

# LUGARNO SOCCER CLUB Inc



## 2009 End of Season NEWSLETTER

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## **President's Report 2009**

Another season has come and gone and what a year it was, with 2 Minor Premiership teams, the 11B's and the 14C1's, 2 Premiership Grand Final winning teams, the 11B's and 11C's. A great year all in all, with 19 out of 28 competition teams making it to the Finals Series, 9 of which played in the Grand Finals. Congratulations to all our teams. To the Coaches & Managers - you should be proud of what you have done, because it is with your guidance the teams have done so well, and might I say you are the backbone of this great Club.

I would like to take this time to say Thank You to the Committee for all the hard work that goes into the setting up and running of the Club. It has been a challenge to us all stepping up and jumping into the deep end not knowing if we were on the right track or not, but we pulled together and did a good job. To Dave Attard and Georgea Theodoridis, I think you both took to the Secretary role with great passion and I can think no better people to have in that position. Mick and Sheryl Burt (in the back ground) a great job controlling the finances. A big thanks to Thomas and Danielle Roth who took over the canteen, organising the duty roster and overseeing the running every weekend. Wayne Phillips, for putting in the long hard yards marking the lines week in week out. Paul Burt, one of the best years as far as Sponsorship for the Club, we thank you. Also to Paul (Irish) MacIntyre for stepping into the role of Club Coach, well done.

One of the hardest jobs was taken on by Tracey Moreland as Registrar, with the help of Michelle Merlino and Danielle Roth - a few hic-ups at the start but clear sailing after that. Maria Radcliffe a great job with spreading the word with the newsletter, 'Around The Grounds', and getting the all important scores to the Association every week on time and correct. Dave Messner for a great job getting the web site up and running with very important information being passed on quickly and easily. Adam Robinson for making sure all the clothing and equipment needs were taken care of. Last but not least the Social Committee led by Maria Varikos, with the help of Michael Markovski, Bill Krkovski and Ben Petanceski. The Trivia Night was enjoyed by all who attended. A special thanks to Julianne Sharan for all her help with Photo Day, run like clockwork yet again, and John Taylor for all his help with organising and collecting the Perpetual Trophies.

To Irish and Ian Faulkner - congratulations with both Premier League sides making the Finals this year, also picking up Club Champions from the Association, something we have not done since 1987.

To Alex Economou - well done, for winning Goal Keeper of the Year, in itself a great achievement as this is voted on by all the other Premier League teams.

To all our Perpetual Trophy and Coach & Manager winners - CONGRATULATIONS, for today we recognise your achievements at being the best in your age groups. This year with our numbers growing, we have added 6 new trophies to spread the awards more evenly. It has been hard in the past trying to pick the best player over three or more age groups and this is the driving force in introducing the new trophies and on Presentation Day have the people they are named after present to present them, I would like to think this is an honour for the 6 past and present Members to have their names and memories immortalized for our future winners.

To the Mums and Dads who run around every week, rain, hail or shine, thank you, for without you this would not be possible. Once again thank you all for making my job a lot more pleasurable.

**Mark Booth**  
President

## **Secretary's Report 2009**

It seems only a short time ago that the start of the season was at hand. We were all embarking in new roles and I for one was feeling a little anxious. The departing Secretary had left a big hole to fill and after some discussion, we agreed to try something new and split the Secretary duties between Dave Attard and myself. It was a pleasure and a lot of fun. I thank you all for your patience and

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assistance during this time. Of course it was all made easier with Mark Booth taking up the role as President. I hope you all join me in congratulating Mark on doing such a great job in his first year as President.

As the season progressed and we cleared the first hurdle of preparing for registration it soon became apparent that there was more to running a club than previously imagined. It cannot be done without all the individuals that made up the Committee. Without their efforts and hard work the Club could not continue to run. Congratulations guys for such great job done this season.

Thanks Dave Messner for keeping the website up to date and full of information, also Danielle and Thomas Roth who kept the canteen stocked up and ready to run each week. Our social committee consisting of Maria Varikos, Michael Markovski, Bill Krkovski and Ben Petanceksi, made Trivia night a HUGE success.

What a great effort this year by Tracey Moreland, Michelle Merlino and Danielle Roth. They ensured registration days were organised and ran smoothly. Wayne Phillips worked hard to ensure grounds were marked out each week. Michael Burt thanks for once again staying on as Treasurer and ensuring bills were paid and money at hand for the refs (and Sheryl Burt a huge thank you for assisting in the background). We cannot forget Paul Burt, who worked hard to ensure our sponsors were happy and signed up again for another year and Adam Robinson who kept all the gear well stocked for the season.

Thanks also Paul McIntyre who took on the Club Coaching Role, he had a great season with the Premier League sides reaching the finals. Of course we cannot forget Maria Radcliffe who accepted the role of Official Recorder. It's a big effort to compile the scores each week and submit these to the association. Thank you to Maria for also preparing the newsletter each week.

Congratulations to the 11B's and 11C's who won their grand final games. You not only did your coaches and manager proud, but also the Club. There were many teams who were involved in the finals series and we hope you come back next year to have another go.

Lastly, I can't say a big enough thank you to all the parents who gave up their time to coach and manage this year. There are many who continually accept these roles each season, we hope to see you again next year. For those who stepped up to the roles for the first time, I hope you enjoyed the challenges and hope to see you all again next year. Thank you again. One final big thank you also to those individuals who throughout the season answered various SOS's and assisted with setting up the fields for our annual Gala Day, and also in setting up and pulling down the goal posts.

Here's looking forward to next season. See you then!

Yours in soccer.

**Georgea Theodoridis** Secretary

As a new comer to the committee I have to say that I had no idea as to the amount of effort that is required to run an amateur sports club. Personally I enjoyed the challenge and the feeling of being part of a community and seeing a park full of kids enjoying themselves in a team sport.

Leaving the committee aside I would like to offer a huge thanks to all the coaches and managers, there efforts should not be overlooked as they are massive contributors to their respective teams and the club.

While I will be the first to admit I can be somewhat blunt at times it does go hand in hand with the challenges every day life throws up. I have this year met many of the individuals that make up the Lugarno Soccer Club and hope to meet many more in the future.

The end of the season was for myself a huge buzz as we had so many teams competing in the finals, I tried to get to as many matches as physically possible. Congratulations to the 11b,s and 11c,s for winning their respective Grandfinals and also to the 9c,s, 10 Girls, 10d,s,13c,s, 15b,s, 18a,s 14c,s for making their grand finals. Great effort also to the rest of the teams who made the semi,s.

I would like to think that the club has had a successful year, our traditional events such as the Trivia night and the U 8,s Gala day were again a success and hopefully we can welcome all back next year.

**David Attard**  
Assistant Secretary

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## **Perpetual Trophy Winners 2009**

<b>TROPHY</b>	<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>WINNER</b>	<b>TEAM</b>
The Al Downey	Outstanding Under 6	Cooper Pacey	6 Possums 1
The Peter Moynahan	Outstanding Under 7	Cia Hammond	7 Koalas 1
The Bob Moss	Outstanding Under 8	Lachlan DeBono	8 Emus 1
The Gall Trophy	Outstanding Under 9	Alex Palmer	9C
The Allan Burt Memorial	Outstanding Under 10	Marcus Kolimackovski	10A
The Tom Watson	Outstanding Under 11	Dion Taylor	11B
The Bruce Cardow	Outstanding Under 12	Conor Robinson	12B
The Roger Harradence	Outstanding Under 13	Brendan Williams	13A
The Phil Wilkie	Outstanding Under 14	Brendan Weiss	14C (1)
The Ken Straney	Outstanding Under 15/16	Tom Bedford	15B
The Warren Del Grande	Outstanding Under 17/18	Daniel Barnett	18A (2)
The Mike Chaytors	Outstanding All Age	Brett Ewer	PL 1sts
The Tom McLoughlin	Outstanding Under 10/12 Girl	Rachel Cassar	10G (1)
The Four Fathers	Outstanding Under 14/16 Girl	Elise Donsworth	16G A
The Greg Monaghan Memorial	Outstanding Senior Women	Melissa Difilippo	AAW A
The Charles Kent	Outstanding Junior Goalkeeper	Caitlin Goman	16G A
The Chris Morgan	Outstanding Defender 16 years & under	Alex Griffiths	13A
The June Harker	Leading Competition Goal scorer (Saturday)	Jake Saba Michael Martinovic	14C (1) 11B
The Ron Benjamin	Leading Competition Goal scorer (Sunday)	Rachel Cassar	10G (1)
The John Clark	Sportsmanship Award	Sarah Danskin	14G A
The George Taff	Encouragement Award	Connor Shea	13C
The Kenneth Parry Memorial	Endeavour on the Field	Daniel Lai	14C (2)
The President's Trophy	Awarded by the President	Thomas & Danielle Roth	
Around the Grounds	Awarded by Executive	Jim 'Rafa' Varikos	14C (1)
The Over 30's Trophy	Team most involved in Club activities	10A	
The Norm Bryant	Most improved team not in Semis	AA C	

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## **Coach / Manager Awards - 2009**

<b>TEAM</b>	<b>PLAYER</b>	<b>TEAM</b>	<b>PLAYER</b>
<b>6 Possums 1</b>	Ivan Kolimackovski	<b>13 C</b>	Jacob Wilkie
<b>6 Possums 2</b>	Antonio Guarino	<b>14 C (1)</b>	Hayden Moreland
<b>6 Dolphins 1</b>	Zoe Pitkethley	<b>14 C (2)</b>	Anthony Palmer
<b>6 Dolphins 2</b>	Nicholas Skokandic	<b>15 B</b>	Matthew Trajkovski
<b>7 Koalas 1</b>	Ibrahim El-Debel	<b>17 A</b>	Ryan Scott
<b>7 Koalas 2</b>	Jaden Ametson	<b>18 A</b>	Jonathon Jovceski
<b>7 Goannas 1</b>	James Kabalan	<b>AAC</b>	James Lombe
<b>8 Emus 1</b>	Raffi Tchamkertenian	<b>Premier League Res</b>	Billy Sutherland
<b>8 Emus 2</b>	Mitchell Frost	<b>Premier League 1sts</b>	Mitchell Davies
<b>8 Emus 3</b>	Alexander Pejovski	<b>O35 A</b>	Phillip Taff
<b>8 Fish 1</b>	Tyron Knipp	<b>O35 B</b>	Gary Morton
<b>8 Fish 2</b>	James Arfanis	<b>10G (1)</b>	Staci Kotzaitzis
<b>9 C</b>	Ryan O'Leary	<b>10G (2)</b>	Talara Tonna-Riley
<b>9 E</b>	Krissa Dimitrakopoulos	<b>12G A</b>	Annika Debono
<b>10 A</b>	Jacob Markovski	<b>12G B</b>	Sasha Henry
<b>10 D</b>	Julian Enriquez	<b>14G A</b>	Mikaeli Kinmond
<b>11 B</b>	Ramazan Arslan	<b>14G B</b>	Nicoletta Kotzaitzis
<b>11 C</b>	Illija Petrovski	<b>16G A</b>	Calli Tshipidis
<b>12 B</b>	Rasmus Altenkamp	<b>16G B</b>	Sharni Marsh
<b>13 A</b>	Chris Ilardo	<b>AAW A</b>	Sarah Dalamagas

# TEAM REPORTS

## 6 Possums 1

**Coach: Steve Cato**

**Manager: Mark Pacey**

Looking back at the season all the players can feel very proud of their achievements, as they continued to develop their skills and for their contributions to the team effort. Not for the number of goals scored (and there were many), not for the high percentage of games won but most importantly, I am hopeful that this season is the beginning of lifelong friendships forged in the heat of team play. I wholeheartedly congratulate the Possums for their positive attitude, excellent sportsmanship, and keen sense of the fun of the game.

I know the parents, as did I, watched every week the magic of Under6 soccer unfold, wondering what might be the next best "Funniest Home Video", candidates included the mid-field chatfests between Dylan and Ryan with the game swirling on around them, or the time the team was bunching up, and I yelled out, "you're close enough to hold hands" ... they duly all reached out and did so, but the Funniest Home Video prize 2009 was the look of amazement on Cooper's face as he became the victim of a full rugby crash tackle by a desperately unhappy opponent from Rockdale, who just couldn't take being dribbled past again.

Each player brought something different to the team gestalt.

**Keiran Beadon's** stoic defensive play held our line time after time, when combined with his determined attacking style, and his ability to hit long range shots, including a whopper from halfway. Keiran was dangerous from any part of the field, and the keystone of our defense.

**Cooper Pacey** poured his heart and soul into every game, fleet in attack, often running down the opposition in defense, scoring plenty of goals and always a big smile. Cooper has great skills, not the least of which is his selfless willingness to pass. Cooper did some fabulous corner kicks, and could pounce on the ball, taking it up the field before the opposition knew what had hit them.

**Ivan Kolimackovski** has a connection to the ball that is far advanced for his age. His precision is great, often taking mid-range running shots, which seem to ride a rail to the back of the net. His reflex volleys often turned the tide of the game. Ivan enjoys his soccer enormously, and every week I expected the talent scouts from Arsenal or Liverpool United to come hunting him.

**Dylan Cato** initially viewed the gameplay as an interruption to his busy social life, but once he grasped the fundamentals his involvement in the run of play went ahead leaps and bounds, and his dribbling skills improved, his shuffling dribble, keeping the ball close to his feet enabled him to often come through a forest of legs still in possession.

**Ryan Thomas**, our most gentle soul, changed during the year from shrinking violet, to a ball hungry fearless blond bombshell, throwing himself into the play with great glee and abandon. Ryan's growth through the season more than any other player was a product of his innate determination to succeed, and the small sided format allowed him to shine through. It is certain that with 8 teammates both Ryan and Dylan would have almost never have touched the ball, with just four, they had multiple opportunities in every game, and at times just could not avoid it.

**Ben Matthews** was the team dynamo, harnessed lightning, fast and reading the run of play well. Ben used his speed to advantage, able to run down most players, and though his natural position is hunting for goals, he happily passed to teammates in better positions, and played back whenever asked. Ben was our goal kick specialist, reaching half way every time. Ben's smile throughout the game tells everyone that he enjoys this game no end.

**Lachlan O'Leary** is another smiler throughout the game, his magic feet dribbling and weaving the ball through the hapless defenders, Lachlan was often instrumental in putting us into scoring positions, and was always determined and fearless. Lachy was as comfortable up front as defending, and truly played in the spirit of the team.

**Possums (1)** would like to say a very big thank you to **Mark Pacey** who managed the team throughout the season, running the interchange allowing me to concentrate on the field, and who stepped in wherever needed. Also thanks to **Peter Matthews**, our stand-in referee, I think I better get him a whistle of his own. I owe a giant thank you to **Simon Pitkethley**, for training the team throughout the year with his 6Dolphins team.

A huge thank you to all the parents for being on time every time, and for allowing me to Coach this team of soccer gladiators. It is my sincerest wish that I have the privilege of coaching these wonderful boys in 2010.

Coach: Steven Cato

## **6 Dolphins 1**

**Coach: Simon Pitkethley**

**Manager: Andrew James**

We had seven energetic kids on the team. Three girls: **Jamie Lea, Alana** and **Zoe**. Four boys: **Tom, Jack, Noah** and **Braedon**. They were all first time soccer players, and Socceros in the making.

We had a few games and training sessions where the girls stopped to have a cuddle on the field, or make daisy chains, while the boys had a quick chat about their latest toy, before they realised they were actually there to play soccer. Once the kids settled in there was lots of fun to be had and of course, some great football!!!

We won a couple of games, but seemed to lose a few more. No-one really minded, as the main question at the end of each game was "Whose place am I going over to now?" or "Who got the man of the match? Was it me?"

On a more serious note, the children's skills and understanding of the game improved significantly. They went from just running and kicking the ball to showing some great teamwork, passing the ball to each other and kicking with purpose. There was always a lot of energy and laughter.

Alana showed some awesome dribbling skills, energy and scored a couple of goals. Jamie Lea showed some real determination on field and mowed down anyone that was in her way. Zoe played with purpose and read the opposition well, scoring a few goals for her team. The girls often played against all-boy teams and always stood their ground. Braedon greatly improved during the season and showed great passing and ball skills. Tom was fast in defence and attack and another good striker, together with Jack who was energetic, hungry for goals and always got stuck in. Noah was our main defender with a huge left foot and the ability to score from half way.

I was really proud of all the kids, not only for they way they improved, but also by their friendship with each other, good sportsmanship, commitment and eagerness every week. They were a great group of children whom I enjoyed training and coaching.

Finally, thank you to the parents who supported their kids, and the team, through out the year. And thanks to Elke Pitkethley and Andrew James for their great management and organisation.

- Coach Simon Pitkethley

## **6 Dolphins 2**

**Coach: Nick Talevski**

**Manager: Hugh Kleipas**

What a pleasure to see these great kids dressed up in their soccer gear and out there battling it out week in, week out. It was a great experience for them overall. We had it all during the season. Game days with lots of sunshine, some windy ones, and then the rain.....

That was one great experience down at Rockdale.

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Overall a very successful season first up consisting of a win/loss ratio of 50%. Mind you, the majority of those losses were by the odd goal. Plenty of goals were scored by all. But most important was that we all had FUN and enjoyed what we did. We played as a team, supported each other, made lots of new friends, had a fair player rotation policy and all got along really well.

### **Team Members**

**William "Billie" Finn** – Mr Versatile. Always solid in defence. Covered lots of area all over the field for us.

**Nicholas Skokandic** – When he got the ball, he was on a mission. He made many long runs down the field with the ball at his feet and scored many crucial goals.

**Riley Bristow** – Mr Reliable in our backline. Not much got past him. It was hard for the opposition to break down this barrier.

**Tahlia Wise** – Mixed it up with the boys, no problems. She wasn't going to be pushed around by these guys. Had good control on the ball and ball skills.

**Brendan Kleipas** – Always on the look out in attack. Not afraid to go in for those tough one on ones.

**Jamie Talevski** – Loved using his pace and good ball control down the side lines.

From myself personally.....

Congratulations to all the kids on a wonderful, enjoyable season. Also a big thank you to all the parents for all your efforts and support during the year. A big thank you to Rappha for all your assistance in relation to training each Monday. It was very much appreciated by all.

## **6 Dolphins 3**

**Coach: Martin Davies**

**Manager: Karina Sciberras**

Having started off slowly losing most of the first games, the boys clicked as a team and they were awesome, winning all their games after that. They even lent half their team to the opposition on one occasion in the name of good sportsmanship, which was nice to see.

This was the first season for 90% of the team and they learnt to play as a team very well by the end of the season, learning to rely on each other and supporting each other.

Each of them brought their own personality to the team and they had a fun season.

To summarise:

**LUCA** - The goal scoring machine. Luca loves to belt the ball into the goal using his height to his advantage over the opposition and outrunning them on many occasions. He was dependable week after week for the scoreboard.

**DANIEL D** - A bit slow to start, Daniel decided to give his parents a treat towards the end of the season scoring his first goal, much to his and their delight. He improved tremendously throughout the season and developed new skills.

**DANIEL B** - Another goal scorer of the team also using his height and size to his advantage. What a boot Daniel has, kicking the ball down the whole field on many occasions. Proving to be great in defence with that big kick and tackling ability.

**DION** - What a turnaround. Dion, like Daniel D, decided at the end of the season to score himself not only his first but his second goal in the one game. He was very committed turning up to training every week and very keen to learn, and he did develop.

**PETER** - Peter was committed throughout the season learning new skills and using his speed and determination in the midfield. He was persistent throughout the games with his tackling even when suffering from illness.

**JASON** - Another great defender, Jason was very reliable in the backs with Daniel. Many times he prevented a goal also using his size to his advantage. Another one with a big boot in defence.

**COOPER** - Another late starter, Cooper was a little timid to start but certainly got in there and warmed to the challenge. He also learned a lot of new skills during the season and developed well.

**WILLIAM** - Determination and a big heart kept William running like the Eveready Bunny week after week until the last couple of weeks when he had no more steam left. Not being the biggest in the team didn't stop his tackling the biggest of the opposition.

The boys were coached by Martin Davies who was always fair to the boys and tried to instil a sense of "team" within. The boys generally listened to Martin (as much as 5yr olds do) and learnt some new skills. Both the boys and parents appreciate the effort Martin put into the team.

## **7 Koalas 1**

**Coach: Max El Debel**

**Manager: Don Hammond**

Both Max and myself would like to thank all our players for another very successful season. **Andre, Sarah** and **Dylan** all came on in leaps and bounds. **Alexis** and **Angus** both took their games to new levels this season with Alexis really starting to improve in all aspects of the game. **Kai** and **Ibbi** were once again the mainstays of the team and both showed exceptional skills at various times of the season and **Luca's** goal saving prowess was second to none. We would also like to thank all the Parents whose support has been outstanding and is really appreciated by both of us. We hope to see you all back next season.

Don and Max

## **7 Koalas 2**

**Coach: Kevin Velovski**

**Manager: Craig Calderon**

The 7 Koalas 2 was made up of 7 young boys of whom only 2 had played soccer in 2008. The early training sessions showed that all of the boys were very enthusiastic to learn and were very excited to be playing in a team. Then the season started and we all realised that other teams that had been together for 1-2 years were "street smarter" than we were and subsequently we suffered some losses.

The team persisted and our first break through was a draw with Banksia Tigers and didn't the McDonalds taste good after that result!

The boys were starting to learn what it took to play well as a team and the small things that were important to get a good result. Our first win came against our local rivals Forest Rangers a game in which every player was outstanding.

I would like to say a big thank you to all of the parents for the time, expense and effort you went to this season. For most of us this was our son's first year playing soccer and I hope both parents and sons enjoyed themselves.

The season has included cold winter's training nights, cold early morning games, tears, some heavy defeats, some enthralling games, spectacular goals, Gala Day and a few great wins.

I know all of the boys appreciate all of the effort you go to (although that sometimes their appreciation isn't apparent). I noticed when refereeing some games that the boys look over at the parents for support and encouragement.

Particular thanks go to:

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- All of the boys for their enthusiasm and excitement
- Craig Calderon for being the Team Manager and helping out at every game (he was particularly good at coaxing reluctant players from the field when they were substituted).
- Octavio Montoya for helping out at training and taking over coaches duties in my absence.
- Sam Armano for helping out at training.
- Octavio Montoya, Sam Armano and Adam Ametson for helping out at the U8s Gala Day.
- Dan Welton for some brilliant photographs
- All of the mums for washing the jerseys throughout the year.

### **Our Team**

**Jaden Ametson** – A year younger than his teammates, Jaden did not lack in enthusiasm and dedication. Jaden developed his skills to be the most improved player in the team. He was so close to scoring a goal this year, twice hitting the post but made up for that with multiple goal line clearances.

**Marcus Armano** – Marcus was the Koalas' leader in pep talks. He would often add some insightful thoughts pre-game that would have his teammates enthralled. Always enthusiastic and there to provide a hug to teammates in their times of need. Marcus came very close to scoring this season, with his highlight being his close marking of opposition players.

**Thomas Calderon** – Thomas came to Lugarno from Forest Rangers and mentioned many times that he had a much more enjoyable season in 2009. Thomas was an enthusiastic team member who would always try his best and encourage his teammates. Thomas managed 3 goals this season including the fantastic "Goal of the Season" against his old team Forest Rangers, which gave him much pleasure.

**Adam Derwent** – Adam was the Koalas' strong man. He was resolute in defence making strong tackles and always determined going forward. Adam managed 6 goals this season including some beauties from kick-ins.

**Jayden Montoya** – Jayden was the Koalas' "Mr Reliable". He slotted into a defensive role very early in the season and would regularly make an intercepting tackle or goal line clearance. Jayden also was our long range goal specialist, managing 3 goals for the season.

**Andrew Velovski** – Andrew was the Koalas' midfield dynamo (our own Steven Gerrard). When he had his "head in the game" would appear to be everywhere on the field, in defence, midfield and attack. Andrew managed 5 goals this season with the highlight being his length of the field dribbling skills V Peshurst West.

**Jack Welton** – Jack was the Koalas' team entertainer, always ready with a joke, impersonation or funny story. Jack seemed to float in and out of games, but when he was switched on he was snapping at the heels of the opposition looking for the ball. He had the happy knack of being in the right place at the right time and managed 3 goals this season with the highlight being his sliding effort against Sans Souci.

Well done to all of the boys in the team.

- Coach Kevin Velovski

## **7 Goannas**

**Coach: Marcus Rayner**

**Manager: Fred Saric**

The Goannas faced an uphill battle from the start of the campaign, pre season interrupted by no appointed Management team, uncertainty around team selections, rookie players and no training facilities.

Move forward 5 months and what was on display was truly remarkable - a well oiled unit loving their soccer and their team mates, the team spirit on show was awe inspiring and with it came the results, not victories as one would expect but a team who played as a team, passed the ball to the wings, defended as a unit and played with passion. The opposing teams this year had none of these qualities, and in future years if the Goannas stay together we will undoubtedly see an unstoppable force.

Every team we played this year had one player who stole the show while their team mates looked on, this may have gotten the results this year but without team work or team spirit these other teams will actually be worse off in the long run and it is then the Goannas will reach their true potential.

For the coaching staff it was pleasing to see a bunch of kids arrive as blank canvases, eager to learn and keen to be guided in any direction, as a result the entire team was moulded as one and had one vision to this effect. All parents must be congratulated as at no stage was there interjection or comments made undermining authority or giving the team misinformation. This resulted in a most enjoyable campaign and smiles a plenty from the team whatever the result, and as long as there were oranges for half time (and apples for Louiey) harmony was at the fore front!

As for accolades this year, let's start with goals scored. Although the game is more than just scoring this is the easiest area to assess:

Christian - 6

Stefan - 3

Olivia - 1

Aidan - 1

James - 1

More importantly, for every goal scored many more are saved and leading the forefront of this were **Mickey** and **James** who, between them, saved an unparalleled amount - an outstanding achievement at this level, and their hard work ensured toward the back end of the season Lugarno were in all games with a chance of victory. Not surprisingly Mickey and James lead the way with practical application of learned training techniques in game situations. As a Coach this is the most rewarding part of the job - seeing the excitement when a trap, pass or run is applied correctly, not only that but with correct application the team's structure and balance are maintained, great job boys.

The Goanna's eternal optimist, **Louiey**, was a constant source of motivational speaking and I am sure a career looms in this field. Aside from this, however, the Coaching staff discovered under the calm demeanour a hidden centre midfielder who attacked with ferocity and without fear, the Coach only need to utter "Louiey go hard at the ball", and a collision ensued, with careful nurturing and guidance a solid player for years to come is guaranteed.

Up front for the most part of games were **Christian, Olivia** and **Aidan**.

Christian was outstanding in front of goal this year and was definitely the Goanna's X factor, this was reflected with him being our Golden Boot winner.

Not only that, Christian worked tirelessly all over the park getting back to defend then running the length of the field to attack, fitness was definitely not a problem nor the enthusiasm as trying to give him a rest was the biggest challenge of the year. **Olivia**, being our one and only girl, was not overawed by the boys and gave as good as she got, her one and only goal for the year was, in my humble opinion (no bias of course), goal of the year. It was hit with power from distance and while on the run with two defenders at her shoulders, clinical, a chip off the old block. Aidan was a great balance to the other two with unparalleled vision and an eye for a through ball ensuring he was credited with many assists, in addition to this he constantly looked to hit the side lines to shift the direction of the Goanna's attack and his linking up with James and Mickey down the flanks was top notch.

Last and definitely not least were **Stefan** and **Adam**, both boys were used all over the park owing to their versatility - you could be guaranteed solid defending at one end, controlled aggression in the midfield and able assistance up front. This was shown on the scoring charts with Stefan being our

2nd top scorer although not spending huge amounts of time in the goal square, on the other hand Adam racked up the defensive blocks so between them the team had a great balance.

Overall a very pleasing year, with the improvement at training astounding, unrecognisable from the start of the year with technique and basic skills the biggest change. This, along with attendance and enthusiasm, could not be questioned, again to all the Goanna's parents a big thankyou, for without your support the year definitely would not have gone as smoothly. The coordination of shirts and oranges was great and the end of year gift, although not necessary, was appreciated. Thanks to Fred for stepping up to be the 2nd team RTO and for filling in at times I was unable to attend.

Keep your juggling skills up over the off season boys and let's see who can be the first to make 5. See you all next year.

- Coach Marcus

## **8 Emus 1**

### **Coach & Manager: David Messner**

Even though Small Sided Soccer is all about having fun and not a competition, it was hard not to keep tabs on the game scores each week to see how the boys were progressing.

From 16 games played, the boys won 8, drew 4 and lost just the 4 games, an excellent result! The boys also put in an outstanding performance at the annual Under 8's Gala Day and a fun day was had by all.

It was very pleasing to see individuals develop as team players over the season, putting into practice what they learnt at training, and starting to think more about passing the ball around rather than just "boot it".

The new kid on the block, **Liam "The Leopard" Tambimuttu** had never played soccer before, but his natural sporting ability soon showed and he proved himself to be a very determined tackler and a handy goal scorer, usually at a time when the team needed it most. "Where there's a **Will** there's a way" **Simmons** and **Mark "The Marksmen" Martinovic**, both proved to be very versatile players being able to adapt well into any position, and very capable goal scorers. **Lachie "The Magician" Debono** continued to dazzle the crowd with his trademark runs down the wings, ducking and weaving in and out of players showing great skills and scoring some cracker goals along the way. **Matthew "Magic Boots" Messner**, showed us his ultra competitive spirit in every game, linking in well with the rest of the team and scoring plenty of great goals as a result. **Raffi "The Rock" Tchamkertenian** was our specialist defender and improved his game week on week, often staying back after matches to practice his skills with dad. This determination and desire to improve earned him the Coaches & Managers Award - Well done Raffi!

A big thanks to all the parents for getting their kids to the game on time each week and patiently waiting around in the freezing cold at Gannons Park for training to finish!

Special thanks go to Hagop and Michelle for their help organising the boys during the year, very much appreciated. Finally a huge thankyou must go to Raf Berroa for kindly taking on the job of training the kids. I am sure that the team's success this year has been a direct result of Raf's expert coaching and training drills that he conducted. I know the kids enjoyed going to training as much as they did playing on a Saturday morning, and this is what soccer at the grass roots level is all about....having fun!

Hope to see everyone back to do it all again next year!

Cheers!

David Messner (Coach/Manager)

## **8 Emus 2**

**Coaches: Tony Bedingfield & Theo Theodoridis**

**Manager: George Tsoukalas**

Firstly, I would like to say a big thank you to all the parents for the wonderful support and encouragement they provided all the kids this year.

The season was a great thrill for all the kids involved. They enjoyed playing every game with passion and enthusiasm, even when they were convincingly beaten on the day. We had a great mix of kids who found their natural positions from forwards wanting to score goals and others preferring to be the team's defensive wall. Let's not forget the girls who would not give an inch to the opposition and continuously ran the entire field not wanting to be out done by the boys!

What was also encouraging to see was that all the kids never gave up and that the only disappointment was that the season came to an end and they would have to wait until next year to play again as a team.

**Mitchell Frost:** Without a doubt the most improved player of the year. He never stopped running and scored some great goals throughout the year. Our backbone forward who showed a tenacious attitude in winning every ball he contested.

**Blake Obey:** What a defender! The ever-reliable fullback who saved goal after goal and always kept us in the game. His strong right foot boot also provided us with great clearances and counter attacking opportunities.

**Bill Strezovski:** Never stopped running and showed some great skills in controlling the ball. Bill always showed a willingness to step in and tackle for the ball. He was the quiet achiever who did not stop running.

**Dean Bedingfield:** A very determined competitor who improved continuously throughout the year. The highlight for Dean was scoring his first goal of the year. It was great to see a big smile on his face as he smashed the ball into the net. Well done Dean!

**Stephen Theodoridis:** You could always rely on Stephen to run down the sideline, take control of the ball, cut into the middle, dribble around the defence and score a brilliant goal for the team! Stephen showed great speed and control and his trademark runs down the sideline provided all the parents with some great memories. A great season!

**Haylee Wyld:** One of two girls in the team that never took a backward step. She had a brilliant year and gave 100% every game. Great at defence and her desire to win the ball prevented the opposition scoring on many occasions. Fantastic effort!

**Toni Tsoukalas:** The second girl member in the team that showed courage and determination throughout the year even after taking some heavy knocks. She continuously challenged for the ball and frustrated the opposition putting her body on the line. A great first season.

## **8 Fish 1**

**Coach: Clint Knipp**

**Manager: Dave Attard**

Well after playing under 6s and 7s on the mini field our kids were introduced to "Small Sided Games" for the 2009 under 8s season.

While it may have been a little hard for the parents to adjust the kids were soon into the "groove". They played two trials and their form was convincing, not that we were allowed to talk winners and losers.

The kids were competitive in all matches and their skill levels continued to develop under Coach Clint's guidance, with Richard looking after them on Saturdays.

Onto the mighty seven that made up the 8 Fish 1, Jack, Peter and Nathan liked to play at the back and were always intent on cleaning up anything that came their way, hopefully working the ball out

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when possible as Clint had “drummed” into them, no just “booting” the ball. In the middle Brennan, Tyron and Erik worked well together, whether it be runs down the flanks with intentions of crossing the ball in, or passing the ball in traffic. Up front James was always on hand to attempt to put away anything that came his way, his success rate varied (just ask dad).

We also competed in our annual Gala Day - Coach Clint deciding that we would enter them in the strong group and strong is what they got. They won one match, were beaten by a goal in another two out of their four matches. It was good for the kids to see some serious competition and test themselves.

Finally as we conclude our non comp years I would like to thank Clint Knipp for coaching the kids in these early development years and hopefully starting them on their way as young footballers. Thank you also to Richard for running the kids around on Saturdays.

## U9 C

**Coach & Manager: George Debono**

### **GRAND FINALISTS SCORE 2 v 2**

Season 2009 saw the formation of Lugarno 9C. Players from differing teams and clubs amalgamated to form a formidable team for their first year of competition soccer.

From the first kick off it was obvious that the boys would gel and establish some set plays with an impenetrable defence which would prove a successful combination for the season.

Initially, players experienced all positions developing, consolidating and then extrapolating upon their skill level, which enabled a totally cohesive team unit into the latter part of the season.

Some of their individual skills:

**Alex** – speed, stamina and skill. The master of throw ins.

**Darcy** - the fortress, solid in defence and controlling the back line play.

**David** - always ready to pounce with speed and determination. An excellent keeper when on duty.

**Dean** - ball skill and position always ready on the front line.

**Declan** - reads the play with skill and stamina.

**George** - the Machine, an asset in all positions on the field.

**Ivan** - the Speedster that never gives up utilising a high skill level.

**Jack** - defensive and attacking player with superb skills.

**Peter** - the striker and an excellent team player.

**Ryan** - the gentleman on and off the field that earns everyone’s respect with his defensive and attacking play.

By mid season we had pinpointed our individual strengths and played to maximum advantage. By the completion of all rounds we were 2nd on the ladder.

Through the semis and onto the GRAND FINAL the boys are to be congratulated on their unselfish and skillful play. They certainly made an indelible impression on our opposition and the way they played in particular on GRAND FINAL day was worthy of a national telecast.

Their passion and commitment to the game week in and week out was a delight to watch.

Congratulations to the boys for a season of fair play earning the respect of all opposing teams and doing Lugarno Soccer Club proud.

A special thanks to all the parents and friends that supported the kids.

And also Lugarno Soccer Club committee for their tireless efforts behind the scenes. Excellent job done by all.

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- Coach/Manager: George Debono

## **U9 E**

**Coach: Adam Robinson**

**Manager: Lora Agius**

As this was the first season of competitive soccer for our team, we were very excited about the prospect of playing teams of equal ability and also testing ourselves.

We started the season on a big high with a good win over arch rivals Forest Rangers. All the indications were, that this would be a good year for the Lugarno 9E's. We didn't have any world beaters in our team but we had a great team spirit and all the individuals brought something important to the team.

As the season progressed, we experienced some wonderful highs but also some disappointing lows. For us to make the semi finals when some of the kids had never played soccer before this year was a fantastic achievement and the whole team can be proud of what they achieved this year.

Everyone contributed to the teams' success and worked very well for each other in each and every game.

**Alex Agius:** Alex has played with Lugarno for the last couple of years and he keeps getting better with each year. He played mostly as a midfielder this year and was constantly harassing the opposition and a lot of important tackles throughout the year. Well Done Alex.

**Liam Robinson:** Liam had a great year. He played stopper and his big clearances from the box saved us on numerous occasions and a lot of our attack came from his boot. Liam also tackled extremely well all season. Great work Liam

**Ethan Smeets:** Ethan played goalkeeper all year and without him in goals the results of some of games would have been very different. Ethan got better with each game and his reflex saves on the goal line were fantastic to watch. Thank you, Ethan.

**Max Donati:** The second smallest player on the team but as they say, good things come in small packages. Max had a wonderful season, his speed around the field meant that the opposition attack was shut down very quickly. He primarily played in defence with Liam but started a lot of our attack by going wide and feeding the ball forward. Great Work Max.

**Andrew Kennedy:** This was Andrew's second season and by the end of the year he had improved an amazing amount. Andrew scored his first goal this year after many near misses. This seemed to spur him on and his later season form was excellent. Well Done Andrew.

**Mitchell Seymour:** This was Mitchell's first season playing soccer and he just loved it. He was always smiling, always listened intently and was a pleasure to coach. I am sure the highlight of Mitchell's year was the left footed screamer he scored late in the year after many near misses...I think Doug was happy too or maybe he just likes punching the air, not sure. Well Done Mitch.

**Krissa Dimitrakopoulos:** This was also Krissa's first year and she was very shy at the start but soon came out of her shell and by the end of the year had put in 2 player of the match performances. Krissa didn't score any goals this year but she had lots of many near misses. Krissa tried hard all year, I know this because her face was always just a little red. Well Done Krissa.

**Kurt Haines:** This was Kurt's first year with Lugarno and he played striker, he scored a bagful of goals this year and single-handedly won matches for us with his accuracy and tireless efforts in attack and the midfield. Kurt scored a couple of length of the field goals where he ran through the opposition and his finishes were clinical. Great year Kurt.

**Peter Marcos:** Peter was a vital component to our mid field. He was tireless in attack where he was rewarded with a couple of goals. His cover defence (even when he was running on one leg) and reading of the game meant he was in the right spot at the right time to stop the oppositions attacking raids. Well Done Peter.

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**Zac Pithkethley:** Zac played as an attacking midfielder and, with Kurt, played a big part in the goals we scored this year. Zac's passing and tackling in critical situations saved us from conceding goals and he worked hard in every game and his efforts were rewarded with the some spectacular goals. Well Done Zac.

**Naum Nikolovski:** More often than not Naum was the smallest player on the field but that didn't stop him from taking on everyone. Like Peter, Naum was a vital component in the midfield, he linked well with Kurt to set up many of our goals and had fantastic year. Well Done Naum.

I hope the kids enjoyed their season and were happy to be playing soccer with their mates. The smiles on their faces at training and in the games, when they shared in each other success was priceless. They were all a pleasure to coach and I hope to see them all back at Lugarno next year.

A massive thank you must go to Lora Agius for all her help and assistance managing the team this year. Without her we would not have made it to the right grounds at the right time.

- Coach Adam Robinson

## **U10 A**

**Coach: Paul Burt**

**Manager: Ben Petanceski**

Well what can I say - the boys had a fantastic year but without the desired result we were hoping for, which was to finish in the top 4 and be involved in semi final football. As a coach I was extremely pleased with how we played this year, not just individual play but the coming together as a team and the realisation of what a team mate really means. The mateship and team play this year was outstanding and it was a pleasure to see, as a coach, every player working together as one, giving 100% commitment to every game they played.

I have coached most of the kids since they were six years old and during that time I have seen them grow into fine young boys and of course very determined football players.

I believe this team can be a champion side if we can somehow stick together as a team.

For the next couple of years I can assure you we will be force to be reckoned with.

On behalf of Michael, Ben and myself, we would like to thank all the kids for their efforts this year and hope to see everyone back at Gannons for pre-season training next year.

I would also like to thank all the parents this year for their patience and understanding as being a coach is not always that easy to get things right all the time. Hope you all have a great Christmas & a safe and happy new year, love Paul Nicole James & Georgia.

See you next year,

- Coach Paul.

## **U10 D**

**Coach: John Martins**

**Manager: Dave Attard**

The 9Ds evolved into the 10Ds and from the outside looking in it may look like we went along our merry way and emulated the achievements of last season.

However, things were a lot different. Two of our mainstays in the backline as well as our leading goal scorer had moved on. Also some of our girls had also moved to the Sunday competition. Finally we had two kids playing their first season of soccer and a new coach.

Eventually the numbers game was sorted and off we went with our team list of the 11 kids who would form the new look mighty 10 Ds - the dynamics had also changed as we were now playing 9 a side. John Martins had also been drawn into the "web" as our new coach.

Early trial form was promising as we had convincing wins against Sylvania and Padstow. However our new look backline had not really been put under the pump.

The season started with two wins before we came up against Carss Park who chalked up four goals in the first ten minutes. The remainder of this match was one of the defining moments of the season as John made some subtle changes to our structure and we ended up going down 5 - 3 and knowing we could mix it with these guys, better than that after being down four goals rather than drop their heads the kids fought hard and got themselves back into the game.

The season wore on amid the frustration of wet weather interruptions and our kids kept themselves in the top two throughout. We also managed to square the ledger against Carss Park.

There was no doubting Coach John's enthusiasm, one day we got to training and it started to bucket down, no probs, John took the kids into the change shed and worked on their skills for an hour. I am sure Ana Martins thinks she played a role with her downloading of drills as well, at least that's what she told us she was downloading!

Getting back on track and the eleven kids that made up the mighty 10Ds. **Seano** once again put his hand up to play keeper and he had another top season in the goals, many a time he saved us with some top shelf saves, probably motivated by his absolute hate of picking the ball up from the back of the net. **Samuel** and **Andrew** moved into the backline and relished their new roles, believing in each other they had vastly improved seasons. Just in front of them was the ever reliable **James G** who again had another great season.

In the midfield **Julian** was nothing short of "phenomenal", his pace, ability on the ball and tenacity in defence was a pleasure to watch. **Matthew** continued to improve and worked hard all season. On to our new recruits **Joanna** and **Emily**, firstly let me say that at times they were a reminder of what the kids were here for as they enjoyed playing a team sport. Joanna steadily improved throughout the season and when Em's confidence was up she ran the ball at pace at the opposition. **Fletch**, another new recruit, had a fantastic season as he alternated between the right of midfield and the forward line, his runs up the right were a pleasure to watch as were his 10 goals. Up front it was the ever reliable **Rachel** who contributed 15 goals for the season and was always a thorn in the side of the opposition defences, her corners were also a pleasure to watch as she landed them on the mark repetitively. She was complemented up front by **Daniel**, whose trusty left foot contributed 12 further goals. Thank you also to James Burt, Jordan and Sophie who filled in for us at different times of the season when we were short.

A tense 1-0 victory in our final regular season match "cemented" second spot on the table to allow the kids two "bites" in the final series. A week later this would be of paramount importance as we took on Carss Park in the first semi. 1-1 at the end of regular time sent us into overtime where Carss won their way through with a 2-1 result. Our kids effort was 100% even if their execution was a little off. The kids dusted themselves off and the following week they had a resounding 3-0 victory to once again be part of Grand final week.

Once again we had plenty of support as grandparents, uncles, aunts, friends and anyone else the kids could "con" into coming were on hand to cheer at the GF. Unfortunately we were unable to get the result we all craved; however credit where credit is due as Carss Park were too good on the day - two goals in the first half, the second on the stroke of half time confirmed the result. Our kids did much better in the second half but unfortunately they could not find one goal to at least get them nervous.

The bigger picture is that the kids had another fantastic season and had a lot of fun along the way, nearly as much as coach John who I would like to offer a huge thank you for his "unlimited" effort throughout the season. The fun the kids had was matched only by us stressed parents on the sideline as we rode the emotional roller coaster with the kids and had a lot of laughs along the way. Thanks to all for your commitment throughout the season.

## U10(1) Girls

**Coach: Bill Krkovski**

**Manager: Dave Hoskins**

What a fantastic season the girls had this year !!!!

Not an easy season, with some strong opposition which meant the girls had to earn their position on the table. The girls, under Bill's excellent guidance, went from strength to strength and made it through to the grand final. Although it went into extra time and still finished in a nil all draw, our 2<sup>nd</sup> position on the table meant we were runners up - a heart breaking way to 'lose'.

Each week saw all the girls honing their skills and learning some new ones. All the team gelled well together and seemed to have fun both on and off the field. Overall a great bunch of girls, who provided an entertaining game of soccer each and every week.

A team who did the Lugarno club proud. A team that all of us, as parents, can and should be proud of.

**Georgia Beadon** - played both up front and in the goals. A dominant player who can make her way through the defense. A confident goalie, who saved us on more than one occasion.

**Rachel Cassar** - a great up front player, with the ability to score goals from anywhere (and she did, 32 in fact!). Plays with great skill and confidence and always one of the best on the field.

**Sophie Hilton** - versatile both in the forwards and the mid field (scored 6 goals this year). A tenacious player, always chasing the ball down. She moves around the field well and always has a smile.

**Jade Hoskins** - played full back for most of the year, it was very rare for a ball to get through. She was our rock at the back and showed us some nice clearing kicks with her big boots and ability to hold the opposition at bay.

**Staci Kotzaitis** - probably covered the most area of the field each week, usually played mid (and still managed to score 8 goals). A great player who never gives up, and will put her body on the line when required, even though she was usually much smaller than the opposition.

**Ashley Krkovski** - usually played sweeper. Her control of the ball is very skillful. Her strong boots down the field got us out of trouble on numerous occasions.

**Gabrielle Lakos** - a strong mid fielder, who improved with every week. Showed some great skills, providing the girls up front with the ball (scored 1 goal this year).

**Lucia Maalouf** - No 1 goalie extraordinaire! Also a great full back when on the field. Always reliable and confident in goals and made many important saves during the season.

**Hayley Mathew** - an attacking player who seems to be in amongst it all the time. Showing some great tackling and dribbling skills and bagging 7 goals as well.

**Chloe Petancevski** - playing most of the time in the midfield, but sharing the goalie duties as well. A versatile player who showed she can be dominant when she has the ball, scored 1 goal this year.

**Lauren Radcliffe** - A midfielder who showed some great passing skills and improved her confidence and skill level with every game. A quiet achiever, who gets the job done.

Great work girls, and many thanks to Bill for being such an inspirational, fun coach and Dave for being a good, organised manager.

## U10(2) Girls

**Coach: Paul Lynch**

**Manager: Gerard Price**

Well, we can all sit back and be proud of what our girls did this year. After a poor start to the season where we had to replace the original coach and manager, the girls shrugged off any problems and played sensationally.

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Led by Supercoach Tony the girls improved throughout the year and even though there were plenty of washed out games and training sessions the girls never lost their enthusiasm.

The season started brilliantly as we defeated the eventual Premiers (albeit via a forfeit) and followed this up with a sensational 2-0 victory 2 games later. However, the wins proved few and far between.

Each week the girls, with plenty of supporters as well thanks to the parents, turned up and gave their best. There were plenty of close games where we just couldn't score a goal here or there and this made a difference on a few occasions but at the end of the competition we finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Ok, there were only 6 teams but who cares!

On behalf of all the girls and parents, we would like to thank Tony for giving up his cold and wet Thursday nights to train the girls even though he seemed to enjoy it as much as they did. Tony also missed some of his own games to ensure he was there on game day with the girls.

The players were:

**Stefanie Lynch** - very speedy and was the season's leading goal scorer. Made plenty of breaks and had plenty of fun.

**Maddie Flood** - rock solid in defence and improved remarkably throughout the season.

**Alicia Spinola** - very fast up front and scored a goal as promised.

**Tess Cruz** - excellent in the midfield saving plenty and setting up the attack.

**Erin Price** - speedy in the midfield and also scored a goal for the season. Hated being goalkeeper.

**Talara Tonna Riley** - very solid player who played both mid field and up front. Never stopped.

**Jessica Hanneybel** - played forward most of the season and nearly scored the goal of the year.

**Abaigeal Brooks** - excellent player at the back saving many attacks on goal. Loved to run with the ball as well.

**Sunetra Bailey** - another who improved during the season. Wasn't afraid of the bigger girls and defended very well.

**Josephine Stevens** - good defender with a big kick at the back. Played some great games.

**Gabby Koutsoukis** - never stopped trying every game and played very well in the defence.

Once again thanks to all for an enjoyable season.

- Manager Gerard Price

## **U11 B**

**Coach: John Taylor**

**Manager: Diane Redmond**

Welcome from the Padstow Bunker to our end of year report and what a year it was!

Strip me naked, stand me on a cake and light my head if this was not a year to celebrate.

We have remained modest throughout the whole year however my friends that is about to end in spectacular fashion. Who would have thought our year could end like it did.

If I may, let me take you back to January 2009 to our pre season training.

After the last 2 years of losing players to other clubs, we decided to take a more aggressive approach and invited a number of players down to some early training sessions. Well stand me in the corner, slap me three times and make me write lines.

What a complete failure, instead of gaining some lads we in fact lost more...

After the registration in February we have 9 players on our books, now even my maths will tell you we were indeed struggling, not to mention having to put our reserves bench on e-bay.

I spoke to the committee about our plight and they approached 2 players from the Under 10's, who were new registrations to the club, about playing up a year. Thankfully both parents and players agreed and we had 11, hip hip hurray! We also had 1 late rego who was able to play but could not train due to a previous commitment. With 12 players our team was set and it looked a promising team.

Our expectations were quite simple, be competitive and hopefully create some trouble for the other teams.

Our first trial was against Sylvania at Sylvania, and we got hammered! I think the score was 1-6 from memory which, I might add, works well for 10 mins a day! Trials are meant to be trials and, after that match, a few positions were changed for the next trial. I think the score was 8-0 our way, quite a turn around but totally different opposition.

Now with 12 players we were always going to be short at times, however Anthony could not be registered until Bexley deregistered him and this took 3 matches.

Our first 3 matches had borrowed players, Mathew from the 11 C's, Samuel and Daniel from the 10D's.

After 3 rounds we have scored 14 goals and had not conceded a single goal.

Anthony joined the team for round 4 and scored in his first game.

The 5<sup>th</sup> game was against Carss Park and, with only 10 men, we held onto a gusty draw 0-0. This was our first test and the guys showed what was to become their hallmark, complete and total commitment supporting each other all around the park.

The season was one of huge courage by all the boys in every game, especially when you think we played with 10 players on 3 occasions and one incredible game when we only had 9 and won 1-nil against the team who came 4th.

The belief and trust the guys had with each other was amazing and fantastic to watch.

We borrowed players for 6 matches and each time the players fitted into the team and were gratefully welcomed. Samuel even left his own birthday one game to come and help us out when we were short! A huge thing to do.

The rain proved a real disruption to the season and we only completed 15 rounds until the semis, after the 15 rounds this is how we looked.

Played 15, won 14, lost 0, drew 1, scored 72 goals, conceded 7, points 43.

Carss Park were second with 12 wins, 2 losses, 1 draw and 52 goals for and 14 against, points 37.

To go through undefeated in the season was sensational and a just reward for the hard work the boys put in. It was also clearly not even in the mind set when our season started.

We played Carss Park in the first semi and won 2-0.

We then met them 2 weeks later in the grand final with, again, only 11 players as Jack broke his arm during the week. This was very sad for Jack and the team.

The game was a classic with half time 0-0.

This side works hard on the field for the whole game never for just  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a match. And into the second half we began to look most likely. It was Michael who broke the dead lock with a beautiful goal from outside the box. It was then a beautiful move that started deep within our own half and down our left side which saw the ball crossed to Dylan, who had a touch, turned and shot into the top corner.

The game finished 2-0 and the boys certainly deserved their win as they were the best side all year. Undefeated throughout the whole competition was and remains an incredible effort.

The scorers of the goals were shared between 9 players, Michael had 17, Dylan 13, Carl scored an amazing 12 and played only about  $\frac{1}{2}$  the matches due to school soccer - Joe come on, change the school dude, we need the boy! Dion got 9, Jimmy scored 5 and played out of his skin all year. Matty C scored 5, Anthony also 5, Zach 2 and Ramazan 3.

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Our averages looked like this:

Scored 4.8 goals per game, conceded 0.46 goals per game.

Out of 12 players, 9 scored goals and 3 reached double figures.

Our team list was as follows:

**Matthew Campagna** - who played defense and midfield and attacked from our set plays. Matty had a great year and his 3 touch play from the back set up many attacking plays.

**Ramazan Arslan** – played sweeper and his touch of either foot was a highlight, never fazed and always looked in control.

**Dylan Bove** – either goalie or right striker found the goal almost every match in attack and scored the goal that sealed our win in the grand final.

**Matthew Elchar** – came into the team from the 10's, the more he played the more his confidence grew. Played mid field with Michael and was close to best on the ground in the grand final.

**Jack Crawford** – also came to us via 10's, youngest player in the team but never took a backwards step. His heading of the ball in defense summed up his courage.

**Anthony Marneros** - almost lost to Bexley North until the transfer fee fell through. Played centre or right midfield and showed great touch and speed all year.

**Carl Pizzolato** - involved in school v clubs drama all year. When he played, linked brilliantly with Dion and scored almost at will.

**James Redmond** - at times would catch the flu in goal and then set the forward line alight with hungry driven runs up front. Scored some memorable goals.

**Jack Robson** - goalie or full back, Jack loved to play. Played always for the team and was as safe as a bank at the back.

**Michael Martinovic** - started the season unable to train due to academy commitments, during the season left those to be with his team mates. Had a great year and from midfield controlled our play.

**Dion Taylor** - the coach's son. Played midfield either middle or left, gave everything every match and played his best football this year. One of the smaller players but always gave it back to the opposition

**Zachary Tellis** - Zach grew in confidence every match and his speed is awesome. One of the quickest kids in the comp and one of the sweetest passers.

I have more to say but Maria told me to stop as the report will look like a phone book.

Finally, thank you to Dianne who made my life so easy as the coach. I never had to worry about cards or refs as she took care of everything.

Thanks also to the players - you guys deserved everything you achieved this year and you achieved heaps! You played with passion and skill on the field and won with humility every time. Off the field you represented the club with pride and commitment, and the club was proud of the team and the way you guys wore the orange colours.

Lastly I would like to thank all the parents. It is a big commitment to get to training 2 days a week and then a game on Saturday and I would like to thank you for the time and effort you gave to the team. I am also very humbled for the trust you place in me and for letting me train your children.

We had a year that you would dream of and a year for all the guys to remember very fondly.

THE UNDEAFEATED CHAMPIONS OF 2009!!!

## **U11 C**

**Coach: Marc Lakos**

**Manager: Hugh Kleipas**

*"We are the champions my friends.  
And we'll keep on fighting till the end.  
We are the champions, we are the champions.  
No time for losers, cause we are the champions - of the world."*

22 years ago, Freddy Mercury must have dreamt of the future 11Cs when he wrote that song, because no other words better describe how the boys performed this year.

Coming up from the 10Ds was always going to be a challenge and our initial results (DWLWDWD) suggested we would struggle for consistency. However as the boys gained confidence, the results started to flow, and a string of victories (WWWLWWLW) saw us end up in 3<sup>rd</sup> spot at the end of the season. In a number of these matches we came from behind which is the mark of a really good time, and a tribute to the boys never say die attitude.

The first final against Carrs Park was a tough game, but the draw allowed us to pass through to the second round. The Gods were on our side, when Arncliffe (undefeated competition leaders) forfeited their first final and were automatically out for the rest of the series. Why did they do this – well there are many conspiracy theories, but that's a discussion for another day. Needless to say this allowed both Forest Rangers to proceed to the grand final. This was always going to be a great match as they beat us 4-2 in the first game, and we defeated them 3-0 in the second. We had to beat them, as they finished above us at the end of the season. At the end of day it was a convincing 3-0 victory with the boys playing their best game of the season. Everyone played to their fullest ability and never stopped trying. Forest weren't given a single opportunity to score, and their coach remarked on our quality defence at the end of the game.

Most importantly the team (and the parents!) played the entire season in a very sportsmanlike manner, and the boys had a huge amount of fun – the wins were a bonus!

Let's look at the players in an objective manner, listing both positives and negatives for each one:

### **Luke Bonnano**

Positives – Excellent back, never stops trying, always positive.

Negatives – Tells really bad jokes.

### **Christian Bonnici**

Positives – Great midfielder, very fast and agile, 1 goal for the season.

Negatives – Can talk underwater.

### **Sebastian Brooks**

Positives – Fantastic back and midfielder, very deceptive, always gives 100%.

Negatives – Has ongoing shoelace issues.

### **Blake Cato**

Positives – Very quick, phenomenal midfielder, 4 goals for the season

Negatives – Needs to stop falling over – one day it will hurt!!

### **Josh Kleipas**

Positives – Great goalkeeper and back, always tries hard, can pull out some great kicks.

Negatives – Needs to get a better joke writer, maybe get a 2 for 1 deal with Luke.

### **Mathew Lakos**

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Positives – Excellent striker, great left foot, 9 goals for season.

Negatives – Has hair gel issues, needs to use less.

### **Ryan Lewis**

Positives – Wonderful right back and midfielder, very good tackler, great passes into space.

Negatives – Tries to confuse coach with his footwear, red=Ryan, silver=Sean (what's the problem!)

### **Sean Lewis**

Positives – Very quick and agile left midfielder, 1<sup>st</sup> goal ever in the grand final, always gives it his all.

Negatives – See footwear issue above.

### **Billy Manousiadis**

Positives – Excellent right striker, 7 goals for season, goal in the grand final.

Negatives – Has issues with passing correspondence from his coach to his mum.

### **Ilija Petrovski**

Positives – Phenomenal centre back, huge kick, very fast,

Negatives – Never shuts up – Talk, Talk, Talk, and Talk!!

### **Lachlan Straney**

Positives – Brick wall sweeper, always there when it counts, 2 goals for the season.

Negatives – Also has hair gel issues, but in this case needs more.

### **Jayden Turk**

Positives – Wonderful goalkeeper and right back, very fast, big kicks.

Negatives – None, his mum kept giving him bags of lollies to bring to training – Go girlfriend!!

### **Josh Wilkie**

Positives – Amazing midfielder, 6 goals for season including an amazing 1 in the GF, gives 100%.

Negatives – More hair issues. Big hair died in the 80s my friend. Share some gel with Lach.

Finally thanks to all the parents for their continuing support this season. The main reason I did this job again was because it gave me the chance to work and socialise with a great bunch of kids and parents. A big thanks to Hugh for managing the team again this year – it makes a huge difference when all you have to worry about is the coaching. Look out the 12Bs – HERE WE COME!!!

## **U12 B**

**Coach: Con Dellas**

**Manager: Liz Rozario**

Firstly, thank you to all the boys for a great season, unfortunately we didn't win the Minor Premiership, nor the Grand Final, however I think technically we were the best team in the comp. We stumbled at the last hurdle before the semis to lose the minor premiership, and then again in the first week of the finals. We had the best attack in the competition, with an average of 2.5 goals a game, and the second best defence, with an average of a goal a game. We played some great football throughout the year, which is very encouraging to see as a coach. Hopefully you will take some learning from this year into the next.

Secondly, I would like to thank Liz for all her efforts throughout the year, attending all meetings and organising the team sheets, canteen duties and cleaning of the jerseys. It made coaching much easier, knowing the managerial work was all taken care off.

Thirdly, I would like to thank the parents for always bringing the kids to training on time, can't say the same for myself some days, but I really appreciated it. I also like to thank you all for the support and encouragement you gave the boys every week during the game, and the support and trust you gave to me.

**Conor Robinson** – Our biggest goal scorer who managed to finish off whatever our midfield threw his way. A striker like no other, Conor had eyes only for the goal net!

**Josh Booth** – The boy that came from anywhere to finish what could not be finished. Always ready and able to assist Conor.

**Liam Koletti** – Liam played with a spring in his step, he was new to the team but willed the ball to play to his feet as he earned his place within the team.

**Liam Costello** – The boy who was anywhere and everywhere, waiting for the opportunity to feed Conor and seal the next goal, and if Conor wasn't waiting he was always happy to finish off himself.

**Liam Sharan** – The boot with lead. Liam crossed his corners with accuracy to be proud of. He ran himself ragged every game. He enjoyed the thrill of scoring our penalties.

**Tristan Bloodworth** – Tristan was an annoyance to the other teams, he was always there when they didn't want him to be. Protecting our backs and feeding our midfield.

**Chris Spanos** – We saw Chris gain his place in true form on our left mid field. Playing week in and week out with steady dedication and composure that saw us through the season.

**Brock Buhagiar** – Brock played right mid field and was ready with a lethal boot to cross the ball to our forwards time after time. He ran like the wind when he wanted to beat the opposition to the ball.

**Rhys Pezzutti** – Rhys was a new comer to our team. He is the sort of player that would play where told whether forward or midfield and you were assured he played with heart and determination.

**Dom Lin** – What can we say about our backs, they worked hard and constant. I am sure that our goalie was happy to have their endless support game after game.

**Rasmus Altenkamp** – Rasmus was our secret weapon. He is lithe and has speed to match. Every game was played as if the ball was his and his alone. He hunted down anyone that dared to take it from him.

**Simon Baker** – Simon played with the wisdom of a captain of many years. He rallied the troops to victory on many occasion. He was tireless in his support for his fellow players, always willing them not to lose heart when they had made a mistake. He played how he led.

**Mat Carpenter** – Mat worked week in and week out trying to help our team through to victory. He hung his head in despair when he let a goal in, but the team always accepted these mistakes as their own errors, as we all know it goes through so many players before it even reaches the goalie. Well done Mat.

As Manager I would like to say thanks to Con and all the parents for your support. It makes the job as Manager easier and more enjoyable. Roll on 2010 – Hope to see you all back again.

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## **U12 A (Girls)**

**Coach: Gordon Wood**

**Manager: Sue Dick**

Firstly and foremost, on behalf of the parents and girls of the team, a big thank you to Coach Gordon for his time and efforts throughout the season - from the yelling at training to the yelling on the side, which would be yelling of encouragement of course! Mighty job Gordon, thank you.

Thanks to Sal and Ross who helped fill in the coaching role when Gordon was away, and thanks to all the volunteers who helped set up the fields on our early morning wake up calls and lastly thanks to the weekend cheer squad - the parents on the side line who would turn up to the game every weekend to give the girls the encouragement and cheers they needed.

Now where do you start with our bunch of girls? A few words come to mind - talkative and cheeky, but all jokes aside **THEY NEVER GAVE UP**, as for most of the girls this was the first time they had played together as a team, but they all found their positions on the field and all put in 110% every game.

**Annika Debono** – “The Machine” & Goalie extraordinaire. What a great year Annika had this year with her fantastic efforts in goals and on field play.

**Isabella Torrisi** – one of the 3 mighty backs, Isabella went in for the tackles to help defend her goal every game. Isabella is really starting to grow as a soccer player over the last few years, keep it up.

**Emma Lucchitti** – the centre piece of our mighty backs, Emma had the speed to catch the quick runs down the centre of the field and with a boot to clear the ball out and back down the field. Emma scored 3 goals and was our highest goal scorer for the team.

**Sandra Costa** – the other mighty back, well done Sandra you tried all season and you always had Gordon on his toes but you showed him and you never gave up.

**Jessica Singh** – Jess didn't get to get to have a full season due to illness but, when she was able to play, had some great games scoring one goal for the season.

**Amelia Fitzgerald** – one of our mid fielders, Amelia had some great runs with the ball and tried all season showing great team work.

**Kiarne Humphreys** – “Miss Wingette” she may be small but Kiarne never said never when it came to the soccer ball, no one was getting that ball when Kiarne wanted it or had it. Great season keep it up.

**Bethany Price** – Beth was our quiet achiever on the field. This was her 2nd year with Gordon so he put Beth more into the mids to give her a run and run she did, just missing opportunity at goal but a great effort all season. Well played.

**Alexandra Kotzaitis** – firstly thanks to Alex for being our 2nd goalie for the season. There's a lot of pressure there but you did a fantastic job. On the field is where you felt comfortable and it showed from mid field to the backs - you were always there, sometimes not sure where you were playing but being fast and a fighter on the field and covered the defense fantastic.

**Olivia Florance** – from the mids to the forwards, Olivia really had some great ball technique and foot work, you had the opposition a bit confused with what you were going to do next, a fantastic effort every game keep it up.

**Georgina Dick** – covered the mids and forwards, with speed and ability to read the game. Had a great season trying hard to run it through the defense and also able to run back to help run down the opposition. Georgina scored one goal for the season.

**Tiana DeSilva** – this was Tiana's first year on the soccer field. With her fast legs she played mainly up front, she tried hard all season, well done.

**Jennifer Wood** – played up front all season. Played well with her fellow team mates and read the game well, some great foot work and skill with the soccer ball, just a shame that she was not able to score more than one goal for the season. (She did actually score 2 goals, as she scored for the 14B when she helped out)

I would like to say thanks to the girls and parents - I really had a great time being the Manager this year and watching you all play so well and grow together as a team and to see you all improve your soccer skills.

It is unfortunate that some of the girls will be moving up to the 14's next year and the rest will stay in the 12's. Hope you all come back and have a great season next year as well.

Thanks – Sue Dick, Manager

## **U12 B (Girls)**

**Coach: John McCabe**

**Manager: Lorraine Williamson**

The girls of the U12B's had a great year and played with a lot of heart, although it might not have always been reflected on the scoreboard. The squad had 5 girls who had never played organised football before, and 5 of the girls only turn 10 this year. But from our first training session I could tell that I was lucky to have a group of girls who loved football and were willing to work hard to learn the game and play as a team. I could see improvement every week both individually and as a team and the girls never complained about the results rarely reflecting their effort.

Up front, we relied on **Ivana**, **Sasha** and **Bianca** to put the ball in the net for us. There were days when I thought the ball was being directed by termites because we hit so much wood, but we did find the back of the net on a number of occasions and the girls always kept trying, and more importantly always looked to pass to a team mate in a better position to score.

Across the mid-field we had a number of great performers. On the left was **Sarah**, not surprisingly because she was the only one who could kick with her left foot! In the middle we had a number of girls from **Tadum** to **Eliza** to **Marie T**. And on the right we had **Hannah**. All of the midfielders ran their hearts out and became very adept at turning on the ball and putting it through to the forwards.

They were always willing to come back and help out the back in defense when required.

Our back line was made by **Caitlin**, **Pamela** (who also filled in in goal), **Georgia**, **Bay-lea** and **Elyse**. These girls were like a brick wall in defense and not much got through. The opposing teams had to go over or around to get a shot at goal.

Finally, our Goalie, **Maree C**. Maree was one of our youngest team members, but was also one of the bravest. She never complained, always kept her head up, and supported her team mates every step of the way.

I am extremely grateful to have worked with a group of girls who listened, worked hard, and most importantly had fun. I am fortunate to have had the assistance of an excellent Manager in Lorraine and the support of a great group of parents, who never stopped cheering and encouraging the girls all season.

I want to thank you all and I look forward to next season.

- Coach John

## **U13 A**

**Coaches: Michael Burt & Thomas Roth**

**Manager: Tom Reale**

On behalf of Mick Burt, Tom Roth and myself, we would like to thank the parents and the kids for their time and effort. Mick, Tom and myself have been involved with the kids from an early age (Under 6's) and whilst not all boys have been involved since then, most of the boys have.

Having said this, there was a stage early in the season where we were struggling for numbers but we had a number of new boys join late and they were all very important contributors to what was a good solid season for the 13A's....so thankyou to the new boys and their parents as well.

We would comment on the boys as follows (in no particular order):

**Matthew Burt** - A dour defender who generally gives away size to much bigger boys playing forward. Good pace and a keen sense of good fullback positional play.

**Jonathan De Silva** - Jon's 2<sup>nd</sup> year with the team and held his own in the midfield. Again, of slight frame, Jonathan gave away size to his opponents but never shirked his task and always went in hard for the 50 / 50 balls.

**Christopher Ilardo** (7 goals scored) - It is very hard not to understate Chris's importance to the team. He is the everywhere boy that always gets to the right position on the field when he is needed. He has the pace and fitness to drift between midfield and back and can also get forward if need be in a goal scoring opportunity. Another consistent season.

**Damian Price** - A seasoned defender who improved and matured through the course of the year. Was able to get to the ball and diffuse dangerous situations with his natural pace.

**Jarrold Radcliffe** (11 goals scored) - A natural goal scorer who could convert an opportunity into a goal. Pace and a powerful left foot makes him a difficult target for opposing fullbacks to stop. Also helped out at midfield and back when required.

**Daniel Reale** (3 goals scored) - One of our 2 designated goal keepers who had another solid year in goal. Very consistent year and a good contributor when in the field of play as well with 3 goals.

**Matthew Roth** - The other of our designated goal keepers and again very solid in goal. Produced some great saves and a powerful right boot in general play that helped clear the ball from danger situations.

**Billy Tsoukalas** - One of the younger members of the team that could play in the U12's. Billy gives away height and size as a fullback, but reads the play very well and solid on both feet.

**Alex Pezzutti** - Stout defender that never shirked his task. Always solid and reliable and fitted in very well to our backline. Strong with both feet.

**Alex Griffiths** - Arguably the fittest and fastest player in the team. Ran down defenders regularly during the season and played sweeper and stopper.

**Brandon Kubiak** (9 goals scored) - Played forward mainly and used his size to hold up defenders to either score or set up opportunities. Brandon scored some cracking goals this year.

**Jake Kubiak** (5 goals scored) - Jake played forward also and showed a great skill level. Like his brother, Jake scored some memorable goals and worked well in setting up goals also.

**Brandon Williams** (2 goals scored) - A terrific first year for Brandon who often gave away height and speed to opponents. Never stopped trying in the midfield and supplied many good balls to the forwards with his trusty left foot.

A good, solid year boys and we ended the competition proper in equal 3<sup>rd</sup> place having played 15 games for 8 wins, 2 draws and 5 losses scoring 37 goals for and conceding 20.

Hope everyone concerned enjoyed the season and hope all the boys will turn out next year as well, as we have the makings of a very strong team which has been complimented by skills of the new boys this year....

## U13 C

**Coach: Phil Wilkie**

**Manager: John Apter**

Season 2009 was a very successful year for the 13C's. The majority of the boys have been together as a team for at least four years and have experienced plenty of highs and lows in that time. 2008

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was a tough year as the first year in C division following on from their premiership win in 2007, so it was great to see them enjoying on field success this year.

The boys finished the competition rounds in third place. Of their 15 games, they enjoyed 9 wins with just the 2 losses. The most remarkable statistic for the year was that the team only conceded 5 goals in all of these matches – an absolutely fantastic achievement.

The good form continued on into the finals series with a draw in the first semi (a draw being good enough to move into the next round) and then a very dramatic victory in the grand final qualifier after finishing the game with only 10 on the field. Premiership glory eluded the boys in the grand final however, going down 2-1 in a great game.

The boys can look back on season 2009 with great pride. Their attitude and effort was always consistently high as was their level of sportsmanship. The team is a credit to the club and all of their families.

Now for a quick word or two about all of the boys (in jersey number order).

**Damon** – our keeper enjoyed a good season – great work in goals, scored a few himself when he had a run and THAT incident in the grand final qualifier.

**Jackson** – another big season from our main striker. Jackson scored plenty of great goals and put in 100% every game.

**Aaron** – one of our other strikers who also scored his fair share of goals this year. As usual, Aaron never stopped running. Well played Aaron.

**Jake** – another inspirational season from the boy with the biggest heart. One of the highlights of the year was Jake's early season goal. Also very good at giving the coach sideline advice.

**Josh** – our youngest player who always gave his best against bigger and older boys – well played Morlo.

**Connor** – one of the reasons that the team only conceded 5 goals in the regular season was due to the efforts of Connor in defence – one of our most determined competitors.

**James** – despite a start to the season that was interrupted by injury, James played a big part in the team's success – well done James.

**Stephen S** – another one of our dynamic defenders, Stephen had another strong season and saved his best game of the year for the grand final.

**Alex** – one of our strong midfield players, Alex is a very determined player who always competes hard for the ball

**Andrew** – our 'general' at the back, Andrew had a great season and controlled our defence very well.

**Dan** – another of our strong midfielders Dan had a very good season and contributed greatly to the team's success.

**George** – he proved that when he runs hard he can be one of most powerful players. His strong boot saved the team plenty of times.

**Tom** – one of our most versatile players, Tom played in many different positions and took on the responsibility of taking corners and goal kicks – none of the boys covered as much ground as Tom.

**Stephen R** – first year with the team and made a great contribution. Stephen has probably the biggest boot in the team and used it to score the team's most memorable goal of the year.

On behalf of all of the boys and their parents I would like to thank Phil and Manuel for their efforts in training and coaching the team again this year. Gents, your passion, enthusiasm and commitment are greatly appreciated.

A very special thank you to all of our parents, brothers, sisters, grandparents and other supporters for turning up each week to cheer on the boys. Your support of the boys means a lot to them.

So again well done to all of the boys of the mighty 13C's and congratulations on a very successful season. Look forward to doing it all again in 2010.

Manager - John Apter

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## U14 C (1)

**Coach: Jim 'Rafa' Varikos**

**Manager: Tanya Lakos**

The U14C1s had an amazing season in 2009. Battling whooping cough, shingles, the dreaded flu, key players being away on holidays and 40 days & 40 nights of rain. The boys went undefeated from Round 6 to Round 15 to climb the ladder from third last to Minor Premiers on the last game of the regular competition. Who would have thought that Coach Rafa's offer to take the boys go-karting would have had such an impact... They finished runners up to a well drilled Ramsgate outfit and should be proud of their grand final efforts after having to overcome grand final injuries to: Damon Apter (split upper & lower lips - braces, 5th minute) and Daniel Lakos (torn hamstring - 10th minute).

Coach Rafa's favourite match of the season was the 4-1 retribution dealt to Bexley North to launch the boys into the grand final. Awesome performance...

Special thanks to Tanya Lakos for her tireless efforts as manager.

Team memories:

**Daniel 'X-Factor' Lakos** - Pulled off two of the best saves I've seen by a 14 year old vs Bexley North and Banksia. He also tore Hurstville Glory and Bexley North apart playing centre mid-field.

**Brendan 'Cleaner' Weiss** - Consistent performer every week playing last man. Was given the chance to drift up and scored a left foot volley and clinical right foot finish. Great to watch.

**Hayden 'Terminator' Moreland** - Most improved player for 2009. Showed a never say die attitude at right back and didn't give the opposition attackers an inch.

**Rohan 'Silent Assassin' Williams** - Grew from strength to strength with his fitness and speed. His tackle on Alex Enriquez on Gannons 5 was a match winner and the following smile priceless.

**Billy 'Hitman' Varikos** - Battled with growing pains all season. Gave his best performance in the roughest game, taunting Banksia with his brutal defence and sadistic smile.

**Bryce 'Scholes' Taylor** - Tenacious attitude. Plays with his heart on his sleeve. Hit two consecutive volleys against Banksia on Gannons 5 that were miraculously saved. Then followed up with a second half match winner.

**Jordan 'Lampard' Sharan** - Very cool customer in the centre of midfield and distributes the ball with clinical precision. Hit a curling screamer from 25 yards against Ramsgate at Scarborough Park.

**Matt 'Ronaldo' Wills** - Transitioned well to centre midfield. Sweet left foot. Scored a thunderbolt against Forest Rangers on Gannons 2 and bent and dipped a 30 yard piledriver against Banksia.

**Sebastian 'Rieira' Percic** - Best attitude in the team. Approaches each training session and match with a ready smile. Able to unlock any defence with his clinical left foot.

**Alec 'Kamikaze' Bonnici** - Another big improver this season. Tireless in shutting down the opposition in the midfield and winning the ball back. Unlucky not to have scored this season.

**Robert 'The Machine' Mead** - Tried his best with every opportunity. Hit a thundering worm killer against Banksia that went narrowly wide and a 40 yard drive against Forest Rangers.

**Dimitri 'Nick' Maroungas** - Grew into a potent striking option on the right to balance Jake on the left. His opening goal against Bexley North in the major semi-final put the crowd into raptures.

**Jake 'The Flash' Saba** - Worked hard to improve his ball control and shooting. Scored 26 goals this season (trials, regular competition, semi-finals). His biggest asset is his determination and blistering speed.

A huge thank you also to Damon Apter and Billy Tsoukalas for their fantastic attitude and support throughout the season.

## U14 C (2)

**Coach: Tim Maltby Asst Coach: Effi Spyridis**

**Manager: Lianne Lewis**

The 2009 season has come and gone but it has been a very satisfying season for all of us. The boys finished fifth on the table, narrowly missing out on a semi final spot. The soccer that they played most of the time was exciting to watch and certainly all of the skills practised at training came through in a lot of the games that we played. Like most amateur sports we had our ups and downs and at times we were somewhere else, but at the end of the season I believe all of the players enjoyed their soccer, participated and had a laugh at training and put in effort most of the time. I hope that once again the players have learnt something about playing the game of soccer; I believe you have improved again this season.

One of the highlights of the season to me was the support shown by the parents and grand parents at every game, we were usually the best supported team at our games so thank you - it must have been exciting to watch the boys play soccer.

To Leanne and Effi thank you for your time and patience with being involved in the 14C2s it certainly has made my job easier.

The team was made up of the following stars:

**Morgan Cato** – Goals  
**Jack Williams** – Sweeper  
**Ben Baker** – Left Fullback  
**Ben Spyridis** – Right Full back  
**Daniel Lai** – Centre Fullback  
**Brendan Maltby** – Right Midfield.  
**Matthew Kabalan** – Centre Fullback  
**Daniel Harlow** – Right Fullback  
**Ethan Carlsson** – Left Midfield  
**Anthony Palmer** – Right Wing  
**Pat Day** – Centre Midfield  
**Alexander Enriquez** – Striker  
**Mitchell Slater** – Left Wing.  
**Dean Masousiadis** – Left Wing

## U14 B (Girls)

**Coach: Kathy King**

**Manager: Tanya Lakos**

Well what a season 2009 turned out to be....the 14B Girls have a lot to be proud of coming into the season. The Girls had not all had the benefit of playing together as a team but spent a lot of training get to know each other. Next year I must find a park where there are NO BOYS, gee they are such a distraction....! Oh and If I could request a mirror, hairclips, some hair ties and a hair straighter for training that would be a big help.

After hair issues were sorted then there was the task of player positions that I think we got sorted out... A big thanks to Maddie who played in goals most of the season with no complaints and when she was on the field she showed us that she is not just a goal keeper...

Our first big win was on a sunny Monday down at Ador, with the coach palming her work clients off onto Super manager Tanya (let's call her Mrs Boss) with the girls thrilling the crowd with a 1-0 win. This was the game that lifted the Girls, and from that game on they had the taste for more victory.

I am sure the parents and our loyal spectators must agree that the girls were all positive and showed encouragement to each other on and off the field, not everything is going to go your way but a quick

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pat on the back, a no worries call gets you straight back in the game again...Hold your heads high Girls.

Just quickly, our last game of the round was played on a blisteringly cold day at Carss Park where we needed to win or draw for a chance of making the semis. Having not beaten the opposition, the girls played their hearts out and the result was a nil all draw. This was my favourite game of the season as we had the ball in our attacking half most of the game, but were very unlucky not to score. Luckily the stars were aligned and, being higher on the ladder, we ended up in 4th position and played a heroic semi at Gannons. We lost that game but we were winners to come from last to make the semis. Well done girls!

A big thank you to all the parents and spectators for cheering us on, Mrs. Boss (Tanya) our fantastic manager who did an excellent job, and her wingman Mr. Boss (Marc) who was often called upon at the last minute to help us out.

### **Our Team**

**Madeline Phillips** - Had a great season, played in goals most of the season and saved some awesome goals, had a few soccer injuries but came back stronger and showed that she is just as strong on the field.

**Lillian Palumberi** - One of the funniest girls I know. Doesn't particularly like the standard soccer outfit and tried to create something a little funkier. Hair was always a problem, will have to fix that in the off season. Once all this was sorted Lillian, was a surprise on the field - her blinding speed down the wings left the spectators speechless. (Lillian's only flaw is her forgetfulness, usually happened on a Thursday afternoon).

**Jessica Dick** - After some recruiting difficulties we finally had Jess securely in our team and it was definitely worth the million dollar transfer fee. Jess played mostly in the centre but is a utility player as I think she had a run in every position on the field. Jess scored a great goal and most notably a very casual goal from outside the box that had the Matilda's selectors exchanging numbers.

**Alicia Lakos** - One of the 3 musketeers, excellent utility player, once torn away from the musketeers put in a big effort every game. Played a lot in the halves. Always reliable at games and at training....the benefits of having Mr & Mrs Boss as your parents.

**Bianca Spathis** - the 2nd musketeer, always in on a good gossip session, Bianca had a great year, played the mid field, defended and is a great talker on the field. I mean that in the nicest possible way, always enthusiastic and a team favourite (also thought she was good enough to take on the coaching role!).

**Nicoletta Kotzaitis** - the 3rd musketeer, and our Centre back/sweeper, Nicoletta was invaluable in our back line, and saved many one on one charges from the opposition. Nic's clearing kicks are timed with perfection and I would have liked to see her play in the forwards, where I am sure she would have caused havoc for the other teams.

**Alex Beadon** - A quite achiever our Alex is, showed enthusiasm at training and during games, happy to play in any position on the field, and luckily Mum was there every Sunday to help with the sub changes.

**Lauren Cassar** - Having watched Lauren play since under 6's it is great to see that she is enjoying her soccer as much as she did when she started. Lauren has speed, skill and loves the game, scored some cracker goals this season and always at training on time and a smile on her dial.

**Belinda Lombardo** - when Belinda first came to the team she was very quiet, little did I know that I had a seriously talented fullback on the books, although she preferred a run up in the forwards we got 100% effort wherever Belinda was on the field.

**Angeli Tiscia** - Up in the forwards with Lauren, these 2 girls clicked very well, Angeli bagged herself some awesome goals this season and was enthusiastic at training and games.

**Rebecca Day** - ah Rebecca, after only taking half a season to get her and Alison's name correct (it was the matching orange shirts on the first day that threw me!), I found a very safe left full back. Bec was one of the big improvers of the year and I am sure next year, with some off season ball skills, will have a knock out season 2010.

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**Alison Reid** - A pleasure to have Alison in our team, rumour has it that she loves soccer but plays it all coy when at training and games (thanks to my source for letting me in on that little secret!). Next year don't be so hard on yourself, head up and be positive. I hope you will play again and have fun if you do.

**Christina Farrelley** - I am hoping we don't lose Christina to Basketball - with your height and speed they would snap you up! Christina made many a long speedy run down the wing and also makes a very safe back once she gets her timing with that ball, she makes everyone else's job much easier.

**Grace Etuale** - For a while I wasn't sure if Grace had been recruited by the NZ women's team, luckily she made it back to us and played like a champion. Played any position asked of her and gave her best every week.

Coach - Kathy King

## **U15 B**

**Coaches: Frank Nardo & Peter Bedford**

**Manager: George Borovskis**

After last year's disappointments, all the boys returned for what we hoped would be a better year.

A big problem for most of the boys last year was a lack of fitness early in the season so, to ensure we were fit from the opening game, training started in February. We even had 2 Sundays running at the sand hills of Cronulla, which I know was enjoyed by those that attended. It might have been the swim and Hungry Jacks on the way home but it proved to be of great benefit as the year unfolded.

The season was dogged by bad weather which saw a number of games washed out, rounds abandoned and many training sessions missed.

For all our early season training and preparation, the year did not start as planned. After the first round was washed out we played our nemesis from last year Ramsgate RSL in our first game and lost 2-1. Was this going to be 2008 all over again??

To the boys credit they responded and did not lose their next five games, but in Rd 7 we did get beaten by Rockdale Raiders (who were not in our comp last year) 1-0. Given that we had come off a draw with the undefeated Peakhurst the week before, this result was a huge disappointment as we totally dominated the game.

Apart from obviously trying to improve skill and teamwork, something I was trying to instill in this team was self belief as we knew they had the ability but they had to realise it themselves. With this in mind, I issued them a challenge that we do not lose another game for the remainder of the season. I am very proud to say that they met the challenge and went through without losing another game.

This run of 8 straight wins saw us finish a clear second behind the undefeated Peakhurst and 5 points clear of third placed Rockdale.

So our first semi final was against the undefeated Peakhurst and what a game it turned out to be. After going down 1 nil the boys responded and actually led 2-1 but unfortunately conceded a late goal, which took the game into extra time. As fate would have it, Peakhurst managed to score the winning goal early in extra time and as hard as we tried we couldn't get an equaliser. Whilst disappointed, we knew that we had a second chance in the major semi final.

The major semi saw us play our old enemy Ramsgate RSL but we knew if we played to our potential that the result would come. While we did win 3-0 it was not an impressive performance and I reminded the boys in no uncertain terms after the game that a huge improvement would be needed against Peakhurst in the Grand Final if we were to have any chance of winning.

The grand final did not go to plan, the vibes before the game were not good and we conceded an early goal. To the boys credit they did not drop their heads as we had come from behind many times this year so we knew we could do it. They continued to play good soccer and created some chances and with a bit of luck should have equalised which would have made Peakhurst nervous but it wasn't

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our day. This was epitomised when at one end we hit the crossbar and then a minute later we conceded a second goal on the stroke of half time from a corner.

Although we remained positive, the second half was a huge disappointment in that we didn't play our best soccer and didn't really even create a chance. A third goal killed any chances we may have had and in all fairness to Peakhurst they were deserved winners.

To my eyes it was obvious that some of the boys were overawed by the situation and went into the game with the wrong attitude. Remember you not only let yourself down but your teammates. **You need to get mentally tough and believe.**

Anyway having said that and although the end was not what we wanted, we had a tremendous season and I know I am very proud of all the boys efforts.

As reward for his efforts, always positive attitude and commitment, the Coaches and Managers award winner was Matthew Trajkovski.

Thanks to Peter Bedford for his assistance once again and to George Borovskis who took on the manager's role and did a great job.

Congratulations to all and good luck next year.

Coach - Frank Nardo

## **U16 A (Girls)**

**Coach: Paul McIntyre**

**Manager: Maria Radcliffe**

What an interesting season we've had... who could forget the dramas with Ray and Robert & Co...!! After they came and left, we ended up with Harry coaching a team of just 12 girls. Along with most of last year's team, we were joined by Liz, the pocket dynamo, and Sarah, a great natural athlete. Although neither has played soccer before, they were great assets to the team and fitted in exceptionally well with the girls.

Being 2<sup>nd</sup> year 16As, we thought we'd have a good chance of matching it with all comers. We were leading the comp until about half way through the season – a major achievement was beating the eventual winners Bexley North, which no other team was able to do all season. As we only had 1 reserve, and often none or were short if anyone was away, we were grateful to the girls from the 14s

for helping us out for most games – thank you Sarah, Sammy, Mia, Mikaeli, Jennifer, Jess and the others who also played the odd game with us. These girls gave 100% effort to our team, often backing up straight after playing a full game for their own team. Also thanks to Yasmin and Claire from the 16Bs for also playing the occasional game with us. We couldn't have done it without you all! Thanks also to coaches Martin and Bill who allowed the girls play for us.

Unfortunately, coach Harry left the team after round 8, taking Olivia with him, and we missed her strong boot and skilful play in defence terribly. The good news was that Paul (Irish) took over coaching the team again, which made the girls very happy. Thank you Paul for doing that, especially with all your Premier League commitments.

After all the ups and downs, we ended up equal 2<sup>nd</sup> (but 3<sup>rd</sup> on goal difference) on the ladder, making the semis, only to get knocked out by Forest Rangers. A fantastic effort, considering the tumultuous season we had.

The team members this year were:

**Caitlin Goman** – our goalkeeper extraordinaire (even if she is a bit cheeky!). Not afraid to get dirty and made many spectacular diving saves.

**Nicola Jersek** – our sweeper who saved many goals, has a big boot to clear the ball.

**Hannah McIntyre** – one of our strongest defenders, could outrun most opposition forwards.

**Eliza Davies** – another great defender/mid. We missed her when she couldn't play due to work commitments.

**Olivia Papis** – technically the most skilful player, with excellent ball control skills. The team wasn't the same after she left. Scored 1 goal this year.

**Caitlin Brooks** – one of our midfielders who probably had her best season ever this year.

**Elise Donsworth** – valuable midfielder/defender who could outrun almost anyone. Has a strong kick as well.

**Rose Stevens** – another of our midfielders, never stepped back from a tackle and her headers are legendary. Scored 2 goals this year.

**Rebecca Radcliffe** – a great season in the forwards. She has a powerful kick and her ability to finish enabled her to score 9 goals this year.

**Calli Tsipidis** – another one of our forwards, usually on the left wing. Great passing to set up goals for the strikers.

**Liz Lambrinos** – a great season for a first timer – she was put straight into the forwards! Although only tiny, she is very quick and held her own against bigger girls, even managing to score a goal.

**Sarah Elhassan** – another first timer, played in the mids and wasn't afraid to tackle. Her speed was evident from the start and her ball control skills improved week by week.

Our regular players from the 14s:

**Sam Stojanovski** – a fantastic striker! Scored 9 goals for us.

**Sarah Danskin** – a great defender and fitted into the team really well.

**Mia Lauricella** – her speed is amazing in both the mids and forwards.

Thanks also to George for running the sidelines and Brinos for wearing the 'Orange vest' each week. Once again thanks to Paul for being such a great coach and hope to see everyone back next year.

## **U17 A**

**Coach: Garry Walker**

**Manager: Michele Walker**

Coming from the 16B's and expecting to be in the 17A's this year, we were surprised to find 3 x 18A's included in our competition. As half of our team were only 16, the task seemed daunting. After a slow start to the year the boys showed lots of character to achieve a well deserved position in the finals. Not only did they surprise many of the higher ranked teams in the second round but managed a brilliant semi-final victory to make it to the final and finish third overall.

The boys showed great character and enthusiasm which allowed them to compete. We only missed one week of training all year. Good mates who enjoyed their soccer who showed that when pride and teamwork are combined you can make an excellent football team. When on their game they were outstanding.

I'd like to thank the young men below for allowing me to be part of their season and congratulate them on a fine year.

**Kevin:** Goalkeeper - Never missed a training session but found the shortest way around Gannons. Team comedian who incessantly laughed. Enjoyed his soccer and had moments of glory with some spectacular saves.

**Tim:** Sweeper - Wanted to play elsewhere but proved invaluable at the back and was hardly allowed off the field. Constantly diffused any danger and most consistent player. Liked to call "behind".

**Lachlan:** Left back - Underestimates his own ability. Wonderful skills and lots of time. Could create something from nothing. As the year progressed showed confidence and calm.

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**Shinwoo:** Right back - Most improved player of the year. Always tough in defense but in the last few games displayed some fine attacking skills. In 1st semi was voted man of the match unanimously.

**Blake:** Stopper - First year back from rugby league and a broken leg. Tough defender, ultra competitive and took no prisoners. Had many opposition players passing early to avoid his attention.

**Michael:** Back/midfield/goals - Great to have such a versatile player who played very well in many positions. Unfortunately broke his ankle the week before the semis. Certainly could have used him.

**Mitchell:** Right midfield - Always gave 100%. Would never leave his man and would run to exhaustion. Enjoyed the move to midfield and showed plenty of flair in attack.

**Daniel:** Centre mid - Played above his weight and added mongrel to the middle of the park. No self preservation resulted in a knee injury for 5 weeks. Back for the final only to re injure himself before halftime. Big loss.

**Ryan:** Centre mid - Talented player with all the time in the world. One of our most dangerous players and was unstoppable at times. Highlight for me was him scoring a couple of cracking long range goals.

**Jarrold:** Left mid - When given space created many attacking opportunities down the left side. Was our go to man in attack and constantly called upon to turn defense into attack. No "jokes".

**Sam:** Striker - Another player with wonderful skills and vision. When Sam decided to get involved he created havoc. Useful striker but proved versatile by alternating between midfield.

**James:** - Came to us as a late recruit and filled the gap nicely. Mild mannered at the start of the year found his confidence and aggression to finish his season strongly. Played a great semi final.

**Jesse:** Midfield - Every coach's dream. Could play anywhere, fullback, midfielder, stopper, sweeper and could score. Handled all positions well and could move to suit the situation. Great work.

**Aaron:** Midfield/striker - The smallest player in the competition was also the most tenacious. Whenever the ball was within range he was there. In defense "if at first you don't succeed chop them down".

**Tory:** Striker - Was on loan to us before becoming a vital part of the team. Added confidence and strike power and his hunger to score was rewarded with three goals in the semis.

**Aiden:** Striker - Played several games during the year. His enthusiasm and skill had the effect of lifting the performance of everyone around him.

Finally, a big thank you to all the parents who supported their kids and the team throughout the year. You should be proud of them.

Coach and Manager - *Garry and Michele*

## **Premier League**

**Coach: Paul 'Irish' McIntyre**

**Manager: Ian Faulkner**

The 2009 season was one of considerable change in Premier League, with a new Coach and a host of new young players making their debut in the Premier League competition. We will look back on 2009 as a highly successful season for Premier League, but also with some disappointment that we didn't manage to make it through to the Grand Final in either grade. Unfortunately the season ended for both teams on the same day, just one week away from the Grand Final, following heart-breaking "losses" in the Final (more about this below).

On the positive side, as a Premier League squad, this was our best season in many years, with both the 1st Grade and Reserve Grade teams reaching the semi-finals. While 1st Grade have become semi-final regulars in recent seasons, it was great to also see our Reserves up there and competing come finals time. In fact, Lugarno was the only club to reach the semi-finals in both grades and we were a most deserved winner of the Premier League Club Championship (which is decided by the

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total competition points over both grades). Everyone associated with the squad should be very proud of this achievement and the success of the squad is a great reflection on the efforts put in by all concerned, particularly those of the Coach, Paul McIntyre (Irish).

Reserve Grade started the year as virtually a new team and it was not surprising that they took a few games to get their act together. However, by mid-season and when we had our best team on the paddock, there is no doubt that we were the best team in the competition. However, some late season injuries across the squad meant that we only qualified in 3rd position and had to do things the hard way in the final series. After getting through Week 1 with a hard-fought 1-0 win over Carlton Rovers, the season ended the following week after a disappointing 0-0 draw (after extra-time) against Sans Souci in the Final. On reflection, this was a game we should have won, but we didn't take our chances and simply couldn't get the ball in the net. While everyone was very disappointed to end the season this way, to make the semis after many years in the Reserve Grade wilderness was a real positive, particularly given the large number of young players in the team.

1st Grade continued their good run of recent years but again just fell short in the Finals. As always in 1st Grade, there is very little between the top few sides and it comes down to who plays the best on the day and gets a bit of luck in the big end-of-season games. After qualifying in 2nd position, we faced Scots Football Club in the major semi and went down 2-1 after extra-time in a game that could have gone either way. The following week it was Connells Point in the Final and this was another nail-biter with the defence of both teams on top for most of the game. In the end, the game came down to two key moments. Half-way through the 2nd half we were awarded a penalty and the Lugarno crowd cheered. Unfortunately, the Connells keeper made a great save and we couldn't quite scramble the rebound over the line. Then 5 minutes from time and with extra time looking a certainty, Connells broke down the left and headed home the winner from an excellent cross. And that was it for 2009. Despite the loss and end to the season, the boys should be proud of another great year. Four consecutive losses in the Final series over the past two years is really hard to take, but there is always next year. Stay confident guys, we will get it done one day and won't there be a party then!!

Finally, special congratulations to Brett Ewer on being awarded the Mike Chaytors Trophy for the most outstanding Premier League player. This was Brett's first year with Lugarno and, among a host of outstanding players, he was our most consistent performer all season. Also congratulations to our two Coach & Manager Award winners, Mitchell Davies (1st Grade) and Billy Sutherland (Reserve Grade) who played consistently well all year. I look forward to seeing everyone back ready and eager to go in a few months time as we look forward to another successful Premier League season in 2010.

Ian Faulkner - Manager

## O35 A

**Coach: Greg Harris**

**Manager: Geoff Cummins**

Our first year with the big boys in the 'A' grade competition and we went particularly well at this level. We came up against some very good sides and held our own against most of them. The new boys in **Richard, Wilkie, Rob and Clint** certainly added some firepower to the team and played well all year. The wet weather and cancelled games meant we didn't play the 3 lowest ranked teams a second time and this certainly contributed to our missing out on a finals berth.

Some great performances during the season included a draw against the eventual runners up Carlton after leading for all but the last minute of the game and our memorable 1-0 win in the local derby against Forest Rangers.

**Rob** and **Marty** shared the top goal scoring (Golden Boot) award with 4 each but **Brad** stole their glory with his only ever goal and his enthusiastic celebration.

This year I asked everyone to vote for our Best and Fairest Player of the Year and 8 players polled votes. 2 players in particular gained the most votes with little between them in the end. **Joycie** had another outstanding year but he was pipped in the end by our outstanding goalkeeper **Phil Taff**. Taffy

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had another great year and his keeping kept us in games many times. Congratulations Phil on receiving the award.

Thanks again to **Geoff Cummins** for doing the management duties and helping out.

I hope everyone enjoyed the season. I hope to see you all back in 2010.

Thank you to all the players for your support and friendship throughout the year. It was a pleasure to play along side you.

Regards,  
Harry

## **O35 B**

**Coach: Chris Horn**

**Manager: John Dodson**

Well we did it again for another year! The C's we win, the B's we spoon, but we were mostly up there with the better teams - well done guys.

Best game, a 0-0 draw with the eventual winners.

One day we'll get a photo! Meanwhile here's why St George need more lines on a team sheet...

Andrew Brown, Alfred Chua, Matt Cox, Manny Cruchinho, Steve Denson, Danny DiLoreto, John Dodson, Terrence Doust, Bazz El-Debel, Max El-Debel, Glen Farrelly, Ivan Jersek, Brian Mackie, Gary Morton, Fernando Ospina, Brian Ralston, Brian Sandland, Geoff Thom, ATino Tesoriero, George Tshipidis, Kim Wagstaff, Ian Widdox,

And the ever present coaching of Chris Horn - Thanks Chris!

This years C&M award goes to Mr Reliable, Gary Morton who played every game!

But no training sessions ;-) Well done Gary!

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## **Life Members**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>History</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>History</b>
1964	Harry Brown	Four Father	1993	Greg Harris	25 Year Player
1964	Cyril Hennes	Four Father	1993	Dean Ross	25 Year Player
1964	Bill McAfee	Four Father	1993	Warren Straney	25 Year Player
1968	Les Richardson	Four Father	1993	Geoffrey Thom	25 Year Player
1972	Ray Jones		1994	Colin Straney	25 Year Player
1973	George Taff		1994	Kerrie Benjamin	
1974	Ken Straney		1994	Marilyn Marsh	
1976	Tom Watson		1995	Peter Marsh	
1976	Syd Patterson		1995	Stephen Potter	25 Year Player
1977	Andrew Watson		1996	Allan Burt	
1978	John Fennell		1997	Sam McCartney	
1978	Len Blaydon		1997	Sandra McCartney	
1981	Keith Bowles		1998	Steven Bowles	25 Year Player
1986	Graham Hodson		1999	Roger Harradence	
1988	John Clark		2000	Rodney Thorpe	25 Year Player
1989	Warren Del-Grande		2002	Phil Stell	
1989	Ron Benjamin		2003	Glenn Dufty	25 Year Player
1989	Steve Greening		2004	Tom McLoughlin	
1989	Alan Watson	25 Year Player	2004	Frank Nardo	
1990	Paul Watson	25 Year Player	2004	Saskia Nardo	
1990	Michael Rose	25 Year Player	2005	Brian Rolstan	
1991	Phillip Taff	25 Year Player	2005	Rocky Robinson	
1991	Darryl Gadd	25 Year Player	2006	Michael Burt	
1991	Doreen Potter		2006	Phil Wilkie	
1992	Ken Derrett		2008	Stephen D'Alessandro	

