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2019 BFNL ANNUAL REPORT



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Strathfieldsaye celebrate their premiership win.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019

Notice is hereby given that the 36th Annual General Meeting of the Bendigo Football Netball League Inc. will be held at the Strathfieldsaye Football Netball Club Rooms, on Wednesday 22nd January 2020 commencing at 7.30pm.

Business:

1. To confirm the Minutes of the 35th Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd January 2019.
2. To receive and consider the reports of Chair and BFNL Manager and the Profit and Loss Accounts for the year ended 31st October 2019, the Balance sheet as at that date and the Auditors Report.
3. Election of vacant Board positions as per nominated candidates:

Board to consist of a minimum of 7 persons with maximum of 9 persons.

In accordance with Part 5, Division 3 of the BFNL Constitution: Carol McKinstry, Andy Walker and Sam McGee will retire as Board members by rotation.

Carol McKinstry, Andy Walker and Sam McGee have indicated that they will stand for re-election.

Beres Fitch, Barry Secombe, Peter Davey & Cheryl Elvey will remain on the BFNL Board with 1 year remaining in their term.

4. Appointment of Auditor for 2020.

5. General Business - General discussion in which matters may be raised for consideration of the Board.

Nominations for the BFNL Board and any other business to be transacted, must be delivered to the BFNL Manager prior to **6.00pm on Wednesday the 8th January 2020.**

By Order of the Board

Cameron Tomlins
BFNL Manager

AGENDA OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019

Agenda of the 36th Annual General Meeting of the Bendigo Football Netball League, to be held at the Strathfieldsaye Football Netball Club Social Rooms, on Wednesday 22nd January 2019 commencing at 7.30pm.

Business:

1. Welcome and apologies.

Motion that apologies be accepted:

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

2. Minutes of the 35th Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd January 2019.

Motion that the minutes are recorded as a true and accurate record:

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

3. Business arising from the minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting.

4. Presentation of the Chair's Report

Motion that the Chair's Annual Report be accepted:

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

5. BFNL Managers Reports contained in the Annual Report Booklet.

6. AFL Central Victoria Commission Report.

7. Presentation of the Financial Report for the year ended 31st October 2019.

Motion that the Annual Financial Statement be confirmed as a true and fair record of the financial position of the BFNL during and at the end of the financial year:

Moved: _____ Seconded: _____

8. Election of vacant Board positions.

Board to consist of a minimum of 7 persons maximum of 9 persons.

In accordance with Part 5, Division 3, Election of Board Members & Tenure of Office of the BFNL Constitution: Carol McKinstry, Sam McGee and Andy Walker will retire as Board members by rotation.

Peter Davey, Cheryl Elvey, Beres Fitch and Barry Secombe will remain on the Board with 1 year remaining in their term.

Three nominations were received for the vacant positions:

Carol McKinstry

Nominated: Malcolm McKellar Secunder: Chris Greene

Sam McGee

Nominated: Malcolm McKellar Secunder: Chris Greene

Andy Walker

Nominated: Malcolm McKellar Secundered: Chris Greene

No further nominations received:

In accordance with the BFNL Constitution 52.1 Carol McKinstry, Sam McGee and Andy Walker are returned to a further 2-year term of office.

9. League affiliation 2020

Motion that the BFNL affiliate with AFL Victoria, AFL Central Victoria and Netball Victoria in 2020

Moved: Secundered:

10. Appointment of Auditor(s).

Motion to appoint Mulqueen, Griffin & Rogers as the Leagues auditor for the coming 12 months.

Moved: Secundered:

11. Other Business:

12. Meeting Closed:

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

Minutes of the 35th Annual General Meeting of the Bendigo Football Netball League, held at South Bendigo Football Netball Club Social Rooms, on Wednesday 23rd January 2019 commencing at 7.30pm.

Business:

1. Welcome and apologies

Attendance:

Board Members: Carol McKinstry, Andy Walker, Peter Davey, Beres Fitch, Barry Secombe, Cameron Tomlins (BFNL Manager).
BFNL Clubs: Nil (Castlemaine), Peter Ritchie, (Eaglehawk), Nil (Gisborne), Brendan Stewart (Golden Square), Scott Mitchell (Kangaroo Flat) Nil (Kyneton), Brendan Roughead, Marc Cassidy (Maryborough), Chris Greene, (Sandhurst), Alan Ellis (South Bendigo), Glen Cowling, Mick Farrell (Strathfieldsaye).

Guests: Carol Cathcart, Leon Holt, Colin Rosa (AFL CV) Rohan Molenaar (Sandhurst).

Apologies: John Wood (Gisborne FNC), Mandy Dimasi (Gisborne FNC), Jason Griffin (BFNL Board), Sam McGee (BFNL Board), Shane Koop (AFL CV)

Motion that apologies be accepted:

Moved: Peter Ritchie (Eaglehawk) Secundered: Brendan Roughead (Maryborough) Carried

2. Minutes of the 34th Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 24th January 2018.

Motion that the minutes are recorded as a true and accurate record:

Moved: Chris Greene (Sandhurst) Secundered: Scott Mitchell (Kangaroo Flat) Carried

3. Business arising from the minutes of the 34th Annual General Meeting

No business arising

4. Presentation of the Chair’s Report:

BFNL Board Chair summarised her report highlighting the following: Acknowledgement of all BFNL representative team’s performances (particularly the successful netballers), footballers selected for Vic Country representation, acknowledgement of the support from the BFNL Board and Administration assistance provided by AFL CV staff lead by Carol Cathcart throughout the year, a special mention to the outgoing BFNL Board member Jason Griffin for his service and specific financial skillset he provided, thanks for the support, patience and trust shown by all clubs to each other and the BFNL after a challenging start to the 2018 season.

5. BFNL Managers Report: (Taken as Read): Overview provided, no questions arising

6. AFLCV Report: (Taken as Read): Overview provided, no questions arising

Motion: That the Annual Reports of BFNL Chair, BFNL Manager and AFL CV Commission be accepted:

Moved: Chris Greene (Sandhurst) Second: Peter Ritchie (Eaglehawk) Carried

7. Presentation of the Financial Report for the year ended 31st October 2018

2018 was again a successful year financially, but net operating profit was down on the 12 months previous. The BFNL Board have approved no increase in BFNL fees for 2019 and have again confirmed the first scheduled BFNL fees instalment will be waived by the League who would need to draw on BFNL financial reserves to do so, effectively running at a loss for 2018 however the Board believed that it was important to continue to support clubs and keep costs down where possible.

BFNL Manager provided overview and breakdown of higher than expected expenses and lower revenue received for the 2018 year. Increased 2018 expenses included, BFNL finals advertising, BFNL funded club merchandise, increased printing costs, website development expenses, increased Interleague expenses as the travelling team. Revenue loss breakdown included decreased gate takings across the BFNL finals series, club reimbursement of BUA services not received due to missing Under 18 football sides totalling approximately \$15,000 and a small decrease in sponsorship revenue.

Further breakdown of BFNL/BUA annual fees structure to be implemented in 2019.

Motion: That the Annual Financial statements be confirmed as a true and correct record of the financial position of the BFNL to 31st October 2018.

Moved: Mick Farrell (Strathfieldsaye) Secundered: Brendan Stewart (Golden Square) Carried



CAROL MCKINSTRY - CHAIR, BENDIGO FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE

8. Election of Vacant Board Positions:

Election of vacant Board positions as per nominated candidates.

Board to consist of a minimum of 7 persons no more than 9 persons.

In accordance with Part 5, Division 3 of the Constitution: the following Board members retire by rotation:

Beres Fitch, Peter Davey, Jason Griffin, Barry Secombe.

Three nominations were received for the vacant positions:

Beres Fitch	Nominated by: Brendan Stewart (Golden Square)	Second: Danny Ellis (Sandhurst).
Peter Davey	Nominated by: Brendan Stewart (Golden Square)	Second: Phillip Delahunty (G/Square)
Barry Secombe	Nominated by: Brendan Stewart (Golden Square)	Second: Danny Ellis (Sandhurst).

No further nominations received:

In accordance with BFNL Constitution 52.1; Beres Fitch, Peter Davey & Barry Secombe are returned for a further two-year term.

BFNL Board Chair extended a special thanks to Jason Griffin for his service as a BFNL Board member

The Board will be looking to co-opt at least one new board member in the coming months.

9. League affiliation 2019 – That the BFNL affiliate with AFL Victoria, AFL Central Victoria and Netball Victoria in 2019

Moved: Andy Walker (BFNL Board) Seconded: Chris Greene (Sandhurst) Carried

10. Appointment of Auditor (s)

Motion: That Mulqueen, Griffin & Rogers be appointed as the BFNL auditors for the coming 12 months.

Moved: Chris Greene (Sandhurst) Second: Brendan Roughead (Maryborough) Carried

11. Other Business:

BFNL Board Chair extended congratulations to and presentation of 2018 BFNL Premiership Football flags to Eaglehawk (Seniors) and Sandhurst (Reserves). *Note Gisborne (Under 18s) not present to accept

2019 BFNL Hall of Fame update: Board Chair provided an update on the Hall of Fame selection committee and nomination process, intended recognition of netball in 2019, further information will be forwarded to clubs including the nomination process and selection criteria in due course. Clubs were encouraged to consider nominations.

2019 AFL Community Camp – AFL CV provided update on the upcoming regional visit by the Essendon AFL side to the Woodend/Kyneton region as part of their 2019 Community Camp.

2019 Interleague/BFNL Representative teams: Board Chair provided progress report on Senior football coach appointments, ongoing correspondence between Leagues to confirm 2019 structure and competing teams and a brief timeline on further action items

AFL CV 2019 Third tier review: Clubs provided information from BFNL Board Chair, BFNL Manager and Carol Cathcart (AFL CV) surrounding planned review of third tier competitions across leagues in the region throughout 2019. Intentions and outcomes of the review provided, along with mention of BFNL club involvement by way of surveys/correspondence requests etc

Meeting Closed 8.05PM

The year of 2020 was successful for the Bendigo Football Netball League in a number of areas.

The Hall of Fame presentation event which only occurs every five years was a night to remember. We also had a successful interleague campaign against the Outer East League, winning all netball and football matches. The collegial collaborative approaches by our clubs to stage the various levels of football and netball was another a highlight.

The health of our netball and football competitions remains a high priority. This year we again had clubs not field teams in all netball and football competitions. We monitored this closely at the beginning of the season and again I thank clubs for helping to minimise the impact of missing matches by organising U16 football games, changing the schedule of netball games and using the framework suggested where there are not enough footballers for a side. We are confident that we will have a full complement of football teams in the next season however some netball competitions may still have a missing team. The unevenness of some of the competitions is also something that concerns the Board. Assisting clubs to become destination clubs and focus on junior development for both football and netball is the long-term strategy for a strong competition. Successful clubs have invested in their juniors and promote themselves as a family club, increasing their volunteer numbers and reducing their reliance on having to recruit players from elsewhere.

The AFLCV Commission conducted the Third Tier Review. While our U18 competition remains the same, we are constantly looking at what improvements can be made. A trial of a soft player point cap will occur in 2020 in the U18s as a recommendation of the review which will enable further data to be collected on how to increase player club loyalty. We also introduced the melee rule into our by-laws that saw a marked improvement in on-field behaviour and thanks to the clubs for their support with this.

The BFNL Board continues to be concerned about the neglect of grassroots football by the AFL. The priority given to the national competition and elite pathways regarding funding and fixturing at the expense of community clubs is staggering. We continue to advocate on behalf of our league and clubs to the AFLCV Commission that as a major or premier league, we need to be viewed differently so that our competition remains strong and players are not enticed away to district leagues due to generous salary caps and overall player points of surrounding leagues.

The Board has spent considerable time developing up the 2020 budget to ensure our financial sustainability but continue to minimise the impact on clubs. The fees the league charges the clubs to run the league have not increased for many years. Each year we carefully examine our projected budget to see if we can give any fee relief and we are intending to do this again in 2020. Clubs will again receive separate invoices for the amount that the League pays the Bendigo Umpires Association for umpire fees which are not increasing in 2020. Sponsors make a major contribution to the viability of our league and we thank the following sponsors: Bendigo Bank our league naming sponsor, CUB, Bendigo Club, WIN TV, SportsPower, Coffee Storm, Burbank Homes, High St X-Ray, Bendigo Party Hire and Great Ideas Awards & Gifts. Bendigo Mazda was again our netball sponsor while Workforce XS continued their interleague sponsorship. Many thanks also to our media partners.

Congratulations to all involved in our interleague match at the QEO this year. The work that all our coaches had put in was evident with the success in all matches. Many thanks to Jayden Cowling, Melinda Keighran, Jason Stevens, Daryl Wilson and all their assistant coaches, team managers and support staff. Congratulations also to Jake Thrum for winning the Derrick Filo Medal and Alex Jenkyn for winning the U18 best footballer. Many of our netballers were also successful in VNL finals while the BFNL was well represented in the Vic Country Open and U19 games against the VAFA. Unfortunately, due to a very late VNL fixture change and the unavailability of senior netballers, we had to withdraw from the Victorian Association Games however hope to be back with vengeance in 2020.

Congratulations to all teams for making the finals and to premierships and runner-up teams. Congratulations to the Sandhurst A Grade netball winning the premiership for the third consecutive year. Congratulations to Ashley Ryan for winning the Betty Thompson Medal and Adam Baird for winning the Michelson Medal. Congratulations to the Sandhurst Football Netball Club for winning the McCann Club Champion trophy.

We also installed life membership upon Danny Ellis and Dr Rohan Molenaar.

At the gala BFNL Hall of Fame evening, we had another 10 inductees including 2 netballers and 1 umpire: Carol Bingham, Derek Filo, John Jefferies, Richie Lee, Geoff Millar, Steven Oliver, Steven Reaper, Matt Sexton, Carol Sing, Graeme Wright. We inducted legends for the first time. These included: Ron Best, Tony Southcombe, Reg Ford, Bob McCaskill and Alan McDonald. Many thanks to the selection panel: Peter Davey, Peter Tyack, Carol Cathcart, Andy Jakubans, Paul Byrne, Ron Cawthran and Richard Jones. We also had the presentation of our netball and football teams of the decade. The night was one of great celebration and highlighted the great history of our league.

Our league relies heavily upon our clubs so on behalf of the board we would like to thank the tireless efforts of club presidents, secretaries, treasurers and committee members. Once again, our league manager Cameron Tomlins has done an outstanding job in administering the league, and we thank him for the long hours and professionalism in his work and communication with everyone. Thanks to the AFL Central Vic staff who continued to provide the BFNL and clubs with many and varied areas of support. The BFNL also acknowledges the Bendigo Umpires Association and the Tribunal members for their contributions. Thanks to fellow board members for their strong ongoing commitment behind the scenes.

Associate Professor Carol McKinstry
BFNL Board Chair



Castlemaine hosted the inaugural Pride Cup game against Kyneton.



CAMERON TOMLINS - BFNL MANAGER

Mission Statement

“The Bendigo Football Netball League will provide a professionally administered league which is strong and vibrant. It prides itself on having a major competition status within regional Victoria.

The Bendigo Football Netball League legacy is to leave the game and community in better shape for current and future generations.”

On behalf of the Bendigo Football Netball League, I would like to personally thank everyone that has contributed in some capacity to achieving a hugely successful 2019 BFNL season.

The tireless efforts of all affiliated clubs, players, officials, volunteers and supporters that donate countless hours to ensure their beloved teams take to the local playing fields and courts on a weekly basis. Our clubs continue to lead the way as they promote and offer a positive and inclusive environment to their respective local communities. We commend all clubs on their hard work to maintain strong cultures, as we continue to see an increase of diversity and inclusion at club level.

I would like to congratulate our 2019 Premiers across all 3 football and 5 netball grades. In what has gradually built into one of the great modern-day BFNL rivalries throughout the past decade, Strathfieldsaye and Eaglehawk once again went to battle on the last day in September. The Storm were able to turn the tide and seek revenge for their loss in 2018 to the same opponent. As a sign of their depth and dominance, Strathfieldsaye also saluted in the Reserves.

A special mention to the Kangaroo Flat U18 side who came from 4th to claim a drought-breaking premiership. The determination and resilience the group led by Jason Stevens showed throughout the finals was extraordinary. After finishing the season in 4th and surviving an elimination final by 1-point against Golden Square, to continue to front up under enormous pressure and claim the premiership cup speaks volumes about the club's junior development and sets a solid platform for sustained senior success in future years.

In a competitive A Grade competition in 2019, we witnessed numerous teams bridge the gap on the recent dominance of the Sandhurst team. However, after progressing through to the grand final, the Kangaroo Flat team fell agonisingly short as the Dragons went on to claim their third title in a row. In what was an enormous day for the club, along with the A Grade, flags in the A Reserve and 17 & Under team capped of an impressive 2019 campaign for Sandhurst's netballers. Kangaroo Flat took home the B Grade medal whilst Strathfieldsaye finished victorious in B Reserve.



South Bendigo hosted Kangaroo Flat at the QEO in this year's Indigenous Round.

In an amazing result, both 2018 League Best and Fairest runners up in the Senior Football and A Grade vote counts were able to go one better in 2019 to claim the most prestigious individual honours in the BFNL.

Congratulations to 2019 Michelsen Medallist Adam Baird from Golden Square who incredibly had enough votes on the board by Round 13 to hold of several fast finishers and claim the medal after finishing second to teammate Jack Geary the previous year. Likewise, runner up to 2018 A Grade winner Maddy Stewart, Eaglehawk's Ashley Ryan capped off another stellar individual season to claim the 2019 Betty Thompson Medal. Strathfieldsaye spearhead and goal scoring sensation Lachlan Sharp added the 2019 Ron Best Medal to his growing list of BFNL individual accolades. A recipient of the same award in 2017, his home and away tally of 129 goals included 6 bags of 10 or more, including 16 goals in Round 9 against Maryborough.

In an encouraging sign for the health and future of the League, a plethora of junior talent progressing through the ranks was headlined by the winners of our Bart 'n' Print Rising Star award, with Chloe Langley from the South Bendigo FNC and Gisborne's Liam Spear heading the list. It is fantastic to have the opportunity to witness this talent develop and strongly suggests the BFNL is in great hands for the future with some extremely exciting prospects sure to form the next generation of local stars.

Two popular and well-deserving individuals were inducted as Life Members of the League this year, Dr Rohan Molenaar and Danny Ellis, both from the Sandhurst FNC, who were rightfully recognised for their contribution not only to their club, but to the League as well.



Carol Sing and Carol Bingham were the first netballers to be inducted into the BFNL Hall of Fame.

2019 delivered several showcase matches and themed rounds including:

- Indigenous Round, in conjunction with Dja Dja Wurrung
- Beyond Blue Round
- Vietnam Veterans showcase match; hosted by Castlemaine FNC
- Bendigo Bank Round
- Love the Game Round
- Umpire Appreciation Round
- TAC Towards Zero Round

Thank you and congratulations to all players that were selected to play in BFNL, Region based or State representative teams in 2019, for challenging yourself on the big stage against the best whilst representing the BFNL. Also, a big thank you to all coaches, officials and volunteers who donated countless hours to ensure we experienced one of the most successful AFL Victoria Community Championships/Inter League representative programs in recent memory. A clean sweep at the QEO in May as we hosted AFL Outer East, included comprehensive victories to both the Under 18 football and 17 & Under netball teams, followed by dominant performances by our open age football and netball teams. A 99-point victory to the senior footballers was vindication of the respect, time, effort and resources that was presented to the representative program this year, with the dashing half back Jake Thrum claiming the prestigious Derrick Filo medal as best player on the ground.

Although the Open team did not compete at the 2019 Netball Victoria Association Championships, the BFNL were more than capably represented by the 17 & Under team who breezed through qualifications at Echuca, only to bow out at the semi-final stage of the Frankston state finals. Further proof that the quality of our League is up there with the best in the state. A special thank you for the hard work of the successful coaches of the 2019 BFNL Interleague sides – Darryl Wilson, Jayden Cowling, Jason Stevens and Melinda Keighran, along with all support staff involved.

But one of the clear highlights of the 2019 season was staging the 2019 BFNL Hall of Fame event. A once every 5-year concept, 2019 was the biggest induction ceremony witnessed to date. The induction of 10 Hall of Famers this year including some of the biggest names in the League's history, as well as a defining moment in the event's history which delivered the first BFNL netball inductees. In what was a star-studded list, congratulations to all the 2019 Hall of Fame inductees; Carol Bingham, Derrick Filo, John Jefferies, Richie Lee, Geoff Millar, Steven Oliver, Steven Reaper, Matt Sexton, Carol Sing and Graeme Wright.

The event was bolstered by the naming of the Teams of the Decade, both football and netball, but the biggest inclusion on the night was the introduction of a new category of inductees elevated as Legends, who are placed at the pinnacle of the history of the League. Congratulations to the 5 inaugural and worthy Legends elevated on the night – Alan McDonald, Bob McCaskill, Reg Ford, Ron Best and Tony Southcombe and a special thanks to the members of the selection panel including Chair Peter Davey, Paul Byrne, Andy Jakubans, Carol Cathcart, Richard Jones, Peter Tyack and Ron Cawthan, and everyone that had a hand in delivering the final product.

Business and Media Partners

We are continually supported by many corporate partners, as we strive to operate a sustainable, successful, exciting and vibrant League. I would firstly like to thank our major sponsor and naming rights partner, the Bendigo Bank for their ongoing and long-standing partnership. The assistance and resources they provide not only our league, but to country football/netball and local communities in general, is instrumental in aiding the BFNL and its clubs to maintain a strong and healthy, premier competition.

I encourage everyone associated with the League to not only support the Bendigo Bank, but be very aware of some of the great initiatives on offer as part of our relationship, such as the Bendigo Bank referral program which provides easy and effective funds back to clubs at grass roots level. Likewise, Bendigo Mazda, who once again partnered with the BFNL as the major sponsor of the netball competition. A special thank you to Workforce XS who have now been a long-time major partner of our Inter League program but also extended their support in 2019 becoming the official ball sponsor of the League. We welcome new official partners of the League including the Coffee Storm and Cleanaway who both provide essential services throughout the year and we look forward to building long and rewarding relationships with them both.

Further to the abovementioned companies, there are a host of local businesses who contribute a great deal throughout the year, and I urge all BFNL members to support these businesses wherever possible. I would like to recognise all valued partners of the BFNL including CUB, Burbank Homes, The Bendigo Club, Bart 'n' Print, AFS, SportsPower Bendigo, Beiersdorf, Bendigo Party Hire, High St X-Ray, and Great Ideas Awards and Gifts and Red Onion Creative.

Thank you to Red Onion Creative for providing match day filming services and access to the BFNL TV web portal, which is a fantastic tool to assist in the promotion of our league whilst also utilised by clubs for analysis and coaching purposes as well as the tribunal panel for match review incidents along with players and supporters in general. Moving forward, there are several exciting concepts in the pipeline with the team to increase the exposure and access to our great League, building on trials conducted in 2019 involving live streaming of football and netball.

We are very fortunate to have strong media support from long time partners of the BFNL. I would like to thank all our media partners who provide exceptional coverage of the league, both football and netball. Thanks to the Bendigo Advertiser, Fresh FM, WIN TV and Nine News who provide quality coverage on a weekly basis.

I would also like to mention Nathan Dole who has been covering and writing stories throughout the season for the BFNL and AFL CV, along with Steve Dilks (SAA Imaging) for capturing endless amazing action shots throughout the home and away season and finals series, whilst also covering numerous BFNL events. Thanks to Richard Jones and Will Hogan for their contributions to both the weekly Record and BFNL Website and Bart 'n' Print for putting it all together along with all other printing requirements for the league. Thank you to both Travis Fitzgibbon and Will Hogan, who in 2019, successfully hosted several key events for the League.

Summary

To all BFNL clubs, thank you for playing your part in another successful season. To operate a competitive and vibrant league, we rely on the professionalism and standards set by our local clubs. I thank all players, officials, supporters and most of all volunteers for being a part of your club and donating your time and effort to your club. We could not operate without you and your passion that drives your club and the League towards on and off field success.

To the Bendigo Umpire Association for their continued hard work and support, especially Craig Findlay, Dean Goodridge and Sharon McColl. Their continued efforts training, educating and managing several talented local umpires is much appreciated. In what is not an easy job at times, full credit to the umpires who are dedicated, train hard and are a vital cog in the BFNL system.

I would like to thank the City of Greater Bendigo and surrounding Shire Councils for their assistance in fixturing, providing us first class ovals, courts and facilities both to showcase during the final's series, but year-round to ensure can successfully cater for players and supporters.

Thank you to Carol McKinstry and the BFNL Board, along with all members of the AFL Central Victoria team for their continued and unwavering support. Thank you to Carol Cathcart, Norm Sheahan, Jan Mannes, Amy Kenyon, Laura Naughton, Daniel Reid, Jake McLean and Nathan Williams for your varied support throughout the year.

As we now reset for the new season, with the new year brings an invigorated passion and sense of optimism, excitement and anticipation. Bring on 2020!



Captain Jack Geary and Coach Daryl Wilson after the BFNL's victory over Outer East

2019 MICHELSEN MEDALLIST



**ADAM
BAIRD**
GOLDEN SQUARE FNC

2019 BETTY THOMPSON MEDALLIST



**ASHLEY
RYAN**
EAGLEHAWK FNC



AFLCV REPORT



CAROL CATHCART - AFLCV REGIONAL GENERAL MANAGER

Thank you to all the people who are involved in football and netball clubs throughout the region. All volunteers complete a power of work, enriching the lives and supporting many people, the positive impact this provides to our communities cannot be underestimated.

Once again, we brought the region together and began the year with our Expo. In the morning we held a football and netball coaches conference, with John Worsfold (Essendon FC) and Rob Wright (Melbourne Magpies), and a new President's session. John Worsfold also presented at the Expo on the link between on field success and off field governance, additional sessions included finance, compliance requirements for gambling and liquor, wellbeing education programs with SALT and competition information.

AFL Central Victoria staff convened tribunals and continued to explore methods to reduce workload for clubs and trialed video conferencing for those located outside of Bendigo.

The Bendigo Bank have continued to support community football and have received \$15,000 by referring new business to the bank. We thank the bank for their sponsorship of our leagues and encourage all clubs to promote the referral program.

Nathan Dole continued to provide media content with regular stories for websites and social media. We encourage clubs to let us know of any major milestones so that these can be included in the articles.

Congratulations to all concerned in both State and Local Governments and all clubs for driving facility development within the region. This year facility development has included: at the QEO a new kiosk and public toilet block and new netball change rooms were ready for use for the grand final, a new pavilion at Wesley Hill in Castlemaine, Ingleswood have new netball and umpire change rooms, change rooms have been refurbished at Kyneton on oval two and at Huntly, a new scoreboard at Eaglehawk and St Arnaud.

Thanks to AFL Victoria and Worksafe, to make clubs safer they have provided Mt Pleasant with a new electronic scoreboard and Bears Lagoon Serpentine with behind the goal netting, both should be completed ready for next season.

Calivil United and Charlton both received a grant through the AFL Victoria Energy Safe funding to purchase new equipment to improve the safety of their canteen. Charlton also received a grant for goal post padding and Maiden Gully YCW Eagles for first aid kits through AFL Victoria WorkSafe funding.

We completed a State of Play document for the Eastern Corridor to plan for the expected population growth. In addition, we visited all senior football clubs as part of the Third Tier Review, these meetings provided valuable information to the Commission to assist with planning for the future. We also conducted a junior workshop to ascertain any changes and to continually develop the junior competition.

As a code, Australian Football continues to grow in our region. Our Development Managers, Daniel Reid and Jake McLean, have worked hard to promote our game across the region. They have provided many promotional activities, sporting school programs, school competition support and clinics both in schools and at clubs.

In addition to the free clinics provided to NCFL clubs Birchip Watchem, Boort and Wedderburn, this year they also delivered free clinics to HDFNL club's Mt Pleasant and Lockington Bamawm United and LVFNL club's Bridgewater and Calivil United.

A successful Community Camp was conducted in Kyneton in conjunction with the Essendon Football Club who attended the Kyneton Junior Football Club's training session/season launch and entertained supporters at a function in Kyneton.

Primary school students also participated in an Auskick super clinic.

The Western Bulldogs Football Club and the St Kilda Football Club player visits aligned with Castlemaine and Maryborough Junior Football Clubs to provide brand awareness and promote junior participation through local school visits. Castlemaine, Maryborough and Kyneton also had Toyota Good for Footy clinics.

Auskick was launched at Huntly with a clinic for 450 students from surrounding schools. In 2019 we increased our Auskick numbers and added a new Auskick centre. In addition, the AFL provided funding for the introduction of Auskick Champions who visited many of our centres during the year. Their involvement will be increased in 2020 to provide more visits to more centres.

Our Football Development Managers conducted a multicultural come and try day for school students and an Indigenous Community Day

with BDAC. They also took two teams of primary school indigenous and multicultural students to Ballarat to participate in a friendly competition as an introduction to football. Programs were also delivered as part of NAIDOC Week.

AFL Central Victoria and AFL Central Murray instigated an Inclusion Gala Day in Bendigo which was the culmination of a series of clinics at Kalianna. The FIDA team participated in their second year of competition in the Northern Conference FIDA (Football Integration Development Association) Football League. The competition provides people with an intellectual disability the chance to play competition level Australian Rules Football.

AFL Victoria and AFL Central Victoria supported coach development with the introduction of a Coach Academy launched by Brad Scott (North Melbourne). Additional workshops were also provided for coaches. Congratulations to the winners of the AFCA Coach of the Year Awards who were announced at a well-attended breakfast. We were able to provide Boort, Calivil, Elmore and Pyramid Hill Net Set Go centres with a half time experience at a Suncorp Super Netball Game with the support of Melbourne Magpies. The 14 years netball Academy and the HDFNL, LVFNL and NCNA U/13 teams participated in a clinic by Melbourne Magpies players. The academy structures across our region provide many of our footballers and netballers with accelerated development programs. This program is only possible with the support of our volunteer coaches and generous sponsors. Also, congratulations to players selected to participate in VLine Cup.

We partnered with SALT to deliver 50 presentations across the region on topics such as Alcohol and Drugs, Wellbeing and Mental Health and Leadership. We also partnered with the City of Greater Bendigo and Macedon Ranges Shire to continue to deliver the Rural Challenge Project to promote gender equality and the prevention of violence against women. Congratulations to Eaglehawk FNC who participated in the project. AFL Central Victoria partnered with Bendigo Community Health to provide primary and community health services dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of our community.

Our female numbers continue to rise with both Eaglehawk and Golden Square joining the Central Victorian Football League Women. The juniors had another positive year providing games for 3,000 players each weekend.

Well done to the leagues participating in the Worksafe AFL Victoria Community Championships. Heathcote hosted a successful Worksafe Game of the Month. We endorsed themed rounds including Bendigo Bank, Love the Game, Mental Health (Beyond Blue, Headspace and Bendigo Community Health), Towards Zero, and Umpire Appreciation.

The BUA had a record number of umpires register for the second year in succession with the BUA and the Rochester Echuca FUA working in partnership to provide umpires to all leagues within the region. A satellite training session was conducted once per month at Echuca and in Serpentine for umpires based in North Central, Kerang and Loddon Valley and sessions were provided to the BJFL umpires group. Umpires attended many clubs' training sessions working with Clubs on drills that involve player and umpire participation. Fifteen umpires completed the mentoring program to transfer from boundary to field umpiring. Congratulations to Dean Goodridge, Coach of the BUA, who won the AFL Victoria Community Umpire Coach of the Year for 2019.

Thanks to Fosterville Goldmine for their support for netball umpires. Clubs received complimentary umpire tops providing a more professional environment. In addition, the support allowed AFL Central Victoria to host a Netball Umpire mentors and C grade badge workshop followed by a Crit Night to assess for umpire badges. This was followed up with an umpire rules evening prior to finals.

AFL Central Victoria believe it has an important role in developing sport administrators/managers and have continued to host students from La Trobe University and SEDA to support the students' development and provide industry experience.

Finally, we wish to recognise all staff at the Hub, they go above and beyond to assist our leagues and clubs.

Thank you once again for your contribution to the game and your continued support of the Central Victoria AFL Commission. We look forward to working with you to meet the challenges ahead.

On behalf of the Commission
Carol Cathcart
AFLCV Regional General Manager



CASTLEMAINE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Michael Blake

SECRETARY: Debbie Scully, Priscilla Harris

TREASURER: Maurie Molan, Tracey Watson

COMMITTEE: Matt Scully, Colleen Reid, David Harris, Frank Byrne, Peter Bower, Shawn Rixon, Ron Cawthan, Jen Oxley

FOOTBALL REPORT

Despite the poor on field performances there was some positives to be taken from the year

Positives

- Continued exposure and increased responsibility to Senior Football for Junior Talent - Will Moran, Declan Slingo, Dakota Slingo, Finley Palmer Jennings, Nic Woodman, Kyle Jones, Lloyd Butcher, Riley Pedretti, Sam Nettleton, Jack Chester, Brodie Byrne, Anthony Robbins and Jaxon Byrne
- Introduced some new elite talent to the Club - Angus Monfries and Mitch Hough
- Connected the players from the current era to the 160-year History of the Club by engaging in some specific themed activities:
- New merchandising and club logo to pay respect to our History
- Engaged several "Club Legends" to deliver emotional and specific pre game addresses to our playing group.
- Club social events and player engagement much improved on previous years
- Under 18s returned to the Club for 2019
- In our Junior teams, we had several teams competing in Finals with Senior Player John Watson leading the Under 16's to a Premiership. This provides an excellent launch pad for future Senior CFNC Players
- Football & Netball Player and Welfare capability and training introduced last half of year.

Looking Ahead to 2020

- We have been fortunate enough to secure the services of Jason Anderson who will act in a new role - Junior Development Manager. Jason is a well-known identity and has a strong commitment and understanding of how junior talent should be managed. We are all agreed that this is a current challenge but with Jason (Ando) in place, becomes our true opportunity. Ando has already identified a group of young talented boys that would be CFNC Senior players in 2020.
- David Stephens has indicated his desire to help the Club in any capacity and signalled the Reserves or Under 18 Coaching roles as something of interest to him. He would be a significant appointment to the Coaching Team if it did go this way. He is an ideal role model and clearly a "go to" for many players.

NETBALL REPORT

Of the teams able to be fielded in 2019 there were some positive signs of the netball operations heading in a positive direction. Teams were more competitive on the whole for the season. The netball playing list was very young with all 21 or under except for a few, if the majority can be retain there is a lot of talented players who will create a strong netball club at CFNC.

Positives

- Connection between the CDNA and the CFNC established, including two teams competing in the BSNA competition on Friday nights;

- Providing opportunities for local young netballers to develop and play locally;
- Establishment of training expectations to compete at BFNL level, and commitment by players to train, improve and develop;
- Increased competitiveness across the teams fielded with A res having their first wins in a few years, providing a well needed boost to morale within the netball department;
- Older Development Team playing at BSNA making the Grand Final, and the younger team narrowly missing out on finals after having a very strong season;
- Increase in local players engaged in playing for CFNC;
- Past local players returning to CFNC from Bendigo teams;
- Solid pre-season under the guidance of Bob Gartside and Julie Tunn;
- Appointment of netball Operations Manager - Jen Oxley, to ensure all off court requirements are taken care of;
- Umpire badge awarded to Tamika Mayes.

Looking Forward to 2020

- Continue the development of local young players who will be the future of the club;
- Encouraging more talented netballers to look to CFNC for the opportunities to develop and play at BFNL level;
- Engage and recruit more coaches to enable a coach for each team to share the load of coaching, and invest in the development of coaches;
- Encourage more volunteers to get involved and take on off court roles, like Team Managers, to assist with the co-ordination of teams and on game days, to share the load;
- Ultimately fielding an A grade team again, however not at the expense of the other teams and the continued development and engagement of the typically younger players registered at CFNC netball;
- Retaining local talent and encouraging others to return to offer their experience to continue to develop and improve netball at CFNC;
- Continue to strengthen the connection with CDNA and entering teams in BSNA competition to establish the netball pathway in Castlemaine from junior to senior netball;
- More involvement and engagement in the club initiatives like the Welfare and Pastoral Care program, and continuing patronage of club social events;
- Provide opportunities to develop umpires and establish relationships with umpires for the club.

In conclusion, while the number of wins achieved on the scoreboard weren't as many as had hoped, the number of wins are heading in the right direction on previous years and the scoreboard margin for losses is less, showing an overall greater competitiveness. Perhaps more importantly, the opportunities provided this year to a very young group of girls who are mostly local and the retention of these players for 2020 and beyond is key to the future success of the netball operations at CFNC.



EAGLEHAWK FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Peter Ritchie

SECRETARY: Gerard Ilesley

TREASURER: Jeremy Brown

COMMITTEE: Deb Lawton, Darren Atherton, Kevin Price, Sue Atherton, Archie Lenten, Paul Whitfort, Andrew Reid, Brett Crapper, Wendy Goddard, Matt Hammond, Grant Rule, Joe McKern, Jenny Crapper

2019 COACHING STAFF FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Travis Matheson

RESERVES

Linton Jacobs

UNDER 18

Ash Grant

NETBALL

A GRADE

Mali Roberts, Allira Holmes

A RESERVE

Mali Roberts, Allira Holmes

B GRADE

Cassie O'Toole

B RESERVE

Lisa Broad

17 & UNDER

Simone Foster, Shannon Dean

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Ben McPhee

RESERVES

Brendan Tanner

UNDER 18

Zack Bulger

NETBALL

A GRADE

Ashley Ryan

A RESERVE

Eleisha Lay

B GRADE

Maddy Atherton

B RESERVE

Tess Doran

17 & UNDER

Jasmin Condliffe

Firstly, President Peter Ritchie would like to thank his committee for all the hard work during the 2019 season, it is not easy running a football/netball club and it takes up a lot of time and you all did a magnificent job thank you.

We had a new venture this year shared with the cricket club and the On the Wing music festival. To Jeremy Brown and his hard working committee, thank you for your efforts, everyone had a sensational day and they have already started planning next year's festival which is going to be bigger and better. Peter and his helpers ran the bar to perfection making sure it was always stocked and chilled for our great customers. A big thanks to Reidy, Witty and Ray who ran our ground raffle every home game. To Brett and his team thanks for supplying the players and supporters with tea on Thursday night you all did a great job.

We thank Erica, our trainers and water carriers who keep the players taped, ready to play and train whilst ensuring they get plenty of fluids in. Terry and his gate keepers once again did a top job as did the boys in the scoreboard.

To Jenny and her great band of canteen helpers we say thank you, it's a hard job, but you did it with ease and it does not go unnoticed.

To the coaches, their support staff and layers, without you we don't have a club, so we applaud your efforts in 2019. Out of our 8 teams, we had 6 make the finals with the other 2 finishing 6th which was a sensational effort by all involved so well done.

We would like to thank Danny Parkinson our club Chaplin, for always their giving support and always available if someone needs support.

Our biggest thanks go to our supporters - the most loyal and loud in the league. The committee and players love your support so make sure you never change. Clubs cannot survive without their valued sponsors, to our Major sponsors Penno Smash Repairs, EUFS Dispensary, YMCA, McKern Steel, Tysons Reef Hotel, Natrad Eaglehawk Radiators, Major Trailers, McDonalds Cal Gully, John Cross Plumbing, Whitfort Pre Purchase House Inspections, H. and V. Pearce Engine Re Conditioning, Poyser Trucks and all our great fence sign sponsors we say thanks.

Probably our greatest sponsors are the mass amount of people who support our great club weekly, you are loud, you are passionate and you are loved by all the committee and players of the Eaglehawk Football Netball Club, so make sure you never change.

FOOTBALL REPORT

Well, the seniors once again made the grand final but just fell short. We had our chances but bad kicking cost us dearly going down by a couple of goals in the end.

To Travis, his support staff and the players thanks for your efforts, let's see if we can come back in 2020 and have another crack at the big one.

Once again, our reserves made it to the Preliminary Final but bombed out. Linton and his team did a sensational job all year and it was a bit disappointing not to at least make the grand final.

Again, we say thanks to Linton, his staff and players.

And the young hawks, our Under 18's finished 6th which is probably where they were at. During the season, we lost some good players, some with season ending injuries, which did not help their cause. So, to Ash, his players and staff, thanks for your efforts. It was hard at times, but you fought the season out to the end which was a great effort.

NETBALL REPORT

Under the coaching of Mali Roberts and Allira Holmes the netballers showed great improvement in all grades, with 4 of the 5 teams making it through to the finals. A Grade made the Preliminary, A Reserve and the 17 and Under's the first semi and the B Reserve were runners up. A great effort by all.

The A Grade girls coached by Mali and Allira did the club proud made it through to the Preliminary final but unfortunately were defeated. The girls played a top game, but just could not get over the line.

A Reserve also coached by Mali and Allira had a good year but were defeated in the first semi-final.

B Grade was coached By Cassie O'Toole, and just missed out on playing finals finishing 6th. Cassie did a great job passing on tips from all her valued experience.

B Reserve coached by Lisa Broad finished on top of the ladder and made the Grand Final, but unfortunately were well beaten in the big game. Lisa and her team did a great job and certainly did their club proud so well done.

The young 17 and Under Hawks were coached by Shannon Dean and the ex-gun player with heaps of knowledge Simone Foster. The girls made it through to the 1st semi final which was a great effort.

The future of our netball looks great with some talented netballers coming through who have been taught by some knowledgeable ladies, well done girls and thank you.

To finish we wish to thank Deb Lawton Mali Roberts Allira Holmes all the coaches, players and helpers it takes to run the netball you do a sensational job.

SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS

Betty Thompson Medal: Ashley Ryan
Best Club Person: Kevin Price

2019 COACHING STAFF FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Derrick & Shawn Filo

RESERVES

Tom Baker

UNDER 18

Brodie Martin

NETBALL

A RESERVE

Rebecca Slater

B GRADE

Rebecca Slater

B RESERVE

Rebecca Slater

17 & UNDER

Julie Tunn

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Matt Filo

RESERVES

Nick O'Brien

UNDER 18

Declan Slingo

NETBALL

A RESERVE

Bridie Semmens

B GRADE

Tamika Mayes

B RESERVE

Emma Giddings

17 & UNDER

Shae Clifford



GISBORNE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: John Wood
SECRETARY: Mandy Dimasi
TREASURER: Debbie Brancatisano
COMMITTEE: Tony Brancatisano; Carole Wood; Adrian Stephens
Darren Mitchell; Hannah-Kate Beasley; Kim Willmott; Sandra Stewart;
Maddy Stewart; Noelene Rymer; Tarryn Rymer; Stacey Luke; Nathan Thompson

2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Clinton Young

RESERVES
Wayne Meacham

UNDER 18
Shaun Cassidy

NETBALL

A GRADE
**Leesa Lord
Colleen Breust**

A RESERVE
Tarryn Rymer

B GRADE
Nathan Thompson

B RESERVE
Sharon Parfrey

17 & UNDER
Maddy Stewart

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Patrick McKenna

RESERVES
**Hayden Doricic
Jacob Murphy
Aaron Whitford
Matt McDonald**

UNDER 18
Jack Ozanne

NETBALL

A GRADE
Maddy Stewart

A RESERVE
Tazma Morris

B GRADE
ShelleyFarrugia

B RESERVE
Emily Floreani

17 & UNDER
Olivia Floreani

The beginning of the 2019 season saw a pleasing increase in the numbers of players registered across all grades of netball and football. Every team across football and netball made finals which was a tremendous effort by every player, coach and official.

Our netballers enjoyed a wonderful year with every player representing the GFNC with distinction. The Club enjoyed individual success with Olivia Rodda winning the Carol Sing Medal as equal 17/U Best and Fairest and Kirralee Collings Runner Up Best and Fairest in this award. Emily Floreani also capped off a wonderful season by taking out the competition Best and Fairest in B Reserve and, in A Reserve, Tazma Morris polled in third place. In A grade netball, Tiana Newman, a previous two time winner of the BFNL Betty Thompson medal, very nearly became the first three time winner when she was runner up in this year's vote count. Her continued success on-court highlights her amazing skill, longevity and durability at the highest level of netball in the BFNL. Together with Maddy Stewart, Tiana was also named in the BFNL Netball Team of the Decade (2010 - 2019). Maddy Stewart was named captain of the BFNL 2019 Interleague team and went on to be named as the Best Player in the Interleague game.

In football, Liam Spear was the winner of the prestigious Bart'n'Print BFNL Rising Star award. Hayden Doricic was the winner of the McDonald Medal for Reserve Best and Fairest in the League despite missing four games during the season. Jack Ozanne had a tremendous year in the U18's culminating with being Runner Up Best and Fairest in the George Symons medal. In the Michelsen Medal, Pat McKenna and Brad Bernacki finished as joint runners up, only one vote behind the winner, with Ethan Minns one vote further back in third place. Pat was also second in the League goal kicking with a final tally of 95 goals. He was also named in the Bendigo Advertiser 2019 Team of the Year along with Tim Walsh, Brad Bernacki, Ethan Minns and James Ferry. Tim Walsh and Scott Walsh were inclusions in the BFNL Team of the Decade (2010 - 2019).

One of the Club highlights for 2019 was the induction of 6 new members into the GFNC Hall of Fame. These inductees - Matt McKenzie, Rod Sharp, Luke Saunders, Neil Robertson, Matt McKenzie and Noelene Rymer - join an already illustrious group.

GFNC prides itself on being a community club. This was certainly demonstrated in 2019 with approximately \$60,000 raised and donated to various charities and causes. Thanks goes to members of the Golden Bulldogs coterie group who were instrumental in many of these initiatives.



GOLDEN SQUARE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Brendan Stewart
SECRETARY: Scott Wilkinson
TREASURER: Phil Delahunty
COMMITTEE: Wendy Donegan, Damien Carew, Ian Symons, Henry Anderton,
Greg Pain, Dale Lowry, Chris Dale

2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Bernie Haberman

RESERVES
Steve Donat

UNDER 18
**Dean Strauch
Hamish Morcom**

NETBALL

A GRADE
Kendyl Hopley

A RESERVE
Jody Richards

B GRADE
Anthea McEniry

B RESERVE
Tess Davies

17 & UNDER
Melinda Keighran

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Adam Baird

RESERVES
Dean Norris

UNDER 18
Harrison Burke

NETBALL

A GRADE
Zoe Douglas

A RESERVE
Abbey Rowe

B GRADE
**Maddie Kelly
Cass Humphrey**

B RESERVE
Nikki Wilson

17 & UNDER
**Maddie Marks
Abbey Clohesy**

Firstly, I want to congratulate the 'Book ends' of our club with U17 netball playing off in the grand Final and our inaugural women's team taking out the flag. A fantastic effort for all players, coaches and support staff. Also, our Junior Club had the Under 16 senior boys and the U18 girls winning premierships so there is much to look forward to in the years ahead.

I want to acknowledge our outgoing coaches for 2019 starting with Kendyl Hopley, our A Grade coach. Kendyl has been a total professional in her approach to the team and the club and we wish you all the best in your future pursuits. Also, I thank Tess Davies, Anthea McEniry and Steve Donat for their coaching roles and hope that we still see plenty of you around the club.

We congratulate and acknowledge the achievements of Adam Baird, winner of the Michelson Medal and selected in the Victorian Country team which capped off a remarkable season for an individual. And congratulations to all of our league representatives in both netball and football this season. As a club we hold our head high knowing that we continue to support interleague competition in contrast to the recent decision of AFL and other clubs and leagues around the state.

We held our first Hall of Fame event mid-way through the season and it was a remarkable night for our club. With close to 500 attending it was a fantastic way to bring generations of our club together and honour greats over our past 84 seasons. The plan is to induct more players and officials in the near future, and I would like to thank all of the organising committee headed by Shawn McCormick.

I also want to thank all of our volunteers, whether they be team related - team managers, runners or on match day helping out on BBQ's and bars. I also want to thank the football and netball support staff, the assistant coaches and trainers.

I want to acknowledge and thank our treasurer Phil Delahunty, and Secretary Scott Wilkinson for their commitment and comradery. To Ian Symons, who took up the challenge of setting up our women's team at short notice, thank you. Wendy Donegan and Greg Pain, always in the forefront of anything to do with catering. Dale Lowry and Henry Anderton - it's great to have current players put their hand up and we thank you for that. We have two outgoing members - Chris Dale, match day role, bar manager and membership and Damien Carew who quietly but very competently led sponsorship. We always need extra help and thanks to those who have indicated they are coming on board in our new committee next season. Members and supporters - you don't need to be on the committee - consider taking on one job. It could be the Big Bulldog Draw, help out in the kitchen on Thursday evening or Saturday, assist with memberships, the number of things to do is extraordinary and almost endless.

Our club would also like to sincerely thank all of our sponsors, starting with our friends at FurLife who have been with us for many years. Also, ARB, PlastaMasta, Leisure Pools, Bicknell's InterSport, National Hotel, Bourke's Kitchens, Blockout Blinds, Jools for Jim, AXIS Employment, Back to Life Pilates and All Seasons we thank you for your continued support and look forward to continuing our partnerships in season 2020. There are many other sponsors, too many to name, that invest in our club and I encourage our members and supporters to notice the signs and messages around our club and know that these businesses and organisations are your partners and without them we would not be the club we are.

As a committee we feel that community football and netball is under serious threat, clubs are under stress and there is an ever-growing pressure placed on club volunteers. Our committee puts in an incredible amount of time and effort into creating the best club we can. We all work full time, have families and yet find the time to run a football and netball club. That being said we do it for the love of it. Our committee will continue to strive for sustainability, we must live within our means. We must look after our own young talent and be patient. Our young talent also needs to be patient, and more importantly do all of the hard work that is necessary to achieve personal and team success.

I look forward to the 2020 season with renewed enthusiasm - our netballers, women and men footballers are already in full preseason training and our committee are planning and preparing for the year ahead.





KANGAROO FLAT FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Scott Mitchell
 SECRETARY: Greg McClure
 TREASURER: Mark Gillespie
 COMMITTEE: Leigh Bailey, Leeanne Mitchell, Carl Roberts, Reuben Johnson, Maree Symons, Bryce Allison, Catherine Wicks, Chris O'Keefe, Jason Stevens, Todd Newman

A brief overview of some of the happenings this year include:

- Winning Grand Finals in B Grade Netball, Under 18 Football and Under 12 Football
- Runners up in Senior Womens Football, A Grade, A Reserve Netball, Under 18 girls Football and Under 14 Football.
- New nets installed behind Station Street goals.
- The new netball courts and cricket nets have finally been started, we have been told they will be ready for the start of next season.
- The new Visitors rooms, Umpires Rooms and toilets were built, we didn't get to use them this year, however they are fantastic facilities which we are sure all who use them will appreciate.
- The Old Visitors Rooms were demolished, with a lot of stories of the antics that use to take place when they were the social rooms coming out. A sad day for some, but we are sure the visitors will be happy with the new digs.

There are too many people who have worked tirelessly throughout the year to thank everyone individually, but I do want to recognise all of the Committee including Netball and Junior committees.

I can assure you that each and every person on these committees believes in the Kangaroo Flat Football Netball Club, its volunteers, its teams, its supporters and its Players. They all give up their time for free to ensure we can all enjoy our football and netball every week!

Thank you to the Coaches, Trainers, Team Managers and all support staff who give up so much time to ensure players and spectators can enjoy their sport.

Thank you to all the players for their time volunteering, we have junior footballers running water for other teams, footballers helping out with junior trainings and training night meals clean up, the netballers working in the canteen at home games and players organising and running some of the social functions. So well done everyone.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank our tireless volunteers, both at training and more importantly on match day. Without them a successful club cannot operate. They are the lifeblood of a great clubs and most of the time go about their business without guidance, prompting and without any thought of gratitude. They are our humble heroes.

Everyone's commitment and passion to their sport, team and Club has made a season with lots of ups and downs an enjoyable one, so I encourage everyone to get on board for what I am sure will be an exciting ride next year.



2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Rob Bennett

RESERVES

Steve Shatwell

UNDER 18

Jason Stephens



NETBALL

A GRADE

Jayden Cowling

A RESERVE

Nina Cass

B GRADE

Nina Cass

Karly Elvey



B RESERVE

Laura Brooks

17 & UNDER

Bree Bently

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Matt Clifford

RESERVES

Brandon Etherington

UNDER 18

Mitchell Trehwella

NETBALL

A GRADE

Chelsea Sartori

A RESERVE

Brooke Lawry

B GRADE

Emily Gray

B RESERVE

Molly Drum

17 & UNDER

Charlotte McMurray



KYNETON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Karen O'Sullivan
 SECRETARY: Tyson McAdie
 COMMITTEE: Rob Waters (Vice President), Charlie Bracey (Women's Football Director), Cara Grambeau (Netball Director), Ronald Rutledge (Junior Football Director). General Committee: Kate Graham, Sherene Blythe, Darren Blythe, Julie Priestly, Hayden Walsh, Marg Barry, Travis Prendergast, Harrison Huntly

2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Luke Beattie

RESERVES

Matt Shea

UNDER 18

Nathan Thompson

NETBALL

A GRADE

Dianne Guest-Oakleigh

A RESERVE

Dianne Guest-Oakleigh

B GRADE

Dianne Guest-Oakleigh

B RESERVE

Dianne Guest-Oakleigh

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Rhys Magin

RESERVES

Travis Hill

UNDER 18

Caleb Fisher

NETBALL

A GRADE

Michelle Fletcher

A RESERVE

Ashleigh Freeman

B GRADE

Bec Ingleton

B RESERVE

Alisha Turner

Well it's been an interesting year at the Kyneton Tigers, in many ways a very successful one.

This year we have had more people stepping up and taking ownership of their club, whether it be netballers or senior players helping out on the canteen roster, volunteers helping in the bar, senior players assisting with the under 18's coaching role, BBQ volunteers, water runners, the list goes on. For me the highlight for the year has been Thursday night dinners, and the community spirit that began to develop as more and more community chefs got on board, ... the local Doctor, the local yoga teacher, someone's mother, the coach's wife ...

To build a truly strong and welcoming Community club these are the initiatives anybody who loves or is passionate about the Kyneton Tigers should strive to get involved in.

I'd like to acknowledge our major sponsors who again in 2019 chose to support the club, PSR Legal, Kyneton Toyota, Hardwicks, Prendergast Earthmoving, Kyneton on Riverside and new major sponsor Barfold Quarries. Without their significant contributions there would be no club. Also to the dozens of other sponsors who contribute with annual contributions or loans, ... we thank you and are very grateful.

Thanks too for separate grants from Bendigo MP Lisa Chesters, the Andrew's State Government and Macedon MP Mary-Anne Thomas, and the Macedon Ranges Shire Council. We now have freshly renovated and upgraded unisex junior changerooms, a new canteen and a spoon drain around the oval. On the field ... we are a Premiership winning club this year with the Under 12 C Juniors taking out the prized Premiership Trophy in the Bendigo Junior Football League. Thank you to all of the Junior Coaches, team managers and volunteers for their hard work.

There was plenty to celebrate in all four sectors of the club, Women's football, Men's football, junior football and the netball department.

Success is not always measured by league ladders, it may be an under 18 player playing his first game in the seniors or a junior playing his or her first game of football, a netball win against an undefeated side or ladder leader. Plenty of personal milestones were hit ... numbers of games played, coaching milestones met or simply keeping the opposition to within a fifty or 100 point win.

I congratulate all of the players who represented Kyneton in Bendigo League representative squads, including our women who participated in the recent AFL masters and also juniors who played in the Pioneers and V-Line Cup competitions.

Special mentions to Rhys Magin and Emma Webb who have been named in the BFNLC Teams of the Decade.

I would like to thank all of the volunteers, coaches and committee members who supported me in my role as KFNC's first female President for the past 2 years, and all other committee members who have all generously given their time over the last 7 years that I have been involved at Committee level. ... we have all done this as volunteers, sacrificing our precious time away from our own families and work to ensure the Kyneton Tigers is a strong Community Club.

I wish the new committee for 2020 all the best and encourage you to get behind them and share the load so that the Kyneton Tiger's roar will be louder and stronger on and off the field in the years to come.





MARYBOROUGH FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Brendan Roughead
 SECRETARY: Terry Hillier
 TREASURER: Gerard Murphy
 COMMITTEE: Marc Casdidy, Melissa Adams, Trevor Templeton, Jayden Templeton, Mitch McClure, Leeane Postle, Jamie Postle, Tony McCartney, Scott Perry, Alisha Chadwick

2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Ben Lavars

RESERVES
Jarrod Burman

NETBALL

A GRADE
Deb Symes

B GRADE
Deb Symes

B RESERVE
Stacey Russell

17 & UNDER
Ella Tranter

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Jayden Hooper

RESERVES
Kellan Maffescioni

NETBALL

A GRADE
Keely Hare

B GRADE
Dani Cain

B RESERVE
Breana Mullen

17 & UNDER
Gina Ross

The 2019 season was very positive for the Maryborough Football Netball Club.

Our senior football team won six games, our best result since 2011. Our senior team was much more competitive particularly on our home ground of Barkers Oval Princes Park, challenging many of the top placed teams in the league.

At Maryborough we strive to have local people playing in our teams and pleasingly all bar three of our senior football playing list were local people.

The clubs Junior Committee worked very hard and were successful in having four football teams in the Bendigo Junior Football League with the under 12's winning the premiership in their division and Lachy Bates winning the U 16 league Best and Fairest award.

Junior netball development was another big positive, with the club for the first time fielding an U 15 netball team in the Friday night Bendigo competition and winning the premiership.

The club also has a number of Junior teams playing in the Maryborough Netball Association creating and important development pathway.

It was pleasing to have three club netball legends recognised by The Bendigo Football Netball League. Carol Sing who was a champion netball player at the club in the 90's was inducted into the Hall of Fame and 300 game netball players Alisha Chadwick and Alicia Cassidy were both named in the netball team of the decade.

The club recognised the significant achievement of two of its long serving committee members, Terry Hillier and Tony Vadala making them life members. Terry has held numerous positions at the club over more than 20 years including player, President, Secretary and Auskick coordinator. Tony has also been at the club for more than 20 years and has held the position of Treasurer, has been on both the junior and senior committees and is the first to put up his hand to volunteer.

The club was well served in 2019 by our Club Chaplain, Jim McMillan who has provided significant support, leadership and has been a positive helping hand in all areas of the club. We are extremely lucky to have Jim's services available at the club.

In 2019 the club took positive steps to meet the challenge of the number of football and netball teams in the Maryborough area by initiating discussions with two local clubs on a potential merger.

This has been a positive response from one club to these discussions with the club looking to progress this by establishing cooperative working arrangements for the 2020 season.



SANDHURST FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Chris Greene
 SECRETARY: Danny Ellis
 TREASURER: Mark O'Farrell
 COMMITTEE: Kylie Ellis, Bill Robertson, Greg Murley, Cath Robertson, Dave Gallagher, Rose Gallagher, Len Nally, Matt Smith, Peter Watson

2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Ashley Connick

RESERVES
Bryce Fitzpatrick

UNDER 18
Dave Gallagher

NETBALL

A GRADE
**Heather Oliver
 Tamara Gilchrist**

A RESERVE
**Tamara Gilchrist
 Rose Gallagher**

B GRADE
Erica Dalrymple-Monro

B RESERVE
Jannaya Webb

17 & UNDER
**Rose Gallagher
 Paul McConnachie**

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS
Jake Pallpratt

RESERVES
Ben Edwards

UNDER 18
Isaac Carracher

NETBALL

A GRADE
Imogen Sexton

A RESERVE
Kelsey Ralph

B GRADE
Briona Giddings

B RESERVE
Mia McConnachie

17 & UNDER
Tess Keating

We thank our families and our sponsors for supporting our club. Quite simply the club could not operate without your support. At the completion of the season no one could suggest it was not a successful season both on and off the courts and field.

By the end of 2019 we will have access to the new QEO netball court facilities and will be well underway with the development of Ewing Park.

I would like to thank the 2019 committee. Collectively they have done a fantastic job of keeping the club on track. Keeping in mind the club encompasses senior and junior football and netball teams as well as Auskick.

The season saw constant fundraising. This success is achieved with the assistance of many loyal club volunteers. We also enjoyed the efforts of the social committee who presented many enjoyable functions - your efforts certainly did not go unnoticed and was greatly appreciated.

I wish to congratulate all coaches for the efforts and commitment to their teams. All teams provided great results with only Reserves missing out on the finals. I would like to make special mention of our Reserves coach, Bryce Fitzpatrick together with the ex-players and U18's who answered the call throughout the season to ensure we had sufficient numbers.

Congratulations to club stalwarts Danny Ellis and Rohan Molenaar who were both awarded League Life membership and to Tess Keating and Briona Giddings who won League Best & Fairest. Our club was also honoured to receive the David McCann Memorial Award for championship club.

Congratulations to our A Grade, A Reserve and 17&Under on their premierships.

The BFNH Hall of Fame inducted former players/coaches Matt Sexton, Ron Best, Reg Ford and Richie Lee into their Hall of Fame whilst Bob McCaskill was elevated to Legend status. The following Sandhurst players were recognised in their respective teams of the decade: Lee Coghlan, Tim Martin, Matt Thornton and Brianna Dalrymple-Monro, Kelsey Meade, Heather Oliver while Tamara Gilchrist was named coach of the decade.

As President I am extremely proud of the entire playing group and what they have achieved and what they have been a part of this year. This club has an admired history and culture and this playing group of young men and women continue the legacy and tradition forged over many years.

Thank you again to the committee for their continuous tireless work. The hours and sacrifices all given so readily is amazing and usually unrewarded or unnoticed. You are an amazing group and I and the playing group cannot thank you enough for your efforts.

To all supporters a massive thanks and I hope you have enjoyed the season and, like me, look forward to season 2020.





SOUTH BENDIGO FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Alan Ellis

SECRETARY: Rob Robertson

TREASURER: Mitchell Connor

COMMITTEE: Gary Bath, Brian Clapham, Ian Connaughton, Mel Dillon, Julie Drake, Michelle Forrester, Julie Gardner, Ron Hiatt, Scott McLeod, Garry Smith, Gareth Tawton, Chris Thornton, Rick Townsend, Brad Wright

2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Nathan Horbury

RESERVES

Jacob Smyth

UNDER 18

Mick Easton

NETBALL

A GRADE

Janelle Hobbs

A RESERVE

Janelle Hobbs, Liz Taylor

B GRADE

Mel Dillon

B RESERVE

Emma Tomlins

17 & UNDER

Liz Taylor

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Brody Haddow

RESERVES

Nathan Newlan

UNDER 18

Darcy Radford

NETBALL

A GRADE

Chloe Langley

A RESERVE

Emily Bakes

B GRADE

Paige Campbell

B RESERVE

Matisse Appleby

17 & UNDER

Carissa Brook

Our 2019 Football Season commenced with the appointment of a new coaching panel Nathan Horbury as Senior playing coach and past Captain Arron Connaughton as his nonplaying Assistant Coach.

Unfortunately, injury played a big role in our season with the club having to call on a total of 43 players across the 18 rounds due to the extensive injury list. Despite this hurdle there were some positives to be taken from the season. The opportunity to provide experience and exposure to senior football for many of the younger players on our list has identified and accelerated the development of a young crop of players who will serve the club well at senior level in the years to come. This was demonstrated across the last 4 rounds of the season when some senior players started to return from injury, and we won 3 of our last 4 games.

The potential in our young playing group was further demonstrated in the performance of our reserves side who, under Coach Jake Smythe, made it through to the Grand Final and, while the boys just fell short it, was great to see the Red and White back on the QEO on the final day of the season.

On the Netball court the influence of Janelle Hobbs on South Bendigo netball continues to be evident with 4 of our 5 sides making the finals in season 2019, a remarkable effort demonstrating the continuous improvement in our netball stocks across the past 2 years since Janelle's appointment.

Our B Grade netballers won their way through to the preliminary final but unfortunately, went down by a narrow 4-point margin in the penultimate game of the year. Their performance was a credit to their skills and application across the season and the commitment of their dedicated coach Mel Dillon.

The club won individual success on the netball court in 2019 when Chloe Langley, who is still eligible for Under 17's Grade, was named as the BFNL's Netball Rising Star in the Michelson Medal Awards and Amanda Walters, our A Reserve Captain, won the League's A Reserve Grade Best & Fairest Award.



STRATHFIELDSAYE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

PRESIDENT: Glen Cowling

SECRETARY: Leone Patterson

TREASURER: Justin Gordon

COMMITTEE: Rod Barty (Vice President), Michael Farrell, Bill Ashby, Tim Reed, Nicole McDermott, Belinda Christy

2019 COACHING STAFF

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Troy Coates

RESERVES

Shannon Geary

UNDER 18

Bart Leahy

NETBALL

A GRADE

Ashlee Barbetti

A RESERVE

Zoe Kennedy

B GRADE

Jodie Bouwmeester

B RESERVE

Elyse Morgan

17 & UNDER

Fiona Schubert-Mundy

2019 BEST & FAIRESTS

FOOTBALL

SENIORS

Bryce Curnow

RESERVES

Jordan Wilson

SENIORS

Zach Charles

Tim Hosking

NETBALL

A GRADE

Stephanie Freemantle

A RESERVE

Matilda Shannon

B GRADE

Haley Hogan

B RESERVE

Chelsea Crapper

17 & UNDER

Ava Hamilton

Angelica Jack

The 2019 year provided us with plenty of highlights across all grades of Football and Netball.

Congratulations to Troy and Shannon and their support crew on their Premiership success. The B Res girls also had an amazing season with Elyse creating great team unity with her girls.

A big thank you to all other coaches, players and volunteers who competed during the year and contributed to our club success.

Once again, the year contained many highlights, our Give Me 5 for kid's day was held on a day that provided plenty of challenges due to the weather but still raised in excess of \$8000.

The Community Ball was once again a great night with a large crowd in attendance as was our 10-year anniversary night.

We celebrated our 10 Year Anniversary with one-off jumper and netball dresses and a huge event where we announced our football and netball Teams of the Decade.

Held our second Strath Storm Ladies Day which raised money for a local Women's Refuge for victims escaping domestic violence.

Grant McDonald was a very popular addition to our Life Membership list, his years of work and dedication to our club are greatly appreciated.

Michelle Reed was voted Best Club Person and joins a long list of tireless volunteers who have previously won this award. Our volunteers are the life blood of our club and the work they do on game day, training nights and functions must be applauded.

Our sponsor base continues to grow with Mick doing a wonderful job in maintaining these relationships and we look forward to these partnerships for many years to come.

To our member base and supporters Thank you all once again for coming along and cheering on all our teams, your passion and commitment is valued by all at the club.

The supporters group set a record this season breaking the 100 mark for the first-time well-done Heath, Jason and all concerned. Special thanks to the Storm Committee that put in so much effort to make sure everything we do comes out with the best possible result.

Finally thank you to Carol, Cameron and the board for your support in 2019 and we look forward to a successful year for all in 2020.



SENIOR FOOTBALL

Table with 9 columns: Club, P, W, L, D, FOR, AGST, %, Pts. Rows include Strathfieldsaye, Eaglehawk, Gisborne, Golden Square, Sandhurst, Maryborough, South Bendigo, Kyneton, Kangaroo Flat, Castlemaine.

RESERVES FOOTBALL

Table with 9 columns: Club, P, W, L, D, FOR, AGST, %, Pts. Rows include Strathfieldsaye, Eaglehawk, Gisborne, South Bendigo, Golden Square, Sandhurst, Kangaroo Flat, Castlemaine, Kyneton, Maryborough.

SPORTSPower

UNDER 18 FOOTBALL

Table with 9 columns: Club, P, W, L, D, FOR, AGST, %, Pts. Rows include Strathfieldsaye, Sandhurst, Gisborne, Kangaroo Flat, Golden Square, Eaglehawk, Kyneton, Castlemaine, South Bendigo.



Kangaroo Flat Under 18s won the premiership from fourth position

A GRADE NETBALL

Table with 9 columns: Club, P, W, D, L, FOR, AGST, Pts, %. Rows include Sandhurst, Gisborne, Kangaroo Flat, Eaglehawk, South Bendigo, Strathfieldsaye, Kyneton, Maryborough, Golden Square.

A RESERVE NETBALL

Table with 9 columns: Club, P, W, D, L, FOR, AGST, Pts, %. Rows include Sandhurst, Gisborne, Kangaroo Flat, South Bendigo, Eaglehawk, Golden Square, Strathfieldsaye, Kyneton, Castlemaine.

B GRADE NETBALL

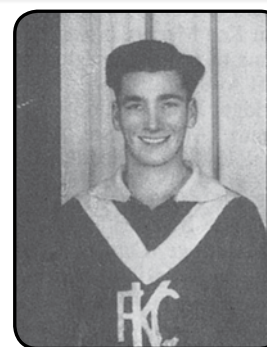
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B RESERVE NETBALL

Table with 9 columns: Club, P, W, D, L, FOR, AGST, Pts, %. Rows include Eaglehawk, Sandhurst, Strathfieldsaye, Gisborne, Kangaroo Flat, Golden Square, South Bendigo, Maryborough, Castlemaine, Kyneton.

17 & UNDER NETBALL

Table with 9 columns: Club, P, W, D, L, FOR, AGST, Pts, %. Rows include Gisborne, Sandhurst, Golden Square, Eaglehawk, South Bendigo, Strathfieldsaye, Kangaroo Flat, Castlemaine, Maryborough.



NALDER MEDAL

The Nalder Medal is presented to the best player on the ground in the first eighteen grand final.

It is named of Alan Nalder a former South Bendigo and Kennington player. Alan played for South Bendigo during the McDonald Era and moved on to Kennington where he coached them to their only premierships in 1956.

A very talented on-baller, he was tragically killed in an accident on the way home from Benalla at the young age of 32.

The Golden City Football League named the league senior best and fairest award in his memory.

When the Bendigo and Golden City leagues combined they initially kept two divisions, but in 1983 the League became one division.

At that point the league decided to continue his memory by recognising the best player on the ground in the grand final.



2019 NALDER MEDALLIST

Bryce Curnow

Strathfieldsaye



TURNER MEDAL

For anyone who grew up in Bendigo the name of Roy Francis "Dick" Turner was well known and respected.

Dick was the truant officer in Bendigo and many young students got to know Dick well.

Passionate about his community he served on council for 17 years and wore the mayoral robes on three occasions.

His true love was the Golden Square Football Club and he is credited with giving the boys from Country Vet Oval the Bulldog as its emblem.

He called football on 3BO for over 30 years and was Chairman of the newly formed Bendigo Football League before standing down due to ill health.

A bust of Dick sits in Golden Square keeping an eye on his favorite part of town.



2019 TURNER MEDALLIST

Riley Wilson

Strathfieldsaye



ASHMAN MEDAL

Linking the best player on the ground for the Under 18 competition to Rod Ashman is a perfect fit.

An outstanding junior for Eaglehawk he won the Symons Medal for the Best & Fairest of the Bendigo Football League in 1971.

Making his name initially as a goal-kicker his size saw him move to on-ball roles. Carlton saw something in him at a young age and he went on to become one of Carlton's great players in their great era. He finished with 236 games and 370 goals and had premiership medallions from 1981 and 1982.

His service was recognised by being inducted into both the Carlton Hall of Fame and their Team of the Century. In 2007 he became player welfare officer at Carlton.



2019 ASHMAN MEDALLIST

Max Johnson

Kangaroo Flat

PREVIOUS LEADING GOALKICKERS

YEAR	NAME	CLUB	TOTAL
1924	R. Scott	South Bendigo	78
1925	C. Nicholls	Castlemaine	58
1926	P. Forbes	Sandhurst	70
1927	Ern Smedley	Castlemaine	79
1928	J. Cook	South Bendigo	84
1929	F. Ford	Sandhurst	62
1930	Frank Crapper	Eaglehawk	108
1931	R. Moore	Sandhurst	78
1932	Frank Crapper	Eaglehawk	145
1933	Frank Crapper	Sandhurst	90
1934	NOT AWARDED		
1935	Mancel Davies	Eaglehawk	82
1936	Mancel Davies	Eaglehawk	88
1937	S. Sinclair	Rochester	82
1938	Mancel Davies	Eaglehawk	100
1939 to 1945	World War 2		
1946	NOT AWARDED		
1947	V. Kelly	Rochester	49
1948	Harry Morgan	Eaglehawk	66
1949	K. Connaughton	South Bendigo	54
1950	F. Scholes	Sandhurst	63
1951	Harry Morgan	Eaglehawk	78
1952	Harry Morgan	Eaglehawk	52
1953	Harry Morgan	Eaglehawk	107
1954	K. Elliot	Golden Square	76
1955	E. Parker	Echuca	86
1956	R. McHugh	Sandhurst	71
1957	J. Waddington	South Bendigo	72
1958	Ray Poulter	Castlemaine	81
1959	R. Ford	Sandhurst	62
1960	Clive Philp	Kyneton	75
1961	M. Hicks	Echuca	64
1962	Ray Willet	Rochester	67
1963	Ray Willet	Rochester	53
1964	T. Nolan	Sandhurst	87
1965	Kevin Shearn	Golden Square	76
1966	Les Kaine	Kyneton	84
1967	B. Jones	Rochester	68
1968	Robert Morton	South Bendigo	108
1969	Ron Best	Golden Square	137
1970	Ron Best	Golden Square	107
1971	Greg Kennedy	Eaglehawk	139
1972	Keith Raynor	Eaglehawk	69
	Peter Hutcheson	South Bendigo	69
1973	Ron Best	Sandhurst	108
1974	Ron Best	Sandhurst	135
1975	Ron Best	Sandhurst	145
1976	Ron Best	Sandhurst	108
1977	Peter Woodford	Castlemaine	76
1978	Ron Best	Golden Square	124
1979	Ron Best	Golden Square	137
1980	Ron Best	Golden Square	145
1981	Wayne Crosby	Castlemaine	112
1982	Daryl Gilmore	Eaglehawk	113
1983	Ron Best	Northern United	124
1984	Daryl Gilmore	Eaglehawk	120
1985	David Collins	Sandhurst	84
1986	Gavin Exell	Northern United	87
1987	John Jefferies	Castlemaine	73
1988	Danny Ellis	Sandhurst	78
1989	Leigh Williams	Golden Square	102
1990	Shawn McCormick	Northern United	79
1991	Daryl Gilmore	Eaglehawk	82
1992	Steven Oliver	Castlemaine	136
1993	Andrew McClellan	North Bendigo	112
1994	Shane McCluskey	Maryborough	100
1995	David Lancaster	Kangaroo Flat	105
1996	Steven Oliver	Castlemaine	84
1997	David Lancaster	Kangaroo Flat	76
1998	Steven Reaper	Kyneton	110
1999	Steven Reaper	Kyneton	100
2000	Steven Oliver	Castlemaine	132
2001	Phil Hetherington	South Bendigo	72
2002	Steven Reaper	Gisborne	70
2003	Steven Reaper	Gisborne	86
2004	Steven Reaper	Gisborne	75
2005	Steven Oliver	Castlemaine	77
2006	Matt O'Toole	Golden Square	82
2007	Damien Brown	Eaglehawk	59
2008	Jordan Barham	Gisborne	75
2009	Justin Maddern	Kangaroo Flat	81
2010	Grant Weeks	Golden Square	145
2011	Grant Weeks	Golden Square	125
2012	Grant Weeks	Golden Square	148
2013	Justin Maddern	South Bendigo	67
2014	Stephen Milne	Strathfieldsaye	89
2015	Matt Gretgrix	Eaglehawk	82
2016	Dylan Johnstone	Golden Square	79
2017	Lachlan Sharp	Strathfieldsaye	124
2018	Kaiden Antonowicz	South Bendigo	76

2019 Ron Best Medallist

LACHLAN SHARP

STRATHFIELDSAYE



2019 GOALKICKERS

SENIORS

Lachlan Sharp (Strathfieldsaye)	129
Patrick McKenna (Gisborne)	81
Kaiden Antonowicz (South Bendigo)	69
Sean Williams (Eaglehawk)	46

RESERVES

Josh Martyn (Strathfieldsaye)	61
Samuel Dean (Eaglehawk)	45
Brad Rohde (Strathfieldsaye)	38
Clay Davies (Eaglehawk)	36

UNDER 18s

Lachlan Wilson (Kangaroo Flat)	40
Ethan Coleman (Strathfieldsaye)	39
Jed Rodda (Strathfieldsaye)	31
Mitchell Rovers (Kangaroo Flat)	31

AS AT END OF HOME & AWAY ROUNDS 2019



PREVIOUS PREMIERS - SENIOR FOOTBALL

YEAR	PREMIERS	RUNNER UP
1924	Eaglehawk 14.17 101	d Rochester 8.9 57
1925	South Bendigo 7.2 44	d Castlemaine 6.4 40
1926	Castlemaine 13.18 96	d Sandhurst 8.16 64
1927	Sandhurst 9.11 65	d Castlemaine 8.14 62
1928	Echuca 11.9 75	d Castlemaine 10.10 70
1929	Sandhurst 18.11 119	d South Bendigo 11.10 76
1930	Sandhurst 17.9 111	d Eaglehawk 9.9 63
1931	Sandhurst 10.14 74	d South Bendigo 8.14 62
1932	Sandhurst 16.20 116	d Eaglehawk 7.9 51
1933	Sandhurst 29.15 189	d Maryborough 10.12 72
1934	Sandhurst 11.17 83	d Castlemaine 8.4 52
1935	Eaglehawk 11.15 81	d Sandhurst 7.17 59
1936	Kyneton 12.9 81	d Sandhurst 10.8 68
1937	Sandhurst 16.16 112	d South Bendigo 6.15 51
1938	Golden Square 21.13 139	d Eaglehawk 14.7 91
1939	Golden Square 14.8 92	d Maryborough 12.12 84
1940	Sandhurst 13.18 96	d South Bendigo 13.13 91
1941	Eaglehawk 17.16 118	d South Bendigo 11.14 80
1942 to 1944	League in recess due to World War 2	
1945	Golden Square 23.20 158	d Eaglehawk 8.9 57
1946	Eaglehawk 14.10 94	d Golden Square 13.12 90
1947	Sandhurst 18.19 127	d Golden Square 11.8 74
1948	Sandhurst 16.24 120	d Eaglehawk 8.9 57
1949	Sandhurst 11.22 88	d South Bendigo 9.19 73
1950	South Bendigo 10.12 72	d Echuca 6.10 46
1951	South Bendigo 24.12 156	d Eaglehawk 20.8 128
1952	Castlemaine 15.9 99	d Sandhurst 9.16 70
1953	Eaglehawk 12.13 85	d Sandhurst 9.12 66
1954	South Bendigo 11.9 75	d Sandhurst 9.7 61
1955	South Bendigo 10.7 67	d Sandhurst 9.12 66
1956	South Bendigo 10.19 79	d Eaglehawk 9.15 69
1957	Eaglehawk 14.17 101	d Kyneton 10.11 71
1958	Rochester 8.11 59	d Castlemaine 7.10 52
1959	Rochester 15.19 109	d Kyneton 12.6 78
1960	Kyneton 9.8 62	d Rochester 8.11 59
1961	Kyneton 12.13 85	d Rochester 9.6 60
1962	Rochester 9.17 71	d Golden Square 7.20 62
1963	Rochester 16.22 118	d Kyneton 10.14 74
1964	Golden Square 10.10 70	d Rochester 9.7 61
1965	Golden Square 12.19 91	d Rochester 11.11 77
1966	Kyneton 15.6 96	d Golden Square 2.12 84
1967	Echuca 12.13 85	d South Bendigo 10.15 75
1968	Eaglehawk 8.16 64	d South Bendigo 8.10 58
1969	South Bendigo 10.10 70	d Eaglehawk 9.13 67
1970	Echuca 15.13 103	d Sandhurst 14.13 97
1971	Eaglehawk 15.13 103	d Golden Square 3.10 28
1972	Golden Square 14.12 96	d South Bendigo 11.9 75
1973	Sandhurst 14.14 98	d Golden Square 7.10 52

2019 FOOTBALL GRAND FINALS

YEAR	PREMIERS	RUNNER UP
1974	South Bendigo 17.13 115	d Sandhurst 14.9 93
1975	Golden Square 14.13 97	d Sandhurst 12.14 86
1976	Golden Square 15.13 103	d Kyneton 9.7 61
1977	Sandhurst 14.10 94	d Golden Square 9.19 73
1978	Sandhurst 19.10 124	d Golden Square 18.13 121
1979	Golden Square 21.14 140	d Sandhurst 8.1563
1980	Eaglehawk 17.20 122	d Golden Square 19.6 120
1981	Sandhurst 16.19 115	d Castlemaine 6.10 46
1982	Eaglehawk 18.19 127	d Golden Square 6.12 48
1983	Sandhurst 17.16 118	d Golden Square 17.9 111
1984	Nth United 18.16 124	d Eaglehawk 12.10 82
1985	Nth United 19.18 132	d Sandhurst 14.18 102
1986	Nth United 25.18 168	d Eaglehawk 11.9.75
1987	Nth United 23.15 153	d Eaglehawk 14.7 91
1988	Golden Square 10.13 73	d Nth United 8.11 59
1989	Golden Square 14.13 97	d South Bendigo 11.13 79
1990	South Bendigo 15.24 114	d Golden Square 14.8 92
1991	South Bendigo 14.14 98	d Castlemaine 10.16 76
1992	Castlemaine 14.13 97	d Golden Square 14.8 92
1993	South Bendigo 20.22 142	d Sandhurst 11.11 77
1994	South Bendigo 20.15 135	d Golden Square 13.9 87
1995	Kyneton 18.13 121	d South Bendigo 11.10 76
1996	Kangaroo Flat 18.18 126	d Kyneton 15.20 110
1997	Kyneton 18.15 123	d Golden Square 7.14 56
1998	Maryborough 19.11 125	d Sandhurst 12.6 78
1999	Maryborough 20.17 137	d Castlemaine 17.4 106
2000	Castlemaine 12.11 83	d Kangaroo Flat 9.17 71
2001	Golden Square 14.11 95	d Sandhurst 12.9 81
2002	Gisborne 21.13 139	d Golden Square 7.18 60
2003	Gisborne 18.12 120	d Eaglehawk 11.7 73
2004	Sandhurst 15.14 104	d Gisborne 10.15 75
2005	Gisborne 14.17 101	d Eaglehawk 10.10 70
2006	Gisborne 13.11 89	d Golden Square 9.10 64
2007	Eaglehawk 12.12 84	d Gisborne 12.10 82
2008	Eaglehawk 14.11.95	d Golden Square 12.17.89
2009	Golden Square 16.12.108	d South Bendigo 10.11.71
2010	Golden Square 11.21.87	d South Bendigo 8.10.58
2011	Golden Square 25.18.168	d Eaglehawk 5.3.33
2012	Golden Square 16.10.106	d Gisborne 14.19.103
2013	Golden Square 14.18.102	d Strathfieldsaye 12.9.81
2014	Strathfieldsaye 20.18.138	d Sandhurst 12.11.83
2015	Strathfieldsaye 8.12.60	d Sandhurst 8.5.53
2016	Sandhurst 12.18.90	d Golden Square 8.10.58
2017	Strathfieldsaye 13.10.88	d Eaglehawk 7.14.56
2018	Eaglehawk 13.6.84	d Strathfieldsaye 9.5.59



SENIOR FOOTBALL STRATHFIELDSAYE

Strathfieldsaye 4.4 8.6 13.8 14.10.94
Eaglehawk 0.3 4.12 6.15 10.20.80

Goals: Strathfieldsaye - H. Robertson 3, T. Coates 3, L. Sharp 2, W. Wallace, H. Lawrence, K. Geary, H. Conway, B. Henderson, B. Curnow

Eaglehawk - S. Knott 4, B. Filo, J. Collins, S. Williams, B. McPhee, R. Saunders, C. McGlashan

Best: Strathfieldsaye - B. Curnow, K. Geary, J. Formosa, T. Coates, K. Smith, B. Henderson

Eaglehawk - B. Filo, O. Madden, J. Collins, S. Knott, J. Fallon, C. Holmes

NALDER MEDAL
Bryce Curnow (Strathfieldsaye)

WORKSAFE AFL VICTORIA MEDAL
Kallen Geary (Strathfieldsaye)

RESERVES FOOTBALL STRATHFIELDSAYE

Strathfieldsaye 4.2 7.2 9.6 12.7.79
South Bendigo 1.0 4.1 6.3 7.6.48

Goals: Strathfieldsaye - J. Formosa 3, J. Ginnivan 3, B. Rohde 3, J. Martyn, C. Brady, J. Coleman

South Bendigo - J. McLeod 2, C. Balnaves, R. Walsh, A. Williams, Z. Hare, B. Wright

Best: Strathfieldsaye - J. Schischka, J. Ginnivan, C. Brady, D. Clohesy, P. Blandford, J. Formosa

South Bendigo - S. Wild, D. Johnstone, J. Murphy, J. Sheean, C. Balnaves, Z. Hare

TURNER MEDAL
Riley Wilson (Strathfieldsaye)

UNDER 18 FOOTBALL KANGAROO FLAT

Kangaroo Flat 3.3 4.6 7.10 10.11.71
Sandhurst 1.1 3.4 4.6 6.8.44

Goals: Kangaroo Flat - L. Wilson 3, L. Balcke 2, M. Rovers 2, H. Johnson, R. O'Keefe, M. Johnson

Sandhurst - C. Smith 2, C. Sexton, H. Gallagher, Z. Featherby, N. Walsh

Best: Kangaroo Flat - M. Johnson, M. Rovers, H. Johnson, J. Leersen, J. Mayes, D. McClure

Sandhurst - C. Smith, C. Macted, T. Nally, Z. Sims, N. Walsh, J. Fiske-Kealy

ASHMAN MEDAL
Max Johnson (Kangaroo Flat)

WORKSAFE AFL VICTORIA MEDAL
Cooper Smith (Sandhurst)



A GRADE NETBALL SANDHURST

**Sandhurst 42
Kangaroo Flat 35**

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
IN GRAND FINAL**

**Heather
Oliver
(Sandhurst)**



B RESERVE NETBALL STRATHFIELDSAYE

**Strathfieldsaye 39
Eaglehawk 25**

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
IN GRAND FINAL**

**Chelsie
Haebich
(Strathfieldsaye)**



A RESERVE NETBALL SANDHURST

**Sandhurst 53
Kangaroo Flat 33**

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
IN GRAND FINAL**

**Kelsey
Ralph
(Sandhurst)**



17 & UNDER NETBALL SANDHURST

**Sandhurst 51
Golden Square 35**

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
IN GRAND FINAL**

**Holly
Lockhart
(Sandhurst)**



B GRADE NETBALL KANGAROO FLAT

**Kangaroo Flat 40
Sandhurst 37**

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
IN GRAND FINAL**

**Emily
Gray
(Kangaroo Flat)**



2019 BFNL AWARD WINNERS

FOOTBALL VOTES

UNDER 18'S – GEORGE SYMONS MEDAL

Mitchell Trehwella, Kangaroo Flat.....	26
Jack Ozanne, Gisborne.....	24
Mitchell Rovers, Kangaroo Flat.....	21
Alex Jenkyn, Golden Square.....	20

RESERVES – MCDONALD MEDAL

Hayden Doricic, Gisborne.....	20
Nathan Newlan, South Bendigo.....	19
Jordan Formosa, Strathfieldsaye.....	13
Cody West, Eaglehawk.....	11
Brendan Tanner, Eaglehawk.....	10

SENIORS – MICHELSEN MEDAL

Adam Baird, Golden Square.....	16
Patrick McKenna, Gisborne.....	15
Sam Heavyside, Strathfieldsaye.....	15
Bradley Bernacki, Gisborne.....	15

NETBALL VOTES

17 & UNDER – SING MEDAL

Tess Keating, Sandhurst.....	22
Olivia Rodda, Gisborne.....	22
Kiralee Collings, Gisborne.....	20
Shae Clifford, Castlemaine.....	19
Carissa Brook, South Bendigo.....	18
Charlotte Crook, Gisborne.....	17

B RESERVE – B RESERVE MEDAL

Emily Floreani, Gisborne.....	29
Chelsea Crapper, Strathfieldsaye.....	27
Georgie Hyett, Eaglehawk.....	26
Matisse Appleby, South Bendigo.....	21
Mia McConnachie, Sandhurst.....	18

B GRADE – B GRADE MEDAL

Briona Giddings, Sandhurst.....	35
Emily Gray, Kangaroo Flat.....	27
Rachel Winfield, Kangaroo Flat.....	21
Paige Campbell, South Bendigo.....	19
Maddison Kelly, Golden Square.....	18

A RESERVE – HOLBORN MEDAL

Amanda Walters, South Bendigo.....	24
Paige Ryan, Sandhurst.....	19
Tazma Morris, Gisborne.....	18
Ruby Turner, Sandhurst.....	16
Tillie Avery, Gisborne.....	15
Amy Jackman, Eaglehawk.....	15

A GRADE – THOMPSON MEDAL

Ashley Ryan, Eaglehawk.....	24
Tiana Newman, Gisborne.....	20
Meg Williams, Sandhurst.....	18
Chelsea Sartori, Kangaroo Flat.....	18
Julia Clarke, Kangaroo Flat.....	17

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UNDER 18S

Lachlan Wilson, Kangaroo Flat.....	40 Goals
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RESERVES

Joshua Martyn, Strathfieldsaye.....	61 Goals
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SENIORS RON BEST MEDAL

Lachlan Sharp, Strathfieldsaye.....	129 Goals
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2019 DAVID McCANN MEMORIAL CUP CHAMPION CLUB AWARD

Sandhurst FNC

2019 NETBALL CHAMPION GOAL THROWING AWARD

Sandhurst FNC

2019 SENIOR INTERLEAGUE PLAYER OF THE YEAR DERRICK FILO MEDAL

Jake Thrum, Golden Square

2019 UNDER 18 INTERLEAGUE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Alex Jenkyn, Golden Square

2019 ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP OPEN PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Maddy Stewart, Gisborne

2019 ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP 17 & UNDER PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Ruby Turner, Sandhurst

2019 BART 'N' PRINT NETBALL RISING STAR FINALISTS

Chloe Langley, South Bendigo
Charlotte Crook, Gisborne
Ella Wicks, Kangaroo Flat
Abbey Grindal, Golden Square
Shae Clifford, Castlemaine
Brianna Pedretti, Golden Square

WINNER – Chloe Langley, Sth Bendigo

2019 BART 'N' PRINT FOOTBALL RISING STAR FINALISTS

Liam Spear, Gisborne
Zack Shelton, Golden Square
Aiden Hare, Maryborough
Hunter Lawrence, Strathfieldsaye
Kyle Symons, Kangaroo Flat
Ben Xihira, Kyneton

WINNER – Liam Spear, Gisborne



MICHELSEN MEDALLIST
Adam Baird (Golden Square)
SENIOR FOOTBALL



THOMPSON MEDALLIST
Ashley Ryan (Eaglehawk)
A GRADE NETBALL



HOLBORN MEDALLIST
Amanda Walters (Sth Bendigo)
A RESERVE NETBALL



MCDONALD MEDALLIST
Hayden Doricic (Gisborne)
RESERVES FOOTBALL



GEORGE SYMONS MEDALLIST
Mitch Trehwella (Kangaroo Flat)
UNDER 18 FOOTBALL



B RESERVE MEDALLIST
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SING MEDALLIST
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17 & UNDER NETBALL



SING MEDALLIST
Olivia Rodda (Gisborne)
17 & UNDER NETBALL



B GRADE MEDALLIST
Briona Giddings (Sandhurst)

Team of the Year

