Michael Wardlaw commenced playing for Avoca in 1988 and went on to play 321 games during his 20 years of playing for the Bulldogs.

Michael has been an outstanding contributor and played in numerous premierships and has won numerous awards including two senior grade Best & Fairest awards in 1995 and 1999. and was Runner Up Best & Fairest on four occasions.

Mick has also been selected as an interleague rep on six occasions.

He could quite easily have gone on to bigger and better things with his good mate and VFL Liston Medallist Julian Field, but chose to stay at Avoca and has been an outstanding contributor to the club and is a very worthy recipient of Life Membership.

Michael Wardlaw Record

Michael has played 321 games.

245 Senior games 1 Reserves game 75 3rd's games.

Mick first played in 1988 and finished in 2009.

20 years of service. He did not play in 2006 and 2008.

Mick has played in numerous premierships.

1989 – Under 16 premiership

- 1992 Under 16 premiership
- 1993 Senior premiership
- 1996 Senior premiership
- 1997 Senior premiership
- 1998 Senior premiership

He has also won numerous awards.

1990 – U16 Most Consistent

1991 – U16 Best & Fairest

- 1992 Senior Best 1st Year Player
- 1993 Senior's Coach's Trophy.

- 1994 Best Under 20
- 1995 Best & Fairest. Best Under 20
- 1999 Best & Fairest
- 2001 Most Consistent
- 2002 R/Up in Best & Fairest
- 2003 R/Up in Best & Fairest
- 2004 R/Up in Best & Fairest
- 2007 R/Up in Best & Fairest

