# GEELONG FALCONS



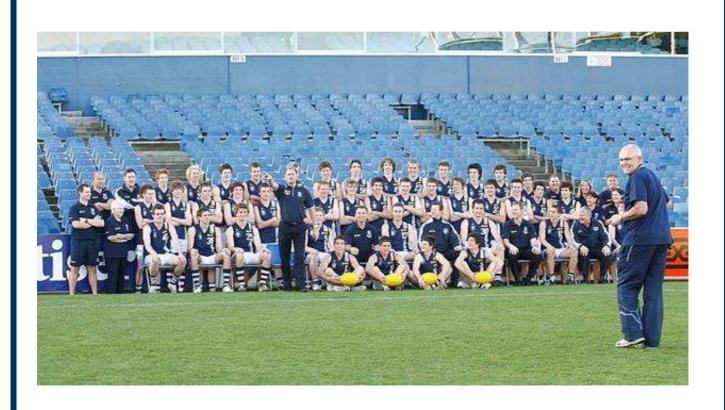
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# INTRODUCTION



#### AFL VICTORIA

# TAC CUP & AFL VICTORIA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS GEELONG FALCONS:

With the expansion of the Victorian Football League to the Australian Football League, a junior structure known as the Victorian State Football League was established in 1992. Commencing with 6 Metropolitan based teams, including the Geelong *Falcons*. It was expanded to a 12 team competition incorporating 7 Metropolitan based teams and 5 regional based teams (Ballarat *Rebels*, Bendigo *Pioneers*, Geelong *Falcons*, Gippsland *Power* and Murray *Bushrangers*), before the addition of 2 Interstate based teams (NSW/ACT *Rams* and Tasmanian *Tassie Mariners*) in 1996 which took the competition to a 14 team structure. Since 2000 both the Northern Territory and Queensland have participated in the competition for 2 rounds with the TAC Cup expanding to a mini AFL structure and National competition. Since 2003 the NSW Rams and Tassie Mariners have reverted to a part-time development State involvement.

**Note:** As of 1997, the word 'state' was deleted from the title and, following a further name change in recent years, is now referred to as the "AFL Victoria - TAC Cup".

The Geelong Falcons, as a foundation team, was also the foundation Premiers with victory in 1992 under the coaching of Terry Bright (who went on to coach with both the Geelong and Fremantle Dockers Clubs) and Paul Armstrong who was the original Falcons Regional Manager and also progressed administration in AFL ranks, initially at Geelong, then with the Western Bulldogs and now with Richmond.

As a successful U18 development program, AFL Victoria also requires a comprehensive support staff structure to ensure that it provides for all facets of football administration and development in this modern era. With Michael Turner (formerly Geelong FC) as Region Manager and Alan Thompson (formerly Fitzroy FC) & John Edsall as Development Managers, the Falcons are served by a very experienced and dedicated support staff including coaches (head coach Garry Hocking, formerly Geelong FC, and a range of specialist coaches including skills coaches, fitness coach, ruck coach, rehabilitation coach, weights coach, U15 & U16 squad coaches), medical personnel (doctor, physiotherapist, podiatrist, nutritionist), training staff (head trainer, support trainers, masseurs) and managers (team manager, property manager & player welfare manager).

On match day additional support staff such as statisticians, video/DVD operators, interchange steward, time keeper, team runners (x2) and other general match day duty staff are required (approx. 30 in all). Recruiting personnel are also engaged to seek new recruits and liaise with the catchment area clubs. In all around 55 people are required to support the team and its annual program.

As a pathway to the AFL draft, the Geelong Falcons is the senior level of the program which begins with zoned U15 squads (Hampden & Geelong U15's) and U16 squads (again in Hampden & Geelong) and programs through local interleague carnivals and clinics with a strong preseason program to capture the list of 50 players identified for a season's program at the Falcons at TAC CUP level.

In addition to the elite level of development and competition, an extensive junior development program is provided for throughout the Falcons zone. AFL Auskick (over 4000 registrations), AFL Player Appearances (Primary & Secondary schools, Auskick Centres and Junior Clubs), AFL Auskick Rules & Grid Games, Primary School Lightning Premierships, Secondary School Competitions (MCC Herald-Sun Senior & SmokeFree Junior), Coaches Associations (approx. 500 members), Coach Education (Level One, Orientation and Awareness Coaching Courses), and Junior Club Development / Fostership Programs,, Recreational Football and Womens / girls football are organised and promoted to include as many participants as possible in the foundation plan of the football development program across the zoned area - from Lara to Port Fairy; the Hamilton Highway to the Coast.

Football development in the Geelong Falcons zone is very comprehensive and coordinated and the zone is quite proud of its achievements over the past 16 years.

"It is no coincidence that the most successful teams in the competition since its inception - in relation to games and premierships won - Northern Knights, Geelong Falcons, Murray Bushrangers and Calder Cannons, have also had the most drafted to the AFL, with 70+ players, at an average in excess of 4 per year, drafted from the Falcons to the end of 2007" David Code (Manager Football Operations AFL Vic).

#### REGION MANAGER'S REPORT 2007 - Michael Turner

The AFL Victoria TAC Cup competition has been in existence since 1992 and has developed a reputation as the best junior sporting structure in Australia. The twelve Victorian programs are well resourced by AFL Victoria with each region given a similar budget to conduct the talented player pathway and development programs (eg Auskick).

The TAC Cup has 12 teams / regions which play in the state competition with the developing states of NSW/ACT, Qld, Tasmania and the Northern Territory playing a series of games to prepare their squads for the AFL U/18 National Championships. This competition is a mini AFL competition with the best junior footballers in Australia able to play in a central and well-structured program.



Season 2007 saw the final eight comprise four metropolitan teams and four country teams — the Geelong Falcons finished sixth.. The Calder Cannons won the Premiership, with the Murray Bushrangers runners up. The Geelong Falcons were to be knocked out of the finals by Eastern Ranges. Our team objectives each year are to make the final four and play in the finals; get players drafted to the AFL or develop on to VFL clubs, and to help all our squad players reach their full potential as young men. In season 2007 we were very close to achieving these objectives again.

In regards to the AFL Draft, we have had an average of nearly 5 players drafted each year making the Falcons one of the top clubs in Australia providing players to the AFL. Season 2007 saw Lachie Henderson, Pat Dangerfield, Jack Steven, Adam Donohue, Jaxon Barham and Guy O'Keefe all drafted, making the Falcons the No 1 Club in the AFL draft and again enhancing our reputation as the AFL leading player development program.

As for the players reaching their full potential, I believe we work very hard to help our players achieve realistic goals. Players can only play to the mental & physical ability they have. Some are capable of making the AFL, others VFL and most, hopefully go back to their local clubs better for the experience.

Well done to all our squad players in 2007 and the support we get from the parents. We all have to be realistic about our son's capabilities or we risk the advantage of the Geelong Falcons program becoming a negative, and that is not acceptable to myself, Garry Hocking or any other staff member.

The Geelong Falcons have a rich history in the TAC Cup:

- Premiers 1992, 2000
- Grand Finalists 1994, 1998
- Finals 1993/1995/1996/1999/2001/2003/2004/2005/2006/2007 (missing finals only twice)
- 70+ drafted in 16 years (average nearly 5 per year)
- 2007 Draft 6 players drafted No 1 in Australia.
- The TAC Cup provides a very high percentage of players drafted to the AFL each year

Congratulations to Garry Hocking and Football Manager Cameron Loftus who were asked upon their appointments to reinvigorate the football programs and strive for best practice. Garry and the Match Committee (Mark Hovey, Marty Christensen and Simon Hawking) have had an open and supportive approach to players and parents, with strong communication skills and honest assessments. We at the Falcons are always honest – so you know where we stand even though some do not always agree – we communicate and all staff are honest.

Thank you to all our support staff who obviously are too many to mention but all play important roles on and off the field. We have a staff of 60 who all work for the Falcons because they have the desire to help our players reach their full potential.

Congratulations too, to Tim Malberg, who was presented with the "Noel Edgerton Award" in 2007 for outstanding service to the club over these past 15 years. All our staff represent every value this club has – Honesty, Friendship, Loyalty, Selflessness and for giving their time for the development of our players – your sons.



#### Achievements 2007:

- Finals 6<sup>th</sup> on ladder.
- Five players Pat Dangerfield, Jack Steven, Ed Curnow, Guy OKeefe and Kris Kangars played for Vic. Country in the AFL National U18 Championships.
- Kris Kangars and Jaxon Barham were named in the TAC Cup Team of the Year 2007.
- Players represented the State at U16 & U15 Level
- The Geelong U16 Team won the AFL Victoria U16 Championship
- Geelong U/15 won Division 1 at the V/Line Country Championships, with Hampden U/15 very competitive in Division 2 and Geelong's Development team finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in Division 3.
- The development of our players as young men
- Making friends with players, parents and staff that will hopefully last forever

Thank you for the support we receive from the VCFL Area South West and Area Manager Brett Anderson, and all our official Leagues and Clubs. We see ourselves as a link between the player and family, their school and local club in the transition from underage football – senior football – AFL / VFL / VCFL. We are a partnership helping each other along a career pathway – credit for success must be shared with all concerned.

Thank you to our full time employees: John Edsall – AFL Victoria's Geelong Development Manager & Alan Thompson – AFL Victoria's Hampden Development Manager. Both John and Alan are very professional in supporting the Geelong Falcons Talented player programs and also delivering their AFL Victoria Development duties to their specific regions. Alan and John ensure that everything runs smoothly in their areas of responsibility, which of course enhances the Falcons outcomes, and our reputation for quality program delivery.

Acknowledgement must also be given to the staff that conduct our U16 and U15 development squads. The Geelong Falcons are only as strong as the players recruited to, and developed throughout, this junior structure. Ashley Connoley, Michael Boyd and staff (U16), Mark Gellie and Dave Farrell (U15 Geelong) and Peter Banks (U15 Hampden), head their development squads and we thank them and their staff for the dedicated service they give year after year

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Also all our Gold Sponsors who have supported us for many years. Without the continued and new support of our sponsors the Geelong Falcons program could not provide the resources and staff that we do as each sponsor is an integral part of our support network.

Special thanks to Rex Gorell Ford / Ford Credit, our Major Sponsor over the past 4 years now. Rex Gorell Ford provides a vehicle to the Geelong Falcons, which provides significant savings in our budget to allow us to provide improved and new resources to our staff and players throughout the region.

Thank you to the media for their promotion of the club throughout 2007. The Herald Sun, Geelong Advertiser, Colac Herald, Warrnambool Standard, Western District Newspapers, K-Rock, 3YB, 3CS and RHEMA FM.

Thank you also to the staff at AFL Victoria for their leadership and encouragement – Peter Schwab (CEO), David Code (Football Operations Manager) and Mick Daniher (AFLVictoria Development Manager).

We thank our players and parents leaving us in 2007 - your support has been appreciated. We wish the players all the best in their careers on and off the field and we hope your Geelong Falcons experience will be seen as a positive one for your future.

Congratulations to the players who were drafted, and good luck in your AFL careers.

#### Michael Turner

Region Manager, Geelong Falcons: 1995-2007.



#### COACH'S REPORT - 2007.

It is with great pleasure that I compile this report on what was another enjoyable year coaching the Geelong Falcons. I was again delighted with the support I received from all members of the Geelong Falcons football community.

The season came and went very quickly with preseason being one of fitness and decision making and placing players in game related scenarios to help them deal with these situations much better once game day rolled in. I was extremely proud of the way all players on the Falcons list conducted themselves over the course of the year, both on and off the field, and I have no doubt that this application was a strong factor in why the Falcon's again reached the final 8 in 2007.



The start to the TAC season was extremely encouraging with a 125 point win over eventual Grand Finalist Murray Bushrangers, and to the player's credit the team was able to win many more games throughout the season - it was our attack on the ball and our strong team & tactical play that really set up an opportunity to play finals again. The top four teams; Calder, Northern, Gippsland and Western all proved to be tough opponents on their day and they were able to match our intensity over four quarters. Our win loss ratio of 10 - 8 enabled the Falcon's to finish in sixth spot on the ladder at the end of home and away season, securing our berth in the finals.

The final was disappointing, in particular allowing Eastern to get an early start with seven goals to one in the first quarter, but the players gave their all and did not give up especially when at times the opposition looked to really take control of the game. Our boys showed true Falcon's character and continued to get back into the match and looked likely to run over the top of Eastern when the siren sounded early in the last quarter to squash our dreams of another final. Unfortunately such a long season with training, travelling, school football, State commitments and perhaps lack of finals experience we could not advance to a grand final playoff.

I was certainly satisfied with the season as a whole as I believe it's always a fine line as a coach in the TAC when you look at achieving the balance needed with regard to winning at all costs and developing players. Giving 49 players the opportunity to represent the Geelong Falcons in season 2007 and finishing with 1 final could only be a valuable experience for any player and I trust they will have learnt an enormous amount from it.

The match committee continued to work very well and we were able to work cohesively right across the year, considering at times the Coaching box can become a volatile working environment. I would personally like to thank and congratulate Craig Hocking, Mark Hovey, Jordan Grant, Steve Griffen, Marty Christensen and Simon Hawking who have been regular fixtures at the Falcons over the last few years. I would also like to thank Darren Lynch, Di Khan and Jarrod Wade who all did a wonderful job with regard to the player's fitness levels throughout the season; right from the start of pre-season in November 2006 they continued to push the players physically throughout the season until we were knocked out of the 2007 finals.

The medical staff was also instrumental in this process, their professionalism and dedication to detail being exemplary and I believe this had a great effect on the players as it really showed them that football at the highest level is not just about turning up on the day and playing but being committed to prepare yourself properly at the conclusion of every training session and match so a special thanks must go to Tim Malberg (Head Trainer), Steve Baker (Club Doctor), Justin Edwards & Mark Zampatti (Physiotherapists), Podiatrist Paul Graham, Richard Embleton (Player Welfare), and of course our trainers Shane Dawson, Corrine Briers, and Sharon Dunoon.

There are many more people in the Falcon's program who deserve praise for their efforts throughout the year and I would like to acknowledge and thank all of our Sponsors, Cameron Loftus (Football Manager) who did a wonderful job in ensuring the right policy was implemented across the year; also to Alan Thompson, John Edsall, John Paslawski, Peter Hester, Renee Peters, James Holt, David Curnow, Lloyd Anstee, Colin Werrett, John & Evelyn Winter, Clive West, Ashley Connoley and Staff, Peter Banks and Staff, Squad Coaches Paul Henriksen, John McVilly, Jeremy Mitchem, Brian Cordy (Geelong College), Tony Paatsch (St.Joseph's College) and Paul La Cava (Geelong Grammar): many thanks for a job well done and you should all be proud of the way you contributed long hours to help make the Geelong Falcon's a successful and respected Football Club in the TAC competition.

With regard to the 2007 draft, congratulations go to Jaxson Barham, Adam Donohue, Lachie Henderson, Guy O'Keefe, Pat Dangerfield and 2007 Norris Harding medalist Jack Steven:- you have given everyone at the Falcons enormous pleasure in the way which you all played and presented yourselves across the year and we look forward to following your careers closely.

Finally, a big thank you to Michael Turner who, along with David Code, allowed me the opportunity to coach the Falcons again. Thanks Mick for a most enjoyable experience, your dedication and knowledge of the competition is simply outstanding and of real benefit to the Match Committee.

Good luck to Mark Hovey and Simon Hawking who are leaving the program to pursue other coaching commitments, we all wish you every bit of success as you follow your dreams to be Senior Coaches in the near future.

Once again I thank all Geelong Falcons Staff, players, parents, volunteers, and sponsors and also wish all exiting players the very best in their future careers, wherever they may lead.

Cheers, **Garry Hocking** 













#### FOOTBALL MANAGER'S REPORT

The Geelong Falcons Football Club is an organization that has continued to grow in stature each year. As a local player, coach and lover of football in general, I have looked on from afar as many of the boys have progressed to play AFL football, many others headed off to the VFL with Werribee, and the majority returning to their local clubs, becoming leaders among their peers. The one or two years within the program certainly have a strong and lasting influence on them.

Joining as Football Manager this year has been an exciting challenge and a great eye opener as to why the club continues to produce outstanding footballers with character. It is also why I can confidently say that each player is provided the opportunity to improve their skill, fitness, leadership skills and understanding of what it takes to reach a high level of achievement. Every staff member and volunteer involved in the club is passionate and committed to the program. "Providing each player the opportunity to reach his potential" is the goal and, while of course not every player will play AFL football, it is assured that they will gain an insight into what it takes to play at the elite level.



It is a challenging environment for the boys. From the initial list of 100+, the players are clearly made aware that attitude, skill, decision-making, coachability, fitness and leadership are key elements that they will be judged on. The thoroughly-planned training program and expert coaching, led by Garry Hocking, is an experience that each boy should take with them for the remainder of their football careers. The disappointment for some upon being informed that they will not progress further in the program, is a bitter one that provides a further challenge for each individual. At this point the attitude of the individual can make or break their footballing future.

Practice games are the final chance for many to impress and make the final squad of 50. Also important to note is the 'open door' policy that is explained explicitly - Daniel Jull and Ben Capra were the clear examples in 2007. Missing out on the final squad must have been very disappointing, but the right attitude and application saw them use their time at Drysdale and St. Josephs respectively, to showcase their talent and character. When the opportunity presented, both boys took full advantage and played significant roles on and off the ground.

Throughout the year, the players were exposed to a number of programs and opportunities that sometimes go unnoticed. Firstly, the players are looked after by a very committed staff that includes administrators, coaches, fitness experts, medical professionals, trainers, masseurs, rehabilitation staff, runners and a large number of volunteers that put in enormous time and commitment to ensuring that the program continues to 'raise the bar' in its pursuit of excellence. This year other programs/opportunities that the Falcons players were provided included; access to a club dietitian (Shandelle Wells), Goal-setting program, Leadership program (Cameron Loftus), Drug Awareness program (Parana Taskforce), Look After Your Mate (TAC Driving Program), Fitness testing (Ballarat University PE department), Weekly coaching from footage provided by Champion Data (AFL and TAC only), personalized coaching using personal edits (Garry Hocking, Marty Christensen, Mark Hovey and Simon Hawking), team building sessions and many others.

As all those involved will be clearly aware, the players and families of Falcons players are asked for a large commitment. Those from the Hampden area are asked for an even bigger travel and time commitment. Is it worth it? For each boy who has the opportunity and privilege of representing our region in this elite competition the answer is simple. They have taken on all the challenges and have not succumbed to the inevitable challenges and hurdles that come, to finally make the team and be given the responsibility of trying to carry out the coach's message and to implement the team plan. They get the chance to run out on Skilled Stadium and showcase their talents as individuals, but more importantly as a member of 'the team'.

2007 was not to be the year of the Falcon from a team point of view. The side was bundled out early in the finals, but the boys had the opportunity to get a feel for finals football and this will be used to drive the team further in the coming year. Garry Hocking and the Match Committee have quickly identified three main areas that we, as a group, need to place more emphasis on. Players taking on more responsibility for evaluating the team and individual performance, and a greater emphasis on the defensive side of the game are such areas.

The staff at the Geelong Falcons are committed to 'best practice' and supporters can be assured that each year the program takes steps forward. Led brilliantly by Michael Turner and Garry Hocking, staff are encouraged to critique their own practice, personal development is encouraged and supported, processes are constantly reviewed and new & innovative programs are being sought. We are proud to say that our Leadership and Welfare programs, along with our Transition program, are reaching the level which we are confident will be the best in the TAC competition.

I would like to congratulate all boys on their efforts in 2007. You have shown that you can persevere and commit yourself totally in the pursuit of excellence. Led excellently by Sam Stavenuiter, the side took big strides in their football development. To Lachlan Henderson, Patrick Dangerfield, Jack Steven, Adam Donohue, Jaxson Barham and Guy O'Keefe I extend my congratulations on being drafted. The challenge for you now begins again.

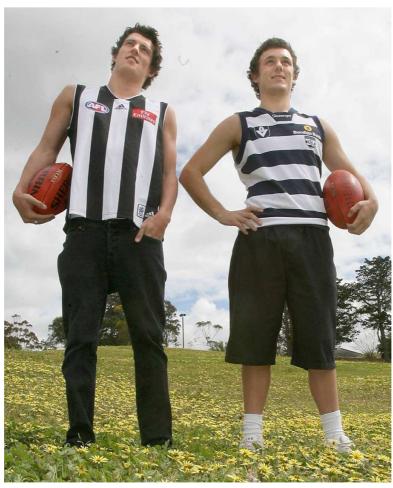
I would also like to congratulate the staff at the Falcons on your outstanding professionalism and total commitment. An amazing group of passionate and determined people not only guide the players physically, but support them from a welfare point of view as challenges arise personally, at school and from a football sense. New staff such as Di Khan, Craig Hocking and I have been welcomed with open arms and made to feel a part of the place very quickly. Evelyn and Jack Winter are the perfect example of this, creating the 'spirit' on which football programs such as the Falcons are made. As well as ensuring all equipment is available, they enjoy a joke, a listening ear and a kind word at the right time that helps players and staff enjoy a real sense of belonging.

I congratulate Mick and Garry on the way they lead the program. I also thank them for the opportunity. To be responsive to new ideas and continually encouraging, provides an environment most pleasant to work in. My best wishes to Mark Hovey (St.Josephs coach in 2008) and Simon Hawking (a well earned rest). Both have had a great impact at the Falcons and both have become great friends to many of us. As we say to the players, what you give you will receive back. I am sure your futures will be full of successes.

There has already been a great deal of planning for further improvements in 2008. It is an exciting time to be involved in the TAC and particularly the Geelong Falcons. Good fortune to all.

# **Cameron Loftus**Football Manager





"Like father, like son"



#### HAMPDEN REGION DEVELOPMENT REPORT

#### Alan Thompson - Geelong Falcons Hampden Region Development Manager

In conjunction with AFL Victoria Development and the Geelong Falcons Football Club the following development and promotion programs were conducted in the Hampden Region in 2007.

#### nab AFL Auskick

The National Australia Bank provided sponsorship and support of the AFL Auskick in the Hampden Region with a large number of children involved in Auskick continuing to enjoy this well structured program. With 36 clinics and combined registrations of 1665 children (increase of 29 registrations) and their parents this provides a great base for the future of football in the region. A number of the nab AFL Auskick centres participated in half time Auskick Rules and Grid games at AFL grounds and local football where many children were able to demonstrate their football skills and enjoy performing in front of a appreciative crowd.



#### **Primary School Footy Programs**

For this interschool program the Region is divided into three sections; Colac, Central and Warrnambool. *Colac Zone* 

The Colac PS interschool program involved year 5 and 6 students in a round robin winter sports competition on a Friday afternoon during term 3. The following schools are involved on a fortnightly game program; Elliminyt, Sacred Heart, East, West and South West Colac, with St Mary's and St Brendan's combining to form the the sixth team.

#### Central Zone

Corangamite Inter-School Football/Netball Competition involving seven Primary schools continued this year. The games (modified rules) were played on Friday afternoons with each school playing up to four rounds (two 'home' and two 'away'). Participating schools were Camperdown College, Cobden, Mortlake P-12, Simpson, St Patrick's (Camperdown), St Thomas (Terang) and Terang College (including Noorat PS). The major objective of the program was to provide an opportunity for primary age children to compete against their peers from other schools in the central zone.

#### Warrnambool Zone

Commencing on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, eight primary schools in the Warrnambool area played a seven-round interschool competition on Wednesday nights after school. The games were played on local school ovals and were preceded by a skills clinic combining both schools prior to the modified rules game. St Josephs, St Johns Dennington, Warrnambool, East Warrnambool, West Warrnambool, St Pius, Our Lady Help of Christians, Kings College and Woodford PS participate in this competition. St Josephs PS (Warrnambool) participated in the Victoria Primary School State Football Championships again this year involving 1600 schools. St Josephs needed 14 straight wins to progress through the regional, western and country divisions before qualifying for the state final. The State final was played at Victoria Park in Melbourne where St Josephs were defeated by Keilor Park PS to win the 2007 Victorian Primary School State Football Championships. The game went to double extra time with Keilor Park finally winning by 6 points. Congratulation to the schools very talented young footballers and their coach Mark Gercovich.

#### nab AUSKICK Fresha Fruit Juices - Regal Products - AFL Player Primary Schools Clinics

The Geelong Football Club was again the AFL "foster club" for the Hampden Region for season 2007. Superclinics were conducted in Colac, Birregurra, Lorne, Winchelsea and Timboon. School visits were arranged in Cobden, Warrnambool, Koroit, Port Fairy, Camperdown, Cobden and Terang. All senior list players from the Cats were involved and it was particularly pleasing to see Steven King, Matthew Scarlett, Matthew Egan, Steven Johnson, Gary Ablett, Jimmy Bartel, Paul Chapman, Cameron Mooney and Cameron Ling along with many local players provide children from years 3 to 4 with worthwhile football skills and fun activities at the nab AFL Auskick Player Clinics. There were over 5300 children from regional primary schools involved in the clinics conducted during this program. This year for the first time the Western Bulldogs conducted school visits in the Colac area. The seven senior players from the Bulldogs who attended were Jordan McMahon, Sam Power, Adam Cooney, Paul O'Shea, Daniel Cross, Ryan Griffin and Malcolm Lynch. Well over 1200 students attended.

Thanks to nab AFL Auskick for their sponsorship of the program, along with Fresha Fruit Juices (now in its ninth year) and also Regal Products. What a great way to finish the activities with a cold orange juice and an ice cream for everyone.

#### Fun 4 Kids Festival - Warrnambool

Football was one of the popular activities, particularly with boys, at the Fun 4 Kids Festival held in Warrnambool over the week July 1<sup>st</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>. Included in the football area were handball competitions, kicking using portable goal posts and plenty of footballs. Assisting to run the activities over the Festival was Peter Allan, Hampden FNL Development Officer, along with local clubs and Geelong Falcons squad players who provided the manpower to make the Auskick footy promotional activity well worth a visit. The Fun 4 Kids Festival, is in its eighth year in Warrnambool and has proved to be a great attraction during the second term school holidays. The festival continues to grow each year.

#### **Colac Youth Council Sports Activities Expo**

The inaugural Colac Youth Council Sports Activities Expo was held at the Blue Water Fitness Centre in Colac on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October. All Primary schools in the Colac area attended the day's activities with over 600 children involved. Colac & District FNL Development Officer Peter Mulheron conducted an Auskick Expo which involved displays, DVD's, and giveaways. On the day a handball competition was set up with each bulls eye shot receiving a ticket in a Nathan Foley (Richmond FC) signed football. The success of the day was attributed to League CEO David Heard, Auskick coordinators Paul Robson, Sam McDonald and Peter's wife Trish for their hard work throughout the day.

#### **AFL Auskick Rules / Grid Games**

16 Hampden Region nab AFL Auskick centres were given the opportunity to be involved in Auskick Rules or Grid Games at half time of AFL games this year. Games were played at the MCG, Telstra Dome and Skilled Stadium. This provided many young children the chance to demonstrate their footy skills at an AFL venue.

#### **Hampden Region Coaches Association**

The HRCA has been very active again this year. Membership has grown to 166 (48 new coaches this year) with 44 coaches attending our Level 1 Youth/Senior coaching course at Glenormiston on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March. Presenters included Ray McLean (Organising the Training Session), Adam Matheson (Fitness for Football/Recovery & Rehabilitation), Paul Henriksen (Coaching Youth Players) and local Level 3 coach Leigh McCluskey (Team play & Tactics, Basic Skills of Football & Training Drills). The Association provides its members with three very informative locally produced magazines with football news, coaching tips, training ideas, fitness information, rule explanations and medical information along with membership to the Australian Football Coaches Association (Vic) and its three coaching updates magazines and other membership benefits.

The Coaching Resource Library established in 1998 has now an extensive range of equipment including ruck bags, tackle bags, coach's mats, videos, books to lend and support local coaching at senior/junior levels.

The final function for 2007 was the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual "Coach of the Year" awards held in conjunction with the Hampden FNL Maskell Medal count and presentation function on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September at the City Memorial Bowls Club in Warrnambool. Over 400 people from Hampden FNL clubs and other interested football personnel attended the day, and gave their support to the nominees in each of the four categories.

The 4 winners were Senior – Andrew Foster (Koroit FNC), Youth – Stephen Kelson (Sth Warrnambool FNC), Junior – Gerard Blythe (St Pius PS) and Auskick – Pat Doran (Russell's Creek) who then become the Region's nominees for the Victorian "Coach of the Year" awards dinner conducted in Melbourne on 9<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Youth Leadership Seminar - presented by AFL Youth Ambassador Jason McCartney

The AFL and AFL Victoria provided the opportunity for the AFL Youth Ambassador Jason McCartney to visit Colac on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May. 630 students from Trinity College, Colac College, and Colac High attended the COPACC Main Auditorium in Colac to listen to Jason's presentation "Your Destiny is a Matter of Choice". 2 sessions were conducted to cope with the student demand. The seminar was designed to provide the attendees with the necessary steps and skills to take control of their own destiny. Local guests including representatives from the Colac Shire Council, Colac Police, Colac & District FNL, Colac District Auskick co-ordinators and local media. Jason also addressed invited guests at a special luncheon.

#### South West Region Junior Round Robin - Hamilton

The South West Region Junior Round Robin for U14 & U16 teams was conducted in Hamilton on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May. The games were played between Hampden JFL (2 teams), Hamilton JFL, Portland JFL, Mininera JFL, Mt.Gambier JFL, Casterton/Coleraine JFL and, the for the first time this year, the Warrnambool & District FNL

Championship winners for 2007 were Warrnambool & District FNL at U14 (coach - Darren Cross) & Hamilton JFL at U16.

#### V-Line Ballarat & District Junior Carnival

Colac & District FNL entered U14 and U16 teams for the fist time in the Ballarat & District Junior Carnival this year. The games were played at the Marty Busch Reserve in Sebastapol on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June. 4 Leagues were involved and teams were entered from Central Highlands FL, Lexton Plains FNL, Mininera DFL & Colac & District FNL. Each League during the day were involved in a Life Skills Session presented by Nathan Thompson (Nth Melbourne FC). Colac & District FNL won both U14 & U16 divisions. Congratulations to winning coaches Des Ryan (U14) and Murray Williamson & Daryl Black (U16).

#### **Hampden Region State Representatives**

There was once again strong representation at U16 and U15 National Championship level this year. Luke Thompson (Timboon Demons), Ben Cunnington (Cobden), Dean Gavin (Koroit) and Luke Rounds (Terang Mortlake) were the South West representative in the U16 Nationals played in Brisbane in July. In the U15 Australian Secondary Schools National Football Championships in Sydney in July, Daniel Semmens (Cobden) was the South West rep. in the Victorian team.





#### **GEELONG REGION DEVELOPMENT REPORT - John Edsall**

The role as West Coast Regional Development Manager incorporates a range of responsibilities, in the main coordination of AFL Victoria's Development programs.

#### **AFL Player Appearances**

The AFL maintained its policy this year requiring every player on Geelong's list to make an equal contribution to game development through their attendance at Auskick Centres, Primary & Secondary Schools and Junior Football Clubs.

The commitment of the Geelong players to this cause was again first class and the feed back from those groups serviced was very positive. We also maintained the other 3 excellent opportunities for the region's youth to access



their AFL heroes - every GFC player visited a junior club to help conduct training, while an Auskick Superclinic was held at Kardinia Park in August with most GFC players and over 1500 Auskickers in attendance - GFC players also visited every Auskick centre which requested a player visit at the end of the season.

We are also contacted regularly to service individual requests from various schools and other organizations - individual clinics, AFL Recreational Football, Sport Days and Girl's Footy are among the types of requests which are made and serviced.

#### Junior Club Development and the 'fostership' concept

AFL Victoria has, in conjunction with the Victorian Country Football League and the West Coast Regional Board, continued to promote the development and growth of football throughout the region.

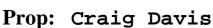
Local clubs are provided with the option of becoming involved in many of the AFL Victoria Programs (such as the AFL Player Clinics and the AFL Auskick Program) to assist them in their endeavors to help foster the game in their local schools and community. Local clubs and leagues are supported in every possible way through our resources and expertise. Many local clubs are very active in this regard, offering a range of services to local schools with the assistance of AFL Victoria.

#### **Annual AFL Victoria Raffle**

Once again our region was the leading ticket-seller in the state (12 consecutive years!) with participating clubs, Auskicks and Little Leagues benefiting by about \$10,000. Many of our region's clubs and Auskick centres continue to use this as their sole fundraising effort for the year.



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#### **CLUB PERSONNEL 2007**

**Region Manager** 

Development Manager-Hampden Development Manager-Geelong

**Auskick Coordinator** 

**Club Coach** 

**U18 Assistant Coaches** 

Football Manager Chairman of Selectors

Fitness/Weights/Running Coach

Rehabilitation Coach Runner / Ruck Coach

Runner

Boxing Coach Bench Manager

Team Manager Property Manager

Club Doctor Physiotherapist

Podiatrist Head Trainer

**Trainers** (supervisors)

**Time Keeper** 

Interchange Steward / Umpire Escort

Statisticians Welfare Officer Club Chaplain <u>U16 Program</u>

Geelong

Hampden

**U15 Program** 

Geelong

Hampden

**Squad Coaches** 

Secondary Schools Coordinator Recruiting Coordinators Clerical Secretary Club Maintenance / Assistant Team Manager



Michael Turner
Alan Thompson
John Edsall
John Paslawski
Garry Hocking
Simon Hawking
Marty Christensen
Mark Hovey
Cameron Loftus
Craig Hocking
Darren Lynch

Jamie Hepner Renee Peters Paul Henriksen Darryl Eagle Steve Griffin

Lloyd Anstee / Clive West / Peter Hester

John & Evelyn Winter

Steve Baker Justin Edwards Paul Graham Tim Malberg

Sharron Dunoon / Corine Briers

Shane Dawson

Clive West Asst. Coaches; Simon Hawking, Marty Christensen & Mark Hovey

Peter Hester

Nathan Cayzer / James Holt

Richard Embelton David Curnow

Ashley Connoley, Mick McManus, Ron Imanse, Shaunn

Rock, Brett McTaggart, Andrew Allthorpe John McVilly, Paul McVilly, Alan Thompson, Michael Boyd, Paul Henriksen, Jeremy Mitchem

Mark Gellie, Tony Costa, Rod Grant, Mark Dreher

David Farrell, Barry Orvis, John Edsall,

Shane Dawson

Peter Banks, John McVilly, Paul McVilly Pat Roberts, Jack Jenkins, Alan Thompson

John McVilly - Colac

Paul Henriksen - Camperdown Jeremy Mitchem - Warrnambool

Darrell Nash

Ashley Connoley, Alan Thompson

Karen Turner Clive West











#### GEELONG FALCONS 2007 - JUMPER LIST

JUMPER No.	CHRISTIAN NAME	SURNAME	DOB	НТ	WT	CLUB
1	Dean	MUIR	04.02.90	180	63	Inverleigh
2	Anthony	FAGAN	26.06.89	167	67	Geelong Amateurs
3	Daniel	JULL	28.03.90	180	72	Drysdale
3	Jordan	GRANT	19.10.89	178	71	St Josephs
4	Hugh	HUNTER	04.05.90	165	64	Geelong Amateurs
5	Kane	SMITH	15.02.89	174	77	Lara
6	Ben	KIRK	26.05.89	173	71	Barwon Heads
7	Sam	HUGHES	24.06.90	177	62	Leopold
8	Chris	MORELAND	20.10.89	184	70	Bell Post Hill
9	Tom	BATTEN	01.01.89	185	68	North Warrnambool
10	Timothy	HUNT	06.03.90	177	59	Warrnambool
11	Chris	LYNCH	17.03.89	179	66	Bell Park
12	Edward	CURNOW	07.11.89	182	75	Geelong College
13	Andrew	HARGRAVES	13.03.90	175	72	Timboon Demons
14	Jack	STEVEN	28.03.90	179	77	Lorne
15	Brandon	BACKWELL	01.04.89	181	73	St Marys
16	Daniel	MALONEY	25.08.90	186	74	Ocean Grove
17	Ben	BUCOVAZ	02.11.90	188	86	Geelong Amateurs
18	Tom	McMANUS	22.06.90	187	70	Ocean Grove
19	Brett	CUNNINGHAM	25.10.89	182	79	Anglesea
20	Anthony	BIEMANS	29.03.90	180	75	South Barwon
21	Kade	NEWTON	01.06.90	181	72	Colac
22	Liam	JACKSON	22.03.89	192	97	St Josephs
23	Nik	ORVIS	15.12.89	194	87	Queenscliff
24	Brenton	RITCHI	18.03.89	184	74	Geelong West St Peters
25	Lachlan	HENDERSON	14.12.89	196	90	Geelong College
26	Zach	HICKLETON	20.06.89	187	74	Bannockburn
27	Leigh	THOMPSON	15.09.89	190	83	Drysdale
28	Jordan	JONES	29.06.90	189	86	Ocean Grove
29	Tom	SIMPKIN	07.08.90	188	76	Colac
30	Sam	STAVENUITER	02.07.89	195	97	South Barwon
31	Alister	PORTER	09.03.89	182	64	South Warrnambool
32	Nicholas	SUTCLIFFE	12.09.89	189	77	Geelong Amateurs
33	Guy	O'KEEFE	05.12.89	184	76	Geelong Grammar
34	Adam	DONOHUE	22.02.90	182	82	Grovedale
35	Patrick	DANGERFIELD	05.04.90	188	80	Anglesea
36	Justin	BAXTER	13.03.89	186	77	Terang/Mortlake
37	Jeremy	MUGAVIN	26.05.89	184	79	South Warrnambool
38	Zacchary	LEDIN	02.05.90	180	70	North Warrnambool
39	Lucas	BOYD	09.05.90	190	84	Warrnambool
40	Andrew	SCOTT	20.06.88	191	81	Colac
41	Ben	CAPRA	24.09.89	190	87	St Josephs
41	Luke	DELANEY	24.06.89	193	95	Grovedale
42	Sam	BOURKE	25.03.89	182	84	Grovedale
43	Jaxson	BARHAM	20.05.88	181	74	Lorne
44	Chris	KANGARS	01.08.89	193	84	Geelong Amateurs
45	Simon	JENKINS	11.07.89	178	71	North Warrnambool
46	Jordie	McKENZIE	21.06.90	186	69	Terang/Mortlake
47	Tom	HORNSEY	17.02.89	192	86	Torquay
48	Benjamin	DOBSON	13.02.90	189	86	Koroit
49		CORDY	06.08.90	200	72	Geelong College
50	Ayce Levi	DARE	02.12.89	195	92	Alvie
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#### **MATCH SUMMARY - 2007**

Rnd	Date	Played	Venue	Scores	W/L
1	Mar 31	Murray Bushrangers	Skilled Stadium	26.15.171 – 6.10.46	W
2	April 14	North Ballarat Rebels	Maryborough	16.16.112 - 5.13.43	W
3	April 22	Western Jets	Skilled Stadium	8.8.56 – 10.19.79	L
4	April 29	Northern Knights	Colac	16.7.103 – 16.12.108	L
5	May 5	Northern Territory	Skilled Stadium	18.22.130 - 4.8.32	W
6	May 19	Bendigo Pioneers	QEO, Bendigo	20.15.135 – 10.10.70	W
7	May 27	Dandenong Stingrays	Shepley Oval	13.9.87 – 16.20.116	L
8	June 2	Calder Cannons	Warrnambool	7.13.55 – 14.14.98	L
9	June16	Oakleigh Chargers	Bartercard Oval	16.14.110 – 15.11.101	W
10	June23	Sandringham Dragons	Sandringham	11.16.82 – 9.17.71	W
11	July 1	Gippsland Power	South Barwon	9.14.68 - 18.8.116	L
12	July 16	Eastern Ranges	Geelong West	11.15.81 - 8.6.54	W
13	July 21	Murray Bushrangers	Shepparton	19.12.126 – 6.7.43	L
14	July 28	Bendigo Pioneers	Skilled Stadium	20.12.132 – 14.12.96	W
15	Aug 5	Dandenong Stingrays	Skilled Stadium	16.13.109 – 10.14.74	W
16	Aug 19	North Ballarat Rebels	Skilled Stadium	17.13.115 – 12.11.83	W
17	Aug 25	Calder Cannons	Coburg	14.15.99 – 17.13.115	L
18	Sept 1	Northern Knights	MC Labour Park	12.14.86 – 20.13.133	L
EF	Sept 8	Eastern Ranges	MC Labour Park	14.15.99 - 16.14.110	L

#### AFL VICTORIA - TAC Cup - 2007 Ladder

	CLUB	W	L	D	FOR	AGAINST	%	POINTS
1.	Gippsland Power	13	5	0	1749	1421	123.08	52
2.	Calder Cannons	13	5	0	1784	1521	117.29	52
3.	Murray Bushrangers	12	6	0	1710	1375	124.36	48
4.	Northern Knights	12	6	0	1912	1542	123.99	48
5.	Western Jets	12	6	0	1825	1573	116.02	48
6.	Geelong Falcons	10	8	0	1774	1561	113.65	40
7.	Eastern Ranges	9	9	0	1537	1521	101.05	36
8.	North Ballarat Rebels	8	10	0	1223	1584	77.21	32
9.	Oakleigh Chargers	7	11	0	1662	1684	98.69	28
10.	Dandenong Stingrays	5	13	0	1759	1997	88.08	20
11.	Bendigo Pioneers	4	14	0	1515	1907	79.44	16
12.	Sandringham Dragons	3	15	0	1465	2086	70.23	12





#### GEELONG FALCONS GOAL KICKERS

NAME		TAC Cup TOTAL
Cuy O'Koofo	<b>2007</b> 21	21
Guy O'Keefe Andrew Scott	19	$\frac{21}{34}$
Sam Hughes	19	34 19
S	18	18
Chris Lynch Jack Steven	17	17
Sam Stavenuiter	17 15	
		24
Zac Ledin Kane Smith	14 13	14 19
Tom Batten	13	13
Timothy Hunt	12	12
Chris Moreland	12	12
Lachlan Henderson	11	25
Adam Donohue	11	11
Hugh Hunter	9	9
Jaxson Barham	9	9
Jeremy Mugavin	7	7
Zac Hickleton	6	6
Pat Dangerfield	6	6
Anthony Fagan	5	5
Ayce Cordy	4	4
Daniel Jull	4	4
Edward Curnow	3	3
Nik Orvis	3	3
Tom Hornsey	2	3
Levi Dare	2	3
Ben Bucovaz	<b>2</b>	2
Chris Kangars	<b>2</b>	2
Brandon Backwell	1	7
Jordan Grant	1	6
Ben Dobson	1	1
Lucas Boyd	1	1
Andrew Hargreaves	1	1
Nic Sutcliffe	1	1
Daniel Moloney	1	1
Dean Muir	1	1
Brett Cunningham	1	1
Liam Jackson	1	1
Jordan Jones	1	1
Justin Baxter	-	1

2007 FALCONS MORRISH MEDAL					
Player	Votes				
Kane Smith	9				
Chris Lynch	8				
Zac Ledin	6				
Andrew Scott	5				
Guy O'Keefe, Ed Curnow,	3				
Chris Kangars, Hugh					
Hunter, Sam Stavenuiter					
Justin Baxter, Adam	2				
Donohue, Jeremy					
Mugavin, Anthony Fagan					
Sam Hughes, Tom Batten	1				

TAC COACHES	S AWARD - 20	07
Name	Club	Total
Matt Kruezer	Northern	50
Mitchell Banner	Western	37
Grant Ford	Bendigo	28
James Polkinghorne	Calder	28
Kane Smith	Geelong	16
Zac Ledin	Geelong	15
Jack Steven	Geelong	13
Chris Lynch	Geelong	12
Sam Stavenuiter	Geelong	11
Andrew Scott	Geelong	10
Chris Kangars	Geelong	9
Jordan Jones	Geelong	6
Jeremy Mugavin	Geelong	4
Daniel Jull, Ben Kirk,	Geelong	3
Guy O'Keefe	Falcons	





#### GEELONG FALCONS HONOUR ROLL Games played 1992-2007

Glenn Hanegraaf Cameron Ling Adam Wilkinson Aaron Nawrocki Andrew Siegert Chris Baumgartner James Bartel Paul Sullivan Ged Brody Tim Sheringham John Meesen Paul Hood David Clarke	pre 05 51 46 40 39 38 38 37 37 37 36 36 36 36 35	05	06	07	Total 51 46 40 39 38 38 37 37 36 36 36 36 35
Ben Jansen Sam Wormald Sam Dwyer Chris Heffernan Andrew Scott Sam Stavenuiter Kane Smith Tom Hornsey Justin Baxter Jeremy Mugavin Chris Lynch Jaxson Barham Lachlan Henderson Adam Donohue Sam Hughes Jack Steven	35 19 34 34	16	19 18 15 11 5	19 19 18 14 15 19 17 66 16 15	35 34 34 38 37 33 25 20 19 17 16 16 15
Chris Kangars Zac Ledin Liam Jackson Hugh Hunter Brett Cunningham Jordan Grant Edward Curnow Chris Moreland Jordan Jones Tim Hunt Tom Batten Nik Orvis			7 6 11 5	14 14 7 13 7 1 10 10 10	14 14 13 13 12 12 11 10 10
Anthony Fagan Pat Dangerfield Guy O'Keefe Brandon Backwell Levi Dare Luke Delaney Simon Jenkins Ben Bucovaz Ben Capra			7 3 2	999156876	9 9 8 8 8 8 7 6
Dean Muir Leigh Thompson Daniel Jull Brenton Ritchi Tom Simpkin Daniel Moloney Zac Hickleton Nick Sutcliffe Ayce Cordy Tom McManus Andrew Hargraves			3	199991568766254444232221	10999988888766555444433222211
Lucas Boyd Kade Newton Ben Dobson				2 1 1	2 1 1



2007 Best & Fairest Jack Steven, recipient of The Norris Harding Medal

<b>B&amp;F VOTES – 2007</b>					
1	Jack Steven	358			
2	Andrew Scott	336			
3	Jaxson Barham	317			
4	Sam Stavenuiter	264			
5	Zac Ledin	242			
6	Kane Smith	235			
7	Chris Lynch	220			
8	Jeremy Mugavin	210			
9	Adam Donohue	191			
10	Chris Kangars	171			
11	Justin Baxter	136			
12	<b>Hugh Hunter</b>	118			
13	Pat Dangerfield	109			
14	Timothy Hunt	107			
15	Guy O'Keefe	88			
16	Sam Hughes	80			
=17	Tom Batten,	79			
	Jordan Jones				
19	Anthony Fagan	75			
20	Luke Delaney	70			
21	Ed Curnow	64			
22	Tom Simpkin	50			
23	Daniel Jull	49			
24	Ben Kirk	46			
25	Chris Moreland	44			
26	Ben Capra	43			
27	Ayce Cordy	32			
28	Liam Jackson	31			
29	Tom Hornsey	22			
30	Ben Bucovaz	20			
31	Brett Cunningham	15			
32	Nik Orvis	14			
33	Dean Muir	12			
=34	Daniel Maloney,	6			
	Nicholas Sutcliffe,				
977	Simon Jenkins	-			
37	Levi Dare	5			

#### **CLUB TROPHY WINNERS to 2007**

	CECD INOIL		111210 10 2007
	ON AWARD (Outstanding Service to the		
1992	Kieran Murrihy	1993	Leigh Pettigrove
1994	Nigel Browning	1995	Rick Embelton - Head Trainer
1996	Dr. Steven Baker (Club Doctor)	1997	Norris Harding
1998	Pat Meade	1999	Peter Burke
2000	Lloyd Anstee	2001	Ray Pigott
2002	Peter Banks / Tim Malberg	2003	Colin Werrett
2004	Frank Pike / Bill Dalziel	2005	Damien Christensen / Leigh McLusky
2006	Clive West	2007	Tim Malberg
1992	Γ (Norris Harding Medal) Vince Cappadona	1993	Wade Chapman
1994	Tony Brown	1995	Paul Hood - 265 Votes
1996	Jacob Rhodes - 268 Votes	1997	James Dalton - 207 Votes
1998	Marc Dragicevic - 259 Votes	1999	Mike Beardsley - 214 Votes
2000	James Bartel – 199 Votes	2001	Dominic Gleeson – 275 Votes
2002	James Allan – 263 Votes	2003	Nathan Foley – 167 Votes
2004	Tim Sheringham – 196 Votes	2005	Marcus Crook – 205 votes
2006	Daniel O'Keefe - 419 Votes	2007	Jack Steven
RUNNER - UP	Bullier o receive 119 votes	2007	ducii steven
1992	Glenn Gorman/Daniel Fletcher	1993	Glenn Gorman
1994	Shaun Baxter	1995	Joe McLaren - 197 Votes
1996	Steven Clarke - 235 Votes	1997	James Rahilly - 198 Votes
1998	Ged Brody - 164 Votes	1999	Tim Clark - 202 Votes
2000	Matthew Irving – 174 Votes	2001	James Bartel – 234 Votes
2002	Josh Rudd – 198 Votes	2003	Sam Dwyer – 163 Votes
2004	Jordan Lewis – 191 Votes	2005	Jacob McGuane – 203 votes
2006	Michael Rockefeller - 254 Votes	2007	Andrew Scott
3RD BEST & FAI	REST		
1993	Andrew Sharp	1994	Peter Bird/Gavin Colville
1995	Peter Featherston - 188 Votes	1996	Chris Heffernan - 221 Votes
1997	Sam Talarico - 197 Votes	1998	Adam Harris - 163 Votes
1999	Jonathan Brown - 199 Votes	2000	Amon Buchanan – 158 Votes
2001	Paul Sullivan – 156 Votes	2002	Tim Boyle – 166 Votes
2003	Will Richardson – 135 Votes	2004	Sam Dwyer – 163 Votes
2005	Jackson Sheringham – 176 votes	2006	Flinn Chisholm - 245 Votes
2007	Jaxson Barham		
4TH BEST & FAI		2006	Travis Boak - 222 Votes
LEADING GOAL		1002	D '1 E ' (27)
1992	Adam Richardson (35)	1993	David Tanis (27)
1994	Scott Lucas (55)	1995	Korey Fulton (24)
1996 1998	Ben Broad (54)	1997	Cameron Ling (34)
	Cameron Ling (46)	1999	Cameron Ling (34)
2000 2002	Matthew Irving (46) Jake Carmody (30)	2001 2003	Travis Moloney (37)
2002	Blair Tournier (32)	2005	Blair Tournier (22) Jonathan Simpkin (25)
2004	Daniel O'Keefe (32)	2003	Guy O'Keefe (21)
BEST IN FINALS		2007	Guy O Reele (21)
1992	Matthew Primus/Daniel Fletcher	1993	Matthew Primus
1994	Peter Bird	1995	Dan Madden
1996	Jacob Rhodes	1998	Steve Baker / Jay Solomon
1999	Brendan Coffey	2000	Amon Buchanan
2001	Nick Maxwell / Matt Maguire	2003	Jarrod Kayler-Thomson
2004	John Meesen	2005	Sam Wormald
2006	Andrew Scott / Thomas Couch	2007	Adam Donohue
MOST IMPROVE			
1992	Michael O'Leary	1993	Ben Glynn
1994	Jeremy Dyer	1995	Joe McLaren
1996	Brent Grgic	1997	Liam Buchanan
1998	Adam Wiseman	1999	Leigh Harding
2000	Andrew Siegert	2001	Joel Reynolds
2002	Pat Travers	2003	John Meesen / Jordan Lewis
2004	Josh Eddy	2005	Nicholas Couch
2006	Simon Hogan	2007	Chris Lynch
TRAINER'S AWA	ARD		
1992	Tim Sherman	1993	Tim Hedley
1994	Shane Wembridge	1995	Ben McIntosh
1996	Damien Villarossa	1997	Tim Carson
1998	Chris McLaren	1999	Ged Brody
2000	Bernard Lynch	2001	Gary Ablett
2002	Nathan Foley	2003	Luke Buckland
2004	Xavier Moloney	2005	Josh Eddy
2007	Zac Ledin		
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(All Trophies supplied by Promote-It Clothing & Trophies)



Tim Malberg



Andrew Scott



Jaxson Barham



Guy O'Keefe



Adam Donohue



Chris Lynch



Zac Ledin

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SPECIAL ACHI	EVEMENT AWARDS					
1992	Luke Rayner, James McLure					
1993	Wade Chapman, Glenn Gorman, Gl	enn Haneg	raaf		III biraani	
1994	Tony Brown, Chris Hemley	·····				
1995		Paul Hood: Morrish Medal, Ben Setchell: Larke Medal				
1996		Lee Roberts, Chris Heffernan, Ben Setchell - V.S.F.L. 1996 Team of the Year				
1997	Matthew Scarlett - U18 All Austr					
1998	Marc Dragicevic - U18 All Austra					
1999	Jonathan Brown - U18 All Aust./				00	
2000	James Bartel - U18 All Aust./TA					
2001	James Bartel – U18 All Aust./TA					
	Luke Molan – TAC Cup Team of					
	Rick Embelton, Lloyd Anstee, Ra				Ayce Cordy	
2002	James Allan – U18 All Aust/TAC	Cup Tear	n of Year			
	Josh Rudd – TAC Cup Team of Y	'ear				
2003	Nathan Foley – TAC Cup Team of					
	Pat Travers – TAC Cup Team of	Year				
2004	Jordan Lewis – All Australian / T	AC Cup T	eam of Year			
	John Meesen – TAC Cup Team o	f Year		Carry Marie	9	
	Tim Sheringham – TAC Cup Tea					
2005	Danny Stanley, Clinton Bartram,	Travis Bo	ak – AIS Academy			
	Shaun Higgins, Jacob McGuane -			9	la l	
2006	Lachlan Henderson, Patrick Dang	gerfield – A	AIS Academy	节		
	Daniel O'Keefe, Ryan Williams -	- TAC Cup	Team of Year	104	1202	
2007	Ayce Cordy – AIS Academy			The second second	V AS	
	Chris Kangars, Jaxson Barham	- TAC C	up Team of Year		4.5	
	SEOUS PLAYER - Shaun Baxter A			Chris Kangars	Jaxson Barham	
1996	James Dalton	1997	Steven Clarke		_	
1998	Tim Malseed	1999	Bill Nicholls			
2000	Matt Jovanovic	2002	Tim Callan			
2003	Casey Tully	2004	Jacob McGuane		N. J. Company	
2005	Jonathan Simpkin	2006	Timothy Brown			
2007	Kane Smith					
MOST CONSIST	ENT PLAYER					
1996	Mark Whelan	1997	Rory Priddle	ice. My go		
1998	Adam Wilkinson	1999	David Haynes			
2000	Cameron Tate	2002	Thomas Mullane-Grant			
2003	Tim Sheringham	2004	Hayden Foss	3		
2005	Ryan Williams / Jake Johnson	2006	Peter Hardy	a		
2007	Jeremy Mugavin			Kane Smith	Jeremy Mugavin	

#### COACH'S AWARD

2007 Sam Stavenuiter

#### REGIONAL MANAGER'S AWARD

2000	Tim Muhlebach	2002	Simon Potter
2003	James Allan	2004	Matthew Pitt
2005	Jye Walker	2006	Tim Horan
2007	Simon Jenkins, Liam Ja	ckson, Ben Kirk	



#### LIFE MEMBERS

2002 Lloyd Anstee, Richard Embelton & Dr Steve Baker

Tim Malberg, Clive West, Paul McVilly, Peter Banks, Evelyn Winter, Colin Werrett 2006





Liam Jackson, Ben Kirk & Simon Jenkins with Michael Turner

## FINALS WRAP UP

AFL VICTORIA TAC Cup 2<sup>nd</sup> ELIMINATION FINAL SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> September - MC Labour Park

Eastern Ranges 16.14.110 d Geelong Falcons 14.15.99

Goals: Lynch 3, Hughes 2, Hunter 2, Steven, Henderson, Dangerfield, Donohue, Mugavin, Hunt,

Scott, Donohue, Cordy, Steven, Hughes, Dangerfield Best:

















## Falcons in Full Flight



























#### **SEASON SUMMARY 2007**

No.	]	PLAYER		<b>70</b>						
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2	Dean	MUIR	34	23	13	15	-	1	1	6
3	Anthony	FAGAN	95	65	26	36	1	5	5	9
3	Daniel	JULL	39	43	24	18	1	4	5	5
4	Jordan	GRANT	9	4	2	2	- 1	1	1	1
5	Hugh	HUNTER	120	113	34	75	1	9	1	13
6	Kane	SMITH	321	108	85	98 17	6	13	7	18
7	Ben	KIRK	88 161	28 47	15 65	29	1	19	- 19	10
8	Sam	HUGHES	80	48	37	46	8	12	4	16 11
9	Chris	MORELAND	62	29	36	14	2	13	9	10
10	Tom	BATTEN	90	49	31	23		12	6	10
11	Timothy	HUNT	211	127	87	34	_	18	5	19
12	Chris	LYNCH	92	65	28	34	_	3	2	7
13	Edward Andrew	CURNOW HARGRAVES	14	3	1	3	_	1	1	2
14	Jack	STEVEN	209	100	63	36	1	17	20	15
15	Brandon	BACKWELL	6	4	2	1	-	1	1	1
16	Daniel	MOLONEY	31	9	11	7	_	1	_	4
17	Ben	BUCOVAZ	57	35	27	30	8	2	6	7
18	Tom	McMANUS	5	12	3	3	-		-	2
19	Brett	CUNNINGHAM	55	57	20	11	1	1	4	7
20	Anthony	BIEMANS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u> </u>
21	Kade	NEWTON	1	2	1	3	_	_	1	1
22	Liam	JACKSON	17	34	7	13	19	1	-	7
23	Nik	ORVIS	39	28	21	13	61	3	3	9
24	Brenton	RITCHI	24	10	10	9	1	-	1	4
25	Lachlan	HENDERSON	57	29	32	22	33	11	5	6
26	Zach	HICKLETON	27	12	20	3	-	6	4	4
27	Leigh	THOMPSON	6	8	4	3	7	-	-	2
28	Jordan	JONES	88	60	47	19	5	1	2	10
29	Tom	SIMPKIN	33	17	8	8	-	-	-	4
30	Sam	STAVENUITER	130	139	97	47	181	15	22	19
31	Alister	PORTER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	Nicholas	SUTCLIFFE	11	9	10	3	1	1	1	2
33	Guy	O'KEEFE	111	47	40	22	-	21	12	9
34	Adam	DONOHUE	233	88	97	34	-	11	11	16
35	Patrick	DANGERFIELD	94	40	29	28	1	6	3	9
36	Justin	BAXTER	140	75	42	32	3	-	1	15
37	Jeremy	MUGAVIN	212	181	76	56	2	7	1	19
38	Zacchary	LEDIN	159	144	61	40	-	14	6	14
39	Lucas	BOYD	16	9	7	3	-	1	3	2
40	Andrew	SCOTT	148	166	113	39	96	19	12	19
41	Ben	CAPRA	33	39	16	17	2	-	1	6
41	Luke	DELANEY	33	30	24	9	9	-	-	6
42	Sam	BOURKE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
43	Jaxson	BARHAM	227	117	83	36	1	9	12	17
44	Chris	KANGARS	60	91	30	48	37	2	1	14
45	Simon	JENKINS	51	32	17	24	-	-	-	8
46	Jordie	McKENZIE	- 110	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
47	Tom	HORNSEY	112	58	54	14	8	2	5	14
48	Benjamin	DOBSON	11	4	5	1	-	1	1	1
49	Ayce	CORDY	21	20	12	6	11	4	4	3
50	Levi	DARE	21	10	11	8	36	2	2	5



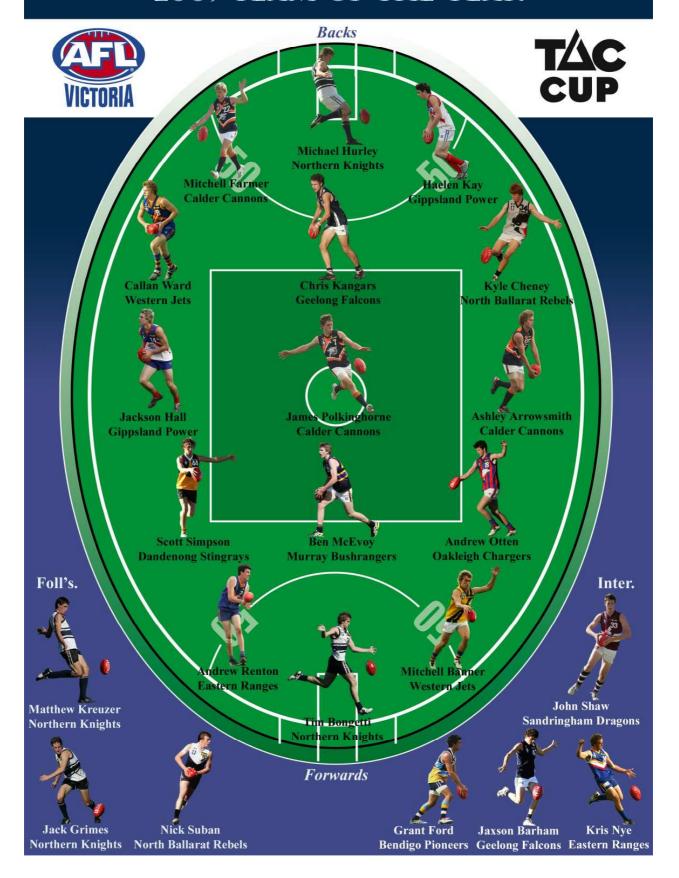








### AFL VICTORIA TAC CUP 2007 TEAM OF THE YEAR



#### 1992-2007 SEASONS STATISTICS

#### **CLUB RECORDS**

Highest score for: 29.9.183 V Ballarat Rebels (1st Semi-Final - 1995)
Highest score against: 24.16.160 by Calder Cannons (Round 9 - 2003)
Lowest Winning score: 4.17.41 V Ballarat Rebels (Round 17 - 1998)

Highest Losing score: 18.12.120 V Sandringham Dragons (Round 7 - 2004)

Most Goals (Home & Away): Scott Lucas - 12 (V Southern Round 17 - 1994)

Most Goals (Finals): Amon Buchanan - 10 (v Sandringham Dragons S/F MCG - 2000)

Highest Winning Margin:
Highest Losing Margin:
Lowest Winning Margin:

163 points V Ballarat Rebels (Semi-Final - 1995)
100 points V Western Jets (Round 8 - 1993)
1 point V Murray Bushrangers (Round 1 - 2003)
1 point V Northern Knights (Round 8 - 2003)
1 point V Sandringham (Round 11 - 2003)

1 point V Sandringnam (Round 11 – 2003) 1 point V Queensland (Round 6 – 2006)

Lowest Losing Margin: 1 point V Ballarat Rebels (Round 4 – 1997, Round 17 - 2002)

1 point V Gippsland Power (Round 7 – 2003) 1 point V Eastern Ranges (Round 5 – 2005) 55 V Ballarat Rebels (Semi-Final - 1995) 11 V Prahran Dragons (Round 14 - 1995)

Most Scoring shots:55 V Ballarat Rebels (Semi-Final - 1995)Least Scoring shots:11 V Prahran Dragons (Round 14 - 1995)Most Goals in a quarter:13 V Northern Territory (Round 5 - 2000)

Most games: Glen Hanegraaf 51

# GEELONG FALCONS V OTHER TAC CUP CLUBS (1992 - 2007)

Against	Won	Lost	Tied	Total
North Ballarat Rebels	14	10	_	24
Bendigo Pioneers	20	7	_	$\frac{27}{27}$
Sandringham Dragons	19	7	-	26
Eastern Ranges	15	15	-	30
Gippsland Power	11	11	-	22
Murray Bushrangers	14	16	-	30
Northern Knights	13	13	-	26
Dandenong Stingrays	14	13	1	28
Western Jets	17	10	-	27
Oakleigh Chargers	13	8	-	21
Calder Cannons	10	10	-	20
Tassie Mariners	9	5	-	14
NSW/ACT Rams	11	2	-	13
Northern Territory	4	-	-	4
Queensland	1	-	-	1
TOTAL	185	<b>127</b>	1	313











#### A.F.L. DRAFT

Congratulations to Lachlan Henderson, Patrick Dangerfield, Jack Steven, Adam Donohue, Jaxson Barham & Guy O'Keefe drafted in 2007. We also acknowledge Ed Curnow and Chris Kangars being named on Rookie lists.

- 1992: Kieran Murrihy (Ess), Daniel Fletcher (Geelong), Tim Sherman (Bris), Vince Cappadona (Ess), Luke Rayner (Carl), Matthew Capuano (Nth Melb), James McLure (Coll), Scott Allen (Foots), Matthew Aston (Syd)
- 1993: Wade Chapman (Syd), Glenn Gorman (Syd)
- **1994:** Scott Lucas (Ess), Tony Brown (St.K.), Chris Hemley (St.K.), Jeremy Dyer (W.C.E.), Shaun Baxter (Foots), Peter Bird (Fitz), Nathan Saunders (Haw), Scott Taylor (Foots)
- 1995: Simon Fletcher (father/son-Geelong), Joe McLaren (St.K.), Nigel Credlin (Fitz), Ryan Grinter (St.K.), Matthew Primus (Fitz 1993 Falcons list)
- **1996:** Chris Heffernan (No 2 Ess), Bowen Lockwood (No 7 Port Power), Brent Grgic (No 11 Melb), Jacob Rhodes (No 44 Foots)
- 1997: James Rahilly (No 38 Geelong), Matthew Scarlett (No 45 father/son Geelong)
- 1998: David Clarke (No 21 father/son Geelong), Steve Baker (No 27 St Kilda), Jay Solomon (No 46 - Western B'dogs), David Loats (No 51 - Hawthorn) Marc Dragicevic (No 55 - Richmond), Tim Van Der Klooster (No 62 - Nth Melbourne)
- 1999: David Haynes (No 16 WCE), Jonathan Brown (No 30 father/son Brisbane Lions), Tim Clarke (No 33 Hawthorn), Cameron Ling (No 38 Geelong), Bill Nicholls (No 69 Hawthorn)
- **2000:** Sam Hunt (No 32 Ess), Amon Buchanan (No 52 Syd)
- 2001: Luke Hodge (No 1–Haw), James Bartel (No 8–Gee), Luke Molan (No 9–Mel), Matt Maguire (No 21–StK), Tom Davidson (No 27–Coll), Joel Reynolds (No 31-Ess) Gary Ablett (No 40-father/son-Gee), Leigh Harding (Kangaroos – 1999 Falcons list) Andrew Siegert (Fre – 2000 Falcons list)
- **2002:** Tim Callan (No 36-father/son-Gee), Tim Boyle (No 51-Haw), Lochlan Veale (No 65-Haw), Brent Moloney (Gee)
- 2003: Mark Blake (No 38-father/son-Gee)
- **2004:** Jordan Lewis (No 7 Hawthorn), John Meesen (No 8 Adelaide)
- **2005:** Shaun Higgins (No 11 Western Bulldogs), Danny Stanley (No 21 Collingwood), Clinton Bartram (No 60 Melbourne)
- **2006:** Travis Boak (No 5 Port Adelaide), Danny O'Keefe (No 15 Sydney), Will Schofield (No 50 West Coast), Simon Hogan (No 57 Geelong), Ryan Williams (No 83 Port Adelaide)
- 2007: Lachlan Henderson (No 8 Brisbane Lions), Patrick Dangerfield (No 10 Adelaide), Jack Steven (No 42 – St Kilda), Adam Donohue (No 60 – father/son Geelong), Jaxson Barham (No 61 – father/son Collingwood), Guy O'Keefe (No 63 – Western Bulldogs)









#### REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

#### Vic Country U18 TEAM - AFL U18 Championships (started 1996)

- 1992: Kieran Murrihy, Tim Edwards, Leigh McCorkell, Adrian Saltalamacchia, Adam Richardson
- 1993: Chris Kestles, Matthew Primus, Tim Hedley, Paul King, David Tanis, Glenn Gorman
- 1994: Ed Richardson, Scott Taylor, Scott Eddy, Peter Bird, Nigel Browning, Gavin Colville
- 1995: Travis Robertson, Peter Featherston, Paul Hood, Joe McLaren, Jared Gorman
- **1996:** Ben Setchell (C), Scott Faulkner, Leigh Roberts, Rory Priddle, Steven Clarke, Bowen Lockwood, Chris Heffernan, Glen Hanegraaf, Dan Madden
- 1997: James Dalton (VC), Matthew Scarlett, Tim Van Der Klooster, Rory Priddle
- 1998: Marc Dragicevic, Cameron Ling (VC), Tim Van Der Klooster, David Haynes, Bill Nicholls, David Clarke
- 1999: Jonathan Brown, Tim Clark, Leigh Harding, David Haynes, Cameron Ling, Andrew Siegert
- 2000: Andrew Siegert (VC), James Bartel, Sam Chapman
- **2001:** James Bartel (C), Luke Molan, Travis Moloney, Gary Ablett, Luke Vogels, Brent Moloney, Josh Rudd Tom Davidson (representing Tasmania)
- 2002: James Allan, Josh Rudd, Tim Callan, Jesse Smedts, Tom Lyons
- 2003: Nathan Foley, Pat Travers, Luke Buckland, Will Richardson, Mark Blake
- 2004: John Meesen, Jordan Lewis, Tim Sheringham, Sam Dwyer, Xavier Moloney, Hayden Foss
- 2005: Josh Eddy, Danny Stanley, Shaun Higgins, Jonathan Simpkin, Sam Wormald
- 2006: Travis Boak, Daniel O'Keefe, Jackson Sheringham, Ryan Williams, Lachlan Henderson
- 2007: Chris Kangars, Guy O'Keefe, Edward Curnow, Patrick Dangerfield, Jack Steven

#### V.C.F.L. U17 COMMONWEALTH BANK (TEAL) CUP

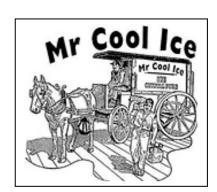
- 1992: Luke Rayner (C), Matthew Aston, Nigel Browning, Tim Sherman, Mark Orchard, Matthew Primus, Matthew Capuano, Glen Gorman, Andrew Mensch, Clinton Wright, Scott Allen
- **1993:** Glen Gorman (VC), Glen Hanegraaf, Nigel Browning, Gavin Colville, Lachlan Doyle, Wade Chapman, Edward Richardson
- **1994:** Tony Brown (C), Chris Hemley, Paul Hood, Ricky O'Toole, Glen Hanegraaf, Simon Fletcher, Scott Lucas
- 1995: Ben Broad, Ben Setchell, Scott Faulkner, Dan Madden, Chris Heffernan, Nigel Credlin
- **1996:** National Championships changed to U18 (see above) & U16 (see below)

#### ALL AUSTRALIAN U17's / U18's

- 1992: Luke Rayner
- 1993: Wade Chapman
- 1994: Tony Brown, Chris Hemley
- 1995: Ben Setchell Larke Medallist U17 Commonwealth Bank Cup
- **1997:** Matthew Scarlett
- 1998: Marc Dragicevic
- 1999: Jonathan Brown
- 2000: James Bartel
- 2001: James Bartel, Tom Davidson
- 2002: James Allan
- 2004: Jordan Lewis

#### TAC CUP TEAM OF THE YEAR

- 1992: Glen Gorman, Tim Sherman, Luke Rayner, Matthew Primus, Vince Cappadona
- 1993: Wade Chapman
- 1994: Tony Brown, Chris Hemley
- 1995: Paul Hood, Peter Featherston
- 1996: Chris Heffernan, Leigh Roberts, Ben Setchell
- **1997:** Matthew Scarlett
- **1998:** Marc Dragicevic
- 1999: Jonathan Brown, Cameron Ling
- 2000: James Bartel, Andrew Siegert
- 2001: James Bartel, Luke Molan
- 2002: James Allan, Josh Rudd
- 2003: Nathan Foley, Pat Travers
- 2004: Jordan Lewis, John Meesen, Tim Sheringham
- **2005:** Jacob McGuane, Shaun Higgins
- 2006: Daniel O'Keefe, Ryan Williams
- 2007: Chris Kangars, Jaxson Barham





#### SENIOR SELECTION - A.F.L. RESERVES

- 1992: Adrian Saltalamacchia (Carl), Michael O'Leary (Rich), Tim Edwards (Rich), Kieran Murrihy (Geel/Coll), Peter Jacks (Geel), Matthew Primus (Geel), James McLure (Coll), Cameron Burke (Geel)
- 1993: Andrew Sharp (Rich), David Tanis (Geel), Tim Hedley (Geel), Ben Glynn (Geel/Rich), Shaun Haverfield (Geel), Chris Kestles (Coll), Paul King (Coll/Geel)
- 1994: Scott Taylor (Geel/Syd), Scott Eddy (Geel/St.K.), Peter Bird (Syd/St.K.), Jeremy Dyer (Coll/Fitz), Travis Agg (Geel/Fitz), Nigel Browning (Geel/Coll), Gavin Colville (Geel/Rich), Ed Richardson (Geel/Rich), Nathan Saunders (Ess/Geel)
- **1995:** Kaine Marsh (Geel), Paul Hood (Geel), Ricky O'Toole (Geel), Peter Featherston (Fitz), Joe McLaren (Nth Melb), Chris Morgan (Geel), Travis Robertson (Fitz)
- 1996: Scott Faulkner (Melb), Ben Setchell (Foots/Geel), Glen Hanegraaf (Carl/Foots), Jared Brien (Rich), Drew Steven (Carl), Dan Madden (Carl/Melb), Damien Villarosa (Ess), Leigh Roberts (Melb), Ben Broad (Geel), Quinton Gleeson (Melb)
- 1997: Chris Baumgartner (Geel), Rory Priddle (Geel), James Dalton (Carl), Ben Jansen (Geel), Andrew Merriman (Coll), Kyle Nestor (Carl), Sam Talarico (Geel), Steven Clarke (Geel), Kane Montgomery (Geel), Matthew Scarlett (Geel), James Rahilly (Geel/Carl), Adam Pitts (Geel)
- 1998: David Clarke (Geel), Adam Wiseman (Carl), Tim Van Der Klooster (Carl), Tim Cartledge (Carl), Steve Baker (Geel), Chris McLaren (Geel), Jay Solomon (Geel), Alister Rogers (Geel), Luke Theodore (St K)
- 1999: David Haynes (Carl), Leigh Harding (Ess), Tim Clark (Syd/Ess), Cameron Ling (Ess/Haw) Ged Brody (Carl), Nick Bye (Syd), Aaron Clark (Ess), Patrick Heffernan (Syd), Brad Manczak (Melb) Aaron Rau (Geel), Michael Beardsley (Melb), Cory Bauer (Syd)
- 2000- No longer applicable

#### A.F.L. U16 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - Vic. Country Representatives - Geelong Falcons

- 1996: Melbourne (VCFL) Adam Wilkinson, Bill Nicholls, Andrew Spengler, Shane Manning
- 1997: Darwin (VCFL) Bill Nicholls, Cameron Ling, David Haynes, Lee Purton, Brad Manczak, Martin Sanders, Marc Dragicevic, Ged Brody
- 1998: Melbourne (VCFL) Michael Bright, Simon O'Keefe, Andrew Siegert, Ricky Smedts
- 1999: Melbourne (VCFL) Dominic Gleeson, Simon Rau, Aaron Nawrocki, Jeremy O'Donnell, Mark Andjelkovic, Luke Molan, Sam Hunt
- **2000:** Luke Hodge, Josh Rudd, Nick Barling, Simon Potter, Brett Moloney, Matthew Kilfoyle, Thomas Mullane-Grant, Matt Maguire
- **2001:** Nathan Braddock, James Allan, Patrick Travers, Jared Kayler-Thompson, Nathan Foley, Sean Bourke
- 2002: Jordan Lewis, Jordan Woolfe, Tim Sheringham, Renwick Watts, John Meesen
- 2003: Josh Eddy, Andrew McPherson, Brad Blain, Ben Johnson
- 2004: Clint Bartram, Travis Boak, Danny Stanley, Timothy Brown, Jacob Neal, Jackson Sheringham
- 2005: Will Schofield, Jordan Grant, Justin Baxter
- **2006:** Braydee Watts, Lucas Boyd, Jordan Jones, Patrick Dangerfield, Jordie McKenzie, Jack Steven, Ben Bucovaz, Michael Montieth
- 2007: Luke Thompson, Luke Rounds, Ben Cunnington, Dane Tutton, Dean Gavin, Callum Bartlett

#### AIS / AFL ACADEMY

- 1997: Cameron Ling
- 2000: Luke Hodge, Josh Rudd
- 2004: Clint Bartram, Travis Boak, Danny Stanley
- 2006: Patrick Dangerfield, Lachlan Henderson
- 2007: Ayce Cordy



Jonathan Brown with Hampden U16 State reps.

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#### GEELONG FALCONS AFL VICTORIA - REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL 2007

In 1996 the AFL/VFL revamped representative junior football in Australia to be more closely aligned to the requirements of the AFL draft which, as of 1999, is for 18 yo players and 17 yo players born before April 30<sup>th</sup> ,taken from the whole of Australia. (As of 1999 there are no restrictions on how many 17 yo players are drafted in this category.)

Hence, State representative teams were changed from U17 Teal Cup to the AFL U18 and U16 National Championships.

#### A.F.L. - U18 National Championships - June / July 2007

Each State in Australia has a representative team in these elite National Championships. Victoria, "the home of football", provides two teams - the Victorian Metropolitan team and the Victorian Country team that this year again competed in Division 1. The team was coached by Leon Harris and Geelong Falcons had representatives on staff with Rick Embelton and John Hunt assisting as trainers. The Geelong Falcons had 6 representative players in the Vic Country team: Guy O'Keefe, Jack Steven, Ed Curnow, Patrick Dangerfield, Chris Kangars

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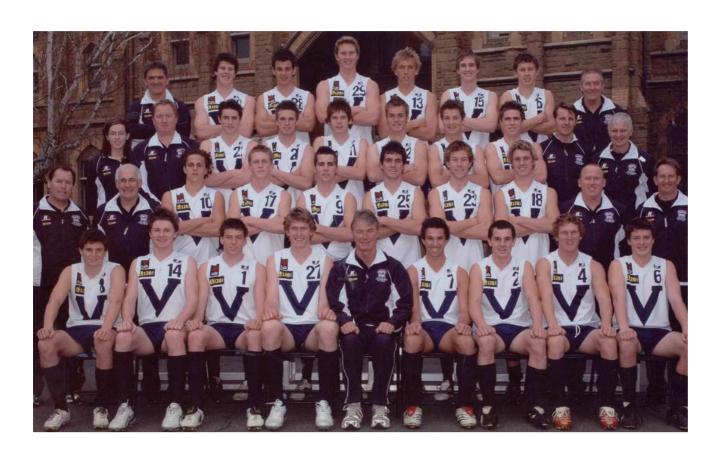
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and Lachie Henderson, who unfortunately had to withdraw due to injury.

Results: -

Game 1: S.A. 17.10.112 Vic Country 9.8.62 def Game 2: W.A. 9.14.68 Vic Country 3.7.25 def Game 3: Vic Metro 17.8.110 def Vic Country 9.8.62

We would like to congratulate all players on their performances – although not winning a game, the experience and development of the players was critical, with a number featuring amongst the better players over the week.



#### 2007 AFL Victoria U16 Country Carnival - Bendigo

The 2007 Geelong Falcons U16 development program began in late January with squads training in the Geelong and Hampden regions. This year selectors were looking for 25 players to represent the club at the U16 Country Carnival in Bendigo during the month of April. Final squad selection took place in March after try out matches played in Geelong and Warrnambool.

The selected team trained at Highton Reserve on Wednesdays before playing practice matches against the U16 Nth Ballarat Rebels and Dandenong Stingrays leading up to the carnival in Bendigo.

U16 players and staff left Highton Reserve on the Friday morning for a two-night stay in Bendigo, where Geelong Falcons staff members oversee a well-planned three day program that presents a great opportunity to assess the players' ability to prepare for competition in unfamiliar surroundings. It also provides a valuable team-bonding environment with the bulk of these players invited in for the Geelong Falcons U18 training squads early November.

#### 1st Game

Geelong Falcons 21.7.133 Def Gippsland Power 12.6.78

Goals: L.Thompson, J.Hussey 4, D.Gavin, B.Cunnington 3, J.Daly 2, L.Orvis, L.Rounds, A.Christensen, J.Rock,

C.Barteltt

Best: B.Cunnington, B.Howarth, L.Rounds, D.Gavin, J.Hussey, A.Christensen, J.Daly

2<sup>nd</sup> Game

Geelong Falcons 17.14.116 Def Bendigo Pioneers 9.6.60

Goals: L.Thompson 6, C.Bartlett, J.Rock, B.Cunnington, D.Gavin 2, M.Davis, L.Rounds, L.Orvis Best: C.Bartlett, L.Thompson, J.Rock, D.Gavin, M.Darmody, T.McKenzie, A.Christensen

We went to Bendigo confident of performing very well and came away from the carnival with 2 wins from the 2 games played.

Both games were of a very high standard with the players showing great skill and composure particularly in the 2<sup>nd</sup> game when challenged early by Bendigo.

It was particularly pleasing to have 12 players make the initial Vic Country state squad with 6 making the final squad of 25. (This easily could have been 8 as 2 players were forced to pull out with leg fractures).

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the players on their behaviour, preparation and dedication during the carnival. They are a credit to their families, clubs and communities and have represented the Geelong Falcons Football Club in a most professional manner. I would also like to acknowledge the terrific support for the players by the Geelong Falcons U16 staff that attended the carnival. Their commitment and professionalism is the reason why the Geelong Falcons club is so effective in the development of junior football in Australia

Ashley Connoley

U16 Coach and Recruiting Coordinator



Geelong Falcons reps at the U16 AFL Championships pictured with coach Leon Harris

#### A.F.L. - U16 National Championships, Brisbane, July 2007

Following an exhaustive selection process the final Vic Country squad for the 2007 AFL National U16 Championships was selected. 8 players were selected from the Geelong Falcons, but unfortunately Allen Christensen and Tom McKenzie had to withdraw due to injury: Dane Tutton, Ben Cunnington, Luke Thompson, Callem Bartlett, Dean Gavin and Luke Roundsall took part. John Edsall, Tim Malberg, Steve Bartram, Paul Henriksen and Steve Baker also accompanied the team as officials.

Vic. Country competed in Division One again this year under the guidance of coach Leon Harris, and after a stirring victory over SA in game 1 and a poor loss to WA, lost narrowly to eventual winners Vic Metro. There were some very promising performances from the Falcons representatives which augers well for their future and that of the Falcons.

#### **Results:**

Game 1 (29.07.07) Vic. Country 15,11,101 def S.A. 12.19.91

Best Players: incl. Ben Cunnington, Callum Bartlett Goal Kickers: incl. Ben Cunnington 3, Luke Thompson 2

Game 2 (01.08.07) W.A. 21.18.144 def Vic.Country 9.11.65

Best Players: incl. Dean Gavin

Goal Kickers: incl. Callum Bartlett, Ben Cunnington

Game 3 (04.08.07) Vic Metro 12.12.84 def Vic.Country 8.13.61

Best Players: incl. Dean Gavin Goal Kickers: incl. Luke Thompson

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#### GEELONG V/Line U15 WorkSafe VCFL CHAMPIONSHIPS REPORT 2007

A squad of approximately 80 U14 & U15 boys, identified through our vast recruiting network based on performances from the previous season, commenced training at the Highton complex in February. Part-way through the preparation and selection process, the region was asked to consider fielding 2 teams in the championships and accepted this offer which provided 50 boys with the opportunity to play at such a challenging, high level. From February to May, training sessions, intra-squad matches and trial games against Ballarat and Hampden resulted in 2 final squads of 25, with a number of bottom-age (U14) boys selected in the team to compete in Division 3, while the Division 1 team was comprised of all "top-age" (U15) boys. The 50 players represented 23 regional clubs.

A bonus for the boys this year was the opportunity to play an intra-club practice match at Kardinia Park as a curtain-raiser to the Essendon – Western Bulldogs nab Challenge match.

The squads again commuted each day by V/Line train and coach from Geelong, participating in the Country Division 1 & 3 sections, playing 3 matches each on consecutive days.

#### **RESULTS:**

#### **Division 1**

Game 1	Geelong	20.12.132	$\operatorname{def}$	Bendigo	2.1.13
Game 2	Geelong	5.10.40	def	Ballarat	3.2.20
Game 3 (G.Final)	Geelong	10.11.71	def	Latrobe Valley	8.3.51

#### State Champions again for the third time in 4 years!

Players to stand out over the carnival were: Brent Macleod (Richie Almond Medallist – B&F): Bradley Huhn (R/up B&F): Piers Flanagan – Coach's Award: Fraser Russell – Encouragement Award; Rory Cahir & Ben Darrington – Manager's Award, but it really was a great TEAM effort. The team management believes there is a strong foundation amongst these <u>and</u> the other team members from which to build upon in the Falcon's program.

Special mention to Brent Macleod and Piers Flanagan who were selected in the "Team of the Carnival" and our congratulations to those boys who went on to be selected in the State Secondary Schools squad and especially to the 9 who made the team (Bradley Huhn(C), Brent Macleod, Fraser Russell, Piers Flanagan, Rory Cahir, Jakob Kiddle, Ben Darrington, Grant Armistead & Cameron Johnston) which participated in the U15 Australian Secondary School National Football Championships in Sydney.



**Acknowledgments:** Mark Gellie – coach - who has an excellent rapport with the boys and was able to impart and, importantly, educate these young players; Rod Grant and Tony Costa - assistant coaches who provide a wealth of football know-how to the team; Shane Dawson – our ever reliable trainer who works tirelessly to give the players the <u>best</u> in attention.

#### **Division 3**

Game 1	Geelong	7.5.47	drew	ACT	7.5.47
Game 2	Geelong	8.7.55	def	Sunraysia	6.7.43
Game 3	Geelong	10.6.66	def	Dandenong Ranges	5.7.37

## A draw and 2 wins - what an excellent effort, with nearly half the players eligible to play again next year.

Players to stand out over the carnival were: Lachlan Muir (Bill Dalziel Medallist – B&F): Brad Howling (R/up B&F): Jackson Davis – Coach's Award: Jay Lever – Encouragement Award; Sam Caldow – Manager's Award, but it too was a great team effort.

The boys who are eligible to play again next year should form the nucleus of another very strong team in Division 1 in 2008.

Special mention to Lachlan Muir who was also selected in the "Team of the Carnival".



**Acknowledgments:** David Farrell – coach - who relished the opportunity to coach the team and did a superb job; Barry Orvis and Mark Dreher - assistant coaches – who provide terrific support to the coach and the boys; Bernie Lynch – runner – who complemented the other staff superbly; Russell Lucas – who accepted the role of team manager and was so thorough and professional in the execution of his duties; Shane Dawson, Tim Malberg & Sharron Dunoon – our trainers who all work hard to give the boys the very best of medical care and attention.

#### John Edsall

Coordinator - Geelong Falcons U15 program.







#### HAMPDEN V/Line U15 WorkSafe VCFL FOOTBALL REPORT 2007

Squads were structured in Colac, Camperdown & Warrnambool in February of this year. Squad coaches included John McVilly, Alan Thompson & Peter Banks. Over 120 boys trained & a final squad of 25 was picked to play in the Carnival. The boys were accommodated at Y.H.A. Hostel in North Melbourne & were accompanied by officials: Peter Banks (Coach), Paul McVilly & Paul Henriksen (Runners/Selectors), Alan Thompson (Selector/Development Officer0 and Jack Jenkins & Pat Roberts (Trainers).

#### **Results:**

<b>GAME 1:</b>	Hampden	4.7.31	Lost to	Sydney	6.3.39
GAME 2:	Hampden	7.6.48	Lost to	Central Murray	8.5.53
<b>GAME 3:</b>	Hampden	14.6.90	defeated	Wimmera	5.5.35

The week proved successful, winning one of three games, and the development of some of the players was most encouraging. Those to perform well were:

Connor Arnott - Forward - Great competitor with good work ethic, clean overhead, presents on a lead.

<u>Harley Davis</u> – HF-Athletic with poise, clever skills by hand & foot, team orientated player.

<u>Alex Place</u> – HF-Leggy & athletic, clean overhead, well balanced keeps feet, possesses the attributes to succeed. <u>Daniel Semmens (Captain)</u> – Mid Field - Used his strength and stamina, in & under getting the hard ball, leads by example on and off the field. Best & fairest winner

<u>Billie Smedts</u> – Mid-Field/HB - Honest competitor, keeps feet & makes good decisions under pressure, clever hands.

<u>Tom Watson</u> – HB - Runs lines and keeps eye on ball, reads game extra well and is penetrating kick, hard & honest competitor.

Tyson Gillies - Mid-field - Agile, with clever hands, clean overhead, mobile for his size, very creative.

<u>Luke Mahoney</u> – On baller – Clever, footy smart in & under, quick hands, can crumb at pace, fearless competitor for size.

Congratulations to Daniel Semmens for being selected to play for Victorian Country in the under 15 Australian Secondary Schools National Football Championships.

Special thanks to our valued sponsors, WorkSafe, Hampden Regional Junior Board, A.N.Z, Lindsay Cottee Tyre Service, Middendorp Electric Co. Pty. Ltd and Coles Coaches for their support.

Overall it was a pleasing effort for the week with a number of boys looking to further their careers with the Falcons in the future. Many thanks to all the officials, parents & supporters who supported me and carried out their jobs in a professional manner, as well as all working together in the interests of developing junior footballers to fulfill their potential.

Peter Banks - Coach Hampden U15 – 1986 -2007



#### SECONDARY SCHOOL FOOTBALL

#### WestCoast Region, Geelong (Coordinator - Darrell Nash)

Will we? Won't we? Where can we play?

After much concern regarding ground safety we were able to again run a host of interschool matches giving the 'stars' a chance to strut their stuff for their school and encourage some 'rookies' to have a go at Aussie rules. The local highlight was the success of the Senior **St Joseph's** team who were runners up in the Herald Sun Shield trophy (almost back to back).

In the local schools competition, **Oberon High** again scooped the pool taking out all sections. The **Senior** team, coached by Craig Durran and Derek Herbison, defeated Belmont with Jed Holland, Alex Gear and Brad MacKenzie among the best players.

The **Intermediate** team, also coached by Derek Herbison, defeated Belmont with their best being Daniel Sprigg, Michael Davis and Brent Macleod.

The **Year 8** team, coached by Adrian Stirling, had Cody Diana, Tristan Battaglia and Nathan Deans as their best performers.

The **Year 7** team, with Josh Baker as coach, won Western Zone and were VSSSA semi finalists. Best: Keith Wrzuszczak, James Tsitas and Harry Walker.

In the Independent schools section, **CRC** took out the **Seniors**, narrowly defeating Christian College before again being stopped by Emmanuel College in the Herald Sun Country Shield with best players Daniel Jull, Andrew Challis, Chris Di Gusto, Jordan Jones and Oliver Holland.

The **Intermediate** section was a closely fought affair with **St Josephs** two teams fighting out the final with the red team too strong for the gold.

The **Year 8's** was won by **Christian College** (Best: Taylor Adams, Spencer Kelly, Fraser Brumby, Chris Van Yzendoorn and Chris Primmer) from St Josephs Black and Kardinia, while at **Year 7 St Josephs** fought out the main prize with the black team too strong for the reds.

<u>Girl's Football</u>: Once again the girls' football competitions proved to be very popular and were keenly contested. In the GSSSA section, **Belmont** were successful in the Senior competition and **Grovedale** in the Juniors. **Sacred Heart** won the GISSA Senior prize, with **Clonard** continuing their dominance in the Junior division.

Again, thankyou to John Edsall /& Michael Turner for their support of local school football, the GFUL umpires who assisted, Eastern Colts for the use of their facilities, the coaches who gave up their time and the players who took the opportunity to compete.

#### Hampden Region (Coordinator, Alan Thompson)

#### **Secondary School Competition**

The AFL Victoria Development Secondary School senior and intermediate competitions were conducted during term two this year.

#### MCC Herald Sun Country Shield - Senior

Two schools from the Hampden Region entered the Shield competition again this year. The schools were Brauer College and Emmanuel College who played in the first round with Emmanuel College winning the game by 69 points. Emmanuel College then played St Ignatius College (Geelong), before progressing to the semi final against Clarendon College, Ballarat in Mortlake, going down by 66 points.





#### MCC Herald Sun Country Cup - Senior (Year 10 -12)

In the year 10 –12 MCC Herald Sun Country Cup, a knockout competition was contested by 13 teams; Trinity College, Cobden Technical, Mercy Regional College, Colac College, Timboon College, Colac High, Terang College, Camperdown College, Mortlake College, Warrnambool College, Emmanuel College, Brauer College and Otway Cluster. Otway Cluster is a combined side, selecting players from the Lorne, Apollo Bay and Lavers Hill schools. The 2007 Champions were Mercy Regional College (Camperdown) who defeated Brauer College (Warrnambool) in the final by 38 points. The Paul Couch Medal for best on the ground was awarded to Stephen O'Connor from Mercy Regional College. AFL Victoria Development provided a medallion for each team's best player throughout the series.

#### Hampden Cup - Intermediate (Year 7 - 9)

The intermediate competition for years 7 – 9 was again well supported with seventeen schools competing for the Hampden Cup. The competition was divided into 4 sections (Colac, Camperdown, Mortlake and Warrnambool) allowing schools of similar size to play each other and also to cut down on travelling time. Trinity College, Colac High, Colac College, Otway Cluster in section one; Camperdown College, Cobden Technical, Mercy Regional College, Timboon College, Terang College in section two; Mortlake College, Derrinallum College, Lake Bolac College, Hawkesdale College in section three, and Warrnambool College, Emmanuel College, Brauer College and Kings College in section four. The section winners were Emmanuel College, Timboon P-12 College, Hawkesdale College and Trinity College.

The 2007 Hampden Cup Zone Final was played between Trinity College & Hampden Zone team (combination of players from the Terang, Camperdown, Timboon, & Cobden Schools) at Camperdown. The winning team was Hampden Zone.

AFL Victoria Development also provided a medallion for each team's best player throughout this series.

#### Sports Education in Physical Education Program (SEPEP)

Throughout semester two Noel Mugavin, head coach at the Emmanuel College Football Academy; Adam Dowie, Warrnambool College Football Academy and Jeremy Mitchem, Brauer College, participated in a SEPEP unit focusing on a modified version of a football game. It consisted of three teams of ten players, who all participated in an 8 a-side format of Aussie Rules. The non-playing team for the session were the duty team and had to supply the umpires (boundaries, centrals and goals) and publicity officer and a timekeeper. The umpires, and opposition teams had to allocate votes to players for a best and fairest award. The competition culminated in the top two teams playing off in the grand final. This program was extremely beneficial in allowing students to see, experience and understand people other than players who are involved in football.









#### COACH EDUCATION - Level 1 Courses 2007 - Geelong Region

This year's coach education program again consisted of 3 Level One Coaches Courses – the first 2 for Senior & Youth coaches conducted concurrently over 2 evenings and a Sunday morning at Buckley's Entertainment Centre. All 22 Senior registrations and 27 Youth registrations successfully completed the course. The third course was a whole day Junior/Auskick course also held at Buckley's, with 54 of 69 coaches registered successfully gaining accreditation.

Feedback from all 3 courses was again very positive and this was due in no small part to the quality and enthusiasm of the presenters and the excellent venue.

Presenters included Ken Hinkley, Ashley Connoley (organising the training session), Darrell Fenton (role of the coach/planning), Brendan McCartney (team play & tactics/role of the coach), Josh Hayter (coaching & safety issues), Justin Healy (fitness for football/growth and development) and Jason Hillgrove (umpiring).

#### GEELONG AND DISTRICT COACHES ASSOCIATION

With the continued support of the local leagues, clubs and the VCFL South West Region, membership of the association was almost 350 again this year.



Due to the ongoing support of a wide range of sponsors, we were able to again produce 3 editions of our local magazine that provides quality articles and drills etc to assist coaches. All members received this magazine as well as copies of the Coaching Update magazine produced by the Victorian branch of the Australian Football Coaches Association.

Our 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner held during October at Buckley's, our most valued major sponsor, was another resounding success with over 180 in attendance and our guest speaker, Neil Balme certainly maintained the high standards set by speakers in previous years, particularly in light of the GFC's success (and the bonus of having the 2007 AFL Premiership Cup at the dinner was also very well received!).

With the support of our new major sponsor, Promote-It Trophy & Clothing Company, we this year acknowledged winners in each of five categories in the local Coach of the Year Awards. Dale Amos (South Barwon FC) - Senior, David Fitzsimmons (Grovedale FC) AND Jason Connelly (Bell Park FC) - Youth, Scott Bond (Grovedale) - Junior and Jeff Shiell (Grovedale) - Auskick, were very worthy winners from another group of outstanding nominations in each category. The fifth category saw us able to recognise female coaches for the first time – Tahnee Kahle (Moriac Auskick) was a narrow winner ahead of Julie McNamara (Matthew Flinders Girls SC).

The Geelong Advertiser Football Personality of the Year Award was again a feature of the Dinner with numerous outstanding nominees. Bell Park FC's "pope", Tony Sheahan was a popular choice for this award.

Again there was the presentation of 2 awards for work in the media, courtesy of Gest Productions, and this too enhanced the profile of our dinner.

There was also acknowledgement made to Scott Edwards – he took out the Leon Schram Memorial Award for Outstanding Service to Junior Football Development; and to Allan Bliss who was recognised for his contribution to football administration.

The Association purchased a number of resources over the year and the continuing response from members is most encouraging. The Executive of the GDCA has a commitment to continue to improve the service to local coaches. We are very keen to offer further benefits to members in the future and will continually expand the Resource Centre to provide a range of equipment, videos, books etc. that will be available upon application at no cost to members. **JOHN EDSALL** – **COORDINATOR**, **G&DCA** 







#### 2007 nab AFL Auskick Annual Report

For the second consecutive year, our region has topped the registration numbers in the state. I want to thank all of our coordinators for this fine effort making sure that these kids are offered a real quality program in a well administered environment. Even though other programs try to match the Auskick model, it is our people who nearly every weekend or after school, put themselves out to allow the children to enjoy learning our game.

The four District Managers are continually working to improve their input into the region and their role of support to their cluster clinic allocations. Our Coach Awareness Course continues to be popular and a great way to introduce our parents into the program. We need to give this our utmost support as this provides our region with a good support base to improve participation at clinic level.

I thank the Geelong Football Club who support our Auskick program at Geelong home games. All of the Coordinators and coaches who take part in this never have anything but praise for the dedication and professionalism that the Match Managers put in on the day. The requirements that we use Grade 3 children for the Grid Games now make it simpler for the coordinators to handle. As well as using the Geelong Football Umpires League to officiate at the games, we are fortunate enough to have excellent match day arrangements to see that the kids experience something that they will cherish forever.

I would like to thank John Edsall and Michael Turner as well as the District Managers for the assistance given throughout the year, and I congratulate all of our coordinators, coaches and parents who work tirelessly to allow the Auskickers a chance to learn the skills of our great game in a safe and friendly environment.

# **John Paslawski**Regional Auskick Manager Geelong Falcons

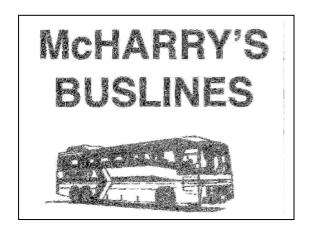








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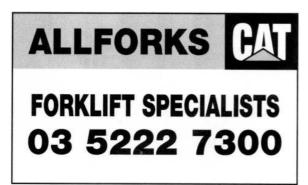


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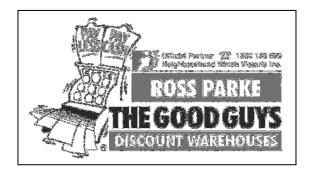
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