



RICHMOND EX-SERVICEMENS SOCCER CLUB 2017



Years Strong



Committee - 2017



Ben Gabriel, Paul Boyd, Dea Gambrill, Kerri Darling, Steve Meredith, Sonia Moss, Mardi Mantell, Rod Wallace, Tracey Boyd, Bec Wilson, Jayne Pembroke



Absent - Fiona Grime (left), Tony Krawczyk (right)

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50 Years Strong! Our History

In **1967** a group of people put their heads together, with some notion of starting a soccer club, and bringing the sport we all love to the heart of the Hawkesbury!

This vision began life as the Belmont Rangers, which was based at Belmont Park, now St John of God Hospital grounds. This was because some of the local schools at the time would not even entertain the thought of a soccer ball on their sacred grounds.

The original team started with a faded, second-hand red shirt, but this was quickly changed to blue t-shirts with red stripes, as this was all that could be afforded at the time. Club name and colours were changed with the support of the then Richmond Ex-Servicemen's Club, at a Special General Meeting held 29th March 1969. The Ex-Servicemen's Club had requested these changes in view of their support. All at the meeting were in favour.

The colours also then evolved, with approval from NDSFA, to blue shirts with three vertical gold stripes on the front, and blue socks with a gold turndown. Over the years different versions of the vertical stripes have been utilised, from pin stripes, to three inch stripes have at some stage been implemented, and in 2012, reverting back to the popularity of all things retro, we also went back to one and a half inch blue vertical stripes on gold jerseys! Keeping our blue socks, with the gold turndown, and adding the word "Richmond" vertically down the sock. The club also found its permanent home at Icely Park.

Not a lot of things change. One titbit of information is that the old house resided in by the first President, Andy Bazjinsky, where quite a few of those very important initial meetings were held in those inaugural years, is in fact still the residence of current President, Paul Boyd! Paul is the longest serving President of 36 years, and the longest serving member of 42 years.

You could say, it is literally, the house of Richmond Ex-Servicemens Soccer!!

Over the 50 years of Richmond ExSSC, we have witnessed a plethora of local football. The club has been able to stay strong, whilst mixing it with the biggest clubs in the Nepean Association, and further afield, with representation. We have remained whilst watching other clubs come, and sadly go. We have also weathered the storm of neighbouring clubs moving in, or popping up in our backyard, and have still remained solid throughout.

At its capacity in 2001, Richmond fielded 34 teams! This has increased and decreased over the years, from the humble number of 15 teams in 1982. Sadly, we are missing some records from 1971 to 1981. In 2017 we have 24 teams.

Being a club of this size, we have experienced the lion's share of success. 1982 saw the club's first, 1st Division team title, going to the U14/1's! Coached by Steve Gainsford, managed by Fred Teunis, this team made it to the quarter finals of Champion of Champions. Two years later, they were comp winners again, made the final of the State Cup and represented in Champion of Champions for a second time. Another team making this prestigious accolade were the U18's Div 1 in 1992. Coached by Chris Ryan and managed by Jim Hunter.

To date the most successful team was a female team, coached by Paul Boyd and managed by Ray Gabriel. It started in 2004 as U14G1 and ended in 2011 as U22Ladies. This team were comp winners for **7 years - 5 consecutive, and 1 undefeated!** They represented in the Champion of Champions 5 times, and made Round Robin and Grand Final appearances no less than 5 times. A fantastic effort by all involved!

We will also have our U12girls Div 1 team going off to Champion of Champions this year!

Some other bits and pieces worth noting over the years are things like requiring lights for All Age training in 1969. These needed to be erected at the players own expense, and the electricity consumed was financed by each player at training contributing 20c each week.

In 1983 Richmond fielded our first ALL FEMALE team in an ALL MALE comp! The Little Belles U10/7's were coached by Kris Costa and managed by Faye Costa.

In 1992 we fielded an O30's team for the first time.

Richmond ExSSC have won the Sid Horley Trophy for best performing juniors three times, in 2006, 2014 and 2015. The NDSFA's Referee Trophy in 2013, and the Bill Morris Club Championship Trophy in 2014.

We have nearly 120 members in the 10 year service category, 3 with 30 years service, and 1 member reaching the 40 year category. Life members number 33, and they are listed at the end of this yearbook.

With this rich history, it is no wonder we have survived for 50 years, and are still pumping along, hopefully for another 50!!

Please note, these records and information are taken only from what is available to us. If anyone can add to this, we would welcome your input most sincerely.

2016 Perpetual Trophy Award Winners

Bob Moore Sub-Junior
Encouragement award (U6-U8)

Team: U6 Wolves
Coach: Rod Wallace Manager: Hayley O'Brien

Pierre Kersivian Team Achievement
Award

Team: U14 Div 2
Coach: Ben Gabriel Manager: Nicole Gabriel

Paul Boyd Coach & Manager Award

Team: U14 Girls Div 3
Coach: Tony Krawczyk Manager: Sharon Boyd

Club Person of the Year

Name: Steve Meredith

Kel Hales Junior
Encouragement Award (U9-U14)

Team: U10 Girls Yellow
Coach: Glen Kilby Manager: Jo Wickenden

Jack Carter Goal Average

Team: U12 Div 3 with +42
Coach: Dave Fitzsimons Manager: Karen Galis

Junior Goalkeeper

Joint Winners: Reilly Zeheir U14 Div 2
Azarul Azahar U16 Div 2

Junior Female Goalkeeper

Name: Morgan Darling U16 Girls Div 2

Senior Goalkeeper

Name: Kristy Whitehead AAW Div 5

2016 Service Awards

10 Years

Ethan Cleland (U14 Div 2)
Michael Taylor (U14 Div 2)
Jarrod Rea (U14 Div 2)
Peter Boendermaker (U16 Div 2)

15 Years

Scott Smith
Player from U6-AA and
U13 Coach

30 Years

Robert Gabriel
Player/Manager/Coach/Committee

40 Years

Paul Boyd
President/Coach/
Manager/Player

2016 Club Achievements

Competition Winners⁴

Team: U14 Div 2
Coach: Ben Gabriel Manager: Nicole Gabriel

Competition Runners Up

Team: U12 Div 3
Coach: Dave Fitzsimons Manager: Karen Galis

Team: U16 Div 2
Coach: Danny Sondermeyer Manager: Michelle Ridge

Championship Tournament Finalists

Team: U12 Div 3 - Dave Fitzsimons (C) Karen Galis (M)
Won 3-1 v Wilberforce

Team: U16 Div 2 - Danny Sondermeyer (C) Michelle Ridge (M)
Lost to Bligh Park in Penalty Shoot Out 2 all at end of extra time

Team: AAW Div 1 - Paul Sweeney (C) Sinead Kileen (M)
Won against Glenmore Park Football Club in Penalty Shoot Out. 0-0 at end of full-time 1-1 at end of extra-time

Team: O35 Div 2 - Ben Gabriel (C) Robert Gabriel (M)
Lost 4-1 to Blue Mountains Football Club

President's Report 2017

I am proud to be heading up a strong little soccer club 50 years into its existence, and having served for over 40 of those years with Richmond ExSSC. I can safely say I have seen just about everything that has taken place over these years to bring us to where we are today. Still thriving, still caring, still strong, and a very much respected part of the Hawkesbury and Nepean Football Associations.



Many people have come and gone, some have given their all, and some have rocked the boat. The philosophy at Richmond has, and will always be, getting the kids onto the park with little fuss and fewer politics, loads of common sense and hard work! We don't always get it right, but I can tell you a whole lot of people have tried their hardest for years to make Richmond ExSSC a club you not only like to play for, visit, and return to when the grass isn't always greener. A club you bring your kids and grandkids back to play for, in a family friendly atmosphere, where we do what's needed but don't take ourselves too seriously. Through the many years of smiles and tears it is monumentally satisfying, and a privilege to have been able to oversee this real life roller coaster that this sport can bring to your life.

This brings things around to 2017. As if my wonderful committee don't have enough to do, they also bore the responsibility of the organisation of our 50th Anniversary Ball, which I am pleased to say was a shining success.

A great mix of past and present members. some founding members, David Tomlinson and his brother Peter, who along with others - Baczynskyjs, Carter and Vanderberg, to whom we owe a great debt of gratitude to have the foresight back in 1967 to start this club. We thank you!

Then passing it on to the likes of the Kersiviens, McMahons, Hales that kept it running. Boyds, Jacksons, Hodgkins, Cleland, Gabriel, Whalan and Campbell were all familiar families that have continued to grow the club. It was fabulous to see some of these faces at the Ball.

We have had quite a busy year in 2017. Our Pink Day Charity event has grown momentum, with the majority of the club getting behind these wonderful causes, which allows sports, charity and the local community to come together to fight for the same cause. I can't thank everyone enough for making this event such a success, if you took part, please be very proud. Once again something that could not be achieved without the help of the committee's efforts.

Back to soccer - Congratulations to the U12girls1, U12/2s (undefeated), and U12/4s, who are all Competition Winners 2017! A fantastic effort from all these teams! The AA9 are our only Comp Runners Up, on equal points.

This year we had 4 entrants into Nepean Cup competitions- U12/2, U12/3 and U12/4 for the Junior Nepean Cup. All giving it their best shot, the U12/2's making it to semi-finals. The AAW1 team entered into the Women's Nepean Cup, and have won a berth in the finals which will be played 5th Sept at Cook Park, we wish the ladies all the best at that game.

The 12/4, U12girls1 and U16girls2 will be playing in the CST finals, best of luck to all, and our U12girls1's have been invited to represent Nepean in the Champion of Champions tournament, a great experience awaits you.

Our other competitive teams have had a mixed bag of fortune, some experiencing a trickier year than others, but all turning up each week to play, and giving their best. Our SSF teams, U6 to U11 have seemed to fare well, more smiles than not are noticeable.

We would also like to acknowledge our learner referees, Isaac, Jack and Chloe, they have all taken on the dubious task of refereeing the U8/9/10 and sometimes U11's. Cudos for giving it a go, and learning on the job. Patience shown by most parents, coaches, managers, whilst these young people volunteer was very much appreciated.

Chloe, Claire, Aimee, Ethan and Cambell all gave the role of game leaders for U6 and 7s a try as well. Thankyou to them, as this often gives coaches a chance to concentrate on the teams, plus they get a small taste of refereeing. Great to see the younger boys involved as well.

Speaking of the committee, we have had a few inclusions this year, which has spread the workload. In 2017 we welcomed Rod, Mardi, Tony, Fiona and Sonia. I must say, they have all contributed in various ways, and for that we are thankful. 2017 also saw a drop in team numbers to just 24, I am confident it will pick up again in 2018.

I would also like to make mention of our generous sponsors. This year, between the generosity of **Kerri from Aussie** and **McDonalds Garton Group** we were able to provide a ball for every child from U6's to U16's, an outstanding contribution. Our team sponsors are also very much appreciated - **LB Trees** sponsored the U6 Panthers and U10 Red, **Buy A Car 4 Me** sponsored the U6 Tigers and U8 Blue, **Rafton Family Lawyers** sponsored U12/4's, and **Hawkesbury Hills Pest Management** sponsored U14girls 3. Happy to have you all on board.

Finally, it was great to see you all again in the blue and gold, and can only say that I look forward to seeing you in 2018.



Yours in Sport,

Paul Boyd,
President, Richmond ExSSC.



Coach: Rebecca Wilson

2017 - U6 Panthers

Manager: Tracey Boyd

Mitchell Cook, Allie Kwast, Harry Wilson, Chiara Arundale, Nate Wallace, Ayla O'Brien

The U6 Panthers burst onto the playing field with gusto this season. All players being in their second year in Under 6's, and coming from different teams to make this one, they have all gelled together very well.

The **U6 MATILDAROOOS** as we like to refer to them, absolutely love their soccer and are as keen as mustard when it comes to training and playing.

A noticeable improvement in all the players was displayed this year. A big thank you must go out to all the Parents and Grandparents who have been fabulous! A special thanks to Rod for assisting with training. Thank you to Bec and Leigh from LB Trees for sponsoring this team, the kids love wearing their club gear which your generous sponsorship has provided, very much appreciated. Looking forward to next season!

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THE U6 PANTHERS 2017 WERE:

NATE WALLACE: Sooo enthusiastic, Nate just loves playing soccer, and is a popular team member. Nate rarely goes home without a goal or two and an on field chat! Excellent season Nate!

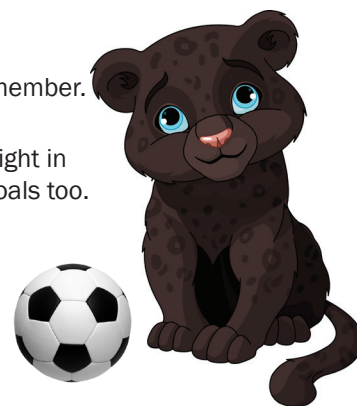
CHIARA ARUNDALE: What a season, Chiara is our power packed dynamo, who gets stuck right in chasing, kicking and tackling. Outspoken at times and always trying hard. Scored a couple of goals too. Woohoo Chiara!

MITCHELL COOK: Mitch is our quiet achiever, a man of few words. Mitch can attack, run, dribble, score goals and defends with the best of them all game. Always wearing a big smile! Well done Mitch!

ALLIE KWAST: A big improver! No more hair twirling for Allie, it's running, tackling, kicking now, and a first goal has come this season too. Allie loves being part of the U6 Panthers and enjoys her team mates. Very proud, and biased Granny. LOL! Go Allie Boo!

HARRY WILSON: When Harry plays he does a great job! Harry is super fast when dribbling the ball and often bursts through the pack, he has kicked a few goals as well. Our resident time keeper. Great job Harry!

AYLA O'BRIEN: Ayla completes our trio of tenacious soccer playing girls we have in the U6 Panthers. Ayla always puts in a big effort running and kicking. Ayla has bagged a few goals too, always trying hard. Very impressive Ayla!





Manager: Jayson Lowe **2017 U6 Tigers** Coach: Andrew Kinnell
 Jayden Cameron, Jude Lowe, Jonathon Philips, Cara Fitzsimons, Noah Kinnell
 Absent - Brock Warren

What a fantastic year 2017 has been for the Tigers. It has been wonderful to watch each team member improve in both skill and confidence throughout the season. Training nights were often filled with lots of fun, learning new skills and building great friendships.



Thanks to Jayson and Amanda for helping manage the team and for all the parents, grandparents, caregivers, family and friends who braved the cold to support and encourage the Tigers.

Coaching the Tigers this season has been an absolute pleasure, and I look forward to watching each one of them develop their skills over the coming years.



JONATHON - Jonathon is the speedster of the team. He has shown great skill in both scoring goals and defending. Jonathon plays with great enthusiasm and is a wonderful team player who always gives 100%!

CARA - Cara has been a prolific goal scorer this season. She has shown great confidence and determination, always willing to learn new skills. Cara is an enthusiastic team player who is never far from the ball.

NOAH - Noah is one of the tackle twins. He has grown in confidence and started to win the ball off the opposition, often scoring some outstanding goals. In attack or defence, he is always where the action is.

JUDE - Jude is the other half of the tackle twins. He is tenacious when tackling for the ball and is always willing to learn new skills. He has had some great performances this year, with some fantastic goals.

JAYDEN - Jayden has shown vast improvement this season and is gaining confidence when attacking and defending during the game. It was wonderful to see his excitement when scoring goals. He is a caring boy who was always concerned about the welfare of all players.

BROCK - Brock can be a little shy, but he can tackle and kick the ball well when he puts his mind to it. He has been a great assistant coach, often walking up and down the sidelines during games.



2017 - U7 Bears

Coach: Jeff Coupe

Braith Russ, Cohan Coupe, Mariah-Lee Balgowan, Jack Singleton, Joseph Saliba

Another season has drawn to a close, and what a year the Bears have had. I would like to thank all the Parents, Grandparents, family and friends that have turned out each week to support your children at training and game days. Without your support, there is no team.

Most of all, I'd like to thank my players for giving me the chance to play a part in your development. Good luck for next season. I am very proud of you all!

BRAITH – Tries his hardest at all times, and is very good at looking up to pass the ball. Improved his running with the ball immensely. Well done Braith!

COHAN – Spends most of the time at the back kicking the ball hard up to the opposition goal. He has scored some great goals as well. Excellent work Cohan!

JACK – Always on the run and trying to score goals. Very handy with both feet, and has improved his kicking accuracy. Awesome effort Jack!

JOSEPH – Great midfielder who is always chasing the ball. Can score excellent goals in tight spaces. Super stuff Joseph!

MARIAH – Another impressive effort this season. Mariah has improved her running and goal kicks immensely. Great result Mariah!





Manager: Amanda Kinnell

2017 - U7 Pink Cougars

Coach: Steven Walters

Rowan Hargrave, Marcus McElhinney, Ethan Kinnell, Jenna Carr, Brodie Stoten, Declan Walters

It has been a privilege to coach this team again in 2017, with their enjoyment and enthusiasm being absolutely infectious. The improvement in each of the player's skills was evident from the first game, and every game after as they got faster and stronger. All the kids had great success as a team, as well as individuals, and we are extremely proud of the very strong bond between the team, which allows them to work as such a tight unit.

A special thankyou to our team Manager/Coach, Amanda, for her support and coaching of the team throughout the year. The team and I are extremely appreciative.

Thanks to the parents and supporters for all the encouragement of the players, Amanda and I hope that you enjoyed the season as much as we did!!

JENNA - A no-nonsense defensive dynamo, whose determination on the field in tackling and chasing down everything would win us a lot of ball, which Jenna would then use to set up our attack. Scored quite a few goals herself too!!

MARCUS - Has developed great skill in manoeuvring the ball around the field, doing his best to either defend, set up, or score for the team. Displayed outstanding ball skills each and every week, scored a lot of goals in the season, and using both feet!!

ETHAN - His skills are well beyond his age! If he wasn't at one end tackling the opposition, you could be guaranteed he would be at the other end (or at halfway!!) scoring a goal.

BRODIE - The ultimate team player. always ready to take on the ball, or rush back to defend. Brodie directed traffic with his passing and communication. As well as shutting down opposition attacks, he would then dribble the ball full field to score on many occasions.

ROWAN - In his first season with the team, he made great progress and developed into a great team player. Always gave his best on the field, scoring some good goals. He had an awesome season!

DECLAN - Has become a stronger and more confident player. He has shown improved skill by being in the middle of scrums and trying his best to take control over the ball. Declan had some great plays up front, scoring quite a few goals.

Thanks also for all the help from parents (and siblings) at training and games, and for covering for me when I was away, it made everything easier and fun for the kids (although sometimes I think the parents were having more fun than the kids!)





Coach: Rohan Grace

2017 - U7 Lions

Manager: Louisa Berry

Dean Gibbs, Jacob Foster, Matilda Berry
Hannah Salt, Jack Woodbury, Jakob Brown, Sienna Laurence

THIS YEAR THE UNDER 7 LIONS WERE:



HANNAH SALT

JACOB FOSTER

MATILDA BERRY

DEAN GIBBS

JAKOB BROWN

JACK WOODBURY

SIENNA LAURENCE

It was wonderful watching each and every player come into their own and also to see the great team spirit they all had.

Week in, week out, they all had a smile on their faces, and when asked at the end of each game if they all had fun, the answer was always "YES!", regardless of the game's outcome.

It was a pleasure to watch them play, and to see some little friendships develop.

We hope to see them all back again next year!

Big Thanks to Matt and Kayla for taking on the roles of Coach and Manager mid-season, and looking after the team for everyone.





Manager: Natalie Cotter

2017 - US Blue

Coach: Ami Wood

Lukas Cook, Imogen Krawczyk, Aidan Fitzsimons, Jaxon Cribs, Silas Miedema
Chase Waters, Abby Cotter, Aidan Melnychenko, Jezebel Yuletian, Cooper Johnson

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2017

was a big change for this team.

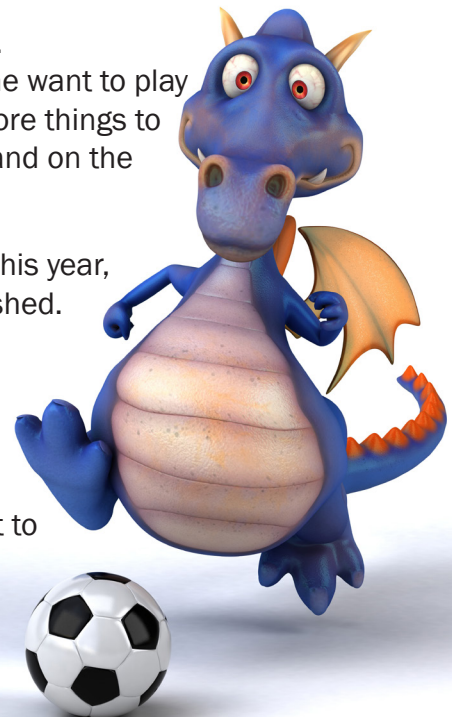
For one, we moved onto the bigger field, and also having someone want to play in goals could be a challenge..hahaha!! There were also many more things to learn, such as how to properly do throw-ins, corners, where to stand on the field, and how to mark up a player.

Each player, both new or old, has greatly improved throughout this year, and I am very proud of everyone and all that they have accomplished.

I hope to see everyone again for another great year, next year!

Ami.

PS. I also couldn't have had such an easy and organised year without the best manager a coach could have! So a big shout out to Natalie for all her help!





Coach: Rohan Grace

2017 - U9 Blue

Manager: Louisa Berry

*Lennox Bell, Harrison Cowley, Leo Berry, Cooper Thomas, Nikola Susnjara
Michael Buckett, Jack Bennett, Luke Alderson, Logan MacKenzie, Riley Jarvis*

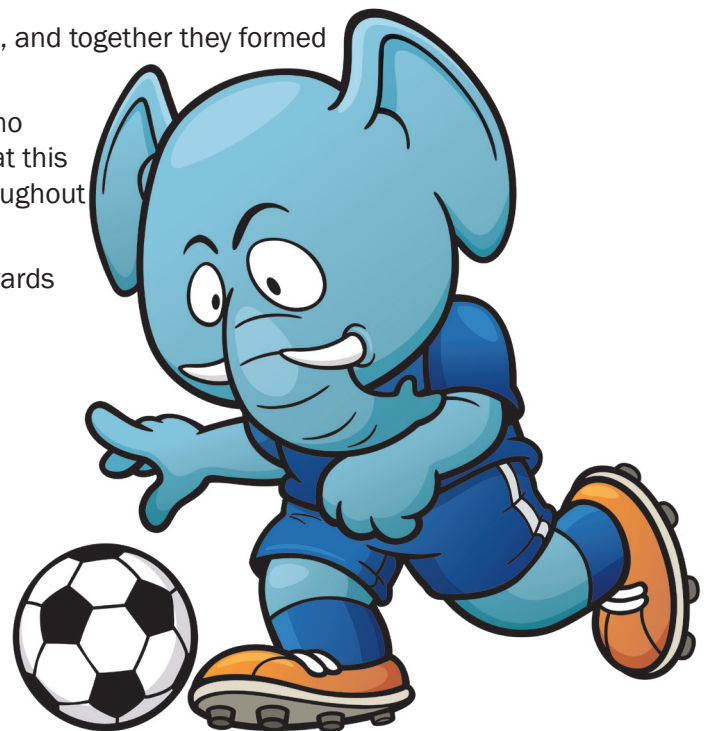
This team went well during the season, and by Rohan's own admission, he had inherited some well drilled players.

The team also picked up some new players to the club, and together they formed this years U9 Blue squad.

Unfortunately, due to work commitments, Rohan was no longer able to coach this side. We do believe though, that this group of young soccer players continued to improve throughout the year!

Thankyou to Sean Alderson, for assisting as coach towards the end of the season.

Great Job to all!





Coach: Peter Kennedy

2017 - U9 Yellow

Manager: Mel Hore

Nate Pedersen, William McKay, Cooper Irvine

Xavier Phillips, Patrick Kennedy, Bradley Dickey, Hayden Tangye, Channon Arundale

What a season the boys have had this year, building on their own game development as well as playing stronger, together as a team.

Working on their skills throughout the season, the boys were very encouraging to watch as they were able to implement their skills into the game scenario.

CHANNON and **COOPER** were consistent in serving up front as strikers, putting themselves in positions to receive the ball, scoring many goals throughout the season.

PATRICK and **BRAD** were both strong in a central midfield role, controlling the play and field, utilising their surrounding players to move the ball around.

WILL and **NATE** developed their speed on the ball, allowing the boys to play the game wide down the sidelines before cutting in to their central players for some exciting plays.

HAYDEN was very consistent all season with his defensive skills. Whether he was playing fullback, or his preferred position of left wing, he was always the first to cut off the opposition in their attack.

XAVIER became our regular goal keeper, making some impressive saves during the year, and learning the skill of distributing the ball from the back, allowing the team to work on their next play.

I am proud to coach these boys every week, as they develop their own skills in football. I look forward to seeing how they continue to grow in their game.

PETER KENNEDY.





Manager: Natalie Beddow

2017 - U10 Blue Jets

Coach: Jeffrey Coupe

Back, L-R: Kaidan Coupe, Lincoln Susnjara, Freddie Beddow

Front, L-R: Nelson McKinley, Chad Oppy, Mason Cribbs, Elijah Brown, Billy Chamberlain, Jonathan Mitchell, Harrison Dunk

Absent - Dean Luscombe

What an outstanding season the boys have had! They started out nervously on the bigger field, but soon managed to make their presence felt throughout the year. They have done everything I've asked of them, and in return, they've given me their all.

Thanks Nat for being my Manager once again. We all appreciate your work! Thankyou to all the Parents, Grandparents, family and friends for all the support throughout the year. It's so wonderful to see you cheering them on each week, and helping out with warmups and pep talks!

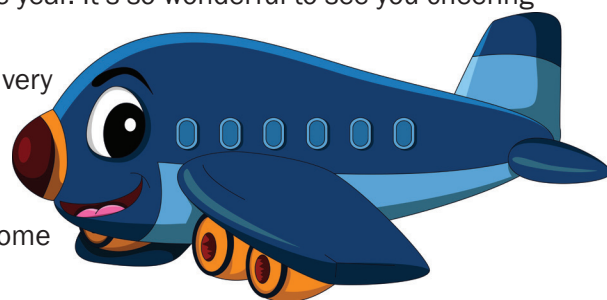
Lastly, I couldn't ask for a better bunch of lads to coach. I am so very proud of them. Thank you boys, for an awesome season of fine soccer!

BILLY - Great effort in midfield and defence. Always reliable to get the ball out of the danger area, utilising accurate passing, or some excellent runs up the sideline. Top work Billy!

CHAD - His defence has improved this year, coupled with some memorable runs through the middle. Has the best throw-in technique I've ever seen. Always having a great time on the field. Well done Chad!

DEAN - Dean is everywhere on the field, looking for the ball. Excellent support player, with a wicked right foot shot. Performed some great saves as Goalkeeper after his gutsy comeback from injury. Super effort Dean!

ELIJAH - Stepped into the unenviable role of Goalkeeper, and has performed superbly. Many a shot has been expertly punched, kicked or slapped out of harms way. What an excellent effort Elijah!



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Under 10 Blue Jets.....continued....

FREDDIE - Another super effort in midfield and defence. Makes important tackles, and feeds the ball up to the forwards effectively. Very impressive Freddie!

HARRISON - Awesome effort up front this year, showing great skill and agility. Scored plenty of goals, including an absolute pearler from his head. Working hard at staying on his feet as well. Fantastic work Harrison!

JONATHON - An outstanding defender who is always tackling and chasing down the opposition forwards. His sight of the game has improved, and is always in the right spot at the right time. Excellent performance Jonathon!

K Aidan - Another strong performance this season. Great all round player, who attacks, defends, and supports his team constantly. Corner kicks are impressive, as are his big shots on the right foot. Awesome effort Kaidan!

LINCOLN - Fantastic effort, particularly as centre midfield, and defence. Uses his body very well to bowl over the opposition, and push the ball up front. Plays the ball smartly and is always looking to support the forwards. Well done Lincoln!

MASON - Always attacking the ball and has a massive right foot shot on him. Scored some excellent goals this season. His corner kicks and crosses are perfect, and his defence is rock solid. Solid performance Mason!

NELSON - Superb season at right midfield. Tries his best all the time, and has impressed me with his efforts. Solid passing and defence with courage and determination. Well done Nelson!





Coach: Martin Vella

2017 - U10 Red

Manager: Sharon Vella

Back, L-R: Lachlan Wilson, Connor Battese, Dean Jones, Balin Fenech

Front, L-R: Jamie Taylor, James Vella, Georgia Britt, Oliver Britt, Claire Potts, Riley Tunks, Joshua Puglisi

Coaching U10 Red this season has been such a pleasure, and an extremely rewarding experience. This team has become my pride and joy! The way they have grown in confidence, respected one another, and played as a team, has made it a privilege to be their coach. My thanks goes out to Sharon, our Manager, for the smooth running of the team behind the scenes, and to the parents, grandparents, family and friends who have supported the team all season. We've had a very successful season, with many exciting moments, creating life long memories.

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BALIN - Has led by example, always willing to press forward, and has scored numerous goals from long and short range. Balin is a natural player, and also shares scoring opportunities with his teammates. He has had an exceptional season!

CLAIRE - A steady improvement by Claire throughout the season. She is always eager to learn and puts it into practice on game day. She has found her position in our defensive back line.

CONNOR - Great in defence this year, as well as goal keeping. He has saved many goals. Connor has settled into a defensive role in the team, and looks comfortable as a full back.

DEAN - Has been a great last line of defence for the team. Always gives 100%. His passing game has improved immensely. Dean is passionate about his soccer, loves game day and playing with his team.

GEORGIA - She has come into our team with a background in dancing, and I was reminded of this after encouraging her to be more involved! But she has shone brighter as the season progressed. Scoring a goal has been one of many highlights this year.

JAMES - An all-round player, whether it be in defence or attack, James' overall ball skills, kicking and passing have improved greatly. He has set up goals and scored a few of his own, and is a real team player.

JAMIE - Has shown an enthusiastic attitude to soccer. He is eager to learn, and has been rewarded for his perseverance by scoring goals, but can also play well in defence.

JOSH - His passion for soccer is evident on game day. He has scored various goals and is a great midfield player. Josh reads the game extremely well, lifts in tight matches, and is a great asset to the team.

LACHLAN - His anticipation of the game has seen him be in the right place at the right time on many occasions to score many a time this season. He has a positive attitude and has been a great asset up front for his team, and really enjoys his soccer.

OLIVER - He has been our main Goal Keeper for this season and has pulled off some terrific saves. Oliver is a natural, following in his Great Grandfather's footsteps. Also on the field, he has shown his eagerness to play well in the forward position. His goal keeping has proven the difference, especially in tight matches

RILEY - He has been solid in defence and attack, both saving and scoring goals. Riley is a great instinctive player and always proves to be very difficult for opposing players to contain. Riley has had a great season.



BLUE AND GOLD BALL



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50
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Coach: Glen Kilby

2017 - U10 Girls Yellow

Manager: Jo Wickenden

Back- L-R: Emma Kilby, Lily-Rose Harkins, Angelina Abela, Maya Hilsley

Front- L-R: Nikkita Windebank-Bozac, Emily Houchin, Jayanna Andary, Audrey Waddell, Layla Donnelly, Alyssa McKenzie, Jade Foufas

Absent: Claire Hordern



2017 turned out to be a great season for the U10 girls. We only managed to keep four players from the U8 girls the previous year, but ended up with a strong and competitive team, only losing one game all season.

It has been an absolute pleasure to coach the girls, as they always put in 100% at training, and in games. Also, a big thankyou to Jo Wickenden for being manager, and to Agi Waddell for bringing half time oranges, much appreciated.

JADE – A great all-round player, no fear, and a testament to her continual effort, she managed to score five goals in a game!

ALYSSA – A great striker, managing to score 24 goals for the season, an absolute pleasure to watch her play.

LILY-ROSE – It was great to see Lily's first year at soccer, watching her grow and develop as a player, her confidence and skill increasing with every game.

LAYLA – It was great to see Layla getting more and more involved with each game, the one time I was away, she manages to score a goal. Well done Layla!

JAYANNA – Another great all rounder, from goal keeper to centre back, to forward. Great season Jayanna, well done!

MAYA – Another first time player, Maya quickly grew into a confident and skillful player. Good luck in England!

EMMA – Well done Emma, for a consistent year. I can play you anywhere with confidence, knowing you will do a good job.

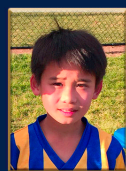
AUDREY – A great year in goals. Audrey, improving every game, and coming up with some great saves. Well done!

CLAIRE – Another first time player, who had a great year in goals, a natural soccer player. Well done on scoring a goal too.

ANGELINA – Came to the team to give soccer a try, ended up staying and becoming a great fullback. Well done!

NIKKITA – Her first year of soccer. She improved her skill level and involvement with every game. Well done Nikkita!

EMILY – Another great all rounder, from goal keeper to goal scorer! Great year Emily, well done.



Coach: Peter Luthy **2017 - U11 Div 4** Manager: Mardi Mantell

Back L-R: Mackai Mattingley, Hendrix Donnelly, Daniel Spice, Nelson Mantell

Front L-R: Noah Sorrenson-Cox, Cory Waddle, Sean Luthy, Rhys McDermott, Trent Pandelis

Absent: Brian Liu (L), Lachlan Jordan (R)



What an amazing group of young men I've had the pleasure of coaching this year. The ups, the many downs, but we kept moving forward.

Traning this "wild bunch", as I have so affectionately named them, was always challenging, but very rewarding. The boys had a pretty tough year playing some very formidable opponents, but to their credit, they kept showing up every week, and always gave 100%.

I would like to thank Mardi for all her effort all season, managing to get us where we needed to be. Also, a big thanks to Neal, for all his effort filling in on Saturdays when needed, and training, thankyou.

Lastly, a big thanks to all the parents, for getting the boys to training and the games. Without your help, my job would've been a lot harder. Cheers, Peter.

SEAN - A very consistent effort from Sean this year, really stepping up and making the goal keeping position his own. Also working very hard on his positional play, and his defence. Well done buddy!

CORY - An extremely talented and quick player, that always gives the team 100%. Teaming up very well with Brian in the middle, and scoring some cracking goals with that big left foot. Well done!

NOAH - A very talented and passionate soccer player, always giving 110% in whatever position you put him in. His ability to run down, or get around, much bigger opponents is amazing. Well done champ!

TRENT - Really worked hard this year on his positional play, which really was evident in the way he played on Saturdays. Awesome effort, well done!

HENDRIX - One of our goalkeepers this season. Always willing to put his body on the line and do what is best for the team. Really impressing me this year with the way he's moved forward with his skill level. Well done Hendrix, hope to see you next year.

BRIAN - A very passionate, and skillful soccer player. The things he does with the ball really amaze me sometimes, working very hard with Corey in the middle, and Noah up front. Always giving 110%, well done!

RHYS - One of the newcomers to the team, playing in a number of different positions. Always doing his best to attack or defend. Great effort, thanks Rhys.

LACHLAN - Another one of our talented goalkeepers, with some cracking saves. Always giving the team 100%, working very hard in defence. Awesome effort!

NELSON - Had a cracker of a season. Really working hard on the wing, putting himself in the right position to score goals. Really proud of the hard work you have done, and it has paid off for you.

MACKAI - Was anoher one of our new boys this year, putting in a lot of effort at training, and it showed with the way he defended in the fullbacks, working very hard with his wing and midfielders. Great Effort!

DANIEL - Really found his position this year at centre fullback, reading the game well. His ability to stop his opponents really amazed me. I am really proud of the way you are playing, well done, mate.



Manager: Brad Worland **2017 - U12 Div 2** **Coach:** Paul Boyd
Back L-R: Cade Pincott, Riley Cotter, Darcy Toohill, Cambell Boyd, Jack Izzard, Ethan Bombardiere
Front L-R: Taite Foufas, Jacob Worland, Aidan Worland, Cooper Worrell, Riley Copeland
Absent: Mason Fitton (L), Jai Robinson (R)



COMPETITION WINNERS

The 2017 season was the second season for the team in this age group. On the back of a successful year last year, the boys moved up 2 divisions.

After narrowly missing out on the goods last year, the boys went one better, and took out the competition, undefeated! The experience gained last year, certainly paid dividends.

Whilst dominating most sides, the boys showed their maturity, teamwork, and desire to win during the close, and intense games. The way they worked together on the field, in both attack and defence was a real delight to watch.

Unfortunately, they missed out during the Championship Tournament rounds, a draw against Glenmore Park in the final game, saw them miss out on a spot at the Finals on a count back of goals, for and against.

As always, thanks to the parents and grandparents for making the effort to get the boys to training, and game days. Your encouragement on the sidelines does not go unnoticed by the boys.

Special mention to Paul Boyd for his efforts and "wisdom" throughout the year.

**Bring on the 2018 season, and look
 out Division 1, cause here comes
 RICHMOND!**





Manager: Alison Falzon (insert) **2017 - U12 Div 3** Coach: Steven Walters

Back L-R: Luca McElhinney, William Potts, Max Underwood, Tanmola Meka, Kyle Hubbard
 Front L-R: Samuel Kennedy, Randall Thompson, Kyan Rabbitt, Kieran Sanford, Zane Madrajat

Kneeling: Jaiden Walters (L), Darcy Buckley (R)

Absent: Mitchell Wilson (L), Ben Cohen (R)



The team welcomed the challenge of playing on a full sized field this year, and approached the season with great enthusiasm. We tried the boys at various positions during the year, and found they excelled at them all!! The highlight of the season was the very strong bond within the team, the friendships and the team spirit shown. It was a privilege to coach the boys, the spirit, maturity and sportsmanship they showed, even when playing in difficult circumstances, was an absolute credit to themselves, and their families. They are a great bunch of boys, with a lot of skill, and even more potential!!



A big thankyou to our team manager, Alison, for all her help and support throughout the year.

Thanks to the parents and supporters for all the encouragement and support of the players, Alison and myself hope that you enjoyed the season as much as we did!!

Thanks also to Steve, for help in coaching the team, the assistance was invaluable.

KYLE – Put in great work with some incisive runs and passing. Kyle’s speed and agility were a great asset on the wing, and allowed him to score some impressive goals.

KIERAN – Has great skills, loves to roam the field and get heavily involved. Kieran troubled many defences with his non-stop work rate, and excellent goals.

SAMUEL – Sam has excellent skills in defence and attack, playing everywhere from striker to goalie. Highlight was watching him win the ball from behind halfway, outpace the defence and score!

LUCA – Refused to be beaten, diffusing many attacking raids throughout the year in his role as sweeper. Luca read the game well, and positioned himself brilliantly, protecting the rear with covering tackles.

MITCHELL – Mitch drove defences crazy with his skills, regularly showing up his opposition with fancy footwork, great running and strong kicks. On one occasion weaving through six players and then scoring!!

RANDALL – Mr Reliable, plays soccer like a natural. Randall was impressive at getting the ball from the opposition team, and with his big runs down the wings, at times taking on multiple defenders, created many attacking opportunities for the team. Scored quite a few goals, and combined with Max for the goal of the season.

JAIDEN – Over the year he grew in confidence, and won the ball off the opposition regularly, clearing the ball up field for attack. Also scored some excellent goals.

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U12 Div 3...continued....

MAX – His powerful kicks, towering corners and play in the midfield gave the team many scoring opportunities, including more than a couple of awesome ones for himself. Max was very effective in the forward and midfield positions, and combined well with Randall for the goal of the season.

KYAN – Always gave his best on the field, and was not afraid to get into the game, scoring some good goals. Never stopped trying in all situations, and was great from striker to goalie. Had a great season!!

WILLIAM – Rock solid in defence, using his agility and enthusiasm to win the ball off the opposition, and big kick to set up attacking opportunities. Very few attackers managed to get past Will's defence. Played left wing under protest one game, and nearly scored off the kickoff! Also had the goal save of the season!

ZANE – An exceptional team player, who did everything. Cleaned up in defence, started attacking raids, and set up goals. Zane has the ability to read the play and cover the team from front to back, and the skills and enthusiasm to match.

BEN – Improving constantly with each game played, he did his absolute best each minute of every game. Ben's never give up attitude also showed in goals, with an awesome goal save!

DARCY – Brings a huge amount of enthusiasm to every position he plays, including goal keeper. Consistently made the skilful runs up the sideline, through defenders, and then had some great plays up front, scoring a hat trick in one game!

TAN – Tan developed very well this year. Winning the ball off the opposition regularly, Tan's clearing kicks, and never give up attitude were a huge asset to the team!!





Coach: Rod Wallace

2017 - U12 Div 4

Manager: Kelly Williams

Back L-R: Jack Houchin, Darcy Williams, Ethan Wallace, Lucas Waites, Charlie Carey, Reyce Attard,

Front L-R: Caleb Tandy, Will Gosbell, Jonah Brown, Aidan Waddell, Jack Barclay, Bryce Rielly, Max Leabeater

Very Front: Catherine Speirs

COMPETITION WINNERS

Championship Tournament Finalists

WHAT A TEAM! The 12/4 team skipped the U11 competition altogether, and moved straight onto the full field.



The team needed to find four players to be able to field a side. At one stage it did not look like they would be able to play on the full field, but along came **CATHERINE, LUCAS, REECE** and **MAX**. Yes! We had a team, and could start the process of understanding the offside rule, and to realise just how big the field would be.

As each game was played, the team started to play great soccer, passing and supporting each other. **JACK BARCLAY** and **JACK HOUCHIN** took on a dual captaincy role, leading the team both at training and during the games. **JONAH** and **BRYCE** were always reliable as wide midfielders, scoring plenty of goals and helping in defence when needed.

A big mention needs to go to **DARCY** who took on the sweeper position and controlled the defence. He led **CALEB, REECE, CATHERINE, WILL** and **LUCAS** in all defensive duties. **ETHAN** showed great skills to move from striker into a deep defensive midfield position, to support the two Jacks in midfield. **CHARLIE** had a mixed year, breaking his arm early, and having 6 weeks out. He returned to play anywhere on the field he was needed, before jetting off on a family holiday to return the week of GF.

After 14 rounds the team finished minor premiers due to hard work at training, and always listening and learning. Hopefully to go on and make the GF, and win the league.

The team would also like to thank Kelly for being their manager.

It's been a great pleasure watching every player develop their skills and enjoying the great game we call **SOCCER!**

ROD WALLACE

KELLY WILLIAMS

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2017 - U12g Div 1
 Manager: Dea Gambrill Coach: Sinead Killeen (absent)
 Back L-R: MacKenzi Carter, Madison Pualilo, Amber Thomas, Jazmine Galea, Keiara King
 Front L-R: Mahalia Edward-Hall, Charlotte Stutsel, Gemma King, Emily Benfield, Ebony Woodbury-Hore
 Kneeling: Jessica Bristow-Henley, Holly Dalrymple
 Absent: Shaylee Newman

COMPETITION WINNERS

Representing at

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Championship Tournament Finalists

We would like to thank all the parents, grandparents and carers that have brought this team about. Sinead and I love working with the kids, and seeing them all develop as players. Your support by backing us as coaches helps the children develop without fear and confusion, open communication has been an invaluable tool this year, and we look forward to working with you in the future.

GEMMA – Vice Captain Gem was offered a new challenge this year and has taken to it like a duck to water. Goalkeeper has been another challenge that she can confidently check off her list, sharing the job with Jess. She has grown in leaps and bounds, putting her body on the line time and again. can still be counted on in attack to be in the thick of the action.

JESSICA – With Gem, took up the challenge of goalie. She was a little hesitant at the start, but is growing in ability and confidence weekly. Unfortunately, has struggled with a recurring injury that has kept her in goals more than she'd like.

MADDY – Captain Maddy has let the way this year, directing the team from the sweeper position. A kid that never gives up, and will fight to the end, has grown in ability and maturity. Can't wait to see her develop her game in the years to come.

KEIARA – Has claimed the stopper position as her own, and is growing into a beautiful player who never stops. Floating behind the play, ready to strike at any moment. Tough as nails, and never backs down from a challenge!

CHARLIE – When on the field has improved in leaps and bounds, would do better if she ever trained!!!

AMBER – For someone who has been very ill this season, she plays like a demon. Never giving up, Amber will keep going till she drops. Defending strongly, she is quick to change from defence to attack in an instant!

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U12 Girls Div 1...continued...

MAHALIA – Pocket rocket. Hell hath no fury like Mahalia chasing down an attacker! Moving at 100mph Mahalia has been helping in the fullbacks and has happily taken down girls double her size, on a weekly basis.

SHAYLEE – Shaylee has settled into her second season nicely, and pulled off her first goal this year. Working hard up in the strikers position, she is taking everything in, and developing her own style of play. Can't wait to see what she has to come.

EMILY – Is often found making huge runs down the left wing. Working on building those little legs to capitalise on her natural game, will round out her play nicely. She has worked hard all year, and can see the improvement in her game, week to week.

HOLLY – Holly's game has matured a lot this year. She's starting to anticipate play instead of reacting to it, is willing to try out new things on the field, and when they come off, it's a joy to watch. A couple of nice goals to her name this year, well done.

EBONY – Leading goal scorer and old soul of the soccer field. Ebony has a watchfulness on the field that puts her in the right place at the right time, will take on many defenders, and still come away with the goal. She has been working nicely in centre mid, with Holly, to control the game.

KENZI – WOW, what a first season! Kenzi is coming along in leaps and bounds. Coming from a tumbling background has helped Kenzi's balance and control, and as she learns to read the game, she will be a force to be reckoned with.

JAZ – Has been our little worker bee up front, but is such a well developed player, you can put her in any position and know she will nail it! Another hard worker, who always does her best for the team.





Manager: David Fitzsimons

2017 - U13 Div 2

Coach: Justine Lowe

Coach: Scott Hargrave (absent)

Back L-R: Cameron Lowe, Ryan Hicks, Cody Oppy, Charlton Carter, Travis Hargrave

Front L-R: Luke Seeley, Declan Hamilton-Lewis, Leo Galis, David Rielly, Liam Fitzsimons, Zachary Fullerton, Colby Gow

2017 has been another great year for our U13 Hawks. Full of new players, new friendships, and a brilliant new coach in Justine!

After our Grand Final win last year, we were bumped up to the Premier League (also known as Division 2!) and with a new playing roster, and much tougher opponents, the kids were hit with a pretty steep learning curve.

We finished the regular season in sixth place, which was reflective of the up and down year that we'd had. Indeed, finishing sixth meant that we had a few more downs than ups, but the kids were upbeat, and didn't get down about the downs, and knew it was up to them to up the ante and get down to work....up and down the field.

Whether we were playing uptown, or downtown, the kids turned up and got down and dirty, always getting up when they fell down, and sometimes going down narrowly after being up in a match.

After finishing down on the table, we had to play two teams up the top in the Championship Tournament,

and boy, did our Hawks turn up to play!!!



We narrowly lost to a third-placed Blaxland team 1-0 in the first final, which was a phenomenal achievement for our guys, only going down in the final minutes.

Our second final was supposed to be a walk in the park for the top placed Lowlands Wanderers. They had never been beaten in two years, but our up-and-down U13 Hawks turned up to play the game of their lives, and soared higher than an eagle (or in this case a HAWK!) They demolished the champions 1-0!! It was a thrilling match to finish our season on, the highest of highs....or UPS!!

This team showed that whether you are down or up, or up or down, when you play as a team and continue to work together, then the results will come.

Congratulations to our squad of: **CAMERON, CHARLTON, CODY, COLBY, DAVID, DECLAN, LEO, LIAM, LUKE, RYAN, TRAVIS, and Zac**, and to our excellent coach, **JUSTINE**.

Well done everyone!



Manager: Sharon Boyd

2017 - U14g Div 3

Coach: Tony Krawczyk

Back L- R: Amy Nauer, Tabeal Hohora-West, Hannah Dunk, Tayla Young, Rick Toohill (Assist Coach),

Back Cont: Lara Wilson-Kuschert, Melonie Graham-Ross, Grace Toohill, Anne Kennedy

Front L- R: Jessica Finley, Jazmyn Pearson, Victoria Benfield, Amber Hassett, Michaela Sorrenson-Cox

Kneeling: Claire Moore, Arhna Krawczyk

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Firstly, on behalf of the Under 14girls Div 3, I would like to congratulate everyone involved with Richmond Ex-Servicemens Soccer Club on their **50th Playing Year!** I am proud to be part of such a friendly and professional group of people, who's enthusiasm for the game of soccer is clearly obvious!

This year, I had the honour of managing the U14girls Div 3, alongside coach Anthony Krawczyk, and assistant coach Rick Toohill.

We have witnessed the girl's growth this year into a formidable team, and are going to be the team to beat in the Championship Tournament!

Thankyou to all the girls for their commitment to two training nights every week, and to all the Parents and Caregivers who've gotten them to training and games!

Loving this wonderful game!

SHARON BOYD.





Coach: Ben Gabriel

2017 - U15 Div 1

Manager: Nicole Gabriel

Back L-R: Noah McElhinney, Jonathan Tate, Joshua Vella, Jed McLeod, Ethan Cleland, Ben Underwood, Michael Taylor

Front L-R: Carlin McCurtayne, Adam Buckley, Jarrod Rea, Reilly Zeiher, Nathan Borg, Peter Zarth, Justin Vella

What a year! First year in Division 1, and the boys felt it.

We welcomed some new players to our team of regulars this year, and we had some stiff competition this year, which knocked the boys spirit.

They had some disappointing losses, and some awesome wins, which saw them finish 5th on the ladder overall. Not bad for our first year in Division 1, against teams that have been together for years.

BEN, BUCKLEY, CARLIN, ETHAN, JARROD, JED, JONO, JOSH, MICHAEL, NATHAN, NOAH, PJ and **REILLY**, you have all given your coach some stressful training nights, and many a grey hair, but he loves it!

You are all an awesome bunch of young men, and we have thoroughly enjoyed every moment with the team. We hope to see you all back next year.

A huge thankyou to Ken and Andrew for assisting with coaching. Also to all the Parents and Grandparents, you all provided much needed support to the boys this year, as always.

A tough year boys, but I think we have all grown from it. See you all next year.





Manager: Fiona Grime

2017 - U16g Div 2

Coach: Paul Boyd

Back L-R: Isabelle Martin, Kate Dibley, Darci Boyd, Caitlyn Chamberlain, Maddison Carter, Nikita Sondermeyer

Front L-R: Chukwudi Meka, Amelia Ashley, Del Cauchi, Claire Grime, Chloe Arundale, Laura Mudzimiri, Kyneshia Smith

Absent - Elske Barker

Championship Tournament Finalists

I have been lucky enough to manage the under 16 girls this year, and what a season it has been.

They are great young ladies, and have worked hard. With our coach Paul Boyd, and his patience, and his consistent call out of "oldie" remarks, we have managed to make our way into this year's Championship Tournament Final!

The team consists of some of the younger girls, who have played together over the past few years, and some of the older girls, all coming together well.

Our season has been full of ups and downs, with injuries that saw some of the girls out for many weeks, and others being present every week, without fail. However, they have managed to come back from injury determined to make up for lost time, and give the others a chance to take a bit of a break. A couple of games we needed support, and as always the U14 girls were there to help.

Comradery amongst our team is always high, with the girls supporting each other every week, playing with integrity, making the club and their parents proud. It is always good when we are lucky to get a good portion of home games, as we love playing on our fields.



The girls would like to thank Paul for his persistence and direction of them as a team, and their parents and siblings for their support in getting them to training and games on time.

Now, if we can just get them to stop talking.....

FIONA, PHILLIP, CLAIRE AND NATHAN GRIME.



Manager: Amanda Horne **2017 - IW Div 1** Coach: Stephen Meredith
 Back L-R :Kaylee MacKenzie, Alicia Gallagher, Holly Luthy, Alice Degabriele, Victoria Dickford
 Front L-R: Imogen Williams, Sara Selff, Morgan Darling, Ashley Barter, Chloe Horne
 Absent: Louise Chillmaid, Jessica MacKenzie

Our Intermediate Women's team had a challenging 2017. We had a very young side stepping up to take on the newly formed U21's competition, with nearly half of the girls still only fifteen years old at the beginning of the season. The girls also grappled with the jump to playing 45 minute halves for the first time.

They should be commended on the character they demonstrated in many matches this year, as due to injury, illness or work commitments, they played several games short.

Thanks to our manager Amanda, for all she does, going above and beyond by washing the jerseys after each match, and providing red frogs or snakes for the team at half time to boost their energy.

The Intermediate Womens Div 1 for 2017 were:

SARA – Sara's first season playing soccer. A strong, tenacious defender, willing to listen and learn.

CHLOE – Played mostly in defence, turning away countless opposition attackers. Shone in midfield too, when able to play her preferred position.

ALICIA – aka **REX**- Formed part of our defensive team, but was prepared to play any position from striker to goalkeeper if asked. All the dinosaurs feared the T-Rex!

KAYLEE – Was our defensive powerhouse! She was having a great year before suffering a season ending knee injury in the last few weeks of the comp. There were few opposition strikers quick enough to beat our Kaylee!

JESS – The "old girl" of the team. She should be proud of her season. Her efforts on the field, and her smiling face meant she was a pleasure to have around.

MORGAN – A goalkeeper who is prepared to put her body on the line.....usually her face! She scored a couple of goals too, on the rare occasions she was allowed free of the gloves!

IMOGEN – aka **MOOSE** – Played strongly, predominately as a central midfielder, but also filled in commendably, as striker and central defender, when required. Happily.....hmmm!?!?

ASHLEY – Our other centre midfielder, Ash was prepared to run all day, and should be congratulated on her efforts this year. Never one to back away from a challenge!

VICTORIA – Played as midfielder or striker, and she was able to score a goal when given the opportunity.

ALICE – Gave her all this season. Congratulations Alice, and what a cracker of a goal from your strong attacking run!

HOLLY – Our main striker this year. Scored a few goals, and covered in our defensive line too, all while directing the troops.

LOUISE – Was the speedster up front. Scored some great goals, and was one to watch when we were on the attack.

TAYLA – Was a late inclusion for the latter portion of the comp. Fitting in well, and providing defensive strength and skill.





2017 - AAW Div 1

Coach: Paul Sweeney Manager: Liam Sing

Back L-R: Jayde Brown, Ami Wood, Rocher Dossaer, Rebecca Williams, Alexandra Williams, Amanda McMahon

Front L-R: Gemma Ellery, Amy Bowyer, Amber Buckley, Miranda Brown, Cara Brown, Samantha Stalenberg, Kim Cole

Absent: Kate Dossaer, Sinead Killeen, Gillian De Rooy

Nepean Cup Finalists

AAW1 had a very strong squad in 2017 and started the season well, winning our first 3 games. As the season got going, we struggled to have 11 players available due to holidays, injuries and sickness. Through the hard work, skill and commitment of the players, we managed to finish 4th in Division 1, and were 1 win away from a grand final berth, but overall, are disappointed that such a good squad did not achieve more. We have however gotten to the Nepean Cup Final in September.

ALEX - Defence - Had another great season. she was our only ever present player, and only missed training once! She was very reliable, and gave everything in every game. I am proud to have Alex in my team, her attitude and commitment was outstanding!

AMI - Midfield/Striker - Was very versatile throughout the season, playing in every position across midfield and striker. Her commitment on and off the field was fantastic, and she is a credit to our team and our club.

AMBER - Wing/Striker/Fullback - Joined our team from her junior team, and had a good first season in all age. She played in some new positions, and tried hard in all of them.

CARA - Defence - Was extremely reliable in defence this season. She consistently marked our opposition's best player, out of the game! Having just turned 17, Cara has the potential to become the best marker in the Nepean League.

JAYDE - Wing - Everyone who marked Jayde will remember her. She used her considerable speed to help us attack down her wing and gave 100% in training and games. She was a pleasure to coach.

MIRANDA - Goalkeeper - The best keeper in Division 1! Every coach we played against told me how good she was. We were lucky she joined us, not just for her skills, but also her relaxed and friendly personality. Unfortunately, she broke her wrist in her last game, and we all hope she has a speedy recovery.

BECCY - Defence - Bec had a great first season with us. she was very reliable in defence, a good tackler, and she never gave up. She should be proud of her efforts this season.

SINEAD - Striker/Goalkeeper - Sinead played her first season since giving birth to baby Hannah, and did very well. She lead our attack, and was a constant goal threat every game. She is also a decent back-up goalkeeper, using her Gaelic Football skills to help the team in a crisis!

GEMMA - Wing/Striker - Our captain had another very strong season. She worked extremely hard for the team, and lead by example in every game, scoring goals herself and creating them for her teammates. Her work rate was exceptional all season.

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SAMANTHA - Wing - Sam was injured at the start of the season, but once she overcame this, she showed everyone what she was capable of. Sam worked very hard in attack and defence, and was a very determined competitor in every game. Well done Sam!

ROCHER - Defence/Midfield - Rocher had an outstanding season in defence. Playing as sweeper, she stopped hundreds of opposition attacks over the course of the competition, and organised our defence very well. She was very unfortunate to break a bone in her foot near the end of the season, but she still came to watch and support her team. I hope she comes back stronger next year!

KIM - Midfield/Defence - Kim had a serious operation on her arm after the first game of the season, and showed how tough she is by playing another 12 games afterwards! Ignoring medical advice, she played through the pain barrier, and sometimes played 4 different positions during a game. She was invaluable to us this season.

GILL - Midfield - Gill is the best player in Division 1! She moved into midfield this year, scoring 9 goals in 11 games before suffering a foot injury which ended her season. She was missed, on and off the field, and we all wish her well in her recovery.

KATE - Defence - Kate is a very good defender and ball player. Her tackling was exceptional, as was her ball distribution from defence. She is a passionate player who commits everything she has to the team. I expect a goal or two from Kate next season, from her corners.

AMANDA - Midfield - Amanda joined at the start of the season and impressed everyone with her committed midfield play. A ferocious tackler, she dominated the games she played. She is now expecting her first baby, and we all wish her the very best.

AMY - Midfield - Ever present in 2016, Amy has travelled a lot this year, but did well when she did play.



Manager: John Cauchi

2017 - 035 Div 2

Coach: Ben Gabriel

Back L-R: Stephen Parisi, Mathew Laurence, Jason Zammit, Terence McKeough, Darren Tate, Ben Gabriel, Anthony McLane, William Mannix, Ben Johns, Wayne Brown

Front L-R: William Saliba, Mark Cefai, Matthew Smith, Shane West, John Cauchi, Danny Sondermeyer (seated front)

Absent: Richard Kalkhoven



Manager: Denise Sondermeyer

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Coach: Stephen Klippert

Back L-R: Andrew Vellio, Rohan Grace, Hayden Bayne, Andrew Wells, Bailey Chapman, Greg Scott

Front L-R: Thomas Dipper, David Taylor, Jack Sondermeyer, Allan Waters, Glen Reynolds, Matt Chenery, Ben Chapman

Absent: Ryan McFayden, Ryan Wearne, Ryan Winter

COMPETITION RUNNERS UP

The boys had a great season, but most of all they had a good time, and a laugh whilst enjoying their soccer.

Well done to all for their training attendance, and commitment to the game every weekend. The boys played well all the way up to the final rounds, only missing out by one game to make it to the Grand Final.

Awesome effort! A great way to celebrate Richmond ExSSC's 50th Year Anniversary.

Thankyou to Denise for your contribution to the team, by taking on the manage's role, and thankyou team for the opportunity to coach you all.

STEVE KLIPPERT



Championship Tournament Weekend

U12 / Div 4 - Extra Time - Loss



U12 Girls / Div 1 - Down 2 - 0



U16 Girls / Div 2 - Defeated 1 - 0





LIFE MEMBERS

Shirley Baczynskij

Andy Baczynskij

Geoff Meaker

Pierre Kersivien

Paul Boyd

Anne Kersivien

David Tomlinson

Max Land

Jack Carter

Kathy McManus

Peter Kersivien

Roy McCrone

Jerry Jackson

Carol Jackson

Jim Hendry

Judy Hodgkins

David Campbell

Michael Charlesworth

Diane Charlesworth

Kevin Gogos

Ray Gabriel

Sharon Gabriel

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