



NARRE SOUTH LIONS FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB INC.

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VP ADMIN REPORT (Football) 2015 – Nicole Andrews

2015 has been the season of change! The clubrooms have finally undergone the much-needed expansion of the canteen, and some additional space to the community room. Whilst it has been very hard running the club out of make shift arrangements, I think members can all agree it has been worth the pain. The canteen has come up sensationally! Finishing up about three times the size of the previous canteen, it amazes me about what we were able to achieve running out of such a small space in the past.

Presentation Day/ Fun Day was run with the same format as last season and was a great success. The carnival atmosphere enhances the experience for all players and their families.

CANTEEN

Fiona Parlanti stepped back into the role of canteen manager this season. Fiona has had much success running the canteen in the past and to say we were excited to be working with her again was an understatement, especially at such a crucial stage with the clubs redevelopment works going on this season.

This season we trialed something different in the canteen, each year we have found it become more and more difficult to find volunteers to assist on game day, adding extra pressures onto our already busy team managers and coaches who traditionally spent the day covering gaps in rosters. We decided to pay our canteen manager and some students to work in the canteen for the season. The girls all worked to a roster system, and it worked out fantastically. For Fiona it meant there was some consistency in the help she was receiving each week and made her job a little easier, and for the girls who were siblings of players, it was a way to make some pocket money and gain experience whilst their siblings were playing footy (and got them out of water carrier roles!!!).

When we were delivered our make shift canteen this season, we soon realized that it was not a functioning kitchen as initially first thought, but rather a ticket booth with a sink. This left us with very little option in the means of what we could sell to our members and guests each week. No exhaust system meant no fryers could be used for hot chips, dim sims or potato cakes. The sink was inadequate to wash up in properly and Fiona was taking home the bulky items to wash at her house to ensure they were cleaned to the correct standards. A health inspection confirmed our worries, but having a good relationship with the City of Casey health department and the Council we were able to get some leeway with the strict regulations in place, provided we could show that our standards were where they needed to be in regards to food handling, packaging, temperatures and so forth. Not complying would have meant we would have only have been able to sell pre-packaged foods, which would have been at a detriment to the club this season.

Fiona did an amazing job utilizing the limited facilities we had each week, these facilities were not without their issues, power surges, no power, no water, common issues we were dealing with throughout the season. Fiona's quick thinking and resourcefulness is what got us through the season and the fact that she befriended the building supervisor.

This season was never going to be a season for making profits in the canteen once we realized the limitations in the food we were able to serve, but rather still being able to provide members and guests to our club with some hot food and snacks whilst they were watching their games.

We ended the year making a little more then break even, which was a great result and whilst we would have loved to have made a nice profit, that wasn't going to be the reality for this season. Taking into account that the canteen has paid for all the family nights and the clubs hot dog nights for all players.





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Thank you for such an amazing job with the canteen Fiona, you made my life so much easier in regards to running the canteen, so good to have you back.

APPAREL

Melissa Sullivan and Rachael Toner headed up apparel this season.

When taking on the role this season we certainly made it interesting times for them, with the rolling in of a whole new line of apparel which the NSLFNC board decided we would do in our second year of operation and a new supplier, there were some very busy times for the girls, but also some big changes with how we have traditionally ordered our apparel.

Introducing a new line, always means that we will be carrying excess stock of both the current and new lines during the phase in process and that was what we saw this season. We have ended the season with a fair amount of stock to go into the new season with, which will mean next seasons apparel profits should look good.

We continued with the initiative brought out last season for players to purchase their own jumpers and introduced a buy, swap and sell page for members wishing to sell their old jumpers and buy second hand jumpers a little cheaper.

Our new hoodies have been a huge success and a massive thanks goes out to Mark Collard who designed the hoodies most of the members are running around in this season. Mark spent a lot of time working with both committees and the supplier in getting the design for these spot on. Mark has designed up all of our new apparel range, and has been that good that he is receiving job offers from our supplier!

Due to the renovations at the clubrooms we had to find an alternative place to operate out of, so we hi-jacked the equipment shed and set that up as the apparel hub for the season. It ended up working out really well and placed the committee outside with the members making it easier for both members to purchase items and for us to sell items.

A big thank you to Melissa and Rachael for their work with apparel this season.

FUNDRAISING

Rachael Toner headed up our fundraising team this season.

Whilst we were unable to get our hypnotist night off the ground, Rachael and her team Margie Fuller, Nadine McKenna, and Shannon Barndon put in a large amount of work behind the scenes organizing the night, so it was disappointing for the night not to go ahead as planned.

Chocolate Drive

Rachael Toner ran the clubs Chocolate Drive this season, which was a great success bringing in around \$2500.00 in profits for the club this season.





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Funde Booklets

Melissa Sullivan introduced the Funde Booklet to the club this season. Similar to the entertainment booklet but without the same price tag, it's a coupon booklet geared to families with some great deals at the usual attractions, but also local food retailers such as grilled, hungry jacks and so forth. In the first year of having the funde booklet as a fundraiser for the club we didn't quite achieve the results we would have liked, but with some extra pushing and advertising next season, could be a good little moneymaker for the club if they choose to go down that path again.

SPONSORSHIP

A thank you to our club sponsors in Bendigo Bank, Auscorp Amusements, Ross Faulkner and Sports in Focus.

The Bendigo bank continued to support the Football & Netball Club as it had in the past with a \$2500.00 grant.

Auscorp Amusements once again sponsored our presentation day by sponsoring a ride and providing the truck for us to use.

Sports in Focus and Ross Faulkner both were very generous in their sponsorship from partnering with both companies this season.

I would like to thank all the members, and my fellow committee members for assisting me in my role as Vice President Admin over the past four years. Whilst hectic and chaotic at times, I have enjoyed working with others to make our great club the success that it is, and has been over the years. I'm looking forward to next season and watching the club develop further over the next few years, there may be some more exciting times ahead for the Narre South Lions Football & Netball Club.

To those thinking about stepping onto the committee, go for it. The club needs passion, support and commitment to ensure its success in the years to come. It's a great way to make strong friendships, learn from others, and to test yourself as a person. And the reward, watching the kids out on the ground each week and knowing that you played a big part in that! There is nothing better.

Regards

Nicole Andrews

VP Admin – Football

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