

# The Good Oil

# Centenary celebrations

"I haven't seen you for years!"

That was one of the most common phrases heard around Mangoplah Sportsground on April 27, when MCUE held its centenary celebrations.

Hundreds of past players and supporters from recent years, as well as decades ago, converged on Mangoplah Sportsground to watch the centenary game against Coolamon. A memorabilia display in the clubrooms throughout the day showed how much football has changed over the years and showcased MCUE's successes.

All netballers and footballers did the club proud with some great results on the day. We enjoyed a historic day on the netball court with all four grades claiming victories, while the under-17s and reserve grade footballers also scored some great wins.

First grade looked great in heritage jumpers matching the Mangoplah design of years gone by and the traditional black shorts, and while they put in a strong effort, the boys were not quite able to get the points on the board in a low-scoring game against a tough competitor.



Almost 300 people then kicked on to the Mangoplah Hall to continue catching up with old friends. Delicious finger food was served throughout the night and the auctioning of the heritage jumpers proved popular, as well as some

insights into football's role in country towns shared by Chris Daniher and Helen Coonan.

We hope many people who came back to enjoy the celebrations will now stay connected with the club as we look to future successes.





## Memberships

All players are reminded they should have paid their registration before taking to the field. Anyone needing to organise a payment plan should get in touch with Treasurer, Kate Powell. Please fill in a registration form with your membership so we can keep track of who has paid.

Non-playing memberships are also available for \$115 for general memberships, \$150 for families, \$50 for concession and \$50 for distance members who live more than 100km from Mangoplah or Wagga. Registration for players is \$190.

Player and general members will receive a centenary polo shirt with their membership, while stocks last.

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## Coming events

This year's Blue and Gold Ball will be held at the Trotters Bar at the Wagga Showgrounds on May 25. Entertainment will be provided by great local band The Mighty Yak and it is sure to be an excellent night. Tickets are available by contacting Kate Powell on 0428 299 939.

Other upcoming functions include the Goods and Services Auction on June 29 and the 300 Club draw on August 17, so please keep those dates free.

## Rosters

Rosters have been prepared for a number of jobs for home games, including the gate, canteen and goal umpiring. Please check to see whether you have been added to a roster and ensure you make yourself available when you are on duty. If you are unable to attend, please let someone know or – even better – line up a replacement.

# **Building project**

There has been great progress on the clubrooms building project, with the extension starting to take shape. The centenary day was the first chance to use the new canteen and by all accounts it was a positive move to be able to keep all the supporters close to the netball and football action in one area of the ground – and avoid having to look into the sun all afternoon!

There is still work to be done to complete the project, which will ultimately include new change rooms for netballers, new toilets, and a general revamp of the building, so if anyone has time or skills they can donate, please let us know.

# Defib 4 Life

Through sponsorship, MCUE will be buying a defibrillator under the Defib 4 Life program. While we hope never to have to use it, it is strongly encouraged that sporting clubs have a defib, and it may also benefit other groups in our community.

#### Bendigo Bank

We would like to welcome Bendigo Bank as one of our major sponsors for 2013. Please refer to the advertisement on this page about Bendigo Bank's "Work Perks" program, which may also benefit some of our club's members.

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