

SOUTH COOGEE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

“Oh when the Saints...”

ANNUAL REPORT 2018



Established 1972

Executive Summary

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It is my pleasure to present the 2018 Annual Report for South Coogee Junior Football Club Inc.

This was my first year as President following two years as Vice President and continuing the work over the past seasons of previous committees. The club's Strategic plan was reviewed this season, aligning it with the WAFC strategic plan while also considering the future of our club, members and facilities. Thank you to those who participated in this process.

In 2018, the club was able to provide improvement in the equipment for players and coaches, whilst maintaining an appropriate financial situation. With the Cockburn Council planning to redevelop Santich Park as part of the Western Suburbs Sporting Precinct development, the long-term financial planning for the club will be redirected from funding for the lighting of the Southern oval at Santich Park. There are several items of significance which need repairing or replacing to benefit our future players.

There have been changes to the AFL Quality Club program which now has a base level Quality Club accreditation followed by Gold level. In both 2017 & 2018 considerable effort has gone towards the refinement of club policies, processes and structures to enable the club to re-certify this year as an AFL Quality Club. I thank the committee for their efforts in ensuring these standards were developed and with some minor additions Gold level status will be achieved in 2019.

Having documented policies and procedures ensures high standards will be maintained regardless of who is managing the club. This season the club developed the following; Communication policy, Vilification & Discrimination policy, Umpire support policy, Respect & Responsibility statement.

The club gathered feedback from the members on communication via a survey, the results showed that Team Managers are critical to all members in receiving clear and correct information regarding the district, the club and their team. This feedback will be used to improve consistency of member communications in future.

The club is focused on giving back to the community and as such participated in a council program of tree planting this year, this should be further developed to promote the club and gain support from local community members.

The club maintained its numbers across all age groups with extremely strong numbers in the lower age groups providing excellent sustainability for the future. The club successfully registered its first All Girls team in the Y7/8 competition thanks to Darren Shepley supporting myself on this initiative.

The club had a great year on field with a premiership flag and a runner up premiership flag, the strong focus and dedication to developing coaches in 2018 played a significant factor in this success. Continued development of players in younger age groups through positive connected coaches will lead to future success. South Coogee continued to provide South Fremantle with Colts players and development academy players this season.

The club continued in 2018 in refining its Guiding Principles:

1. A Safe and Positive Environment
2. Maximising Participation
3. Community Engagement
4. Developing Talent Pathways
5. High Quality Facilities and Equipment

I thank my committee, the huge number of volunteers in the club and its members for what has been an outstanding season. On behalf of the committee, I present this Annual Report, providing a record of the performance of the club for the 2018 season, as well as recommendations for the future.

Brad Mazzuchelli
President



Guiding Principle1 – A safe and positive environment

Providing a safe and positive environment promotes an image to the community that South Coogee JFC is the No.1 place for children to play & enjoy football in the western corridor of the South Fremantle District.

The club is fully compliant with 'Working With Children Check' legislation. A working with children register was developed and maintained, recording all WWC Checks of those required to hold a WWC card.

I completed Member Protection Information Officer training to provide guidance on any issues which arise as per the Western Australian Football Commission Member Protection Policy. An MPIO is the first point of call for an incident involving our members.

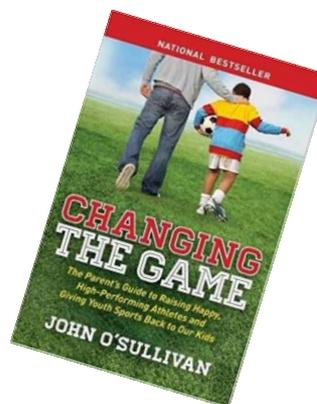
The club trained an additional 5 new first aid volunteers with Senior First Aid, following on from the 6 trained in 2017. The club will continue to provide support and development for first aid volunteers within the club.

The club has a zero tolerance for vilification and discrimination and as such a Vilification & Discrimination policy was developed this year.

The club is committed in supporting the umpires in the game and developed an Umpire support policy to ensure umpires are respected and catered for at Santich Park. This also will encourage SCJFC players to consider the umpiring pathway during their time in junior football.

The Club signed off on the AFL Respect & Responsibility Statement which commits the club to the AFL Respect & Responsibility Policy to create a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment for women and girls at all levels of Australian Rules Football.

The club attended a WAFC launch of the 'Changing the Game' program aimed at keeping kids in sport and particularly in football.



Recommendations

- Continued training of first aid volunteers with consideration of sports strapping volunteers to be engaged for the Y10 – Y12 groups, most likely via university volunteers.
- Offering the youth teams education sessions outside of football such as drugs & alcohol awareness, respecting women or teenage depression awareness would also contribute to a more positive environment around the club.
- Promoting umpiring pathways on registration of the Year 8 & 9 groups would also improve our umpire support engagement.
- Improving volunteer engagement at the club needs work, a volunteer management plan has been drafted. This should be finalized and implemented in 2019.



Guiding Principle 2 – Maximising Participation

The focus in 2018 was to ensure that the club maintained viable teams in all age groups and built upon the registrations in the younger years to maintain a sustainable breeding ground for future years to come.

The continued hard work of Darren Shepley as Auskick Coordinator / Registrar and the team of Auskick volunteers made the Auskick 2018 season fun and exciting for all. South Coogee was one of the selected clubs in the first roll out of the new formatted Auskick 2.0 with some methodologies adopted this year. Auskick fees were maintained at the same level as 2017.



Our modified teams were well managed by our Junior Vice President Darren Shepley with Tracey Trichet & Jo Mazzuchelli sharing the Modified Rules Registrar role. All year groups had very healthy numbers.

The club managed to maintain 3 teams in Y3 & Y6 competitions and 2 teams in the Y4 & Y5 competitions. The quality of the coaches and team managers was excellent, and zero E points not awarded for the season in these age groups. This is a great sign for our future game day environment for the club.

The number of youth teams continue to grow year on year under the management of Vice President Beau McCormack supported by Narelle Brookes as registrar.

Year 7 – Our three Y7 teams participated in two competitions with Y7 White & Y7 Red in the West division and the Y7 Blue in the East division. The Blue team coached by Anthony Garbin and managed by Mel Polinelli had a tough year but played some good footy and showed positive signs for the future. The White team coached by Jamie Blight and managed by Steph Ruocchio played well throughout the year and finished 4th on the ladder to earn a berth in the first semifinal. Unfortunately, they were outplayed on the day by eventual Runner up, Hammond Park and will learn from the experience. Coach Josh Seldon with management help from Ange Radanovich took the Red team to finish minor premiers. They entered the grand final directly with a win in the second semi-final and came up against Hammond Park in the grand final. They team managed to take home the premiership flag for 2018 in a hard-fought win, well done.

Y7/8 Girls – Our inaugural Girls team coached by Adam Batt and managed by Sharon Parr developed well throughout the year, with many girls never having played football before. They played well enough to finish second on the ladder and made it straight through to the Grand Final with a victory in the second Semi Final. They met Attadale in the Grand Final and on the day, they had to settle for the runner up flag, well done girls in your first year together.



Year 8 – Our Y8 White team competed in the 15-a-side competition while our Red team battled it out in the Fremantle conference Red division. The White team coached by Con Collica and managed by Michelle Zuvella played hard all year but due to many injuries found it hard to match the other teams in the competition. The Red team coached by Reno Bellini and managed by Mel Black were competitive all season and missed playing finals only by percentage. The Red team were challenged with injuries throughout the season, often relying on the support of a few Y7 players to assist on game days.

Year 9 – Both our Y9 teams played in the Fremantle Conference Red division, they played in two derbies which included the round 5 contest that was a great arm wrestle. Our White team coached by Gary Matier and managed by Cheryl Cutri started the season off well and were in contention for finals until Round 13. Missing some players for lengthy periods, most likely cost them a finals berth. The Red team coached by Mark David and managed by Racheal Martin had a strong year and finished minor premiers, they entered the finals as warm favourites but unfortunately were beaten in the 2nd semifinal by Fremantle and lost the preliminary final to Rossmoyne in consecutive weeks and did not make it to the grand final. Well done on a great season.



Year10 – Coached by Craig McNaughton and managed by Diana Kilier, this team was hit by injuries and started the season on the back foot. The team gained some momentum mid-season helped by many Y9 boys playing up and were winning against teams much higher up the ladder. The team just missed playing finals by 1 premiership point and percentage.

Year 11 – Coached by Laurie Quintiliani and managed by Alan Mincherton the team has developed extremely well into a fantastic group of young men. This team has grown over a number of years and finished the home and away season on top of the ladder. The team played in the second semi-final against Kwinana and were forced to play-off in a preliminary final due to a loss. They met Winnacott in the preliminary final and were not good enough on the day to earn a spot in the grand final. Well done boys on back to back minor premiers

Year 12 – It was not a very successful year for our Y12 team who finished the year with only one win with Beau McCormack coaching his 13th year at the club. The highlight for the team was the fact that three players achieved 150 games for South Coogee in Luke Munro, Luke Vegvary & Zac McCormack. Frank Urbano managed the team in their final season as junior footballers. A feat that has not happened in the history of the club.

Registration numbers over the past three years...

	PP	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Total
2018	39	37	44	59	43	43	63	60	47	51	24	28	27	565
2017	35	52	40	39	44	57	53	42	48	25	27	30	26	527
2016	32	59	95	42	58	53	38	44	23	22	27	24	0	517

There were many milestones achieved this season, highlighting the fact that South Coogee has had a success in attracting players and retaining them for many years.

50 Games

Trentan Bellini	Lincoln Coleman	Angus Telfer
Cooper Black	Adam Da Silva	Ka-lel Wilson-Allen
Logan Brookes	Tristan Every	Aidan Niggili
Brodie Burns	Chad Gubbels	Tyler Black
Sebastian Freitas	Ashton Lamb	Zac Hampel
Jett Harding	Lesley Mason	Marcus Burnby-Zagari
Ciaran Mudie	Jake McCabe-Coulter	Mitchell Martin
Ricky O'Neil	Jaxon Poa	James Adams
Brayden Rice	Thomas Ricci	Jai Orzanski
Jaxon Rudge	Zane Triscari	Taj Butler
Cody Thompson	Noah Vulin	Daniel Hornby
Noah Wood	Heath Bickley	Joseph Woods
Riley young	Lucas Durin	Nicholas Cicanese
Tajh Zuvela	Brodie Gephart	Christopher Tibbels
Asher Leeming	Samuel Jones	Bailey Merrett
Finn Sinclair	Connor lange	Jack Cameron
Evander Siljeg	Tayne McLennan	Marc Morolla
Jamie Bilman	Kade Ritchie	Eli Bailey
Luke Brooker	Jacob Sweeney	Mitchell Jones



100 Games

Charlie Campo
Luke Bloomfield
Xavier Matier
Sam O'Donnell
Brandon Shepherd
James Fiannaca
Benjamin Cutri
Brock Caldwell
Marlon David
Dylan Blight
Jesse Motlop

Noah Scata
Caleb Pope
Riley Kinner
Kai Simunovich
Joseph Bianchini
Hayden Clarke
Nathan Cleary
Coby Barbas
Saxon Battams
Roan O'Hehir
Joshua Carradus

Jayden Camarda
Riley Camarda
Pongsakorn Doble
Ryan Mirco
Joshua Parmenter
Thomas Rivers
Jack Stapleton
Ben Svlicich
Shayden Winmar

150 Games (Playing Life Members)

Luke Munro
Luke Vegvary
Zac McCormack

Recommendations

- With potential changes, due to Auskick 2.0 there should be consideration in reducing Auskick registration fees.
- Auskick 2.0 will move away from "training" & "game day" separately, this will free up training space. The revised Auskick day or night needs consideration so the Auskickers remain engaged with the club.
- It is recommended that the promotion of the All-Girls competition continues with the club aiming for a Y9-Y11 girls team to be added in 2019.



Guiding Principle 3 – Community Engagement

This season the club has maintained key partnerships between the footy club and the local community.

1. City of Cockburn

An excellent relationship between the club and Council has been maintained with open communication channels. Special mention needs to be made of the work of Nathan Johnston at City of Cockburn who has made the relationship work so efficiently. The club has committed to assisting the council in the community in the future, in 2018 members assisted with tree planting activities near Bibra Lake.

2. Cockburn Little Athletics Club

The club will continue to collaborate with Cockburn Little Athletics to enable us to now better make use of facilities and share costs on ongoing maintenance. This will include working closely on the Santich Park redevelopment project to benefit both associations.

3. Cockburn Lakes Amateur Football Club

An in-principle agreement had been made in the past with Cockburn Lakes Amateur Football Club to enable a sharing of resources and open communication between the clubs. This has now developed into a formal MOU to enable a pathway for our players post Youth football while still protecting the junior football player numbers at our club. This may need reviewing with the WAFC changes in 2019 to the Y11/12 Junior football competition.

4. Sponsors – The club secured a number of sponsors this year that supported the development of club priorities thanks to the hard work of our sponsorship coordinator Michelle Zuvela:

Jumper Sponsors

Inspiration Paints



Hartway Galvanisers



Newspower Hamilton Hill

iKad Engineering



WA Bolts



Sicuso Dance Studio

Favazzo's Engine reconditioning



Western Fleet Services



Plascorp

GLC Residential

PEAK Industrial Electrical

Silver Sponsors

Beyond Bank



Club Supporter Sponsors

Armando Sports

Defreitas and Ryan

Game Day Guardian



Recommendations

- Continued engagement with the Cockburn council to provide support for community events is recommended, this will promote the club in a positive image.
- The relationship with Santich Park co-tenant Cockburn Little Athletics needs to be improved to provide greater benefit to SCJFC.
- Changes to the Y11/12 competition in season 2019 will need a closer relationship with amateur football clubs, continued discussions with Cockburn Lakes and sharing of resources will foster a better relationship.
- Due to changes in costs, a review of the sponsorship packages should be undertaken to provide value to sponsors while still offering a source of income to the club.



Guiding Principle 4 – Developing talent pathways

2018 was a season of some outstanding performances by past and present members of South Coogee Junior Football Club.

South Fremantle League and Reserves teams

- Several former SCJFC players continued to fill the ranks of the South Fremantle League and Reserves teams this year including from the 2017 Year 12 team, Matt Ward playing a reserves game and Regan Spooner playing games for reserves followed by a league game. Regan has also been invited to the AFL draft combine.

Colts level

- Current SCJFC players, Jacob Plunkett, Alec Petkovic, Adam Corriea, Malachi Walley, Jaxon Bellchambers, Robbie Woods and Brodie Plunkett all played games for South Fremantle Colts this season all performing extremely well, along with many past players

District Level

- Jesse Motlop, Roan O’Hehir and Brandon Shepherd were invited to the District Awards night this year as high-ranking Year 9 players in the Fairest and Best Awards. Jesse Motlop took out South Fremantle district & Fremantle Conference Fairest and Best Award with Roan third, and Brandon fourth showing off the great SCJFC Y9 talent.



Jesse Motlop with Mark David (coach)



- From our year 11 team Malachi Walley and Alec Petkovic were both invited to the District Awards night this year as part of the top players in the Fremantle Conference Fairest and Best Awards. Malachi Walley was the winner in the South Fremantle district & runner up in the Fremantle Conference Fairest and Best, Alec finished fourth in the Fremantle Conference.

Malachi Walley with Laurie Quintiliani (coach)

South Coogee is not only developing great players but also coaches. At the South Fremantle District Presentation Night our year 7 Red coach, Josh Seldon was awarded “District Youth Coach of the Year”, not only for his great guidance in developing his team but also for his outstanding game day environment throughout the season.



Josh Seldon



Guiding Principle 5 – High Quality Facilities and Equipment

The focus of equipment and facilities spending in 2018 was around ensuring all coaches had the equipment required to effectively and safely train their players. There was \$8000 spent on training and game day equipment.

Strategies included:

1. Coaches were provided a pre-season opportunity to hear from Brownlow medalist and director of Winning Edge Academy, Shane Woewodin to assist in their coaching.
2. All coaches were level 1 accredited using the new AFL.COACH system.
3. Many new footballs and coaching aids were purchased for all teams, this included high quality training and game balls for each team.
4. Including the sponsored jumpers, the club purchased 13 sets of team jumpers to ensure our players represented the club proudly.
5. Every team had the first aid kits fully stocked and some additional kits were purchased.

Recommendations

- It is recommended that funds be budgeted for further coaching development courses and that all assistant coaches achieve level 1 accreditation as it is now a smaller financial commitment for the club.
- Another recommendation is to replace the player benches as they are old and in need of repair.
- The quad bike is nearing the end of its useful life and it may not last the 2019 season and as such, consideration should be given to replace the current bike.
- It is also recommended that the ground line marking be outsourced as the line marking machine needs replacement parts for spraying nozzle, the cost to outsource the line marking is nearly the same as the paint we purchase and volunteers to mark the lines are hard to find.



Closing Summary

Season 2018 was a success both on and off field with a record number of members with a continued upward growth trend. The reaccreditation of South Coogee Junior Football club as an AFL Quality Club shows the club is managed with high standards, this ensure mechanisms are in place for further improvement. The development of our coaching staff took a large step forward with the engagement of Winning Edge Academy, this contributed to the on-field success in 2018.

Sponsorship was very positive this season and with further modifications we should be able to attract greater sponsorship dollars to benefit the kids. Santich Park will receive upgrades to the club rooms, change rooms and will also include lighting of the southern oval. Member communications can be improved via greater use of standardized information expectations for team managers.

Thank you to the committee for their hard work this season.

Committee 2018

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Vice President	Beau McCormack
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Secretary	Maria Collica
Treasurer	Cherie Bellini
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Coaching Coordinator	Beau McCormack
Canteen Manager	Stephanie Ruocchio
Merchandise	Roxanne Evans
Medical Coordinator	Sandra Mirco
Sponsorship Coordinator	Michelle Zuvela
Website Coordinator	Sandra Mirco
Fund Raising Manager	Gloria De Bari
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