

**Henley Football Club's**  
**2013 ANNUAL REPORT**



# 2013 CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

## Premierships

- Division 7 Reserves

## Finals Appearances

- Division 1 (2<sup>nd</sup>)
- Under 18s (5<sup>th</sup>)
- Under 12s W (3<sup>rd</sup>)
- Under 12s B (2<sup>nd</sup>)
- Under 14s W (5<sup>th</sup>)
- Under 16s B (2<sup>nd</sup>)

## League Medalists

- Jarred Parker – Div 7 Reserves (SAAFL)

## League Leading Goal Kickers

- (D7R) Shane Stone – 67 goals

## Div 1 SAAFL Team Of The Year

- Ross Pederson
- Jake Pavlich

## Brian J Williams Trophy (Most A-Grade Goals)

- Joel Cullen (44 goals) – 5<sup>th</sup> in the league overall, next Henley best was Jamie Grosser (29 goals)

## Ron Ettridge Club Champion Medal

- Andrew Martin - gave up every Friday and did all the club shopping for the weekend trading, he helped whenever and wherever we needed it, on field he guided the younger players, did whatever the coach needed him to do and always put the team first when was required.

## Mick Todman C & D Grade Award

- Simon Hardy - not only played in the C Grade but also was a great help to his Michael as team manager

## Scott Dedrick Under 18s Memorial Shield

- Dylan Fry – As an Under 18's player, Dylan played many B-Grade games that his form saw him close to an A-Grade debut

## Ralph Clarke Club Services Award

- Vicki Lawless - for all her terrific efforts in organizing the club social events and raising money with raffles

## Horrie Long Club Services Award

- Jared Hawson - for all his hard work in making sure we had a BBQ cooking at the club on game days which helped raise money for the club

## Graham Hill Club Services Award

- Phil Shrubsole - gave up a lot of his time to do odd jobs around the club to make sure all repairs and maintenance of the club was up to scratch

## ARDILL MEDAL: (A-Grade Best & Fairest)

- Jake Pavlich (2 in a row)

## Graham & Rod Hill Junior's Champion Trophy

- Josh Birchall

## 2013 Life Member Inductees at previous AGM

- Mark King

## Senior Player Milestones

- 250 – Shane Stone
- 200 – Brad Tonkin
- 150 – David Loveder, Julius Miller, Chase Wescombe, Mark Altree, Alex Newman & Chris Page
- 100 – Jordan Davidson, Addison Whitehouse, Shane Walshe, Brad Weston

## SAAFL Under 23 State Team

- Tim Broadbent
- Jamie Grosser (City vs Country)

# 2013 CLUB PERSONNEL

<b>Club Patron</b>	Honourable Paul Caica MP
<b>President</b>	Teresa Davoren
<b>Chairman</b>	Rod Hill
<b>Secretary</b>	Jane Kite
<b>Senior Football Director</b>	Iszac Thompson
<b>Social Director</b>	Vicky Lawless
<b>Sponsorship Manager</b>	Malcolm Davidson
<b>Merchandise Management</b>	Teresa Davoren
<b>Trading Director</b>	Terry Homan
<b>Sports Operations</b>	Luke Pastyn
<b>Other Committee Members</b>	Darren Kite, Peter Niemann, Michael Broadbent, Brad Rainsford (Jnr Rep)
<b>Building Maintenance</b>	Phil Shrubsole
<b>Life Members Chairman</b>	Phil Cole
<b>Club Newsletter Editor</b>	Ashlee Biddle
<b>Website &amp; Club History</b>	Evan Bennetts
<b>Division 1 Trainers</b>	Guidolin Family (Amanda, Terry, Chris, Brodie)
<b>Division 7 Trainers</b>	Amy Keany, Kym Hicks, Jake Hicks & Sara Barnes
<b>Match Day Oval Preparations</b>	Rod Hill & Iszac Thompson
<b>Oval Maintenance</b>	Trent Kelly
<b>Kitchen Chefs &amp; Canteen</b>	Karen Lewis, Linda Fazzalari & Cheryl
<b>Bar Staff</b>	Krystal Ruth, Elle Cole, Jasmine Gibson, Kerry, Matthew Davoren, Harrison Drew Simon & Sara Barnes, Neil Madigan & Danielle Barbary
<b>Clubrooms Cleaner</b>	Fiona Whibley

# JUNIOR'S COMMITTEE

<b>Junior Football Directors</b>	Wayne Pierson & Brad Rainsford (new)
<b>Secretary</b>	Emma Birchall (new)
<b>Junior Treasurer</b>	Shaun Walker (new)
<b>MWJFL League Delegate</b>	Andrew Horsnell
<b>Registrar</b>	Lisa Lambert (new)
<b>Coaching Co-ordinator</b>	David Nicol
<b>Child Protection Officer</b>	Greg Lambert
<b>Meals &amp; Merchandise</b>	Beck Godlevsky (new)

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Wow, what a year 2013 has been. Not knowing what it was going to be like, but I was definitely up for the challenge. I have loved every minute of it, good or bad moments - they all happened for a reason, so I could learn and keep challenging myself and keep the club moving forward.

Even with a lot of the junior and senior sides not bringing home premierships, we still had a good year with some fantastic results on and off the field. We had an awesome result in the D7R winning the Grand Final against Flinders Park. Congratulations to everyone involved in that win! It was well deserved. Many thanks to ALL the coaches and their support staff for their time and effort and of course to every Shark player in the junior and senior ranks, thanks for your efforts and commitment to the HENLEY Football Club.

Thank you also to all the volunteers on our Junior, Social, Football and Management Committees, it was great having all the committees working so well together. It has taken a lot of hours and hard work and I would like to thank everyone who helped out this year either by being on a committee or just doing volunteer jobs around the club - every bit helps.



The Management Committee have worked very hard this year to make sure all player and sponsor payments were paid up because they are a major part of our income to help pay for the playing costs of the five senior sides. Along with the bar takings which on some nights were down from previous years, we have still been able to make a few dollars on social shows, raffles, BBQs and the canteen. Terry Homan and Nathan Caldwell have done an awesome job this year and have made sure that we will be in a good financial position ready for the start of 2014. At the beginning of each season we need a good cash flow because in the first few months that's when a lot of money is spent to help set up the playing season so it's very important that we get memberships paid and sponsor money in as soon as possible. During the off season we will be doing a bit of work to improve the membership format and making it more attractive so supporters will want to become a SHARK member which will put us in a lot better financial position.

We are in the process of making a few adjustments around the club so members can enjoy and feel more relaxed. We have all loved the new tables and chairs and hopefully by the time the new season starts, we will have a few more! A new paint job, a few repairs and a new wall inside near the toilets, will tidy up the interior of the Club. With help from Shaun Walker from the Junior Committee we received a grant which will contribute some of the cost of a new kitchen which we will start at Christmas time. Once the grant money is used the club will pay the difference. This will be a major facelift for the Club and it should help improve the functionality of the kitchen.

Every year the GLAMS put a lot of effort into the functions that we either have at the club or special shows held outside the clubrooms. This year has been no different and if anything more hours. They not only do the functions but Ash Biddle does an amazing job on the newsletter that promotes all HENLEY'S news. We have had a couple very successful shows. The pre season show at the Havelock was great, it was good to see a mixture of grades and ages join in, it was a very enjoyable Sunday afternoon and I'm sure our sponsor appreciated us there.

This year the Henley Ball was a brilliant night. The girls all did a wonderful job and the venue was great and I know everyone enjoyed themselves. Again we raised some money on the Auctions and raffles that the girls organised and thank you to every person who donated an item, it all helps.

Another show which was very rewarding was the PINK DAY. It wasn't just about the HENLEY Football Club that day, it was about two community associations getting together to raise money for the cancer unit at the Western Hospital. It's been a tradition now to hold a PINK DAY at the club, but this year we thought that we would step it up and have all grades involved and the A Grade side wore pink jumpers which looked fantastic and the day in total raised nearly \$10,000 which the Western Hospital appreciated very much and we are already talking about another special day next year but it will be about men's health. So watch out for the round when we are all wearing another colour.

To finish off the year we had our Presentation Night at the Lakes Resort, again it was a well organised night and it was wonderful to have nearly all winners there to receive their awards which everyone deserved. Congratulations to the entire trophy and award winners, no matter what result your team had this year be very proud off your award it was well deserved.

The work isn't over for the GLAMS we will still be holding functions during the off season, so please try and come along to support any show you can! The club will be open every Friday night and each month we will be having a club show, it may be on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday and of course we will be there as the tradition goes on the Thursday night before Christmas. I look forward to seeing everyone at the functions.

The work of the committee isn't over we have still a lot to do over the summer period. The more we can organise now the easier it will be at the start of the new season. So the Football Department hasn't rested, with pre season starting in November we are already looking forward to the New Year and the challenge.

With the recruiting boys already hard at work we will be bigger and stronger 'on field' next year. The season will be starting around the 4<sup>th</sup> of April so we are already working out trial games for March and we have also slotted in an Anzac Day clash with Port Districts to be held at HENLEY OVAL on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of April which is always a very emotional and rewarding game to play. I know I am personally looking forward to the first game for the year when all senior sides (with the junior teams to follow) running out onto the oval, ALL in the same reversible Guernsey's.

One of the issues I wanted to work on this year was to bridge the gap between grades and with the help of five wonderful senior coaches who all had the same passion and desire to make the HENLEY Football Club a future powerhouse, without taking away their responsibility to develop all players in their appropriate grade, I feel that we have started to close that gap. We still have a little way to go and I know that success does play a part in bringing clubs together but I feel that we have achieved a lot this year and that we are all heading in the right direction to become that very import ONE CLUB. I am very passionate about making sure that every player no matter what grade they play in, that they feel that they are a very important person to the club and to their team.

Being involved in a club that has four sides in the Amateur League Football can be a lot of work, we would receive that many emails about a lot of different subjects that you have to be on top of things and you have to read them all to make sure you don't miss out on something that is very important for the club. I am very thankful to the SAAFL for all their help this year. Like everyone they have to make choices that can't please everyone and no doubt at times HENLEY have been on the end of a couple of things that didn't go the way that we would have like, but John Kernahan this year has been such a great help to me in so many ways. The silly questions that I would have had to ask him over the year would have made him laugh but at no time did he ever not help me and has done everything in his power to help make this year an easier one for me. All the employees at SAAFL and Mark King on the board have been a great help to me and the HENLEY Football Club and I hope this continues into next year.

Everyone will have people to thank in their own reports which I would normally thank as well but I will leave it up to the individuals, but I would like to thank EVERYONE who has helped the HENLEY Football Club this season, no matter what role you have taken on or just helped at any given time, there is not enough words, it has meant a great deal to the HENLEY Football Club.

I will say a couple very big thank you's because if it wasn't for a couple of people the HENLEY Football Club would not be where they are today. Rod Hill is a GOLDEN GEM and if it wasn't for Rod I may have drank more. Iszac Thompson has had one of the hardest jobs in the football club but his attitude towards life and football is very unique and I look forward to working with him again next year and also watching him play football. To Nathan Caldow you have listened to me rattle on a lot during the year and I thank you for those times that you have kept me smiling and no matter how stupid my questions have been you have been very supportive of my role. To all other committee persons again thank you for all your hours that you have put in this year.

On closing, I know that putting an Annual Report together is no easy job so I would like to say a special thank you to Evan Bennetts for all his hard work not only on the Annual Report which looks amazing, but also for his help with web sites and everything computer related, he has been the man behind the scenes.

Teresa Davoren – HFC President

# CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Congratulations to all the teams and their support staff for ensuring the Sharks were again very competitive in their respective grades! A big thank you to all the Coaches for their resilience and perseverance in what has been a challenging, but most enjoyable year. Also a special mention to George Charalabidis and the D Grade for their Premiership success.

Gavin Colville, as Senior Coach, can certainly be very proud of the way the Division One team performed. We are certainly 'lucky' to have Gavin and all the coaches, as they are quality and committed people! Thank you also to ALL the volunteers who assisted teams in their weekly routines! Special mention to Terry Smith, on his retirement, for the fantastic job he's done as Trainer over many years.

It would be remiss of me if I didn't mention the efforts of Iszac Thompson as Football Director. He is a great Club man, who is energetic, enthusiastic, inspirational and the backbone of our football department. Thanks also to Pete Niemann who does a number of jobs every Match day for little recognition.

This year we changed the way the canteen and meals were organised. Thanks to Karen Lewis and her 'workers' for the magnificent menu and service they provided. Mark King was a great liaison person with Karen.

Each Division 1 Game Day Jared Hawson and a number of regular volunteers 'cooked up a storm' on the BBQ. These type of 'workers' are a godsend and we greatly appreciate their service! As has been the case over a number of years, Terry Homan organised the Bar and along with Tony Dart, both accounted for the 'takings'. Their help throughout the year assists to maintain the most important income stream we have and I take this opportunity to thank them.

Thanks also to those people who volunteered to become part of our Management Committee. The administration of a Football Club (our size) is a huge task and unless the work load is shared people are quickly 'burnt out.' To the credit of this group the majority of jobs were 'handled' in a proficient and professional manner. Well Done!

Wayne Pierson and Brad Rainsford, our Junior Football Directors and their Committee, have done a great job of implementing their Junior Program and we are so lucky to have such an enthusiastic and hard working group. Special mention to Shaun Walker, Junior Treasurer, for his efforts in helping the Senior Club get over \$12k in Grant Money to enhance our Club facilities.

The biggest challenge for the Henley Football Club is to source new members and players, so we can maintain a vibrant and successful club culture and football program. Our Club vision should aim 'to be recognized and acknowledged as the most progressive and successful Club outside of SANFL and AFL football in South Australia'. To achieve this we desperately need to encourage and coerce members to take more responsibility for the 'every day' running of the Club. We are certainly very lucky to have Teresa Davoren as our current President. Her work ethic and ability to attract good people to assist with the club is 'second to none!'

Whenever possible we all need to promote the Sharks as a family oriented club, and encourage friends and family to join the cause! Obviously our main revenue stream comes from the Bar – unfortunately in the current financial climate, we are finding it more difficult to maintain bar sales. Therefore it is also necessary for all members to initiate and implement new ideas for raising much needed funds so we can continue to offer both high class facilities and football program.

In finishing I wish to acknowledge the 'good work' long serving Committee Members Jane & Darren Kite and Malcolm Davidson have done over a sustained period. Unfortunately, they have indicated their intention not to stand for office next year.

**2014 has the potential to be a 'Great Year' and we need 'All Members and Players on board!'**

Cheers Rod Hill – HFC Chairman



# SECRETARY'S REPORT

**2013 Committee:** Rod Hill, Teresa Davoren, Terry Homan, Nathan Caldwell, Jane Kite, Darren Kite, I Thompson, Luke Pastyn, Malcolm Davidson, Michael Broadbent, Peter Niemann, Vicki Lawless, Brad Rainsford (Jnr Rep)

**Eleven meetings held:** 21/1/13, 19/2/13, 12/3/13, 9/4/13, 14/5/13, 18/6/13, 9/7/13, 20/8/13, 17/9/13, 8/10/13 & 12/11/13. - All meetings were well attended and minutes accepted.

I would firstly like to congratulate George Charalabidis & the D Grade for winning the 2013 premiership in the D7 Reserves, which is a fantastic result for all involved. I would also like to applaud the A's, & U18s for playing in the finals. As disappointing as it is to lose finals you must hold your heads high and be proud as Henley Footballers for your fierce competitiveness and dedication throughout the season.



Congratulations to all trophy winners and also the various special awards. The end of season Presentation Night and other social events throughout the year were very well organized, thanks to Vicki Lawless and the GLAMS.

A special thank you to all support staff and volunteers, you are vital to the successful operation of our club. We can always use many more volunteers in any capacity so please come forward and be a part of this awesome Club. I am sure you will enjoy the interaction and friendliness which makes for a great Club atmosphere.

A special thank you to our webmaster Ev Bennetts for yet another year of outstanding work.

The AGM sees the resignation of three executive members, Nathan Caldwell – Treasurer, Malcolm Davidson - Sponsorship Director, myself as Secretary and also committee member Darren Kite.

Several years of knowledge, hard work & love for the club leaves this committee, they've all done amazing work throughout the years and I know I speak on behalf of all of the committee and members in thanking them for their contribution to the Henley Football Club.

Jane Kite – Secretary

# SPONSORSHIP DIRECTOR

Although many businesses have found the going tough in 2013 we have been fortunate enough, due to the generosity of our Sponsors to have slightly increased our financial return for 2013 season.

Our many long term Sponsors both of the Club and in kind with best player gifts have again been terrific and to add to these we were able to gain a new Gold Sponsor in Poly-Bags plus a new silver sponsor Western Community Hospital, club sponsor Alpine Crash plus in kind sponsors Azure Massage & Lady Daly Hotel.

On behalf of all at Henley Football club I would like to thank all our Sponsors for 2013, plus thank Michael Broadbent and Greg Lawless for their assistance to me.

Kind regards Malcolm Davidson

# FOOTBALL DIRECTOR

Hello fellow Shark members and supporters. The end has come to another successful season for the sharks. A big congratulations to George and the D grade for their premiership winning season. Well done to all players that contributed to this all star D grade throughout the season. A special mention to Pretzel for winning the Division 7 Reserves medal and to Stonie for leading the goal kicking;



A thank you must go to Michael Annese for his efforts in coaching the C grade this year. The C grade coach is a very demanding position as players are always going up and down and Michael very rarely had a settled side. After a slow start Michael and the boys had some great performances and ended up just missing the finals. The Division 7 competition is a very competitive competition with the majority of teams being A-Grade teams. With this in mind Michael and the boys were very competitive. The Henley Football Club wishes Michael all the best at Glenunga where he has been appointed the senior coach, you will always be welcome at Henley Oval;

Placey and the B grade had a tough year and was a tough welcome to coaching for the big fella. A lot of injuries to senior players left the B grade in a bit of a strange position not dominating the competition as they previously have; despite this being the case, a lot of players were given a well deserved opportunity to play B grade football;

The A grade despite finishing 4<sup>th</sup> had a successful year beating every side in the competition. Injuries to senior players were constant throughout the year but this provided a well deserved opportunity to many talented young players that have consistently been dominating B grade Football. Those young players that took their opportunity this year and also played in the semi final loss to Goodwood were, Scott Newman, Moppy Davoren, Joel Downing, Adam Pedlar and Addison Whitehouse. With the competition on for spots next season the club is in a very healthy position. I am pleased Gavin Colville is remaining our senior coach as I believe he is the right man to lead our club to our next Division 1 Premiership;

Michael Hicks and the Under 18s ended up finishing 5<sup>th</sup> with many of the under 18s stepping up to play either B grade or D grade football this season. This provided the players with valuable senior football experience; A special mention to Wingers who will not be going on as under 18 coach, he is a valued member of the club and we wish him well on his next venture;

A special mention to all coaches, assistant coaches team managers, volunteers, trainers, committee members and staff. All of these mentioned people do a tremendous amount of work and the club is lucky to have people of such character involved;

Terry Smith is hanging up his trainers top after countless years at the Eagles and Henley. We thank Terry very much for his services and we will be sure to see him around the club at some stage next season;

Just like to thank Rod and Teresa for all their hard work they have both done a tremendous job and the club is certainly in good hand;

That is all from me well done to everyone on a successful 2013 and I look forward to seeing you all next season;

Thanks Iszac Thompson – HFC Football Director



# TREASURER'S REPORT

The unaudited financial reports for the period 1 January 2013 to 31 October 2013 was provided for the examination of members.

In consideration of these reports the following is noted:

- Bar sales increased by almost \$9000 compared to the same period last year. However, this includes the bar price increase suggested at the 2012 AGM and implemented in early 2013. If the two periods were compared using the 2012 prices the bar sales would have decreased by approximately \$10000.
- The club was awarded three grants during the period. Details of the grants are listed below:
  - BHP Billiton to cover costs of training expenses. Thank you to Shayne Harris for organising.
  - City of Charles Sturt to upgrade the Kitchen. Thank you to Shaun Walker for organising.
  - Office for Recreation and Sport to assist with the costs of training and equipment. Thank you to Rod Hill for organising.
- Financially the club is in a stronger position which has led to improvements being made to the club. New tables and chairs have been purchased and club money will be used for the kitchen upgrade in addition to the grant money received.
- We are up to date with all receivables and payables. This time last year we were behind with some payments to suppliers.
- A profit has been recorded for the year to date.



Overall the club is financially stronger than this time last year and substantially stronger than two years ago.

Nathan Caldwell – Treasurer (Pictured in his playing days)

# SPORTS OPERATIONS



This was my first time on the committee and I thoroughly enjoyed the challenge. I mostly enjoyed helping out with the Leadership Group and encouraging players to become more involved in the footy club; especially helping out with the junior teams.

I look forward to be included in the 2004 premiership reunion in 2014.

Through my involvement within the committee I am very happy with the goals we succeeded in this year and proud to be a part of it.

Cheers Luke Pastyn – Sports Operations

(Luke pictured left in his playing days)

# SOCIAL DIRECTOR

This year our social calendar kicked off with a successful "Sunday Session" at the Havelock Hotel, one of our major sponsors. Leigh O' Donoghue's band provided the entertainment & new players to the dub had the opportunity to meet partners & supporters in a different environment.



The highlights of this year's social events were once again, The Henley Ball at The Eagles Function Centre and The Pink Day, raising money for The Western Community Hospital's Oncology Unit. One hundred & sixty nine people attended the Ball. The auction & raffle raised \$3,534. This year's Pink Day included the A grade players wearing pink Guernseys which were auctioned off that night, significantly boosting funds raised.

Ladies Day in May was another very successful event with players pitching in to donate raffle prizes. Jackson Fazzalari's debut at this event received plenty of positive feedback. Jordan Lawless & Blake Bellingham followed as DJs for the remainder of the evening.

Mid season we held a "Red, Rump & Rock Night" featuring Kaz's culinary skills in the kitchen & one of our favourite bands The Hook.

"Sunday Funday" in July included wine tasting & purchasing of Gibson wines with the aim of attracting families who would not normally attend Saturday night functions. The band "Cloud" provided the entertainment & were well received by the crowd. Kaz provided scrumptious cheese plates to complement the wines.

During the season we also booked some different bands which helped attract people to stay on at the club after presentations. Door takings this year did not cover the cost of the bands but bar trade did reasonably well with extra people staying on.

We returned to The Lakes Resort for Presentation Night & this function was well attended by 140 people.

Two more functions are planned for the remainder of the year, another "Sunday Funday" on the 24th Nov with Gibson's Winery providing wine tasting & musicians Jackson Fazzalari & Dedan Cameron. The year wraps up with our annual Xmas Family Celebration on Thursday 19th Dec.



Vicki Lawless for the Glams

# VALE: Sandy Hicks

8 November 1955 – 7 January 2013

Sandy was a Registered Nurse at Western Hospital for 24 years. In that time she was very popular with both staff and patients. Many patients, on a second admission to Western would enquire about Sandra and speak fondly of her care for them. For many of us, Sandra understood where she belonged – she belonged where she thought she was needed most – helping others unselfishly. It was with this unselfishness that she lived her life. A devoted mother and life partner, Sandy was unselfish in her applause and gratitude for her family and her community. Her tireless efforts with the Henley Football Club were well known to us all. She would often come in on a Saturday morning during football season to “grab some ice” from the kitchen stock for her esky to take to the game.

The great trait Sandy had was she never left you guessing how and what she thought about something. She certainly called "a spade a spade" and treated everyone as an equal. It is this treatment that made all of us who had come in contact with her love her. Sandy had a great sense of humour which never got in the way of her dedication and devotion to her patients.

She was always upbeat and positive, willing to help anyway she could both at work and out of work, so dependable and giving.

She spoke with pride of working at Western and loved socialising with the staff. She counted them all as friends.

Sandy is, and will continue to be, greatly missed and will always be remembered fondly both as a workmate and a friend. You have made an impression on all of us Sandy. We thank you for the memories.



# VALE: Paul Bates

Paul Bates passed away on 15 February 2013, age 40 years after a short battle with cancer.

Batesy played in all grades at the Henley Football Club, winning the B Grade Best & Fairest in 2000. He was an extremely genuine and honest guy, forming lifelong friendships with everyone that crossed his path – he was that sorta guy – a smile for everyone, everyones mate. After his playing career had finished he continued as a very vocal supporter, you always knew when Batesy was around by the sound of his bugle which we all loved.

Batesy's family and friends were his passion – he is survived by his wife Tania and son Lachie. Our heartfelt sympathy also extends to Paul's mother Marie, sister Jodie and families. He will always be in our thoughts & prayers.



(Paul pictured centre in photo)



# 2013 REUNION NIGHT

After 3 months of time consuming work chasing email addresses and the organising for the actual night by the Reunion Committee of Seamus Flynn, Tony Davidson, Michael Broadbent, David Simmons, Matthew Wormald, Kym Metcalfe, Andrew Henry and myself, the night of Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013 had arrived to celebrate the 40, 30 and 20 year premiership reunions of the above teams.



The support of current President Teresa Davoren and Chairman Rod Hill and their committee was outstanding. Both committees left no stone unturned to ensure this would be a night to remember. With the clubrooms set up with the colours of the teams that played and won these premierships, the Blue and Gold of 73, the Red, White and Green of the 83 and 93 teams, the new premiership plaques, the memorabilia of paper articles, old DVD's of the games, old photos and the club photographer Paul Martin keen to capture the new looks of all the premiership players, we were ready to go.

But one thing was missing at lunchtime Friday as we looked at the Entry Door to the clubrooms, yes it was the Red Carpet to honour these wonderful Henley Premiership players, their partners, the officials and management of each premiership year was sourced and put in place, now we were confident we had everything covered for the night.

The night was scheduled for a 7.30pm start, well you would have thought it was one of the old shows \$10 all you can drink shows of yester year or the early Sunday morning shows of the 70's. The 'Old Boys' and their partners started hitting the Red Carpet early at 6.45pm and we were thinking this show could be over by 10pm, how wrong we were.

The smiles as they enter the dubrooms and saw their team colours and as they moved towards the bar, curiously looking around at faces, remembering that some of these players especially from the 1973 team had not seen each other for 40 years. As each caught a face they remembered, they were continually shaking hands and embracing as if their premiership win was yesterday!

The night was to be about the players & officials as we tried to make the formalities as short as we could to allow everyone to mix and reminisce.

The night began welcoming past player Club Patron and local MP Paul Caica together with President Teresa Davoren and her committee.

We started with the 1973 premiership team with premiership Robin Christiansen as the spokesperson for the team, as their Coach Jeff "OX" Bray is unfortunately no longer with us but his lovely wife Helen joined us, and many of the players believe she was the 'Chairman of Selectors' in 1973 anyway. It was great to have Helen with us and join the players in the team photo in Jeff's spot.

Unfortunately due to a draw in a Semi Final in 1973 the Grand Final was put back a week and was actually played on the same day as the 1973 SANFL Final North Adelaide and Glenelg. There was never any official score kept by Amateur League in their records, none by the club, they only thing remembered is that we won by 17 points against arch rival Flinders Park.

Also a team photo of the 1973 team was not taken afterwards, so the only team photo to be taken to this day was on the reunion night, they were so proud to have it taken.

Apart from Graeme Hicks, Trevor Jaggard, Barry Wilkinson and Peter Drummond who were unable to attend, together with our late Premiership Coach Jeff Bray, the team was back together.



There were players who had not seen each other for years or since that day. The premiership player's who attended were Des Bland, Trevor Bland, Rodney Bridgman (Captain), Daryl Buttery, Robin Christiansen, Tony Davidson, Trevor Ettridge, Seamus Flynn, Roger Gent, Paul Heeps, Rodney Hill, David Rankine, Trevor Sampson, Darryl Smith, John White, Ian Wildy together with Team Manager Vasel Saris, Trainer Phil Carter, player Bob Bitmead and the wife of our Late Life Member Ron Ettridge, Jean. Also thank you to the partners of the players.

The night moved onto the 1983 Premiership team, the recollection of the season was done by Paul Sperling on behalf of our Captain Coach John Girardi, who unfortunately was involved in a horrific car accident earlier in the year and could not attend, but he gave his best wishes for the night and his team. Paul had spoken to John prior to the night and John expressed his immense respect for the Henley Football Club, its strong management at the time, the on field support he was given by the support staff and especially the players in the 1983 squad not only the premiership players.

Paul spoke about the fierce feeling that had been built between Walkerville and us over the previous years and especially in 1983. After being down by 7 goals to nothing in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semi-Final and coming back and winning our way to Grand Final we were set to go for the coming Grand Final then the 7 goal start to the Grand Final in our favour, sapped the confidence out of Walkerville in a physically demanding Grand Final. The premiership goal had been achieved .....the first A Grade Premiership since 1973.



Most of the 1983 players have come across each other over the 30 years, probably the only one that has not was Graham "The Rat" Sertorio from Western Australia –who left SA 28 years ago, the pint size goal kicking rover became an institution in his 2 years at the club. It was great to have him back from Geraldton for the weekend, along with Peter Jones from Canada, Paul Heeps and Darryl Smith from Queensland, Greg White from Mount Gambier, Steve Guy from Balaklava.

From the 83 team John Girardi, Stephen Walker, Barry Newman and Michael Johns could not attend. Other 1983 Premiership players who attended were Michael Guerin, Phil Burgess, Michael Broadbent, Roger Russell, Greg Frick, Phil Brooks, David Hansen, Lindsay Hick, Ian Berry and Tony Skinner as well as squad players Malcolm Davidson and Stephen O'Donoghue. Together with Team Manager Brian Fitzgerald, Runner Robin Christiansen, Trainer Warren Rosman (Port Lincoln), Committee members Paul Sperling, Phil Cole, Malcolm Rosman, Michael Roach, Tony Davidson, and supporters Gary Clarke, Jeff Barnes, Mark Grosser and Paul Caica (water boy on the day!) many partners attended from this group.

This group was as tight as ever on the night. Personally it was great to see all the boys.

The 1993 A Grade team was coached by Terry Homan who on the night gave a run down on the team and its performances in 1993 but also to the 1992 premiership team that had a reunion last year. The 1993 team had only 4 different players from the 1992 team.

The nucleus of the team was made up of a talent group of players Terry had coached at the old West Torrens Football Club in Under 19, and many of these players have since played all their football for Henley and some have now sons in the junior ranks and are coaching or have become administrators in the club.

The premiership players who attended on the night were Captain Matthew Wormald, Pat Carpenter, Rick Coates (Shepparton), Phil Dawkins, Davin Ettridge, Andrew Horsnell, Mark Payze, Wayne Pierson, Mark Pilmore, David Simmons, Brett Teakle,



Runner Lindsay Hick. While Brian O'Connor, from the 1982 side was there with apologies from Ian McDowall, Craig Hocking and Brent Richards. Unfortunately Andrew Engelhardt, Scott Geyer, Lincoln Hayes, Scott Hine, Paul Allport, Damien Porritt, Paul Sciberras, Troy Searle, Rod Sperling and Team Manager Ernie Dean and Trainer Dave Muller could not attend.

The 1993 B Grade team coached by Peter Williams (who unfortunately got held up in Melbourne on business could not make it). Jamie Butterfield, the team Captain, spoke on behalf of the team. He commended his team on being able to win the premiership and acknowledged the strong mateship of the B Grade team and also the talent of all the players throughout the teams in the dub in 1993.

The attending players were Jamie Butterfield, Paul Cenko, Jon Cenko, Peter Evans, Charles Drew, Jarrad Hawson, Gavin Kemp, Kym Metcalfe, Todd Schulz, Nat Bromley (Queensland), Shane Stone and Team Manager Brett Ralph.



Unfortunately players who could not attend were Kevin Aistrop, Michael Cocks, Fraser Cooper, Martin Jeffries, Glen Kerrison, Brad Stevens, Shane Thompson, Stacey Visser, Trainers Dave Muller, Anthony O'Connor and Runner Damian Slaven.

The 1993 C Grade Coach, Club Legend Michael 'Wingers' Hicks, spoke about his team and the interesting scenarios that occurred prior to the game against Adelaide Tigers in which we won by 1 point at Railways Oval. The players that attended the night from this team were Andy Bray, Curtis Eyles, Andrew Henry, Paul Pitkin, Chris Reilly, Ian Rochow, Haydn Schwarz, Paul Sheldon, Brad Wilksch and Micah Williams.

The players unable to attend were Chris Cox, Anthony DiBiase, Sam Klittogianis, Rod MacFarlane, Scott Moritz, Shane Robinson, Tony Rutter, Brad Samuels, Adam Ugrinic, Peter Williams, Team Manager Justin Galvani, Runner Stuart Blades and Trainer Des Fry. Supporters Chris Burdon, Trevor Jones, Michael Flynn also attended, and I apologise if I have missed anyone.

Summing up it was a great night and everyone left with a smile on their face, great to see old mates. Next year is the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1974 A1 Reserves premiership together with the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 2004 History making A, B, C and D Grade premierships – another 5 premierships.

Thanks again to the Club Committee, Organising Committee and to all the players, officials, partners and friends of the Henley Football Club who made this a great night and weekend.

Phil Burgess - for Organising Committee.



# A-GRADE Division 1

<b>Position finished:</b>	4th
<b>Coach:</b>	Gavin Colville
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Sha yne Harris
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Craig Hermann
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Teresa Davoren
<b>Runner:</b>	Iszac Thompson
<b>Board Steward</b>	Jake Fairdough
<b>Captain:</b>	Joel Cullen
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Jake Pavlich & Brad Mehaffey
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Jake Pavlich
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Joel Cullen
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Jamie Grosser
<b>Most Consistent:</b>	Ross Pederson
<b>Best in finals:</b>	Brad Mehaffey
<b>Best First Year Player</b>	Joal Downing
<b>Leading Goal Kickers:</b>	Joel Cullen
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Jake Pavlich



Season 2013 began way back in November of 2012. After playing off in the grand-final, the off-season was quite short, however for the most part the players returned to pre-season with their usual vigour and enthusiasm. The emphasis from day one was not about redemption of the grand final defeat, but about acknowledging and improving areas of weakness.

Our playing stocks were one again hit hard by country clubs and the lure of the dollar however with the return of Henley players in Joel Cullen, Ross Pederson, Jake Fairclough and Brad Geddes, along with the recruitment of Ryan Sampson we were confident we had covered all losses. Additionally we were confident that we had a handful of younger players that were due to make impact at A-grade level.

Club stalwart Iszac Thompson took responsibility for pre-season conditioning and it was pleasing to see Ashley Place be offered the role of B-grade coach after numerous years as an A-grade assistant. Pre-season culminated with a training day held at Waterfall Gully. Players were tasked with running up Waterfall Gully carrying weights in the morning, team building games in the early afternoon and then further hill running to finish the day. It is testament to the character and culture of this group of players as they continually take on any physical challenge thrown at them.

Our pre-season matches were solid without being brilliant. However with a strong showing in our final hit-out we were all excited about what lay ahead. Unfortunately the season proper started poorly with losses to Salisbury North and Tea Tree Gully in the first two rounds. With backs to the wall, the Anzac Day clash with Broadview was a must-win and the players responded accordingly. We followed up with a close win over the top of the ladder Goodwood Saints and then Phos Camden which provided momentum going into another big clash with Rostrevor. This however turned out to be a non-contest as we were beaten by 52 points, a score line that the club has not often seen in recent times. Things looked bleak as this loss was then followed by another defeat to last year's nemesis, St. Peters at home.

At 3 wins and 4 losses the following week's game against Adelaide Uni was shaping to be a season defining contest. In horrible conditions, James Stewart set the standard with some huge physical contests in the first quarter. Many players followed suit and importantly younger players in Joal Downing and Addison Whitehouse had large impacts on the game. This was significant for not only this game but for future weeks as the players hunger to compete slowly returned and the younger players grew in confidence. This game was the beginning of a five match winning streak, which in tum lead us to winning nine out of the remaining 10 home and away matches. Our final round victory over Rostrevor provided us with further momentum going into the finals as we had now beaten every team in the competition.



Unfortunately, despite only five losses during the season we still found ourselves in the elimination final. Again matching up against St. Peters a small amount of revenge from 2012 was sought. The game was a great contest in which we had the better of the first half. We were unable to put St. Peters away however and they came back hard in the third to take the momentum and the lead. The last quarter was a memorable one for the season as we fought back hard and completely took the game away from the opposition. Dale Symons reminded us all of his talent with five last quarter goals.

The following week saw a tough assignment with us taking on Goodwood Saints. We came to play and matched them for intensity and work rate in the first half. I thought at this stage that we had every chance of winning the game should we take our opportunities to score. We started well in the third however it was Goodwood who took their chances and made us pay on the scoreboard. By the last quarter a long season looked to have taken its toll and we were overrun. Whilst defeat was obviously disappointing, my post match talk to the players focussed more on the positives and achievements in what proved to be a tough season. Players were asked to reflect and acknowledge individual deficiencies and to use this as the impetus for an improved 2014 season.



## **Highlights**

### **Round 9 win against Salisbury North**

I thought this win was reward for effort and fair play. Despite being challenged all day we stuck to our game plan against a team boasting some genuine talent. We displayed a relentless will to win and played team football that all involved at Henley FC should be proud of.

### **Elimination Final Win against St.Peters**

Perhaps not our best performance of the year, however to win against last year's grand final opposition after looking in trouble early in the final quarter, it was another step forward for our team. When we needed, many players found a way to impact the game. We showed real strength of character.



## Individual improvement

The most pleasing outcome for the season was the development of many of our younger players. Matt Davoren - Searcy, Joal Downing, Addison Whitehouse, Scott Newman, Brad Broughton, Adam Pedlar and Zac Lawless all made significant contributions to the A-grade team throughout the year. I look forward to seeing these players continue their development in future years.

## Achievements

Congratulations to Tim Broadbent who was a well-deserved selection in the State U/23 team. Also congratulations to Jake Pavlich who won his second best and fairest award. Jake has now won the last two best and fairest awards and was runner up in 2010. This is a fine effort.

## Thankyous

As expected, I have a large list of people to thank for their efforts throughout the year:

- Amanda, Terry, Chris & Brodie (training staff). I appreciate this is not an easy role and we are lucky to have such a committed group.
- Teresa Davoren (Team Manager) - a true club champion.
- Iszac Thompson (Runner) - Another who gives so much and yet expects little in return.
- Shayne Harris & Craig Hermann (Assistant Coaches) - not only good football brains but good company as well. Thank you for the many hours you devoted to the club this year.
- Ashley Place (B-grade coach) - A great person to work with who almost enjoys winning as much as I do.
- Tony Dart (recruiting) - thanks for your assistance and words of wisdom.
- Joel Cullen (Captain) congratulations on a successful year as A-grade captain. Thank you for your support and honesty.
- The players - My biggest thanks to you all. Our ladder position may not suggest improvement but this couldn't be further from the truth. We beat every team this year and many challenges were met both individually and as a team. As a coach, that is really all I can ask for.

Gavin Colville - A Grade Coach

LOCAL FOOTY

# Sharks think pink for a cause

## HENLEY JOINS BATTLE TO BEAT CANCER

Ken McGregor

THERE will be pink sharks circling Henley Memorial Oval this weekend.

The Henley Sharks Football Club division one side will wear pink guernseys in honour of beloved club life member Sandra Hicks who died of breast cancer earlier this year.

Henley president Teresa Davoren said the club was calling on all spectators to wear pink and donate to collection tins during the game.

The players' guernseys will also be auctioned at the post-match presentation while the goal umpires will use pink flags in the clash against Adelaide University.

"I have never met anyone who was as proud of a club as she was - she held everyone in such high regard," Ms Davoren said.

"She is very much missed but she will never be too far from the hearts of all of us."

All proceeds will go to Western Hospital, on Cudmore Tce, where Sandra



Henley Sharks Football Club players are wearing pink guernseys for this week's game to raise money for breast cancer research. Vice Captain Jake Pavlich with Cindy Krasowski from Western Hospital and captain Joel Cullen. Picture: Roger Wyman

worked for more than a decade.

Former Western Hospital colleague Cindy Krasowski, who holidayed with Sandra in October last year, said her friend had a unique ability to make a lot of friends wherever she went.

"Sandra was an amazing person - I'm still gobsmacked at the number of

people who knew her and loved her and were touched by her story," Mrs Krasowski, 56, said.

Mrs Krasowski survived her own battle with cancer 15 years ago and received treatment at the Western Hospital's oncology ward.

"The hospital's oncology staff are a fantastic team and it is great to see them being

supported by the football club," she said.

Sandra's son, Cody Hicks, is expected to play for Henley during the game, from 2.15pm on Saturday.

The club hopes to raise more than \$5000.

A Pink Day Memorial Trophy will be presented. The Sharks will be looking to cement their position in the

top five as they set themselves to avenge last year's upset grand final loss to St Peters OC.

Home games against Gaza and Rostrevor follow this week's clash with a likely knockout final against Adelaide University or St Peters OC looming the week after.

# B-GRADE Division 1R

<b>Position finished:</b>	7th
<b>Coach:</b>	Ashley Place
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Maryann Kuzmycz
<b>Runner:</b>	Jonathan Rex
<b>Captain:</b>	Brad Gill
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Jason Clarke & Alex Newman
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Shane Walshe & Brad Dittmar
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Addison Whitehouse
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Chase Wescombe
<b>Coaches Award:</b>	Dylan Fry
<b>Best First Year Player</b>	Stuart Clark
<b>Leading Goal Kickers:</b>	Jamie Cammarano & Michael Francis
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Jason Clarke (7th)

The B Grade went into 2013 as reigning premiers and this was always going to make some big shoes to fill for all concerned. There were a few changes in personnel with a new coach and a great turnover of players, but change creates the opportunity for others to show what they have and grow as footballers. We started the process in late November with a very exciting and promising pre season to try and prepare for the season to come.

During the season we saw a large turnover of players due to injuries in the A & B grade, this gave a chance for players to come from the C grade and also from the Under 18's. All of these players really stood up and gave the club some exciting things to look forward to for the future. Unfortunately the season was not the smoothest, we started very poorly and really put ourselves behind the eight ball (2 wins & 7 Losses) . I think the changes to the side week in and week out caused this, but in the second half of the season to the credit of the players we turned things around (5 wins & 4 losses), to only miss the finals but a couple of games.

I really appreciate the work the players did this year and also would like to thank them on the way they responded to a tough position that we placed ourselves in during the year. They really showed that they are a tight group of people that are involved in a great club. I would also hope that they continue to learn and grow as footballers, because as tough as this year had been for all concerned the good times are just around the corner. Thanks for all who supported our group and we all are looking forward to 2014

Ashley Place

# LIFE MEMBER'S CHAIRMAN

The Life Member's recommendations to update the life membership criteria are still being finalised therefore ongoing. A recommendation to be voted on by members should be finalised during the next season.

The Life Members Event this year coincided with the Premiership Reunions. Phil Burgess coordinated the functions and together with his committee needs to be congratulated. All Past Players, Life Members & Committee had an absolutely wonderful evening & game day weekend. Hopefully the success of these functions will see many more in the coming years.



The Life Members & Past Players database is continually being updated, so once again we ask all Life members & Past Players to advise of any changes to personal details.

A big congratulations to Mark King on being inducted as a Henley Life Member at last year's Annual General Meeting. Once again I would like to thank the Life Members Committee especially Andrew Henry & Mike Broadbent for their continued support & assistance throughout the year. We wish the Club every success for the coming season.

Phil Cole – Life Member's Chairman

# C-GRADE Division 7

<b>Position finished:</b>	7th
<b>Coach:</b>	Michael Annese
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Simon Hardy
<b>Runner:</b>	Luke Bellingham
<b>Captain:</b>	Zac Bellingham
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Evan Bennetts
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Tim Rosewall
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Danny De Souza-Priest
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Zack Bellingham
<b>Coaches Award:</b>	Matt Ehrlich
<b>Most Consistent</b>	Troy Cavenett
<b>Leading Goal Kickers:</b>	Simon Hardy
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Evan Bennetts (5th)



My first season as a coach was very enjoyable working with and learning from the likes of Scratcher, Placey & in particularly George.

We started pre-season in mid January and had some good numbers out on the track. Come round 1, we had a very difficult time putting a side together for our first game against flinders park and ended up losing by 3 goals. From there it only got harder as we played Angle Vale & Ingle Farm over the next 2 weeks and we got 2 massive hidings. We had some good wins in the first half of the year against the odds one over Sacred Heart, who were 3rd at the time and Flinders Park who were 4<sup>th</sup>.

The 2nd half of the year was very pleasing from the fact we started to get some consistency in our game plan and played some very good football with the limited players available due to injury in the higher grades. To the c-grade's credit we toughed it out for 4-6 weeks without an interchange bench on most occasions. We went 3-6 in the first half of the season & 4-5 in the 2nd half with some very good games against the 2 top sides in angle vale & Houghton.



The most satisfying win came in the last round against Sacred Heart at their home ground. They were sitting 5th on the ladder and just had to win to make the finals. We had nothing to play for except our pride & that is exactly what we did, winning by 1 goal after they were 2 goals up at  $\frac{3}{4}$  time.

In the end it was a tough introduction to senior coaching, but I thoroughly enjoyed most of the season. I would like to congratulate George & the d-grade on their magnificent season in winning the premiership, after being 5 goals down at  $\frac{1}{4}$  time. It was a well deserved win for George, Leon & the boys. Well done to Scratcher & the a-grade for making the finals, after a very injury riddled season and good luck for next year. Well done to Placey in his first year as coach where the b-grade boys had a similar season to the c grade with player availability. I am sure you will get back on track next year. Well done to wingers & the u18 for making the finals.

I would like to thank Zack Bellingham for being the c-grade captain this year. You are a true leader. Thank you Simon Hardy for being our Team Manager whilst playing at the same time. Thanks to all the water runners (Kym & Jake Hicks), the training staff (Amy & Sarah) as well as George for his great support. Also well done to all the award winners.

In closing I would like to thank Teresa and Rod Hill for giving me the opportunity to be involved with the Henley Football club. It is the best club I have been involved with. Unfortunately I have accepted an a-grade coaching position at the Glenunga Football Club for season 2014 and feel I cannot pass up this opportunity. I wish you all the best in season 2014.

Michael Annese - C grade coach



# D-GRADE - Division 7R

<b>Position finished:</b>	1st
<b>Coach:</b>	George Charalabidis
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Jane Kite
<b>Runner:</b>	Tommy Charalabidis, James Salisbury
<b>Other helpers:</b>	Michael Annese
<b>Captain:</b>	Leon Rayner
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Julius Miller
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Leon Rayner
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Brad Tonkin
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Julius Miller
<b>Coaches Award:</b>	Mark Altree
<b>Most Consistent</b>	Jarrad Parker
<b>Leading Goal Kickers:</b>	Shane Stone (1st - )
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Jarrad Parker (Winner)

2013 was the season where the Henley D Grade team conquered the mountain and achieved every possible team and individual award available. The Dirty D's finished the season as minor premiers with 17 wins & 1 loss with the highest percentage, most points for & least points against. Won the 2<sup>nd</sup> semi final away from home and won the premiership at Panther Park while giving the opposition a 5 goal head start at quarter time. Shane Stone topped the goal kicking in A7R with his last kick in Round 18 and Jarrad Parker absolutely blitzed them winning the A7R medal.

From the start of the season the Dirty D's set the standard in the completion playing a possession brand of football and where our half back line continued to rebound everything that came there way creating opportunity and giving our mobile tall forwards first use. Our game plan worked well and gave every player to adapt to it with great effect. Ball movement was quick & precise usually associated with higher grades.

Overall we had 56 players come through the D Grade with 11 U18's playing their first game of senior football and with 4 eventually playing B Grade. At times the D Grade depth was tested but we were good enough to get the desired result which is a testament to the club and the respect that all of the 56 have for the jumper they wore.

I would like to thank Rod Hill, Teresa Davoren & Iszac Thompson for giving me the opportunity to coach at such a great club and for their support in helping the D Grade achieve such a great result. Thanks go out to my team manager Jane Kite, all the trainers & support staff, Captain Leon Rayner and all the players for their support and for believing that could go all the way.

George Charalabidis - D Grade Coach



# COLTS: Under 18s

<b>Position finished:</b>	5th
<b>Coach:</b>	Mike Hicks
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Carolyn Paterson
<b>Runner:</b>	Ben Hoffmann
<b>Other helpers:</b>	Kym Hicks (trainer) & Bernie Butler
<b>Captain:</b>	Jordi Pel
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Cameron Philcox
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Tom Hession
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Ladhlan Sheffield
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Nick Thunig
<b>Coaches Award:</b>	Brodie Wilcox
<b>Most Consistent</b>	Jake McKay
<b>Scott Dedrick Memorial</b>	Dylan Fry
<b>Leading Goal Kickers:</b>	Jack Hambly
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Ben Everson (2 <sup>nd</sup> )



For the Under 18's, season 2013 officially finished at Port Districts home ground in the Elimination Final.

After finishing the minor round with a resounding win against second placed Goodwood Saints, our information was that we would not play finals as we had ended up fifth in an 8 team comp. Apparently, the Amateur League, in their wisdom, decided during the ensuing week that there would be a final five, which therefore allowed us the right to play Port Districts at Largs Reserve.

Having played probably the best footy displayed all year with the aid of a couple of Rod Hill's U/16's for reserves (we were down to 16 fit players the week before against PHOS, after starting the season with a list of nearly 45 players! We understandably were chock full of confidence going into this game and fancied ourselves to progress further than our 5<sup>th</sup> spot of last year.

Unfortunately, we ended the season with exactly the same result as last year with an 8 wins & 10 losses ratio. In an 8 team competition, 5<sup>th</sup> isn't an overly successful season, which is disappointing, but perhaps is indicative of the lack of work and endeavour displayed by many in the group. Combined with player losses due to employment shifts and injury, it was mighty hard (no less so than any of the other coaches this year!) to create a stable team from week to week.

Harsh words, but the side committed the crime of under achieving and not realising its full potential in my mind, with many of the boys not grabbing the chances they were offered. The season was a rollercoaster of highs & lows where their best footy was scintillating, but their worst was deplorable. I would implore those Under 18 players rising to senior ranks to get out and experience a full pre-season and understand the work ethics and sacrifices that go with being successful.

For the boys going on to play 18's again next season, they need to set their own standards with their new coach and not accept the mediocrity they displayed this year. There is talent to burn if the kids get their S\*\*T together the Henley FC will be excited to see you come up through the ranks. The boys need to understand the transition to senior footy is that much easier if the hard work is done in their junior years.

In closing, I would like to thank my support staff (mentioned above) for their tremendous loyalty and support as I wish the kids all the best in their future football endeavours - I love youse all! Thank you also to the Henley FC for giving an old fart the chance to play out his coaching dreams at this wonderful club.

Happy hunting Sharks, Wingers.

# Best & Fairest Vote Getters

## A Grade

<b>Jake</b>	<b>Pavlich</b>	<b>77</b>
Joel	Cullen	64
Ross	Pederson	49
Tim	Broadbent	38
Jamie	Grosser	38
Brent	Frewen	33

## B Grade

<b>Brad</b>	<b>Dittmar</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Shane</b>	<b>Walshe</b>	<b>36</b>
Addison	Whitehouse	32
Josh	McKenzie	31
Chase	Wescombe	31
Adam	Pedler	30
Jason	Clark	29

## C Grade

<b>Tim</b>	<b>Rosewall</b>	<b>79</b>
Danny	De Souza-Priest	63
Matthew	Ehrlich	60
Nick	Meiers	54
Evan	Bennetts	50
Xavier	Gates	31
Troy	Cavenett	29

## D Grade

<b>Leon</b>	<b>Rayner</b>	<b>69</b>
Brad	Tonkin	40
Jarrad	Parker	39
Shane	Stone	34
Shane	Bahr	34
Chris	Page	31
Brian	Leys	29

## U18 Grade

<b>Thomas</b>	<b>Hession</b>	<b>54</b>
Lachlan	Sheffield	48
Nick	Thunig	47
Riley	Neilson	35
Ben	Everson	34
Jordie	Pel	33
Cameron	Philcox	32
Brodie	Wilcox	32



# Team of the Year

Brad Tonkin	Shane Stone	Jamie Grosser
Troy Cavenett	Joel Cullen (vc)	Leon Rayner (c)
Jake McKay	Jake Pavlich	Lachlan Sheffield
Zac Bellingham	Tim Rosewell	Tom Hession
Brad Mehaffey	Judd Crawford	Mark Atree
1R		
Ross Pederson	Jarred Parker	Danny De Souza & Priest
2R		
Brad Dittmar	Ryan Sampson	Shane Walshe

Coach - George Chalaribidis

# JUNIOR DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2013 was a year of change for the Henley Junior Football Club. We welcomed new members to the HFCJ Committee, a new MWJFL Executive and new Blue & White grades in our U12's and 14's age levels.

## New committee members

- HFCJ Co-President Brad Rainsford
- Treasurer Shaun Walker
- Registrar Lisa Lambert
- Secretary Emma Birchall
- Meals & Merchandise Beck Godlevsky
- Social Co-ordinator Anthony West

## Continuing committee members were

- HFCJ Co-President Wayne Pierson
- MWJFL Delegate Andrew Horsnell
- Coaching Director David Nicol

Changes in the U12's and U14's with introduction of Blue & White created many issues to deal with. Uneven draws and teams created plenty of noise for our committee with hundreds of questions from coaches and our club members. The new MWJFL Executive created plenty of issues with changes to requirements that we as a club needed to comply with.

## **How did we go off the field...**

# Annual social event (Quiz Night) - Anthony West did a great job preparing all the questions and hosting the night with support from Shaun Walker.

# Friday night meals - Presented and arranged perfectly by Beck Godlevsky and as always our teams supported with kitchen help and BBQ cooking for Friday night games held at Shark park.

# Sunday BBQ for home games was again a success. Anthony West arranged and ensured all food was at the club Sunday mornings and the support by one of our many volunteers Rob Lukosius with setting up the BBQ area.

## **On the field...**

Our Coaches again informed and presented by David Nicol were informed of changes and supported by the committee. Our other supporting staff had every game running smooth and no issues reported. Our team managers performed a sensation job arranging team sheets and doing all the background work to ensure our coaches have all the time to COACH.

## **Coaches and Managers**

U8	C - Blair Baxter	TM - Tanya Watson
U9	C - Sam Phillipou	TM - Geoff Stephens
U10	C - Greg Hawke, Chris Shallow	TM - David Coorey
U12 White	C - Shane Stone, Phil Dawkins	TM - Emily Smith
U12 Blue	C - Dave Crouch, Andrew Horsnell	TM - Nick Godlevsky
U14 White	C - Kym Metcalfe, Rob Lukosius	TM - Heather Lukosius
U14 Blue	C - Tom Keller, Matt Wormald	TM - Brad Rainsford
U16 White	C - Andrew Wiseman, Steve Akeroyd	TM - Alice Petersen
U16 Blue	C - Rod Hill, George Charalabidis	TM - Cheryl Barnett



Andrew Horsnell went above and beyond the call of duty this year. Changes in MWJFL Executive had plenty of late night meetings at times finishing around mid night - a huge THANKS goes to him and his own family for their support of a great man.

### **Juniors U8's, U9's and U10's**

Fantastic and fun seasons. We had full teams and all played by the rules. Focusing on skills with the fun of footy and team mates had every child enjoying the game of football. Parents enjoyed the social gatherings that come with footy at Henley FC.

### **Our U12's, U14's, and U16's**

With the introduction of Blue & White had grading and teams a bit miss matched during the year. Our teams in the WHITE (lower age group) played against teams and kids with a bit more size as other clubs only fielded one team per age group. These teams were aloud to play down due to grading poli cy from MWJFL - how ever in saying this, our U12 and U14 Whites played in finals. This was a great effort by all involved.

### **Season Standings**

U12 White	Finished Third
U12 Blue	Finished Second
U14 White	Finished Fourth
U14 Blue	Finished Fifth
U16 White	Finished Seventh
U16 Blue	Finished Second

Out of 6 teams that could play finals, we had 4 teams represented - FANTASTIC Results.

### **Medal Winners**

U12 White	1st - Jay Muir	2nd - Curtis Groves	3rd - Harry Dawkins
U12 Blue	1st - Brad Hawson	2nd - Kan Godlevsky	3rd - Tex Dowdell
U14 White	1st - Josh Birchall	2nd - Jarrod Miller	3rd - Jack Lukosius
U14 Blue	1st - James Rowe	2nd - Harry Sibley	3rd - Sax Bates
U16 White	1st – Jack Akeroyd	2nd - Josh Ettridge	3rd - Jackson Merritt-White
U16 Blue	1st - Frank Marafioti	2nd - Cain Smith	3rd Tommy Charalabidis

### **Rod & Graham Hill Trophy**      JOSH BIRCHALL

Frank Marafioti won the MWJFL U16 Blue Medal for 2013.

Season 2013 was a great year. We had a team in every age group of MWJFL. We have the most registered players out of all the 11 member clubs of MWJFL and our club is in a great position to move forward in 2014.

Regards

Brad Rainsford, Wayne Pierson  
HFC Junior Representatives

# Junior's Team of the Year

First Ruck

Jack Akeroyd

James Rowe

Josh Birchall

(Capt.)

Jarrood Miller

Curtis Groves

Jay Muir

Harry Dawkins

Jack Lukosius

Harry Sibley

Jackson  
Merrett-White

Frank Marafioti

Tommy  
Charalabidis

Sax Bates

Cain Smith

Tex Dowdell

Kane Godlevsky

Brad Hawson

Josh Ettridge

Interchange

Christian Rugari

Adrian Corso  
Conor Levy

Mason Pickard

Luke Edwards

Reuben Hartwig

F

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# Junior's: Under 16s Blue

<b>Position finished:</b>	Runner Up
<b>Coach:</b>	Rod Hill
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	George Charalabidis
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Cheryl Barnett
<b>Runner:</b>	George Charalabidis
<b>Other helpers:</b>	Paul Hosie, Roger Russell
<b>Captain:</b>	Josh Barnett & Frank Marafioti
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Frank Marafioti
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Tommy Charalabidis
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Cain Smith
<b>Coaches Award:</b>	Ethan Miller
<b>Most Consistent:</b>	La chlan Russell
<b>Eagle's Medal</b>	Angus Coxon
<b>Leading Goal Kickers:</b>	La chlan Hosie
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Frank Marafioti (1 <sup>st</sup> : 39 votes)



The 16s Blue had a very successful year, playing off in the Grand Final against a very good SMOSH West Lakes team. Although we didn't play our best football on the day the boys played the game out to the end. The development as a team and the boy's willingness to work hard to improve was excellent. It was a most rewarding and satisfying year from my perspective.

The team only lost three games for the year and finished the minor round in top spot. A good win against Lockleys in the second semi-final was one of the highlights of the season as we completely dominated the first half. Throughout the season the boys 'gelled' as a group as their use of the ball and teamwork were exceptional. Congratulations to both Frank Marafioti for winning the Association medal with an amazing 39 votes and Angus Coxon for being chosen in the 'winning' SANFL Under 15 State Team.

Thanks to George Charalabidis, Roger Russell and Paul Hosie for their fine support at training throughout the year. Cheryl Barnett did a terrific job as Team Manager for the second year in a row.

I also wish to acknowledge the support and cooperation we had from Andrew Wiseman, Steve Ackeroyd and the boys in the 16s White Team. We had eight 1<sup>st</sup> Year players in our Grand Final Squad and another five who played games during the year. At times some of the boys played two games on the day so we could field both teams.

In finishing I wish to thank the Junior Committee and in particular Wayne Pierson Brad Rainsford and Dave Nicol for the fine job they did in organizing the Juniors this season. There continues to be many challenges ahead at this level and I'm sure these will be solved with the Club continuing to excel!

Cheers Rod Hill – Under 16's Blue Coach

# JUNIOR'S: Under 16s White

<b>Position finished:</b>	10 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Coach:</b>	Andrew Wiseman
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Steve Akeroyd
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Alice Peterson
<b>Runner:</b>	Steve Akeroyd
<b>Boundary umpires &amp; 1<sup>st</sup> Aid:</b>	Andrew Damon, Mick Levy, Meredith Sitters
<b>Captain:</b>	Jack Akeroyd
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Jackson Merret-White, Liam Sitters, Connor Levy
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Jack Akeroyd
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Josh Ettridge
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Brad Dayman
<b>Coaches Award:</b>	Eamon Fillery
<b>Most Improved:</b>	Nathan Jones, Emil Viljoen
<b>Encouragement awards</b>	Jordan Both
<b>Leading Goal Kickers:</b>	Jack Galabro,

Finishing in 10<sup>th</sup> position in a 12 team competition with 3 wins, 1 draw and 1 forfeit for the season, it would be easy to say that the results of the Under 16s white team were unacceptable in a club that is proud, has high expectations and always sets high standards. However I don't measure success on these results alone and given the context, it was a gritty, hard fought season where a bunch of players developed into a tight knit unit as the brand of football they played markedly improved and particular individuals played well above their own expectations.

As we did last year, Henley fielded two Under 16 teams in an expanded and ungraded competition, whilst a number of the introduced Metro South teams in the White's competition fielded just one.

From the outset it was identified that the U/16 squad lacked strong numbers to field 2 teams. While this was a significant issue, it provided an opportunity for 8 players to debut in Sharks Guernsey's and we welcomed new families to be a part of our great club.



Of the 8 new players, 3 were international ring ins coming from Canada as well as South Africa. Others came from other clubs, other codes, half were first time footballers, and 3 were still eligible to play U/14's. A couple of players regularly dug deep for their team mates and played 2 games, as well as 1 or 2 U/14s playing 2 games on occasions which was great for our team and exposure for them.

The extremes in the depth of skills and knowledge of the game also meant that individuals that may have previously been peripheral players were now key position players and had to step up and be ball winners. The way in which these guys responded and took on this challenge was a credit to them.

All in all while the win-loss ratio of the U/16 White team was disappointing, the way in which the team grew and improved under trying circumstances demonstrated real character and gave us cause to be very proud of their effort and perseverance. As the season progressed the boys were able to maintain their enthusiasm, pulled together and their game improved. The margin in every game in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the season was significantly reduced.

The camaraderie within the group was evidenced by the number of lads that attended what is becoming an annual event, the post season Moonta footy trip. Thanks again to Brad Perks generously threw open the doors to the Cornwall hotel to our team.

I feel very fortunate and privileged to have been given the opportunity to coach these young men. The 2013 season was very rewarding and was made possible with some fantastic support to get the White team out on the park each week. The key contributors included our runner Steve Akeroyd (runner and 19<sup>th</sup> player on the ground), the ever reliable boundary umpires Andrew Dayman (on field coach) and Mick Levy, Alice Peterson who filled the team managers role at the last minute, Meredith Sitter helped with 1<sup>st</sup> aid support, along with Rod Hill and George Charalibidis who contributed immensely to developing the skills and insight of the playing group over the course of the season.

Andrew Wiseman – Under 16s White Coach

# Junior's: Under 14s Blue

<b>Position finished:</b>	5 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Coach:</b>	Thomas Keller
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Matt Wormald
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Brad Rainsford
<b>Runner:</b>	Paul Sibley
<b>Captain:</b>	Jackson Edwards
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	James Rowe, Christian Rugar & Harry Sibley
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	James Rowe
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Harry Sibley
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Sax Bates
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Kyle Nicol
<b>Most Consistent:</b>	Joshua Pierson
<b>Most Improved:</b>	Austin Lavender
<b>Most Valuable Player:</b>	Jackson Smith



2013 was always going to be a tough challenge for the boys coming off three consecutive grand final wins – everyone turns up with their best side to knock off the defending champions. This meant that every game this season was extremely tough and the boys worked hard to take on every challenge. Unfortunately we had a few key players taken down by long term injuries that really tested our depth and strength around the footy. This however, was a great opportunity for the middle tier players to step up and play greater roles on game day.

We lost a few games early on that put us in a poor position and added pressure for wins through the last part of the season. The boys were up for the challenge and we beat all but one of the teams above us in the run home to finals. Unfortunately it was the 1 loss that left us outside the final 4 by percentage.

As hard as it is to miss out on finals I think that the boys took a lot out of the season. It is just as important for them to experience the lows as well as the highs so that they can become well rounded, hungry footballers.

Thanks are extended to each of the boys for their positive contribution in 2013. It has been a pleasure to work with a team who have continual support from within the club and from their families. Special thanks to Assistant Coach Matthew Wormald, Runner Paul Sibley, and Team Manager Brad Rainsford.

Tom Keller – Under 13s Coach

# Junior's: Under 14s White

<b>Position finished:</b>	4th
<b>Coach:</b>	Kym Metcalfe
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Rob Lukosius
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Heather Lukosius
<b>Runner:</b>	Peter Hutton
<b>Captain:</b>	Jack Lukosius
<b>Leadership Group:</b>	Josh Birchall, Bailey Capel Jarrod Miller, Adrian Corso
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Josh Birchall
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Jarrod Miller
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Jack Lukosius
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Josh Birchall
<b>Eagles Trophy/Coaches Trophy:</b>	Bailey Capel
<b>Most Improved:</b>	Brandon Kozned
<b>Most Consistent:</b>	Adrian Corso
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Jack Lukosius 4th



We had a solid pre-season with most of the boys keen to be fitter and stronger for the upcoming season. 2013 was going to be a tough year with the new format for all age groups, with half of the clubs in the U14 whites only having one team in the U14's (Blue or White).

We knew it was going to be tough this year and our first game proved this. We were up against older, bigger and stronger boys at Portland, losing our first game. To the boys credit, they bounced back quickly stringing a couple of good wins together. We had heard rumours about how good Rosewater was this year which we came up against in the fourth round. I can remember asking the boys for a committed, hard, competitive effort. Even though we were beaten very convincingly by Rosewater, the boys' effort was fantastic. Rosewater was the standout team by far.

We settled down to play some really exciting, entertaining football throughout the rest of the season only losing 3 more games to Portland, Rosewater and Woodville South, all of which are one team dubs in U14s. We finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> spot (the highest 2 team club in U14s) after the minor round only to lose the 1<sup>st</sup> Semi final against Woodville South.

It was a disappointing way to finish the season but all of the boys can hold their heads high and be proud of their achievements this year.

The boys showed that they improved both individually and as a team over the course of the year, with some individuals taking that next step, while others are on the verge of that next step (hopefully next year). Thank you to the Henley Football Club for their support.

Kym Metcalfe - Under 14 White Coach





# Junior's: Under 12s Blue

<b>Position finished:</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
<b>Coach:</b>	David CROUCH
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Andrew HORSNELL
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Nick GODLEVSKY
<b>Runner:</b>	Andrew HORSNELL
<b>Boundary Umpires:</b>	Jay NEAL & Daryl STEVENS
<b>First Aid:</b>	Kylee SIMPSON
<b>Captain:</b>	Luke EDWARDS
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Kane GODLEVSKY
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Brad HAWSON
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Kane GODLEVSKY
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	Brad HAWSON
<b>Most Valuable:</b>	Nick CROUCH
<b>Most Improved:</b>	Cooper LAMBERT
<b>Most Consistent:</b>	Joey VELLOTTI
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Luke EDWARDS (Runner-Up)

The U12 Blue Team of this season excelled once again it what was a challenging year for the squad. With the restructure of the competition, the boys knew that previous years of easy wins were not going to be the case and they were pushed on many occasions throughout the season. With the somewhat farcical situation of only having 4 teams in the U12 Blue Competition, the boys ended up playing Port Districts, Flinders Park and SMOSH 6 times each through the season.

From early in the season it was apparent that SMOSH had actively recruited throughout the off season and their team was going to be the team to beat come finals time. The boys got to know their opposition teams pretty well through the season and the only way to beat the physically stronger and taller SMOSH side was to develop a game which relied on quick movement and switching. The squad worked on this style of game through the season and on occasions stunned spectators with their flair and skill against their opposition.

With some big wins against Port Districts and Flinders Park, the season was shaping up as a showdown with arch rivals, SMOSH. The Henley Squad played some outstanding footy against SMOSH after dropping the first couple of games to them. As always, this group love a challenge and worked hard on their fitness and skills at training in order to gain the upper hand against an equally strong and committed SMOSH side.

The last minor round game was played against SMOSH and the team was desperate to enter the finals on a confident note. They had worked hard all season and were rewarded with the minor premiership having held on by percentage over SMOSH. The game didn't go according to plan and SMOSH ran out comfortable winners ensuring they would enter the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semi-Final as firm favourites

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Semi was played against SMOSH at Flinders Park it will go down as probably the best game of footy the boys had played together at the club. They were outstanding against their strongly fancied opposition and dominated all over the ground in what can only be described as a complete team performance. They won out by approximately 5 goals and ensured entry into their second successive Grand Final and the week off.

Come Grand Final Day, we knew we needed good weather in order to play the type of game we needed to beat SMOSH. Unfortunately the Footy Gods were against us and the day threw up some of the windiest conditions the boys had ever played in. This played havoc with their quick moving switching style of play and helped the opposition Big Boys dominate the game in the air. The boys commitment could not be questioned as exemplified by "Little" Wormy who unfortunately wound up with a broken collarbone due to his fierce attack on the footy. His loss mid-way through the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter hurt the team and SMOSH began to dominate in the middle and at the stoppages. An amazing "Slammer" Liambis goal in the third quarter lifted the boys and the last quarter was set for showdown. The boys had the wind however this was not the scoring end so the boys were up against it. It was a tight game that went down to the wire. A couple of mistakes cost us dearly and in the end the SMOSH boys banged a goal on with 2 minutes to go and ran out winners by 7 points.



It was an amazing effort the boys against a physically stronger and taller side but they gave their all and were absolutely spent after the game. Whilst there was obvious disappointment and sadness in failing to capture back to back premierships, the team can take great comfort from the fact that SMOSH had to recruit heavily in order to beat the boys and had 4 State Players in their squad. It showed that the squad with their team game were capable of taking on anybody and giving a good account of themselves.

In conclusion, the team won 15 of their 20 games for the season. Ten of the boys made their respective SAPSSA Zone Teams. Congratulations to Froggy Godlevsky, Joey Vellotti, EJ Neal, Flea Hansen and Crouchie on making the Eagles 6/7 Zone Team. I would also like to congratulate "Dermie" Edwards who finished runner-up in the Metro West Best and Fairest by 1 vote. Unfortunately Dermie missed the last minor round game which could have cost him dearly. Big Tex Dowdell finished closely behind Dermie in third position. Both boys had amazingly consistent seasons and did themselves proud as leaders of the playing group.

A special thanks to the Junior Footy Committee who gave me the opportunity to coach this wonderful group of young men. I considered it an honour and a privilege to have been involved with the squad. I'd like to thank the many parents and relatives who managed to get their boys to training and to game day on time. Thanks to Jay and Stevo for carrying out the boundary umpiring duties, sometimes enduring some rather unwarranted and unwanted attention from the opposition. Thanks to Pete and Julie Evans for stepping up with the Team Management duties and time keeping when Nick was unavailable. Thanks to all the Dads who helped with marshalling on game day and to the U12 Mums who prepared a wonderful banner for Grand Final day.

I wish to thank Horsey and Nick for their commitment over the last 3 years. Horsey's footy knowledge helped in taking the boys footy to another level this season. His ability to converse with the boys in an easy-going and laid back style really assisted in getting the best out of the boys on game day. Your efforts have been greatly appreciated. Nick as Team Manager has been amazing and his ability to take control of all match day duties and allocate accordingly ensured Horsey and I only had to worry about coaching on game day. Thanks again Boys. You guys were amazing throughout the year.

Finally, I wish to thank the U12 Blue Footy Team for their amazing feats this season. In the end we didn't quite get there Boys but you can take great comfort in the fact that you gave it everything and the Footy Gods didn't quite smile on us come GF Day. There is never any disgrace in losing to a good quality team and your efforts on Grand Final Day made us all very proud of you. Enjoy your off season and work hard on returning to the club next season in peak physical shape ready to give it another "crack".

Kind Regards,  
Crouchie  
U12 Blue Coach. (2013)

# Junior's: Under 12s White

<b>Position finished:</b>	3rd
<b>Coach:</b>	Shane Stone
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Phil Dawkins
<b>Team Manager:</b>	Emily Groves
<b>Runner:</b>	John Muir
<b>Captain:</b>	Shared between boys
<b>Best &amp; Fairest:</b>	Jay Muir
<b>Runner Up Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Curtis Groves,
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Best &amp; Fairest</b>	Harry Dawkins
<b>Best Team Man:</b>	David Roberts
<b>Eagles Trophy/Coaches Trophy:</b>	Reuben Hartwig
<b>Most Improved:</b>	Cooper Rogerson
<b>Most Consistent:</b>	Jackson Durant
<b>Most Votes League Medal:</b>	Harry Dawkins

The Henley U/12's had a very good year finishing 3<sup>rd</sup>. We had 8 wins with 8 losses and snuck into the Final 4 on percentage after a win in the last game against Flinders Park. Our season got better as the season went on. Once the boys began to get used to the changes in tackling, playing on a full size oval, how to run and carry the football further, playing a more physical game, playing for premiership points, scores being kept, Best & Fairest votes after each game. It was a lot for them to take in, but you really could see their confidence grow and enjoy the season more and more as it went along.

We saw some fantastic individual efforts across the whole season from all of the boy's which was certainly highlighted during the season. It was fantastic for the kids to see them have to take in so much this season and handle it well to really see some big improvements in them all. We saw the emotions that come with Medal Counts, winning a Final and losing a Final, some good wins plus a couple of close losses. It did show that the boys really do care and enjoy their footy.

We played some Finals, winning our First Semi Final against Woodville South, then losing in the Preliminary Final to Seaton Ramblers. We were the only true Under 11's side playing in the Finals with all of the other Teams having a handful of true Under 12's in their sides, so it was a great achievement by all of the team.

We rotated the kids throughout the season with being the team captains, as we were lucky enough to have 9 players celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> game for the Henley Football Club this season. We made sure they enjoyed their special game. These 50 game players were Jack Stone, Harry Dawkins, Jay Muir, Joseph Carroll, Cooper Condelli, David Garuccio, Wil Fraser, Daniel Berg and Bailey Michell.



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We are fortunate enough to have a great parent base help and chip in whenever necessary. Phil Dawkins was fantastic as my Assistant Coach as his help and support was enormous in helping with the teams improvement over the season.

Emily Groves was my Team Manager and was a huge help with organising the paperwork side of the team and keeping things all in check. John Muir was my Runner and was excellent at helping and teaching the kids the game as well as support to the coaches.

We had Dave Hartwig help out with the Goal Umpiring all season as well as Steve Akeroyd helping with being our boundary umpire all season. We also had Domenic and Vinnie Garuccio help with the scoreboard all season for the team.

A huge thanks to all the parents who have helped and supported me and the boys this season. All of the boys get so much more out of the season with all of your support so well done and again Thanks.

Our Top 3 Association vote getters were Harry Dawkins (13) Jackson Durant (12) Jay Muir (6).

The Henley Football Club has been fantastic support to me being a 1<sup>st</sup> time junior coach, with all grade coaches and the Junior Committee helping and guiding me through the season, with lots of advice and support.

I have really enjoyed coaching this season, we have a bunch of fantastic footballers and believe with the lessons and experiences of this season, the boys will be well prepared heading into the 2014 season. With a good pre-season working hard on their skills and plenty more tackling and physical training drills, they will continue to grow and play some exciting football.

Thanks for the opportunity and look forward to catching up soon.

Cheers Shane Stone – Under 12s White Coach



# Juniors: Under 10s

<b>Coach:</b>	Greg Hawke
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Chris Shallow
<b>Team Manager:</b>	David Coorey
<b>Runner:</b>	Chris Shallow
<b>Other helpers:</b>	Shaun Walker, Phil Maddigan and all parents
<b>Captain:</b>	Shared between boys
<b>Vice Captains:</b>	Shared between boys

All players from the 2012 under 9's team signed up to play for the Under 10's in 2013, which was very pleasing from my point of view, and a credit to the club and the coaches from last season.

There were many highlights and positives to come from 2013 with the under 10 boys, but the most pleasing part from my point of view was the way the boys played for each other, and found a way, when the going got tough throughout the season to get on top and win possession of the football and outscore the opposition.

Rules stipulate the under 10's don't keep an official score, however from an unofficial internal check, the under 10's lost only the 1 game this season which is a credit to their competitive spirit and will to win.

The most significant positives from the season was the improvement of the boys football skills, and their willingness to learn to play and stick to a basic game plan which they did, and did very well.

A season highlight that sticks in my mind was our last game of the season against a very competitive Flinders Park away from home, where our boys were almost 4 goals down at 3 quarter time in wet and windy conditions. Keeping in mind we play only 10 minute quarters without any time on, our boys knew the (unofficial) score and put together a quarter of football that would inspire most football lovers. The boys rallied together, played for each other and wiped away the deficit and (unofficially) won the game by 5 points.

I'm confident that all 25 boys on the under 10's list this year enjoyed themselves, enjoyed playing footy, and enjoyed playing footy for the Henley Sharks football club.

I couldn't have been happier with the support I received during the year from the parents and in particular Chris Shallow (assistant coach) and David Coorey (Team Manager).

Our rostered duties seemed to work well and without any problems which is a credit to the parents and support around the club.

The following is a brief overview of each player and the progress made in 2013:

## #1 Ty Martens:

An amazing season from Ty this year. His speed and ability to win the contested football has been second to none for our side this season. Ty loves his footy and loves to compete. His skills and football awareness is fantastic and well done on a brilliant season.

## #3 Zanda Blanchard:

One of the genuine improvers this season. When given an opportunity to be in the play, Zander has been fantastic and has grown in confidence as the season has progressed. Often found at the bottom of the pack, Zander has a real go and well done on a big year of improvement Zander.





**#4 Bailey Durant:**

Bailey has been all-dass again this season. His highly tuned skills and ability to win the football and read the play have always been evident, and this year he has further improved and become even stronger. Another fantastic year Bailey, your ability to win the football and use it so well has been fantastic. Great season and very well played.

**#5 Max Coorey:**

One of the most coachable consistent footballers in our side, Max performs to such a high level each and every week. Always hard at the football and always doing the team things, and to go with this Max also uses the football very well. Max has had a fantastic year. Max is an amazing football talent and team player and should be extremely proud of himself.

**#6 Harrison Thomas:**

Being probably the smallest player in our side would have it's challenges for most on match day. But the size of Harrison's heart has brought him to a level where he has been able to compete and be an extremely valuable player in our side. Harrison always tries his best, is always attentive at training and is another one that should be very proud of his efforts this year.

**#7 Harry Stevens (Hound Dog):**

Harry (or Hound Dog) is a true character and creates a lot of enjoyment for his team mates and everyone involved with the team. To go with this though Harry is an extremely good footballer. Harry wins a lot of the football and has the skills to really hurt the opposition once he gets it. A fantastic team player, fantastic skills and well done Harry on another great year.

**#8 Jacob Shallow:**

We talk a bit about our kids improving this year, and Jacob is one that has come along in leaps and bounds. Jacob has been one of the smaller kids in our side this year, but has played every game like he is one of the bigger kids. A huge heart, a great kid, and if the team has ever looked like needing someone to stand up and fight for the ball, Jacob has been the kid to do it. Fantastic year Jacob, well done.

**#9 Brodie Edwards:**

Like Jacob Shallow Brodie Edwards has significantly improved this year and played consistent footy all season. Brodie has really developed his skills and a bility to win the contested football this year, and should be extremely proud of himself. Well done Brodie on a great season.

**#10 Tyler Walker:**

Another big improver this season Tyler has shown that when he applies himself he can dominate the game and practically win a game off his own boot. Tyler has a terrific knack of winning a contested ball, and has been a great team player all year. Well done Frogger on a great season.

**#11 Nicholas Hochuli:**

I've really liked the way Nicholas has played his football this year. Nicholas is always listening and learning about the game. Nicholas has been a great team player this year because his first instinct is always to do the team thing. Nicholas's skills have progressed and Nicholas should also be very proud of his efforts and contribution the team this year.

**#12 Jack Hawke:**

Jack has had another great season and is always prepared to put his small framed body on the line to win the football for his team mates. A great team player, Jack is always encouraging his team mates and is without doubt one of the more competitive players in our side. Jack's skills and reading of the play has also developed well this year. I'm very proud of Jack and the style of football he plays, and he should be very proud of himself. Well done Jack.

**#13 Sam Hornibrook:**

Sam's mental toughness is one of his biggest assets. When knocked down or given a set-back, Sam never fails to bounce straight back up. Sam always gives 100% as is a magnificent team player. Sam's had a great season this year, and has developed well in all areas. Well done Sam.

**#14 Tom Pascoe:**

I absolutely love the way Tom goes about his football. No nonsense, eyes only for the football and very hard at the football and/or contest. Tom is the player a coach can turn to do something that's hard. To go with this Tom has great football skills and awareness in the game. Brilliant season Tom, well done.

**#15 Daniel Rogers:**

Daniel has been a real surprise packet this year. His improvement has been out-of-sight, and when Daniel applies himself, he too can completely dominate a game of footy. Daniel is an intelligent, switched on footballer and has also had a fantastic season. Keep up the great work Daniel and well done.

**#16 James Maddigan:**

James is an extremely skilful footballer and dearly loves the game as much as anyone I know. James loves learning about football, loves playing football and has been an absolute pleasure to coach. James has played fantastic football this season and is a very valued team player.

**#17 Jarrod Butterfield:**

Jarrod is another one of our tough and hard competitors that never takes a backward step when going for the football or into a football contest. Jarrod seems to thrive on hard work and putting his body on the line to win the footy for his team mates. Jarrod has had a fantastic season and should be very proud of himself.

**#18 Jaxon McNeill:**

Jaxon is one of the best kicks of the football I've seen at under 10 level. Jaxon has had a little bit of trouble with injury this year, but to his credit has pushed himself to play and play some really good football. A great team player and another kid that dearly loves the game. Well done Jaxon on a great season.

**#19 Aidan Stevenson:**

Aidan has probably been the most versatile player in our side this season. Aidan has played just as well in the ruck, or key position as he has on the ball or the wing. Aidan has a terrific ability to win the football and has improved as much as any of his team mates this season. Well done Aidan, fantastic effort all year.



**#20 Connor Godlevski:**

Connor is another one of our boys that can do absolutely amazing things on the football field when he applies himself. Connor has worked really hard this year on developing his skills and it's starting to really pay off. Connor is a terrific kid, great to coach and always puts in 100% for his team mates. Well done Connor on a great effort all year.

**#21 Charlie Blair:**

Charlie has really come out of his shell this season. Charlie seems to have had a bit of a growth spurt this year and has developed amazing balance and poise for a kid his age. Charlie has thrown himself at every contest possible this year and should be extremely proud of his efforts and development in 2013. Well done Charlie.

**#22 Nadim Oueiss:**

Nadim has also been a terrific utility player for us this season. Nadim has thrived and excelled in every position he's played in this season, and works as hard as anyone in the team. Either in the Ruck, on the ball, or any position, I can't think of any game where Nadim didn't win out on the day. Great season Nad, well done.

**#23 Declan McGeah:**

If Declan continues to play the game the way he does at this tender age, he will be the sort of player people flock to the grounds and pay good money to watch. Declan has shown amazing and controlled aggression all season, and is a very valuable team player. One of the best tap ruckmen in our side, Declan can also win the footy as well as anyone at ground level. Declan has had a brilliant season and should be very proud of his efforts and development.

**#24 Harry West:**

Harry has amazing football ability and can literally win a game off his own boot if the mood takes him. Harry is another player that has grown tall and strong this year and can take a pack mark as good as any kid I've seen at his age. Well done on a great season Harry and keep up the great work.

**#25 Sam Kelley:**

Sam has an amazing story to tell. Last season in the under 9's Sam missed a large chunk of football due to a broken arm or wrist, and this season Sam missed another large chunk of the season due to a broken leg. To Sam's credit when he came into the side in the latter part of the season he took no time at all in winning the football and dominating periods of play during games. Sam has proven to be extremely resilient, and his mental toughness has shown through again this year. Amazing effort Sam, well done and you should be extremely proud of yourself.

**#43 Christian Basile:**

Christian has been another player this year to improve his football skills and confidence out-of-sight. Christian is a fantastic player to have in the side, given his height and ability to take a high mark and create space for his team mates. Well done on another great year of improvement Christian and keep up the great work.

Regards, Greg Hawke - Under 10's Coach

# Junior's: Under 9s

The Under 9 Henley Sharks team had a fantastic year in season 2013. There is no official scoreboard at this level and no premiership table kept. There were 6 teams in our competition and the draw is uneven – we played all teams at least 4 times with the exception of SMOSH who we played only once.

Unofficially, our boys won every game quite comfortably. The closest game we had was against Port Districts in a night game at their oval where our boys triumphed by 25 points. There were several instances where our boys totally dominated the game from start to finish. Fortunately however, the boys demonstrated a good sense of humility throughout the year. By the end of the season, the team spirit amongst the team was very high with many players celebrating goals scored by their team mates.

A very pleasing aspect of the season from my point of view as coach was the development of all the players individually and collectively as a team. There were numerous occasions where our boys displayed a high level of skill execution and moved the ball cleanly from one end of the oval to the other without the opposition getting their hands on the ball.

Another very pleasing aspect of the development of the players was their willingness and determination to apply defensive pressure to the opposition. It was amazing to see children as young as 8 and 9 years of age displaying the difficult skill of smothering to such a high standard.

The boys are certainly ready and eager to progress to U10 level next season where they will be able to play zone-free. In addition, physical pressure will escalate with bumping being allowed as I expect our boys to adapt well.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents for their magnificent support during the season at games and training nights. The assistance has been fantastic and instrumental in enabling the coaches to concentrate on maximizing the development of the players in the time available.

Finally, a big thank you to the entire junior football club for their support. The Henley Football Club is a terrific place to bring kids to have them learn about playing football.

Sam Phillipou – Under 9s Coach

# Juniors: Under 8s

Being my first year of coaching juniors, I was excited about the opportunity to be involved with the Henley Sharks and certainly the Under 8's team. We started our pre-season several weeks before and I was fittingly impressed with the development of their skills prior to the first game and quickly identified leaders with the group.

We gradually approached each week with building the skills across the squad, but more importantly focused on the players who needed additional skills and attention to build their confidence and involvement with the team.

It was an amazing start to the season with our first game, first win. They played extremely well and seem to move the ball around like a seasoned squad. More important we sang the dub song at the top of our lungs with great team spirit, Go Sharks...



*...First Game Photo – First Win Victory Together  
– Well done...*

Having no expectations entering the second game we were focused on building skills and making sure all players were given equal attention to ensure we starting building confidence within the team week by week.

I was very pleased to have the services of a Team Manager, Tanya Watson who was exceptional with her ability to organise the backend and allow me to focus on the team to ensure my players were enjoying and building each

week. I would also like to thank all the parents (those Dad's and Mum's) for their involvement and commitment towards ensuring they sons were at training each week and on time.

With so much happening during the season and especially during games I found that the boys (under 8's) took instruction and were focused on impressing their parents and the coach during each game during the 2013 season.

*...Listening to much needed instruction and direction was outstanding...*



There were some great improvers during the 2013 Season and these individuals did additional activities external to Friday evening training and Sunday morning matches. These individuals practiced with their dad's, played football on Saturday with their schools and I was also advised they were fanatic with their approach towards their game plan and taking leadership roles and direction from the Coach during matches. To mention a couple these were;

- **Nic Boeyen** – One of the biggest improvers and became one of our outstanding players at the end of the season, well done.
- **Nairn Scott** – Never seen a AFL football before joining the Henley Sharks U8's but he was at Shark Park most nights practicing with his Dad and was a great contributor to the team and developed an excellent kicking style which is testament to hours he had put towards practicing with his dad, well done.

There were a number of great improvers and consistent performers during the season. I cannot mention them all but more importantly all the players improved their skills over the 2013 season and they all started to feel comfortable with each other's sporting ability.



This was a good sign and enabled the team to gather confidence each week to combat on field opposition challenges enabling the team closer to each other during training and game play.

Part of the 2013 season was to ensure all players were part of winning team so officially no scores or premierships points are kept at U8's level. However, from that first match it became very evident that the team knew exactly what the scores were at each game.

Our biggest win during the 2013 season was 137 points to zero (Port Districts) which itself is a large number (*especially for the under grades*) but over 40 minutes of football in U8's this was impressive.

This individual game brought together all they had learnt, showcasing their defence, attack, reading play, backing up and general ball skills (kicking, handpassing, running and goal kicking) were absolutely brilliant. Several parents commented on their development and ability to deliver and that was what we were all looking for, improvement and teamwork.



***...Celebrating with Cup Cakes and a Team Members Birthday...***

We had a couple of close matches during the 2013 season, notably with a draw against Woodville South. This draw was a last quarter performance of not focusing on maintaining possession of the ball and the team understood they needed to produce better results and remain focused to the last siren of each match moving forward.

Once again I would like to thank all the parents for helping out during the season and I do understand Sunday early mornings are not all good and can be rather daunting, but everything ran smoothly. With the assistance during our training nights from the dad's and mums to the game days was exceptional including my Team Manager Tanya Watson and her husband Richard.

A big thanks must also go to the club officials for their assistance, e.g. Wayne Pierson, Dave Nicol, & Brad Rainsford. Their assistance early on in the season, feedback from parents which was communicated via Dave Nicol and support given structurally for game play and rostering solutions was outstanding. I feel very lucky to have represented the Henley Sharks U8's as their Coach and was extremely proud for these exciting young guys who showed a level of enthusiasm towards the brand (Henley Sharks), their football and the club.

Thanking you, Blair Baxter - Under 8's Coach

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