal this year.

Rhys Patton - Rhys' commitments to the Sydney Swans made him unavailable for some matches but when he made it onto the park he really shone. His goal saving techniques are now the stuff of legend, but it was his greatly improved kicking skills that really impressed his coach.

Patrick Sabine - Patrick had limited AFL experience but was a beautiful kick of the ball so full back was an option. After delegating his kicking duties he settled into a role at centre half forward in the latter part of the season with a quick turn of speed, some strong overhead marking and 2 goals against East Blue in round 12.

Tom Sanders - After spending some time alternating between the ruck and centre half back Tom found his niche as a full time ruckman with a powerful leap and a big fist that saw us dominate the centre bounce. Tom also made the Rep team but it was his best on ground effort against East Red while suffering the effects of a heavy flu that really stood out.

UNDER 12'S TEAL

Coach's Report - **Noel Storan**



Firstly, can I thank our manager for this year, Janine Doyle who co-ordinated a very willing group of parents with great skill. Everyone contributed a little each week and that helps a lot.

Second, my congratulations to all of our players for this season. You gave every game your very best shot and never stopped trying until the final siren, even on those tough afternoons when the game had gotten away from us. Even more impressive was that you all supported and encouraged one another through the wins and losses this season. That's what good mates do.

Drummoyne Under 12 Teal welcomed eight new players this year, some with previous AFL experience and some new starters to our code. It was going to take some weeks for the team to develop new combinations and for the new players to find their natural positions on the field.

In our first three games against Newtown, Glebe and Maroubra Red we tried different combinations and moved players around positions to try and hit on the right formula for the season. Each game saw an improved team performance until in Round 4 in a repeat of last season's clash we played East Red at Five Dock Park.

Once again we hit top form against the East's side and after a sparkling display of footy, our boys finally got to sing the team song for the first occasion this year and they did so with gusto.

Round 5 was played in a strong wind at Heffron Park against Maroubra Black. Both teams battled hard in the conditions with Maroubra making the home advantage count. The season was back on track at Goddard the following week with a good percentage victory over West's sealed with a last minute six pointer to Angus Chilton.

Round 7 saw the beginning of a mid-season slump as the disruptions from inclement weather, holidays and seasonal flu hit our rhythm.

Round 11 saw the return match against Easts Red at Alan Davidson Oval. There is something special about a Drummoyne v Easts clash in any age group and this game did not disappoint. Our guys turned up to play and after an enthralling afternoon of footy, Drummoyne got home by a one kick.

The following week we were back at Five Dock Park for a close encounter against Wests but Power were on a roll and kicked on to win in the end.

Round 13 was shaping up as an epic encounter against Easts White at Trumper Park, both sides sitting beside on another on the ladder and we hadn't played each other since Round 1 in 2009. However, unlucky 13 became a victim of wet weather - washed out.

We returned to Alan Davidson Oval for a clash with in form Maroubra Red in Round 14. The first half of footy in this match was the best I have seen our boys play. They dominated all areas of the field and gave no chances to the opposition. Maroubra fought back in the second half but our lads held them for a courageous victory.

Our last game of the year was the derby against Drummoyne Black at Five Dock Park, an absolute cracker of a game between two evenly matched sides. Every Teal player wanted the ball and was willing to put their body on the line to get it. We witnessed some spectacular marks, passing moves and defensive hits from both sides.

The skills and passion of both sides was very encouraging for the future of Drummoyne Power.

Congratulations to Angus Baker who was selected to represent NSW at the interstate championships in Perth and was voted NSW player of the tournament.

Also, to Liam Storan and Tommy Doyle for making the representative side this year .

Overall, I think you all grew a bit more, learnt a bit more and had a lot of fun this year.

I have no doubt that whatever you do in sport or in life in the future, you will all POWER ON.

Player profiles

Angus Baker - Angus is showing the desire, skill and ability to play this game at a senior level. He makes a whole hearted contribution in every game and gets momentum for the team moving forward. He will benefit from the challenges he encounters as we move up through the age groups.

Nektarios Bolos - New to footy this year and improved every game. We saw his confidence grow throughout the year working at the heart of the defence and he took some terrific marks by year's end.

Angus Chilton - Always eager to put his body on the line to try and secure the loose ball from broken play in front of goal. Angus took a few knocks during the season but bounced back to support the team.

Tom Doyle - Another year of Mr Magic; safe hands, good reading of the game, evasive running and an accurate kick. Tommy kept the scoreboard ticking over for Teal during the season.

Jonny Garrick - Jonny played a lot at half back this season and showed his understanding of space on the field. He shut down attacking raids as the ball broke from the middle that helped keep the ball in our attacking zones.

Louis Gray - Louis joined AFL this year and not a moment too soon. Good use of the body, safe hands and a strong accurate kick makes him a natural target man up front. Louie will continue to develop as an AFL player as he gains the confidence to use his physical strength to dominate opponents.

Harrison Hansford - His first year of footy and we hope not his last. Skill levels improved every week. He has confident hands and is a tough tackler. Took some exceptional contested marks in the latter half of the season.

Sandy Henderson - Sandy played across all positions on the ground throughout the year and excelled in all the challenges put up to him. We have to develop his preferred playing position over the next season and allow him to grow into this role.

Dylan Higgs - Dylan brought a bit of muscle to our ruck areas. He can match it with the big guys in the heavy encounters and when not scoring himself provided opportunities for the scrappers to sneak a goal.

Finn Kingston - Finn joined us mid-season and was a welcome addition to the team. A good athlete. He was quick to the ball and strong in the tackle. We are all looking forward to having more time with Finn next year.

Callum Lavery - A natural full back. He held the backline together this year and began to understand how to occupy the space in front of goal to deny the opposition. Strong tackling and first to the ball.

Harold Luke - A first timer on the AFL scene, Harry developed his game as the year progressed particularly with tackling and getting his head over the ball. His shepherding work in the close encounters assisted his team mates and did not go unnoticed.

Rory O'Shea - Rory began to take clean overhead marks as his confidence grew throughout the year. He will build his game next year by focussing on mastering one skill at a time. An absolute delight to have as part of the team.

Nick Rea - A new recruit to AFL this year, Nick is a naturally strong kicker of the footy which he used to good effect all year. Continued exposure to game time will develop his skills and understanding next year.

Jack Ryan - Jack has a natural ability to find open spaces in the forward line. He has safe hands and a good instinct for goal. He will reap the benefits as team mates develop the skills to spot the man leading into the open space.

Ben Stevanovic - Ben has the tenacity of a tiger and his all round determination on the field inspired the other players. A tackling style inspired by his connections with Rugby League brought a lot of bigger opponents to a sudden halt. One to watch for the future.

Liam Storan - Another year of passion and commitment from Liam. He is grit in the opponents machine with disruptive tackling and incisive passing. A coaches delight as you know he will get his hands on the ball and make a difference in the game.

Sebastian Vervoort - Seb improved his ball handling and tackling skills throughout the year. He is keen to be involved in the thick of the action and the big collisions. He will improve his game as he learns to focus all of his energy on getting possession of the ball.

SYDNEY HARBOUR TEAMS

UNDER 13's DIVISION 2

Coach's Report - **Brendan Cann**



A fantastic opening game against Manly was the start of a very successful season for the U13s. The boys started in Division 3 and finished the home and away season in 2nd place in Division 2 and made it to the Preliminary final! An inspiring achievement by a group of boys with a great attitude for footy. We had a very simple game plan of accountable, hard footy that played to the team's advantage as they would always beat their opponents in a one on one contest and this why the boys have had such a great season.

We played against some very skilled teams and although we may have lost a couple of games the boys proved to themselves that they can match it with the best and ensure the opposition work hard whether they win or lose.

The back line were very conservative all season and after 5 rounds had only 52 points scored against them at an average of 10 points per game. I could not have asked for anymore from the backline. They stifled all opposition scoring attempts and delivered the ball to the midfield and forwards with speed and accuracy.

The midfield just dominated every game, from the first bounce and all around the ground they were in and under every pack, clearing the ball, tackling hard and notching up inside 50's.

The forward line were kept busy all year kicking goal after goal and fighting hard to make sure the ball stayed up forward. There were some great individual goals and brilliant team goals where the ball was shared around unselfishly to players in better position. It was also fantastic to see the boys that were injured (Alex, Locky and Matt) come down and support their team mates during the year; it boosted everyone's spirits with them watching on the side lines.

Our representative players

The following boys that made the Sydney City Representative training squad: Nick Bertino, Luke Egan, Elijah Lenton, Ethan Willis, Matt Wilson and Xavier Nelson. Matt Wilson and Nick Bertino were selected for the Sydney City Rep team.

Matt Wilson, Nick Bertino, Max Thomas and Ethan Willis were also selected for the U13 Pigeons Training squad with Matt Wilson and Nick Bertino making the Pigeons team.

A special thanks to Tracey Lenton, our Team Manager on behalf of the boys, the Mums and Dads and myself. Tracey's support and co-ordination of the team meant that everyone knew what they had to do, where to be and what time to be there and there were no excuses! This support makes such a huge difference; I can't put a price on it. Thanks also to Hamish Lenton for Boundary Umpiring all season and the throw-ins that went straight to Elijah.

A big thanks to Mark Willis our Assistant Coach. Mark lives and breathes his footy and was always there to run training drills, pre match warm ups, quarter/half time talks and positioning for matches.

Thanks to Peter Higgs for running and administering the magic water and revealing some tricks of the trade. Thanks also go to all of the parents. They were always there to watch the boys, be the runner if Peter wasn't around, goal umpire and run the canteen at home games.

I would also like to thank the boys for allowing me to coach them this season. It was great to be on board for the ride from Pre Season to the Finals. I always judge how a season went well by comparing it to previous seasons so the boys should be very proud of what they achieved this year and start looking forward to taking things further next season.

Player Profiles

Nick Bertino - Nick has been playing U14s all year and made a cameo appearance late in the season to help us when we were short players and immediately made his presence known all over the ground. With no fear of putting his head over the ball, Nick is a valuable player and the boys look forward to having him in the team next season.

Simon Borchardt - Simon is a baseballer by trade and this was his first year of footy, but you wouldn't know it from his fearless attack on the ball and ability to read the play. Centre Half Back is a difficult position to play but Simon always managed to keep his opponent under wraps despite their size or ability.

Luke Egan (VC) - Mr Consistent. Luke is our Vice Captain as he leads by example and never gives up. One of Luke's highlights for the year was a bag of 5 goals in a tough, hard fought win against Westbrook. Luke is a tough centreman and a real ball winner.

James Ford - James found his niche as a defender and always gave his best. His opponents had to work very hard as James gave them no opportunity to score goals. As the season moved along James' confidence increased with each game. James soon found his voice and through this showed his leadership ability which really helped keep the team motivated at tough times.

Dylan Higgs - Dylan snagged a few goals by fearlessly attacking the ball and getting into the right spots at the right time. Dylan is a real sportsman that can play all over the ground and gives his best on Sundays even after playing for the U12s on Saturdays. Dylan is also a team player that was keen to get himself and the team fit by volunteering extra laps and push-ups at training.

Joshua Iacono - Josh's height makes him a great target in the forward line or matching up against taller opponents in the back line. Josh was involved in some great plays in defence and was often seen breaking through packs with the ball that often resulted in a goal.

Lachlan Johnson - Lachlan repelled many opposition attacks with absolute confidence and he always looks like he has plenty of time to dispose of the ball. Lachlan took many great marks as our last line of defence. He also put in great efforts to do the ruck work when required. Lachlan is also an U12s player playing up an age group.

Elijah Lenton (C) - Our fearless Captain, Elijah, leads by example and determination. He is a very skilled and versatile footballer, playing in the midfield, on the wing and as a leading target in the forward line. Elijah's skills are some of the best in the team and he keeps on getting better and gaining more confidence with every game.

Xavier Nelson - The Voice. Xavier reads the play really well and uses his voice to get the ball or direct his team mates to a better option. His contribution to the team was fantastic all year. Xavier never gave up and was enthusiastic even when things looked pretty grim.

Brendan Parry - Brendan played his second season in the U13s and the experience showed when under pressure in the back line, Brendan kept his composure and laid some great tackles in every game. A highlight for Brendan's season was kicking a goal at Drummoyne Oval while his family watched him play another great game.

Alexander Perry - Alex never stops running and is a real ball getter. Alex took a few big hits but just kept on going. Alex would always shut down his opponent and this meant he played most of the season in the back line. Alex's long kicks out of defence were the start of many goals for the team.

Alec Sheehy - Alec is a crafty half forward and gained confidence on the field as the season wore on. He took some great marks and a highlight of Alec's season was 2 quick goals against North Ryde at ELS Hall. Alec is another great team player that really enjoyed training and always volunteered to do extra laps and push-ups to increase the team's fitness.

Michael Roberts - Michael played Centre Half Forward, one of the most difficult positions to play and he made the position his own. Michael must have glue on his hands because he didn't drop any marks at all and plucked a few out of nowhere. He kicked many goals and chased down and tackled unsuspecting opponents that thought they had broken away from the pack.

Aaron Sheldon - Aaron played as a forward, winger and in the back line so he was a real utility player that tried hard in every game. Aaron would quietly go about his tasks but would always work hard and create a contest by putting pressure on opponents.

Callum Smith - This is Callum's first year of footy and on debut kicked a bag of TEN, yes 10, goals against Manly! Even though it was Callum's first year he reads the play extremely well and used his body to get the ball which made him useful both as a forward and as a defender.

Cameron Smith - Mr. Reliable. Cameron played the season in the back line and regardless of the size, ability or speed of his opponent Cameron always won. While he was very capable of playing up forward, he did his job so well in defence that it was difficult to find a replacement.

Will Studley - Will is another half forward that took some great overhead marks and always managed to outsmart his opponent. Will earned his keep in the forward line by sneaking in a few goals during the season and he improved with every game.

Max Thomas - Max plays like he's the biggest player on the team even though he is the smallest. A tough, courageous midfielder who tackles opponents at least twice the size of him without hesitation or fear and snuck in a few goals when the opportunity presented. Max's work ethic is impressive as he just keeps on going and never stops.

Ben Vozzo - Ben is another U12 player playing up an age group. While he might be a bit younger than most of the team, he's just as confident and skillful as the best of them. Ben played a starring role down back when we were under the pump against Baulkham Hills and Kellyville, taking great goal saving marks and thwarting repeated opposition attacks at the goals. He has a great kick and somehow manages to evade tacklers with ease.

Ethan Willis - Spida is our ruckman taking on taller and bigger opponents and beating them. Spida used his athletic ability to drive the ball forward through long kicks or long runs and lay out some great tackles. Spida kicked a great goal from the boundary at Drummoyne Oval. Spida works really hard on the field as his face is redder than his hair at the end of a match.

Matt Wilson - Matt has the unique ability to win games off his own boot. We saw this several times this season most notably against Matt's old team, North Ryde where he kicked 5 goals in the first quarter and setup many more for his team mates. Matt is an all round athlete that has a bright future ahead of him.

Caley Yarnold - This is apparently Caley's first year of footy. I don't believe him as he plays like an experienced footballer, taking great marks and has one of the best kicks in the team. Caley is another all round athlete as baseball is his preferred sport where he excels. Caley's two goals in the Preliminary final were some of his best all season.

UNDER 14'S DIVISION 2

Coach's Report - **Simon Ringer**



We began season 2010 in early February out on a Sunday morning at Taplin Park with a spirited pre-season training session, discussing who had received what for Christmas and thinking about what 'Let's do it again in 2010' would really mean for us. Cleverly coined by our intrepid Team Manager, Mr. David Garrick, this expression begged the question: let's do *what* again, exactly? Our squad's history is precious to us. The embers of season 2008 still burn – a season where we learned a lot about keeping our head up and trying hard until the very end, when a win was completely out of our reach – as it was most weeks. Renewed in 2009, we started an early pre-season and had a terrific season, getting through to the GF and running out premiers. So, 2010 was always going to be interesting, especially since we were progressing up to the Division 2 competition. The boys agreed that 'let's do it again...' would mean that we would build on the team spirit developed in our journey so far.

It would mean training and playing our very best each week and, once again, further advancing our footy skills and teamwork. From a results point of view, we knew it was dangerous to be too ambitious, but from right back there early in the pre-season, we set our sights on making finals and winning at least one final. We were grateful to many of the U16's for helping us on our way and getting involved in a kicking clinic that we ran during the pre-season, where more boys got to kick more footies than ever before and this was a skill that we managed to improve through the year. We saw some fine drop punts throughout the season and the usual sprinkling of helicopter punts that we have somehow mastered - many of which went through for goals!

The team was delighted to welcome Alex Robertson back to the squad after an absence of a couple of years and newcomers Jordan Dimech and Nick Kuhne. In addition, Nick Bertino joined the group, playing up an age group and we were very fortunate to have the mighty Ben Vozzo volunteer his services regularly during the season.

The season started with some great games where there was a real endeavour to apply some structures into our game plan. 'Hot spots', 'defensive walls', 'CSI' and 'the wave' were a few of the plans that the boys sought to work into their game. The boys were also very effective at linking up with each other, running into space and running as a group and that is a fine development in their game that they should be pleased with and it will serve as a basis from which they can develop further. The middle of the season was simply a case of doing our best in what were difficult circumstances, due to the many cancelled games and oval closures that kept us off of the park. One blow that particularly hurt us was the season-ending injury to Chris Pappapetros. Chris injured his hip off-field and this needed some serious healing time, leaving us a key position player down, especially since Chris had so masterfully taken on

the full back role with excellent kick out technique and he was also running into some fine form on the rebound. In true Drummoyne spirit, he continued to come along to games, albeit on crutches, and support his team mates and his presence was much appreciated.

Towards the end of the season, we played some of our best footy with round 14 a real highlight - and, for those that like to watch the results, a critical win from the viewpoint of making the finals. Alas, round 15 was a low-light for us - not so much because of the result, which certainly stung, but Alex Robinson injured his knee and was out for the rest of the season and Jordan Trovato injured his leg early on and could take no further part. Both these boys were involved in heavy clashes and showed a lot of courage. Alex's misfortune occurred in the final couple of minutes of the game and his terrific run-down tackle on a big opposition player during the final stage of the match was an inspiration, if not a painful thing to watch. Even when the result had so very clearly escaped us, Alex was going for it at full tilt and that was the spirit of the whole team. Similarly, Jordan's injury was tough clash with lots of people getting airborne and not everyone landing properly. Joseph also suffered a green stick fracture to his left thumb that day and was battling on bravely throughout the finals series. James, Joel, Nick B had all pulled up sore from various 'big hits' towards the end of the season, and their tenacity to keep being at the bottom of the packs was a great credit to them. It is also true that many of our team were battling colds and flu towards the end of the season and their performances in the last month were especially gallant.

The on-field results for the U14's were very pleasing and the season was undoubtedly a terrific success. A big factor in the keen interest in our season was that our competition was generally very even. Every week that we ran on to the field, we knew were a real chance - and yet, we knew that we would need to do our best and could not relax because only a four quarter effort would do. Our season had some really exciting matches and the boys played them all with a fine sense of sportsmanship and respect for themselves, their opposition and the umpires. This is something that we realised that we care very much about and these aspects were all very well balanced throughout the season. We had games where we would get ahead and fade – sometimes just clinging on and sometimes not, and we learned about establishing a lead and the skill and craft of holding on and working to extend it. We also learned what it takes to come from behind, eventually get ahead and then stay ahead and many of our wins were from games where we had deficits at half or three quarter time. Who can forget our performance in the first semi-final - down ~9 points at half time, the boys turned it on to prevail in what was a great game of footy! The common denominator was that we were enjoying playing in a comp where a four quarter effort was required each week and this made for a great season with lots of thrills and spills.

A special congratulation goes to Mitch Ferguson, Jordon Trovato, Joel Vozzo, Alex Robertson, Nick Garrick & Nick Bertino who were all selected for the 2010 Greater Sydney Juniors City Representative carnival at Blacktown in July. This is a great achievement and certainly the extra football and expert coaching that the boys receive in these situations is a great experience. We were also delighted to hear the recent news that Mitch has been selected for the U14s 2010 Pigeons squad and Nick Bertino for the U13s 2010 Pigeons squad. This is a great testimony of where Mitch and Nick are at with their footy and congrats to all the boys that tried out with these squads. We were especially pleased that a strong contingent of U14's were getting to these various training sessions, because it promotes friendships and shared experiences amongst the squad and, in a season that had as many rained out sessions and games, helps our boys to keep fit and have footy in their hands. Let's hope for more such opportunities for our team next year!

It is also noteworthy that James Enderby and Matt Laz joined the ranks of the umpiring fraternity this year. James officiated as central umpire in some competitions (not ours, unfortunately!) and Matt ran the boundary. This is extra fitness and exposure to the game as well as helping all of us understand what the umpires go through was much appreciated - well done to you boys!

I wish to offer a big thank you to all the parents and players for their commitment to the season. We have a great group of families sharing the journey together and it is a pleasure to be a part of it. May the Power continue to be with you! Once again, a huge thank you goes out to the dream team of David Garrick and Alex Vozzo for their outstanding work as Team Manager and Assistant Coach, respectively. David was always there with precise and clear organisation and was very generous with his time and knowledge of the game, always able to give helpful insight to the players and coaches alike. And, he worked very hard from within the box as team runner - a tough role that I am sure all appreciate. Having that match day consistency with our preparation and structure was worth goals to us, in my opinion!

Alex was a great inspiration to all of us and made the training sessions work better and the match days proceed smoother. Alex also took responsibility during my inevitable absences and the team are very fortunate to have his care and support throughout the season. We all also very much appreciated the work of Richard Hall and Kristian Ringer. As trainers – their enthusiastic presence during training and game day helped us to concentrate and get our 'game face' on, and they lifted the intensity of our training sessions. We also want to thank Jeff Kuhne, C.K. Chan, Thomas Garrick, Michael Ferguson, Paul Rumens, John Edwards, Leonard Robertson, Rod Bertino and others for their work with the flags, boundary umpiring and related help. Ken Enderby provided valuable statistical data on match days and this was also much appreciated. A big thanks also to John & Anna Edwards for all the photos throughout the year - we all have some great memories, thanks to you! It is fantastic to be part of a team where there is a spirit of volunteerism and all pitching in together to ensure that BBQ's are run, canteens are staffed and jumpers are washed. We all appreciate the fantastic behind the scenes work of the club executive group that make so much of what we do possible. Well done everyone and GO YOU POWER!

PLAYER PROFILES

Nick (SLIP STREAM) Bertino: Had a great season, playing up and has established himself as an on-baller with courage and pace. When Nick gets his running going, he is a linker to other players in our team and carries the ball out of trouble and in to the land of opportunity for his team. A great season - should be very proud of his efforts.

Daniel (LOOKING DANGEROUS) Cecere: Always looked dangerous and snagged a few shots on goal throughout the season. Spent some of the early part of the season further up the ground and the latter part of the season deep in the forward pocket or goal square, where he looked the goods. Cleverly drew his opponent to the wider pockets - as instructed by Richard Hall - and this made a difference in the semi-final.

Ka Yin (OL FAITHFUL) Chan: Such a reliable player for our team. Has silky skills and will hold a difficult mark or hit a difficult target just when we need him to. Spent time on both the wing and forward line this year and is someone that has made themselves an integral part of our team set up. Is starting to call for the ball and command more presence on the field and this is having an impact.

Jordan (CAZALY) Dimech: Was another player that benefited from trying a few positions and played his best footy in the middle of the ground and up forward. The real revelation about Jordan is his marking ability which is sensational. He took some absolute screamers at training and some good grabs in the games - this is a talent that we are keen to develop and build on next season.

Jake (THE OCTOPUS) Dunne: One of the utility players in our team that can play down back or up forward. Always hard at the ball and had an uncanny knack of being somehow able to wrap up opposition players in crunching tackles that would win free kicks for us. Kicked some hugely important goals for us when we needed them - undoubtedly his best season so far and someone we are going to count on in 2011.

Cameron (CHARGE OF THE LIGHT BRIGADE) Durrant: Another player that has worked hard at their footy, improving their skills and honing their desire and attitude to the contested ball. This guy is now a regular feature on our half back line when we need some extra intensity there, or roaming around the half forward line looking dangerous. Who will forget the tight games where the opposition would kick into their forward line and Cam would come charging out of the packs taking marks and repelling the attack so inspirationally.

Tomas (TEDWARDS) Edwards: Had stints at half back, but spent most of the year changing between ruck rover and centre half forward. Adds some real bite to the centre square and many of our centre breaks and clearances had the finger prints of 'the TEDWARDS' all over them. Emerging as a very versatile midfielder, with *champion* written all over him.

James (ROVE) Enderby: Another season where James got his hands on a huge amount of footy, racking up big numbers of possessions both contested and uncontested. A key force in the middle as our rover, he also spent important time back and forward with his best side forward of centre. This card carrying member of the 'mosquito squadron' ended up at the bottom of a lot of packs and was never one to whinge or complain when he copped the big hits from big opposition players. Very courageous.

Mitch (THE MOP) Ferguson: Outstanding in the ruck and in the role of centre half back, this bloke had a great season, and genuinely took his AFL to another level. Can mark, kick and gets involved at ground level - he does it all! Most of our memories of Mitch are playing a kick behind the play in the defensive half of the ground and taking strong marks that terminated the forward thrust of opposition teams and created new opportunities for the Power. Made Pigeons, which is a great achievement. Seemed to grow ~10 cm each week, we look forward to seeing you back in 2011, Mitch!

David (HAL) Garrick: More organized than a HAL 9000 computer, and capable of opening bay shutter doors with a mere SMS, this man is the Team Manager with the mostest! Sometimes would look longingly at the chin-sip, before bursting out of the box to dash across to the far back pocket on the opposite side of the oval to stir the troops to man-up - for the third time that quarter. Needs to work on pace over the first 100 m during the summer!

Nick (CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS) Garrick: Our Captain in 2010 and an inspirational leader. Nick is from the 'lead by example' school and he shows us each week what talk, encouragement, discipline and courage to win the contested ball is all about. One of the better marks in the team, who could forget the sight of Nick splitting packs of boys bigger than himself to take grabs from the opposition kick-ins and so set up new opportunities for us. If he can continue to improve as he has done, he will play some wonderful footy in 2011.

Jack (COMIN TA GETCHA) Gibbs: A steady improver throughout the season, this bloke occasionally turns on the after-burners and runs at people with the ball and tackles them. They usually stayed tackled! Spent much of the season in a close checking role in the back line and made it very hard for his opponent to get a kick. A solid performer at training all year, we feel that the Jack Gibbs story is not yet complete and look forward to the next chapter in 2011.

Cameron (ONE WOOD) Griffiths: Has progressed to be a regular midfield player for the team, combining excellent fitness with fantastic skills. Cam has worked on his kicking a lot and when he would tee-off in the middle of the ground running through with the ball, he would absolutely launch it. Took contested marks this year in close games that made a real impact.

Oliver (SUPERBOOT) Kemp: Started the season in the back line and did good things there. However, once thrown into the forward line, a monster was spawned and he kept finding the ball and pinging shots of goal, several of which went through at absolutely crucial moments in close games. Listening to the crowd barrack and cheer as Oli slotted goals was a real season highlight. He improved all year and is set for big things in 2011.

Nick (THE INDESTRUCTABLE) Kuhne: A fantastic debut season that indicates that there are big things ahead for this young AFL star. Came from nowhere in the beginning of the season to work very hard at the basic skills of the game and listened very carefully to instructions. Made it very difficult for his opposition players to get kicks and showed great courage. Who can forget the tackle he made on that Toyota Hi-Ace van travelling at 40 km/h in round 15? He stopped it dead in its tracks. Just the beginning of what will be a fascinating AFL story.

Matt (SPONGE BOB) Laz: Did various good things playing as a utility, forward or back for the first half of the season. Towards the end, was given special responsibilities on the last line of defence and made this job his own. This is a role that requires good judgement and athletic ability and Matt applied both of these for the benefit of his team. I wonder how many goals he actually sponged up on that last line?

Chris (THE ROCK) Pappapetros: Chris took on a new key position role this year as full back and did a great job with kick outs, and tuning off of his man to get to the contest and put the pressure on. Who can forget Chris streaming out defence having just run off of his man to tap the ball forward, grab it and fire out a nice hand pass to a member of our mosquito squadron, so driving the ball forward. A good call to rest up the hip - will be back with a vengeance in 2011.

Joseph (THUMBS) Ringer: Unfortunately, got his thumbs involved in the contest where they weren't welcome and this caused some injury. More at home in the back line after starting down the front, this bloke served as a very able full back after Chris P's injury. A reliable kick-in and an able tackler, was a very reliable absorber of pressure when the opposition went forward.

Alex (MAN O' STEEL) Robertson: A fabulous return to the sport and a great season. This man o' steel was in the thick of things all year, managing to win his centre half forward position against some of the best defenders in the comp. A very flexible player who is able to work in the midfield, forward or to run with a particular player. Has a big future in the game.

Alex (TRUE GRIT) Trovato: Spent most of the year in the back line and never gave his opponent an easy kick. One of the reliable players that would look around and man-up when we needed him to. Showed great courage in the big clashes and has a real mental toughness. When thrown forward, Alex managed to score one of the highlight goals of the year with a drop punt that Stewart Dew would have been proud of.

Jordan (BIG MAN) Trovato: A great season rucking and sweeping at centre half back. Developed some nice palm techniques with the taps and certainly won his positions all year. Some great memories of Jordan paddling the ball forward through traffic, using his ground level skills to keep the ball in front of him until it would eventually sit, so that launch a deep kick into our attacking area. A gentle giant, Jordan has a great sense of fairness and always uses his herculean strength as a force for good.

Alex (THE SPOON) Vozzo: Another great year of service for the Drummoyne club by the big fella. Completed requirements for AFL Level 1 Coach, which is a great achievement and this triggered a string of calls to and from Perth. Was often seen wandering around clubrooms with a wooden spoon in hand, mumbling to self about "THE MIGHTY WEAGLES". Must watch and monitor!

Ben (BRAVE HEART) Vozzo: Comes from the "bigger they are, the harder they fall" school! This bloke knows no fear and can find the ball, even when tucked away in a forward pocket. Came on playing up 2 age groups to help us when we had exhausted our bench, he always have 100% and looked dangerous. An inspiration to all.

Joel (LION HEART) Vozzo: A key member of our famous U14's 'mosquito squadron', this brave midfielder was always prepared to run and try to create opportunities for the team. Who can forget seeing Joel stream down into the forward line, time and again, into space and snapping goals? Spent most of the year in the centre and on the wing, with potent excursions down forward. Developing into a very versatile player that does major damage to the opposition.

UNDER 16'S DIVISION 1

Coach's Report - **Mik Car**



Well where to start for the year 2010! After such a promising 2009, most of our group staying and some more kids coming up from the under 14's we had what looked to be a great year ahead.

Unfortunately 2010 was not the year of Drummoyne under 16's, we had a horrible run of injuries, players unavailable with school sports, rained out games and the list goes on.

The way that all the boys and parents in the group continued to support the club, training and game day effort was fantastic. The decision to play in division one was difficult, but with our best 18 on the field we had every opportunity to play finals football. While finals soon became out of reach our boys continued to play with all their heart, and no opponent got an easy game against Drummoyne Power. We had some close games against ladder leaders such as St.Ives, Wests and Westbrook. Our win for the year came against the side that eventually went on to be runners up in second division. The determination that the group showed will serve them well for future sports, and the great step up into under 18's, better than an easy year in division two would have.

As coaching an under 16's group can have a sad note to the end of the year I must finish with a farewell to those with whom I have shared this journey over the past two years. It has been fantastic watching you grow and mature into young men. My goals are that you have enjoyed your football and will continue, and that you may have taken some lesson out of my madness to help you in everyday life. I have been extremely proud to have been involved with such a group and have taken much out of my time with you all.

Until next time, keep taking awesome to the max...

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Player Profiles:

Jack Barnsley: JB is one of the teams silent achievers, literally. He has a determination and commitment to the team. His ability to read the play has improved dramatically this year and he is making a great transition towards becoming an excellent under 18's player. If JB can utilise his voice to improve his team mates awareness of him on the ground, I can only imagine how good his football can become.

Adam Bertino: Adam again was one of our little battlers. He has an uncanny ability to play above his weight and size down back. The extra training he does with Water Polo and Rugby has given him a great fitness base and he builds on that with his application at AFL training. He has discovered a great self belief in his football ability and that coupled with his level of courage creates a great player. Go Push up King.

Ty Brady: For a first year player with a rugby background, Ty certainly brought the assets he has on the rugby field to the AFL. He has great pace, and is tenacious when attacking the ball and man. With some more training and improving his skills Ty will become a great footballer.

Tom Craven: Tom cemented his spot at full back after some great performances, he was another player that used his rugby background to great advantage. He has great courage, and a booming kick and a great athletic ability. I hope Tom continues to play AFL as he has a great sporting future.

Jack Edwards: Jack was again our captain, and his leadership on the field and the training track was exemplary. With Jack taking a lighter football load without Pigeons or Rep football it was great seeing him enjoy playing. The fact he had a more consistent year was the outcome of the lighter work load. I have no doubt Jack will succeed with either his AFL or his athletic dreams.

Thomas Garrick: Tom has been a great 10 year player and continued his great season from last year with some outstanding performances in both the division 1 and division 2 side. With his improvement and experience gained in division 1 this year he will be a great player again next year.

Will Grant: Will has a natural athletic ability, can read the play well and has a quiet aggression once he crosses the white line. I would love to see Will really commit to his AFL at training as I believe he has a great future ahead.

Taylor Gray: T started out playing a new position for him across half forward, but quickly resumed his role in the midfield and after a slow start to the year came along in a flourish. He missed a couple of games due to Rugby injuries, so I can only imagine how consistent his season would have been if he could have strung more games together.

Richard Hall: As always Richard was applied at training as well as his assisting the development of younger players. He has a great knowledge of the game and knows where to put himself to get the ball. The growth spurt up will really help his football, with some additional weight he has the chance to be a great footballer.

Luke Hayward: Cheeseburger missed more games than I would have liked this year, but his presence when around the club was that of determination and a real aspiration to improve his football. Especially his goal kicking, I have never seen anyone try so hard at training to kick goals... and miss. At least he nailed most of them during the game. Good luck with the future football endeavours mate.

Marshall Lee: Marshall started out the year on fire, and was doing a great job at backing up his best and fairest performance of last year. His run and dash off the half back line, or backing up in the ruck with his great leap was outstanding this year. Unfortunately a hairline fracture in his foot would end his 2010 season prematurely. As long as he continues to apply himself at training and on the field his football will continue to improve.

Mitchell Moroney: Mitch is another one of Drummoyne quiet achievers, he has a great determination and is fierce at each contest. Mitch was another that missed a lot of football this year, but would have a great future in AFL ahead if he applies himself.

Ned Newton: Ned is one of many Drummoyne AFL players that also plays a high level of rugby. He really commits to his sport and applies himself at training and on game day to provide a great level of sportsmanship and ability. Another Drummoyne player that has great sporting potential.

Ben Parbury: Ben is a player who has come along in leaps and bounds this year. He has a great commitment to his team and makes a fantastic effort on game day and at training. This commitment has shown through with another greatly improved season this year. Ben fronted up for two games in a weekend most weekends, he loves a goal and kicked quite a few this year!

Thomas Perez: Tom was injured quite a few times this year and missed a few games. As our vice captain he showed good aggression on the field, sometimes a little miss directed but Tom was there to backup his team mates. Toms voice and on-field presence are a real asset to his football.

Max Queenan: Max, a natural soccer player really seems more suited towards AFL with his love of aggression and attack at the ball! He really enjoyed his football and became an integral part of the team. Great fitness, aggression and a real passion for his team mates, Max would be an integral part of any sporting team.

Kristian Ringer: Kristian's years in under 16s football have been very transitional as he went from the tallest, to an average size player. He has coped well with the change and has really embraced the new roles, either as an in an under midfielder, half forward or half back flanker. He will keep adjusting well to new positions and this will suit as he transitions into under 18's.

Jack Scott: Jack continually put in extra on the training track and after missing a lot of pre season he made a huge effort getting himself up to the required fitness levels. He showed a great passion for his team mates and improving his game. If Jack applies himself to all he endeavours with the same commitment he will go far.

Hugh Shouldice: Big Red had trouble starting the year after tearing his hamstring. After getting himself fit with some extra training on the track he came straight back into playing some good football. He is another with a great dedication, highlighted by some concussions and presence at every training session!

Liam Travers: Chicken trained extra hard this year and it showed in his division one games. He really committed himself and playing off the half back against Wests earned himself best on ground. A big pre season, and better push up form will give Chicken a great season in 2011.

Luke Vevers: Another rugby player that just happens to excel at AFL as well. Great run, attack, and commitment are all outstanding qualities for any sport he plays. The only problem is that Luke didn't get to play enough games with us this year!! I know that if Luke plays AFL or Rugby he will continue at a very high standard.

Matthew Vicic: Matt had a fine year and played not only all games in division one but backed up and played some division two games as well. His umpiring background gives him a great understanding of the game and he really utilises it well. With a few more kg's on his frame will have a stellar 2011 in under 16's.

Mitchell Wood: Mitch played some great games for us this year, starting out with an outstanding game against Glebe where he took some fantastic contested marks. Mitch could play some great football next year if he commits himself.

UNDER 16'S DIVISION 2

Coach's Report - **Darren Lewtas**



To the Div 2 players this year I'd like to extend a great vote of thanks. We had to abandon our own games at times to bolster the Div 1 side and every player in true Club First spirit was keen to help the first Division in whatever way requested. At times a frustrating season given the uncertainty of both the draw and the weather but I feel that this group of players benefitted well from training together with their Div I team mates and the wisdom passed on by Mik.

Thanks also to Jon Williamson who assisted for most of the season and we wish him well in his regional teaching appointment.

We had our share of injuries, losses, a couple of wins and plenty of laughs and look forward to seeing this mostly group of under 15's taking their sport to the next level next year. Thanks to Denise for keeping the paper work in order and the parents who stepped in from time to time to assist.

Darren Lewtas, Under 16's Div 2 Coach

Player Profiles:

Michael Anthony: A small forward playing majority of his time off the backline, Michael was a real asset to the team in terms of his commitment to training

Jeromy Ball: Jez has found a pretty good spot as the go to full forward in the Div 2 side. Good body strength and clean hands found the goals a more than a few times.

Tom Cleary: Tom was another welcome addition to Drummoyne this year and had no misconception about making his presence felt. Strong in defence.

Vince Dizon: Vince was a very welcome addition to Drummoyne as we were always on the lookout for some extra dash. Handy as a centre rotation and clever off the wing..

Vance Dizon: As with Vince a great rotation Centre for the div two side with very good foot skills always ready to attack the footy.

Thomas Garrick: Tom has been a great 10 year player and continued his great season from last year with some outstanding performances in both the division 1 and division 2 side. With his improvement and experience gained in division 1 this year he will be a great player again next year.

Daniel Johnston: Daniel has had a good development year his commitment to the team and his willingness to recruit his mates should not go unnoticed. Happy to play wherever he is needed and handy when the pressure is on the defence.

Mason Lewtas: Mason Vice Captained the 2nd Div side and becomes one of the few Drummoyne 10 year players. Always ready to back up for the First Div on whatever role required spent most of his season playing the small forward and snatched a few goals along the way.

Conor May: Conor takes the tough man role for the div 2 side always ready to stand for his mates. Conor's fitness has improved out of sight and his football skills continue to grow.

Hugh McLean: Mel was a welcome addition to the Div 2 side from Country NSW and brought with him a style of football that we don't get often from city players.

Mitchell Maroney: Mitch is another one of Drummoyne quiet achievers; he has a great determination and is fierce at each contest. Mitch was another that missed a lot of football this year, but would have a great future in AFL ahead if he applies himself.

Ryan Nelson: Ryan's football just gets better. A very quiet guy who doesn't say much on or off the field but as soon as there's a hard ball get across half back Guess who's there? Great runs. Great GND

Ned Newton: Ned is one of many Drummoyne AFL players that also plays a high level of rugby. He really commits to his sport and applies himself at training and on game day to provide a great level of sportsmanship and ability. Another Drummoyne player that has great sporting potential.

Hayden Laws: H is a tough nut, takes manning up as seriously as required. Good to have him in defensive line ups, always shows plenty of passion

Ben Rogers: Ben has brought some midfield speed to the Div 2 side. Plenty of passion here and always knows the way forward

Bill Shipway: Bill as Captain of the Div 2 side started out the season in fine form a broken leg saw him watching from the sidelines for most of the season but he was still there Great Club Spirit

Ben Spencer: Ben has had a great year as a first year player Doubling in both divisions where possible a committed young sportsman who will succeed at whichever code he continues with

Jonathan Spencer: Johnno never takes a backward step. Commitment 100% of the time. A Sheedy-like back pocket, as tough as the game gets.

Jake Welsh: Big Bird has continued to improve. His position seemed a bit more stable this year as the Div 2 Full back and the skill level has grown immensely.

Bill Yole: Bill only made it to a few games this year but is always a welcome presence on the field. Slots into the div 2 side with ease, and commands a bit of respect from the opposition.

Callum Nichols: Callum was welcomed back to Drummoyne after a stint at St Ives. Plenty of heart in this bloke. A broken leg against Pennant Hills ended the season early for Callum

CLUB AWARD WINNERS

Under 9's Black

Best & Fairest	Fraser Phillips
Runner-up	Benjamin Williams
Coaches Award	Michael Tomarchio
Best 1 st Year Player	Samuel Bignold

Under 9's Silver

Best & Fairest	Luke Lawrence
Runner-up	Zach Newport
Coaches Award	Nick Jenneke
Most Determined	George Morgan

Under 9's Teal

Best & Fairest	Luke Gallen
Runner-up	James Loughnan
Coaches Award	Henry Cain
Most Improved	Steven Wells

Under 10's

Best & Fairest	Ewan MacDonald
Runner-up	Angus McNamara
Coaches Award	Matthew Sheridan
Rising Star	William Heine
Jack Devine Award	Bailey Cox

Under 11's Black

Best & Fairest	Angus Rankin
Runner-up	Rory Barkley
Coaches Award	Peter Karounis
Courage & Commitment	Lewis McNamara

Under 11's Teal

Best & Fairest	Riley Lucas
Runner-up	Jack James
Coaches Award	Sean McCann
Most Improved	Lars Cramp

Club Award Winners

Under 12's Black

Best & Fairest	Samuel Barkley
Runner-up	Jarryd Fernandes
Coaches Award	Tom Sanders
Most Improved	Edward Gregory

Under 12's Teal

Best & Fairest	Ben Stevanovic
Runner-up	Angus Baker
Coaches Award	Sandy Henderson
Rising Star	Louis Gray

Under 13's Division 2

Best & Fairest	Ethan Willis
Runner-up	Luke Egan
Coaches Award	Max Thomas
Most Improved	James Ford

Under 14's Division 2

Best & Fairest	Jordon Trovato
Runner-up	Nicholas Garrick
Coaches Award	Tomas Edwards
Most Improved	Nick Kuhne

Under 16's Division 1

Best & Fairest (joint)	Taylor Gray
	Jack Edwards
Runner-up	Marshall Lee
Coaches Award	Matthew Vicic
Most Determined	Jack Barnsley

Under 16's Division 2

Best & Fairest	Thomas Garrick
Runner-up	Ben Rogers
Coaches Award	Ty Brady

PLAYER MILESTONES

Since the founding in 1999 there have been 142 players (out of the 881 registrations) who have achieved the career milestone of playing in 50 or more games with Drummoyne Power JAFC. Reflecting the growth of the Club through that period, 78 of these Power veterans were in action during the current season.

Players who reached a career milestone during season 2010 were:

Player	Team	Milestone
Garrick, Thomas	16's	150
Chan, Ka Yin	14's	100
Ferguson, Mitchell	14's	100
Vicic, Matthew	16's	100
Cox, Bailey	10's	50
Doyle, Tommy	12's - Teal	50
Durack, Darby	11's - Teal	50
Durrant, Cameron	14's	50
Edwards, Jack	16's	50
Ford, Brendan	9's - Silver	50
Gibbs, Charlie	11's - Teal	50
Gibbs, Jack	14's	50
Gray, Taylor	16's	50
Kerr, Joshua	10's	50
Lambropoulos, Michael	10's	50
Laz, Matthew	14's	50
McNamara, Angus	10's	50
McNamara, Lewis	11's - Black	50
Newton, Ned	16's	50
Ringer, Phillip	10's	50
Robertson, Alexander	14's	50
Sanders, Benjamin	10's	50
Sanders, Tom	12's - Black	50
Vervoort, Sebastian	12's - Teal	50
Kemp-Rumens, Oliver	14's	50

Fixtures in season 2010 were disrupted with three rained out weekends and only some teams managed to catch up any lost fixtures. Worst affected were the u13s who, with byes and rained out games, took the field just 10 times in the season proper. So it wasn't a good season for those AFL devotees for whom too much football is just never enough. Only 21 boys played 15 or more games during the season. None-the-less the more intractable still managed to get their annual dose of leather poisoning. The "Iron Horse Award" goes to Dylan Higgs, closely followed by Ben Sanders and Ben Vozzo.

Player	Team	Total
Higgs, Dylan	12's - Teal	12
	13's	12
	14's	1
		25
Sanders, Benjamin	10's	7
	11's - Black	11
	12's - Black	4
		22
Vozzo, Ben	12's - Teal	1
	13's	12
	14's	8
		21

DRUMMOYNE POWER HONOUR BOARD

“##” Denotes currently registered and playing in 2010

NB during the formative years of the Club, at the discretion of the Committee, players who joined Drummoyne Power were recognized for their games played from other district Clubs, along with other fixtures including representative games and Little League appearances.

200 GAMES

Dixon, Raph 228 (1999-02)
 Lewis, Gregory 228 (1999-03)
 Parker, Mark 204 (1999-03)

150 GAMES

Lee, Marshall 188 ## (2008-10)
 Hall, Richard 172 ## (2001-10)
 Mangal, Hamid 156 (1999-03)
 Garrick, Thomas 153 ## (2000-10)
 Clancy, Nathan 152 (1999-02)
 Farrell, Jerome 150 (1999-03)

100 GAMES

Enderby, James 148 ## (2001-10)	Bertino, Nicholas 119 ## (2003-10)
Considine, Todd 146 (2000-07)	Chard, Tom 117 (2001-09)
Douma, Matthew 140 (1999-01)	MacPhee, Paul 116 (2000-05)
Higgs, Dylan 136 ## (2003-10)	Vicic, Matthew 115 ## (2004-10)
O'Dea, Alex 135 (2003-09)	Rowe, Fletcher 111 (2002-07)
Lewtas, Mason 133 ## (2001-10)	Bowles, Damien 109 (1999-03)
Kerrison, Jacob 131 (2001-09)	Brockway, Adam 109 (2000-06)
Bertino, Adam 131 ## (2002-10)	Chan, Ka Yin 108 ## (2003-10)
Sansom, Jake 128 (2001-09)	Ferguson, Mitchell 104 ## (2004-10)
Scott, Jack 125 ## (2003-10)	Cahill, Lachlan 103 (2001-07)
Shouldice, Hugh 121 ## (2005-10)	

50 GAMES

Barrett, Tim 95 (2003-07)	Kenzler, Timothy 71 ## (2005-10)
Vozzo, Ben 94 ## (2005-10)	Barkley, Samuel 71 ## (2006-10)
Garrick, Nicholas 94 ## (2005-10)	Rowe, Liam 71 (2001-05)
Barrett, Tom 94 (2003-07)	McLean, Lachlan 71 ## (2006-10)
Foster, Izaac 93 ## (2003-10)	Willis, Jordan 70 ## (2004-10)
Nelson, Xavier 92 ## (2004-10)	Ringer, Kristian 70 ## (2006-10)
Barnsley, Jack 91 ## (2005-10)	Walton, Luke 69 ## (2006-10)
Soames, Mitchell 91 (2002-07)	Thompson, Joshua 69 (2004-07)
O'Donoghue, Jack 89 ## (2004-10)	Barkley, Rory 68 ## (2006-10)
Lenton, Elijah 89 ## (2004-10)	Uyeda, Lachlan 68 (2004-09)
Vicic, Zoe 88 (2004-09)	Hassett, Michael 68 (2004-07)
Garrick, Jonathon 87 ## (2003-10)	Lucas, Riley 68 ## (2005-10)
Grant, William 86 ## (2005-10)	Matheson, Callum 67 (2000-05)
Vozzo, Joel 86 ## (2005-10)	Strater, Scott 66 (1999-03)
Barnett, Jeremy 85 (2002-06)	Queenan, Thomas 65 ## (2006-10)
McCann, Edward 85 (2000-06)	Egan, Luke 65 ## (2006-10)
Patton, Rhys 83 ## (2004-10)	McCauley, Gabriel 65 (2004-07)
Nelson, Ryan 82 ## (2004-10)	Doyle, Brendan 65 ## (2006-10)
Sheridan, Matthew 81 ## (2005-10)	Jenkins, Brendan 65 (2004-07)
Campbell, Alexander 80 (2001-05)	Cox, Bailey 65 ## (2006-10)
Willis, Ethan 79 ## (2004-10)	Ford, Nicholas 65 ## (2006-10)
Vozzo, Jack 79 ## (2005-10)	Anderson, Lachlan 64 (2005-09)
Ringer, Joseph 79 ## (2006-10)	Shepherd, Matthew 64 (2003-09)
Anthony, Michael 78 ## (2003-10)	Crocker, Edward 64 ## (2005-10)
Anthony, William 78 ## (2004-10)	Bateson, Billy 63 (2005-09)
Thomsett, Jack 78 (2003-09)	Perez, Tomas 63 ## (2004-10)
Bourke, Oliver 77 ## (2005-10)	Paul, Joshua 63 ## (2006-10)
Rankin, Angus 77 ## (2005-10)	Bowden, Lloyd 63 (2000-04)
Patton, Lewis 77 ## (2005-10)	McNamara, Angus 62 ## (2007-10)
Burgess, Lachlan 77 ## (2005-10)	Ferreira, Gabrielle 62 (2004-08)
Storan, Liam 75 ## (2006-10)	Ford, Brendan 62 ## (2006-10)
Tilyard, Daniel 74 (2003-09)	Comtesse, Sean 62 (1999-01)
Wilson, Alistair 73 (2002-08)	Dusevic, Joe 62 ## (2006-10)

Hine, Lachlan 61 (2002-05)
Fish, Justin 60 (2005-08)
Laz, Matthew 60 ## (2007-10)
Sanders, Benjamin 60 ## (2007-10)
Kirkby, Jack 60 (2002-06)
Bull, Nicholas 59 (1999-01)
Chomley, Bernie 59 (2001-04)
Maylon, Nicholas 59 (2003-06)
Edwards, Jack 59 ## (2007-10)
Firmin, Joshua 59 (2002-05)
Wilmot, Lachlan 58 (1999-99)
Nicholls, Callum 57 ## (2005-10)
Durack, Darby 57 ## (2006-10)
Durrant, Cameron 56 ## (2007-10)
Kerr, Joshua 56 ## (2007-10)
Kennedy, William 56 (2002-05)
Blundell, Briar 56 (2005-09)
Barrett, Jack 55 (2003-06)
Fish, Austin 55 (2005-08)
Vervoort, Sebastian 55 ## (2006-10)
Barnett, Daniel 54 (2004-07)
Gardner, Luke 54 (2005-08)
Robertson, Alexander 54 ## (2006-10)

Sanders, Tom 54 ## (2007-10)
Cividin, Sam 54 (2006-09)
Layoun, Brandon 54 (2006-09)
Nelson, Nick 54 (1999-99)
Ferreira, Sean 53 (2005-08)
McNamara, Lewis 53 ## (2007-10)
Edwards, Anton 53 (2005-08)
Gibbs, Charlie 53 ## (2006-10)
Doyle, Tommy 53 ## (2007-10)
Fotea, Sebastian 53 (2005-08)
Lambropoulos, Michael 53 ## (2007-10)
Gray, Taylor 53 ## (2006-10)
Robinson, Brent 52 (2004-06)
Williamson, Selina 52 (2004-08)
Gibbs, Jack 52 ## (2006-10)
Harmer, Alexander 51 (2000-05)
Bailey, James 51 (2003-06)
Ryan, Jared 51 (2003-06)
Kemp-Rumens, Oliver 50 ## (2007-10)
Newton, Ned 50 ## (2007-10)
King, Pandu 50 (2000-03)
Ringer, Phillip 50 ## (2006-10)
Brundle, Liam 50 (2003-06)

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

Angus Baker (Under 12 Teal)	Represented NSW Under 12 Schools at the National Championships in Perth. Awarded "Best Player NSW (U12) 2010" Greater Sydney Juniors North Shore under 12s
Rory Barkley (Under 11 Black)	Under 10 City West Juniors
Nick Bertino (Under 14)	Sydney City under 13 Representatives squad Sydney U13 Pigeons squad
Brendan Doyle (Under 9 Black)	Swans Academy training squad under 9s Stage 2
Tom Doyle (Under 12 Teal)	Greater Sydney Juniors City Under 12s
Luke Egan (Under 13)	Sydney City under 13 Representative squad
Mitchell Ferguson (Under 14)	Sydney City under 14 Representative squad Sydney U14 Pigeons squad
Brendan Ford (Under 9 Silver)	Swans Academy training squad under 9s Stage 2
Elijah Lenton (under 13)	Sydney City under 13 Representative squad
Lewis McNamara (Under 11 Black)	Under 11 Sydney Harbour Juniors
Xavier Nelson (Under 13)	Sydney City under 13 Representative squad
Fraser Phillips (Under 9 Black)	Swans Academy training squad under 9s Stage 2
Angus Rankin (Under 11 Black)	Under 11 Sydney Harbour Juniors
Alex Robertson (Under 14)	Sydney City under 14 Representative squad
Liam Storan (Under 12 Teal)	Greater Sydney Juniors City Under 12s
Max Thomas (Under 13)	Sydney U13 Pigeons squad
Jordon Trovato (Under 14)	Sydney City under 14 Representative squad
Ethan Willis (Under 13)	Sydney U13 Pigeons training squad Sydney City under 13 Representative squad
Matt Wilson (Under 13)	Sydney City under 13 Representatives Sydney U13 Pigeons squad
Joel Vozzo (Under 14)	Sydney City under 14 Representative squad

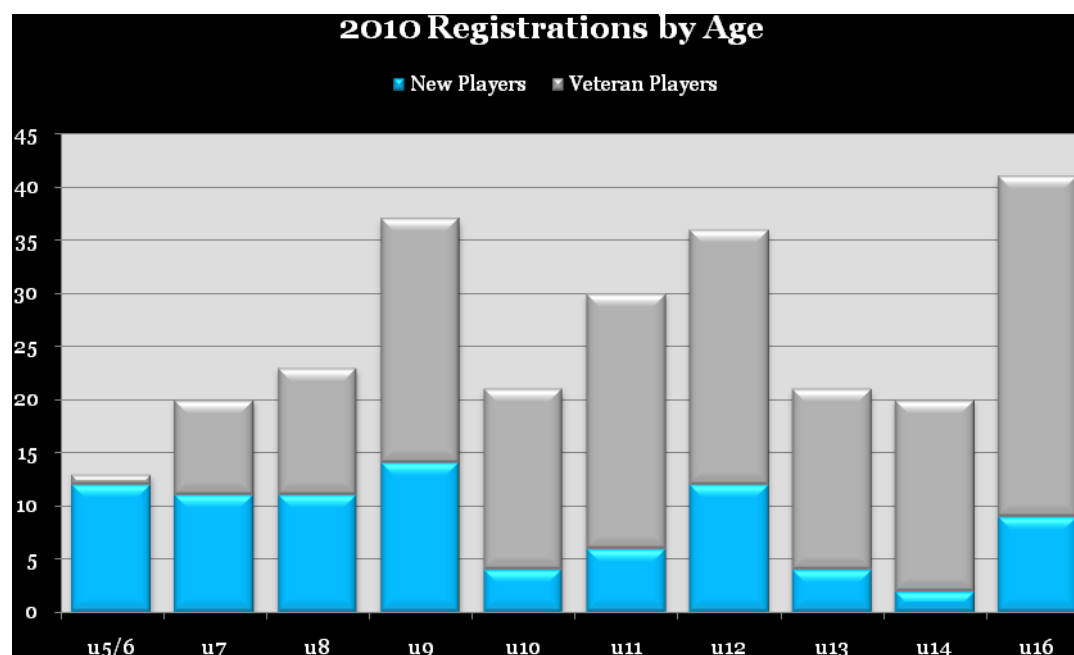
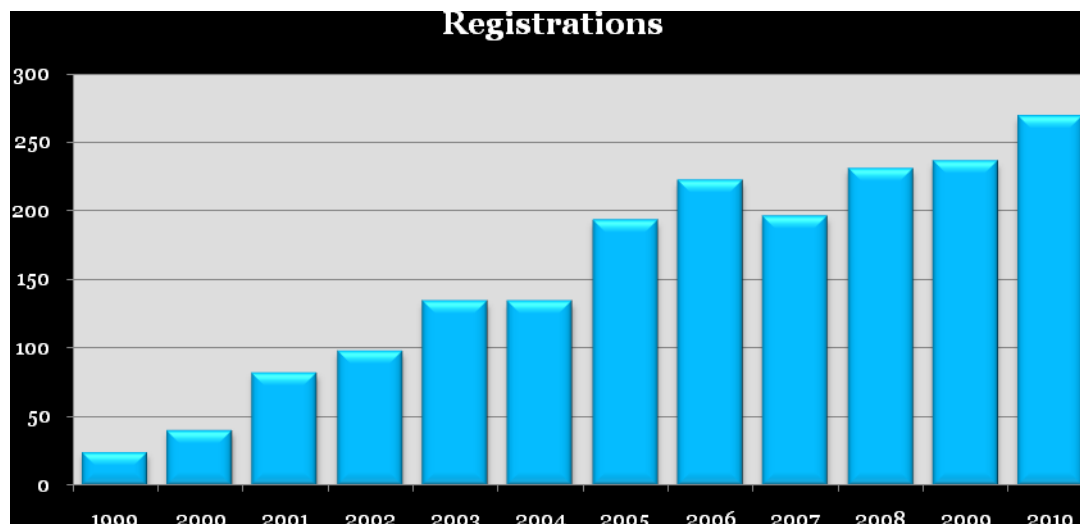
GREATER SYDNEY JUNIORS OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Under 9	Ryan Shirlaw, Josh Paul, Blaise McKee
Under 10	Thomas Queenan
Under 11	Sean McCann, Peter Karounis
Under 12	Louis Gray, Issac Foster
Umpires Silver Whistle Award	Matthew Vivic

DRUMMOYNE POWER CLUB STATISTICS

In season 2010 Drummoyne Power's total player registrations were 269, an increase of 16% over the 2009 total registrations of 232.

In round #2 (24th & 26th March) 2010 a total of 246 players took the field in the black, silver and teal colours.



Registration	Season	Name
1st	1999	Raph Dixon
100th	2001	Sean Pollick
200th	2003	Max Friend
300th	2004	Dominic Vicars
400th	2005	Joel Vozzo
500th	2006	Joshua Paul
600th	2007	Tom Sanders
700th	2008	Klaus Kazamia
800th	2010	Alistair Davies

DRUMMOYNE POWER CLUB HISTORICAL RECORDS

As the unofficially appointed Club archivist, (and No, No, No, Mr. Bertino, I do not want that half pallet of unopened boxes of indeterminate stuff that are cluttering up your garage!!! ☺) it was noticed that our early Club records had been kept with more regard to quantity than quality. There were literally whole years missing from the historical record. A call was sent out to those current parents who were involved in the formative years and they responded in number. Attics were raided, ancient boxes of files destuffed, photo albums scrutinized. There were a squad of helpful contributors, but in particular I would acknowledge Donald MacPhee whose treasure trove included source documents that filled the great dark void of season 2005.

Since 1999 Drummoyne Power has 881 registered players. To accommodate them all, the club has fielded 92 registered teams that have been marshalled by 40 individual coaches, who in turn were supported by 62 individual managers. This rich lode of footy smarts was drawn from over 600 participating families. That's nearly 1 in 6 Power families who've volunteered their time and enthusiasm to the operations and functions of the Club, as well as the titans on whose shoulders the Club has risen.

We now have an (almost) complete record of every team, their coach, manager and the player awards since the Club's founding.

For the record, to both acknowledge the generous assistance and as a back-up so that this information does not disappear again into the ether, I have included the following tables. If there are any blanks that you can fill in, please let me know.

Kind regards,

Graeme Durrant

Registrar

Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer	Registrar	Football Manager	Auskick Coordinator	Club Person of the Year
1999	Dixon, Phil	Clancy, Sean	Wilmont, Robyn	Wilmont, Robyn	Nelson, Phil			Phil Dixon
2000	Dixon, Phil		Douma, Leo	Smith, Mike	Nelson, Phil			Jean Reid
2001	Bowles, Mick		Douma, Leo	Smith, Mike	Farrell, Brian	Dixon, Phil		Rhonda Comtesse
2002	Bowles, Mick		Lewtas, Darren	Smith, Mike	Farrell, Brian		Lewtas, Darren	Lynnette Garrick
2003	Bowles, Mick		Lewtas, Darren	Garrick, David	Farrell, Brian		Lewtas, Darren	Kim Bertino
2004	Bowles, Mick		Lewtas, Darren	Garrick, David	Chomley, Peter		Lewtas, Darren	Frances Lewtas
2005	Bowles, Mick		Lewtas, Darren	Garrick, David	Bertino, Rod		Higgs, Peter	Janine Firman
2006	Lewtas, Darren	Brockway, Lindsay	Nelson, Gavin	Garrick, David	Bertino, Rod	Hall, Kevin	Higgs, Peter	Natasha Sansom
2007	Lewtas, Darren	Brockway, Lindsay	Nelson, Gavin	Garrick, David	Bertino, Rod	Hall, Kevin	Higgs, Peter	Julianne Ferriera
2008	Lewtas, Darren	Nelson, Gavin	Garrick, David	Edwards, Anna	Bertino, Rod	Bertino, Rod	Higgs, Peter	Anna Edwards
2009	Lewtas, Darren	Sanders, David	Nelson, Gavin	Edwards, Anna	Bertino, Rod	Bertino, Rod	Higgs, Peter	Bonita Nelson

PAST CLUB TEAM OFFICIALS

Year	Team	Coach	Support	Manager	Assistant	Position
1999	Under 12	Dixon, Phil		Smith, Mike		Premiers
2000	Under 10	Bowden, Kenton		Youngman, Adrian		Preliminary finalists
2000	Under 12	Manuel, Garry		Deane, Stephen		Semi-finalists
2000	Under 13	Dixon, Phil		Smith, Mike	Buchan, Graham	Premiers
2000	Under 16	Adams, Peter		Hunt, Jeff		
2001	Auskick	Lewtas, Darren		Lewtas, Francis		
2001	Under 10	Considine, Ross		Salmon, John		
2001	Under 11	Bowden, Kenton		Bull, John		
2001	Under 13	Grundell, Harold		Simpson, Peter		
2001	Under 14	Dixon, Phil		Smith, Mike		
2002	Auskick	Lewtas, Darren		Lewtas, Francis		
2002	Under 10	Chard, Steve	Hall, Kevin	Chomley, Peter		
2002	Under 12	Bowden, Kenton		Bull, John		
2003	Auskick	Lewtas, Darren		Lewtas, Francis		
2003	Under 10	Hall, Kevin	Chard, Steve	Caligiore, Fernando		Premiers
2003	Under 12	Campbell, Peter		MacPhee, Donald		Semi-finalists
2003	Under 14	Bowden, Kenton		Sullivan, Greg		
2003	Under 16	Adams, Peter				
Year	Team	Coach	Support	Manager	Assistant	Position
2004	Auskick	Lewtas, Francis		Lewtas, Francis		

2004	Under 10	Hall, Kevin		Brundle, Bob		Preliminary finalists
2004	Under 12	Chard, Steve		MacPhee, Donald		Preliminary finalists
2004	Under 14	Lewtas, Darren		Kerrison, Paul		
2005	Auskick	Higgs, Peter		Uyeda, Kevin		
2005	Under 9	Sullivan, John		Firmin, Andrew		Grand finalists
2005	Under 10	Sansom, Jason		Currie, Denise		Grand finalists
2005	Under 11 Black	Hall, Kevin		Brundle, Bob		Grand finalists
2005	Under 11 Teal	Robinson, Paul		Bertino, Rod		
2005	Under 12	Chard, Steve		Soames, Carmel		
2005	Under 14	Campbell, Peter		MacPhee, Donald		
2005	Under 15	Lewtas, Darren		Robinson, Paul		
2006	Under 5	Ferreira, John		Ferreira, Julianne		
2006	Under 6	Bateson, Paul		Wallin, Leo		
2006	Under 7	Uyeda, Kevin		Crocker, Piers		
2006	Under 8	Higgs, Peter		Blundell, Lidia		
2006	Under 9	Lewtas, Darren		Lenton, Tracey		
2006	Under 10	Foran, Paul		Loneragan, Peter		Semi-finalists
2006	Under 11	Sansom, Jason		Currie, Denise		Semi-finalists
2006	Under 12	Hall, Kevin		Brundle, Bob		Grand finalists
2006	Under 13	Considine, Ross		Soames, Carmel		Grand finalists
2006	Under 14	Wilson, Craig		Maylon, Jeff		
2006	Under 15	Lewtas, Darren		Robinson, Paul		
2007	Under 5/6	Ferreira, John		Ford, Noel		
2007	Under 7	Bateson, Paul		Ferreira, Julianne		
2007	Under 8	Uyeda, Kevin		Anderson, JulieAnn	Burgess, Amanda	
2007	Under 9 Silver	Lewtas, Darren		Barkley, Selina		
2007	Under 9 Teal	Higgs, Peter		Blundell, Lidia		
2007	Under 10	Lewtas, Darren		Lenton, Tracey		
2007	Under 11	Foran, Paul		Dowd, Scott		Semi-finalists
2007	Under 12	Sansom, Jason		Currie, Denise		
2007	Under 13	Hall, Kevin		Brundle, Bob		Semi-finalists
2007	Under 14	Wilson, Craig		McDonald, Judith		
2007	Under 16	Lewtas, Darren		McMillan, Richard		
2008	Under 5/6	Bateson, Paul		Brown, Gabrielle		
2008	Under 7	Walton, Adrian	Ford, Noel	Loughnan, Jenny		
2008	Under 8 Silver	Vogrig, Darren		Lambropoulos, Nicholas		
2008	Under 8 Teal	McNamara, Anthony	Parker, Mark	Ferreira, Julianne	Queenan, Jodie	
2008	Under 9 Silver	Burgess, Glen		Anderson, JulieAnn	Burgess, Amanda	
2008	Under 9 Teal	Higgs, Peter		O'Brien, Lindy		
2008	Under 10 Silver	O'Donoghue, John		Barkley, Selina		
2008	Under 10 Teal	Ferreira, John		Blundell, Lidia		
2008	Under 11	Sansom, Jason		Lenton, Tracey		
2008	Under 12	Ringer, Simon	Vozzo, Alex	Enderby, Ken		
2008	Under 13	Lewtas, Darren		Currie, Denise		
2008	Under 14	Hall, Kevin		Brundle, Bob		Preliminary finalists
2009	Under 5/6	Bateson, Paul		Hogg, Elizabeth		
2009	Under 7	Loughrey, Hugh		Brown, Gabrielle		
2009	Under 8	Walton, Adrian	Ford, Noel	Morgan, Nicole	Paul, Kara	
2009	Under 9	McNamara, Anthony		Queenan, Jodie		
2009	Under 10 Silver	Burgess, Glen		Anderson, JulieAnn		
2009	Under 10 Teal	Uyeda, Kevin	Lewtas, Darren	O'Brien, Lindy		
2009	Under 11 Silver	O'Donoghue, John		Foster, David		
2009	Under 11 Teal	Storan, Noel		Cividin, Mark		
2009	Under 12	Sansom, Jason		Lenton, Tracey		
2009	Under 13	Ringer, Simon	Vozzo, Alex	Garrick, David		Premiers
2009	Under 14	Lewtas, Darren		Currie, Denise		
2009	Under 16	Car, Mik		Brundle, Bob	Edwards, Anna	Grand finalists

PAST AWARD WINNERS

Year	Team	Best & Fairest	Runner Up	Coaches Award	Jack Devine Award
1999	Under 12				
2000	Under 10	Dixon, Sebastian	Clancy, Lachlan		
2000	Under 12	O'Reilly, Robert			
2000	Under 13	Bowles, Damien			
2000	Under 16				
2001	Under 10	Salmon, Eliot	Bradley, River	Carrington-Parker, Daniel	
2001	Under 11				
2001	Under 13				
2001	Under 14				
2002	Under 10	Chomley, Bernie	MacPhee, Paul	Lewis, Joshua	
2002	Under 12	De Silva, Kiran	Matheson, Callum	Bain, Mitchell	
2003	Under 10	Barrett, Tom	Barrett, Tim	McCann, Edward	
2003	Under 12	Salmon, Eliot	Barrett, Jack	MacPhee, Paul	
2003	Under 14	Bain, Mitchell	Matheson, Callum		
2003	Under 16				
2004	Under 10	Hall, Richard	Cahill, Lachlan	Anthony, Michael	Kerrison, Jacob
2004	Under 12	Chomley, Bernie	Barrett, Tim	Barrett, Tom	
2004	Under 14	Matheson, Callum	Bray, Bogart	Chapman, Sam	
2005	Under 9	Chan, Ka Yin	Enderby, James		
2005	Under 10	Miller, Toukie	Anthony, Michael	Nelson, Ryan	Gilfedder, Jack
2005	Under 11 Black	Hall, Richard	Kerrison, Jacob	Barnsley, Jack	
2005	Under 11 Teal	Hopkins, Mark	Edwards, Anton	Spork, Jack	
2005	Under 12				
2005	Under 14	Chapman, Sam	Rowe, Liam	Barrett, Jack	
2005	Under 15				
2006	Under 9	Bertino, Nicholas	Tilyard, Daniel	Nelson, Xavier	
2006	Under 10	Chan, Ka Yin	Fish, Justin	Ringer, Joseph	Enderby, James
2006	Under 11	Vicic, Matthew	Crysell, Tom	Fish, Austin	
2006	Under 12	Hall, Richard	Barnsley, Jack	Frigo, Adam	
2006	Under 13	Barrett, Tim	Considine, Todd	Barrett, Tom	
2006	Under 14	Brockway, Adam	Burrell, Hamish	Wood, Sam	
2006	Under 15	Sharkey, Matthew	Munday, David	Brockway, Adam	
2007	Under 9 Silver	Barkley, Samuel	Layoun, Brandon	Storan, Liam	
2007	Under 9 Teal	Vozzo, Ben	Cividin, Sam	Blundell, Briar	
2007	Under 10	Higgs, Dylan	Egan, Luke	Bertino, Nicholas	Lawrence, Dominic
2007	Under 11	Fish, Justin	Peters, Dwayne	Garrick, Nicholas	
2007	Under 12	Crysell, Tom	Vicic, Matthew	Fish, Austin	
2007	Under 13	Ringer, Kristian	Edwards, Jack	Barnsley, Jack	
2007	Under 14	Considine, Todd	Barrett, Tim	Soames, Mitchell	
2007	Under 16	Brockway, Adam	Ferguson, Christopher	Robinson, Brent	
2008	Under 9 Silver	Barkley, Rory	Stevanovic, Ben	Burgess, Lachlan	
2008	Under 9 Teal	Lucas, Riley	Dusevic, Joe	Gupta, Rohan	
2008	Under 10 Silver	Barkley, Samuel	Nicholls, Eden	Layoun, Brandon	
2008	Under 10 Teal	Blundell, Briar	Doyle, Tommy	Cividin, Sam	Storan, Liam
2008	Under 11	Bertino, Nicholas	Lenton, Elijah	Perry, Alexander	
2008	Under 12	Trovato, Jordon	Evans, Josh	Enderby, James	
2008	Under 13	Thomsett, Jack	Shipway, Bill	Sansom, Jake	
2008	Under 14	Grant, William	Ringer, Kristian	Edwards, Jack	
2009	Under 9	MacDonald, Ewan	Sheridan, Matthew	Queenan, Thomas	
2009	Under 10 Silver	Barkley, Rory	Rankin, Angus	McNamara, Lewis	
2009	Under 10 Teal	Lucas, Riley	Gupta, Rohan	Devenish, William	Durack, Darby
2009	Under 11 Silver	Barkley, Samuel	Kesbah, Adam	Adgemis, Nicholas	
2009	Under 11 Teal	Baker, Angus	Doyle, Tommy	Blundell, Briar	
2009	Under 12	Bertino, Nicholas	Wilson, Matthew	Egan, Luke	
2009	Under 13	Garrick, Nicholas	Golder, Ryan	Trovato, Jordon	
2009	Under 14	Shipway, Bill	Vicic, Matthew	Garrick, Thomas	
2009	Under 16	Lee, Marshall	Ringer, Kristian	Bertino, Adam	

AFL SEASON 2010 REVIEW

ROUND 22 LADDER

AFL LADDER						
TEAMS	P	W	L	D	%	PTS
 Collingwood	22	17	4	1	141.7	70
 Geelong	22	17	5	0	147.9	68
 St. Kilda	22	15	6	1	121.6	62
 Western Bulldogs	22	14	8	0	125.4	56
 Sydney	22	13	9	0	108.3	52
 Fremantle	22	13	9	0	103.9	52
 Hawthorn	22	12	9	1	110.7	50
 Carlton	22	11	11	0	108.1	44
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 North Melbourne	22	11	11	0	87.4	44
 Port Adelaide	22	10	12	0	82.4	40
 Adelaide	22	9	13	0	94.3	36
 Melbourne	22	8	13	1	94.5	34
 Brisbane	22	7	15	0	82.2	28
 Essendon	22	7	15	0	80.3	28
 Richmond	22	6	16	0	73.0	24
 West Coast	22	4	18	0	77.1	16

P = played

W = won

L = lost

D = drawn

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Collingwood Magpies

The Pies achieved the ultimate success for the first time in 20 years, with everything finally falling in to place

What went right

Darren Jolly and Luke Ball. Collingwood gave up some pretty handy picks and got their men. The contribution made by the former Swan and Saint in 2010 was profound. Initially there was some criticism, but the pair worked into the year superbly.

Many wondered whether appointing Nathan Buckley to a succession plan could work. Could two such strong personalities work side by side together in harmony? Halfway through the partnership the relationship remains intact, and the future of the Pies is in good hands.

It was a dream season for the black and white, a top-four finish, winning straight through to the prelim, belting the reigning premiers there and then finally ... The ultimate success.

What went wrong

Brad Dick fell victim to a shoulder injury in 2010 and was the one member of the senior list not to get a good crack at it.

Josh Fraser's slide from No.1 ruckman to VFL regular was disappointing given the high hopes Pie fans had of seeing he and Jolly team together. However Jolly thrives on doing the bulk of the work himself, leaving Leigh Brown to pinch-hit at other stages.

Perhaps the only unfortunate thing was a few veterans, such as Simon Prestigiacomo, Shane O'Bree, Josh Fraser and Tarkyn Lockyer weren't part of the 22 when the flag was won.

Most valuable player

Dane Swan. The prolific Pie bettered his standout 2009 by taking his game to an even higher plane, winning more possessions, achieving greater clearance numbers and kicking more goals. Put simply, he went from star to superstar in everyone's eyes.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Luke Ball not only wins his share of the ball but does plenty off it to ensure his team is in a better position. It's those selfless acts that quickly endeared him to Pies fans. Ferocious tackling is obvious to all, but Ball's willingness to run and shepherd was inspirational.

Needs a big pre-season

Cameron Wood looks certain to become the No.2 specialist ruckman at Collingwood next year, with Josh Fraser eyeing a fresh chance elsewhere. Wood was okay at VFL level in 2010 but probably hasn't quite progressed as much as hoped. He's still young, so a big summer - and more practice against Darren Jolly - can only do him good.

Trading places

The likes of John Anthony, Paul Medhurst and perhaps even Leon Davis will be of interest to rival clubs, while Josh Fraser is also likely to seek an opportunity elsewhere. The Pies won't want to give up many youngsters that they have developed as they are the future of the club.

St Kilda Saints

St Kilda so nearly snatched a premiership in the first grand final but after a drawn game could not back it up in the replay

What went right

It wasn't the 20-2 season they had last year but the Saints weren't far off it. There were minor lapses throughout the season but overall St Kilda was a formidable force and one of the AFL's best teams.

Brendon Goddard continued to improve. In five years Goddard has gone from a much-maligned No.1 draft pick, to missing a year with a knee injury to one of the league's most consistent and versatile players. This was his best year so far.

Stephen Milne's became more consistent. Often criticised for going missing when the heat is on, Milne stood up when it counted. He made the headlines on several occasions (not always for his goalkicking) but showed true character to

perform despite many potential distractions.

What went wrong

Andrew Lovett. It was a risky move to recruit the former Bomber and it backfired in a dramatic fashion. He never played a game for the Saints but his legacy remains as the court case for his rape charge plays out.

When Nick Riewoldt tore his hamstring tendon in round three and looked set to miss most of the season, the football world wondered if the Saints could survive without him. It turned out they could but it caused a few headaches.

Steven Baker's nine-game suspension after round 13 was a major shock. Although eligible to play from the start of the finals series, his time out and a toe injury he picked up during his ban meant he didn't see any action until the grand final and grand final replay.

Most valuable player

Brendon Goddard had another brilliant year and won his second consecutive All Australian selection. He thoroughly excelled either as a ball-winning midfielder, a rebounding

defender or even on occasion key forward. He has no peer for versatility and should win the Saints' best and fairest.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Lenny Hayes averaged 6.6 tackles per game and his leadership in the absence of Nick Riewoldt was a huge reason behind the Saints' success. His value was evident in the first grand final when he willed his side to a draw, taking out the Norm Smith Medal.

Needs a big pre-season

Tom Lynch will be looking to find plenty of improvement as he approaches his third pre-season as an AFL player. There is an opening for a mid-sized forward at St Kilda and Lynch could be it if he bulks up a little and develops his awareness.

Trading places

Queensland native David Armitage still hasn't re-signed as Gold Coast forms its inaugural AFL list. He still hasn't quite had the opportunities he may have liked even without Luke Ball in the picture and could be looking to a return home to get his break at AFL level.

Geelong Cats

The Cats fell short of a fourth-straight grand final and were dogged by rumours of Gary Ablett heading for the Gold Coast

What went right

Key forward James Podsiadly, who first joined the Cats as a top-up player for their VFL team, was a sensation. Making his AFL debut at the age of 28, Podsiadly finished the home-and-away season with 45 goals and cult-hero status.

Mathew Stokes could so easily have appeared under the heading 'What went wrong'. But after being suspended by the club for seven games following his arrest for cocaine possession, he proved his mental strength by quickly rediscovering his best form.

The Cats kept assistant coach Brenton Sanderson out of Port Adelaide's clutches. Senior coach Mark Thompson is adamant he wants to hand the reigns to Sanderson at the end of the 2011 season, so an unofficial succession plan is now in place.

What went wrong

No cure could be found for Max Rooke's chronic knee problem. The Cats tried everything to get him fit again, but even a trip to the USA to see a renowned knee specialist failed to do the trick, and Rooke was unsighted after round five.

Tom Hawkins failed to emerge as a genuine star player. Hawkins missed a number of games during the middle of the season due to a hot spot in his foot, and when he returned he

was only serviceable. His lack of pace and ability to jump seem his greatest concerns.

Gary Ablett failed to sign a new contract during the season. The constant speculation about whether he is headed to the Gold Coast proved a distraction for everyone.

Most valuable player

While Gary Ablett remains the most talented, it's Joel Selwood who has the greater say in determining whether the Cats win or lose. The point was proven when Selwood picked up only four possessions in the first half of the qualifying final loss to St Kilda, and Geelong fell 33 points behind.

Coach's award for one-percenters

There has been some speculation about whether Cameron Ling still deserves to be in the club's best 22 players, but there's no doubt that when a tough job needs to be done, the Geelong skipper is always prepared to sacrifice his own game to help the team.

Needs a big pre-season

Brad Ottens always seems to miss the bulk of the home-and-away matches before starring in finals. But this lack of continuous footy - he missed 10 games in 2010 due to various injuries - seems to be catching up with him. He looked off the pace this year and needs to get super-fit again.

Trading places

Speculation has been rife all year Gary Ablett will be heading for the Gold Coast and he may be joined by midfielder Nathan Djerrkura who has been in contact with the club seeking more opportunities. Also in that boat is forward Ryan Gamble who only played two senior games this year.

Western Bulldogs

The Bulldogs made their third-straight preliminary final but still couldn't crack it for an elusive grand final berth

What went right

They won enough games to secure a top-four spot before they hit their late season slide. A purple patch between rounds 15 and 19 got them a game clear of Fremantle before illness and injury thwarted their run.

Jarrad Grant showed the first hard evidence of his potential

and they found players in Brodie Moles, Easton Wood, Jordan Roughead and Liam Jones. Grant's form kept him in the side for most of the season and he kicked six goals in round 22 against Essendon.

They played in their third straight preliminary final. A come-from-behind effort against the Sydney Swans in the semi final saw the Dogs set up their second consecutive preliminary against St Kilda despite injury concerns.

What went wrong

They were hit by injury and illness when it mattered most. A respiratory condition swept through the club after round 19

and they lost their next two games, which hurt the confidence of the players on the eve of the finals.

Adam Cooney (hamstring) and Dale Morris (back) went down in round 21 and were ruled out for the season - although Morris came back for the prelim - with Shaun Higgins (thyroiditis) falling after the first final. That was compounded by Brad Johnson, Brian Lake and Tom Williams playing sore in the finals.

They fell in the preliminary final - again. After a strong first half the Dogs were blown away by the Saints with seven goals to one in the third quarter.

Most valuable player

Cooney's last game was essentially against Adelaide in round 19 as he missed the Geelong clash with illness and pinged his hamstring early against the Swans. The midfield struggled in the weeks that followed with Cooney's contested ball toughness and creativity sorely missed.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Morris missed the side's first two finals with a back fracture, but he showed great professionalism and bravery to get himself back for the preliminary final, where he continued to put his body on the line.

Needs a big pre-season

It wasn't the year highly-rated ruckman Ayce Cordy was after given he managed just one VFL game before dislocating a shoulder and requiring season-ending surgery. However, a big pre-season, coupled with the time he spent in the gym this year, could see the talented youngster push for a debut in 2011.

Trading places

Eade said after the preliminary final the Dogs would seek a few trades to top up for another crack in 2011. Players starved of opportunities like Josh Hill and Brennan Stack could be dangled while Andrejs Everitt could attract interest. Jarrod Harbrow appears Gold Coast bound.

Sydney Swans

A potent mix of new faces and mature recruits saw the Sydney Swans start well and finish strongly

What went right

Five players from other clubs arrived in Sydney over summer, and they all proved their worth at different stages. Shane Mumford and Josh Kennedy were fixtures in the midfield, while Mark Seaby, Ben McGlynn and Daniel Bradshaw all made significant contributions when fit.

Four of the club's five 2009 draftees also played senior football in their first years, with winger Lewis Jetta the pick of the bunch, playing all but four home-and-away games. Gary Rohan showed plenty as a versatile tall utility, Trent Dennis-Lane's late-season cameo as a forward was valuable in the run to the finals, and Sam Reid's round 22 debut gave a glimpse of his potential.

The newcomers' contributions were matched by rapid improvement from the Swans' younger brigade. Dan Hannebery starred in his second year and was a deserved winner of the NAB AFL Rising Star award, while Kieren Jack continued his transition from a lockdown specialist to a genuine midfield threat.

What went wrong

Injuries to key players threatened to derail the Swans' campaign. Craig Bolton (achilles) and Seaby (ankle) were done by round six, while key smalls McGlynn and Jarred Moore missed several weeks. Bradshaw only managed a month of good footy in between knee operations, a hamstring ended Lewis Roberts-Thomson's year early, and Craig Bird missed all but four games with a foot stress fracture.

The club set itself to end an eight-game losing streak against Collingwood in round 13. However, all the pre-game tough talk came to nothing as the Magpies had the contest

wrapped up by three-quarter time.

The following week, the Swans' season nearly fell apart. After leading Richmond by more than five goals late in the third term, the Swans capitulated in the last quarter to lose by four points. Had they held on, and also reversed a two-point loss to Hawthorn in round 10, they would have finished fourth and earned the double chance.

Most valuable player

While Jack and McGlynn both have justifiable claims to this title, Adam Goodes remains the club's most important player. It's no coincidence that the Swans' late-season resurgence coincided with his return to the midfield. Goodes produced a stellar month of football from rounds 15 to 19 that reignited the club's season.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Kennedy came to the club from Hawthorn with just 13 games in three years under his belt, but he played like a seasoned veteran. While not flashy, his ability to block for teammates and win his share of clearances was pivotal in the midfield setup. Really came of age with a sensational finals campaign.

Needs a big pre-season

Patrick Veszpremi burst on to the scene late in 2008 with several eye-catching displays in attack, but his career has since stalled. His aerobic capacity and second efforts need to improve, while the defensive side of his game still requires work. If Veszpremi can put it all together, he can still become a key player.

Trading places

Veszpremi and Daniel Currie both struggled to push for senior selection, and they could seek opportunities elsewhere in 2011. Ted Richards played important roles at both ends in the second half of the year, but it's unclear how he fits into the Swans' best 22 when the likes of Roberts-Thomson, Craig Bolton and Bradshaw are fit.

Fremantle Dockers

Fremantle's season went beyond most people's expectations and the feeling is there is better to come

What went right

Fremantle's relentless tackling game, particularly in the forward 50m. Hayden Ballantyne, Chris Mayne, Adam McPhee and defensive forward Matt de Boer led the way, trapping the ball in the side's attacking zone and creating goals.

The midfield capitalised on Aaron Sandilands' ruck dominance. The star ruckman became more efficient with his taps, again leading the league for hit-outs, and clearance specialist David Mundy enjoyed a career-best season as a result.

Mature-age rookie Michael Barlow was a revelation, emerging from obscurity to take the AFL by storm in the first half of the season. He was second favourite for the Brownlow Medal before injury struck. Fellow debutants Nat Fyfe (18 games), Anthony Morabito (23) and Dylan Robertson (13) made valuable contributions.

What went wrong

Barlow's broken leg was undoubtedly the low point of the season. Barlow collided with teammate Rhys Palmer and suffered a clean break high in the leg. The 22-year-old was impossible to replace in the midfield.

Injuries struck at inopportune times, robbing the side of a top-four berth. Key players Luke McPharlin, Greg Broughton, Hayden Ballantyne and Chris Mayne missed football at important stages of the season. Chris Tarrant played just one game after round 13, while Sandilands

missed three late games.

Utility Michael Johnson faced drugs charges after being caught in possession of cocaine outside a Perth nightspot. Johnson was banned by the club for five matches and he didn't return to his best until late in the season.

Most valuable player

Aaron Sandilands made his biggest leap in effectiveness yet and the evidence was in the players around him. The vice-captain lifted his hit-outs to advantage significantly, with Fremantle's onballers, both young and established, flourishing. His ability to follow up and win clearances of his own was incredible.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Matt de Boer made the defensive forward role his own, shutting down the opposition's best rebounder and setting up goals with his relentless defensive pressure. Desperation and courage were features of his game, earning him a new contract on the senior list and the nickname 'Brick Wall' with his teammates.

Needs a big pre-season

Rhys Palmer played 13 games in his first season back from a knee reconstruction and was dropped on the eve of the club's finals campaign. Palmer wasn't expected to reach the heights of his debut year after suffering a long-term injury, but his disposal late in the season was concerning.

Trading places

Chris Tarrant has revived his career as a defender at Fremantle, but there has been relentless speculation about a return to Melbourne. Victorian David Mundy is yet to resign, with Gold Coast and a host of Melbourne clubs interested.

Carlton Blues

Carlton was expected to drop down the ladder without Brendan Fevola but made the finals for the second consecutive year

What went right

Despite much pre-season hand wringing, the Blues - one way or another - covered the loss of Brendan Fevola. A big part of that was the discovery that Eddie Betts, Chris Yarran and Jeff Garlett can play in the same forward line - the 'Three Amigos' are born.

Robbie Warnock finally started to show why the Blues paid a premium for his services. He and Matthew Kreuzer look set to lead the club's ruck division for the next decade.

The Blues played finals. Coach Brett Ratten was put under the microscope a couple of times in the second half of the season, but he delivered another top-eight spot where many had the side sliding in the first year of the post-Fev era.

What went wrong

Much-heralded recruit Brock McLean had a shocking run of injuries in his first year at the club. Battled on, but

eventually had knee surgery late in the season.

Despite amassing enough points to play finals, the Blues didn't string three wins together all season. That maddening inconsistency drove their coach to distraction at times and fixing it will be one of his major off-season projects.

Kreuzer's knee injury was a disaster for the lad and caused a great deal of instability in the ruck, and for the onballers too, for a bit. The loss of boom youngster Kane Lucas was also a blow with fans robbed of the chance to watch his rapid development.

Most valuable player

Chris Judd remains the key to the Blues and is line to win his third straight John Nicholls Medal despite missing the first three games of the season through suspension. He easily leads the contested possession count at the club despite McLean being drafted to help out.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Andrew Carrazzo started the season as a ball-winning, half-back flanker but was asked to sacrifice his game for the good of the team in more of a tagging role as last year's run-with sensation Aaron Joseph settled into a small defender role.

He's one of the coach's real workhorses.

Needs a big pre-season

Andrew Walker needs a big pre-season above the shoulders. He's a fine physical specimen but his apparent lack of intensity at times saw him in and out of the squad late in the season. Picked second overall way back in 2003, Walker should be firmly entrenched by now.

Trading places

For most of the season Sam Jacobs was behind Kreuzer, Warnock and Shaun Hampson and is too good to be someone's fourth ruckman. Shaun Grigg has been linked to Gold Coast and Walker has found himself on the outer this season and might be in need of a change of environment.

Hawthorn Hawks

After a terrible start to the season the Hawks made the finals only to go down to Fremantle in an elimination final

What went right

The Hawks dug themselves out of a massive hole at 1-6 and made the finals. The season looked headed for disaster after a few listless displays, but a desperate Sam Mitchell tackle ensured a slender win that sparked their seven-game winning run.

The club looks to have pulled the right rein in recruiting Josh Gibson, Shaun Burgoyne, Wayne Skipper and, to a lesser extent, Rhan Hooper. All struggled with injury at various points, but look set to be valuable additions.

The medical department deserve some credit for giving the coach the cattle to launch an assault on the finals. The medicos had plenty on their plate early, but by late July Max Bailey was the only player on the injury list.

What went wrong

There were some very worrying signs during the six-game losing run that threatened to derail Hawthorn's season. There were some injuries to contend with, but the lack of endeavour shown at times was uncharacteristic of an Alastair Clarkson Hawks' team.

Travis Tuck's third strike under the illicit drugs policy was a sad story for him and it also blew up at an inopportune time in the first week of the finals.

The ruck situation was both a negative and a positive. Brent Renouf shouldered the burden admirably, but Simon Taylor and Max Bailey were unable to recover in time to help out. How many Hawks' supporters uttered the previously unthinkable statement - 'thank God for Wayne Skipper!'

Most valuable player

Luke Hodge sets the tempo for the team who look to his example when the going gets tough. He had an outstanding season whether he was marshalling the troops in defence or hunting up the ball through the middle.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Cyril Rioli does all the flashy things that make him a star, but he doesn't stop there. His superior work rate is critical in the forward half with his blocks, repeated leads and tackling pressure one of the main reasons the side was able to turn the season around.

Needs a big pre-season

Rhan Hooper showed glimpses of brilliance in his first season at the club, but was stricken by constant hamstringing niggles. He will benefit greatly from starting pre-season having settled in to his new environment.

Trading places

Beau Muston hasn't come on and would attract some interest. Beau Dowler had a terrible year and the Hawks would be delighted to get something for him if another club reckons they can turn him around. Campbell Brown has a big decision to make with a large offer from Gold Coast on the table

Port Adelaide Power

Port Adelaide lost their coach mid-season after a club-record losing streak, but finished strongly

What went right

Port Adelaide emerged from the pre-season break with a more contested and defensively-minded game plan and it paid early dividends, with the club winning five of its first seven games.

Jackson Trengove was touted as a potential top-five draft pick, before he suffered a career-threatening hamstring/knee injury in 2008. The utility showed why he was regarded so highly, playing 19 games and earning a NAB AFL Rising Star nomination for his 23-possession game against West Coast in round 20.

Ex-Tiger Jay Schulz rewarded the club for its faith, topping

the goalkicking, while plenty of kids, including Andrew Moore, Mitch Banner, Matthew Broadbent, Cameron Hitchcock and Daniel Stewart were given valuable game time.

What went wrong

The club and coach Mark Williams parted ways just six months into the premiership coach's new two-year contract, leaving caretaker coach Matthew Primus to pick up the pieces.

Premiership heroes Warren Tredrea and Josh Carr also failed to see out the season, announcing their retirements just a few weeks apart.

The club continued to struggle to attract a crowd to AAMI Stadium, but the marketing team was not helped by a club-record nine-game losing streak between rounds eight and 16.

Most valuable player

Travis Boak continued his rise to elite midfielder status, averaging 22 possessions, six tackles and a goal this season. The 22-year-old had a few quiet weeks with a groin injury, but should challenge Kane Cornes, Troy Chaplin and Dom Cassisi for a top-three finish in the best and fairest.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Jacob Surjan probably had this award stitched up until he injured his knee in round 13. Tough utility Tom Logan stepped up to take Surjan's place and was knocked out three times for his efforts. Logan beats out Dean Brogan and Paul Stewart for this award.

Needs a big pre-season

Veteran duo Chad Cornes and Daniel Motlop both struggled to produce their best form this season and were sent back to the SANFL at different stages. The star pair are in the twilight of their careers and must recapture form to avoid being given their marching orders at Alberton.

Trading places

Nathan Krakouer has announced plans to leave, but is yet to reveal his intended destination and could form part of a trade, if he decides against joining Gold Coast. Steven Salopek is contemplating a move home to Victoria and there's been speculation out-of-sorts forward Daniel Motlop could also be on the move.

Richmond Tigers

The Tigers started the year horribly but started to show some promising signs under new coach Damien Hardwick

What went right

The new gameplan made the gamestyle more predictable for everyone helped a lot. It took a while for the players to get their heads around it, but when they did, the Tigers looked good going both ways. Kudos to Damien Hardwick and the new coaching staff.

Daniel Connors - tough love in action. He came back from his two-month ban a changed man, having sworn off the drink, and had a ripping second half of the season.

The Tigers used an amazing 42 players this year - every senior-listed player bar Jordan McMahon, and five rookies. Stability and using fewer players is an indicator of top teams - this is an indicator of a young list being assessed.

What went wrong

After a month, the Tigers were last, with no wins and a percentage under 50 and after seven weeks only one defeat was by less than eight goals.

Daniel Connors - a drunken rampage at the team hotel in Sydney after the round three loss to the Swans saw Connors get punched in the head by Ben Cousins to shut him down, and then slapped with an eight-week ban by the club. Low point of the season, even if good did come out of it.

Troy Simmonds was a great servant of the club, but shouldn't have played on, even though it was to protect the young ruckmen. His knee wasn't up to it, and that was made worse by rolling an ankle in the pre-season.

Most valuable player

Winning the Coleman Medal in a bottom-four side is a tremendous feat, but it has been the improvement in Jack Riewoldt's work rate, maturity and leadership that is the most pleasing thing.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Chris Newman had his best year as a player and has blossomed as captain and leader of the backline. He is much loved by the coaching staff for his ability to consistently do the hard things, and do them well.

Needs a big pre-season

Richard Tambling had injury problems, which saw his season ended early with surgery to both hips, but again delivered an underwhelming season. He played 13 games for an average of 12 disposals and should be doing far more after six years in the system.

Trading places

There are not too many highly sought after players on Richmond's list and the absolute cream is locked up, given the re-signing of Riewoldt and Dustin Martin in round 22. Luke McGuane and Will Thursfield could be Gold Coast targets and Robin Nahas could be looked at while Alex Rance was a trade target last year.

Melbourne Demons

Melbourne's youngsters gave fans plenty of reasons to be hopeful of much better times ahead

What went right

Tom Scully and Jack Trengove slotted straight into the Melbourne side and matched the expectations that come with being the first two picks in the draft. Trengove had a slight injury and faded towards the end of the season while Scully will go close to winning the NAB AFL Rising Star.

The Demons showed they could match it with the very best in minor premiers Collingwood. They only just fell short to the

Magpies in round two while they managed a draw in the Queen's Birthday clash in round 12.

The club's greatest accomplishment came off the field when they successfully wiped off their enormous debt. CEO Cameron Schwab and president Jim Stynes have been instrumental in the Demons' turnaround.

What went wrong

The Demons improved from their recent poor record on the road but still had some bad losses along the way when interstate. They had two bad losses at AAMI Stadium to Adelaide and Port Adelaide while they should have knocked off Fremantle at Subiaco.

Ricky Petterd looked set to establish himself as a vital part of the forward line before a shoulder injury finished his season in round six. Petterd had been one of Melbourne's most in-form players to that point.

Sadly for any young team the veterans tend to get pushed out quicker than they would have liked. The Demons' forward planning meant exits for James McDonald and Brad Miller despite both having playing hopes for the future.

Most valuable player

Brad Green had his best season by far. Playing as a wingman floating forward Green was Melbourne's most dangerous option and often dictated the result of games. He won the club's goalkicking and will probably win the best and fairest.

Adelaide Crows

Adelaide started the season poorly and failed to get things back on track with injuries to key players biting hard

What went right

The club unearthed some genuine talent in the form of Phil Davis, Rory Sloane, Ricky Henderson and Matthew Jaensch and got some more game time into inexperienced players like Patrick Dangerfield, Kurt Tippett, Taylor Walker and Jared Petrenko.

Small forward Richard Douglas was released into the midfield and repaid the faith of his coaches, with a breakout season. Defender Graham Johncock also produced a career-best year, while Brent Reilly successfully transformed himself into a tagger.

The Crows celebrated their first win over Geelong in four years and also recorded rare away wins at Subiaco Oval and the Gabba.

What went wrong

Andy Otten's season was over before it even began when he wrecked his knee at training in December and injuries to Jason Porplyzia, Nathan van Berlo, Chris Knights, Bernie Vince, Graham Johncock and David Mackay also contributed to the Crows missing the finals for the first time under coach Neil Craig.

The gamble to keep all four veterans, Simon Goodwin, Andrew McLeod, Tyson Edwards and Brett Burton, failed to pay off, with none of the star quartet left standing by round 22.

Coach's award for one-percenters

James McDonald has had a monopoly in this award for years and he had another excellent campaign. But if the actual coach was to give this award he might go for young gun Jordie McKenzie who finished fifth in the league's average tackle count.

Needs a big pre-season

Jack Watts has had two years in the system now, one full-time. This summer will be his chance to build his strength and add some size to a body that should be crashing into packs and coming out with marks.

Trading places

The Demons have quite a depth of small forwards so they might be able to offload one of Austin Wonaemirri, Addam Maric or Neville Jetta and get something out of it. Matthew Warnock seems to have slipped down rankings of tall defenders and could be good trade bait.

To top off Adelaide's disastrous 2010 campaign All-Australian defender Nathan Bock announced that he would be walking out on the club to join the cashed-up Gold Coast Suns next season and Jon Griffin has also requested a trade back to WA.

Most valuable player

Johncock missed seven games through injury and suspension, but was still able to produce career-best form. He averaged 22 possessions and continued to play as though the season was on the line long after the club slid out of finals contention. He will go close in Adelaide's club champion award.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Ben Rutten was one of just five Crows to play every game this season. He was rarely beaten in a one-on-one contest and provided leadership in what was at times a very inexperienced Adelaide defence. Richard Douglas, Scott Thompson, Ivan Maric and Phil Davis also deserve a mention here.

Needs a big pre-season

Bernie Vince emerged as an elite midfielder last year, but struggled to cope with taggers this year. He let his teammates down when he was suspended for a week for an off-field indiscretion in round eight. The Crows need him to stand up next season in the absence of Goodwin, McLeod and Edwards.

Trading places

The Crows are poised to be more aggressive in this October's exchange period. The club will be desperate to hold onto Chris Knights, but might have to entertain a trade if he fails to re-sign, while Griffin has also put his name on the trade table.

Brisbane Lions

Big things were expected of the Brisbane Lions this year but injuries cruelled their season after a promising start

What went right

With Simon Black and Luke Power getting on, the Lions had to unearth some new talent - they did with Jack Redden and Tom Rockliff. Both got plenty of games, had a nose for the hard ball and used it well. Along with Daniel Rich they should provide the cornerstone of a strong midfield for years.

After a full knee reconstruction last year, ruckman Matthew Leuenberger's return was a huge success, his tap work and movement around the ground was first rate.

In Todd Banfield, the Lions' long search for a small forward has ended. He kicked 25 majors but just as impressive was his defensive work. His work at the feet of Brendan Fevola and Jonathan Brown will only get better.

What went wrong

The Lions endured a horrendous run of injuries. Jamie Charman missed the whole season, Josh Drummond most of it, while Daniel Merrett, Matt Maguire, Brown, Fevola, Jared Brennan and Jed Adcock missed multiple games.

Michael Voss' much talked about trade for six experienced players came up empty in its first season. Brent Staker was excellent, Maguire and Fevola serviceable, while Amon Buchanan, Andrew Raines and Xavier Clarke all suffered with injury and form.

Off-field incidents seemed to dog the Lions. Whether it was rumblings over the influence of Voss' right-hand-man Dan Collins, rumours surrounding Michael Rischitelli and Brennan being chased by Gold Coast, or Fevola's troubles with gambling and form, the Lions could not get out of the gossip pages.

Most valuable player

If Rischitelli was upset at being used as trade bait for Fevola in the off-season he didn't let it affect his form. With rumours swirling about a possible move to the Gold Coast in 2011, the 24-year-old was superb in a battling midfield. He played every game and got lots of touches.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Staker came to the Lions expecting to be used in defence, but ended up playing all over the ground. Once the team was struck down with injuries he was thrust forward and even into an on-ball role. Wherever Voss put him, Staker stood up, and not only filled a gap, but excelled.

Needs a big pre-season

Aaron Cornelijs is a super talent and has arguably the best hands in the club and has shown plenty in his limited appearances. But he needs more time in the gym to strengthen his wiry frame and develop his fitness to help with second efforts.

Trading places

While all the talk is about Rischitelli and Brennan going to the Gold Coast, another who could look for a move is Justin Sherman. He had a disappointing season by his standards but would be a valuable pick-up for any team searching for his speed and nose for goal.

Essendon Bombers

After making the finals last year the Bombers fell to 14th with the drop down the ladder claiming the scalp of coach Matthew Knights

What went right

They beat St Kilda twice. The round eight win was the first of three that saw them in the eight after round 10. The second came in round 18 and, coupled with a triumph over North Melbourne, gave fans something to cheer about.

Scott Gumbleton got through a season - nearly. Fans finally saw their prized forward manage a consecutive stack of games; 18, in fact. He kicked 19 goals, showed sure hands and strength and signed a two-year deal despite fractured ribs ending his season early.

Eight players debuted after just three last year. Ben Howlett, Jake Melksham and Travis Colyer played the most but appearances by Jake Carlisle, Stewart Crameri, Kyle Hardingham, Marcus Marigliani and Tyson Slattery will help their development.

What went wrong

They missed the finals. After last year's top-eight finish the Bombers were projected to take another step. Injuries

cruelled their run but even so, more was expected despite Matthew Knights' decision to persist with youth.

Mark Williams, the Bombers' big off-season signing, played the first four games before injuries and form saw him play seven in the VFL. His season ended in July owing to an ankle injury. It wasn't enough for the player that cost draft picks 16 and 24.

Speculation surrounded Matthew Knights' future for the second half of the season. There were too many press conferences at Windy Hill that were focused on the coach's position, and James Hird didn't help with his comments in round 20. One day after the Bombers' season ended Knights got the chop.

Most valuable player

Jobe Watson. Played 21 games for an average of 27 possessions, despite looking like his leg was about to fall off at times. Led through adversity in his first season as skipper, handled speculation surrounding Knights with aplomb and will probably win the club's best and fairest.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Heath Hocking played 22 games, backing up from his breakout season last year, and continued to impress with his hard-at-it ways. He set up numerous goals throughout the

year, pushed hard inside 50 and was a hard tackler.

Needs a big pre-season

Brent Prismall dropped off a bit in his second year at Windy Hill and was dropped to the VFL for five games. His usually sound skills didn't always look as shiny as they once were.

West Coast Eagles

The Eagles collected their first wooden spoon and set a new record for losses at Subiaco Oval

What went right

Beau Waters' return to football after almost two years battling a complicated elbow injury was fantastic. The 24-year-old hadn't played since round 10, 2008, but he missed just one game in an excellent 2010 campaign.

Andrew Strijk, 22, and Ashton Hams, 23, arrived in 2010 as mature-age rookies capable of adding depth, but they ended the season important members of the side's best line-up. Lewis Stevenson also emerged off the rookie list.

Forwards Mark LeCras and Josh Kennedy enjoyed purple patches at different ends of the year - and they rarely fired together - but kicking over 100 goals between them was an impressive result. Kennedy's accuracy in the first half of the season was outstanding, while LeCras' 12-goal haul against Essendon won't be forgotten.

What went wrong

For the second straight year important senior Eagles were struck down with injury. Daniel Kerr's season-ending hamstringing tear in round six was the harshest blow, while captain Darren Glass (abdomen) and premiership half-back Sam Butler (foot) were sorely missed.

With senior players missing, responsibility was heaped onto younger Eagles, but their widely expected improvement wasn't always visible. Coach John Worsfold continued to back his young troops, with his short-term premiership predictions seized on by critics.

Two wins from 10 games on the road could have been

Trading places

The Bombers want Bulldog Ryan Griffen but he wants to stay at Whitten Oval. Bachar Houli is sure to be frustrated and has been linked to Fremantle but could he be wooed to Greater Western Sydney for a VFL season by former coach Kevin Sheedy? Brent Stanton and Henry Slattery are yet to re-sign

predicted, with similar struggles holding the Eagles back in 2009. But losing 10 games at Subiaco Oval - including the last eight - was a shocking result that eventually left the club with its first wooden spoon.

Most valuable player

Midfield workhorse Matt Priddis is destined for his first club champion award after a remarkably consistent season in an undermanned midfield. A clearance specialist who relishes winning the hard ball, Priddis has defied his shortcomings to become a highly effective AFL midfielder. LeCras, Waters and Adam Selwood were other top-line performers this season.

Coach's award for one-percenters

Scott Selwood completed a midfield apprenticeship this season, running with, and often negating, the game's elite onballers. Leigh Montagna, Adam Cooney, Jimmy Bartel and Chris Judd are among the players he performed admirably against before personnel issues saw him moved into more attacking midfield roles.

Needs a big pre-season

Chris Masten is, perhaps unfairly, the Eagles' most scrutinised young midfielder, with injuries preventing him from reaching his potential in three completed seasons. The No.3 draft pick was used as a high half-forward this year, but the time has come for him to blitz a pre-season and demand a permanent midfield role.

Trading places

Worsfold maintains Quinten Lynch is a required player next year, but the 27-year-old has been dropped three times this season, kicking eight goals in 14 games. Key forward Ben McKinley has also been squeezed out of the side, while fellow Victorian Matt Spangher and versatile tall Beau Wilkes are down the pecking order in defence.

North Melbourne Kangaroos

The Kangaroos finished with 11 wins for the year in their first season under coach Brad Scott

What went right

Daniel Wells put a horror season behind him to play 19 games. Was managed carefully to avoid a recurrence of his osteitis pubis and, at 25, is clearly aware of his strengths. The club is confident he'll re-sign.

Two rounds into the season Brad Scott's game plan was questioned, but by round five the Roos were on the right path. Scott wasn't shy to voice his opinion, built a rapport with the media and was a great spokesman for a club

craving exposure.

North put its youth on show. Ryan Bastinac (22 games), Ben Cunnington (18), Levi Greenwood (17), Sam Wright (20), Lachlan Hansen (21) and Todd Goldstein (21) were the best of them.

What went wrong

Drew Petrie fractured his left foot on the eve of the season and suffered the same injury to his right foot in two failed comebacks. The forward line was far less potent without him.

David Hale kicked 15 goals in the first six games, but fell horribly out of form and confidence. Spent almost half the season with North Ballarat in the VFL, and showed he still

has a lot to offer as a ruckman. The problem is he sits behind Hamish McIntosh and Todd Goldstein.

Though total membership increased throughout the league, the Roos dropped below 30,000 and finished the worst of the 10 Victorian clubs. Just 14,891 people watched them thrash Fremantle at Etihad Stadium in round 19.

Most valuable player

If Andrew Swallow doesn't win his second Syd Barker Medal, he'll go very close. The 23-year-old played every game in 2010 and was typically crucial to North's stoppage set-ups. Kicked multiple goals on five occasions, averaged 21 possessions and led the competition in tackles. Could be the club's next captain.

Coach's award for one-percenters

He's played just 30 games, but Nathan Grima has become so important to North's defensive structure. Brad Scott said as

much when the side lost four games in Grima's absence in the second half of the season. Holds his own against the competition's best forwards and will only get better.

Needs a big pre-season

His first two years were ruined by shoulder injuries, so it was a long wait for key position prospect Robbie Tarrant's debut in round 15. However, suffering a thumb injury in his second game, he was unable to settle into the senior side. Would want to aim for round one next season.

Trading places

David Hale has two years to run on his contract but would get greater opportunities at a club craving an experienced ruckman. Matt Campbell has been passed by a number of his teammates. Opposition clubs should also ask after key position type Josh Smith, even though he has only played 11 AFL games.

2010 GRAND FINAL

Jason Phelan <http://www.afl.com.au/news/newsarticle/tabid/208/newsid/103174/default.aspx>

THE 2010 AFL premiership remains undecided after Collingwood and St Kilda fought out only the third grand final draw in AFL/VFL history.

The sides will return next Saturday afternoon for a grand final replay after a behind to Lenny Hayes tied the scores 29 minutes into the final quarter in front of 100,016 fans at the MCG. The siren blew with scores locked at 9.14 (68) to 10.8 (68).

The Magpies led until the 18-minute mark of the final term, but looked destined for disappointment when Brendon Goddard put the fast-finishing Saints in front after a towering mark and goal.

Travis Cloke restored the Pies' lead with the last goal of the game with 3.25 left on the clock before the Saints scrambled a behind with 1.31 remaining.

The Pies will rue their wastefulness in front of goal after failing to capitalise on a 24-point lead early in the third quarter.

The Saints' chances took a hit when Michael Gardiner was knocked out of the match shortly before half time, making their strong finish all the more impressive.

Lenny Hayes was inspirational for St Kilda with 32 possessions and 12 tackles and was the rightful winner of the Norm Smith medal - awarded despite next week's replay.

Both sides acknowledged the importance of the opening minutes of the big occasion in the lead-up to the match and it was Collingwood that settled first.

Darren Jolly was the unlikely first goalkicker after just 22 seconds and, despite Stephen Milne's reply, the Pies were quickly out to a 20-point lead with Dale Thomas and Scott Pendlebury prominent.

Sam Fisher's early play was a rare highlight for the Saints who slowly began to work their way into the contest and in fact finished the first quarter well on top.

Nick Riewoldt learned from an earlier miss to goal from a similar set shot and when Adam Schneider snapped truly off a step, the margin was back to six points at quarter time.

Cloke settled his nerves with a clinical set shot early in the second term, which quickly developed into an arm wrestle as Ross Lyon tried to get the balance of his side right.

Justin Koschitzke goaled from long range to break the scoring drought 12 minutes in, but that would be his side's only score for the term as the Pies got on top around the stoppages.

Collingwood went inside 21 times to the Saints' four for the period and it was only some wasteful kicking by the Pies that kept the contest alive. Even so, the Saints found themselves 24 points in arrears at the main break.

Sam Gilbert was moved forward to give Nick Maxwell something to think about after the restart and the tactic proved effective.

Riewoldt's second gave his side belief and while Goddard and Gilbert goaled at one end, the confidence began seeping out of the Pies at the other with Jarryd Blair, Chris Dawes

and Thomas missing badly.

The Magpies were punch drunk at the start of the final term, but still held an eight-point lead. Leon Davis hadn't seen much of the ball, but made a hero of himself when he snapped truly eight minutes in to extend the lead to 14 points.

Hayes and Milne goaled before Goddard put his side in front, but that proved to be merely the preamble to the nerve-wracking finale.

"Clearly we made a horrible mess, in the second quarter, of everything we did," St Kilda coach Ross Lyon said after the match. "I thought our first quarter was very good and clearly our third and our fourth were pretty good, but I think what players will take away is that every little thing counts.

"We just hung on in the second, but I think that's been our trademark with our ability to regroup and be mentally tough."

Collingwood coach Mick Malthouse was philosophical about the outcome, but was at least happy to come away unscathed.

The Pies have had a training group of 31 players to choose from over the finals series and that remains the case

following Saturday's bruising encounter.

While many onlookers will bemoan Collingwood's inaccurate kicking for goal after the result, Malthouse laid the blame elsewhere. "We've got to be better at using the ball into our forward line," he said.

"I wouldn't have thought kicking for goal lost it; I would have thought option-taking into our forward line did."

Collingwood	4.2	7.8	7.13	9.14 (68)
St Kilda	3.2	4.2	7.5	10.8 (68)

GOALS

Collingwood: Cloke 2, Thomas, Didak, Jolly, O'Brien, Macaffer, Blair, Davis

St Kilda: Goddard 2, Riewoldt 2, Milne 2, Hayes, Schneider, Gilbert, Koschitzke

BEST

Collingwood: Shaw, Thomas, Swan, N Brown, Maxwell, Pendlebury

St Kilda: Hayes, Goddard, Fisher, Gilbert, Gwilt, Schneider

INJURIES

Collingwood: Prestigiacomo (adductor) replaced in selected side by N. Brown

St Kilda: Gardiner

Umpires: Chamberlain, Ryan, Rosebury

Official crowd: 100,016 at the MCG

2010 GRAND FINAL REPLAY

Jason Phelan <http://www.afl.com.au/news/newsarticle/tabid/208/newsid/103599/default.aspx>

COLLINGWOOD has taken out the 2010 premiership with an emphatic 56-point win over St Kilda in the grand final replay at the MCG to claim its first flag since 1990.

The ferocious tackling, suffocating pressure and efficient teamwork that has been a trademark of the Magpies' play this season returned after a misfire a week ago with the Saints largely powerless to stop them on their way to the 16.12 (108) to 7.10 (52) win.

Scott Pendlebury was a worthy Norm Smith medallist with 29 quality disposals and 11 tackles with Heath Shaw (28 disposals), Dale Thomas (27) and Dane Swan (26) all important.

Luke Ball, a beaten Saints grand finalist last year, was one of the chief architects of his former side's downfall with a smothering job on last week's Norm Smith medallist Lenny Hayes. Nathan Brown renewed his tussle with Nick Riewoldt and carried the day in no uncertain terms with the St Kilda skipper largely ineffective and goalless.

Former Swan Darren Jolly was the most influential big man on the ground by a long way with 35 hit-outs and a goal.

Riewoldt's plight was generally indicative of that of the

Saints, with Brendon Goddard (29 possessions), James Gwilt and Nick Dal Santo (29 disposals) among the best in a side that had too many passengers on the day.

The match started to script for Collingwood who took the ball away directly from the opening bounce and had Travis Cloke lining up for goal two metres out within 30 seconds.

A free kick off the ball robbed the Pies of the perfect start, but they still had the better of the early running with their tackling pressure evident from the outset.

Tyson Goldsack, included at the expense of Leon Davis, made the most of his reprieve with a lively first quarter that included the first major of the day, but Collingwood was again guilty of failing to capitalise on a period of dominance.

A 14-point lead was all they could muster before Riewoldt streamed into an open goal, but in a pivotal moment in the match, a desperate dive from Heath Shaw saw the Saints go into the first break goalless and 20 points in arrears.

Ross Lyon threw Sam Gilbert forward hoping to replicate the successful tactic of last week and it had the desired effect with Nick Maxwell once again forced to abandon his loose-

man role and mind his opponent.

The Pies' skipper again struggled while St Kilda made its move, but Gilbert missed three shots on goal that were all eminently gettable.

Rarely-sighted Alan Didak got one against the flow of play and despite Goddard scoring his side's first goal 15 minutes in, the Pies finished the quarter strongly with Jolly important in stretching the lead to 27 points at half-time.

The Saints desperately needed the first goal of the third quarter to maintain belief, but Adam Schneider's long snap shaved the post.

Chris Dawes threw his boot at the ball in mid-air to break St Kilda hearts with his first goal of the day just minutes later and the black-and-white charge was on.

The margin blew out to 46 points when Didak worked hard to intercept a kick and brilliantly snapped the goal of the grand final, much to the delight of the roaring Magpie army.

St Kilda was at least an outside chance at 41 points down to start the final term, but Dawes' second put paid to that notion with Thomas' close-range effort soon after sparking wild celebrations in the crowd and tears from an emotional club president Eddie McGuire.

Mick Malthouse spent the last five minutes on the bench and was embraced by all and sundry as the final siren sounded with Collingwood premiers for the 15th time in the club's storied history.

After the disappointment of letting a good early lead slip last week, the Pies coach was delighted with the killer instinct of his men the second time around.

"At the half time break we thought we were doing things fairly well," Malthouse said. "One of our indicators is 'relentless' [and] we took the foot off the throat last week - and full credit to St Kilda who came back - [but] I just thought if we maintained that pressure, then I don't care who you are or what you are, you can't score against that pressure.

"That was the key to it, and I thought the first 10 minutes of that third quarter was fairly intense - as intense as any third quarter you can get, given what had already transpired in the first half - and if the boys held up in that first 10 minutes I thought we could win the game."

The Saints were unable to build any momentum in the face of that pressure for the most part, but Lyon bemoaned his side's inability to make the most of its resurgent second term after weathering the early storm.

"I really thought they were ballistic early and we hung on and fought on," Lyon said. "Then I thought in the second quarter early we had a fair bit of control and had numerous opportunities just to put some of that scoreboard pressure on. When we didn't do that and they countered I thought from there on we were really swimming against the tide."

Collingwood 3.2 6.5 11.8 16.12 (108)
St Kilda 0.2 1.8 4.9 7.10 (52)

GOALS

Collingwood: Sidebottom 2, Didak 2, Wellingham 2, Macaffer 2, Dawes 2, Thomas, Swan, Johnson, O'Brien, Jolly, Goldsack

St Kilda: Milne 2, Dal Santo, Goddard, Hayes, Gilbert, Koschitzke

BEST

Collingwood: Pendlebury, Jolly, N Brown, Sidebottom, Ball, Shaw, Thomas, Wellingham

St Kilda: Goddard, Gwilt, Dawson, Gilbert, Jones

INJURIES

Collingwood: Reid (leg)

St Kilda: Eddy (arm), Fisher (hamstring)

Umpires: Chamberlain, Ryan, Rosebury

Official crowd: 93,853 at the MCG

BROWNLOW MEDALIST

http://www.footywire.com/afl/footy/brownlow_medal

2010 Brownlow Medal						
Player	Team	Votes	3 Votes	2 Votes	1 Vote	Games Played
Chris Judd	Carlton	30	8	2	2	19
Gary Ablett	Geelong	26	5	3	5	21
Dane Swan	Collingwood	24	2	8	2	22
Scott Pendlebury	Collingwood	21	5	3	0	22
Joel Selwood	Geelong	21	2	5	5	21
Matthew Boyd	Western Bulldogs	20	4	3	2	20
Aaron Sandilands	Fremantle	20	4	2	4	19
Lenny Hayes	St Kilda	19	5	2	0	21
Jobe Watson	Essendon	16	2	3	4	21
Travis Boak	Port Adelaide	16	3	2	3	20

CARLTON superstar Chris Judd defied an outsider tag and a late charging Gary Ablett to claim his second Brownlow Medal in a shock result last night.

Judd, not rated a genuine contender before last night, held off the fast-finishing Ablett and pre-count favourite Dane Swan to win on 30 votes, four clear of Ablett.

Despite missing the first three games of the season due to an overhanging suspension, Judd hit the front by midseason on the back five straight best-on-ground performances between rounds four and eight.

Ablett finished with a flourish to continue his recent Brownlow purple patch with another podium finish.

The 2009 Brownlow medallist polled 26 votes in a tally that included a scatter of early votes and a late charge.

Swan, the overwhelming favourite, clawed his way into contention on the back of a series of two-vote performances before finally registering his first best-on-ground in round 17.

The Collingwood ball magnet started the count slowly, reaching the half-way point of the season well back with only nine votes before riding an irresistible run of form into the latter rounds.

Fremantle ruckman Aaron Sandilands was the early frontrunner, polling in each of the first five games to sit pretty on 12 votes, before being curtailed by injury late in the year.

Western Bulldogs star Matthew Boyd made the surprise late charge with a series of eye-catching displays to finish on 20 votes.

The result is set to trigger a groundswell of debate as Judd was controversially cleared by the match review panel in round 13 for his swinging elbow that gashed the head of Fremantle's Matthew Pavlich.

He said he was shocked by the result but was more than happy to accept his second Brownlow medal.

COLEMAN MEDALIST

http://www.footywire.com/afl/footy/ft_player_rankings?year=2010

2010 AFL League Total Goals Leaders				
Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Jack Riewoldt	Richmond	22	78
2	Barry Hall	Western Bulldogs	21	73
3	Mark Lecras	West Coast	21	63
4	Lance Franklin	Hawthorn	17	62
5	Steve Johnson	Geelong	19	57

NAB RISING STAR AWARD

<http://www.afl.com.au/news/newsarticle/tabid/208/newsid/101684/default.aspx>

2010 AFL NAB Rising Star Award

Rank	Player	Team	Total
1	Daniel Hannebery	Sydney	45
2	Tom Scully	Melbourne	35
3	Tom Rockliff	Brisbane	24
4	Jack Trengove	Melbourne	11
5	Ryan Bastinac	North Melbourne	6

Sydney Swan Daniel Hannebery has capped off a stellar year by winning the 2010 NAB AFL Rising Star award.

Hannebery was a unanimous choice as winner, receiving the maximum 45 votes from the All-Australian selection panel. He was followed by Melbourne's Tom Scully (35 votes) and Brisbane Lion Tom Rockliff (24 votes).

Demon Jack Trengove (11) and Kangaroo Ryan Bastinac (six) rounded out the top five.

Hannebery was presented with the Ron Evans Medal by last year's Rising Star Daniel Rich on Wednesday at a function held at Melbourne's Crown Palladium.

He will receive a \$20,000 investment portfolio and a dedicated personal banker, courtesy of National Australia Bank.

Hannebery was the second player nominated for this year's award after winning 23 possessions in the Swans' round-two win over Adelaide at AAMI Stadium.

He went on to average 21 possessions in his 19 games for the season. His best performances came against Fremantle in round 20 when he gathered 38 touches and laid five tackles and his round 10 performance against Hawthorn when he had 25 touches and kicked three goals.

Sydney Swans coach Paul Roos said Hannebery had performed at a consistently high level over the whole year.

"One of the things that young players generally go through is a mental lapse or a number of games where they struggle, but this has certainly not been the case with Dan," Roos said.

"His ability to have an impact in all of the games he has played has been really significant and a great number of his games have been of a very high quality.

"We believe he is thoroughly deserving of this Rising Star award."

Originally from the Kew Rovers Junior Football Club in

Melbourne, Hannebery was selected by the Swans with their second round selection at the 2008 NAB AFL Draft (selection 30 overall).

He represented Vic Metro in the 2000 NAB AFL Under 18 Championships and turned heads at the 2008 NAB AFL Draft Camp when his endurance was highlighted with his first placing in the 3km time trial.

Hannebery stayed in Melbourne in 2009 to finish his schooling at Xavier College but still managed to play the last seven games of the season for the Swans while based at his Melbourne home.

He is the second Sydney Swans player to claim the Rising Star award after Adam Goodes in 1999.

The NAB AFL Rising Star was voted by the All-Australian selection panel of Andrew Demetriou, Adrian Anderson, Mark Ricciuto, Kevin Bartlett, James Hird, Gerard Healy, Glen Jakovich, Robert Walls and Kevin Sheehan (Rising Star selector only).

LEADING STATS WINNERS

http://www.footywire.com/afl/footy/ft_player_rankings?year=2010

2010 AFL League Total Kicks Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Dane Swan	Collingwood	22	418
2	Leigh Montagna	St Kilda	22	378
3	Paul Chapman	Geelong	21	362
4	Matthew Boyd	Western Bulldogs	20	346
5	Bryce Gibbs	Carlton	22	331

2010 AFL League Total Handballs Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Brady Rawlings	North Melbourne	22	387
2	Daniel Cross	Western Bulldogs	22	375
3	Jobe Watson	Essendon	21	363
4	Gary Jnr Ablett	Geelong	21	359
5	Joel Selwood	Geelong	21	351

2010 AFL League Total Disposals Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Dane Swan	Collingwood	22	701
2	Gary Jnr Ablett	Geelong	21	659
3	Leigh Montagna	St Kilda	22	653
4	Brady Rawlings	North Melbourne	22	623
5	Matthew Boyd	Western Bulldogs	20	615

2010 AFL League Total Marks Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Brian Lake	Western Bulldogs	22	218
2	Sam Gilbert	St Kilda	22	179
3	Adam Goodes	Sydney	22	163
4	Sam Fisher	St Kilda	20	158
5	Jason Blake	St Kilda	22	157

2010 AFL League Total Tackles Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Andrew Swallow	North Melbourne	22	183
2	Domenic Cassisi	Port Adelaide	22	176
3	Lenny Hayes	St Kilda	21	135
4	Jude Bolton	Sydney	22	133
4	Kieren Jack	Sydney	22	133
4	Luke Ball	Collingwood	20	133

2010 AFL League Total Frees For Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Andrew Swallow	North Melbourne	22	52
2	Joel Selwood	Geelong	21	48
3	Daniel Cross	Western Bulldogs	22	45
3	Mark Jamar	Melbourne	22	45
3	Dean Brogan	Port Adelaide	20	45

2010 AFL League Total Frees Against Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Dean Brogan	Port Adelaide	20	46
2	Mark Jamar	Melbourne	22	44
2	Darren Jolly	Collingwood	22	44
4	Domenic Cassisi	Port Adelaide	22	40
5	Michael Osborne	Hawthorn	19	38

2010 AFL League Total Hitouts Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Aaron Sandilands	Fremantle	19	686
2	Mark Jamar	Melbourne	22	643
3	Dean Cox	West Coast	22	502
4	Shane Mumford	Sydney	19	490
5	Darren Jolly	Collingwood	22	480

2010 AFL League Total Inside 50s Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Leigh Montagna	St Kilda	22	112
2	Adam Goodes	Sydney	22	110
3	Danyle Pearce	Port Adelaide	22	109
3	Ryan Griffen	Western Bulldogs	21	109
5	Dane Swan	Collingwood	22	108
5	Paul Chapman	Geelong	21	108

2010 AFL League Total Goal Assists Leaders

Rank	Player	Team	Games	Total
1	Eddie Betts	Carlton	22	28
2	Adam Schneider	St Kilda	21	27
3	Travis Varcoe	Geelong	17	26
4	Brent Harvey	North Melbourne	22	23
4	Shannon Byrnes	Geelong	20	23
4	Steve Johnson	Geelong	19	23

ALL AUSTRALIAN TEAM 2010

James Frawley (Melbourne)	Brian Lake (Western Bulldogs)	Corey Enright (Geelong Cats)
Brendon Goddard (St Kilda)	Harry Taylor (Geelong Cats)	Harry O'Brien (Collingwood)
Leigh Montagna (St Kilda)	Luke Hodge (Hawthorn, captain)	Joel Selwood (Geelong Cats)
Alan Didak (Collingwood)	Lance Franklin (Hawthorn)	Paul Chapman (Geelong Cats)
Barry Hall (Western Bulldogs)	Jack Riewoldt (Richmond)	Mark Le Cras (West Coast)
Aaron Sandilands (Fremantle)	Dane Swan (Collingwood)	Gary Ablett (Geelong Cats, VC)

Interchange:

Mark Jamar (Melbourne), Steve Johnson (Geelong Cats), Chris Judd (Carlton), Scott Pendlebury (Collingwood)

Jennifer Witham <http://www.afl.com.au/news/newsarticle/tabid/208/newsid/102543/default.aspx>

ALMOST half of this year's All Australian team will be on show at the MCG on Friday night (18/09/10), with Collingwood and Geelong combining for 10 of the 22 representatives.

The Cats led the count with six players selected - including first-timer Harry Taylor - while the Magpies contributed four, including debutants Harry O'Brien and Scott Pendlebury.

Corey Enright, Joel Selwood, Paul Chapman, Gary Ablett and Dane Swan backed up from 2009 with consecutive selection while Steve Johnson and Alan Didak returned after one and three seasons respectively on the outside.

Despite the heavy presence of Cats and Magpies, the side's captain came from a side which crashed out in week one of the finals.

Hawthorn midfielder Luke Hodge capped off his strong 22-game season to be named in the centre as skipper for his third All Australian selection after 2005 and 2008.

"It's a huge honour just to get in the side but to be captain ... I'm chuffed," Hodge said, adding that a hypothetical pre-match address wouldn't need to be overly stirring given the calibre of players in his team.

Ablett said he was surprised to be named as Hodge's deputy after three previous selections in 2007, 2008 and 2009. "I didn't expect this but it's definitely a big honour," Ablett said.

"I don't talk too much [on the field]. I try to get out and show my leadership skills on the field."

Young defender James Frawley was picked in the back pocket while Melbourne teammate and fellow first-timer Mark Jamar was named on the interchange as second ruckman.

There were seven All Australian debutants: West Coast's Mark LeCras and Richmond's Jack Riewoldt, plus Frawley,

Jamar, O'Brien, Pendlebury and Taylor.

The Demons were the bolters with two players named - the club's first All Australian guernseys since 2006, when James McDonald was named on the bench.

The Sydney Swans, Brisbane Lions, Essendon, Adelaide, Port Adelaide and North Melbourne were not represented in the final 22, which was trimmed from the initial squad of 40.

Among those unluckiest to miss out were Fremantle's Matthew Pavlich, Melbourne's Brad Green and St Kilda's Lenny Hayes.

Brownlow medallist Adam Cooney also missed out on his second guernsey after a hamstring injury ended his season in round 21.

Cooney's teammate Lake, who was named for the second straight year, said he would look back on such accolades once his playing days were done.

"It's a great honour and something you probably take for granted during your career," Lake said.

"It's probably something that when you're retired and old, you can tell everyone how good you were back in the day."

Geelong defender Taylor credited the Cats' strong showing to a team-first ethos.

"It just shows what we're doing is working at the moment," he said.

"We've been playing terrific football as a team and that's probably translated into some individual awards going to some players.

"It shows the value of playing as a team."

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