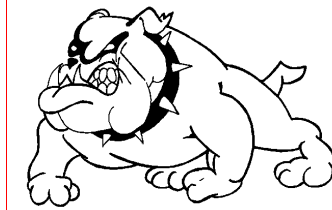


SOUTH AUGUSTA FOOTBALL CLUB YEARBOOK 2013



UNDER 18S PREMIERSHIP TEAM

Presidents Report

Well football season 2013 is over and we look forward to season 2014. Congratulation to the U/18's who have notched up this year's Premiership v's Port under Coach Adam Grantham. Congrats also to our U/15's and U/13's who both won the Port Augusta Colts Football League Premierships. Unfortunately we did not have as much fortune in the A's or B's. Both Teams finished the season in 5th position. Thanks to Peter Rivers and Blue Bolitho for their Coaching. Peter has resigned his position as coach, a bit of a South legend as he has coached us to 2 A Grade Flags, 12 years apart. We wish your well Boof. As you are all aware we are in negotiation for a shift to the new Central Oval redeveloped sporting hub and as such have a very important decision to make in the near future. The Management Committee will keep everyone informed on those negotiations and we look forward to a favourable outcome for the future of our great club.

I would like to thank all of our volunteer workers throughout the club, Management Committee, Football Committee, Colts Committee, Ladies Committee and a host of football related helpers. Thanks also to the Kitchen Staff and roster volunteers who all do a great job, as do the helpers with the Football days Canteen. We can always use more help so please if you can find sometime we could do with more help in all areas for 2014.

On Wednesday 16th of October at 6pm we are having a 'Feedback Forum' at South's. The idea is to get ideas on how we can improve things in all areas of the Football Club. Please attend if you want to contribute. Finally would like to welcome Cameron Redden to our Club, Cameron has been appointed 'A' Grade Coach and as such will take up the position immediately with support from the Football Committee. Cameron had a distinguished playing career with Central Augusta and has recently coached BMW and Central Whyalla.

Kind Regards

Gary Kernahan, South Augusta President

A Grade Report

Twelve months in Football is a short time when you consider that only a year ago we were celebrating success in winning an A Grade Premiership in our Centenary Year 2012. This year is one I think the senior players list would like to forget right from the word go we started the season on the wrong foot. We were behind in our preseason fitness levels (due to maybe a premiership hand-over). The early part of the season only for worst with long term injuries starting to build I think we lost eight players before round three. I make no excuses we still filled a team each week. The real positive for the year was the opportunity to blood a large group of young players who all performed extremely well throughout the whole of the year. I would like to congratulate all trophy winners in all grades especially the premiership players in the under 13's, 15's and 18's. Their coaches deserve huge praise for their efforts and successes. When your senior sides are struggling with injuries it effects all of your junior sides. I would like to say a special thank you to Jarod Waterworth, Ian Elliot and Kev Harris for their incredible support they gave me throughout the year. I can't thank them enough for their individual efforts of support. I would also like to thank Peter Walsh and Val Waterworth for all their work throughout the year in 2013. Peter Walsh's Commitment to this club over the last two years whiles I have been coach would have to be one of the most amazing individual efforts that I have witnessed in my time as a Football Coach over the last 20 - 30 years. Lastly I would like to thank everyone who has helped the football club in any shape or form during my time as league coach. I would like to wish the new coach, players and club all the best in 2014.

Yours Sincerely
Peter Rivers

B Grade report

The B grade had a disappointing start to the year only winning a couple of games for half the season which was due to injuries in both senior grades we had to rely on the colts coming up and playing two games which was a credit to them. We already had four u/18s playing in the A grade full time which meant they were spread through both senior teams the young lads all stepped up and eventually all the colts wanted to have a game in the B grade, I ended up playing 13 colts in which 6 of them had games in the A grade and in doing that we have players ready for next years LEAGUE team. As the year went on the colts became my better players and were providing us with plenty of run, we started to win and beat the teams above us unfortunately we missed out on playing finals by 17% to centrals winning 8 games for the year, we were competitive all year losing a lot of games by less than a goal, so we look forward to 2014 and doing it all again and hope for a better outcome. The fairest and best player went to Adam Bentley who had a great year in the b grade and also played a few A grade games, runner up went to the B grade captain Chris [spindles] Grantham who had a very discipline year also playing a handful of games in the A grade, best team went to a player who came back this year just to help out and was an inspiration to his team mates playing solid hard football and that is Adam Di Paolo, the most dedicated player was Scotty Kroemer who missed out on playing the grand final last year but came back this year knowing what was expected from him and to his credit he lost 15kgs and only missed 3 trainings out of about a 100 and also kicked a bag of goals, the coaches trophy went to Brett Pascoe who had a great year playing in all parts of the ground and was also very dedicated. I would like to thank Val and Walshy for sorting the players injurys out and keeping them on the track also Buck, Ritz and me old mate Jube for their help for the past couple of years I couldn't of done it without them and also thanks for the players this year they were great to coach, they played discipline footy all year great turn around from 2012 and thanks to all the people who ran water over the year and Fayne Kaesler for filling in for his brother in law[buck] cheers BLUEY!

Under 18's Report

2013 UNDER 18'S PREMIERS

At the beginning of the year only having 13 names to work with and with half of those boys expecting to figure in the A' grade squad due to their efforts and development in Pre-season there was some cause for concern on trying to field a team each week.

Eventually with a few boys deciding to return to footy after a year or two off we managed to get a team together that I thought would be competitive but maybe not have the strength to match the top teams.

The first time all year we had a full team of 22 to play was in the last minor round game of the year.

We relied on 4-6 U15's nearly every week right up until the finals series and to finish in the top two after the minor round was a great credit to these boys who didn't just fill in, they contributed on a weekly basis regularly getting in the best players.

Special thanks to Harry Holland, Trent Ritter, Josh Forrest, Darrien Buzzacott, Jake Wilson, Jayden Bourke, Darien Solomon from the U 15's.

With both the 'A' grade and 'B' grade teams struggling to make ground in the race to the finals it was looking more likely that we were going to assemble a strong team come finals with up to 8 of these lads able to drop back to play in the finals.

It was a fortunate but also a tough spot to be in. With the amount of players able to come in there were always going to be unlucky ones to miss out. The last month for these boys was all about reward for effort, which was the major factor in choosing a team who was going to give the best chance of taking the ultimate reward, a premiership. Some of these boys played 8 quarters of football every week and there was others who played the entire year in the A grade side. These boys earned the right to play for a premiership by the effort they put in throughout the whole year to help this football club.

This particular group of boys have been bridesmaids for two years running and for them their gutsy grand final victory was their reward. Hopefully it also teaches them a lesson that Finals and Premierships are hard to win.

I am very proud of these boys and the commitment they showed throughout the year. The improvement in their games was noticeable and it was pleasing to see them catch on to what I was trying to teach. They turned from just being a group of boys with enormous talent to a team who developed in effort and understanding of the game to match this talent.

Thank you to the trainers and water boys (and Billie) especially Peter Walsh, the amount of work and time you put in for the club is greatly appreciated not only in the senior grades but throughout all the junior teams.

Thank you to Andy and Sue Magarey for their efforts and help as runner and guernsey cleaner throughout the year.

Thank you to Brock Laube who was my Assistant Coach and Team Manager. Your help and input on game day was very valuable and it was appreciated. Also to Nick Heron and Craig Ritter for your help on game days.

Thank you to all sponsors, trophy donors and award givers throughout the year.

Thank you to the senior players Mark Horner, Daniel Dohnt, Brock Laube, Jaylon Wingfield, Jason Lukich, Jake Collins who assisted in trainings and their help throughout the year with teaching and assisting these boys.

Thank you to the families and supporters that helped with decorations and banner making for Grand Final night. Also thank you for making the journey down to Pirie to support these boys it was a great turn out for an Under 18's Premiership and I'm sure the boys enjoyed your support.

Finally to the boys themselves, thank you for being a great group of lads to coach. I know the talent you all have as individuals and as a collective. YOU MADE IT HAPPEN.

Your challenge now is to step up, stick together and push the South Augusta Football Club to its next A and B Grade Premierships. This is now your football club. Its future is in your hands.

Adam Grantham



Under 15s Report

The Under 15s team this year was fantastic, at the start of the season we were struggling for a team, with only 12 names on the team sheet and less than a week before we played on Friday in the local comp. and then Saturday for our first SGL game, we were lucky that 6 of our Under 13 boys put their hand up to play.

Wednesday night at training we had another 4 boys make their way out to training as they heard we were short so all of a sudden we had good numbers.

We started the season with a loss then we had a win then another loss from there we started to play good team football and didn't lose another game until August

We played in the 2nd semi and won that by 99 points, straight into the Grand Final and the boys were confident

We played some really great football that night and won a very hard fought game by 17 points by becoming the Premiers we got to play on SGL Grand Final day against the Pirie Premiers Solomontown, in this game we started slowly and only kicked 7 points up to half time, we knew we wouldn't give up without a fight and when the final siren went we had fallen short by 5 points, after we had been down by 37 points in the 3rd quarter.

Throughout the year we played 6 SGL games 3 in Pirie and 3 in Port Augusta, this was a trial to see if it will be viable in the future, the boys had some good wins and some horrible losses but overall it was a good thing for the boys to play against different teams and I hope the concept continues.

This team was 1 of the best teams I have been lucky enough to coach, they were a great lot of lads who gave it their all and were always hard at the ball and the players but were always Disciplined when they played and never gave up in any game

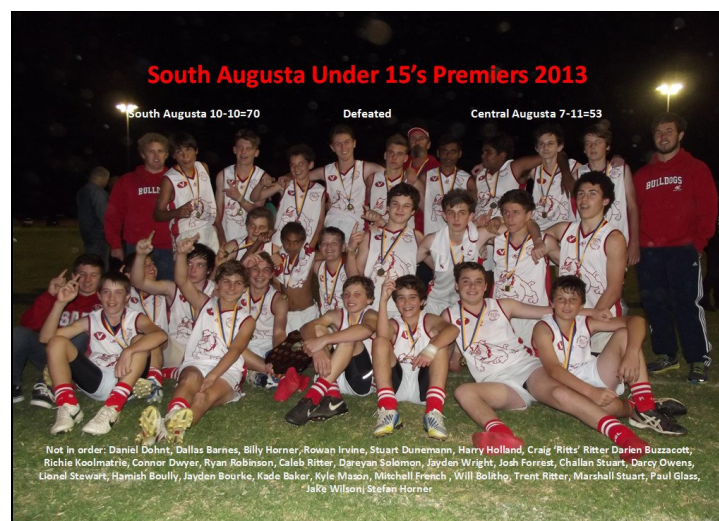
During the season we had 10 boys represent Port Augusta in the Under 15 Carnival at Laura and Trent Ritter was picked from that to play in the North Adelaide Under 15s in Adelaide, he was named co-captain and was in the best players in 2 out of 3 games.

We had a few boys play up in the 18s this year Trent Ritter and Harry Holland (both played 15 out of 17 games), Josh Forrest, Jake Wilson, Jayden Bourke, Darian Buzzacott and Dareyan Solomon also played a number of games look out for these names next year in the 18s

Our trophy winners this year were-
Best and Fairest----- Dareyan Solomon
R/U Best and Fairest---Trent Ritter
Best Team Man-----Challan Stuart
Most Improved-----Billy Horner
Most Consistant-----Hamish Bouilly
Best Utility-----Josh Forrest
Best 1st Year Player ----Dallas Barnes
Coaches Trophy-----Jake Wilson
"Franko Farr" Memorial ---Harry Holland

I must thank Caleb Ritter and Double D for being my assistants this season also to all the parents who helped with umpiring and goal umpiring also to all the Under 13 boys who played in the under 15s this year as we couldn't have done it without you

In closing congratulations to the Under 18s and 13s on winning the Premierships well done to you all
Regards Ritts



Under 13s report

The U13's had a great year and won the premiership beating Westies 8.5 53 to 2.4 16. Best Players in the grand final were Mitchell French, Dallas Barnes, Will Bolitho, Blake Jones, Will Waterworth, Dylan Bates and Kerin Brown, with all players contributing throughout the whole final series.

South's had 1 side in this year but almost had enough players to field 2 sides which meant that often each week we had 5-6 players sitting on the bench. Although this was difficult to manage Daniel and I felt that this was the best for the kids development. Captains for the season were Will Bolitho and Rowan Irvine and Vice Captain Marshall Stuart, Daniel and I were extremely impressed with the leaders on and off the field with all 3 leading by example.

Throughout the year we had some great achievements with several players including Rowan Irvine, Connor McMillan, Chris Robinson, Will Bolitho, Marshall Stuart, Mitchell French, Angus McInnis playing in the SAPSASA representing the region in football or soccer.

A big thank you goes to all of the people that helped throughout the year as we would not have had the success we did without them:

- Tricia Noble (Does everything from opening the gates before the game to team manager)
- Donna Irvine (Washed the guernseys after every match)
- Simon Robinson (Timekeeper)
- Damien Bolitho and Buck Everett (took over coaching when Daniel and I were unavailable)
- Craig Ritter and Dave Williams (Supported Daniel and I throughout our first season of coaching and were always there to answer our questions)
- Umpires: Lee Willcock, Mick Horner, Jak Waterworth, Shane Kennedy, Mick Moloney.

Trophy winners for the year:

- B&F- Will Bolitho
- Runner Up - Mitchell French
- Most Consistent- Connor McMillan
- Goal Kicking- Rowan Irvine
- Finals MVP- Will Bolitho
- Best Team Man- Will Waterworth
- Most Improved- Blake Jones
- Coaches Trophy- Dylan Bates
- Bulldog Trophy- Marshall Stuart

Daniel and I have really enjoyed coaching this year and we look forward to being involved next year to help develop the future of the club.

Jake and Daniel Collins



Under 11's report

The U11s started the year with 36 kids which meant two sides ,South White (Jubes) and South Red (Kierons).The sides were split evenly with both having a great bunch of kids with some real character. South White started the season well winning four out of five games and having a fun time doing it, ending up with seven wins and six losses to finish fourth. South Red were a little slower off the mark but as the season progressed they were winning most games, the ladder position came down to the last game of the year and although they won the Red side finished an unlucky second. This was a great effort considering both sides fielded three to four U9s every week which both coaches were thankful for. Though I believe the U11s not all about winning, but more about having fun with your mates and learning how to play football, I think the way the lads went about it on Saturday mornings showing skillfull, desperate and sometimes inspiring football was a credit to them and their improvement over the year. Out of the 36 players on this years list there will be about 20 moving on to U13s next year and as coaches I think we have readied these lads for a step up in grades so good luck to them, and those kids left in the U11s have another year to develop their skills and football knowledge and have some fun with their mates.

Well done under 11s
Jason Waterworth

Under 9s report

Run, run, run, and when you can't run anymore, you run again, was the message that was drummed into the 'lil Bulldogs from the first week at training, until they left the Quorn oval exhausted, after 2 full games in 30 degree weather.

From the moment the boys started to train, I could see that having the best skills in the world was not going to help, as we had a lot of young kids, who needed to learn the most important lesson of all.....GET THE BALL!!!. Most drills had many kids chasing the ball as a team, and then learning how to move the ball to the other end of the ground. This quickly brought about the boys next lesson, there is NO CRYING on the football field because you didn't get a kick, or because they got a little knock to the head.

Gradually the boys learnt how to better move the ball, when the right to give is and when to shepherd. The most pleasing aspect is that at the start of the season, the bigger, more experienced players were the ones getting a lot of kicks, but as I continued to push the younger boys, they eventually were the ones getting touches at training, which then was able to be put into place on Sundays. The improvements of players such as Jared McRae, my son Cody Struck, Lewis Renshaw, Rowan Stirling and Ty Franks to name a few.

Throughout the year there were a number of standout performers, who are going to be great young footballers to watch out for; players such as John Weimer, Isaac Waye, Heath Green, Tyreece Fielding, Jack Franklin, Beau Renshaw, Blake Hartmann, Tyson Hartmann and Kaeden Willis. Hard work can make anything possible.

I would like to thank my Wife Stacey for her support during the season, whether that is washing the guernseys, assisting with game day and more importantly, starting training and keeping the boys in line, while I made my way from work. A big thank you also goes out to Wayne Shepherd who was there for most training sessions, and was another encouraging voice to the kids, as well as disciplining those who wanted to muck around.

Thank you to Damien Hartmann who also provided me with excellent support during training and game days. Thanks to the parents for their support, whether that be with umpiring, drinks after the game, awards, or any other task, your efforts went along way to us having a successful season.

Lastly I would like to thank the 'lil Bulldogs of the future, certainly we had some interesting times, but for most the time you lads were a pleasure to coach. Whether I do the role next year is irrelevant, I will be your coach for life boys, as I will always be around this age group for years to come. Keep working hard, and remember.....RUN, RUN, RUN. Ryan

Many thanks to the Senior Grades Officials of 2013

Management Committee: Gary Kernahan (President) Trish Noble (Secretary) , Kym Austin (Treasurer) Anthony Everett, Kean Parrington, Graham Coutts, Val Waterworth, Peter Trewartha, Andrew Reynolds, Peter Huxtable, Denise Cullen, Brett Johns.

Football Operations: A grade coach Peter Rivers, Asst Coach Jarrod Waterworth, A grade runner Kevin Harris, A grade Team Manager Nick Heron/ A Magarey, A grade Timekeeper Ricky Gill. Guernsey Steward Gary Kernahan.

B grade coach Damian Bolitho, Asst coach: Anthony Everett, Craig Ritter, B grade Team manager Jason Waterworth , B grade timekeeper Ricky Gill,

U18 coach Adam Grantham, Assistant Coach Brock Laube, Runner, Team Manager U18 Andrew Magarey, Timekeeper U18 Ricky Gill, Guernsey Steward Craig Ritter,

SGL/ League Delegates Harry Waterworth, Gary Kernahan

Head trainer Peter Walsh

Senior trainers Val Waterworth, Andrew Black, Mark Shillabeer, Billy Kernahan, Gary Kernahan, Liam Elliott, Iain Elliott, Craig Ritter, Kym Maule.

Football committee: Graham Coutts (Chair) Mark Shirley (Secretary), Gary Kernahan, Lee Willcock, Darren Baker, Adam Grantham, Kean Parrington, Peter Rivers, Anthony Everett, Nick Heron, Damian Bolitho, Mick Kerin.