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NORTH OLD BOYS ST PATRICK'S  
COLLEGE BALLARAT AMATEUR  
FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

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ANNUAL REPORT 2017

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### Introduction

On behalf of the President and Committee, I present for the consideration and approval of the members, the Annual Report, including the Financial Report, for the year ended 30 September 2017 of North Old Boys St Patrick's College Ballarat Amateur Football Club Incorporated (trading as Brunswick NOBSPC and Brunswick Renegades).

**Mal Cole, Secretary**

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## 1. Message from the President

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One thing our Club could never be accused of is being boring. So much has happened in the past 12 months – and is still happening – that it is difficult to know where to start. The major developments and initiatives have included, in no particular order:

- The Renegades joining the VFA's inaugural women's competition with 2 teams, with the seniors playing (and holding their place) in the Premier Division;
- The first players from the Brunswick Juniors graduating to play men's senior footy and the restoration of a male Under 19 team for 2018 in line with our strategy hatched in 2008 to form the BJFC to act as a feeder;
- Being part of the Sydney Road Festival and successfully staging the Brunswick Football Festival pre-season and holding the "One Club" Ball mid-year;
- The Renegades committee joining the Club's general committee;
- Our women's and men's teams holding joint training sessions and social events;
- An influx of young male and female players to the Club;
- The continued growth of "One Club" and re-connecting with Brunswick Auskick;
- The installation of new bathroom facilities in the AR Glenn Stand and obtaining a commitment from Council to install lights at our secondary ground (Clifton Park West).

Football-wise, wins might not have come easily for our 5 teams this year, but the commitment and enthusiasm shown by all of them was tremendous. Our senior men (Division 1) and women (Premier) both finished with wins to ensure they avoided relegation, while the most excited winning team for the year was definitely the women's reserves who chalked up their very first victory! The effort of all players who stepped out for NOBSPC and the Renegades is greatly appreciated, as is the hard work of our coaches, in particular Dan Marshall (senior women) and Luke Mahoney (senior men). After 2 years at the helm, Luke has decided to move to Fitzroy and we welcome Anthony Palmer to replace him in 2018.

The Club is again in a sound financial position and credit must go to Bernie Skahill, Wendy Canobie and Kim Hennessy for their efforts in this regard. The challenge to make ends meet and put something aside for new initiatives never stops and we will need to keep working hard to raise more revenue to meet ever-increasing costs.

At this year's AGM it is to be proposed that the Club change its official name to Brunswick Football Club Incorporated. In my view, this is the logical next step in the Club's development. It is also proposed that the Rules be changed to ensure that the Club's history, heritage and traditions, which are precious to us, are enshrined and preserved. In making this change, our formal relationship with St Patrick's College Ballarat will come to an end. I want to acknowledge the contribution St Pat's has made to the Club since 2006 and thank the College and Old Collegians Association for the great support they have provided.

This will also be my last year as the Club's President. It has been an absolute honour and privilege to serve in this role, particularly during such an important period in the Club's history. I want to wish Kim Hennessy and Jarryd Browne all the best as they take on the role jointly. I look forward to continuing to support them and the Club.

I need to especially thank Peter Hevey and Bernie Skahill for their unfailing support during my time as President and all other committee members and officials who volunteered their time for the Club over the past 4 years. Best of luck to all for season 2018!

**Tim Purdey, President**



## 2. Financial Report

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### Summary

It is pleasing to report that the Club's finances have stabilised after the losses incurred last year. At the end of our financial year, 30 September 2017, we had a cash balance of \$11,041 and a net cash balance after accounting for amounts to be received and paid of \$13,009. The Club recorded a small loss of \$1,571 compared to last year's loss of \$23,696. However, we would have recorded a Profit of \$3,104 this year except for costs of \$4,675 that should have been recorded in last year's Profit and Loss Statement.

Our Revenue for the year increased to \$232,173 from \$189,209 reflecting

- additional Player memberships
- a significant increase in Social Functions, particularly the Ball and Auction Night and
- that income from both the Bar and Canteen almost doubled.

The total cost of raising this income increased slightly to \$87,532 which meant that our Gross Profit increased from \$104,728 to \$144,641. This is the amount we need to pay for our Operating Costs which increased to \$144,837 from \$128,424. This increase reflects a number of variations but the most significant increase was incurred with the Renegades fielding an additional team and for Coaching.

### Transition

The Club is in the process of transitioning to a district club and this is impacting our financial position. Although we continue to receive the considerable support of our past players and families, some from the first team in 1963, we cannot expect this group to increase their contributions. Therefore, to cover our increasing costs, we require our players, local families and the business community to become involved and support the club. The development of the Renegades Women's Teams is assisting in this transition and the Under 19 team in 2018 will further imbed the club into the local community.

The financial impact brought about by this fundament change was recognised at the start of the year and required us to reconfigure our approach to how we financed the club.

Our revised approach in 2017 set the following parameters;

- increased contributions from players
- maintain Sponsorship & Coterie through increased local involvement
- improve Combined One Club Social Functions, Ball, Festival Day, Reverse Raffle
- improve results from Bar and Canteen

### Increased contributions from Players

#### Memberships

Over the past few years contributions from player memberships decreased from approximately 25% of the Clubs costs to 20%, in the belief that it helped recruiting. However, with the demand for quality coaches, support staff, game-day help and expenses such as filming this approach could not be maintained.



We therefore increased Senior Men's Player memberships to \$380 (previously \$350) and Club XVIII Players to \$320 (\$280). However, we introduced a \$250 membership for players Under 23 years old.

#### Apparel

We also introduced a \$25 charge for players to cover shorts and socks, which cost the Club \$75 and for which other VAFA clubs charge at full price.

#### Full payment on registration

Another important change was to insist that full membership was paid on registration with VAFA. This ensured we collected all the funds immediately without the need to follow up.

Interestingly, our number of registered players increased from 85 to 100 which included 39 Senior Players, 28 Under 23 and 34 Club XVIII players.

As a result, Player memberships increased from \$22,323 to \$30,800 (includes \$1,500 from socks & shorts).

## **Sponsorships**

We had to maintain our Sponsorship levels but increase the local support. The Club's Sponsorship income increased from \$29,837 to \$31,609 primarily due to the increase in Renegades Sponsorship from \$2,273 to \$4,590. We continue to receive magnificent support from our Sponsors especially our Principal Sponsor, the Kearney Group.

Special thanks to all our Ongoing Sponsors

**Kearney Group.** *Paul Kearney (played 1986-2005) heads up the Kearney Group who specialise in holistic and individually tailored client centre care that enriches the business venture and personal lives of clients.*

**Laguna Pools.** *Gold medal winner for best residential courtyard pool. Glenn Maxton played 2004-10.*

**Northway Honda** *Melbourne's premier Honda dealership in the Northern Suburbs.*

**Clancy Constructions** *The Art of Construction. Shaun Clancy Played 2006-2012.*

**Sportsgrass** *Turf management, construction, renovation & maintenance. Jim Marchbank played 1981-92.*

**Network Capital** *Dom Perrone played 1979-96 (best remembered for his work on the committee).*

**BJS Jewellery.** *Played in only Club XVIII Premiership (1981) but best known as an ex Treasurer.*

**WPG Property Group.** *Pat Brady.*

**Dineamic Catering.** *Thursday night meals.*

This year Leonie Kroehnert stepped into the role of building local networks with the aim of increasing our local Sponsorship base. We welcome the following New Sponsors in 2017

**Victoria Hotel** *380 Victoria Street Brunswick*



**Orbit Logistics Pty Ltd.** Full range of import/export/customs clearance forwarding services

**Nelson Alexander Real Estate.** The Brunswick team are specialists in Brunswick Real Estate.

**Cera Stribley Architects.** Commitment to timeless design & practical approach. Chris Stribley Current Club XVIII player.

**Michael Lynch Property Valuers** Played 1979-96.

Also new in 2017 the following Sponsors provided services to help the Club:

**Canoe Images Team Building Camp.** Preseason Camp at Castle Hill Daylesford

**Viva Physiotherapy.** Support to players in their CBD medical centre

**Max Results** Matt Roberts played 1993-94. Provides Pre-season gym for the players and committee

**Thunder Road Brewery.** Supply of Brunswick Bitter to the club

Leonie also worked on the Sponsorship deals for the Renegades:

**Victoria Hotel** 380 Victoria Street Brunswick

**NECA Education and Careers.** Is a leading Group Training Organisation in Victoria

**Capire Consulting Group.** Is a specialist community engagement company

## Coterie

The All Saints Coterie had another successful year with 31 members. Garry Foulds and Peter O'Farrell organised another great dinner with 60 guests and made a cash profit of \$1,459 after the normal range of raffles and auctions run by Peter. After the donation of \$640 to the Junior club to cover their Best and Fairest Awards, the total Cash contribution by the Coterie Group was \$8,837.

## Events and Functions

### Ball and Auction night

Historically the Annual Ball and Auction Night has been run by the players and is the social highlight of the year. This year the Renegades, especially Leonie, Kelly and Kim and the Juniors along with Cam Fox from the men's teams worked together to produce a great social event and an outstanding financial result.

Thanks to all the people who donated items for the Auction and the Raffle.

The Cash result reflected the following

- Attendance over 300; with 65 from Juniors, 57 from Renegades and 186 from Senior Club (including 23 from Club XVIII team)
- Profit on Ticket Sales of \$4,468
- Auction result of \$7,602 and
- Raffle of \$3,155

Ball	2015	2016	2017*
Revenue	\$22,847	\$21,343	\$39,292
Costs	\$15,812	\$18,327	\$24,067
Net Profit	\$7,035	\$3,016	\$15,225

\*Note above are before sharing with Junior Club.

Given the success of the combined One Club event it is highly likely that we can have a bigger and better Ball and Auction Night in 2018.



### Reverse Raffle

The other significant social function is the Reverse Raffle. This year Jarryd Browne did a great job in expanding the event to include the Renegades along with increasing the Prize to \$5,000 and taking over \$13,000 in ticket sales, with a further \$4,600 taken at the bar, including a donation of \$1,000 from the winner.

Reverse Raffle	2016	2017
Revenue	\$14,046	\$17,716
Costs	\$7,299	\$11,053
Net Profit	\$6,747	\$6,663

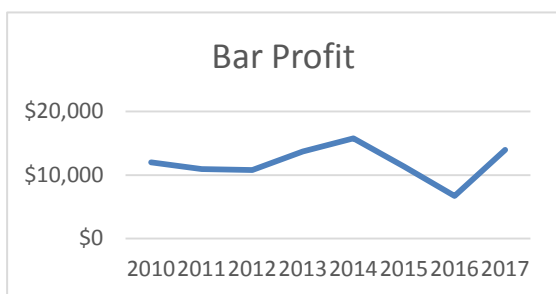
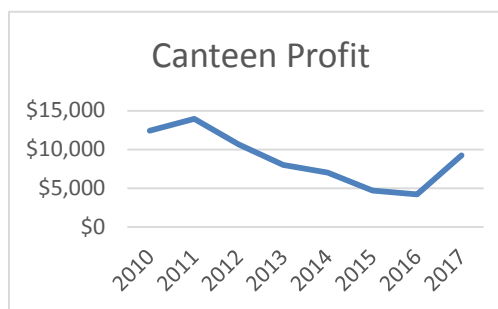
### Game Day lunches

This year we held our traditional Ladies Day, which incorporated Mother Day, along with the Therry home game and the Past Players Day.

A new function this year was the Brunswick Football Festival held on the last practice match which included games from the Juniors, Club XVIII, Renegades and men's teams. It was a great day with over \$6,000 being taken at the Canteen, BBQ, Bar and for merchandise.

### **Canteen and Bar**

With a change in Auskick management, we took over running the canteen and gave Auskick a percentage of the takings. In addition, the additional Renegades team meant that all Saturdays were a full day of games. As a result, our Canteen profit was over double 2016. (Note that the high profits in 2010 to 2012 include the Sunday Pub Games which we forfeited when the Juniors needed the ground).



Similar to the Canteen, the plan was to double our income from the Bar. Game day functions such as the Past Players day, assisted but great new One Club Functions such as the combined Training nights and the Wimbledon Table Tennis night where a big success. The function after the last game was again a great night.

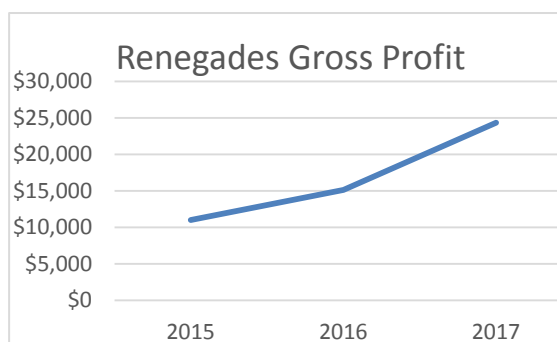
Special thanks yet again to the tireless work put in by Pete and Dawn Hevey and Caroline and

their helpers who have tirelessly worked the Canteen and Bar.

### **Other significant Revenues**

The Renegades organised themselves to increase their revenue to ensure they covered their increased costs. Apart from their Player membership Leonie organised additional Sponsorship, and financial events.

Revenue for the Renegades has increased from \$11,032 to \$24,339 over three years.





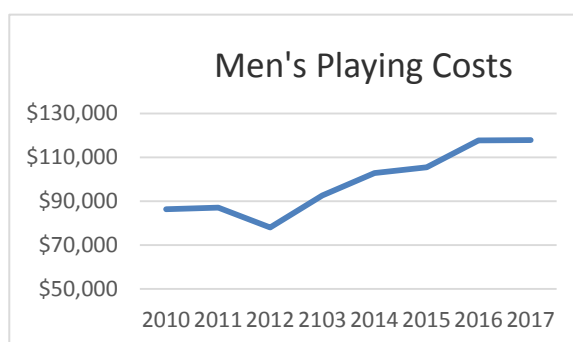
## Cost Sharing

The Club and the Junior Club have a cost sharing arrangement as we incur the costs through the Ground Rental agreement and contracts with the Utility companies and then share the costs based on ground use. This year the contribution from the Juniors has decreased by \$2,999 to \$7,943 as their ground usage has decreased from over 70% to 46.7% reflecting Junior teams training and playing on the Park Street ovals and the additional Renegades team.

## Operating Expenses

Operating Expenses for the Club totalled \$144,837, an increase of \$16,420 from last year.

However, the costs for the Men's team which been increasing significantly stabilised this year. Apart from the increase in 2018 due to the formation of the Under 19s, it is vital that the costs for the three senior teams remain at or below the current level.



Although the cost of the Women's Teams is the most significant increase, there are the following variations.

VAFA	Increased \$3,683	Affiliation & Application costs <i>Increase of 3% in affiliation costs, compounded by loss of 7% prepayment discount, which we couldn't benefit from due to our poor financial position. (discount has been reduced to 3%)</i>	Increase of \$2,675
		VAFA Functions	Increase of \$503
		Filming	Increase of \$590
Equipment	Decreased \$4,655	Medical Expenses & Supplies Playing Apparel <i>New jumpers for Club 18 in 2016</i> Socks and shorts- \$25 Charge	Decrease of \$766 Decrease of \$1,880 Plus \$1,500
Coaching	Increased \$1,572	Additional Assistant coach Other coaches	Increase of \$4,727 Decrease of \$2,136
Support	Decreased \$2,567	Lower Physio costs Umpiring costs Game day help <i>Lack of Juniors covered by injured players</i>	\$2,440 Increase of \$918 Decrease of \$1,945
Renegades	Increased \$16,281	<i>Reflects jump to two teams and the payment for coaches</i>	
Admin	Increased \$1,324	Ground rental Electricity Freight Water	Decreased \$909 Increased \$867 Decreased \$682 Decreased \$485





General	Increased \$3,429	Advertising	Decreased \$797
		Cleaning - <i>contract for bathrooms</i>	Increased \$2,886
		Depreciation	Decrease of \$1,018
		Coterie Donation to Juniors	Increase of \$454
		One Club cost. <i>cost of facilitator</i>	Increase of \$1,782
2016 costs	Increased \$4,675	<i>Costs from 2016 recorded in 2017</i>	
Govt Grant	Increased \$3300	<i>Vict Govt Grant for purchase of footballs</i>	

### Recommendations for 2018

- Complete review of Club's financial position in February 2018 based on the new costs including the new Under 19 side
- New roster for game-day help
- Recruit Physios/Trainers
- Review of Sponsorships, likely Sponsors to renew?
- Review the Player memberships based on membership costs for similar district clubs
- Increase in cost for shorts and socks from current \$25 (full cost is approx. \$75)
- Social functions
- One Club functions
- Ball and Auction Night, increase ticket sales from 308 to 350?
- Reverse Raffle, increase ticket sales from 130 to 180?
- Ladies Day
- Brunswick Festival
- Game-day
  - Lunches, organise and promote
  - Home Games, need to promote and improve attendance
  - Bar. organise a roster to help
  - Improve the Game Day Raffle ticket sales, get players involved.
- Investigate alternatives for tracking EFTPOS takings.
- Player Functions
- Post-game capitalise on the Projector for Saturday night AFL games
- Other e.g. Wimbledon Table Tennis night
- Plan to recoup the cost of the new Under 19 team

### Thanks

Finally, thanks to Tim and the committee for the support I have received during my time as Treasurer. Special thanks to Wendy Canobie for the work she has put in as bookkeeper. Thankfully Wendy is staying on and with Craige Mott coming in as the Treasurer I am confident that the club is in safe hands.

**Bernie Skahill, Treasurer**



### 3. Office Bearers and Officials 2017

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#### **Executive**

President – Tim Purdey

Vice-President – Peter Hevey

Secretary – Mal Cole

Treasurer – Bernie Skahill

#### **General Committee Members**

Kim Hennessy, Leonie Kroehnert, Caitlin Blackwell, Kelly Dungate, Regina Helly, Trevor Ludeman, Christian Ryan, Domenic Perrone, John Glossop, Jarryd Browne, Garry Foulds, Mitch Piazza, Graeme Ford.

#### **Football Officials**

##### *Senior Men*

Coach – Luke Mahoney

Captain – Lachlan Ezard

Vice-Captains – Chris Ford & Gerrard Bence

Assistant Coaches – Sam Bishop, Mick Giansiracusa & Matt Roberts

Team Manager – Mal Cole

##### *Senior Women*

Coach – Daniel Marshall

Captain – Kate Sullivan

Vice-Captains – Kelly Dungate & Hannah Musil

Team Manager – Kim Hennessy

##### *Reserve Men*

Coach – Scott Sleep

Captain – Jarryd Browne

Team Manager – Mal Cole

##### *Reserve Women*

Coach – Andy Ryan

Captain – Cassie Zur

Vice-Captains – Alanna Symmons & Sarah Carnegie

Team Manager – Regina Helly

##### *Club XVIII*

Coach – Mitch Piazza

Team Manager – John Glossop



## 4. Coaches' reports

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### 4.1 Senior Men (Division 1)

#### Results

Won – 5, Lost – 13; Finished 8<sup>th</sup> (out of 10).

#### Coach's Report

2017 was a historic season for the football club with the first lot of graduates from the junior club playing senior men's football and our women's team joining the VAFA. Congratulations to Daniel Mott, Dom Sullivan and James Lockwood-Spence who all played senior football after graduating from the Brunswick Juniors. Congratulations also to the Renegades for hanging in there all season in the Premier Division of the VAFA.

The pathway now created with the junior club will help create a pipeline of future senior players putting the club in a great position going forward. Unfortunately, the present season was a struggle as we continued to battle against player turnover and injury, finishing in 8<sup>th</sup> position (5wins/13losses). Despite the performance on the field, there were plenty of positives off the field that attributed to a better playing environment and culture.

The turnover of the list continued from 2016 as of the 44 senior players only 20 remained at the club. The majority of the players that did not play were unavailable or retired, but we did miss key players from last season that played at other clubs for various reasons. To counter that effect a lot of hard work was put in as soon as the season finished in 2016 to find a new batch of recruits that were young and eager to play senior football. I would like to especially acknowledge the hard work put in by Christian Ryan, Michael Lynch, Dom Perrone and Peter O'Farrell who assisted in setting up meetings with several potential groups of new players (St.Mary's, Sons of Guns etc).

As a result of this hard work 29 of the 48 senior players in 2017 had not played seniors in 2016. For 23 of those players it was their first year at the club. Several recruiting avenues have been opened by this new group and the club should continue to work hard in this area. It was great to welcome back former senior players Damon Byrne, Chris Horsley and Scott Thomas to the club.

Pre-season was reasonably well attended through the summer months and it was a constant squad of players (yet not large enough) that were prepared to put in the hard yards. This is an area that as a club and playing group we need to continue to improve on and set higher standards. I would like to thank Matt Roberts who offered players discounted training sessions at his gym, to help assist players in get themselves ready for pre-season. The Pre-Season Camp was a success with a large group heading out to Daylesford at Scott Sleep's fathers camp. It was a great way for the players to get to know each other off the field and for us to work through our team values and game style.

The season did start with optimism after a solid win against Whitefriars at home (better than last season's Rd1!). From there our season could best be described as a season full of stops and starts. At our best we were competitive against the better teams in the competition for sustained periods, but could not match it for 4 quarters. Performances against PEGS (home),



Ormond (away), St.Marys (home) all showed that we were hard to beat. Playing against teams around us or below us, our results were dependent on the availability of our senior players either due to injury, work or overseas. Our wins against Whitefriars, Ivanhoe, St.John's twice and Preston all showed that we could turn it on at our best. This was especially evidenced in our win against Ivanhoe where an 8 goal second quarter was our best for the season. The highlight however was the complete team win against Preston away. The group showed they could play 4 quarters of committed and disciplined football in what can only be described as atrocious conditions. This win showed that sometimes games can be won mentally just as much as physically and it was a great reward for our playing group.

While the threat of relegation was upon us again in the second half of the year, I was really happy with the way the playing group continued to turn up and do the work. Training numbers, social events and Thursday dinners were well attended to the very end. This is a great sign of the culture that the leadership group is establishing. On the field we improved by over 200 points offensively over the season, but unfortunately our defensive numbers slipped primarily due to a different back six most weeks and some damaging forwards playing for opposing sides. As a group we need to continue to hone our skills while under pressure and make it harder for opposition sides to score against us if we do turn the ball over. The improvement shown by some players throughout the season was a great highlight. New and young players like James Schmidt, Anthony Argento, Adam Bevanda, Dom Sullivan, Aidan Pollock, Matt Dickson, Liam & Seamus Whelan, Nick Kelly all showed that they are comfortable playing at this level and can only be better in 2018.

Congratulations to our best and fairest winner Geremie Ganino. Gez was a great recruit for us in 2017 after he did not play football at all in 2016. As an experienced player, Gez was a popular team member amongst the group that knew how to find the footy but especially how to use it. Tough in the clinches, he was sometimes unassuming on the field but kept bobbing up and racking up disposals. It was no surprise that Gez was also one of the first on the track for training, either doing weights or getting in the extra kicks. The little things all add up. Unfortunately his season ended prematurely after breaking a collarbone in Rd15, so it was a great achievement to hold on and win the award.

Well done also to Chris Horsley on his runner-up award and Scott Thomas who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and also won the Most Determined award. Both of these guys returned to the club in 2017 and were welcome additions to the side. Horz played some dominant games this season and has a massive work-rate that allows him to keep finding the ball. Shrek was one of the best rucks in the comp and just competes every time he is on the ground. The top three in the B&F were great leaders for our playing group in terms of training, work-rate, determination and competitiveness. I thank them for their efforts this season.

The coaches' award was won by Chris Ford who also took out the goalkicking with 39 goals. Fordy had a fantastic season finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the B&F. He was targeted every week by opposition clubs, but he continued to fly for balls when outnumbered. A great competitor and clubman who gives his best every time he is on the field. Club captain Lachlan Ezard was awarded Most Consistent after another solid season playing though the middle and across half back. Sauce could always be relied upon week in week out to find the ball and beat his opponent and his form rarely fluctuated. Daniel Mott was awarded the best first year player award after playing only 7 games as a 16 year old! He was clearly our best player in two of those and was awarded a rising star nomination by the VAFA. He has an outstanding future



in front of him and everyone at the club will be watching his progress closely. The most improved award went to George Hartney who established himself as a regular senior player. George had some entries for goal of the year through enormous work-rate on the back of an improved fitness base. A great example of someone getting reward for pre-season effort!

Congratulations to all award winners and milestone recipients, especially Michael Rapa on his win in the reserves best & fairest. A special mention to Best Clubperson joint winners in Bernie Skahill and Leonie Kroehnert, who thoroughly deserved their awards. Bernie was a great assistance with the video set ups all year and was of course the hard working treasurer who always had the Eftpos machine handy! Leonie has been a driving force behind "One Club" and has done an enormous amount of work in organising functions for both the women's and men's teams. It is people like these two that our club is built upon!

Thank you to everyone involved at the club who helped make my job easier, including:

- My coaching group of Sam Bishop, Mick Giansiracusa, Scott Sleep & Matt Roberts. All four guys provided a tremendous amount of assistance to me throughout the year. The Thursday night selections and late night text messages were always fun!
- Other match day helpers throughout the year including Mal Cole as team manager, Francis Leach as runner, Peter O'Farrell fill in runner/board man, Brenton Hunt board man, Adam Oakley and Damon Byrne (more board men that I would have preferred playing!) and any other injured player that was brought in to hold the board or record the stats.
- Leadership group led by Lachlan Ezard which included Chris Ford, Gerard Bence, Damon Byrne, Danny King, Cameron Fox & Jarryd Browne. They were a great resource to bounce things off and help drive the standards and expectations that we set throughout the year.
- The hard working committee especially Tim Purdey as president, Pete Hevey, Mal Cole, Bernie Skahill, Garry Foulds, Jarryd Browne and Trevor Ludeman. Thanks to you guys for your support throughout the season.
- The canteen crew for making sure Max was always well feed at home games!
- The Macoy Crew for their Thursday night banter and advice.

Finally a thank you to my wife Jodie and family for their continued support and patience throughout the season!

2017 will be looked upon as a historic year for the club and 2018 looks even more exciting with the re-establishment of the under 19s. The club needs to continue to drive each other in terms of standard and behaviours to improve our current performance on the field. The foundations have been set, now it is time to build upon it. I'm very proud of the two years I have spent as senior coach and will always appreciate the opportunity to coach my old club. I wish the club every success going forward. Go Nobs!

**Luke Mahoney, Senior Men's Coach**



## 4.2 Senior Women (Premier Division)

### Results

Won – 5, Lost – 9; Finished 6<sup>th</sup> (out of 8).

### Coach's Report

With an influx of new players to the club and numbers of 60-plus at early pre-season sessions, the coaching staff decided to focus on skill development and teaching game awareness across these sessions and the season proper. We were and are extremely fortunate to have a very enthusiastic and committed playing group and this led to the decision of capping the playing list at 80. Although this amount of numbers made co-ordinating training and even games very difficult, it was a good problem to have.

With the Senior team playing in the highest grade for the VAFA competition – Women's Premier – the standard was always going to be a test for the Renegades with most teams fielding younger and much quicker sides who were coached very well in the style of play seen in most VAFA clubs, however it was the experience from our returning players and overall desire to compete from all the players that kept the team competitive in most games.

Round 1 saw us field only 12 returning players for the season before so the side for the majority of the season was inexperienced and still in the learning phase of playing the game however, once again, what we may have lacked in games played we certainly made up for in team spirit. Although the team just missed out on the finals, they certainly were one of the harder to play sides of the competition due to the physical style of play. When we played the eventual premier, Marcellin, we only went down by 3 points.

Overall I saw the season as a tremendous success and extremely positive for the club as a whole. With another preseason and more game experience I foresee on field success to match the great off field culture that the playing group has developed.

The focus for pre-season will now be on maintaining the basic skills learnt this year and implementing more game awareness, match fitness and conditioning standards needed to sustain player involvement thus promoting enjoyment in participation.

**Dan Marshall, Senior Women's Coach**

## 4.3 Reserve Men (Division 1)

### Results

Won – 7, Lost – 11; Finished 7<sup>th</sup> (out of 10).

### Captain's Report

The 2017 season provided many highlights but also ending up feeling like the season that could have been. We started the season well with a good win at home followed by a half of football against eventual runners up St. Mary's, but from there it was a roller coaster ride all year. We were affected by injuries to key personnel, both in our team and in the ones, forcing many up and leaving Sleepy scrambling for players on a Saturday morning. So much so that the great man himself made more than a few appearances in the famous number 4. We suffered badly when depleted, suffering tough losses over 100 points in rounds 7 (Ormond) &



10 (PEGS), but when loaded with a full team though we gave some hidings out ourselves – 69 points against St. Johns round 9 and 119 point winners round 11 against Oakleigh. As we came out of those deep winter months we gained players back from injury and overseas holidays and we were able to show glimpses of our full potential, including running eventual premiers Ormond to their closest game all year. We won the last 3 games of the year to sit 7<sup>th</sup> on the ladder, a few spots short of our potential.

Highlights for the year were the re-emergence (from Clubbies wilderness) of eventual best and fairest winner Mick Rapa, the on-going development of young players such as Doody, White and Whelan, and the debut of Rodney Clark in his first ever game of AFL (at 30 years old). We saw old heads like Weaver and Langmaid continue to put them where they shouldn't and turned a full back recruit into a full forward in Tom Campbell, who won the goal kicking. Special mention to Peter Carter who made an influential comeback from a badly broken jaw last year, showing the younger players the way physically and played so well that he ended up finishing the year in the ones, at 34. Retirement will suit your tired body Pete, but we hope to have you around the club for years to come.

We must thank Scott Sleep for another year of coaching that somehow made him even greyer, and wish him all the best in his move down the highway. No doubt we will see him around ball night and/or past player's day. A big thanks to Mal Cole and all the trainers for helping on match day and keeping some of us on the park also.

Look forward to next year.

**Jarryd Browne, Reserve Men's Captain**

## **4.4 Reserve Women (Division 4)**

### **Results**

Won – 1, Lost – 13; Finished 8<sup>th</sup> (out of 8).

### **Coach's Report**

The start of the inaugural AFLW season saw a huge flow on of interest in women's football participation, and the Renegades field a development team for the first time.

A great bulk of the team had not played Australian Rules football, or even team sport at all in some cases, so for most a hot summer was spent learning how to kick and handball and the basics of the game.

The team showed great enthusiasm and learned each and every week, despite finishing on the wrong end of some lopsided scores early on, the way the group kept attacking the contests and the games was great to behold.

The season highlight was the team breaking through for a super-tense and close win over local rivals Fitzroy that saw Grand Final-esque atmosphere and celebrations at the ground. The fact they were just one kick away from winning two in a row the next week highlighted the huge leap in improvement as footballers and the closeness that had grown within the group over the course of a very rewarding season.

**Andy Ryan, Reserve Women's Coach**



## 4.5 Club XVIII (Section 1)

### Results

Won – 5, Lost – 10; Finished 7<sup>th</sup> (out of 8).

### Coaches' Report

In season 2017, the Club XVIII side continued to build on the steady growth of the previous two seasons, with an array of new talented recruits and an increased commitment to training, building positive culture and on-field success.

Similarly to last season, a series of three wins in-a-row early in the season against Richmond, South Mornington (eventual runners-up) and Melbourne High saw us in finals contention heading into the halfway point of the season. This position was strengthened further by the year's highlight: a stirring come-from-behind victory under lights on a freezing Friday night at Sportscover Arena against Melb High, to post our second win over our old rivals for the year. However, as can happen sometimes, we dropped some big games in the middle of the season, as overseas holidays and injuries reduced the depth of our playing list. But we bounced back well in the latter half – not necessarily winning every match – but showing the stirring heart, tenacity and camaraderie that the Clubbies have come to epitomise. I have no doubt that with the current playing list and the commitment I have from the group, that 2018 will be a year of many successes.

Congratulations to those Club XVIII players who reached milestone games in season 2017: Mitch Piazza and Matt Reid (50). Congratulations also to award winners, including Best and Fairest winner Luke Fogarty, Runners-up Chris Stribley and Tim Cole, Most Determined winner Matt Reid, Coaches' Award winner Lucas Calcinotto, and finally our leading goal-kicker, Tim Smith.

On a sadder note, this season proved to be the last from a much-loved stalwart of the Club XVIII team. John Glossop, who has served as Team Manager for the Clubbies for a number of years is moving on to greener pastures, to assist Trevor Ludemann and the newly-minted U19s side. On behalf of the Clubbies, we thank John for his immense and unwavering contribution over the years and wish him all the best in the new role. Personally, I would like to thank John for his counsel and for ensuring that everything runs smoothly for us to put a team on the park week-in, week-out (and also for the half-time snacks!). I also would like to thank John's wife Cecilia, who has served as our record-keeper and has been a keen supporter of the Clubbies for a number of years. You will both be missed, but your legacy will remain.

Thank you also to our leadership group for 2017 in Tim Cole, Chris Stribley and Chris Gatto, who lead us superbly this season. Thanks to our trainers and to everyone who assisted with match-day duties, and to Tim Purdey and the Brunswick NOBSPC committee for their support. Finally, thank you to every player that pulled on a jumper for the Club XVIII this year – you've all done yourselves and the Club proud with your efforts.

See you in 2018!

**Mitch Piazza, Club XVIII Coach**





## 5. Club Trophy Winners & Milestones

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### Trophy Winners

#### Senior Men

Best & Fairest (W.G. Stuckey Trophy) – Geremie Ganino  
2<sup>nd</sup> Best & Fairest (Brian Hannebery Trophy) – Chris Horsley  
Most Determined (Peter Spurling Memorial Trophy) – Scott Thomas  
Coaches' Award (Harry Leigh Award) – Chris Ford  
Most Consistent (Cashen Fogarty Trophy) – Lachlan Ezard  
Best First Year Player – Daniel Mott  
Most Improved – George Hartney  
Leading Goal Kicker (Joseph Cahill) – Chris Ford (39)

#### Senior Women

Best & Fairest – Clare Woodhouse  
Runner Up Best & Fairest - Amelia Phipps  
Leading Goal Kicker – Kelly Dungate (6)  
Player's Player – Jessica Finlay  
Rising Renegade – Amelia Phipps

#### Reserve Men

Best & Fairest (LF Murray Trophy) – Michael Rapa  
2<sup>nd</sup> Best and Fairest – Peter Carter  
Most Determined (Tom O'Toole Trophy) – Rod Clark  
Coach's Award – Tim Henderson  
Leading Goal Kicker – Tom Campbell (16)

#### Reserve Women

Best & Fairest – Lauren Hagan  
Runner Up Best & Fairest – Alexandra Cashion & Cassie Zurek  
Leading Goal Kicker – Eliza Cole, Alexandra Cashion, Hayley Carmichael, Emily Pritchard,  
Madeline Lakos & Mariana Lavarro (1)  
Player's Player – Cassie Zurek  
Rising Renegade – Tegan Larin

#### Club XVIII (Men)

Best & Fairest – Luke Fogarty  
2<sup>nd</sup> Best & Fairest – Chris Stribley  
Most Determined – Matt Reid



Coaches' Award – Lucas Calcinotto  
Leading Goal Kicker – Tim Smith (11)

## Best Clubperson Awards

### **Brunswick NOBSPC (Leo Smythe Award)**

Leonie Kroehnert & Bernie Skahill (joint winners)

### **Brunswick Renegades**

Alexander Watson

## Milestones

The following players achieved milestones with regard to games played for the Club:

### **200 Games**

Clare Woodhouse (*Incl. games played at other clubs before Renegades formed in 2014*)

### **150 Games**

Chris Ford

### **100 Games**

James Grinter

### **50 Games**

Todd Cleary

Cam Fox

Mitch Piazza

Matt Reid

Tim Weaver



### Club Games Played (2017 Men)

Player Surname	Given Name	FIRST PLAYED	Sen	Reserves	Under	C18	TOTAL GAMES
ADAMS	KYLE	2006	103	14	15	0	132
ALOMES	THOMAS	2017	0	1	0	9	9
ANTHONY KEARNS	EOIN	2017	0	0	0	5	5
ARGENTO	ANTHONY	2017	12	1	0	0	13
ARMAN	CHRISTOPHER	2071	2	4	0	0	6
BARTLETT	SEAN	2016	0	13	0	4	17
BEAUMONT	DEAN	2012	91	0	0	0	91
BELL	JAMES	2016	18	6	0	0	24
BENCE	GERRARD	2015	44	0	0	0	44
BEVANDA	ADAM	2017	8	5	0	0	13
BROWNE	JACKSON	2017	0	11	0	0	11
BROWNE	JARRYD	2005	46	132	0	0	178
BYE	JARROD	2017	17	1	0	0	18
BYRNE	DAMON	2014	14	0	0	0	14
CALCINOTTO	LUCAS	2016	0	0	0	28	28
CAMPBELL	THOMAS	2017	5	7	0	0	12
CAREW	DANIEL	2016	8	8	0	0	16
CARTER	PETER	2014	19	26	0	0	45
CHIPP	ALEXANDER	2017	0	1	0	7	8
CHURCHILL	BRENDAN	2017	0	0	0	8	8
CLARK	RODNEY	2017	2	8	0	0	10
CLEARY	TODD	2010	50	3	0	2	55
COLE	TIMOTHY	2016	0	0	0	22	22
DENATRIS	STEPHEN	2006	0	2	0	106	108
DICKSON	MATTHEW	2017	11	0	0	0	11
DI GUGLIELMO	MICHAEL	2017	0	0	0	14	14
DISS	ANDREW	2016	0	0	0	21	21
DOODY	TRISTAN	2017	2	7	0	0	9
ENRIGHT	PATRICK	2017	0	0	0	7	7
ENRIGHT	STUART	2017	0	1	0	8	9
ENRIGHT	TIMOTHY	2017	0	0	0	10	10
ETHELL	SAM	2017	0	4	0	1	5
EZARD	LACHLAN	2010	135	2	0	0	137
FAIRTHORNE	MATTHEW	2017	0	0	0	11	11
FENNELL	STEVEN	2015	9	34	0	0	43
FOGARTY	LUKE	2008	0	17	0	79	96
FORD	CHRISTOPHER	2006	132	7	23	2	164
FORD	DOUGLAS	2014	6	41	0	1	48
FOX	CAM	2014	40	15	0	0	55
FRANCIS	NICHOLAS	2017	0	5	0	0	5
GANINO	GEREMIE	2017	14	0	0	0	14
GATTO	CHRISTOPHER	2014	0	1	0	40	41
GLOVER	RICK	2016	16	9	0	0	25
GRINTER	JAMES	2011	4	94	0	5	103



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HAGEN	SHAUN	2017	0	0	0	9	9
HARRIS	JONATHAN	2016	0	12	0	0	12
HARROD	EDWARD	2017	0	8	0	0	8
HARTNEY	GEORGE	2015	41	3	0	0	44
HEEPS	PAUL	2017	1	12	0	2	15
HENDERSON	TIMOTHY	2017	0	156	0	0	156
HOLLIDAY	DAVID	2007	0	7	0	2	9
HORSLEY	CHRISTOPHER	2008	115	32	0	0	147
HROVATIN	NATHAN	2014	2	33	0	0	35
JACOB-EARL	MATTHEW	2016	0	0	0	25	25
JEFFREY BAILEY	JORDY	2017	0	0	0	11	11
JESS	LIAM	2017	0	5	0	0	5
JOHNSON	LUKE	2017	9	0	0	0	9
JURY	WILLIAM	2016	8	17	0	0	25
KELLY	NICHOLAS	2017	7	4	0	0	11
KING	DANNY	2006	48	67	48	7	170
LANDY	NICHOLAS	2017	0	0	0	12	12
LANGMAID	AARON	2015	0	30	0	0	30
LAWTY	BRENTON	2009	0	3	0	85	88
LOCKWOOD- SPENCE	JAMES	2017	1	11	0	0	12
LYNCH	JAMES	2017	0	11	0	0	11
MAGINNESS	JACKSON	2016	0	0	0	23	23
MAHONY	THOMAS	2017	0	6	0	0	6
MAYFIELD	TIMOTHY	2014	0	4	0	37	41
MCCARTHY	DOMINIC	2017	0	16	0	0	16
MCLEOD	TRAVERS	2014	0	0	0	24	24
MOTT	DANIEL	2017	7	0	0	0	7
MOVERLEY	JAMES	2016	0	1	0	19	20
OAKLEY	ADAM	2010	91	1	0	0	92
O'DOWD	JULIAN	2014	0	2	0	35	37
O'DWYER	THOMAS	2016	0	24	0	0	24
PERKINS	ELLIOT	2017	0	0	0	8	8
PIAZZA	MITCHELL	2013	0	9	0	46	55
PICCOLO	ANYHONY	2017	0	0	15	21	36
PICK	TONY	2012	0	2	0	41	43
POLLOCK	AIDAN	2017	13	5	0	0	18
RAFTELLIS	STEVEN	2017	0	0	0	3	3
RAPA	MICHAEL	2006	1	59	26	36	122
READER	SAM	2017	0	11	0	0	11
REID	MATTHEW	2010	0	8	0	50	58
RICHARDSON	SAM	2006	7	6	9	0	22
RYAN	TIM	2017	3	2	0	0	5
SAWAYA	PATRICK	2017	0	1	0	0	1
SAWAYA	SAM	2017	0	4	0	0	4
SCHENK	ISAAC	2017	0	4	0	0	4
SCHMIDT	JAMES	2017	7	1	0	0	8
SHANNON	MATTHEW	2016	20	0	0	0	20
SHEEHAN	BRETT	2017	8	4	0	0	12



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SLEEP	SCOTT	1996	258	67	0	2	<b>327</b>
SMITH	TIM	2017	0	0	0	7	<b>7</b>
STRIBLEY	CHRISTOPHER	2004	14	48	0	56	<b>118</b>
SULLIVAN	DOMINIC	2017	13	0	0	0	<b>13</b>
TAIT	FRANCIS	2017	0	8	0	0	<b>8</b>
TAIT	JAMES	2017	0	10	0	0	<b>10</b>
THOMAS	SCOTT	2015	23	5	0	0	<b>28</b>
TILBROOK	JAYDEN	2017	6	4	0	0	<b>10</b>
VALENTE	FRANCIS	2008	0	0	14	28	<b>42</b>
VERBEEK	NICHOLAS	2016	10	13	0	0	<b>23</b>
WALTON	FINBAR	2017	0	4	0	0	<b>4</b>
WATT	BRADLEY	2002	0	46	6	29	<b>81</b>
WEAVER	TIMOTHY	2013	42	17	0	0	<b>59</b>
WHELAN	LIAM	2017	7	2	0	0	<b>9</b>
WHELAN	SEAMUS	2017	6	8	0	0	<b>14</b>
WHITE	LEWIS	2016	8	9	0	0	<b>17</b>
WHITFORD	JAKE	2015	0	1	0	32	<b>33</b>
WILSON	CARL	2011	0	35	0	1	<b>36</b>
WRIGHT	TIMOTHY	2014	0	1	0	22	<b>23</b>
YOUNG	MITCHELL	2007	1	8	15	0	<b>24</b>
ZAWERTALO	ELI	2017	1	5	0	0	<b>6</b>

## Life Members

WG Stuckey	WH McCabe	JB Adams	HE Leigh
LF Murray	AStO Murray	LF Carney	RF Hagan
AJ Hughes	BJ Neill	RW Spurling	PV Peasnell
JW Russell	KA Hughes	JM Elderfield	DB Maguire
KJ Meredith	RJ Fitzpatrick	SB Maguire	JM Murray
MJ Drew	J Griffin	AF Duggan	DE Fogarty
NF Robertson	MR Welch	B Curley	C Fogarty
RW Skinner	MP Borcich	DP Butera	PW Fennelly
PF Jongbloed	SJ Maule	BA O'Connor	MS Purcell
TG Scanlon	PG Weir	SF Hibbert	GJ Kennedy
P Considine	P Lacava	G Moloney	T O'Toole
DG Zabrieszach	R Kelsey	D Perrone	J Marchbank
M Hannebery	B Sexton	J Turnbull	J Nelson
G O'Toole	D Arthurson	M Lynch	B Conti
P O'Dwyer	P Booth	M O'Toole	L Boyle
B Collison	P Leigh	AJ Ryan	J Barker
P O'Farrell	P Hevey	F Pascoe	P Kearney
A Trimboli	D Tonkin	S Sleep	M Barker
T Ludeman	T Purdey	T Waters	G Foulds
T Halpin	B Skahill	C Dobson	M Keown
C Ford	J Browne	D King	C Le Maitre
D Hevey			