



THE ACORN

SEASON 2019 ISSUE 17

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi all,

Congratulations to the U12 boys who WON the premiership last Sunday which capped of a brilliant season. The team have been in good form all season but they have worked hard at training which has now paid off. Well done to Tim Moreland and his team which includes the assistants, helpers, parents and players – it's very well deserved to all involved.

The U15 boys and U16 girls were put out in straight sets and can only learn from the year just passed. My advice is to rebound and train hard, not losing the hungry for a premiership. Both teams are full of skilful, good players and success won't be far away for either team.

Last team standing is the girls U14s.

Congratulations to these girls who have turned the corner and playing brilliant football. This Sunday these girls are in the big dance/Grand Final and we need a huge turn out from the Oakleigh Dragons supporter base. Please make the effort to support the U14 girls. Good luck to Simon and the girls.

Presentation Day is locked in for the 15th of September so mark it in your calenders. We need all players to attend and finish the year on a high.

Lastly, please consider helping out the committee next year. We have a number of committee members leaving, as their kids are now playing senior football. It's your turn to help out. Please contact myself or Kathy if you can help in any way.

Thanks

Go Dragons

Pat Heverin

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2019 COMMITTEE

President: Pat Heverin

Vice President: David Cash

Secretary: Kathy McGeoch

Treasurer: Jackie Phillips

Sponsorship Co-ordinator: George Wintle

Child Safety Officer: Lisa O'Driscoll

Registrar: Jackie Phillips

Bar Manager: Jim Hall

Coaching Co-ordinators: Jeff Fortune & David Cash

Canteen Manager: Clancy Phillips

General: Sharon Westin-Shaw

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OUR GREAT CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

The club is looking for new committee members to assist with the tasks required to operate the club and get our kids on the field. This is an ongoing request and you may well be sick of us by the end of the season. In saying that, there is great reward in volunteering. Studies show, volunteering connects you to your community, is good for your mind and body, can advance your career and brings fun and fulfillment to your life.

The Dragon's Committee will have a number of roles being vacated at the end of the season and to ensure a smooth transition, it would be ideal to have those roles pre-filled before the end of this season. Those roles are:

POSITION	CURRENTLY PERFORMED BY
SECRETARY (EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE) Deal with club mail, takes minutes of meetings, attends League meetings as required. Maintain policies. Liaise with League, distribute mail/correspondence as required within club and externally, main contact point for Club. Oversee running of the Club along with President and Vice President.	Kathy McGeoch
TREASURER (EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE) Maintain the Financial Accounts of the Club, including banking, presenting timely and accurate reports and budgets to the Committee.	Jackie Phillips
REGISTRAR Accept registrations and forward requirements onto League. Keep an updated Club registration database. Arrange and co-ordinate registration day with the help of volunteers. Contact person for new members.	Jackie Phillips
CHILD SAFETY OFFICER Ensure SMJFL Child Safety Guidelines are adhered to and provide access to training from the SMJFL including online training modules. Ensure adherence to existing policies.	Lisa O'Driscoll
TEAM MANAGER / VOLUNTEER SUPPORT Assist Team Managers to ensure they have everything they need to assist coaches, parents and players to ensure the smooth operation of all match day requirements. Ensure Team Managers are aware of By-Law updates and League requirements when overseeing match day operations.	Kathy McGeoch

The following roles have been vacant for some years and urgently need to be filled:

SOCIAL CO-ORDINATOR Arrange and co-ordinate a variety of social events for Club members together with volunteers. Can be a Non-Committee Role, attendance at Committee meetings required on an ad hoc basis.
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If you are able to fill one of these roles or would like more information about how you can help, please contact Kathy at secretaryOYCFC@gmail.com or Pat on 0402 905 198.

CONGRATULATIONS U12 MIXED 2019 PREMIERS



PRESENTATION DAY

Sunday 15 September
from 11.00am

Be sure to be there for the inaugural running of
THE DRAGONS' GIFT
a handicap race for all ages



ONE ENTRY PER TEAM | MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

PRESENTATION DAY @ THE CANTEEN

COFFEE WILL BE ON SALE FROM 10:00AM WITH THE CANTEEN
OFFICIALLY OPENING FOR FOOD AT 1:00PM

'WHILE STOCK LASTS'

HOT DOGS, PIES, SAUSAGE ROLLS, VEGE ROLLS, DIM SIMS

PRESENTATION DAY SPECIALS

CHICKEN SCHNITZEL & COLESLAW ROLLS

BURGER - BURGER, CHEESE, LETTUCE & TOMATO

HOT CHIPS

SOFT DRINKS AND WATER

EITHER A SCHNITZEL OR BURGER WITH CHIPS AND A DRINK - \$10

2020 COACHES

If you are keen to coach next season, please download a form [here](#), or to fill out online, click [here](#).

Returning coaches can find their form [here](#).

GAME DAY JUMPERS

Please ensure you are prepared to return your game day jumper. Jumpers MUST be returned to your Team Manager at the end of your last game. Make sure you bring along a change of top to go home in. Make sure your Team Manager checks off the return of your jumper. Failure to have the return of your jumper recorded will result in you receiving a \$50 fee, which closely reflects the cost incurred by the Club for each jumper not returned.



DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

If you have any photos you'd like in the next Acorn, please email them with a description to Sharon at s_westin@hotmail.com



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MATCH DAY SUMMARIES

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ROUND 17 / SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER



PRESENTATION DAY

Sunday 15 September
WA Scammell Reserve - 11.00am

Individual Awards - Club Awards
Canteen, entertainment and
all new Dragon's Gift

COACHES' REPORTS

U12 MIXED TIM MORELAND

We did it!!!

2019 Premiership celebrations are underway after we defeated Caulfield Bears 33 – 13 at King George Reserve.

In a bizarre twist we even stopped for half an hour due to lightning! That was not in the game plan.

After a slow start with the wind we really got our hands on the ball more than the opposition with our defence miserly and our general ability to intercept their attacks proved problematic for them.

What a fantastic team effort. As everyone has probably heard it takes whole squads to win Premierships and this is certainly the case for us. Everyone contributed to the win and I'm so proud of all the boys.

Some massive thank you's. Andrew has been an enormous support this season so can't thank him enough for his role.

Bruce was our main runner and he's fantastic seeing the game unfolding. Hope we didn't make you work too hard! Thanks heaps Bruce.

Steph as Team Manager was incredible so thank you to you and Lindsay for your unbreakable support.

To Dave and the club thanks for all your assistance throughout the year. It really is a great club!

To the water carriers, runners, boundary umpires, goal umpires, escorts... thank you!

To all the parents. What a great group we have and all your cheering and support of the boys is amazing. We really appreciate this and I know the boys do!

To the boys – really proud of everyone one of you and you guys are the reason we are so passionate watching you grow each week.

Of course I have to thank my family who has endured countless training and game day analysis which must drive them crazy. Bailey must be sick of me slowing down replays to show him what I'm talking about when he just wants to watch the footy!!

Hopefully we get to see everyone again on presentation day and we can again celebrate the great win.

Well done everyone!!

Go Dragons





COACHES' REPORTS CONT...

U14 GIRLS SIMON GREELY

Preliminary Final vs Murrumbeen

Jim + supporting on the wing = upset!

The girls trained the house down last week and finished off with a lovely dinner of potato cakes, dim sims and chips – which was hard-earned the Sunday before. In last week's Acorn I said "Hopefully our girls will bring their A-game again and who knows what will happen." You will never guess what happened.....

They brought it, and a little bit more, and pulled off a huge upset. Their grit and determination, pressure and tackling, and their willingness to scrap it out for 4 X 15 minute quarters meant they were in front at the end when the (quiet) siren sounded. Needless to say, they were a bit excited as they belted out the song like never before.

During the week, the girls had faced their fears and worries (which went up in smoke!), then delivered in a big final, which is difficult to do. It has been wonderful to see their willingness to learn, their team-focused play and their ability to follow instructions to the letter. We hit the track again this week and attempt to go again, knowing our biggest challenge awaits us in a Grand Final.

Silly me (again) got confused in all of the excitement and promised Maccas Happy Meals this week, so I will deliver. The girls were supposed to kick 8 goals, but had 10 scoring shots instead, so I will pay that.

Hopefully our girls will bring their A-game again (and a little bit more) and who knows what will happen.....

Win or lose, I could not be prouder of this lovely bunch of young women and footballers.

Oakleigh 3.7.25

Murrumbeena 2.5.17

Best players – do I need to say it... they are a relentless bunch!

Goals – Mya, Britney and Luci

GOOD LUCK
GIRLS!!



GRUB AT THE CLUB SCHEDULE

(Subject to change during the season depending on game times, your Team Manager will keep you posted).

Date	U8 & U9	U10	U11-U13	U14+	Holidays	Grub at the Club
28/4/19	Round 1	Round 1	Round 1	Round 1		Anzac Round U13
5/5/19	Round 2	Round 2	Round 2	Round 2		U11 & U12G
12/5/19	Round 3	Round 3	Round 3	Round 3	Mothers' Day	
19/5/19	Round 4	Round 4	Round 4	Round 4		
26/5/19	Round 5	Round 5	Round 5	Round 5		U10 & U17
2/6/19	Round 6	Round 6	Round 6	Round 6		
9/6/19	No Games	Queen's Birthday				
16/6/19	Round 7	Round 7	Round 7	Round 7		
23/6/19	Round 8	Round 8	Round 8	Round 8		U12
30/6/19	Round 9	Round 9	Round 9	Round 9	School Holidays	
7/7/19	No Games	School Holidays				
14/7/19	Round 10	Round 10	Round 10	Round 10	School Holidays	U16 & U16G
21/7/19	Round 11	Round 11	Round 11	Round 11		
28/7/19	Round 12	Round 12	Round 12	Round 12		
4/8/19	Round 13	Round 13	Round 13	Round 13		U9
11/8/19	Lightning Carnivals	Round 14	Round 14	Round 14		
18/8/19		Lightning Carnivals	Round 15	Round 15		U15 & U14G
25/8/19			Semi Finals	Semi Finals		
1/9/19			Grand Finals	Prelim Finals	Fathers' Day	TBA
8/9/19				Grand Finals		TBA



SMOKE-FREE

By law, smoking is banned within 10 metres (about two car lengths) of any public outdoor sporting venue during an organised under-18s event.

The ban includes training or practice sessions to prepare for an organised under-age sporting event, and breaks or intervals during the course of the event, training or practice session.

Source: www2.health.vic.gov.au