

2017

Goodwood Saints Football Club Annual General Report

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2017 ANNUAL REPORT Club Vision

The Goodwood Saints Football Club will be recognized as the premier football club affiliated with the South Australian Amateur Football League.

Club Mission

The Goodwood Saints Football Club will provide opportunities for people of all ages to enjoy a lifetime involvement with Australian Rules football.

Players will enjoy mate ship and enjoyment of football in a professional environment and will be given the opportunity to realize their full playing potential at both junior and senior level. Players will be provided with safe, above standard facilities. They will enjoy consistent on-field success and will receive reasonable financial rewards.

Members will enjoy their involvement with Australian Rules football in a safe, friendly, comfortable and family oriented environment. They will have the opportunity to become involved at all levels of the football club and will be rewarded with the ongoing success of the club. Members will have access to outstanding quality, reasonably priced licensed facilities to enhance their enjoyment of the club.



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2017 ANNUAL REPORT Club Management, Coach's & Support Staff

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- President Chairperson Secretary / Senior Registrar Treasurer Senior Football Director Social & Fundraising Coordinator Sponsorship Director Club Facilities Manager Junior Football Director Player Representative
- **OTHER SENIOR SUPPORT PERSONS**

Assistant Registrar / Property Manager Assistant to Colin Nelson Senior Match Day Manager Senior List Coordinator Player Welfare / Induction Officer Senior Recruitment Officer League Delegate Representative on GOAC

SENIOR COACHING STAFF

A Grade (Division 1) - Coach A Grade (Division 1) - Asst Coach A Grade (Division 1) - Team Manager A Grade (Division 1) - Runner

B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) - Coach B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) - Asst Coach B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) - Asst Coach B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) - Team Mgr B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) - Runner

C1 Grade - Coach C1 Grade - Asst Coach C1 Grade - Team Manager C1 Grade - Runner

Under 18's - Coach Under 18's - Asst Coach Under 18's - Team Manager Under 18's - Runner

C7 - Coach C7 - Asst Coach C7 - Asst Coach C7 - Asst Coach C7- Team Manager

- Craig Scott Dale Fitzpatrick Sharon Zacher-Partington Martin Hill Derek Bonner Ben Johnston Colin Shipton Mark Goodman Andrew Braley Jordan Turner
- Colin "Tiny" Nelson (OAM) Russell Whitaker Brett Perry Kym Hand Mark Donald Greg Turner Adam Morgan Chris Gates

Trent Mills Daryl Spencer Craig Kirkbright Dave Bartel / Aaron Bayliss / Tom Anderson

Simon Hughes David Serotzki Simon Charlton Chris Verrall Mathew Noblet

Tom Pysing Kym Bennett Dion Stendt Sam Sexton

Stephan Priesley Adam Kusznir Anthony Curtis Various Players

Gary Sutherland Nick Sutherland Aaron Strawbridge Peter Ellis Paul Barnden

SENIOR SUPPORT STAFF

Under 8's Coach

Under 9's

Coach

Assistant Coach's

Assistant Coach's

Team Manager

Team Manager

Physiotherapists (From: The Physio Studio)	Luke Dixon Sophie Holland-Smith Scott Palmer	
Trainers	Alice Campbell Kimberley Langley Aslito May Steven O'Donnell Emily Smith Natasha Stopp Karli Wise	
Chiropractor	Aaron Scott (KWR Chiropractic)	
Bar Manager	Colin (Chuck) & Megan Mashford	
Canteen Manager	Deb Arnold	
Kitchen	John Congdon	
JUNIOR SUB-COMMITTEE		
Junior Football Director Secretary Junior Treasurer Coaching Coordinator Junior Registrar Junior Operations Manager Committee	Andrew Braley Michelle Symons Luke Braddy Kym Laube Sally Atkinson / Cathy Milowski Steve Milde Justin Speedy, Yasmin Jordan, Jason Goodes John Leov, Verity Ferguson,	
JUNIOR COACHING STAFF		
Auskick Coordinator Auskick Team Manager	Craig Scott Prisca Harrison	
Under 7's Coach Assistant Coach Team Manager	Darron Hogben Justin Barr Jayne Preece / Kathryn Hudson	

Steff Basso Luke Dixon / Sean Kirchner Jessica Adamson / Matt Harrison / Rhianna Laube

Mark Eichler Matt Harris Verity Ferguson

Under 10's Coach Assistant Coach's

Team Manager

Under 11's Coach Assistant Coach's Team Manager

Under 12's Coach Assistant Coach Team Manager

Under 13's Coach Assistant Coach Team Manager Runner

Under 14's Coach Assistant Coach Team Manager

Under 15's Coach Assistant Coach Team Manager

Under 16.5's Coach Assistant Coach Team Manager

Girls Teams Coach Assistant Coach Team Manager Team Manager Runner Charlie Thomas Darron Hogben, Wayne Haskard, Justin Barr & Graeme White Simon Graetz

Darren Chyer Jason Goodes & Jason Scott Justin Speedy

Matthew Earl Troy Klemm Toby Priest

Mark Ryan Marc Zinndorf Phil Jones Matt Noblet

David Wark Tony Francis Alan Schultz

Kym Laube Mark Wormer Heather Jenkin

Michael Lawton Andrew Braley Peter Mason

Tess Baxter Jess Edwards Donna Deane-Freeman Andrew Sanderson Molly Barker

2017 ANNUAL REPORT President's Message to Members

SENIORS

When we talk about success it is not always measured in premierships, it's often measured in what the club means to players, members and their families. On the field we have enjoyed a lot of success, with our 18's, C and B grade sides all playing finals and the B grade taking out the ultimate prize. Congratulations to Simon Hughes, his support staff and the B grade players on a magnificent year. Unfortunately, the A's missed playing finals by half a game – a draw to Payneham Norwood Union proved to be costly.

It was an extremely difficult time with the early departure of our long-time premiership coach - Trent Mills. He has been involved in the Goodwood Saints FC for 12 years, coached 6 premierships (a history making 5 in a row) and been awarded life membership. He has devoted so much of his time to ensuring the success of our club and we all appreciate what he has achieved. I wish Trent, Emma, Angus and Connor all the best.

The appointment of incoming A grade coach Adam Jeffries brings with it an exciting new era in the Saints history and it's Adam's aim for us to be playing finals again in 2018. Adam, we welcome you and your wife Marie to our club and I am sure you will love the family atmosphere and support you will receive.

We have been involved in numerous events that have again placed our club in the spot light as leading the way in community engagement.

- Lace Up for Lynne Breast Cancer Awareness
- Beyondblue Mental Health Awareness
- Saints go marching in for the Salvation Army
- Lace up against Social Violence
- Indigenous Match White Ribbon day
- Holeproof's Little Heroes' Fundraiser

Thanks also to Derek Bonner who took over the role of Football Director in season 2017. Derek sets a high standard and his enthusiasm to continually improve is infectious. He has formed a football department that would be the envy of most other clubs - Brett Perry (match day operations), Kym Hand (player liaison), Greg Turner (recruiting) and Mark Donald (player welfare) all playing their role to contribute to the success of our great club.

A special thanks to Scott Palmer and Luke Dixon and all the staff at The Physio Studio for their professionalism, expertise and dedication. We have the best training staff in the Adelaide Footy League and our players appreciate it.

JUNIOR BOYS AND GIRLS FOOTBALL

Congratulations to Mark Ryan, his support staff and the players in winning the U/13 premiership this year at Unley Oval. What a brilliant heart stopping match it was and congratulations to those players in winning back to back premierships.

Thanks, must go to Andrew Braley and the Junior Sub Committee for their efforts in running one of the best Junior Football programs around. With the support of Kym Laube and Stephen Milde there has been an air of excitement and genuine progress that will come to fruition over the next few years.

The appointment of Tim Ridgway, Peter Ellis, Alicia Ellis, Jason Goodes and David Harrison as the Coaching Coordinator's has been well received and they have worked closely with Kym Laube to ensure the development of our coaches continues.

The U/16.5 boys and U/16 girls attended the club during the year and received a presentation on mental health awareness from 'Head Space' which was extremely well received with channel 9 doing an article on the event. Next year we will again offer this to our U/16's and we are looking at first aid training for our U/15's.

Thanks to Cecilia Moretti for her efforts in running the girls' football program for the club. This year saw the Saints field an, U/12, U/14 and a U/16 sides in the SANFL Juniors competition. We are working tirelessly to ensure all three girls sides can train and play on Goodwood Oval in 2018 and I am confident this will be achieved. We are also having preliminary discussions on our ability to field a U/18 side in 2018.

C7'S

To see the joy and enthusiasm that they show when playing brings such pride to all our faces. I believe we have truly become an inclusive club and to see the players presented with their jumpers and awards will forever live in some people's minds. Thanks to Gary Sutherland, Paul Barnden, and everyone else who has helped the C7's this year.

SPONSORS

I would like to thank all our Sponsors and to acknowledge the fantastic effort that Col Shipton has done over the year in resigning and gaining new sponsors. Without our sponsors - subs would increase and we would not be able to implement some of the new strategies, training and equipment that we have been able to provide this year.

A special thanks to our Major Sponsors - Mark Farquhar who through his business Farquhar Kitchens has sponsored all match days at Goodwood Oval, Lend Lease who sponsored our Indigenous Match Day, The Highway Hotel, Advanced Dental Centre, Peter Atkins – Atkins Building Group, Klemm Built, Cash Converters, Western United and William Buck.

COMMITTEE

To the members of the management committee, Dale Fitzpatrick (chair), Mark Goodman, Martin Hill, Derek Bonner, Jordan Turner, Col Shipton, Andrew Braley, Ben Johnston and Sharon Zacher-Partington, I thank you for your passion, love of the club and most importantly time. It has been extremely enjoyable and at times difficult but the best interests of the club, is always the most important aspect of every person's decision-making process.

CLUB UPGRADES

A lot of work has been done during the season and we are working extremely closely with the Unley Council and all three political opponents for the seat of Badcoe. With an election happening in March 2018 – the timing couldn't be better.

2018

With the prospect of our club fielding 20 sides in 2018 it is clearly evident that our clubrooms are not capable of housing this many sides. The oval is also under an enormous amount of pressure and overuse with everyone training on it over three nights (except the U/12 girls). We are working closely with the council to try and find alternative training venues and playing grounds to spread the load.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my wife Melanie who has been extremely supportive and has been a sounding board during numerous discussions surrounding our club. To be pregnant during the entire season and with a boy that just wants to play for the Saints it has been tiring – but not once have she ever complained. I love you.

Craig Scott President

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Sponsorship Report

Sponsorship coming from local businesses, new families, and the dependable long-time sponsors who continue to support the club with their generosity has stayed on track this year with another increase in overall sponsorship monies and player vouchers/prizes. Well done to all our fantastic sponsors and the hard-working Senior and Junior Committee plus all the other great volunteers through the entire club who make this club so great.

It is so important for EVERY family to take the time to find out who our sponsors are. This year we again sent information to families via email and had sponsor information sheets around the club to help promote these businesses. By supporting sponsors, or at least giving them the opportunity to quote, will ensure their commitment continues. Please continue to check the GSFC website to see who are current sponsors are. Also, it's great to welcome our 'Match Day Sponsor' Farquhar Kitchens who came on board this year. Thanks to Mark for his commitment in this area.

Player sponsor revenue from many long-term business supporters and members who sponsor players has been completed again by Dale Fitzpatrick. A big job that requires someone else to help with in 2018. Great job again Dale and I look forward to another great year in 2018.

Many of our sponsors have been providing sponsorship for many years and it is fantastic that we are now finding more and more of past players children now forming part of the junior's competition with these past players becoming sponsors, coaches and Team Managers. This has been the vision of many past and present Committee members and the culture at GSFC will continue to be the envy of other clubs as we get stronger through this association.

Sharon Zacher-Partington has continued to help me in my role with many facets of sponsorship including emails, recognition certificate's, photos for the player sponsors in clubrooms, organising sponsors day, plus staying on top of updating the sponsors on the website and the 60" dedicated LG sponsor TV within the clubroom along with Craig & Mel Scott's involvement in improving these areas. Also, Tom Beech has got involved with sponsor recognition this year which is appreciated. Thanks to Matt Allen from LG for providing the new LG Sponsor TV, new freezer in the canteen and the TV for the lucky squares raffle. As every year, the focus in 2018 will be to continue to maintain and grow sponsorship to help this non-for-profit club have the monies available for the expenses it incurs during the year and this year GSFC will be lucky to make a profit. As a reminder to everyone within the club that many things must go well in bar takings, canteen, and BBQ sales to gain a profit each year and we are looking for major success on and off the field again next year. Registration of players brings in the money to help us fund ALL the other expenses within the club so from time to time we will need to increase player registration costs to be able to ensure the club does not lose money each year.

Lastly, from my perspective it is great to see so many people who contribute throughout the club, in so many ways, and it is important to involve as many people as possible to also help where possible as their time permits. The Management Committee acknowledges that you may also be on the school committee or coach netball, softball etc. so, may not be able to help as much as you would like but trust me when I say that every little bit helps.

Colin Shipton Sponsorship Manager

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Sponsors

MATCH DAY	-	FARQUHAR KITCHENS
EXECUTIVE INDIGENOUS	-	LENDLEASE
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SILVER		ASAHI PREMIUM BEVERAGES BEDFORD GROUP DCM SERVICES GOODWOOD QUALITY MEAT IDM SPORTS JS SPORTS KING WILLIAM ROAD CHIROPRACTIC SIGNARAMA MELROSE PARK
BRONZE		ACEIT COURIERS DOMAIN MITRE 10 WESTBOURNE PARK GOODWOOD BAKEHOUSE HARCOURTS VENNMILLAR KINGS PARK MEDICAL CENTRE PORCARO LAWYERS
MATCH AWARDS		CAPRI THEATRE GOODWOOD DOMINOS MALVERN LA TOMBOLA ITALIAN RESTAURANT MCDONALDS CROSS ROAD PAPA MIAS WOOD OVEN PIZZA PIZZA PIZZAZ TWO SISTERS FOOD & WINE BAR

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ARRUNGA CONCRETE	OUTSIDE IDEAS
ATKINS BUILDING GROUP	PLAN AUSTRALIA
BATTERY WORLD HILTON	PPI PROMOTION & APPAREL
BENDIGO BANK GOODWOOD	RANDSTAD
BETTA WOOD	REARDON CONSTRUCTIONS
BRUCE FORD HOME & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	ROSA CONCRETE
CAMMS GROUP	SA QUALITY ROOFING
CASH CONVERTERS CLOVELLY PARK	SANDFORD CABINETMAKERS
CHICKEN MANIA NORTHGATE VILLAGE	SILVER CHEF
CON'S UPHOLSTERY	SOUPA FOODZ
CRG CARPET CLEANING	THE HIGHWAY HOTEL
DAVID WHELAN	THE MOSELEY
DILLON ELLIS ELECGTRICAL	THE PARTINGTON FAMILY
E J KELLS MECHANICAL	TRUE LINE KERBING
GOODMAN PLUMBING	VOICE OVERS ON THE NET
GOODWOOD QUALITY MEATS	VOICE OVERS ON THE NET
HEARTS PIZZERIA	WESTERN UNITED FINANCIAL SERVICES
J K RAMAGE BUILDERS	WILLIAM BUCK CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
KLEMM BUILT	
MAWSON LAKES CHIROPRACTIC	
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2017 ANNUAL REPORT Treasurer's Report

The 2017 Financial Report discloses a profit of \$4,601. Although pleasing to post a profit it is after booking a reimbursement owing to the club for electricity of \$15,895 for the period 2012 to 2016. This represents bills that should not have been paid by the football. We are currently working with the City of Unley to receive the refund.

The cash position of the Football Club remains strong with cash at bank at 31 October 2017 being \$125,399 compared to \$117,419 at 31 October 2016.

From an income point of view, it remains difficult to maintain our gross income and in summary:

- Trading (bar, canteen, BBQ) is tight, particularly in maintaining profit margins
- Thanks to Colin Shipton for again increasing sponsorship
- Subscriptions increased mainly from the introduction of additional girl's teams.
- Profit from social events declined mainly from Heritage Day

Total expenses for the year increased by \$47,964 to \$264,735 and in summary:

- Senior football costs increased particularly player payments although it was lower than budget and lower than for the 2014 & 2015 seasons (both premiership years).
- Junior football costs increased, partly because of more teams
- Sponsorship expenses increased, partly in delivering sponsorship commitments and partly for recognising our major sponsors. This expense is unlikely to be as high in 2018.
- New jumpers \$3,276.

Going forward the Committee needs to continue to be diligent in the manner it manages the finances of the club.

Finally, I'd like to thank Luke Braddy and Sally Atkinson from the Juniors and Sharon Zacher-Partington for their enormous help during the season – I certainly appreciated it. Also to Kim Verrall for stepping in whilst I was overseas mid-season.

Martin Hill Club Treasurer

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Senior Football Director's Report

I would first like to thank Craig Scott & Brett Perry for giving me the opportunity to come back to the Goodwood Saints Football Club this season. It's been an enjoyable yet challenging experience and one that I will continue to work hard at.

The 2017 Division 1 Senior team finished the season with 9 wins, 8 loses and an agonizing draw against Payneham NU in round 4. Unfortunately, this draw would come back to haunt us as we ended up missing 5th spot by half a point. Disappointing losses to the bottom three sides, Modbury, Salisbury North and SPOC also didn't help our finals aspirations.

We achieved the ultimate success in 2017 with our Division 1 Reserves side winning the grand final by 35 points. Congratulation to Simon Hughes, Dave Serotzki, Simon Charlton, Manager Chris Verrall and Captain Daniel Trussell. A job well done and just reward for a fantastic season.

Congratulations also to Tom Pysing and the C grade team for playing in the major round and Stephan Priesley and the U18 side for playing off in the Elimination Final. The club is very blessed to have some amazing young talent coming through.

In 2017 we welcomed some quality new recruits, Travis Tuck ex Hawthorn and West Adelaide, Jack Carter ex West Adelaide, Collingwood and Marion. Tom Carter ex West Adelaide, Glenelg and Marion and Jack Whaley ex Glenelg and Brighton. These four players added some real class to our side and had an instant impact on the playing group. Credit must be given to all four for embracing the Goodwood Saints culture and for playing quality football during the year.

We also had numerous players play their first games for the club in 2017, pleasingly four of these players have come through our U18 program. Congratulations to, Isaiah Place, James Reardon, Reece Slape, Ben Allevi and Rory Brodie for representing the club for the first time, may you all have long and successful careers at the Saints.

Congratulations must also go to Lou Whitelock and Anthony Skara for playing State Football this season and to Travis Tuck for making the Adelaide Football League Team of the Year.

We also had some significant milestone games played in 2017, congratulations to David Baulis & Tom Barry 100 games, Paul Rose, Liam Frost, Daniel Trussell, Jordan Turner and Anthony Skara 150 (Life Membership) games. Jason Fleming played his 200th game and our ex A Grade Captain Simon Brooks who played his 250th game which is an amazing effort.

I wish Simon Hughes all the very best taking on the Senior Football Coaching role at Happy Valley Football Club, and to Eric Kells who was appointed the Senior Coaching position at the Golden Grove Football Club. Both, fantastic Goody Saints stalwarts and I trust you have fantastic and successful Coaching careers. Remember you are always welcome back at Goodwood Saints.

Finally, I would personally like to thank Craig Scott, Kym Hand, Greg Turner, Mark Donald, Sharon Partington and Craig Kirkbright for all their support and assistance during the year.

2018 brings change and an exciting new era at the Goodwood Saints, one I'm very much looking forward to.

2017 ANNUAL REPORT B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Coach's Report

Early attendance at pre-season training wasn't as promising as I'd expected although the quality was evident from early on.

Post-Christmas our move to Concordia College saw numbers begin to swell and competition became evident for those who were keen to impress on the training track. A core group of senior players lead the way and the younger players soon followed their lead as fitness levels improved and more ball work was introduced. Some significant running sessions continued all the same and at times casualties resulted due to lack of condition and required fitness levels. As expected numbers increased as trial games approached and maneuvering players during these trial games became challenging, resulting in minimal game time prior to round 1 for some.

Selection for round 1 was difficult but the opportunity for players to play round 1 and represent the club was the focus. This remained the theme throughout the season as we worked to establish a united B & C grade squad.

The talent of the reserves squad ran deep and each week selection challenges arose. Along with selection challenges my priority was to learn player's ability and attitude with a focus being on Game Day – Saturday, the best day of the week during football season!

Throughout the first round (9 games) it became clear there were 3 to 4 teams that seemed more capable than the remaining 6 or 7. These teams included Adelaide Uni (undefeated), Rostrevor OC, Modbury, and the mighty Saints.

At the half way mark, we felt confident in what the players were delivering and knew some secondround challenges would keep players focused on improvement and adaptability. From this point some players had earned senior selection which provided opportunity for others to step in and contribute in what was becoming a very positive football environment. Consistent team efforts each week saw us create confidence amongst our positive environment and a winning expectation started to become evident. Players were constantly challenged in varying positions and the game style unfolding had us building up to an assault on a finals series.

A strong win against Adelaide Uni at Saint Park grew our confidence along with an 8-point victory over Rostrevor OC in round 18 saw us finish the minor round in second position knowing we would play them the following week in the Qualifying Final.

A home final playing at 2.15pm would be the telling moment when the game seemed to have got away from us. A kick from half back made its way toward our half forward line into the hands of our full forward who had been called up to be involved in the planned attacking thrust. He took possession and hand passed inside to a running wingman (Lewis George) who ran inside the arc to kick the ball from 35 metres through the big sticks just prior to the siren sounding as the sizable crowd erupted resulting in a 1-point victory and advancement to a Second Semi Final.

Another encounter with Adelaide Uni at one win each and a Grand Final berth the reward had us believing the direct route was in reach. Yet another solid team finals performance to advance to the Grand Final saw us bound for Aldi Arena on the last Saturday of the Channel 9 Footy League calendar.

Our build up was going to plan with two finals wins including the epic finish (Qualifying Final) that will be remembered for a long time considering the ultimate result on Saturday September 23, 2017.

A season consisting of fifteen wins & three losses during the minor round, followed by two finals wins had the group feeling quietly confident if our application and build up to Grand Final day was controlled and positive, a result was highly possible. The day went according to plan. From the moment I arrived the excitement struck me, and from that point seeing how this well-oiled machine had become accustomed to functioning, had me in ore of not only the 22 players that I have formed a bond with forever, but also the players that missed selection or missed due to injury.

Massive thanks must go to Tom Pysing for coaching alongside me all year, Dave Serotzki and Simon Charlton for their respective support of me and my coaching approach. Your application as Assistant Coaches was greatly appreciated. Chris Verrall as my Team Manager, a man with great passion for the GSFC and a positive approach throughout.

Thanks also to my various runners for stepping into the role, sometimes at short notice. They know who they are. Excellent work!

Finally, to the backbone contributors who ensure the players can play, the coaches can coach, and the spectators can spectate on the greatest day of the week – Game Day! Sharon, Kirky, Goody, Chuck, Billy, Spazmodic, Tiny, Russell and the fantastic training & medical staff, and no doubt I've missed someone.

Thanks for the opportunity to coach in season 2017!!

Simon Hughes B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Coach



2017 ANNUAL REPORT C1 Grade Coach's Report

To begin with I would like to thank everybody that has been involved with the C grade team this season. It was an interesting year for our group with plenty of up's and down's.

We finished the season in 3rd position (equal 2nd but 3rd on %) and unfortunately got knocked out of the finals in straight sets. We came up against ROC's in the first final at Goodwood Oval and had previously beaten them in 2 out of 3 games in the regular season. In the end they managed to kick ahead late in the game meaning that we had one more chance in an elimination final against Adelaide Uni at Gaza. The boys played one of their best games for the year but in the end Adelaide Uni were just too strong.

Even though it turned out to be a disappointing result for the group, the effort the boys showed is a testament to them and to this footy club. I truly believe this group is going in the right direction and most importantly a large portion will play at a higher level for this club if they haven't already.

Firstly, I would like to thank Kym Bennett for everything he has done this year. Not only for your advice on game day's which has been great for me but also for the relationships you have built with every player in a group.

To Dion Stendt, you have made life in the C grade this year so easy with everything you do behind the scenes and on game days. We couldn't do it without you!

To Sam Sexton, our runner. Thanks for all your help this year, it was great to see you back out there on Saint Park and I know the boys enjoyed having you back involved.

To all the trainers that helped this year, we really do appreciate what you do for us. We really couldn't do it without all your help.

Finally, a massive thankyou to Simon Hughes. You certainly made my first year of coaching a lot easier. The communication we had before the season began and during was a whole lot of fun and I think it made it easier for both of us. We talked about building an entire squad with the C and B grade preseason and I'm proud of what was accomplished.... a B grade premiership!

Overall, I think the C Grade group has a huge future, not only are they a great group of players but they are a great group of men to have involved with the Goodwood Saints Football Club. I look forward to seeing what you can all achieve at this great footy club.

Tom Pysing C Grade (Division C1) Coach

2017 ANNUAL REPORT U18's Coach's Report

The Goodwood Saints U18 season was a season of frustration. We had the talent to compete with the best sides, but we also had some very poor games.

We scraped into the finals after a fantastic win against Broadview in Round 18 however we could not back it up the next week and unfortunately, we finished fifth

Looking back at the season fifth is about right as the side didn't commit enough during the year. Tuesday night we would average about 5 players and on Fridays we would average between 12-15 players. We had lads not even bother to train at all as they knew with lack of numbers they would play every week.

The most disappointing aspect with the season was not being able to field a full side consistently. Every week we would get have 21 or 22 players but by the time the game started we would only have 19 or 20 so the players couldn't play to their maximum as we didn't have the rotations. The games that we got belted in was because of lack of numbers. I was a little disappointed not to get as much support from the 16.5 coach as hoped to help us with our numbers. If the 18's are going to survive over the next few years we definitely need to work better as a club to ensure the U18's have priority as they are the second most important side in the club. They are the future and we need to support them as much as possible.

We also felt we needed a little more support from others, particularly on game days. In particular, when we played at home following the A grade. We understand they have a routine, but we also need our routine respected. We play very few, if any games, preceding the A's so thought this should have been given better consideration. We trust these issues will be addressed moving forward. However, we received fantastic support on Round 18, and the Elimination Final, so I was pleased with that.

The most pleasing aspect of the year was the development of the lads. To get belted in round 1 then to play some outstanding football during the year was awesome. We stuck to the game plan and as the year went on we really showed how much talent we had. We just couldn't maintain it for 4 quarters. You could not knock their endeavor. The football club has some real talent coming through with the likes of Josh Wilson, Archie Davis, Sam Laube, Mitch Read, Jack Allen, Daniel Evans, Charlie Haren and Dylan Crouch all playing seniors next year and with the likes of Daniel Scott, Will Clarke, Lucas Hughes, Liam Bunn, Brad Roberts, Zac Sanderson, Jaydan Geddie and Sam Ploenges all still available to play 18's next season. The club's future is in good hands with these lads coming through. They just need some nurturing and give them an opportunity to play Reserves, not just C grade football next season.

I feel that the club needs to speak to the lads coming up to 18's next season early to get them registered so we don't have a mad rush come Round 1 with lads not registered. We also need to get the lads to train with seniors in pre-season as they need a good fitness base and they need to learn the game plan and structures if they play seniors next season.

We also need the parents to support the 18's more. We need to setup a roster system to ensure the team manager does not have to rush around and get the same parents to help each week. Having parents run water and help with time keeping and things like that will help the side be more professional.

For the future of the 18's to continue for years to come I honestly believe the League need to change a few things.

They should look at changing the comp from a Sunday afternoon to a Saturday morning. They should change the C Grade to the Sunday afternoon and put the U18's to the 10:15am game on a Saturday. That way the lads are better prepared, and they come to the game in a better mindset.

The league should also change the over-agers from 3 to 6 and, also let them play as many Senior games as they want. I don't think it will hinder the competition, but it will make it stronger.

Whilst I understand that the SANFL is more important than local club football I think the SANFL should work better with the league in allowing players if they want to back up on a Sunday if the competition stays on a Sunday next season.

All in all, I believe the season was a success considering all the issues with numbers, support and commitment. The lads really showed how much talent they have, and the future of the club is exciting. It will be interesting to see how these lads develop in future years.

Thank you to the club for giving me the opportunity to coach the lads and hopefully we see two or three playing A grade in 2018.

Stephan Priesley U18's Coach

2017 ANNUAL REPORT C7's Report

The C7 team again extends its appreciation to the GSFC – our thanks go to everyone involved, but , Craig, Sharon and Mark. New footballs, drink bottles and guernseys were very well received.

We had record numbers in the C7 team this year. Preseason commenced in early March with great attendance, given it was some two months before the season started. All up we had 22 players on the books, reduced to 21 after a major long-term injury during pre-season. In a 12 a side competition our huge numbers proved a little problematic in game day management, but most opposition C7 coaches were able to rotate a few of our guys through their teams each game.

The team finished third for the year, although we won the second most games – an infraction by Eastern Park vs Kenilworth late in the season meant, although eastern Park won easily, Kenilworth were awarded the points and a 10 goal to nothing victory – ultimately meaning we lost our home ground advantage for the preliminary final. Two season ending injuries in the semi-final really hurt us for the rest of the series.

The C7 comp remains lopsided unfortunately – Eastern Park (formerly Kilburn) have not lost a game in three seasons, which is a bit against the point of the whole thing. Our GSFC team continue to be great ambassadors for GSFC. Due to the Council constraints placed on GSFC on Saturday evenings the C7 team only managed to get one "home game" after the seniors – we were the only C7 team unable to play all our home games on Saturdays, which was a bit of a downer, but understandable.

Our skill level improved markedly over the preseason and season proper, thanks to a massive effort from my assistants – in particular, Strawbs, Zach Sutherland, and 2 A-Graders (Josh Slape and Jacob Hughes for 6 or 7 weeks). Peter Ellis, Max Judd and Charlie Kirchner also assisted throughout the season. It was great to see both personal skills and team skills evolve to new levels, and the relationships between the team and the coaches continue to evolve as they become familiar with one another.

Paul Barnden as the C7 Team Manager continues to provide outstanding support to the team – importantly as much on the field as off the field. He is a rare man!

I'm not going to rewrite my final paragraph from last year's annual report – suffice to say, the greatest opportunity **still** for GSFC, in my eyes, remains to genuinely integrate the C7 team into the senior footy space – the majority of our guys are well over 20 years old, and would love to be perceived as a senior team. I would be happy to work with someone to get the right result – any effort would be massively outweighed by the rewards.

When you look at the spectacular effort put into raising the profile of girls footy, which is just fantastic, and the well-deserved success, it is easy for those involved in the "inclusive sport" space to look on somewhat enviously.

Gary Sutherland C7's Coach

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Junior Football Director's Report

A big thank you to the members of the Junior Sub-committee, parent volunteers and club personnel. Their collective commitment, enthusiasm and support has once again provided a wonderful environment for our junior players, parents and all involved.

U7's – Darron Hogben and Justin Barr coached our second year Auskick group and did a fantastic job guiding and teaching the lads about zones, ball movement and above all, skills and mate ship. Our sides played well with all players and parents thoroughly enjoying the experience. First year Team Manager's Jayne Preece and Kathryn Hudson did a great job.

U8's – Coaches, Steff Basso, Luke Dixon & Sean Kirchner had an excellent season motivating our three sides and developing skills of our young chargers. The teams thoroughly enjoyed their season and played some good football. The coaches were well supported by Team Manager's, Jess Adamson, Matthew Harrison and Rhianna Laube.

U9's – Mark Eichler coached this group with much enthusiasm, introducing structure and focusing on team work and mate ship. Many great passages of play from a team enjoying their footy. Assistant Coach, Matt Harris and Team Manager Verity Ferguson again added value in their respective roles.

U10's – Charlie Thomas continued coaching this group. Charlies' progressive style provided ongoing skills development whilst promoting teamwork and playing with confidence - it was great to see some confident passages of play. Darron Hogben offered great support as Assistant Coach as with experienced Team Manager Simon Graetz.

U11's – Coach Darren Chyer had another positive season, it was great to see this group further develop their skills, confidence and mate ship as they took advantage of no zones and playing on larger sized grounds. Jason Goodes did an excellent job assisting and Team Manager Justin Speedy once again added value in the role.

U12's – Coach Matthew Earl had an impressive year focusing on the importance of self-belief, team work, skills development and introducing simple but effective structures. Matthew had great support from Assistant Coach Troy Klemm and Team Manager Toby Priest. Matthew, thanks for your efforts and contribution coaching this group over the years, very much appreciated.

U13's – Coach Mark Ryan had a great year investing much time and effort introducing structures and game day plans. A strong focus on skills and team work produced another fantastic year winning another grand final "back to back". Mark enjoyed solid support from Assistant Coach Marc Zinndorf, Phil Jones as Team Manager and Matthew Noblet as runner. Well done Team, "back to back" achievements are very special!



U14's – Coach David Wark placed emphasis on skills and competing at every opportunity whilst ensuring the lads enjoyed their footy and played with structure. A highlight of this group was the individual / team improvements as the season progressed. Assistant Coach Tony Francis provided strong support as did Team Manager Alan Schultze.

U15's - Coach Kym Laube placed emphasis on skills, training / playing with structure, winning the contest and ensuring the lads enjoyed their footy. This group has real potential and should look forward to a few 2nd year U16.5 players joining the group in season 2018. Kym was well supported by Assistant Coach Mark Worner and Team Manager Heather Jenkin.

U16.5's – Coach Michael Lawton worked diligently to identify key areas in need of improvement. Michael focused on fitness, skill development and promoting teamwork & mate ship. The team

enjoyed a sold year narrowly missing out on finals and demonstrated there's plenty of potential for those transitioning into Senior football. Michael was well supported by Assistant Coach Andrew Braley and Team Manager Peter Mason.

Girls football

U16's – Coach Tess Baxter delivered another positive season for the U16 girls. Tess focused on skills, winning the contest and creating opportunities on game day. The girls responded with a number of wins and finishing a strong 4th. Tess enjoyed the support of Assistant Coach Jess Edwards and Team Manager Andrew Sanderson.

U14's – Coach Jess Edwards welcomed a number of newcomers to the squad and coached with much enthusiasm developing skills, structures and improving fitness. The girls had 4 good wins and improved a lot as the season progressed. Jess was supported by Assistant Coach Tess Baxter and Team Manager's Donna Deanne-Freeman and Lynn Fox. Keep up the good work girls!

U12's – Coach Cameron Bryson also welcomed a number of newcomers. Cameron invested much time and effort on basic skills development, promoting teamwork and ensuring the girls enjoyed their football experience. Michael Farquharson added value as Assistant Coach and it was great to see individual and team improvements as the season progressed. The Coaches were well supported by Team Manager's Katya Jakube and Paula Stacey-Thomas.

Andrew Braley Junior Football Director

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Fundraising & Social Coordinators Report

As like many, if not all previous years, the Goodwood Saints social calendar was very busy. Game day BBQ's, Ladies Day, Premiership Reunions, Aboriginal Appreciation Round, Heritage Round, Coaches Ball, Craig Scott Legends Night, B Grade Premiership celebrations and Best and Fairest Awards Night.

It was my first year in this role as Social/Fundraiser Director and I would really like to pass on my regards to everyone who has helped myself and the club over the year. The club would not be able to function without the help of so many and it is very much appreciated.

Ladies Day

We continued the running tradition and fundraising efforts for the "Lace Up For Lynne Foundations" which looks to raise awareness and funds for Breast Cancer. We had over 100 attendees which was fantastic, and it was a great day had by all.

Special Thankyou to everyone who helped set and pack up, sell raffle tickets, bar, and clean up.

Premiership Reunions / Heritage Round

2017 happened to be a 10, 20 and 30 year reunion for premiership sides of the past. We combined all this in to one big event where past players shared stories, memories, and a few drinks while the A Grade match was on in the afternoon. It was also heritage round the same week and we held the annual Guernsey auction on the Saturday night. This is a great fundraiser for the club.

Coaches Ball

The Goodwood Saints Coaches Ball was again held at Ayers House in the City and we were lucky enough to have the continued help of Adam and Victoria Morgan, who did a great job organizing the event. It didn't quite reach the same numbers of the previous year, but it was still a great night had by all and was fantastic to see everyone dressed to impress.

Patron Saints Day

The 2017 Patron Saints Day was wonderfully organised by Mick Waite, who again has did an outstanding job throughout the year. A marquee set up with BBQ vouchers and some refreshments was an ideal way to watch the Goodwood Saints Senior players play on the Saturday afternoon.

Craig Scott Legends Night

Craig Scott was inducted into the "Legends" of the Goodwood Saints Football Club. To celebrate Craig and his achievements we had a night at the HWY. There were lovely tributes from past players, coaches, other Legends and of course his Family. Well Done Craig!!!

Best and Fairest Awards Night

The awards night was held at the HWY and was attended by over 100 people. It was a great night to appreciate players and coaches and finish off the social calendar. Congratulations to all the winners and to all involved.

Appreciation

There are so many people who have contributed throughout the year week in and week out and I would like to personally thank you for your efforts. Some special mentions to Sharon Zacher-Partington, Mark Goodman, Chris Gates, Craig Scott, Simon Charlton, Bruce Ford, Mick Waite and, Matt Noblet. You all go above, and beyond in setting up, packing down and putting your hand up to help whenever you can. Without your help I would have really struggled.

Ben Johnston Fundraising & Social Coordinator

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Facilities Report

The past 2 years have seen no major expenditure projects started around the club, but with promises from both political parties we are hopeful of that being turned around in the near future with the advent of a new facility on the horizon.

The City of Unley did take the advice of a turf management team and over sowed the oval with a much more resilient rye grass with outstanding success. The oval held up over winter extremely well considering the number of people that use it between April and September.

Our Chef, John Congdon, continued to supply us with cheap priced meals on Thursday and Saturday nights, while Debra Arnold once again did an outstanding job as Canteen Manager. Megan and Chuck returned to the bar for the 10th year, with the assistance of Kirky on a Friday Night doing "his thing", keeping the Junior parents. Thanks also to other "bar helpers" on big event day and nights.

Moving forward to 2018, we need to change up training so we can maximise our facility to its full potential.

We are still searching for a second venue to alleviate the risk of over use on the oval. However, with very little green space in the Unley Council area, this makes the task extremely difficult. This is why we may need to look outside the boundaries and into other council space. This may also mean that some teams may be forced to rotate their training at alternative venues – again not an easy option. We are in a situation where some teams may be forced to rotate their training at alternative venues – not ideal but we are bursting at the seams and need to do something.

Have a fantastic summer and look forward to the new season ahead.

Mark Goodman Facilities Manager

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Special Club Award Recipients

CJ 'JOCK' GEAREN MEMORIAL TROPHY (Most Improved Senior Player 2017)	-	Josh Slape
PETER HAYNES MEMORIAL TROPHY (Best Club Person – Player 2017)	-	Jordan Turner
HARRY & LENA TODD MEMORIAL TROPHY (Best Club Person – Non-Player 2017)	-	Chris Gates
AARON MANN MEMORIAL AWARD (Junior Family Contribution 2017)	-	The Harrison Family (Dave, Prisca & Family)

Trophy Winners

A Grade (Division 1)

A Grade (Division 1) Best & Fairest (Nelson-Ellenbroek Perpetual Trophy) Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man (Colin Partington Perpetual Memorial Trophy) Coach's Trophy	- - -	Travis Tuck Tom Barry Anthony Skara Jacob Hughes
B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Best & Fairest <i>(Len Wood Trophy)</i> Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy Most Improved	- - - -	Isaiah Place Zachary Galit All Players Isaiah Place Hamish Burns
C1 Grade Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy Most Improved	- - - -	Braden Georgeson Taylor Charlton Jack Morgan Tom Foster Cameron Robert
Under 18's Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy Most Consistent	- - -	Josh Wilson Archie Davis - Daniel Scott Dylan Crouch Josh Wilson
Division C7 Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy Most Improved	- - - -	Mark Collett Rhys Baker/Luke Goodman James Swanbury Terry Wiggins Paul Leikas

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Trophy Winners (Cont.)

Under 16.5's

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy

Under 16's Girls

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Player Coach's Trophy

Under 15's

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy

Under 14's

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy

Under 14's Girls

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Player Coach's Trophy

Under 13's

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy

Under 12's

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Man Coach's Trophy

Under 12's Girls

Best & Fairest Runner-Up Best & Fairest Best Team Player Coach's Trophy

- Jarrett Richards
- Tyler Oliver
- Zachary Fairlie
- Joel Colls

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- Sammy Gilchrist
- Della Griffith
- Ruby Grant
- Annie Size
- Liam O'Connor-Dawkins
- Jack Forrest
- Harvey Bock
- Mark Neville-Franklin
- Cooper Thomson
- Jackson Allen
- Sam Thomas
- Jackson Allen
- Keely Kustermann
- Emma Fox & Grace Bridge
- Jessica Chyer
- Danielle Salisbury
- Max Noblet
- Taj Spencer
- Jonah Zinndorf
- Cain Satanek
- Riley Hill
- Macklen Mackay
- Nash Klemm
- Mitchell Brennan
- Zara Bowles
- Sophia McArthur
- Alice Riccardi
- Lola Tripodi

2017 ANNUAL REPORT Special Achievements

Seniors

Club Two Hundred & Fifty Senior Games	-	Simon Brooks
Club Two Hundred Senior Games	-	Jason Fleming
Club One Hundred and Fifty Games (Playing Life Membership)	- - -	Liam Frost Paul Rosa Anthony Skara Daniel Trussell Jordan Turner
Club One Hundred Senior Games	-	Tom Barry
Club Fifty Games	- - - - -	Sam Brice Shaun Clarke Zachary Galit Tom Gehling Braden Georgeson Jack Morgan Daniel Payne Bradley Sandford
SAAFL State Representatives	-	Anthony Skara Lou Whitelock
SAAFL Team of the Year Representative	-	Travis Tuck
SANFL JUNIORS		
2017 Teams of the Year Representatives		
Under 12's Division 1 South	-	Riley Hill Macklen Mackay
Under 12's Girls Zone 2	-	Sophia McArthur Lola Tripdo-Smith
Under 13's Division 1 South	- - -	Oscar Grant Max Noblet Cain Satanek Taj Spencer Jonah Zinndorf
Under 14's Division 1 South	-	Jackson Allen Harry Barnett

	-	Zac Becker
Under 14's Girls Zone 2	-	Nil
Under 15's Division 1	-	Liam O'Oonnor- Dawkins Riley Thilthorpe
Under 16.5's Division 1	- (also, - -	Dominic Barilla Association B&F Runner Up) Jarrett Richards (also, Association B&F) Jye Sinderberry
Under 16's Girls Zone 2	-	Lucy Griffith