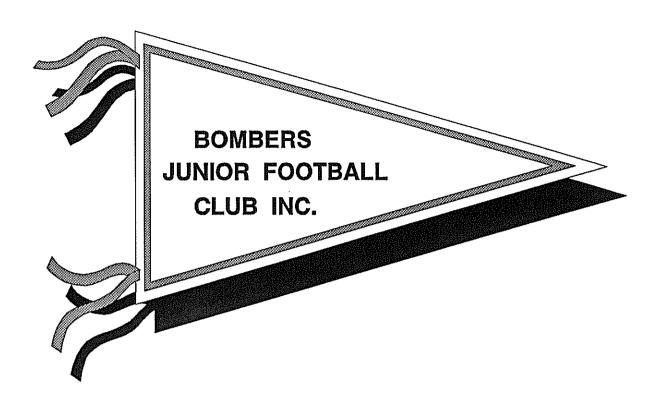
# 1993



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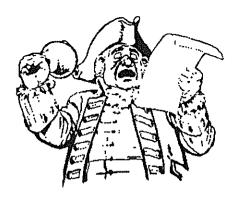
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PHIL SEAL

SANDY TAYLOR DOLPH DANTI PAT MARAFIOTTI

SOCIAL COMMITTEE : TONY CATANIA

GAEL CATANIA SANDY TAYLOR DENISE THOMAS



# PRESIDENTS REPORT - 1993 GRAEME DAVY

Bombers season '93 has been a considerable challenge to those dedicated people who worked tirelessly to promote our club and our national game. Although there were fewer on-field highlights for us this year, with no teams being fielded in the 13's, 14's and 15's, the club traditions of teamwork, competitive spirit and co-operation were upheld by our 9's, 10's, 11's 12's and 17's.

A small but enthusiastic band of Committee members kicked off the year with our biggest pre-season promotions campaign yet and the increased numbers in Freeball and U/9's were a direct result of that effort.

The club was again well served by our Coaches who did a tremendous job. Charles Musca in the dual role of Coaching Co-ordinator and U/17's Coach was enthusiastic and dedicated as always, Tony Catania (12's), Lino Santella (11's), Phil Seal (10's), Errol Couch and Russell Brampston (9's) and Gary Lendich (Freeball), worked tirelessly to develop the skills and character of their charges and ensured that the boys enjoyed their season of football.

Junior football coaches are unpaid, in fact the hours dedicated to coaching take them away from their jobs and families. All parents should remember this when they are asked to assist a coach or manager, thanks for the season guys.

Huge thanks are also in order for the following people who gave unselfishly of their time and experience:

- ► Lee Davy Club Secretary for the past two seasons, assistant editor Bombers Bulletin, and a past canteen manager, U/17's and U/15's team manager.
- ▶ Peter Tweedy Club Treasurer without equal, Bombers Bulletin assistant editor, and time-keeper, and dedicated club supporter.
- ► Max Coleman Registrar, another season of continued support which was much appreciated.
- ► Tony Catania Vice-President, Coach and CDJFA representative, a great supporter of our Club and a real worker.
- ► Sandra Couch Canteen Manager, a quiet achiever who returned another profitable result from the canteen with the assistance of her loyal band of helpers.

Special thanks to Lino Santella, Pat Marafiotti and Martin Nicholas for doing numerous handyman and groundmarking jobs around the club during the year, your contribution was much appreciated.

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Thanks to our Social Committee of Tony, Sandy, Gael and Denise who raised over \$2,000.00 for the Club and helped fund the purchase of the enormously popular Bombers Windcheaters, they look great too.

The Club has also invested many thousands of dollars this year in the purchase of new jumpers, footballs, first aid kits and training gear to ensure that the Club will be well equipped in future seasons.

To all our sponsors, thank you for your continued support and a special mention to Claremont Football Club who have generously assisted us with our fundraising activities again this year.

On a sad note, we lost our Time-keeper and Life Member Doug McGregor this year but his memory lives on and his name has been perpetuated in our 'Most Outstanding Achievement Award' to be presented tonight.

My wife Lee and I will bring our association with the Bombers Football Club to a close this year as our youngest son, Mason, moves on to a career with Claremont. We have thoroughly enjoyed our four years at the Club and will treasure the memories of good friends, sporting achievements and the opportunity we had to contribute to the strong traditions that make the Bombers a great junior footy club.

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# IRDORSTIRARES REPRORT

The Bombers playing strength for the 1993 season was as follows:

Freeball	9's	10's	11's	12's	17's	Total
46	40	19	14	16	24	159

The 1993 total represents an increase on the number of registered players last year (134 players) and there has been particularly strong growth in the numbers at Freeball and U/9's.

Max Coleman Registrar



# *50+ GAMES*

Jon Dunn
Jay Brownrigg
Brett Catania
Ben Thomas
Sean Prosser
Wayne Curtis
Michael Marchet

# Presidents Note

Absence of teams at 13's, 14's and 15's levels this year is a cause for concern and should be a number one priority in pre-season promotions and recruiting next year. The low numbers for our 11's and 12's also reflect the national trend for participation in football to fall away as children approach their teenage years.

For the Club to maintain viable numbers in the future at all grades, bold and creative action must be taken prior to the commencement of 1994 to improve our participation rate in the intermediate years (12–15) and to enable Bombers to field a highly competitive unit at U/17's level.



# PRESIDENT'S TROPHY - CHARLES MUSCA

Charles has been associated with the Club since its foundation and in 1993 he vacated the President's position after three years to take on other duties.

As U/17's Coach and Club Coaching Co-ordinator he has worked tirelessly to recruit and train players, advise and assist coaches, participated in numerous Committee and fundraising activities, and coached at inter-district level for Claremont Football Club.

Charles is a dedicated Bomber, who is a worthy winner of this award.

# OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - SANDRA COUCH

Sandra volunteered to take on the Canteen Manager's job this year and did it in great style. The Canteen is a very important fundraiser for the Club and Sandra's skilful management produced a profitable result at the end of the season. Sandra also supported husband Errol (U/9's Red Coach) and washed jumpers for the Baby Bombers.

Well done Sandra, welcome back next year!.

# *BEST CLUBMAN* - VINCE CATANIA

Vince was a newcomer to the Club this year and he quickly showed that he is a quiet achiever whose involvement in football extends beyond the playing field. His achievements in 1993 included the following:

- Played U/17's Bombers (all games).
- Helped around the Club and sold raffle tickets.
- Rarely missed training.
- Umpired junior grades as a member of the CDJFA Umpiring Panel.

Keep up the good work Vince.

# LIFE MEMBERS

- Peter Tweedy
- Lino Santella
- Max Coleman

# FUNDITAISING & SOCIAL REPORT

Firstly, may I say that it has been a highly successful year, both financially and socially. The Committee comprising of Sandy Taylor, Denise Thomas, Gael Catania and myself organised various functions this year, a bit different to what we have had in previous years. The ladies organised, ran and successfully completed the three functions for the year.

Printing of notices, delivering pamphlets, supervising the disco, collecting cakes and money from raffle tickets takes a lot of time and hard work.

A very big thank you to parents and players for contributing to all our functions in some way.

The three functions organised this year raised over \$2,000.00 [TREMENDOUS]. They were:-

- 1. Cake stall
- 2. Junior disco
- 3. Raffle

Our future looks bright, financially sound and with more and more parents getting involved the Bombers Junior Football Club is an excellent club to be associated with.

Once again, may I stress that the success of this Committee was due to the hard working ladies of the Committee, Denise, Sandy and Gael, thanks for your efforts.

Tony Catania

# COACHING COLORDINATORS REPORT

After battling early season to decide who would be coaching who, it ended up falling into place very nicely banding together an excellent group of Coaches in each grade.

FREEBALL (GARY LENDICH)

Freeball was well catered for with Gary Lendich returning to instill his enthusiasm and happy go lucky ways on a huge group of 50 Baby Bombers.

U/9's BLACK

(RUSSELL BRAMPSTON)

Under 9's Black had the services of first year coach Russell Brampston, who taught a very young under 9's team to be competitive in every game.

U/9's RED (ERROL COUCH)

Under 9's Red and Errol Couch finished off where they left off in 1992, with a very skilful and exciting team.

U/10's (PHIL SEAL)

Under 10's were very fortunate to have the services of Phil Seal, a coach with a first class knowledge of the game who quickly combined a team battling for numbers into a competitive and gutsy outfit.

U/11's (LINO SANTELLA)

Under 11's with Lino Santella started a bit scratchy but became world beaters in the last round and carnival to be a side with a bright future.

U/12's (TONY CATANIA)

Under 12's once again had the services of Tony Catania who took the side to two undefeated Carnival appearances both in 1992 and 1993. They also had a good win pre season with the Claremont Little League.

U/17's (CHARLES MUSCA)

Under 17's were fortunate to have both Chris Peck and Charles Musca guide them through a difficult first year in a tough competition.

\*\*\*\*\* WELL DONE ALL COACHES \*\*\*\*\*

# FREEBALL 1996

Freeball this season was handled masterfully by Gary Lendich and his big band of helpers.

Gary had many youngsters from 5 – 7yrs this year and emphasised the main criteria for this age group

ie. skill and enjoyment

The Baby Bombers had a few intraclub games and the odd interclub game finishing the season on Sunday August 22 with a most enjoyable wind up.

All players received trophies and certificates to complete a successful season with nearly 50 players registered.

We hope we can entice Gary to line up as Coach again next year.

Charles Musca Coaching Co-ordinator

# GOAGHES REPORT 9'S RED



#### Coach - Errol Couch

I would like to express my sincere thanks to -

- the Team Manager, Brent Watkins
- John Chadwick for his invaluable assistance as goal umpire all season
- Peil Jayatilaka for his first aid skills and for being our runner
- Mark Stanbury for the drinks
- Brent and Jenny Watkins and Sandra Couch for washing the jumpers all season.

Many thanks to the few dads who stepped in to help when needed.

The most gratifying aspect of the season was seeing the boys play as a team. They never argued about the position they were given.

The Carnival this year was a huge success with the team winning all games.

Losing just one game this season is a credit to the effort the boys put in at training and the way they played as a team.

To Graeme Davy and the Committee thanks for the support and generosity towards the 9's this season.

Errol Couch

# PLAVERS PROBLE

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#### LUKE JAYATILAKA

Never stopped trying all season, whether it was at training, or in a game. Luke worked at improving his skills and it showed as the season progressed.

#### SEAN BLAND

A very good season. Sean has very good ball skills and is an excellent mark. Sean is a versatile player who plays well in any position in which he is placed.

#### DANIEL SULLIVAN

A real trier who has worked hard and gained confidence as the season progressed. Daniel always followed instructions to the letter and had a very good season. Well done.

#### ANDREW NICHOLS

Another player who has improved this year and shows increasing confidence. Andrew has good general ball skills and tried hard in the many positions he was given.

#### JAMIE GRIEVE

Jamie worked hard at training and his efforts showed in his game. He really shone in the last line of defence and saved many a goal. Well done Jamie.

# BEN STANBURY

Our youngest player, graduated from Freeball partly into the season. Ben has done very well for his first year and I feel he will improve more next year.

#### STEVEN CATANIA

Excelled in the many positions he played during the season. Steven is a good mark and kicked some valuable goals for us. A very good season Steven.

#### BRADLEY COUCH

A tower of strength wherever he played, a player you depend on every week. Bradley always makes the ball his number one objective.

#### TODD DIROSSO

A very good season for Todd. He has the ability to play equally as well in the forward or back line. Todd took many marks and kicked some great goals.

#### STUART WATKINS

Has worked very hard this season and it all came together for him in the last part of the season. Well done Stuart.

#### JUSTIN CHADWICK

A very determined player who is always prepared to attack the ball. Justin was one of the players who was prepared to burrow in after the hard ball. Well done Justin.

#### **NIALL ROWE**

A newcomer to the club in the early part of the season. Niall improved as the season progressed, but needs to improve his concentration. Niall shows good general skills.

#### MARK HOWLETT

Once again Mark worked hard during the season resulting in an excellent season. Mark is improving all the time and played some great games on the half back flank. Mark is dependable and gains in confidence each year.

# CHEY FISHER

A very gutsy player who got the hard ball this season. Chey has improved out of sight and gained in confidence as the season progressed. Great season Chey.

# ANDREW EDWARDS

Andrew is improving all the time, always tries very hard and I hope to see him working harder on his skills. Andrew had a good season.

#### PAUL D'ALESSANDRO

Paul only played in the latter part of the season. In that short time he showed improvement. Keep up the effort and motivation. Well done Paul.

# COACHES REPORT 9'S BLACK



Coach Manager - Russell Bramston

– Dolph Danti

The Bombers Black team, after an initial slow start, developed into a more competitive and disciplined side as the season progressed.

The team was fortunate to obtain the coaching services of Russell Brampston who we must thank for giving up his time and devoting himself to the team.

This year's side is young by 9's standard and most of the lads will still be playing 9's next year. One year of growth and development makes a good deal of difference and the team should be very formidable next year.

The young lads have been very enthusiastic this year and the problem has been in giving everyone a run at some time in the game. There have been very few occasions when the whole complement of 22 players have not been present at training and at games.

The players are now proud to be part of the team and this is evident on and off the playing field.

Some of the boys are now showing some very good skills and all players need to continue to improve, but at the same time enjoy playing football in a fair and well balanced manner.

Thank you to the parents who have assisted the team in any way this year. Your help is much appreciated and makes the running of the team both easier and more enjoyable for all concerned. We as parents have an obligation to give something back of ourselves towards their game and fun.

Russell Bramston

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#### 9's BLACK

#### JACK ADAMS - Wingman

Courageous player who is always the first to jump in to get the ball and help his team mates. Jack kicked many a goal.

#### RYAN CRAIG - Back Line Player

Ryan is keen to get the ball. He played most of the season in the back line but still managed to kick 2 goals.

#### TOBY DELACY - Versatile Player

Toby played well in any position given to him. He has good technical skills in ball handling.

# JONATHON DELACY - Full Forward Player

Played mostly at full forward. Jonathon is very courageous going for the mark and has a good straight kick.

# STEVEN DANTI - Pocket Player

Steven shows good skills at roving the packs and getting the loose ball.

#### SHAUN EATON - Full Back

Shaun has one of the longest kicks in the team. He is a strong player with good skills.

#### SCOTT HARPER - Versatile Player

Played in may positions during the season. Scott shows good ability towards getting the ball and helping his team mates.

#### MICHAEL KENT - Forward Line

Showed that with more experience he will become a good forward line player. Another long kicker of the ball.

#### BEN JOHNSTON - Back Line

A solidly built back line player who is not afraid to go in for the ball. Ben plays well and with more experience his skills will improve.

#### PETER MAYNARD - Centre

Peter had a good season and shows good football sense at such a young age. He has excellent football skills and was named by fellow team mates as 'most valuable player'.

#### WESS McROB - Versatile Player

Wess played in many positions during the season. He has ability to become a good player.

#### CHRIS MILORDIS - Forward Flank Player

First timer to football. Chris was always keen to learn and his level of skills improved each week.

#### DAVID O'BOYLE - Back Line Player

One of the fastest players in the team. David shows good ball skills and bumping skills.

#### RYAN PENDREIGH - Wingman

Courageous player. Ryan showed excellent ball skills and takes many a brave mark in the pack.

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#### SIMON PYNT - Forward Line Player

A fast player who is keen to chase the ball. Simon's ball skills improved immensely during the season.

#### CHRIS PRINDIVILLE - Back Line

Chris mainly played in the back line with no complaints. He showed excellent ability and ball skills at training and with more experience his game skills will be excellent.

#### CHARLES SPERANZA - Half Forward

Charles played mainly in the half forward position. He is a very evasive player who is hard to catch. Charles had an excellent season showing good ball skills and goal sense.

#### JAMES TOMICH

James is one of the smallest players in the team, however, his keenness to get the ball belies his size. He shows good skills in handball and looking to feed the ball to his team mates.

#### PHILLIP VEITCH - Forward Line

Phillip played the season in the forward line. He has good ball skills. Phillip is always helpful and is a good team man.

#### JAMES VINCIGUERRA - Versatile Player

James played very well in any position given. He showed an excellent attitude towards the game. He skills improve week by week. James was named 'Best Player for team' at the end of season Carnival.

#### STEFAN WALKER - Half Back

Stefan plays mainly half back. On many occasions he ran the ball out of the back line. He has excellent ball skills.

#### MATHEW SEALE

Mathew started the season in Freeball and wanted more action. He showed excellent courage and skill for such a young age. Well done Mathew.

#### U/IDS PLAYERS PROFILE

# COACH - Phil Seal

#### FRANK BONOLO

Frank displayed good leadership when organising his backline and was good at running the ball out of defence.

#### MICHALE MUSCA

Michale developed good "team" skills this year, especially his handball and his defensive play across the centreline.

# VINNIE MOBILIA

Vinnie always displayed a great desire to get the ball. He has good courage in a physical contest.

#### PAUL BOVENLERK

Paul is a very versatile player who improved greatly when his confidence grew. His last 3-4 games were very good.

#### DANIEL MAHR

Daniel played some good football, especially when matched against the oppositions "key" forwards.

#### STEPHEN MUSCA

Stephen learnt a lot about football this year. He showed no fear in his efforts to gain possession of the ball.

# BEN MOURE

Ben played some great footy in our forward line. His leading was very good and he displayed good ball skills.

# SCOTT KINYMA

Scott showed pleasing progress, especially when he realised he could run. His last 3 games were great. Scott will steadily improve as his mobility develops.

#### DAVID NANCARROW

David saved quite a few goals for us this year and will develop even further next year.

#### VEEJAY JOHNSTONE

Veejay always committed his body and got the hard ball for the team. He had a great season.

#### **LEON GEDDES**

Leon developed into a fullback who was never beaten. He has good physical strength and ball skills.

#### JARRAD KLINE

Jarrad developed a good understanding of 'reading the play' and had a great season. He has very good skills.

#### ADAM SEAL

Adam showed great desire to get the football and committed his body very well.

# MARK COMMETTI

Mark played good footy, especially around the ground when matched up with opposition ruckman.

# NICHOLAS ROBERTSON

Nicholas learnt a lot of defensive skills which, when combined with his attacking skills, made him a good balanced player.

# **DEAN GREY**

Dean has heaps of natural ability and has great potential if he can apply himself. He has a good understanding of the game.

Special thanks to U/9's players who helped us out on occasions.

# COACHES REPORT IT'S GRADE



Coach Manager Assistant Coach & Runner

- Lino Santella

- Pat Marafioti

- Frank Petropulos

Fist of all I would like to say it was great to come back to Bombers land after having a year off from football. It was good to see some of the old faces around, and some new players playing our great game of football. The '93 season started with a loss for the first 6 games, when we only had 12 to 13 players playing for us. But to the boys' credit we ended up with 16 players and won all our 7 remaining games.

During the season we came up against some very physical sides and the boys showed great depth of character in the way they handled these games. They enjoyed their football and this flowed over to the sidelines and their parents and friends. They are indeed, a credit to themselves, and the Bombers Junior Football Club. The boys played the best Carnival football I have seen, to only lose one game, by one point and winning all the remaining games.

Now I would like to thank a combination of many people who helped the team this year:

To Ian Moore, Robert Kingma, Garry Howard who all did the goal umpiring and time keeping. Also to Peter Tweedy who was a great help to us when we needed a time keeper. Thank you all for your help. To the ladies, especially Josie Marafioti, (our chief jumper washer), Grace Pullella and Mrs Adams who looked after the players jumpers when needed – thank you very much mums.

To Frank Petropulos who was my assistant coach and team runner, many thanks to you for all your help. To any parents whom I may have missed, such as those who did sausage sizzle cooking and canteen roster or goal umpiring, thanks for your great help.

Last but not least, I would like to thank my Manager, Pat Marafioti, who did all the hard work organising the team and for his great assistance to me every day, and every week of the football season. Thank you very much Pat.

Finally, to all players, thanks for giving me a most enjoyable and memorable season and I only hope that all of you boys stick together in 1994 and give the Club the support and success it deserves.

Lino Santella

#### UARKS DEAVARES DECORRE

#### ANGUS ADAMS

Has had a very good year and has developed well over the season. A strong player who can take a very good mark and position himself well.

Well done and all the best for the future Angus.

#### DAMIAN BRACKENREG

Although Damian came to the club towards the end of the season, he showed he has an abundance of ability in all facets of the game.

Welcome to the Club, congratulations Damien.

#### TOBY FOSTER

Toby played the season at full back and showed he can read the play very well and clears the ball to the advantage of his team mates.

Keep up the good work Toby.

#### SCOTT HOWARD

Scott is one of the boy's this year that has improved a lot with every game. He is a real trier who has worked hard since I last coached him.

Keep up the good work Scott.

#### TRENT KINGMA

A tower of strength where ever he played, ruck, forward line or in the back line. One player you depend on every week. Take's very good marks but must improve on his kicking. Good season Trent.

#### MARK LOWENTHAL

Mark is a new player to the club who has not played football before but has shown tremendous ability to learn and has improved with every game.

Welcome to the Club. Keep at it Mark.

#### BRUNO MARAFIOTI

Bruno is one of the main cogs in our team. He has very good ball control and never stops running. Will make a very good ruck rover in coming years. Bruno plays the game hard and picks up numerous kicks every week. One thing only Bruno, a little more improvement in your kicking and a little more time when disposing of the ball.

Bright future - well done Bruno.

#### CARL MOBILIA

Carl started the season off slowly, but soon found some form in a forward pocket. Carl's kicking has let him down but it improved as he became more confident at training and as the season progressed.

Keep it up Carl.

#### JAMES MOORE

James started the season on a half back flank but his best football was on the left wing. He's a player who will never stop trying. One thing James, you must keep your eye's on the ball when taking a mark, and must use your right foot to get out of trouble.

Good season James.

#### VICTOR PETROPULOS

Victor is a real ball getter who has all the skills required combined with great desire to win the ball at all cost. He has the ability to play anywhere on the ground and has been of great assistance to the team.

Well done Victor.

#### SALVATORE PULLELLA

Little Salvo is a courageous player. The longer the season got, the better Salvo performed. Salvo played both the back line and forward pocket and put in some top games. He needs to concentrate and keep his eyes on the ball when taking a mark, and improve on his kicking. Good season Salvatore.

#### BRYAN PHILLIPS

Bryan is another new player to the Club. Bryan soon found his niche in the team and worked hard on getting the ball. He needs to improve on his kicking. But all in all, a good season Bryan.

#### **BRADLEY RHINE**

Little Bradley has all the skills and natural talent found in great footballers. An excellent kick of the ball with both feet and has the ability to take some great mark's for his size. He also reads the play like a veteran.

Star of the future.

#### BRADLEY RUSSELL

Bradley, unfortunately was only with us for a few games before moving further north of the river.

#### SHAUN SILVER

One thing I worked out was that Shaun is a natural forward. For his size he has kicked a bag of goals playing in the front of the big sticks. We missed Shaun when he went away on holidays but he never lost his skills. He's a good mark and kicks well too. Well done Shaun.

#### THOMAS VINCIGUERRA

Thomas is a player that will fit into any team. He proves that size is no barrier by displaying great courage and determination. He put in 100% and tries hard in every game he plays. You will find Thomas helping his team mates or at the bottom of the pack. Good season Thomas.

#### JADE ZAITI

Jade has played some good games this year when he has applied himself to the task. He can be a good footballer if he uses his height and size against opponents. One thing Jade can improve on during the summer season is his running and speed.

Well done Jade.

# COACHES CHECORY 12'S GRADE



Coach Manager - Tony Catania - John Dunn

Another outstanding season for the players. We got off to a bad start by losing our first four games, but from then on we were the team to beat. The development in a number of players The endeavour of the whole team to win the hard games was has been exceptional. They proved this by going through the U/12's Carnival undefeated and unquestionable. Carnival Champions. Congratulations boys.

A special thanks to my off-sider John Dunn. John has been by my side for four years and I really appreciate your great efforts! Thanks.

I was very pleased to see so many of our parents at the games and so willing to help out where ever possible. Parental participation not only helps the Club, but also encourages the players to perform.

#### Special Mentions:

Mr W Sims

: For goal umpiring, time-keeping, cooking and anything else that needed to

be done.

Mrs Sims

: For canteen duties, time-keeping, cooking, as well as looking after a toddler.

Mr B Marchei: Canteen, runner, cooking

Mrs Marchei : Canteen, selling raffle tickets, chief jumper washer

Mr I Taylor

: Goal umpire, cooking, runner

To all the mums who washed jumpers, worked the canteen, and to all dads who organised the BBQ - a very very big thank you.

To Sandra Couch, the organising machine, who did everything possible to make things run smoothly - thank you for a job well done.

To Errol Couch and Peter Tweedy who helped me out at the Carnival - much appreciated, thanks.

Finally, to my wife, Gael, who puts up with me spending most of my spare time with junior football and most of her spare time running around for me, whether it was delivering pamphlets, dropping of forms or cheques, supervising disco's or selling cakes - thanks, thanks and more thanks.

That's it from me, see you all next year.

\*\*\*\*\* WELL DONE EVERYONE \*\*\*\*\*

Tony Catania

#### IZE BLAVERS DROBLE

#### CAMERON NORTHWAY

Unfortunately for the team, Cameron only played a handful of games this year. May I add that they were all excellent ones at that. Cameron always puts in 110% when he plays. Hope to see you full time next year.

#### JON DUNN

Mr Dependable, plays extremely well in any position. Never one to shirk a challenge, he is your typical never say die, never lay down footballer. Jon is one of the driving forces of the team.

Well done Jon, another tremendous season.

#### BEN THOMAS

Acquitted himself very well. Always ready to listen at training and at the game. Ben's kicking and marking has improved out of sight. He has got to believe in himself and realise his potential.

Keep it up Ben.

#### BRETT CATANIA

Brett has an uncanny ability to run an opposition player down and apply an excellent tackle, no matter what the size. He is most often found at the bottom of the pack or screaming towards the goals. Brett is a determined player with plenty of pace. He can play some breathtaking football when he sets his mind to it.

Tremendous season Brett.

#### SEAN PROSSER

Sean is a real ball getter who has the ability and great desire to win the ball. A lot of our play this year has been built around Sean, who is a running player who keeps attacking the ball. Sean played most of the year in the ruck and would have to be the best in the competition. Sean has a great mark and is a vital cog in the team.

Outstanding season Sean, well done.

# MATTHEW WOLFE

A good year for Matt who has developed this year. He never stopped trying all year in whatever position he was asked to play. Matt is always seen applying himself to the task. A gutsy little player with a good future.

Well done Matthew.

# ASHER WRIGHT

Asher is now going in for the ball with guts and bravado. His kicking skills are improving and his confidence grew with each game. He let loose in the carnival when allowed to play in the ruck, and played some excellent football.

A great year Asher, keep going.

#### PAUL SIMS

Much improved player who played most of his football at centre-half forward. Paul had the ability to bring the other team members around him into the game. He is most often to be found pushing, or handballing the ball out from a pack. His determination is unquestionable. Excellent year Paul.

#### WAYNE CURTIS

Another good year for Wayne, he made the transition from forward to a backman. He is solid as a rock in defence, took numerous marks and put in a sound effort every week. Wayne, keep up the good work and you can only keep on improving. Well done.

#### MICHAEL MARCHEI

Michael has shown a lot more confidence this year and it was evident in his games. Also, his skills have improved, particularly his kicking and marking. Keep it up Michael.

#### JESSE FULTON

A candidate for most improved. I was pleased to see Jesse get into the play a lot more this year. His kicking, marking and handball improved out of sight.

Definitely the character of the team.

Well done Jesse.

#### ARIEL WALTERS

The most reliable backman in the team this year. He took numerous marks and turned defence into attack many, many times. Another player I came to depend on each week. A very determined player. Ariel had an outstanding season. Congratulations!

#### BRENDON TAYLOR

A very good season for Brendon. He put in some very big efforts this year. His determination and confidence grew with the season. Brendon plays his best football in the forward line. He is developing very well.

Well done.

#### ANTHONY ANTONAKIS

Newcomer to the team, who was a bit bewildered at first, but we then found Anthony to be a goal kicking machine. Anthony has a great mark and has the best kick in the team. He averaged 3 goals a game and had an outstanding first year. Keep it up Anthony.

#### KIERAN McEVOY

Another first year player who played in the backline, forward line, on the wing and anywhere else he was asked to play. Kieran is a natural sportsperson, his kicking marking and confidence are excellent. He shows agility and flexibility in his approach to the game. A great asset to the team.

Well done.

# MICHAEL HIGGS

Michael joined us mid-season and shows potential for the future. Michael must work hard at his kicking and ball skills and his confidence will rise. For his first season he played well. Keep going Michael.

#### JAY BROWNRIGG

Jay had an interrupted season, he was out for about 6 weeks. When Jay did return he contributed to the team's winning efforts. As his confidence increased so did his performance. A good mark and a great kick.

See ya next year Jay.

# COACHES REPORT



Coach Manager Assistant Coach/Runner Charles Musca

Ian McAlpine

- Chris Peck

We started the season without a Ruckman and two to four experienced following division players. The arrival of Brendan Plozza and Tony DeLuca certainly gave us some much needed physical presence in a tough competition comprising mainly of 17's players. Our 16's side with the help of a couple of 17's battled hard most of the season failing to string together two victories in a row. Mason Davy provided us with a strong tackler due to his hard training with the Claremont Colts. Ross Baker had an outstanding season and Plugger full forward ace, Glen Kikiros was a treat to watch at full forward with his brilliant marking and lethal 50–60 metre goals.

With only one game to go, we found ourselves in a position to be able to finish in the top 5 but, unfortunately did'nt win two vital games in the last round. In a season which was at times very frustrating it was great to see players like Craig Medley, Ollie McAlpine, Mathew Calder and David Pitman improve each week. Newcomer David Wright played some exciting football and Ben Wilkinson was steady in defence. I can honestly say that the players did their best and were always willing to train and learn. A special thanks to Chris Peck, my Assistant Coach and Runner who did a lot of work on the players fitness and aggression. Chris is a fine coach in any age group. Many thanks to lan McAlpine (Manager) and all the other helpers.

Charles Musca



Ross has always been admired for his courage but this year, he turned the corner in the skills area of high marking, he kicks both left and right foot and reads the play well. Ross was inspirational and exciting to watch. One can only see a bright future for this player.

# **RUNNER UP** - MASON DAVY

Mason spent a lot of time training and playing with Claremont Colts this season. He was the type of player every team needs, that is a hard physical NO NONSENSE player who runs solidly at the ball and his opponents. I hope Mason fulfils his ambitions next season, he certainly has the skills and the right attitude.

#### MOST COURAGEOUS - BRENDAN PLOZZA

Brendan is a Ruckman with a fine future. At times he rucked and roved the packs in order to lift the side when we were down. He has a lot of agility for a big fellow who found himself an instant hit in our team gaining the respect of all his team mates. I hope Brendan advances to Colts next year because he is a player that all teams like to have — Courageous —.

#### **OUTSTANDING PLAYER** - TONY DELUCA

Big Tony was great to watch when he broke up packs, picked up the ball and booted it a country mile. His marking was a treat and when tried at full-back, centre-half back and on occasion in the ruck or forward line, he excelled in all positions. If Tony can work on his fitness pre-season he will have a huge bearing on the future of the team next year.

# COACHES AWARD - (Most Improved) - CRAIG MEDLEY

Even though there were many players who improved throughout the season – namely Ollie McAlpine, Mathew Calder and David Pitman it was Craig who just went from strength to strength each week. Craig started on the bench the first game of the season and once he went on, he made sure that he would'nt start their again. He was the first player picked each week in the backline and came through with tremendous desire each time he approached the ball. Their isn't much of Craig, but he certainly enjoys his football and should continue his good form in 1994.