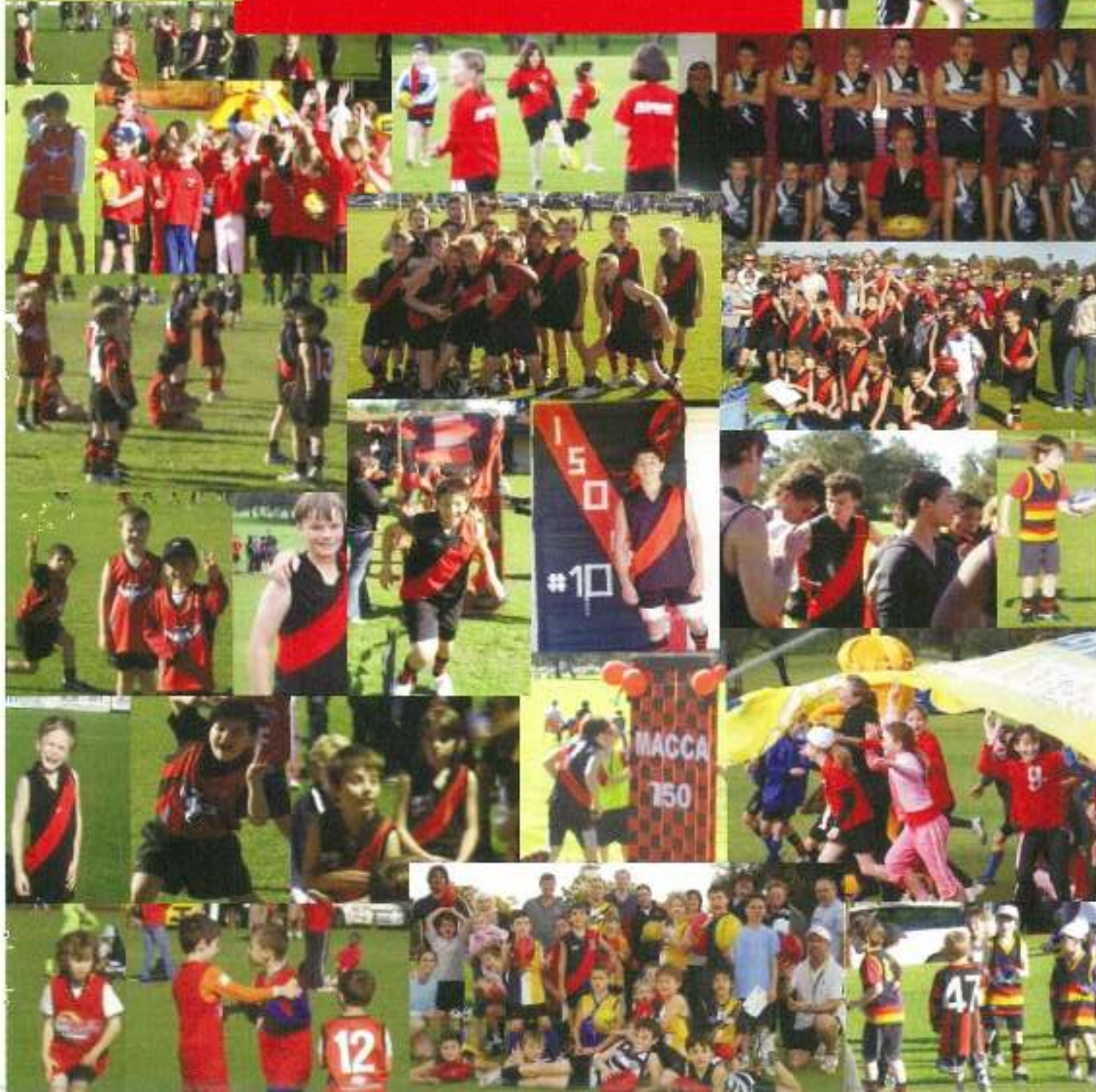


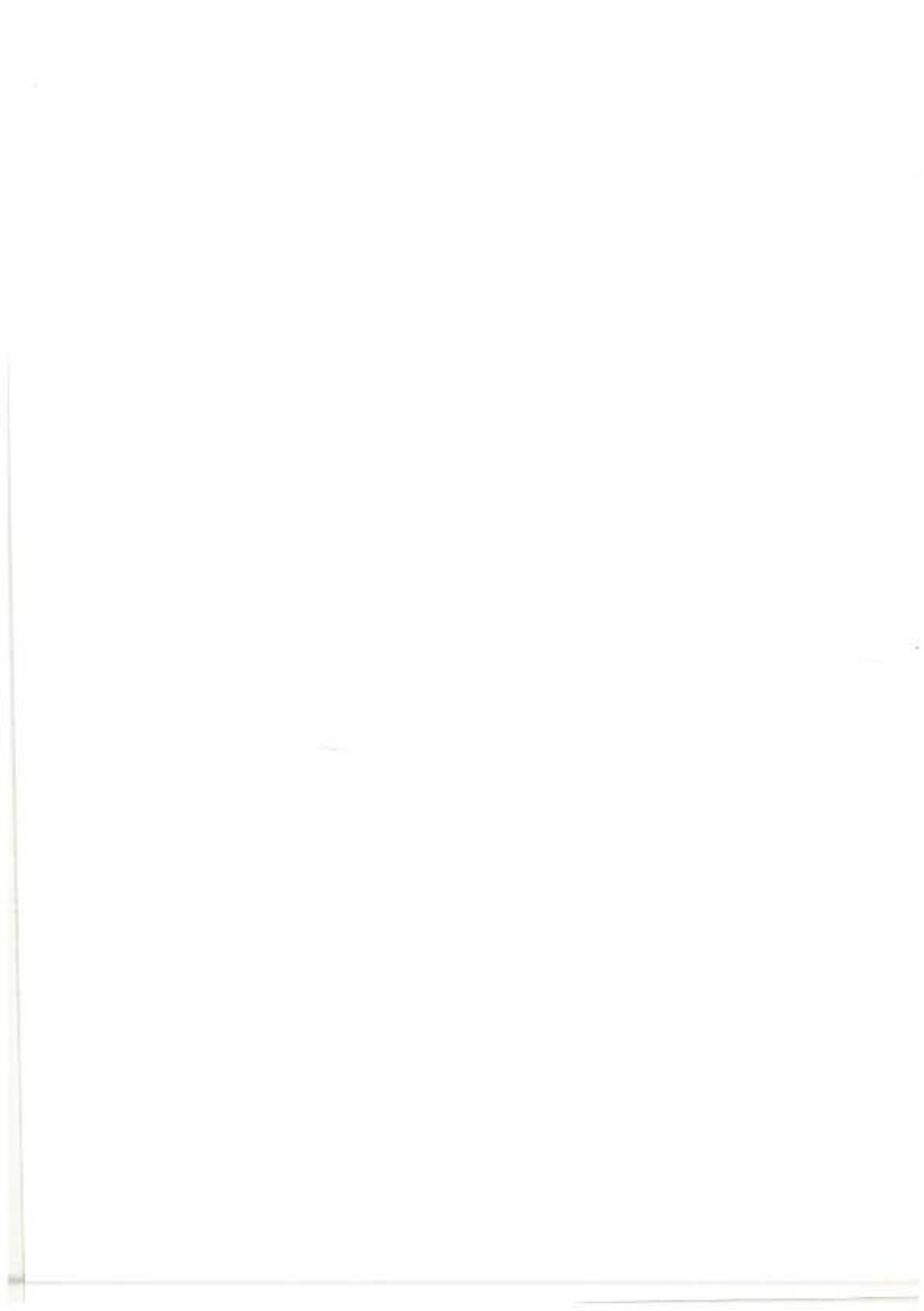


# BOMBERS ANNUAL 2008

## YOUTHS

### 13's TO 17's







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**PRESIDENT'S TROPHY**  
**CRAIG AUSTEN**

Craig is someone who is prepared to take on a challenge and put in the hours and hard work to make that challenge a success. He has earned this award for his organization skill as both Auskick Co-ordinator and also manager of the 9's red and the seemingly effortless way he carries out these duties.

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**DOUG MCGREGOR AWARD**  
**RACHEL McSWEENEY**

This award has been voted by the committee. Rachel has performed her volunteer duties in a tireless and totally committed manner. Rachel not only put in the time on both game days but spent many hours during the week preparing for those days. All of these hours of labour carried out in an enthusiastic and infectiously happy manner.

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**JEREMY SILCOCK AWARD**  
**RYAN CORBETT**

This most respected award is presented by East Perth Football Club in memory of *Jeremy Silcock*, who was tragically lost in an end of season accident.

The criteria for qualifying for this award is as follows:

- Courage
- A good citizen and clubman
- A player who is held in high regard by his team mates
- An unselfish player who plays for his team and not just an individual



A number of players would easily qualify for this award and without a doubt the stand out for this award is Ryan Corbett.

Ryan is a class act as a person and player. His commitment is huge just to get to training and games from Darlington. He has the skills and dedication to play at the higher level. Ryan is a pleasure to watch as he has a very good understanding of the game. Versatile player that can be used back, forward or on ball.

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**ERROL COUCH BEST TEAM AWARD**  
**15's TEAM**

The Errol Couch Team of the year Award is give to the team at the club which shows great sportsmanship both on and off the field is respectful to other teams, coaches and officials and whose parents provide great support to both the team and club. This years winner is the 15s team coached by Mark Burgess. The fought hard to get into the Grand Final to become this year's Runners Up. This team is well supported by parents and has gone through the season with an outstanding disciplinary record. We congratulate Mark Burgess (Coach), the players and all those associated with this team.

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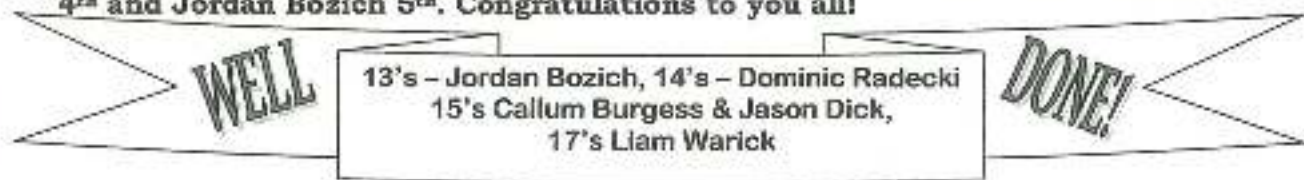
**DOLPH DANTE AWARD**  
**LACHLAN O'REILLY**

This award is given to a young man who has given the club service beyond the call of duty. He started helping in the canteen as part of his school's community service but stayed on to help out on both Saturdays and Sundays, as well as being a valued player in our 15's team.

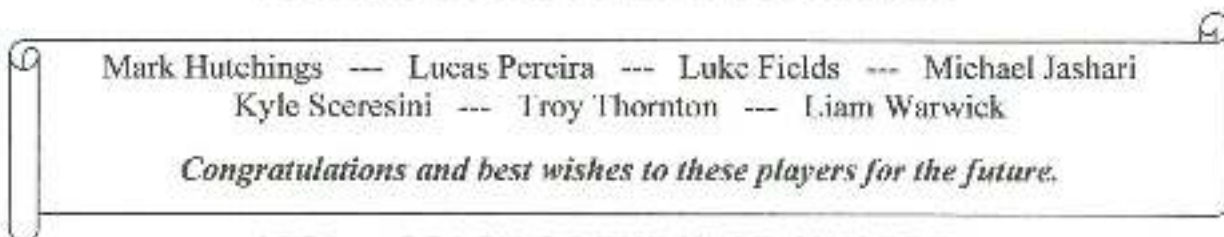
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**CENTRAL DISTRICTS JUNIOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION  
DISTRICT FAIREST & BEST**

District Fairest and Best count nominations as bellow. These players were in the top ten with Domini Radecki receiving Fairest & Best, Callum Burgess & Liam Warwick receiving Runner Up Fairest & Best and Jason Dick coming in 4<sup>th</sup> and Jordan Bozich 5<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to you all!



**PLAYERS IN EAST PERTH COLTS 2008**



**AFCA - COACH OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

There were seven nominations of which four were Bombers  
Keith Henneker, Jason Thomas, Mark Burgess & Jim Vellios



Congratulations to Mark Burgess who was awarded with Youth Coach of the Year.



**16's EAST PERTH DEVELOPMENT SQUAD**

**Redmond Dobson, Jacob Holmes  
Phil Roberts, Ash Boyes,  
Matt Gordon, Beau Parry, Robbie Nicolaou**

**15's EAST PERTH DEVELOPMENT SQUAD**

**Michael Hart, Callum Burgess, Jason Dick,  
Tom Keating, Daniel McSweeney, Ycel Benn,  
Rhys Kenny and Cameron Scott**



**STATE 16 SCHOOL BOYS  
REDMOND DOBSON**

Redmond made the State 16s and played in the National Carnival held in Brisbane. He will play for WA in the Final versus Vic Metro as the curtain-raiser to the AFL Grand Final.



**ROYAL FOOTBALL ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP**

**BEAU PARRY — MATT GORDON — REDMOND DOBSON**

These boys have been awarded the above football scholarship, in which they were vigorously put through their paces up against many other players. We again wish the players all the best for their future in whatever football capacity they wish to follow.

I'd like to start by thanking the following people for their work and support this year:

- Vice Presidents Vince Mirauda and Chris Sara
- Secretary Karen Schaafsma
- Treasurer Kendal O'Reilly
- Registrar Belinda Bennington
- Coaches co-coordinators Graham Begg and Keith Henneker
- Auskick co-coordinator Craig Austin
- Property manager Errol Couch
- Canteen and Merchandising co-coordinator Rachel McSweeney

The year started off well with the first information evening that the club has held, which helped parents and players to not only meet the coaches and managers but also to be told of player and parent codes of conduct, which have this year been followed by the majority. From there our season began and I will attempt to list just a few highlights.

- The completion of our kitchen & clubroom refurbishment, thanks to the organization of Jenny Sara and her team. Jenny and Chris Sara also spent many hours hanging all our shields and pictures, making the clubrooms look spectacular.
- Jason Thomas and Brendon Hodge and their team organizing and running a successful 11's carnival.
- Dave Tomasi and John D'uva's 12's playing more little league games than any other in the district.
- Craig Austen and his crew organizing a very successful Auskick carnival.
- The club hosting the East Perth Football club holiday clinic.
- The club also hosting the launch of the RAC volunteers in football sponsorship for the WAFC at which the Bomberettes were the main attraction and ran through a banner made by the WCE cheer squad.
- The Bomberettes playing on Subiaco oval at the half time break at the match between the Dockers and St.Kilda.
- The president's dinner, which was put on as a thank you to sponsors, coaches and managers, was a great success thanks to the organisational skill of Karen Schaafsma and her team.
- The club had three youth teams in the finals this year. The 14's coached by Mike Jones and Graham Keefe, the 15's coached by Mark Burgess and 17's black coached by Patrick Litherland. The 15's being successful in reaching the Grand Final but unfortunately being over run in the last quarter to take the runners up flag. Both 17's black and 15's have achieved beyond expectations this year and should be congratulated for the intense effort they have put in all year. As it was the first year at the club for both of these coaches, the results although disappointing can not be under rated. Both have given a stellar effort not only for their teams but also for the club as a whole.

None of the above could have happened without the work of many volunteers. Community clubs such as ours can only exist if we have support from people who are willing to give up their time and get involved. As spokesman for the Bombers Junior Football Club I would sincerely like to thank not only the committee, coaches and managers but also everyone who has given their time and made the effort to make this a successful year for the club.

Many thanks  
Laurie Hart  
President  
Bombers JFC

Each year the club fields about 12 teams. That means at least 12 youth and junior coaches, generally supported by an equal number of assistant coaches, and also an equal number of managers. Additionally there are another 6 coaches involved at Auskick and Bomberettes. That's more than 40 people in all who are representing the club each weekend.

We are fortunate at Bombers to have a very high quality coaching group; all Youth and Junior coaches have been trained and accredited by AFCA (Australian Football Coaches Association) to at least Level 1; 4 have attained Level 2. These people not only give their time, but pour their heart and soul into the task of making footy an enjoyable experience for our kids.

The primary goals of our coaches are to provide a positive, encouraging and fun-filled environment, whilst teaching the players a range of coping skills. These include ball skills, game skills, game awareness, communication and resilience in the face of adversity. The outcome is a positive individual and team experience.

For the coach it is also a learning environment; planning training and designing drills and game strategies is just the start of it. Communicating to the kids (and parents) individually and as a team, and being able to provide positive re-enforcement are key skills that a coach is constantly improving. And it is very rewarding. I have never heard a coach regret taking on coaching; in fact, quite the opposite. All parents have busy lives; a coach just re-prioritizes his, and never looks back.

Thanks to all coaches and managers for helping to make 2008 another successful year for our club. Particular congratulations to the 4 coaches nominated for AFCA Coaching Awards: Keith Hennecker, Jason Thomas, Mark Burgess and Jim Vellios. As is the usual procedure, we will declare all coaching positions vacant at the AGM and seek nominations over the coming months for 2009. I recommend the experience to any adult, and hope to see some new faces come on board to complement our existing coaching ranks.

Graham Begg  
Coaching Coordinator



We are now at the end of another season, one that has been filled with fun and laughter that also sees many of the players really developing their skills as football champions.

We had another big year for registrations which is fantastic with many parents wanting to enjoy the social side of the game while cheering the teams on. The kids on the other hand were just eager to pick up from last year and get their hands dirty in the winter rain. The sportsmanship, camaraderie and overall skill our boys showed over the year was incredible and for me makes the early mornings all worth while.

As always, you will find a player tally included reflecting games played with many fantastic milestones and achievements for the boys with 50, 100 or 150 games. When we consider the time and commitment over the years to achieve the latter it really is very impressive and rewarding for all involved.

Finally a big thank you to all parents, grandparents and friends who take the time to get the kids to training and games, with out your help and personal support this club would not be the success it is today.

Have a great summer and hope to see you and your friends back in 2009.  
Belinda Bennington

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Monday 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2008**

**\*\*ALL POSITIONS OPEN\*\***  
**NOMINATIONS NEEDED**

*Nominations and items for inclusion under OTHER BUSINESS to be sent to Karen Schaafsma*  
*c/- PO BOX 31 DIANELLA by no later than 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct*

**YOUR HELP NEEDED**



**"Everyone here? Good. Meeting topic: Setting world record for shortest meeting. All in favor say aye. Ayes have it. Meeting over."**



SURNAME	FIRST NAME	YR END 2007	GAMES PLAYED	YR END 2008
ALLSOP	Ciaran	43	14	57
ALTSCHULER	Adam		12	12
ANDERSON	Nathan	57	12	69
ANGELKOV	Alex	16	13	29
ANGELKOV	Con	61	13	74
ANTONIAZZI	Oliver	11	13	24
ARMENTI	Max		15	15
ARMENTI	Samuel	70	14	84
ARMENTI	Matthew	29	15	44
AUSTEN	Travis	9	18	25
BABAKARKHIL	Mohrmand	0	13	13
BABIC	Jackson	17	12	29
BALDWIN	Matthew		16	16
BALESTRA	Jake	16	17	33
BANKS	Joshua	14	15	29
BARBARICH	Mark	46	13	59
BARTLEY	Jarrah		15	15
BEATY	Lee	68	5	93
BEATY	Leonard	79	12	91
BEGG	Jeremy	79	14	93
BEGG	Samuel	78	14	92
BELL	Michael	40	14	54
BENN	Jaydon		11	11
BENN	Zac		12	12
BENN	Yoel	38	20	58
BENNINGTON	Austin		15	15
BETHUNE	Cameron	28	17	45
BIN OMAR	Daniel		11	11
BLYTHMAN	Kyle		15	15
BOJARSKI	Ulrich		17	17
BONESERA	Joseph	69	13	82
BONNETT	Troy		14	14
BOWKER	Jordan	63	13	76
BOYES	Ashley	67	16	83
BOZICH	Jordan	69	15	84
BRAJKOVICH	Matthew	50	14	64
BRALIC	Dorian	30	12	42
BROWN	Jordan	15	14	29
BURGESS	Callum	108	21	120
BURMESTER	Max	20	14	34
BURMESTER	Jack	Cardinals	12	12
CADDY	Dylan	Mt Lawley	14	14
CALLANAN	Brodie	14	15	29
CAMPBELL	Samantha		15	15
CARBONE	John	22	13	35
CASELLA	Jamie	44	17	61
CHETKOVICH	Stephen	0	3	3
CHILALAMA	David		14	14
CHRISTIDES	Thomas	16	14	30
CHRISTO	Samuel	64	14	78
COHEN	Michael	17	15	32
CONTI	Nick	27	14	41
COOPER	Hadyn	28	18	44
COOPER	Jack	30	15	43
CORBETT	Ryan	129	13	142
CORFIAS	Joshua	13	16	29
COSTA	Joseph		15	15
D'AGOSTINO	Marcus	14	12	24
D'ANDRILLI	Jordan	53	20	73
DARKOVSKI	Nikki	14	17	31
DAVIS	John	78	13	89

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	YR END 2007	GAMES PLAYED	YR END 2008
DEAN	Cohen		3	3
DENYSIUK	Bryce		12	12
DICK	Jason	101	13	124
DICKINSON	Robert	13	18	29
DIMANOPOULOS	Dylan		13	13
DIMBLEBY	Aiden	45	14	59
DINH	Van-Hoa	Cardinals	11	11
D'MELLO	Scott	51	12	63
DOBSON	Ted	96	5	101
DOBSON	Redmond	95	5	100
DOUGLAS	Simon	125	10	135
DOUGLAS-SMITH	Seton		8	8
D'UVA	Edward	62	14	76
EDWARDS	Jedd		15	15
EVANS	Corey	60	17	77
FAIRCLOUGH	Thomas	76	13	89
FEINBERG	Jordan		15	15
FIELD	Luke	143	1	144
FIJAC	Nicholas		11	11
FISHER	Luke	21	10	31
FITZGERALD	Ken		15	15
FORD	Brendan	0	9	9
FORTE	Luke	111	6	119
FREUND	Zachary	43	12	55
GELDENHAYS	Carey	0	4	4
GERRANS	Joshua	90	5	95
GLOSTER	Paul	12	13	25
GOLDBLATT	Zalman	16	14	30
GORDON	Matt	17	15	32
HALE	Shane	30	16	46
HANCOCK	Austen	15	14	29
HART	Michael	46	14	60
HARTZER	Travis	106	16	124
HENNEKER	Ryan	15	13	26
HENNEKER	Matthew	29	15	44
HOCKEY	Alistair		14	14
HOFFMAN	Max	20	19	39
HOLMES	Jacob	MI Lawley	8	8
HOUSTEN	Bradley	33	17	50
HOUSTON	Michael	77	14	91
HOWARD	Jayden		8	8
HUNTER-ARAGU	James		9	9
HUTCHINGS	Michael	137	20	157
INSTANCE	Jordan	35	13	48
IRELAND	Jaryd	126	13	139
ITALIANO	Michael	17	17	34
JANSON	Bronson	15	16	31
JASHARI	Michael	153	2	155
JOHN	Maxwell	42	13	55
JOHNSTON	Tyler	15	15	30
JONES	Zac		16	16
JONES	Tyson	43	9	52
JONES	Richard		3	3
JORDAN	Henry		17	17
KAHN	Matthew		14	14
KAHN	Joshua		12	12
KALPHAS	Daniel		17	17
KAYE	Steven		14	14
KAYE	Michael		145	14
KEATING	Tom		20	20
KEEFFE	Jake	87	13	100

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	YR END 2007	GAMES PLAYED	YR END 2008
KEEFFE	Patrick	107	7	114
KELLY	James	Mt Lawley	17	17
KENNY	Rhys	19	20	39
KILLER	Anthony		11	11
KIRBY	Blair	15	15	30
KLEINFELDER	Thomas		14	14
KOUROULIS	Jake	17	17	34
KUR	Jayden		6	6
LAFFER	Jack		14	14
LANGFORD-SMITH	James	38	9	47
LENZO	Michael	12	13	25
LENZO	Daniel	59	16	75
LEVIN	Jacob		11	11
LI	David	44	13	57
LI	Steven	66	17	83
LOPRESTI	Jason	60	14	74
LUCEV	Jesse	17	18	35
LUTTER	Jared	57	13	70
MANEV	Brandon		8	8
MANSO-VUKOVICH	Jaydon	16	15	31
MANUS	Michael	101	7	108
MARROCCO	Nathan	0	12	12
MASAREI	Myles	24	13	37
MATHIE	Benjamin	15	13	28
MAY	Armani	64	24	80
MAZALEVSKIS	Mandu		12	12
MCCARTHY/SKINNER	Lyndon		9	9
MCCAVANAGH	Edward	29	14	43
MCDONAGH	Matthew	125	8	131
MCDONOUGH-MELLOWS	Michael	17	18	33
MCINNERNEY	Trevis		12	12
McNIECE	Sam	50	16	66
MCSWEENEY	Cameron	77	18	95
MCSWEENEY	Daniel	141	20	161
MERRIN	Nicholas	17	16	33
MIJOSKI	James	47	12	59
MIRAUDO	Stefan	95	14	109
MIRAUDO	Joseph	142	10	152
MIRAUDO	Adrian	60	19	79
MONASTRA	Jordan	16	16	32
MOODY	Chris	46	13	59
MOORE	Harrison	74	16	90
MORGAN	Andrew	102	16	118
MORTIMER	Nathan		15	15
MURPHY	Stephen	31	15	46
NEMO	Ronnie		12	12
NEWMAN	Cooper		14	14
NG	Swanson	0	6	6
NICOLAOU	Robert	74	7	81
OLENDER	Omri	28	13	41
O'REILLY	Campbell	44	15	59
O'REILLY	Lachlan	83	21	104
OSRIN	Gregg	23	14	37
O'SULLIVAN	Joseph		16	16
PAGES-OLIVER	Jack	12	10	22
PALMIERI	Matthew	42	17	59
PARLONGO	Anthony	28	14	42
PARRY	Beau	Nthm Cobras	14	14
PEARCE	Nicholas		14	14
PERKINS	Daniel	34	19	53
PHILLIPIDIS	John		15	15

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	YR END 2007	GAMES PLAYED	YR END 2008
PIERSON	Cedric		10	10
POLSON	Kurtis	25	13	38
PSAILA	Ben	16	6	22
PURDY	Liam	28	15	43
QUAIN	David	105	15	120
RADECKI	Dominic	17	16	33
RAJCEVIC	Alex	42	10	52
RAMSAY	Jackson	35	12	50
RICHARDSON	Joshua	114	13	127
RICHARDSON	Scott	0	10	10
RIZZI	Jake	98	4	102
ROBERTS	Phillip	Mt Lawley	13	13
ROMPOTIS	Adam	117	4	121
ROSENBERG	Zac		15	15
RUGGIERO	Marcus	43	15	58
RUSSO	Daniel	33	22	55
RUSSO	Stefan	33	17	50
RYAN	Levi		15	15
RYAN	Gerard	16	10	26
RYAN	Sam		14	14
SABATINO	Callum		12	12
SABRI	Dominic		13	13
SALERNO	Ben		16	16
SALERNO	Luke		12	12
SARA	Patrick	88	3	89
SARA	Alec	132	13	145
SARACENI	Christopher		14	14
SCERESINI	Kyle	67	7	74
SCHILDKRAUT	Zibeon	63	11	74
SCOTT	Nathan		12	12
SCOTT	Nicholas	45	13	58
SCOTT	Cameron	29	19	48
SEEBER	Shaq		10	10
SHELDRIK	Zachary		13	13
SHORT	Declan	29	15	44
SIDOTI	Anthony	73	14	87
SINAI	Edan		16	16
SIVWRIGHT	Christian	10	29	39
SMITH	Aaron	14	11	25
SMITH	Hedley		8	8
STAINES	Michael	30	14	44
SULLIVAN	Kurtis		14	14
SURACE	Danny	30	12	42
TASSICKER	Mitchell		13	13
TAYLOR	Connor	17	16	33
TAYLOR	Jordyn	39	16	55
TEAUTE	Heremata	0	2	2
TESHOME	Mathys	35	20	55
THOMAS	Angus	30	19	49
THOMSON	Mclaine	73	14	87
THORNTON	Troy	4	6	10
TILLEY	Blake	90	17	107
TOISTER	Jared		14	14
TOMASI	Daniel	43	18	61
TRINCA	Jay	72	11	83
TRISCARI	Adrian		10	10
TURNER	Benjamin	26	11	37
VAN WEES	Cassius	15	9	24
VASOLI	Matthew		14	14
VERNON	Joel		13	13
VINICOMBE	Zach		11	11

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	YR END 2007	GAMES PLAYED	YR END 2008
VITALE	Tainan		10	10
VOS	Ben	16	12	26
VUONG	Jakeb		14	14
VUONG	Jordan	58	12	70
WARBURTON	Mitchell	13	18	29
WARD	Joshua	30	17	47
WARR	Liam	17	16	33
WARWICK	Liam	148	5	151
WATSON	Angus	15	15	31
WATSON	Thomas	69	15	84
WELLS	Daniel	0	4	4
WOOD	Jason	10	10	20
WOOD	Jason	10	13	23
YOUENS	Matthew	27	15	42
YOUENS	Matthew	27	15	42
YOUNG	Nathan		10	10
YOUNG	Nathan		10	10
ZEILINGER	Joshua		2	2

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# MILESTONES 2008

## 50 GAMES

Yoel Benn  
Michael Hart  
Mathyus Teshome  
Daniel Perkins  
Daniel Tomasi  
Jamie Casella  
Daniel Russo  
Stefan Russo  
Matthew Palmieri  
Campbell O'Reilly  
Marcus Ruggiero  
Bryce Denysiuk  
Aiden Dimbeley  
Jordan Instance  
Tyson Jones  
Zac Freund  
Chris Moody  
Ciaran Allsopp  
Michael Bell  
Maxwell John  
David Li  
James Mijoski  
Nicholas Scott  
Jordan Taylor  
Alex Rajcevic  
Mark Barbarich  
Brad Houston

## 100 GAMES

Lachlan O'Reilly  
Ted Dobson  
Jake Keeffe  
Stefan Mirauda  
Redmond Dobson  
Blake Tilley  
Jake Rizzl

## 150 GAMES

Michael Hutchings  
Daniel McSweeney  
Joseph Mirauda  
Uam Warwick

**Well done &  
congratulations to  
Everyone who achieved  
these milestones!**



Daniel McSweeney running through his 150<sup>th</sup> Banner – Congratulations!



A proud moment for Joseph on his 150<sup>th</sup> – Well Done!



Michael Hutchings holding his 150<sup>th</sup> Banner – Nice One!

What a great start to the season in the clubrooms! Thanks to a lot of hard work from Jenny Sara together with the City of Stirling the clubrooms received a long overdue makeover and we now have a brand new modern kitchen area with a very nice stove, streamlined storage cupboards, new lino and even a new rolladour.

Sales of all merchandise were steady this year and the black and red polos are now a familiar sight as our teams arrive at games in their Bombers shirts. Along with the polo shirts the Club also sells rugby tops, caps, beanies, rain jackets, socks and this year introduced a footy kil bag. Wear the red and black with pride and support and promote your Club!

With Bomberettes, Auskick, seven junior and five senior/youth teams the home ground canteen has been busy most weekends with a turn-over of approximately \$30,000. This has seen a profit to the club of almost \$13,600 and these funds have enabled your Club to improve facilities for your kids with further improvements to come.

Even though games do not start until 9am the morning starts much earlier in the canteen with cutting all the rolls, wrapping muffins and cookies and stocking fridges and shelves. I would sincerely like to thank all those who firelessly volunteer their time in the canteen, some who do not have children playing in the early games but who arrive early just to help out. All those who give time in the canteen are always warmly welcomed and you do get a free cuppa. With the growing number of families in our Club you may only be rostered on once a year to cook the barbeque or work half a game in the canteen but your time is so appreciated by the Club and especially your children.

This year we have also had Lawrence Behr from Mokador Coffee at all our home games. Lawrence gives \$1 back to the club from every coffee or hot chocolate that he sells and I know some of us have appreciated his strong coffee on those early mornings...

The canteen would not run as smoothly without all the valuable assistance I have received throughout the year. In particular I would like to thank Kendal, Morena, and Clem for all their support and for running the canteen so I can occasionally go home!

Just a reminder - the canteen is very happy to have senior school students working to complete their community service hours. Thank you this year to Lachlan, Olivia and Georgia who have worked many hours cooking sausages and washing cups.

I have enjoyed managing the canteen this year and I do look forward to seeing you all next year - on either side of the counter.  
Rachel McSweeney

Season 2008 has been a successful year financially for the Club.

We have paid, jointly with the City of Stirling, to upgrade the Clubs canteen kitchen at a cost to the club of \$10,000.00.

A further \$9,000.00 has been spent on updating the clubs jumpers, player equipment, and capital purchases for the new canteen.

Sponsorship this year totaled \$3150.00, for which we are very grateful. Plans are in place to increase this sponsorship for the 2009 season. On top of this generous cash donation sponsorship we have also received \$1051.00 from the coffee sales of the Mokador coffee van which attends the games on the weekend. The club has also received many "in kind" sponsorship from our suppliers.

Our major sponsor Allmark has again come forward and assisted the club with very generous discounts and donations of equipment, supplies and services to the club - totaling well in excess of \$2000.00

All of our sponsors are mentioned in this Annual and we ask that you support them as they have supported us over the 2008 season.

The club has on term deposit a balance \$10,690.00. This money has been allocated to go towards the payment of another light tower for the oval. This will be of great value to the players and coaches on training nights - in particular the Youth grades.

Again the Canteen has been the major earner of income for the Club with the Canteen making a net profit of \$13,600. Thanks must go to our Canteen Coordinator - Rachel McSweeney and to all members of the club who supported the canteen each week.

Subject to payment of end of year accounts it is expected that the Club will have an ending bank balance of \$16,000.00 to start off the 2009 year with. Leaving the club with a close to breakeven situation for the 2008 season.

Final reports on the financial position will be tabled and available at the Annual General Meeting.

Kendal O'Reilly  
Treasurer

# AUSKICK SUMMARY 2008

This year the Auskick season started on the last Sunday in March. During the season we had a mixture of weather conditions to contend with, but overall, we enjoyed mainly fine days.

In the 2008 season we had 97 registered Auskickers, all of which developed their 'Aussie Rules' skills during the course of the season, made new friends, and had fun in a family and community environment.

The Auskick season incorporated the following Special Events:

- We had a great turn out of Auskickers for the East Perth Football Club Junior Parade Day at Medibank Stadium (formerly Leederville Oval) on 3 May.
- Many Auskickers participated in a half time Grid game at Medibank Stadium on 19 July. *Rumor has it that the AFL Talent Scouts who were seen at the WAFL game that day were very impressed with what they saw at half time.*
- The 8's participated in the Landsdale Gala Day on 3 August.
- The 8's had away games against the Noranda (a Night Game) on 7 June and Cardinals on 22 June.
- The 8's hosted Noranda on 4 May and 10 August.
- The 5's, 6's and 7's had away games against the Noranda (Night Games) on 9 August and Cardinals on 22 June.
- Most Auskickers participated in two night games under lights at Coolbinia Reserve. The first night game was on Saturday 10 May which was promoted as Grandparents Night and the second was on Saturday 29 June. The night games were a real hit for the Auskickers and all other family members who came along on the night.
- We hosted the Gala Day for the 5's, 6's and 7's with participation from Noranda, Cardinals, Mt Lawley and Landsdale on 3 August. On the day we had 18 teams who played 4-5 games back to back. This was a fantastic day for the Auskickers who should have all slept well that afternoon/night as well as being a great day for the Club. To all of those volunteers who helped during the course of the morning; THANK YOU.
- Most Auskickers participated in the Presentation Day on 17 August.

With all of the above events the Bombers Auskickers represented the Bombers Junior Football Club very well. It has been great to see the enthusiasm and positive attitudes on show by all Auskickers and parents.

A big thank you must go to the coaches who committed themselves to an early Sunday morning start throughout the season; Johnny Rischbieter (5's), Simon Cox (6's), Sam Caruso (7's), and Luigi Incant (8's). Also, thanks to Steve Tipping for filling in for Sam Caruso when Sam was unable to take training. Thanks too, to Paul Steele for assisting Luigi Incant when an extra coach was required.

During the season we had the Canteen open for business and the Sausage Sizzle happening on most mornings. This not only provides participating Auskick families with the opportunity to get their morning cup of coffee and muffin and for the Auskickers to replace their expended energy with a Sausage Sizzle but also helps the Junior Football Club from a financial perspective. Providing these services would not be possible without volunteers to run the canteen and cook the sausages. To all of those people who assisted in this area during the course of the season; again, THANK YOU. Also, thanks should go to our Coffee Man, Laurence Behr, for making a 'Real' coffee available to us during the course of the season. Laurence actually sponsors the Bombers Junior Football Club on a per cup sold basis.

To all the 8's who will be leaving the Bombers Auskick program to move into the 9's next year we wish you all the best.

I am pleased to advise that next season Clint & Giselle Degebrodt will be taking over as Co-ordinators of the Bombers Auskick Centre and I wish Clint and Giselle all the best in this regard.

In closing I would like to publicly thank my family (Morena, Travis and Aidan) for allowing me to be so involved with the Bombers Auskick Centre over the last few years. My time being involved with the Bombers Auskick Centre has been most rewarding for which I am sincerely grateful. This would not have been possible if I had not had such a great group people involved in and around the Centre.

I'll no doubt see many of you around the Bombers Junior Football Club in the future, but for now, enjoy the off season.

Craig Auster Auskick Co-ordinator



# BOMBERETTES SUMMARY 2008

The season started in May with 45 girls taking part in the East Perth Junior day parade showing off our colours to the crowd which was enjoyed by all the girls.

We followed this up a couple of weeks later with grid games at the East Perth V Subiaco WAFL game at Subiaco oval as a part of Subiaco football clubs 100 year celebrations.

We also gave the girls the opportunity to play under lights as we had a twilight grid game which the girls loved followed by sausage sizzle.

We then ventured to the inner sanctum of the West Coast Eagles having a tour of their facilities looking at their gym and swimming pool area and also the room in which the coaching staff give their pre game address and also a walk out onto the hollow turf.

The girls got the chance to host and play for the first time with another girls Auskick team from Noranda, in which our skills and ball handling shook the opposition players as we took over with some exciting football.

We also played a half time grid game at Medibank stadium at the East Perth V Claremont WAFL game which again was a great afternoon out for the girls.

Probably the highlight of the year and for the last years of my involvement was the opportunity to have the girls play the half grid games at the AFL's Fremantle V St Kilda match. With the 2008 group included I invited girls who were a part of the Bomberettes over the last three years to come and be a part of this once in a life time chance with over 60 girls out enjoying themselves in front of 40,000 people, truly a buzz for all.

It is now my turn to step back and let another parent take over the reins having established the first community based girls Auskick centre in Perth with over 160 girls in the program over the past three years I hope that this will continue and that the club backs the new person taking over.

I would like to thank Allmark Promotions and Subway Dianella for their support over the years.

Keith Henneker



When we started the 2008 season, our goals for the 13's team were to:

- Help the boys get the best out of themselves by developing their fitness and skills
- Develop as a team
- Be competitive
- Have some fun

In every area we were successful, despite finishing in 6<sup>th</sup> position on the ladder and just missing out on the finals.

The other members of our team in 2008 were:

**Nathan Anderson**

A solid contributor forward or back

**Sam Armenti**

Strong marking forward who could work a bit harder to take advantage of his natural skill

**Jordan Bowker**

Terrific competitor on a flank or in the midfield

**Jordan Bozich**

Strong Full Forward with a booming left foot kick

**Max Burmester**

Fearless midfielder/half back with improving skills

**Brodie Callanan**

Highly skilled midfielder in only his second year

**Sam Christo**

Elusive midfielder / forward

**Bryce Denysluk**

Ruckman / forward whose skills and confidence grew significantly over the year

**Aiden Dimbelby**

Reliable defender and a great team man

**Michael Houston**

Utility player who was strong at half forward

**Tyson Jones**

Hard at the ball defender

**Anthony Killer**

Tough flanker with great foot skills

**Jason Lopresti**

Fast and highly skilled small forward, midfielder

**Lyndon McCarthy-Skinner**

Pacy small forward

**Sam McNiece**

Team focussed pocket or flanker

**Chris Moody**

Fast and skilful wingman

**Zibeon Schildkraut**

Hard working defender

**Zach Sheldrick**

Hard running, hard hitting midfielder

**Anthony Sidoti**

Creative small forward

**Hedley Smith**

Highly skilled forward with great hands

**Maclaine Thomson**

The mainstay of our smaller on ball group with a deadly left foot

**Jay Trinca**

Quality key position player

**Jason Wood**

Creative and hard tackling midfielder

It was a challenging year from a coaching perspective with 28 players on the list and 25 playing in most games. Trying to give the boys enough game time whilst trying to win games of footy was difficult but both the boys and their parents were very understanding and I thank them for that.

Thanks also to my assistant coach Brett Callanan for his efforts over the course of the year and to Phil Thomson for helping out while I was away in the early part of the year.

Finally thanks to Martin Bowker our incredibly organised Manager whose efforts off the field made my job very easy.

I look forward to seeing you all again in 2009.

Luke McNiece



**BEST & FAIREST****JORDAN VUONG**

Jordan played the majority of the year as our Centre Half Forward but when we needed him to he played with equal skill at Centre Half Back. Jordan's size and strength are matched by his impressive skills, particularly his kicking. Towards the end of the season Jordan was dominant in whatever position he played and had he not been injured in the last game we may have fought our way into the finals.

**RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST****JACH FREUND**

Zach, our first ruck, is a typical modern day ruckman. His skills at the centre bounce or boundary throw ins are matched by his fitness, agility and ability to win the contested footy at ground level. Zach is a fine leader and incredibly coachable, adopting many of the skills we practiced at training in our games.

**2<sup>ND</sup> RUNNER UP****JAREN LUTTER**

Jared played most of the season in the midfield and through half back. His singled minded attack on the footy is the highlight of the way he plays. With a little more work on his skills and some focus at training he will be the complete footballer.

**MOST COURAGEOUS****MATT VASOLI**

Matt joined us from the Cardinals this year and is only in his third year of footy. As Matt's confidence in his ability grew over the course of the year, we threw him bigger and bigger challenges so at the end of the year he was our regular full back. As well as great skills, Matt's ability to read the play saw him regularly repelling many opposition attacks

A good midfielder, who can go forward, take a good grab and kick a goal or play a hard tight defensive role.

**BEST CLUBMAN****JEREMEY BEGG**

Jeremy is a talented member of our midfield, who performed strongly week in, week out. He showed maturity and leadership on game day but particularly during the week at training. A deserving winner.

The 14s started the year with a squad of 26, which at times presented us with the interesting challenge of rotating six and seven boys off the bench. All this came to naught, however, when we could only muster 12 fit boys for the first game of the finals. Despite forfeiting this game we went on to meet Noranda in the qualifying final with far healthier numbers, and boys!

The season saw us finish in third place on the ladder with the only two teams we could not defeat being Mt Lawley and Northern Cobras. Despite this, our year was full of great games, individual achievements and most pleasing of all was the camaraderie that developed amongst the boys which lead to them playing real **team** football. We had several new players, some of whom had never played football before, and their skills by the end of the season were great. Some boys came to us from other clubs or because their mates were at the Bombers and their skills and determination were second to none. We also had boys returning from last year and a couple of years ago, and from the very first game their skills, determination and reading of the play were exceptional.

We celebrated milestone games for Jake Keeffe and Ted Dobson who notched up 100 games and Marcus Ruggiero and Jackson Ramsay who played 50 games.

All of our successes this year were due to the fantastic coaching of Mike Jones, who was assisted by Graeme Keeffe. Together they worked hard to make training fun and productive, ensure every boy got a fair go and that we always had a game plan. Mike and Graeme were assisted this year by Paul Ramsay and Gordon Polson who helped out with training, conducted special skills sessions and did a number of

things in the background that eased the pressure on the coaches.

Thank you also to our regular boundary umpire Brad Pages-Oliver (and his helpers) and our regular water carrier Errol Turner. In addition, there were the parents who were always willing to assist with all the other jobs that go with junior football, including the washing of the jumpers, goal umpiring, oranges, BBQ duties, canteen duties, casting of votes, checking the ground, padding the goal posts, keeping the score cards, timing and the list goes on.

Thank you to all the officials, parents, relatives, friends and most importantly the boys for what was a fantastic 2008 season. I would especially like to thank Richard May our manager for all his help over the season making sure that our team and parents were kept well informed.

Mick Jones  
Coach



**Aussie Rules**

## **FAIREST & BEST**

DOMENIC RADECKI

Domenic dominated most games he played in and those where he didn't dominate, he had an influence on the outcome of significant contests. He is a highly skilled player who consistently kicked the ball over 50 meters and was versatile enough to play in the centre, centre half forward and centre half back. If there was ever a contested ball to be won you would back Domenic to win it with his skills, courage and sheer determination

## **RUNNER UP FAIREST & BEST**

SAM RYAN

Sam played in the centre and ran, and ran and ran. His skills with the ball were excellent and he was always creative in moving the ball forward. Once Sam got the ball, there was no player that could catch him. A highlight of many games were Sam's runs straight down the middle of the ground, with the ball always ending up with one of his team mates.

## **2<sup>ND</sup> RUNNER UP FAIREST & BEST**

MAT ARMENTI

Mat was rock solid in defense. His opposition player rarely got the better of him which meant that in most games two or three different players were tried on him. His kicks out of full back were precision passes of 40 and 50 meters and when he took on the opposition with one of his trademark runs you knew the ball was going to end up in the hands of his team mates.

## **MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**

JAKE KEEFFE

Jake displayed freakish skills throughout the year, he took some truly spectacular marks, kicked some memorable goals, weaved his way in and out of heavily congested areas, eluded tackles, rarely got beaten in a contest, and always disposed of the ball to the advantage of his team. His ability to read the play and get to a contest was exceptional.

## **MOST COURAGEOUS**

JACKSON RAMSAY

Jackson was fierce in whatever contest he found himself in and often emerged with the ball much to the surprise of the opposition. He was quick, had superb skills and endless amounts of courage which saw him used in the forward line, the wing and as a follower whenever any of these positions needed a bit of grunt and creative play.

## **BEST PLAYER IN FINAL SERIES**

ARMARNI MAY

After an interrupted start to the season with a burst appendix and an attack by a swarm of bees at training, Armani steadily improved as the season continued. His performance in the finals was exceptional. He started in the forward line and kicked three straight goals in the first quarter, and was then moved around the ground to pinch hit in positions we were losing. His skills, effort and determination throughout the game were fantastic.



Season 2008 for the Bombers 15's has been very good, in more ways than one. Obviously the fact that we played finals football shows the boys were committed to achieve, but the way they went about it deserves special praise.

I remember speaking to Laurie Hart at registration day in February after we had signed about 12 players. I said I was hoping more would have been there on the day. As it turned out, that was our dilemma all year as we struggled for numbers throughout the season.

In the end, we actually signed 23, but two disappeared and we eventually had 21. Due to school camps and other commitments, illness, injury, other focuses etc, we played most games with the bare 18, some with 17 and on two or three occasions we had 16 players, but not once did the boys think they were disadvantaged and just went out and did their jobs, with many of our wins coming from grinding games out to the end with tired, over used players. From a coaching perspective, you really want to give players a rest when you can, but our numbers just didn't allow it, and the boys kept plugging away, so to my players, I have the deepest respect for you all, and let your work ethic throughout this footy season be a guide as to how you approach your footy and your life looking forward.

Like a nice chocolate cake, a successful team can't function unless all the ingredients mix well together. My Assistant Coach and Club President Laurie Hart is a genuine superstar. When I agreed to coach, one of my issues was being able to get to training on time. Laurie's reply was simply, 'don't worry, I'll be there and I'll have them warmed up for you when you arrive'.

This he duly did and when you have limited time on the track, Laurie's efforts in this role, plus taking drills during our sessions, was of invaluable assistance to me. On top of that, and his game day role, he would often pick up any kids that had difficulty getting to games, and essentially would do anything that needed to be done to not only assist the 15's, but the Bombers Football Club as well.

Lindsay Dick was my Manager who carried out his role with aplomb. Like Laurie, he would put his hand up to do anything, over and above his designated duties, just so the boys could have the best opportunities they can possibly get to succeed. Dicko was also my runner on a couple of occasions when our regular runner was unavailable. I only had to ask him and the reply was 'no worries mate'. Lindsay was always keen on a win, and his energy on the sidelines in close games showed his endless passion for team success, and luckily for him we delivered on most occasions.

To Laurie and Lindsay, I thank you for your overall efforts, and as we sort of knew each other prior to this year, our close working relationship, plus a laugh or two over a beer or two this year, results in me feeling privileged to now call you my good friends, even if you do support the wrong AFL teams. Thanks guys, I owe you both.

My runner this year was my eldest son Mitch, who also trained with us on a regular basis. Mitch got on extremely well with all the boys, and being five years older than them and having played Colts level football, he was able to not only pass on my messages, but impart some of his own experiences as well. He has good intuition football wise and will make a good coach should he ever want to pursue that line. Thanks Mitch, it was good having you as part of the team.

To Kevin McSweeney, a big thank you from all of us, as your infectious antics on the training track really rubbed off on many of the boys.

I've been coaching football for 10 of the past 11 years, and it may sound cliché like, but I can honestly say that the player's parents this year have been absolutely wonderful and are integral to the overall workings of the group. We had a working roster made up for various jobs (thanks Dicko), and I don't like to single people out, but if the rostered person was unavailable for any reason, it was a great bonus for us to have any number of parents who would put their hand up for any job, such as goal umpire, boundary umpire, water runner, sausage sizzler etc, not to mention the luxury of having parents as our on site doctors, so my sincere thanks go out to all of you. I am sure that many years from now, I will still hear the passionate tones of vocal supporters like Vince Kenny and Rachel McSweeney, amongst others, ringing clearly in my ears.

Bombers15's made the Grand Final against Ballajura Blue at Medibank Stadium. This was a huge effort in itself due to the lack of players available all year. We started the game well, even though one player got injured and could take no further part in the game, but at quarter time we were up by about two goals. The second quarter was closer and at three quarter time the margin was only a solitary point. I asked the guys for a big effort in the last 20 minutes of the game and to their credit, against the breeze and undermanned, and considering that Ballajura put on players that had hardly had a run and were very fresh, we played extremely well and it was only the last five minutes or so, when Ballajura kicked two goals, that the game slipped away from us.

I am very proud of all the players, but I know they were devastated to get so far, yet fall just short in the dying minutes of the season. We have a marvelous group of young men at our disposal, and the ultimate prize is always attainable if they stick together, continue to learn, and promise each other they will all go 100% when on the field.

After our Grand Final, players and parents went back to the classrooms and we had a bit of a celebratory get together to finish off the season. Whilst we were there, we had a Player of the Finals vote count on the whiteboard (votes were given 5,4,3,2 & 1) which went down well with everyone who witnessed it. After the four finals games were counted, Callum Burgess was judged Player of the Finals, marginally in front of Jason Dick.

It should also make the club feel very proud, as Callum and Jason also finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> respectively in the 15's District Medal, that being the fairest and best count for the overall competition. Considering they were taking votes off each other throughout the season, to finish in these positions, in a very strong competition, is a truly wonderful effort.

In closing, I wish all of you the best of success, and as my players are such a fine group of young men, I invite any of you to call me at any time now or in the future if you need to discuss anything about your football direction or career path, as I would be honoured to assist you moving to the next level and beyond.

Thanks for a great season boys

Cheers  
Mark  
Burgess

**GRAND FINAL  
RUNNER UPS  
2008**

## **FAIREST & BEST CALLUM BURGESS**

Callum has had an outstanding season and has been a big part of the team's success.

He was always asked to fill key positions on the ground and often to take on the opposition's best player, and has not only relished the challenges, but generally outperformed his opponent on each occasion. He has also shown great leadership qualities and future success is assured should he continue to learn and work hard. Thanks Callum for being so dependable.

## **RUNNER UP FAIREST & BEST JASON DICK**

Jason was a great contributor through the midfield this year. His work ethic is fantastic and he has a never say die attitude, which is a great quality. His ball getting ability and his precise delivery set up many opportunities for our forwards, and he was always willing to work deep into defence to the benefit of the team. He was at his best when applying pressure to his opponent, has a good football brain, and he always seemed to get better as things got tougher. Well done Dicko.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> RUNNER UP FAIREST & BEST YOEL BENN**

Yoel is the type of player you love to coach. He works exceptionally hard, he hates being beaten, he constantly puts his body on the line and you can never question his endeavour. It is these attributes that will make him one of the first players selected in teams in the coming years. He has neat football skills, carries out instructions, and rarely wastes an opportunity to advantage the team when he has the ball. On top of all this, he is a true gentleman and is always trying to find ways to improve himself. Thanks for your contribution Yoell.

**RUNNER UP'S  
GRAND FINAL  
2008**

## **MOST CONSISTENT TOM KEATING**

Tom was our ruckman this year, and whilst most teams have two, we had Tom, who often did the work of two men. He was always there when you needed him to stand up and deliver, and on top of his ruckwork, he worked well around the ground being a regular goal scorer for the team. He was often outsized at the bounce downs, but in uncanny fashion, he seemed to win the knock 95% of the time. With quality midfielders around him, Tom's ability to get the ball to them was a key driving factor in our success. Thanks mate.

## **MOST COURAGEOUS RHYS KENNY**

If you needed someone to throw some muscle around, Rhys was the man. But unlike other footy tough guys, Rhys had the polish as well. He has good foot skills on both sides of his body which is a real plus, and he was capable of taking the big mark to stop the oppositions forward thrust. He liked nothing better than a bone crunching tackle and has a really big heart and a definite will to win, often running himself into the ground to get the job done to the best of his ability. Thanks Ryhsa, you're a champ.

## **BEST PLAYER – FINAL SERIES CALLUM BURGESS**



After a very competitive year in 2007 and with seven of our players being selected to play at East Perth Colts, this year looked very promising and I hoped this year would have reaped the rewards the team deserved. Unfortunately this was not the case and with regular selections in the colts and some injuries to key players we struggled all year to field a full team.

The lack of bench pressure had a huge impact on our team and the workload on the young men eventually took its toll. Despite this season being difficult a number of players really did stand out and continued to improve. Their commitment to each other was commendable and the efforts of the young men that continued to train showed a quality that must be respected and admired. (Mark B, Morman, Pep, Luke, Paul, James, Ben, Jaryd, Scott, Richo, Nathan).

Personally many football lessons were learnt in 2008, and the most important one was that without commitment to each other and the team the game is not fun. Despite many hurdles we managed to finish the season off and that in itself was a quite achievement. Also a special thankyou to Reece, Michael, Lachlan, Dicka from the under 15's as you guys made a game happen and your efforts were outstanding and much appreciated.

To the main support group of Warren, Jeff, Rob, Ang, Brett, Brexton, Dave and Leanne a sincere thankyou from the players and myself because without your ongoing support the games would not have been possible.

There is no coincidence the players who are our award winners have received these honours as they attended training on a regular basis.

Special thanks to James v/cpt, Mark B, Morman, Richo, Adam v/cpt, Liam, Kyle, Michael J. Tray, Luke, Nathan, Scott, Swanson, Daniel, Michael M, Josh, Jake, Cassius, Carey.

In closing I would like to congratulate the efforts of the Bombers under 15's for making the grand final and the Bombers Black under 17's for making the preliminary final. What a fantastic achievement by both teams and well deserved. Also congratulations to both of the coaching and support teams.

To all the players I sincerely hope you all continue to play football at whatever level and achieve all the rewards the game provides.

Jim  
Coach

Jim started at the club as assistant coach of the 14's in 2005 followed by assistant coach of the 15's in 2006. He then went on to coach the East Perth 15's development squad in that year which lead onto him coaching the Bomber's 17's in 2007 and 2008.

Jim is a very positive coach with a strong rapport with his players. In 2007 Jim took a team of almost entirely 16 year olds into the finals where they were competitive. Of Jim's 2007 squad a massive 8 players made it into East Perth's Colts list for 2008.

At our club Jim sets and expects very high standards of behaviour and is an open and honest communicator who has the confidence of club officials and parents. A measure of his commitment to the development of the game is his dual involvement as youth coach of the Bomber's 17's and also President of the Coolbinia-West Perth Amateur Football Club, which helps form a pathway for 17's players to stay in the game. The high retention of player numbers from Jim's 2007 team meant that Bomber's were able to field an unthinkable two 17's teams in 2008.

Jim has decided to give football a break for awhile, but we hope to see him back one day in some role of some kind or another. All the best Jim from your friends at Bombers.



## FAIREST & BEST

JOSEPH BONESERA &  
BEN MATHIE

**Joseph – Captain** Is a class player with good speed, hands and foot skills. Looks best when meeting the ball and taking players on. Good decision maker and plays the ball hard. Can turn a game on his own and an absolute pleasure to watch in full flight. Has natural talent that will see him play at a higher level.

**Ben** Late starter to the game and has blossomed to be a leader on the field due to his work ethics – never gives in and skills have vastly improved over the last two years. What he lacks in speed is off set by the way he attacks the ball. Has dedication and will to succeed at a higher level and hopefully will decide to do the hard yards to get there.

## RUNNER UP FAIREST & BEST

LUKE FORTE

**Luke - Vice Captain** Workhorse that just never gives in, makes everything look easy and does it 100 % right all the time. Cannot fault him in any way and if given the opportunity will succeed at the higher level. Oozes class and with a little flair will be a stand out.

## MOST IMPROVED

PAUL GLOSTER

**Paul** Has improved dramatically over the last two years, his desire and work ethics prove that what he sets his mind to he can achieve. Has many good years of football to learn the game and with more games under his belt will be a most valued player to any team. Asset is his work ethics and talk.

## RISING STAR

JARYD IRELAND

**Jaryd** Escaped from back line for a short period and relished on ball role. Confidence grew and became a key player for our team. Has exceptional skills for a tall both good in the air and ground. Marked improvement in contested marking Will play higher football if he desires. Its been a pleasure watching him grow into the person he is and has that something "special". Will play higher level football.



In my first year as coach at the Bombers, I has been great to have had the opportunity to coach such a talented and positive group of young men who steadily improved as the season went on. Finishing the Home and Away in 4<sup>th</sup> spot. There were many challenges that we needed to overcome as a young, maturing group and although we had the odd hurdle to jump over along the way, the players should be very satisfied with what they achieved this season in the end being rewarded by playing in the finals.

My first impression of the group was to be a little on the cautious side due to the diverse and different nature of the group ranging from the positive, outgoing to the quiet, passive player who has been encouraged to come out of his shell a little more. In the end, it didn't take long to build a relationship not only as a coach but also where we were able to communicate on wide range of subjects from football to even trying to left the time by looking at the stars!! The group has been very interesting to coach indeed.

I made a point very early in the season that I wanted to encourage all players to play as many different positions as possible regardless of where they might have played in the past. The fact that we had 26 individual goal scorers during the season was testament to this and I am very thankful that the players had the willingness to play different roles even though a number of them could have ended up in what was thought as their best suited role for the team.

One other important key that I wanted to encourage was that the players enjoy playing the game as much as they could. Although we lost a number of games by large margins, it was still very important that the coaching staff stayed as positive as we could have in any circumstance trying to keep any criticism/negative as constructive as possible without losing the confidence of the players. On the very few occasions where this has been difficult to do, the communication between coach and player has stayed on a common ground trying to stay focused on what we were trying to achieve.

Personally, I would like to thank Graham Begg and Mark DiMello for their unbelievable support provided to me from day one. Not only have they acted as assistant coaches but were vital in gaining the knowledge and understanding of the players so quickly so we could get onto coaching them. Their knowledge is first class and it has been great to have had them by my side.

Congratulations must also go to our captain Matt Gordon and vice captains Ash Boyes, Sam Begg, Scott DiMello and Steven Li for what they have shown this season not only as players but also as individuals given such important roles within the team. Apart from an enforced one week holiday for Ash, the leadership group have had an outstanding season.

Finally, I would like to thank all involved with the Bombers 17's sides this season including Jim Velkos, Warren Hutchings and Jeff Ireland from the 17's Red team to the parents who have given great support to not only their sons but also the confidence you have given me to coach and encourage the players to believe in their ability and constant development not only as players but also as young men.

**Sam Begg: Vice Captain – midfield/small forward –** very good skill level, understands the game very well and has excellent hand/eye co-ordination especially in close situations. Has had a restrictive on field training program however he has more than made up for that with alternative training routine. He has been great to coach.

**Ash Boyes: Vice Captain – midfield/forward –** outstanding season, able to run all day especially through the midfield, strong overhead, goal kicking forward. Apart from being the only player suspended during the season, has had a huge impact on the group through his ball winning ability whilst also continuing to improve his ability to bring his team mates into play.

**Jack Bunnalister – ruck –** overall skill level might not be the best however well and truly makes up for that through his willingness to compete and protect his team mates as well as through his knowledge of the game.

**Nikki Dankowski – back –** has had an impressive season, has plenty of courage, skill and is willing to take on any contest. Has played mainly in the back line however has also spent some time in the middle as well as a small forward. He is very reliable.

**Scott DiMello: Vice Captain – back –** started the season slow due to injury however got better and better as the season went on. He is very hard at a contest putting his body on the line whilst also showing plenty of run out of the back line.

**Brendan Ford – back/forward –** has had an inconsistent season due mainly to injury. Is definitely a better player than what he possibly believes. He has an excellent kick and has the ability to take a good mark.

**Matt Gordon: Captain – midfield/utility –** has had a true captain's season leading by example through his ability to win any contest, take strong marks, kicking goals and has been unstoppable during certain stages of games. He has played mainly through the midfield however can almost play anywhere back or forward. He was also included in the inaugural Royals Football Academy.

**Hoai Dinh – back –** has had a satisfactory season however would have liked him to have more of an impact as he has the ability. Has good skill level and uses the ball well.

**Jayden Howard – utility –** has had a very positive impact on the team from the limited games he has been able to play. An exciting player to watch, he has played in the ruck, midfield and has really all over the ground. It is great to see his pace, skill and overall natural ability during a game.

**James Hunter – forward/utility –** has had an encouraging season playing mainly around the centre square positions. He has got better the more he has played although skill level could improve a little to be in line with his confidence and overall ability.

**Daniel Kalpree – back –** has had a huge impact on all sides coming from Mt Lawley. A quality person who prefers the back line, excelling on the hard work required to get the best out of himself and his team. It is great to watch his dashing runs from the back line and on the odd occasion where he has struggled, he has adapted to playing up forward and kicking goals.

**James Kelly – utility –** got better as the season went on and has been able to play in a number of positions due to his skills and running capacity also being one of the quickest players in the side. Although you almost get the impression he can still do more, it has been great to see his progress and flexibility. A little more confidence in his own ability will take him even further than he expects.

**Steven Li: Vice Captain – wing –** has had a consistent season giving plenty of run and carry from mainly a wing although he has also played very well in the middle. Has quality skills and is not afraid to be in any contest no matter his size. He has played better as the opposition has been stronger which has been very positive.

**Trevin McInnemei – forward/back –** it has been pleasing to his progress during the season. Although he needs to keep working on his kicking, his work rate and willingness to be involved has been good to see. Also, communicates well.

**Ronnin Nemo – utility –** has also got better as the season has gone on. Can play a number of roles from midfield and forward however plays well across the back line where he takes a good mark and is prepared to run. I would like to see him work a little more on his fitness to take him to the next level.

**Rob Nicolaou – midfield –** no doubt one of the best midfielders in the side however has had a terrible run with injury. Very strong at a physical contest for his size and can use both right and left foot under pressure.

**Beau Parry – utility –** has had a good season playing in a number of key positions from ruck to both forward and back. He plays his best football when his work load is increased. I am looking forward to seeing his progress as he reads the play well, takes a strong mark and can also kick goals. He was also included in the inaugural Royals Football Academy.

**Alex Rajcovic – forward –** has played mainly as a small forward however he has the ability to play different roles depending on his confidence levels. Has a sound skill level and knows how to kick goals. I would like him to work on his fitness and confidence on the football field which will have an impact on his game.

**Alan Sara – forward/back –** very much a character person and player of our team and has had more of an impact the longer the season has gone. Skill level is quite good and he also takes a good mark. I would like to give him more opportunities to play in the middle in the future.

**Blake Tilley – utility –** has had a consistent season in a number of positions all over the ground, has plenty of running and has a great leap. Although he is not the most physical player, he more than makes up for that with his pure natural ability in winning the ball and reading the contest. He is also great to speak to and coach.

**Dylan Caddy – midfield –** has given excellent commitment to the team whilst having PSA commitments. He provides plenty of run and hardness through the middle and can also play as a small forward or even back. Has got better the longer the season went on.

**Jacob Holmes – midfield/forward –** has played a vital part in our team this season whilst having PSA commitments. He has played mainly through the middle as well as spending some time in the forward line. His ability to win strong contests has been great to see. He is a quality player and young man. It was a shame that a shoulder injury meant he was unable to play in the finals.

**Patrick Keefe – forward –** has had an interrupted season due mainly to either PSA commitments and/or injury. Has definitely had an impact when he has been available as a big fast leading forward who can kick long goals. Overhead marking has got better as his confidence has grown.

**Adam Pesce – forward –** I am glad he has played for the Bombers the times he has been available. Provides above average pressure in the forward line for a player of his size. Takes a good mark and can be very aggressive at any contest. He gives the team a lift especially when he plays with a positive self belief and confidence.

Phil Roberts – utility - has had an outstanding season whilst having PSA commitments. He has played key position roles from full back, full forward as well as in the ruck where he has had a large impact on the progress of our team. Has good skills, running capacity and takes an excellent mark. He has been great to coach due to his consistency.

Simon Douglas – back – has played mainly as an extremely reliable full back and on the odd occasion has spent some time in the forward line. Reads the play well, has a good kick and also takes a strong mark. He is able to take on larger opponents and beat them.

Redmond Dobeon – forward/back – has outstanding talent having played an important part in the State 16's carnival as well as being included in the Inaugural Royals Football Academy. Has played mainly in the forward line however for the continual development of his game has also played across the half back line where he uses his marking and overall excellent skill level to a positive impact. It was disappointing he suffered a serious ankle injury which ended his season.

Pat Litherland  
Coach – 17's Black

### **FAIREST & BEST** **MATT GORDON**

Has been captain for 2008, has lead by example, played in a number of positions from mainly the midfield to back line as well as the forward line. Has true strength & running capacity and is great to watch him play. He was also selected in Live The Dream program run by the Fremantle Football Club as well as in the Inaugural Royals Football Academy.

### **SECOND FAIREST & BEST** **JACOB HOLMES**

He has played a vital part in our team this season whilst having PSA football commitments. He has played mainly through the midfield as well as spending some time in the forward line. His ability to win strong contests has been great to see. A quality player and young man and it was a shame that a shoulder injury meant he was unable to play in the finals.

### **THIRD FAIREST & BEST** **PHIL ROBERTS**

Has had an outstanding season whilst also having PSA commitments. He has played key position roles from full back, full forward as well as in the ruck where he has had a large impact on the progress of our team. Has good skills, running capacity and takes an excellent mark. He has been great to coach due to his consistency.

### **TALENT AWARD** **MICHAEL JASHARI**

This award best describes this player in many ways. He got better as the season went on and has been able to play in a number of positions due to his skills and running capacity also being one of the quickest players in the side. Although you almost get the impression he can still do more, it has been great to see his progress and flexibility. A little more confidence in his own ability will take him even further than he expects.

### **BEST CLUBMAN** **DANIEL KALPHAS**

This young man has had a huge impact on all those he has come into contact this season since coming from Mt Lawley. A quality person who prefers the back line, excelling on the hard work required to get the best out of himself and his team. It has been great to watch his dashing runs from the back line and on the odd occasion where he has struggled, he has adapted to playing up forward and kicking goals.

### **BEST FINALS PLAYER** **MATT GORDON**

He continued on his outstanding form throughout the Home & Away season by shining in the 3 finals he played in. Although the team struggled manfully in the preliminary final loss against the Cobras after a mighty effort against Ballajura the week before, his pure playing and leadership abilities stood out and has well and truly deserved this award.





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