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President's Report October 2026

On any analysis it's been a stunningly successful on field performance this year

Netball

A Grade 4th seriously under maned from last year's premiership side

B Grade 3rd

C Grade Premiers

D Garde 2nd

U17's 2nd

Men

Seniors Premiers

Development Squad Premiers

U19's 6th 4 points out of finals with a % 43 points above 3rd place

Women footballers

6th 5 wins in an improving performance with increasing numbers.

MPFNL Award winners this year for team of the year membership were

Kristine Bordader

Tynan Bressen

Dan Frampton

Jemma Lewis

Georgia Vines

In addition to these awards and despite having 5 netball teams in finals and only 2 payers in teams of the year, 4 of our players were B&F runners up

U17's Piper Chase

D Grade Georgina Weibrich

C Grade Amber Grant

B Grade Lucy Mollo

So. How did this success come about?

The Primary Reason is that you are all involved with a good club.

This has come about for 5 reasons

1. **For the last 9 years we have been focusing on building the links between our club and the community with a view to making the club a destination of choice for players supporters and sponsors. In that time, we have also vastly improved our infrastructure through**

    - **Construction of new netball court**
    - **Installation of A Grade arena lighting**
    - **Construction of a new viewing shed. "The Adrian Dal Lago Green Shed"**
    - **Replacement of the Club Gear Trailer**
    - **Installation of goal netting to the main oval**
    - **Installation of new Coaches Boxes on the main oval**
    - **Creation of additional change rooms in the pavilion**
    - **Installation of electronic scoreboards**
    - **Free live streaming of senior football and A Grade netball**

2. **We have built a club where diversity is cherished, where social issues like LGBTQ and recognition of the importance of Reconciliation with First Nations Peoples, are not only supported but championed within our League.**

All this is in addition to the League sponsored themed rounds such as Anzac recognition, Volunteers round, Umpires appreciation and the like all of which we enthusiastically embrace.

As part of this we have been able to extend the reach of our club this year through free live streaming our A Grade netball and senior football matches which attracted over 7000 views. Thanks to Anglo Italian Coatings, Paringa Estate & Kay & Burton for making this possible. (No other club in our league does that).

3. **We have been able to attract super coaches like Steve Murray, Tyson Lewis and Ben Murphy who epitomise support for our community endeavours and have been able to attract and retain the playing talent which has spearheaded our success.**
    - **Steve, with the support of Lisa Galvin, Georgia Vines and others, has been able to attract to our club Renae Englis who is perhaps the greatest Netball player our state has produces and Steve has been able to coach the whole netball squad into finals again.**
    - **Tyson Lewis who with the assistance of Neil Roberston and Greg Armstrong, and despite waning interest in the women's code, has been able to continuously build our numbers and our performance over recent years, and**

- **Ben Murphy, who with Bez, Muz Tom, Irvo, Troy, Ross Scud and others, has taken the art of communication to the next level and has been able to modify, adapt and simplify our game plan and transform a round 5 92-point deficit into a Grand Final 28-point victory against the inform benchmark club.**

4. **The never ceasing work of a committed cohort of volunteers who just make things happen.**
    - **The continuing decline in volunteer numbers has meant that our gang has had to take on more responsibility. This has not deterred them. They are to be thanked and congratulated and the best way our supporters, particularly the parents and families of our players, can show their appreciation, is to join their ranks in some way for next season and beyond.**
    - **In the past I have taken this opportunity of mentioning specific names. Unfortunately, it is taking less and less time to do that, but we need to recognise these club champions.**

    Daryl & Karina Holmes

    Julie Redhouse

    Greg Armstrong

    Gabe Frampton

    Mick & Jo Mitchell

    Russell Goldsmid

Raelene & Darren Morgan

Tenielle Hebaiter

Gerty Wallace

Lisa Galvin

Marcus Lee

Richard Snow

Leigh Watkins

Brandon & Cathy Squire

Chris Smith

Hayden Flint & Christina

Stuart Monteath

Daniel Green

Margie Brown

Kim Sherry

Dan Lonergan

Marcus Dal Lago

And players like

Kohan Bresen

Toby Smith

Molly Wallace

Paris Hourn,

These players do a lot more than just pull on the players uniforms.

Not to mention the support staff including

Sharon & Junior

Pete Dal Lago Elly& John

And of course, your committee

Shawne Rubenstein

Patrick McDoland

Geraldine Wallace

Owen Shaw

Raelene Morgan

Daryl Holmes

Alex Omerod

Greg Armstrong

Dan McNamara

Harry Wynn Pope

Jonah Siversen

Andrew Mock

and in particular retiring committee members Libby McEncroe and Roger Siversen

I would like to pay special tribute to Julie Redhouse, Mick Dillon &Ross Corfield who have helped form

that special link with the junior club and the cricket club.

5. **It is becoming more and more difficult to attract and retain sponsors and fortunately we have a group of financial supporters who have been steadfast in their support. We thank them and assure them that their support is never underestimated**

Paringa Estate

Kay & Burton'

KISS Professional Solutions

Complete Function Hire

Bendigo Bank

Many Little

Polperro

Hillview

Epicurean Group

Merry People

The Collett Family

Devil Bend Brewery

Our Community Partners including

Dub Dub Laundry

Arthurs Seat Eagle

The Knit Studio

Little Rebel

Sea Road Ferries

Balnarring Picnic Racing Club

Our Presidents Lunch supporters

Paringa Estate

Many Little

The Epicurean Group

Tedesca

Ten Minute by Tractor

Port Phillip Estate

Lindenderry

Point Leo Estate

And our Coaches Club members whose numbers have swelled from 13 in 2016 (8 of whom remain members) to 103 this year.

6. **And of course, our players and not just our premiership players and the members of the teams who did not make the grand finals but those players who turned up each week to do more than just make up the numbers.**

They range not only from the 30 or so who missed out on making the U17 netball cut and the netball playing partners but also the following men who missed premiership selection 17 plus those out injured another half dozen or so

Matt Lonsdale
Corey Trigger
Hary Webb
James Sherb (gerbert)
Matt Dowling
Nathan Lim
Harrison Donnelly
Ben MacLean
Angus Clark
Mitch Sawyer
James Paton
Jackson Sharples
Ted Meysztowicz
Luke Marchesani
Max Macgowen
Andrew Wilson
Noah Cliff

Jakie Wray

It is important at this time that re recognise those who are no longer with us and able to share in this celebration particularly Adrian Dal Lago. Long time supporter, volunteer, Committee Member, Life member and club stalwart who passed away late last year.

Club Awards

Best Club Person Tenielle Hebaiter. Team manager for the U19's. Always ready to help out with any tasks. A first rate volunteer

Van Roy Award for outstanding achievement

Our 3 Premiership Teams. C Grade Netball. Development Squad & Senior Men's teams.

C Grade Netball

Alice Griffiths C

Tiegan Whitby VC

Sophie Douglas VC

Karina Holmes

Lily Enders

Tess Bautsch

Sari Prabowo

Ainslie Christy

Lucy Hamill

Kayla Drysdale

Amber Grant

Coaches Ash Morris & Taylah Willach

Steve Murray

Men's Development squad

Ben Davys

Logan Sandford

Cooper Square C

Noah Turner

Matt Mitchell

Nick Rutherford

Bailey Squire

Simon Allsop

Rhye Sandford

Kade Morgan

Joel Ivanovich

Patrick Willach

Zac Carlson

John Gosling

Isaac Buckley

Harvey Andrews

Kohan Bressen

Tim Drummond

Jack Leete

Darch McDonald

Ky Hasell

Fynn Ackerley

Coaches Nathan Lenowry

Tom Pepperell

Tom Ivanovic

Darren Morgan

Men’s Seniors

Sam Lewis

Tom Slattery

Patrick McDonald

Josh Mold C

Skea Mitchell

Jack Bugeja

Lachy Hodder

Billy Sanders

Matt Emmanouill

Tom Lewis

Olly Puller

Dan Frampton C

Chris Irving

Troy Ackerley

Ross Sanders

Mitch Backman

Darby Hipwell

Tynan Bressen

Connor Eardley

Josh Watson

Oscar Lewis

Harvey Stuart

Oli Jackson

Sam Gove Miles Gouderjann

Coach Ben Murphy

Assistants Tom Backman

Russell Goldsmid

Graeme Healy

Sharon Clayton

John Bromley **Pete Dal Lago**

Life Memberships

Russell Goldsmid. Current Senior Men's team manger but has filed many voluntary positions over the past 42 years and a tireless contributor. Graham Sherry was also elected to Life Membership

So, what now?

How do we sustain this success?

On past experience, there are a few things I think we need to do

1. **We need to further enhance our playing stocks as resting on our laurels will not cut it. Fortunately, we have the coaching staff to be able to achieve this**
2. **We need to renew our club administration which is in progress by working to attract additional committee support with new and improved ideas and concentrating on revised planning for next season including the renewal of our strategic plan**

3. **We need to extend our volunteer base to incorporate fresh faces especially from families of our younger players who will be our champions of the future**
4. **We need a fresh approach to the attraction of sponsorship support especially from those organisations which embrace our community focus.**
5. **We need to expand the Coaches Club offering especially to those local part-time residents who may be looking for some community connectivity.**