

Coolbinia Bombers Junior Football Club *2012 Annual Report*



YOUTH REPORT



Coolbinia Bombers Junior Football Club (Inc)
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President's Report 2012

Well what a year 2012 our 25th Anniversary Year has been. There have been quite a number of significant achievements over the course of the year and I'd like to share them with you.

Our season kicked off with a Family Fun Day to allow the younger members of the club to celebrate our 25th Anniversary and the commissioning of our fourth light tower. The light tower was a three year project which was led from start to finish by our immediate past President Graham Begg. Lindsay Dick (Coach of our Year 10 team) from DCE Electrical was the electrical contractor who made it all happen and the full ground can now be used at night for training. Gents you've helped us create a facility which is the envy of many clubs in the district. Thank you.

In June we celebrated our 25th anniversary with a function at the Mt Lawley Bowling Club. Keith Henneker led a dedicated group which organised this function and a great time was had by a large group of past and present parents and volunteers and even some past players.

On the field, our Auskick Centre continues to provide an excellent environment for our youngest members to learn the game and importantly have some fun with their parents. The number of Auskickers at Coolbinia increased by 35% this year – testament to the amazing job Wayne French and all of the coaches and assistant coaches have done in the past few years. A strong Auskick centre underpins the future of the club so thanks again to everyone involved in the Auskick program.

Our girls football program continues to prosper with strong numbers of young ladies having a kick with us. The Bomberettes Auskick group were coached by Richard Edinger and the Junior Girls by Craig Goodwin. Thanks for your efforts guys.

In the modified rules we fielded teams in Year 4, 5, 6 (two teams) and 7. Thanks to the Coaches and Assistant Coaches of these teams for helping to create an environment where enjoyment, skill development and participation were all important. It was great to get down on Saturday mornings to see the kids enjoying their footy so much.

Our youth teams this year participated in the Year 8, 10 and 12 competitions. Our Year 10 team has again made the finals and we look forward to them doing their best in the coming weeks and maybe bringing home another flag.

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President's Report 2012 (cont..)

The Year 8 and 12 teams played with great spirit all year and just missed out on playing finals footy. Boys we are just as proud of your efforts too. To the Year 12 boys who are leaving us this year good luck in the future and we look forward to watching your achievements in football and in life.

Our club has established a reputation for managing events successfully and we were offered the opportunity to host the Year 3 Auskick Gala Day in July and the first week of the district finals series in August. These events significantly increase our canteen takings and enable us to keep our fees low so thanks to all who volunteered to make these events run smoothly.

A number of individual achievements by our club members need to be acknowledged.

Jedd Busslinger (Year 3 Auskick), won the Round 5 NAB AFL Auskicker of the Year award earlier this season. By winning this, he will be presenting a medal on the winners dais at the 2012 AFL Grand Final as well as earning himself and one of his parents a trip to Melbourne for all the Grand Final excitement!! Abraham Kennedy (Year 10) was selected in the WA State Schoolboys team which travelled to Adelaide to compete in July. Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, particularly Tony Salerno at AHG, and those that attended the 25th Anniversary function in June, the club was able to fund all of Abe's costs to participate.

The continued support of our sponsors has allowed us to provide the merchandise the boys and girls have received for the past few years. This has certainly given the club a real identity and a presence - it's great to see the kids arriving at games in their shirts, jackets and with a Bomber bag. Thanks again to AHG, our Platinum Sponsor, for their continued support and for providing the gear bags this year as well. Parents your support of all of our sponsors who are listed on Page 14 is greatly appreciated.

Finally to our committee, coaches and assistants, managers and all of the volunteers who make our club work sincere thanks. We simply can't provide such a great place for our kids to play footy without you. Thanks and well done.

The Coolbinia Bombers JFC has always operated with 3 key focus points: Footy, Family and Fun and I look forward to seeing you all in 2013 as we continue to deliver on these.

Cheers
Luke McNiece

Registrar's Report 2012

This year the Club fielded 3 teams in the Youth Grades and 5 teams in the Junior Grades. In the Youth Grades we fielded a Year 8, Year 10 and Year 12 team. Our Year 12 team also included a number of Year 11 aged players. All up we had 74 registered Youth players. In the Junior Grades we fielded one Year 4, Year 5 and Year 7 team and two Year 6 teams. All up we had 85 registered Junior players.

This year the East Perth District implemented Age Groupings across all Grades to align with the school years. So, instead of having 13's through to 17's the District had Year 8 through to Year 12. Previously, this was being grad-ually introduced through the younger Age Groups. In light of this change and taking into account the way that our registration numbers 'fell out' in the Junior Grades, the Club undertook an exercise to realign all players (in the main) into their correct Age Group. We would like to acknowledge the support of Coaches, Team Managers and Parents in successfully managing this transition which, at the end of the day, was in the best interests of the Players and the Club. (cont...)

Registrar's Report 2012 (cont...)

On the note of player numbers, ideally, the Club would like to have two teams in each of the Junior Grades with an ideal number of players in each Junior team being around 18 players (with a minimum of 15) and a squad of around 25 players in Youth teams. Having two Junior teams places the Club in a good position to field a Youth team with good numbers when players move from Year 7 into Year 8.

This year the Club embarked on a player recruitment program by providing \$40 EB Game Vouchers to any players who introduced a new player to the Club. This resulted in 11 new players coming to the Club through the efforts of their mates and \$440 of EB Game Vouchers being shared amongst our existing player group. This incentive will continue into the 2013 season in an effort to continue to increase our player numbers, particularly in the Junior Grades.

In closing I would like to thank all Team Managers for their assistance and ongoing communication during the season which has assisted me greatly in keeping on top of things.

I look forward to doing it all again in the 2013 season; in the meantime enjoy the off season and stay safe.

Craig Austen

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

on

**Monday, 15 October 2012 at 7pm
Club Rooms at Coolbinia Reserve**

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running of your local community Club.**

Can you be our Sponsorship Coordinator in 2013 ?

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Canteen Report 2012

The Canteen has had a good year overall and this only happens when we have plenty of help from the team managers and good attendance by the families scheduled on the roster each weekend. So a great big thank you to everyone!

There are a few particular 'thank-you's' I want to hand out... one to Wayne French and the French boys for their tireless work on Auskick Sundays helping with bread collection, BBQ and canteen set up. Auskick continues to be our most hectic time with plenty of sales during the session and a bumper queue of customers at the end of the session so it is a steep learning curve for our volunteers. A heartfelt thanks also to Fiona McNiece and Morena Austen for 'holding the fort' on a large number of occasions throughout the year.

It was very helpful to have a supermarket for placing orders each week where I could go and collect the boxed items quickly and easily. Thanks to Max Rayner and staff for supporting our club in this way and giving us a discount as well!

Next year, to spread the Canteen workload around, I would like to find people to take responsibility for the Saturday set-up/close-up and the Sunday set-up/close-up. I will continue to do the canteen stocking during the week but will no longer have a child at the club playing on the weekends so am handing those jobs on.

Please let myself (clemnico@iinet.net.au) or Luke McNiece know if you would like to help us out doing one of these tasks, the rewards for volunteering and being part of a well run club are many.

Clemency Nicolson

25th Anniversary Celebrations

This year marked the 25th Birthday of the Coolbinia Bombers Junior Football Club. To celebrate and acknowledge this terrific milestone a function was held at the Mount Lawley Bowling Club on Saturday 9th June. This was an opportunity to catch up with others who had been involved with our great club in the past and to spend some time with the club's current group of volunteers and parents.

Our club has grown and become an integral part of the local community through the development of both male and female teams and this event highlighted our achievements and success as a club.

A big thank you must go to Keith Henneker, and Club Secretary, Helen Watson, and the many workers who helped make the event an enjoyable and memorable evening for all who attended!

Year 8 Coach's Report

We started our preseason campaign in March with sessions at Coolbinia and at City Beach, along with a practice match against Mt Lawley in April.

As our first season in youths finishes I am thrilled to see how our boys have matured not only as individuals but also as a tight knit group of kids who have forged a great bond of mateship and respect for each other.

Watching the boys with their footy development has been exciting and I'm sure everyone would agree that the team that played the first game against Noranda Gold with the sheer size of the opposition where we were physically and mentally beaten then, are not the same group now with the way they approach their footy on match days, the way they have "hardened up" both mentally and physically to be able to withstand the relentless pressure handed out week after week and being a fairly small side has steeled them and given them confidence and character.

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Year 8 Coach's Report (cont...)

We have battled through many games with only one or two players on the bench, with some games looking at the bench it resembled a hospital ward with players with ice packs on feet, shoulders etc etc and with that I would like to thank James Constatine & Josh Smith who would jump up from the yr 7's and help us out when we were short. Looking forward to next year we will need to recruit more kids so we can have players to interchange with so players can have a rest during games.

Thank you to Gary Kirby for his precise and knowledgeable football insight during training and games helping the kids with footy development through skills, match day advice and also acting as our teams first aid officer. Thank you must also go to all parent helpers, with match day duties as you will now know there is a few things that have to be done and our parent team responded.

Our team manager Ric would have the hardest job in the team not only time consuming but having to make sure match day duties are being covered, from rosters to team sheets to escorting umpires off the ground and everything in between. Ric you have been a tireless worker for our team which at times goes unnoticed, but I thank you for your time, energy and professionalism as our team manager.

Congratulations to our Fairest & Best winner Michael Italiano. The way you played your football and your general leadership is a credit to you. You were a rock in the backline stopping countless thrusts forward by the opposition by the way you are able to read the game. Well done.

To the runners up Domi & Ryan well done on an excellent season your football "smarts" and the way you worked through out the season was uplifting to the whole team.

Our teams most consistent Tyler Lehner is a great story playing up this season was a tireless worker over the season, with a big engine played all positions he was asked without hesitation and the best to his ability, never missed a training session all the way from preseason and was always the first down at training on a Tuesday & Thursday.

To our most improved Matthew Baldwin another player who at training nights would patiently do a drill to improve his kicking whilst others were kicking at goals before training and his enthusiasm in asking the coaches about the game and where to position himself at various areas around the ground shows his keenness to develop his game. Looking forward to seeing all the boys down next season to continue our great game at our great club.

Keith Henneker
Year 8's Coach

Year 10 Coach's Report

What an up and down season the Year 10's have had!

Overall, both Mitch and myself feel that this year has been a great year for the players as far as their development and enthusiasm as a team goes. However, as all the players and parents know we had a fairly long stretch at the beginning of the season, dealing with a large amount of injuries from shoulder operations to fingers, ankles and various other 'strange' injuries that kept a number of players out of the team for periods of time. (cont...)

Year 10 Coach's Report (cont...)

To the credit of the players they never lost enthusiasm through the first eight weeks of the season, even after a number of close losses. With the return of some players from injury (we played some games with 14 players), and the players growing in confidence, we were able to win the last seven games of the regular season, including beating 3 of the top 4 sides.

The team finished 6th overall in the cross district ladder and 3rd out of the East Perth teams. This is a great achievement from the team as we lost more than we won at the first part of the season. To finish in 3rd position has enabled us to play in the finals and have a realistic chance of winning the premiership.



As coaches this year we have tried to concentrate on furthering their skills and playing team football, which to the players credit, they have embraced and have played some exceptional football at times throughout the year. Each individual has grown in confidence and improved their leadership skills, as we have given the players the opportunity to provide feedback and input at quarter breaks and at various times throughout the season.

A real sign of each player's development, individually and as a team is the fact that all players polled votes in our best and fairest count. This is a great effort and all the boys should be proud of this. But, as we all know, there has to be a winner of various awards for the year, and ours are below:

Best and Fairest – Daniel Lenzo

Daniel's hard work this year has been rewarded with the best and fairest award. Right from day 1 of pre-season Daniel's hard work at training and in games has shone through. He will run hard all day in the midfield and pop up with the occasional goal – which he loves telling the coaches all about. Congratulations on a great season Daniel.

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Year 10 Coach's Report (cont...)

Runner up – Ciaran Allsop

What can we say about Ciaran? He missed six games during the year with a broken finger, yet coming into the last game of the year he was still a chance of taking out the best and fairest. Ciaran is one of the most determined players I have ever coached, and many times during the season we have played him in the middle without a rest all day. Ciaran should be very proud of his season

Second runner up – Jarrod Bennetts

Jarrod spent most of the year as our main ruckman and performed great every week. He would never shirk a contest and his hardness around the ball caused a lot of intimidation for the opposition, he was a valuable asset to our team this year.

Most consistent – Luke Salerno

Luke has had a great year, primarily at centre half back. We put Luke on the opposition's best forward regularly, and he was not only able to beat him, but run off and create as an attacking option. Luke's season ended prematurely with a broken pelvis, but the team would not have got to where we are without Luke's input all year.

Coaches Award – Matt Henneker

Matt has had a great season and although his work may not be noticed as much as other players, to the coaches he is invaluable. He is a general across the half back line and also a great option to throw in the midfield. Matt's highlight of the year was probably taking the game saving mark against Mt. Lawley – and didn't we hear all about that for a week!

We could do a write up on every player however we are only allowed to write so much. We will present a Year 10 informal season wrap for distribution to the players and parents.

I think I can also speak for Mitch when I say that it has been a very enjoyable experience coaching the Year 10's team this year and hopefully we will have some more success with the team before the season is finished. We hope that the players have all enjoyed the season and that we see everyone back representing Coolbinia next year.

Finally, seasons don't happen without the fantastic support from not only our manager Shaun Murphy, but also the parents that regularly contribute with the jobs that need to be filled every week. These jobs are all part of the team and we wouldn't function without the great parent support we are lucky to have associated with this group. Thanks to all again and let's hope we can give the flag a shake.

Lindsay Dick
Year 10's Coach

Year 12 Coach's Report

The 2012 season did not produce the results as far as wins that we would have expected and would have enjoyed. The effort of the players on game days could not be questioned. In a number of games I felt that we did not get value for a lot of our hard work. It was frustrating at times to see us win the ball and not get a better result for our effort. We simply missed an opportunity to score goals or gave the ball back to the opposition who made us pay on the score board. One of our biggest problems this season was that we never had all our best players together in a number of games; however this did give a lot of the other boys more opportunity. It put the team under pressure and we probably went into some of the games under manned and a little under sized to compete with some of the better teams. (cont...)

Year 12 Coach's Report (cont...)

Our season did not get off to a good start against Thornlie in the first game, among other heavy loses. The players remained positive and should have won games against Huntingdale and Belmont but we did not take our opportunities. As the season went on we did have some very good wins and showed great improvement, evident in getting much closer to the teams that had beaten us by some big margins earlier in the season. It's a credit to all our players that they stuck to the task and continued to front up to every game with a positive attitude and a willingness to improve.

This season our team was a mixture of 16s and 17s. We were always able to field full teams and play lots of competitive football even though, as I stated earlier, we were sometimes under sized. I would like to thank the younger boys for staying with the club and playing this year because if they had left to play elsewhere we probably would not have been able to field a 17's team. The good thing was that the younger boys fitted into the team and contributed to become quite valuable players for us. We also had great contribution from our senior group of players I know that some of them struggled through the season with injuries but all gave there best.

We also had a number of new players join the club and it was fantastic to see the way the whole group were able to enjoy each others company. It's a credit to the football club that it provides an environment that every body enjoys. Awards go to the following players from our team:

Fairest & Best

Winner - Stefan Miraudo

Runner Up - Jason Lopresti

Third - Kristian Caporn

Most Improved

Oliver Voorn

Best Team Man

Antony Mallows

Jeremy Silcock Award

Mathew Vasoli

Congratulations to the Award Winners!

The very sad part of the 2012 season was the passing of our Captain and one of our best players, Jason Lopresti. Jason was a very good Captain. He was proud to be our leader and he always helped and encouraged the team from the front by regularly being one of our best and most enthusiastic players. Jason, like all our boys was a terrific young man and will be sadly missed by his team mates and all that have been involved with his football career at Coolbinia.

With this season coming to an end, I would like to thank all the parents who took on permanent roles and all the parents who came down on game day to support the boys. Thanks also, to Brett Callanan for being the team runner. A very big thanks to our assistant coach, Justin Fris. I know the boys have enjoyed Justin being with us this year.

Thanks to Dave Schildkraut for being our team manager. Dave has been fantastic in he has making coaching the team so much easier. I cannot thank him enough.

Finally, I wish to thank all the players for an enjoyable season and I wish them the very best in their future careers on and off the football field.

Paul Vasoli
Year 12 Coach

Milestones

50 Games

Sean Carroll – Year 6
Kieran Dyblik – Year 6
Julian Granato – Year 6
Adam Italiano – Year 6
Mark Kouroulis – Year 6
Zach Kouroulis – Year 6
Jake Lincoln – Year 6
Jack Mitchell – Year 6
Rueben Pasalich – Year 6
Samuel Steel – Year 6
Nathan Tsolakis – Year 6
Samuel Whyte – Year 6
James Constantine – Year 7
Nathan Emery – Year 7
Luca Incani – Year 7
David Slater – Year 7
Joshua Smith – Year 7
Sam Wood – Year 7
Samantha Campbell – Year 8
Matthew Ciavatta – Year 8
Tyler Lenher – Year 8
Jordan Monastra – Year 8
Thomas Rees – Year 8
James Dick (2011 season) – Year 10
Abraham Kennedy – Year 10

100 Games

Oliver Antoniazzi – Year 10
Cameron Bethune – Year 10
Shane Hale – Year 10
Matthew Henneker – Year 10
Stephen Murphy – Year 10
Liam Purdy – Year 10
Michael Staines – Year 10
Kristian Caporn – Year 12
Jordon Moore – Year 12

150 Games

** Life Membership – 150 games **all**
with Coolbinia Bombers*

Jeremy Begg* – Year 12
Jack Davis* – Year 12
Cameron McSweeney* – Year 12
Harrison Moore* – Year 10
Thomas Watson* – Year 12



Game Tallies

Surname	First Name	Age Group	Games Played	
			Start of Season	End of Season
AUSTEN	Travis	Year 8	75	89
BALDWIN	Matthew	Year 8	61	73
BENNINGTON	Austin	Year 8	63	72
CAMPBELL	Samantha	Year 8	47	58
CIAVATTA	Matthew	Year 8	42	56
EDWARDS	Jedd	Year 8	57	71
FITZGERALD	Kenneth	Year 8	29	44
HENNEKER	Ryan	Year 8	77	92
ITALIANO	Michael	Year 8	83	98
JOHNSTON	Tyler	Year 8	72	87
KIRBY	Blair	Year 8	76	89
LENHER	Tyler	Year 8	47	62
LINCOLN	Andrew	Year 8	56	71
LOARING	Will	Year 8	36	49
MERRIN	Nicholas	Year 8	85	91
MONASTRA	Jordan	Year 8	48	61
RAESIDE	Boston	Year 8	6	20
REES	Thomas	Year 8	46	60
SABRI	Domi	Year 8	74	89
SALERNO	Ben	Year 8	57	69
VOS	Ben	Year 8	70	81
WATSON	Angus	Year 8	78	93
ALLSOP	Ciaran	Year 10	105	118
ANTONIAZZI	Oliver	Year 10	93	109
ARGIROPOULOS	Zac	Year 10	31	33
BELL	Michael	Year 10	103	120
BENNETTS	Jarrold	Year 10	60	79
BETHUNE	Cameron	Year 10	96	111
CHILALAMA	David	Year 10	66	84
COOPER	Hadyn	Year 10	80	96
DICK	James	Year 10	50	63
HALE	Shane	Year 10	99	118
HENNEKER	Matthew	Year 10	96	115
JANSON	Bronson	Year 10	82	99
KENNEDY	Abraham	Year 10	47	63
LENZO	Daniel	Year 10	125	143
MOORE	Harrison	Year 10	136	154

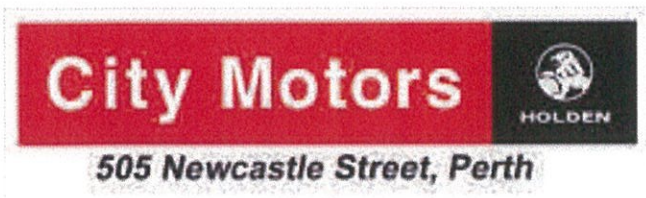
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MURPHY	Stephen	Year 10	97	115
PEARCE	Nicholas	Year 10	64	82
PURDY	Liam	Year 10	90	103
RUSSO	Stefan	Year 10	102	118
SALERNO	Luke	Year 10	60	76
STAINES	Michael	Year 10	95	109
THOMAS	Angus	Year 10	91	97
WARBURTON	Mitchell	Year 10	78	96
WHITE	Alexander	Year 10	23	36
ANDERSON	Nathan	Year 12	111	122
BEGG	Jeremy	Year 12	137	150
BURMESTER	Max	Year 12	74	85
CALLANAN	Brodie	Year 12	68	80
CAPORN	Kristian	Year 12	97	106
CHRISTO	Sam	Year 12	124	138
COGHLAN	Philip	Year 12	7	11
DAVIS	Jack	Year 12	141	155
DILALLO	John	Year 12	41	49
GEORGE	Conor	Year 12	118	130
HOUSTON	Michael	Year 12	123	134
LOPRESTI	Jason	Year 12	118	129
LUCEV	Jesse	Year 12	84	98
MALLOWS	Antony	Year 12	11	23
MCNIECE	Sam	Year 12	104	114
MCPHEE	Roy	Year 12	57	64
MCSWEENEY	Cameron	Year 12	147	152
MIJOSKI	James	Year 12	108	117
MIRAUDO	Stefan	Year 12	159	173
MOORE	Jordon	Year 12	90	101
PRENTICE	Anthony	Year 12	71	77
SCHILDKRAUT	Zibeon	Year 12	119	129
TOMASI	Daniel	Year 12	112	122
TROUP	Reed	Year 12	87	93
VASOLI	Mathew	Year 12	61	75
VOORN	Oliver	Year 12	31	44
VUONG	Jordan	Year 12	105	114
WATSON	Thomas	Year 12	139	153

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