



BULLDOG BULLETIN

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**MEMBERSHIP
FOR 2025**

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DATE!

SOUTH AUGUSTA



**ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**

**Sunday 23rd November 2025
3.00pm**

Nominations forms are available at the club
OR
available from secretary (Judith 0419 827 458)

Nominations **MUST** be lodged with secretary by 5.00pm
Monday 17th November 2025



South Augusta Bulldogs



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FROM THE *President*

Hi all

With the 2025 footy season now done and dusted, we are looking forward to how we can improve going forward into the 2026 season. We have finished all of the formalities, with the presentations, footy trip etc all finished for the year.

Congrats to the trophy winners and all involved on the presentation night, it's great to have that many people that are so passionate about the club.

The Footy Committee are again going to work extremely hard to try and recruit players that can complement our existing list, while making sure we keep the current lads together. If we can add a few talented lads to the exciting group we have, there is no doubt that better results on the field are coming.

We would like to congratulate Adam on his reappointment as A Grade Coach. I sincerely hope the boys put in a huge effort over the pre season and get some reward from that. Fitness is a huge factor in this league and our on field results can change dramatically just with improvement in that area. If everyone is out doing the hard yards it solidifies the team and can actually be fun in doing so.

Remember that we still have Thursday and Friday night teas available, and our club is open as usual for drinks etc, so please try to get up to the club and keep supporting over the footy break.

Get out to support the cricket lads also.

There are still a number of volunteer jobs that will pop up over the next few months, whether it be cooking snags or serving at the Bunnings BBQ, helping in the kitchen, set up and help for club catering etc, please continue to help out where possible.

Mark Horner
President

2026 A GRADE COACH ANNOUNCED

South Augusta would like to announce the re-appointment of Adam Grantham as the A Grade Coach for the 2026 season. Most will know Adam has been a Bulldog since he was born. Anyone who has heard him speak will attest to the passion he holds for the club.

We urge all players, members and supporters to get behind Adam as he implements his second season in charge plans.

Attention now turns to appointing our coaches in the rest of the SGL grades.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Welcome to the October 2025 Bulldog Bulletin, the last month has been a busy one around the club with the Presentation Night held and other functions such as the Kennel Club, netball finals, Footy Tips wind up and more recently the Bunnings BBQ. Many thanks to the Trophy donors for the Presentation Night, especially Milhinch's who have been long term sponsors at the club and big contributors, and it was great to see Nick from McDonalds attend, he has been a great sponsor for several years. Remember if you or your family want a job there, please get hold of Nick, I'm sure he would be willing to help.

Congratulations to the Trophy winners in each grade and a summary of which can be obtained in the South Augusta Yearbook 2025, a hard copy can be obtained at the club or emailed or just go to the website at <https://southaugusta.com.au/>

The Cricket season has commenced so please get out there and support the teams this year with the aim of going one better in the A Grade his year.

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2026 SENIOR COACHES

SOUTH AUGUSTA FOOTBALL CLUB. EST. 1912

2026 SAFC MEMBERSHIP

2026 memberships will soon be available.

As our 2025 logo said we are asking you to show your support of the club by renewing/taking out club membership which is vital to our survival.

For those of you who live away from Port Augusta please take this chance to show your true support for your club.

Can you encourage others to join (member get member). You may also win the Friday night Members Draw and have full voting rights at any meetings.

Please support us as we aim to top last year's record membership total.

SENIOR COACHING POSITIONS IN 2026

Applications are now open for B Grade, U18 & U15 coaching positions in 2026.

Applications close Friday 14 November 2025.

For more information contact:
Michael Kerin on 0455 989 144
or email michaelgkerin@gmail.com.

SOUTH AUGUSTA FOOTBALL CLUB



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3.00pm

The following vacancies exist for the positions of:

- President (1 year term)
- Vice President (2 year term)
- Secretary (2 year term)
- 4 Committee persons (2 year term)
- Player representative (1 year term)
- Patron (1 year term)

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WE WELCOME YOU TO THE SOUTH AUGUSTA FAMILY

NEW PLAYER SIGNINGS - SEASON 2026



South Augusta is excited to welcome **Kyan Eagleton** for season 2026.

Kyan joins the club from Scotch College in the Adelaide Football League, where he has previously been co-captain of Scotch First XVIII with good mate Eddie Bok who is also joining us in 2026.

Kyan's skills and running ability through the midfield will be a great asset to the club.

The club looks forward to welcoming Kyan, parents Nathan and Angela, brother Lukas and Partner Savannah to the SAFC family in 2026.



South Augusta is excited to welcome **Eddie Bok** for season 2026.

Eddie also joins the club from Scotch College in the Adelaide Football League, where he has previously been co-captain of Scotch First XVIII with good mate Kyan Eagleton.

Eddie will be a fantastic addition as a utility with his size and ability to hit the scoreboard.

The club looks forward to welcoming Eddie, parents John and Meroe and partner Millie to the SAFC family in 2026.



South Augusta would like to welcome **Joe Beattie** for season 2026

Joe is keen to get back into footy after having most of last year off.

Joe joins us from Plympton where he played his junior football, which continues the strong Bulldog connection we've had in recent times with players from both clubs.

We are looking forward to seeing Joe bring his speed, skill and running ability to the senior team in 2026.

Along with Joe we welcome Dad Rob and partner Lilli to the SAFC family in 2026.

It was great to see the turnout of players to Presentation Night.

We hope to see you all in the new year for season 2026.

Keep an eye out for messages for training start dates, meetings etc moving forward.

Adam Grantham



UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2025

- 8** - Racing Tips Start
- 15/16** - Bunnings BBQ Volunteers Required
- 14** - 2026 Season Senior Coaches Applications Close
- 17** - AGM Vacant Positions Nominations Close
- 23** - SAFC AGM
- 29** - BBQ at Commercial Road—Volunteers Required

DECEMBER 2025



FRIDAY NIGHT MEALS

- Weekly Member's Draw
- Bruiser's Bonanza

Meals from
6:30pm

SAFC 52 CLUB RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket in the 52 Club.
Results as follows:

Date	Winning No	Purchaser
29th August	63	Mark & Julie Shirley
5th September	59	SAFC
12th September	82	Matt Glamuzina
19th September	72	Maddison Welsh
26th September	36	Caleb/Rowan
3rd October	22	Nicole McInnis
10th October	3	Chris Heritage
17th October	9	Judith Barnett
24th October	2	Paul Glass

KITCHEN ROSTER November

Friday 7th November - Cricket

Friday 14th November - Colts

Friday 21st November - Magarey

Friday 28th November - FRBC's

2025 Management Committee

President: Mark Horner **Vice President:** Vacant **Treasurer:** Tabitha Jones **Secretary:** Judith Barnett

Committee : Andrew Magarey, Craig Ritter, Tricia Waterworth, Georgia Irvine, Nick Heron, Nicole McInnis, Bianca Newbery & Michael Kerin

Player Reps: Will Waterworth & Trent Ritter **Patron:** Robert Bowman



FRIDAY

MEMBERSHIP DRAW

MUST BE HERE TO WIN!

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2026 Membership will soon be available!

Show your true support to the club by joining and encourage others to join. Please support us as we aim to top last year's record membership total.

You have the opportunity to win cash on Friday nights at the club but you must be present to win. If the member's number is drawn and you aren't in the clubroom it will jackpot by \$50 each week.

The next draw on Friday 31st October is now standing at:

\$400

Be there so you don't miss out!!!

M&G Hotel Group

Vouchers - \$100

For motel room accommodation at any M & G Group owned motel:

North Adelaide | Enfield | Glenelg | Whyalla

NB: Apartments must be booked for 2 nights

Please see Mick Kerin or Simon Owens to purchase vouchers

Funds to towards the Football Operations Budget

Visit: mghotelgroup.com.au
Email: michelle@mghotelgroup.com.au



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See Harry Waterworth to purchase

FUNDS TO GO TOWARDS THE FOOTBALL OPERATIONS BUDGET

For more details go to

<https://mghotelgroup.com.au/>

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

BUNNINGS HOT DOG NIGHT FEEDBACK

We were proud to be asked to cater for Bunnings Tradie Night on Tuesday 9 September. It was actually a loaded hot dog night and was extremely busy but as usual members of our Red Army coped with ease as evident in the feedback from Bunnings... "Thank you guys. You did really well and helped us out a lot for such a new event as all of us were learning too. Hope you guys had a good night!" We certainly did!

Absent: Lachie Grantham, Gary Kernahan, Judith Barnett



BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLES 1 AND 2 FEEDBACK

We were pleased to have been allocated the weekend of 18-19 October to provide the two Bunnings BBQs. On the Saturday 14 members of the Red Army put in a combined 70 hours before, during and after the event. On the Sunday this figure was 12 members (total of 21 different members over both days) and a combined total of 57 hours thus making a significant contribution to the club. We would like to thank our volunteers for their amazing effort (especially in the heat) and Bunnings for the chance to raise some funds.



Thursday Night **MENU** Join us for a Meal

VIROS TIME

Schnitzel
Burger

PIZZA & PASTA

SCHNITZEL & FISH

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

If you have missed previous newsletters go to: <https://southaugusta.com.au/history/>

The Website now also has the latest newsletters at <https://southaugusta.com.au/> and details of the list of players and their games total at <https://southaugusta.com.au/history/> Go to the homepage and click on "About" then click on "history" and go to a particular decade and you will see Premiership pictures in that particular decade. More pictures will be included in time.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

VOLUNTEERS OPPORTUNITY “SUNDAY AT SOUTHS”

After the success of the Kennel Cup, we hope to deliver more Sundays at Souths. We hope to make this a regular event so any suggestions to occupy a Sunday afternoon are most welcome.

VOLUNTEERS OPPORTUNITY BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLES 3 AND 4

We are doing it all again having been allocated our next Bunning's BBQs on Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 November. Hopefully you will spread the load by getting a team together to help.

Contact Mick 0455989144 ASAP if you can help on either or both days.

VOLUNTEERS OPPORTUNITY COMMERCIAL ROAD BBQ

Once again, we are conducting our famous Commercial Road BBQ on Saturday 29 November. Here is your chance to make a contribution to the club. We will need volunteers to help out for a few hours. Contact Mick Kerin.



Turning tragedy into a powerful stand against violence, the schnitzel that sparked action. You may recall back in May we raised \$300 for the Sammy D Foundation via our participation in their schnitty4sam promotion. Below is feedback from the Foundation to share with you. *Last May, thousands of supporters came together over a humble schnitzel to drive meaningful and lasting change. #schnitty4sam started as a simple tribute to Sam Davis, who never made it home after a night out, with a schnitzel as his last meal. It began in 2020 with 12,406 schnitties eaten at 18 venues and has since grown into a powerful movement in the fight to end “one punch” violence. In 2025, the campaign grew to 55,596 schnitzels served at 193 venues raising \$57,361, our biggest #schnitty4sam yet. Your support raised vital funds to help us end youth violence and create safer futures for young people. #schnitty4sam is more than just a meal.*

It's a moment of honour to Sam, to raise awareness, and support violence prevention through education.

Every schnitzel, every dollar, every conversation plays a part in ending youth violence.

Thank you for making every schnitty count. Your support helped turn a meal into a movement. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for being part of this family and making #schnitty4sam a highlight of the year.

See <https://www.sammydfoundation.org.au/>



THE HUT'S CLUB PROMOTION IS BACK — BIGGER, BETTER & HOTTER THAN EVER!

The Hut is a new and much appreciated club sponsor. You may recall their \$10,000 draw last March which we did not win. This year they are giving away up to \$20,000 in prizes for local sports clubs with first prize of \$10,000, second \$5,000 and third \$2,500.

If you write your name on one of the winning loyalty cards, you'll score first prize \$1,250, second \$750 and third \$500 in The Hut takeaway food vouchers! PLUS —their loyalty cards just got better! Spend \$25 = 1 stamp, \$100 = 4 stamps. Collect 6 stamps and get 1 FREE traditional large pizza!

Promotion ends 30 April 2026 — don't miss out! Support our club, enjoy your favourite eats, and WIN BIG with The Hut.

Keeping you updated with club information:

**GIRLS FOOTY PROJECT COMPLETES
“POWER OF HER GRANT”
FUNDING RECEIVED FROM THE OFFICE OF SPORTS & RECREATION**

The Power of her Grant has now been completed with the \$4,500 grant fully expended. Outcomes achieved through the grant include:

- * INCREASED NUMBERS OF 18 FEMALE PLAYERS AT THE CLUB, PARTICULARLY JUNIORS. 10 MORE INDIGENOUS FEMALE PLAYERS
- * PURCHASE OF FOOTBALLS, TRAINING EQUIPMENT AND UNIFORMS
- * ORGANISED INDIGENOUS RECOGNITION WHERE THE FEMALE PLAYERS WORE INDIGENOUS THEMED SHORTS.
- * A CULTURAL AND MENTOR TALK WITH 2 INDIGENOUS GIRLS WHO TALKED ON THEIR EXPERIENCES ON PLAYING FOOTY IN THE SANFL WOMEN’S LEAGUE.
- * FEMALES TO HAVE RESPECTFUL HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS WITH FAMILY, PEERS AND THE FOOTBALL COMMUNITY

Many thanks to the Steering Committee involved with the projects Jake Collins, Jenny Vater and Michael Kerin together with coaches involved with achieving the outcomes including:

Under 11’s Harley Bodger and Kriston Thompson

Under 14s Des Taylor

Under 17s Jason Cullen and Zach Blinman



**TOYOTA GOOD FOR FOOTY –
LOCAL LEGENDS RESULT**

We greatly appreciate the ongoing support of Port Augusta Toyota via their 2025 Good for Footy Program. Many thanks to those who took the time to place a token in our jar as part of it. Last year we received third place (\$500) and this year second place (\$750).

Let’s take out 1st place (\$1,000) in 2026.



RACING TIPS IS BACK



SOUTH AUGUSTA FOOTBALL CLUB

STARTS 8TH NOVEMBER 2025

20 WEEKS IN DURATION

COST \$5 PER WEEK PLUS JOINING FEE \$10

MELBOURNE TIPS ONLY

JACKPOT \$20 PER WEEK PLUS PRIZEMONEY

POINTS ALLOCATED ON PRICE PAID BY HORSE ON TAB APP AND SUNDAY MAIL

SHOW AT THE END OF THE YEAR, LAST DAY 28TH MARCH 2026

YOU CAN EMAIL YOUR TIPS IN IF REQUIRED.

THEREFORE THOSE OUT OF TOWN CAN STILL PARTICIPATE

NEED A MINIMUM OF 20 MEMBERS TO START

PRIZE MONEY CONFIRMED WHEN NUMBERS CONFIRMED BUT LAST YEARS 1ST PRIZE WAS OVER \$600.

PRIZES FOR FIRST 5 PLACEGETTERS.

NO TIPS 27TH DECEMBER 2025

**IF INTERESTED GET YOUR NAME ON THE BOARD AT THE CLUB OR RESPOND TO HARRY WATERWORTH,
SIMON OWENS, MARK SHIRLEY OR KEAN PARRINGTON.**

SOCIAL SCENE AT THE KENNEL

Winners from Kennel Club Round 2, 2025

Door Prize: Kelvin McInnis and Ethan Maloney **Free Ticket:** Kelvin McInnis **Jackpot:** Declan Franks



KENNEL CLUB GALLERY



SACC REPORT



President: Aaron Vater
Vice President: Tyler Tennant
Secretary: Nicole McInnis
Treasure: Jarrod Waterworth
Patron: Colin Waterworth
Vice Patron: Kym Maule
Child Safety Officer: Nicole McInnis, Tricia Waterworth

Committee; Aaron Vater, Tyler Tennant, Nicole McInnis, Jarrod Waterworth, Sam Maule, Ben Trewartha, Cameron Parkinson, Rowan Irvine, Chris Robinson, Tricia Waterworth, Kym Maule, James Harrison, Jed Waterworth

A Grade

This season the super league has been scrapped and 2 teams from Whyalla have joined the PACA instead. This makes for a 7-team competition so early wins are vital to set up a successful year. The side will once again be captained by Sam Maule with Rex Waterworth stepping up to Vice Captain.

At the time of Writing this report we have won both our games, which happen to be both against the Whyalla teams.

In the first game against Roopena we had a victory by 99 runs, best with bat was Craig Shirley who made an even 100 off 89 balls, Rex Waterworth with 39 and Rowan Irvine with 30*.

Best with the ball was Chris Robinson who bagged his maiden A Grade 5 for with figures of 5/19. Our second game was against North Whyalla who we defeated by 7 wickets.

Chris Robinson was at it again with the ball taking 4/19 and Todd Kernahan took 3/10.

In a small run chase Rowan Irvine was again undefeated on 32.

B Grade

The Bs have had a an even start to the year winning their first but losing their second game

Best with the bat so far, Tyler Tennant with 22 and 72*. Best with the ball, new recruit Josh Bartel with 5/20, and Jed Waterworth with 4/19.

Good to see a few new faces come out and help with depth, we welcomed Josh Bartel, David Schooling for their first games and James Hertiage has moved out of juniors and is bowling well.

Under 16

Under the guidance of coach, Chris Robinson the lads have won one game and lost one. Once again, we have had Whyalla families who bring their lads over to play each week, we thank them very much for their efforts.

Best with the bat have been Leo McInnis with 35 and 42, Jake Lynch with 28 and 51* and Eddy Heron with 50*.

Bowling has been shared around with all getting a go and the spread of wickets very even.

Under 13

Boots Harrison has his team undefeated after 2 games with all players contributing. Boots does a great job in sharing the batting and bowling duties amongst all the players.

Best with the bat so far, Tioneyi Madziwa with an undefeated 30, Levi Vater with 20 and solid contributions from Anakin Harbour and Carter Grantham.

The wickets have been shared around with good performances coming from Tioneyi Madziwa and Oliver Collins.

A big shout out to 2 families who make enormous effort each week to get their sons involved in a game of cricket. The Harbour family travel from Wilpena Pound for trainings and games and the Madziwa family who are new to the club this year travel from Roxby on the weekends for games.

Cricket Milestones and Achievements

In the first two weeks of the season, we have had a couple of significant milestones. Todd Kernahan becomes the third person in club history to reach 300 senior games, this is a remarkable effort from a very versatile, talented and resilient cricketer. Todd has done it all when it comes to our awards winning both A Grade batting and Bowling Trophies over his career as well as winning the most coveted Bruce Curtis Memorial Club Cricketer of the Year on two occasions. Well done TK, hopefully a few more years in the body.

Rowan Irvine celebrated his 100th A grade game in our first win by making an undefeated 30. Well done, Rowan, keep playing a straight bat and the runs will continue to flow.

On behalf of the club, we would like to thank all of our sponsors and a massive shout out to the Football Club for their ongoing support.

Follow us on Facebook to keep up with events, results and milestones and a plug for our sponsors

CRAIG SHIRLEY



A Grade
100 Runs

JOSH BARTEL



B Grade
5/20

CHRIS ROBINSON



A Grade
5/14

Congratulations to all players reaching career milestones and for achieving impressive statistics so far this season.

TODD KERNAHAN

300 CLUB GAMES



ROWAN IRVINE

100 A GRADE GAMES



CRICKET FLASHBACK

CRICKET FLASHBACK 1965 – 60 YEARS AGO

1965/66

Position 5th

South Augusta cricket Club finished 5th this year under the captaincy of Ray Hanrahan, they unfortunately lost the last game of the minor round to miss out on the finals and put in their worst performance of the year to go down by 56 runs to the "Senior colts" team. Best Bowling was Ray Hanrahan with 4/49 with Trevor Searle 1/47, Alan O'Connor 0/18, Billy Baker 0/17 and Brian Fox 0/26. In the batting Billy Baker made 0 (duck), Alan O'Connor 8, Brian Fox 0, Trevor Searle 2, Ray Hanrahan 3, Ian McSporran 5, Rod Baker 29, Paul Gloede 4, Syd Williams 20 and Peter Reidy 0, Total South 77 to Senior colts 6/163.

Other good players from other clubs during that year included Trevor Ferme, John Kernahan, Alan Watkins, Jim Maule, Gordon McKerlie, Barry Rimmer and Gary Vivian.

Best in the stats for the year were Best Batting, Billy Baker 253 runs, Alan O'Connor 210, Trevor Searle 172 and Ray Hanrahan 149 runs.

Best Bowling, Ray Hanrahan 15 wickets, Brian Fox 11, John Gloede 11, Billy Baker 10 wickets.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW??

WHERE ARE THEY NOW- ROBERT FIEBIG

Caught up with Robert Fiebig at Streaky Bay in the last 2 months where he currently resides with his wife Raylene. Rob has lived there for several years now and has a small plot of land that keeps him busy.

Rob has been involved with Cricket Coaching of the juniors while over there and also involved with the local football. Rob's daughters are in other parts of the State, one being a School Principal.

Rob played senior football from 1977 to 1985, a total of 127 A Grade games. He was in the 1981 and 1983 A Grade side and he could play in any position, Centre half back in 1981, Full forward in 1982 Grand Final against Central and starting off the bench in 1983, helping out in any position required. He was named amongst the best players in the 1981 Premiership game.

Rob was also a great cricketer, coming to Port Augusta to work with his brother Don as a local butcher. In 1981/82 when the A Grade won the Premiership Rob scored 789 runs with 2 centuries, the highest being 120 and took 24 wickets at 17. Rob was also a great wicketkeeper, and he formed a great combination with brother Don who also played football and cricket at Souths, Don later being a runner for the A Grade during the early 80's premiership era.

Don currently lives in Jamestown, and he played football from 1974 to 1979, a total of 77 A Grade games. Rob enjoys fishing over that way and often gets a visit from Southies including his old mate Ruxy.



PETER WILLIAMS RIP

Peter 'Bear' Williams, a past player at the club recently passed away. Peter, aged 77, played senior football for the club from 1964 to 1973 amassing 69 A Grade games and 71 B Grade games. Peter came through the South Augusta junior program and was a member of the Williams family with brothers David, Graham and Neville all been heavily involved with the club together with parents Syd and Rona. Peter was a member of the 1972 B Grade Premiership side that defeated favourites Risdon at Central Oval. In 1964 Peter was awarded the Fairest and Best for the Port Augusta Senior Colts and continued his career as a determined, hard-hitting player together with a being a great clubman. The club offers its condolences to the Williams' family at this sad time.



WAYNE (SHEP) SHEPHARD RIP

Past player Wayne Shephard passed away recently. Wayne played senior football for South Augusta from 1970 to 1976 amassing 12 A Grade games and 93 B Grade games for a total of 105 senior games. Wayne was a member of the 1972 B Grade Premiership team that defeated Risdon in an upset at Central Oval.

Wayne was also a great clubman who also served as Trainer for the club from 1993 to 2000, a total of 8 years and on the Management Committee from 1998 to 1999. Wayne also played cricket for South Augusta from the 1970's and played A and B grade for several years.

Wayne served during the Vietnam war and previously worked at the ETSA Power station before moving to Adelaide. He was known as a versatile player who could play in any position. He will be sadly missed, and club offers its condolences to Wayne's family and friends.



Condolences also to the family and friends of Ron Collins and Christine Evans, who both recently died. Ron was a stalwart of Port Augusta football, playing for Central Augusta and later being heavily involved with the Port Augusta League. Christine was the sister of Frank Evans who played in several B Grade Premierships in the early 1960's and the Evans family were great South Augusta supporters when they lived in Port Augusta. The club is thinking of family at this sad time.

Billy's Corner



St Kilda Football Club can confirm Assistant Coach Jared Rivers has tendered his resignation. Jared played in the South Augusta 2000 A Grade Premiership and came up through the juniors.

Rivers has accepted a coaching role at Melbourne Football Club, where he played 150 games between 2003 and 2012.

“Jared has been a great addition to our football club, and we were looking forward to him being at the club in 2026, but we completely understand his pull back to the Dees,” St Kilda CEO Carl Dilena said. “We thank Jared for his contributions to the Saints over the past 12 months and wish Jared, his wife Sophie and the entire Rivers family all the best.”

Also, on AFL news it was great to see ex junior Connor Rozee win the Bruce Webber Memorial for third place in the Port Adelaide Fairest and Best and another great season for him. We also congratulate Connor, and his wife Maisie on the arrival of their second child, Walter Robert. A little brother for Audrey.

Birthday Milestones in the last month include 70th birthday celebrations for 1981 and 1983 A Grade Premiership player Don Pasculli and 1983 A Grade Premiership player Toby Bury. 2025 A Grade coach Adam Grantham also turned 40 this month, many happy returns to these lads and we wish many more in the future.

2016 A Grade Premiership player Daniel Roach proved that he still has what it takes when he was a valuable member of the C Grade Plympton side that recently won the Grand Final. Plympton also won the A Grade title in Division 3 and played in the B Grade final. South still has soft spot for that club as it gained some great players during the 5 in a row era from 2016-2020 including gun ruckman Matt Downey.

Pictured is Daniel after he received his medal amongst his fans, we hope to see him back for the 2016 10-year reunion next year.



Congratulations to A Grade player Mitchell French and Nikki Welsh who have recently married.

They are pictured here surrounded by their three beautiful children, Avary, Amelia and Alby.

We wish them all the best for their future happiness.

Billy's Corner



The Waterworth crew Jason, Jarrod and Rex who are all very happy Brisbane supporters went over the game when they were able to pick up some last-minute tickets, and they met up with Mitch Robinson who played a game for us last year. They undoubtedly all enjoyed the game and maybe talked him into coming back over this way again in the future.



Harry Waterworth has taken out the South Augusta Footy Tips for the second year in a row. Harry was so good he won by 14 points from the nearest rival and would have won the ESPN tipping competition if he submitted them online. Others to do well included newcomers John Duggan and Trevor Satour together with Zach Blinman.

Don't forget Racing tips start soon and many thanks to all those involved this year with funds going towards a South Augusta project.

Harry with the perpetual Footy Tips trophy, a replica of the MCG, which will be kept at the club.

While still on the AFL, this time the Women's competition we all have to barrack not necessarily for Port but for player Lauren Young who is the niece of Carol Shillabeer and cousin to Nicole and Mark. After two ACLs, a few setbacks and a concussion, she's made her debut in 2025. The Port website says "Part of Port Adelaide's academy program for a number of years, Young is a ready-made footballer who has excelled in the challenges presented to her thus far in her career. After missing the 2024 season with an ACL injury, Young will look to make her long-awaited debut in 2025". Good luck Lauren (pictured below, centre)



**GAZZA'S GOSSIP****GAZZA'S GOSSIP**

The 1960's the SGL is formed.

The advent of the Spencer Gulf League during the 60's brought greater challenges to the club, with the League extending from four teams to twelve teams and including Port Pirie and Whyalla teams. In 1960 that year before the SGL formation South finished third, losing the preliminary final to West 17.14 to 8.11 with the best in the final Merv McKenzie, Don Harris, and Rubert Hearne. The A-Grade Captain Coach was former Sturt player Don Harris, and South won the Seconds grand final that year. Port Augusta representatives for the year were John Main, Don Harris, Merv McKenzie, Bill Virgo, and Keith McInnis with Merv McKenzie polling well in the Mail Medal, also winning the club's Fairest and Best. The new club rooms on Fern Street were opened in 1960 by Leo Nowak and Jim Brandel in front of a large crowd.

Beginning in 1961 the newly formed Spencer Gulf League was made up from the following teams from Port Pirie came, Ports, Solomontown, Propriety and Risdon. From Whyalla came North Whyalla, West Whyalla, South Whyalla and Central Whyalla and the four teams from Port Augusta were South Augusta, West Augusta, Central Augusta and Willsden.

South's first year in the SGL was not a good one with the team finishing tenth under the guidance of A Grade Coach Allan Dighton. Allan Dighton had left West Augusta to become Coach of South in a surprise move.

The Seconds Port Augusta League final was won by South with the score being South 7.8 to Central 6.6, Coach of the Seconds was Laurie McInnes.

South senior side were hit hard this year due to the player losses of Noel Hollingsworth, Don Harris who returned to Sturt, Robert Dedman, Bill McKenzie, Merv Pollard and Brian Masters.

In a great achievement Robert Martin from South won SGL Association Fairest and Best medals in both the Seconds and Under 18 Colts.

In 1962 South finished fifth under A Grade Coach Max Chynoweth. The A Grade Fairest and Best this year was Reg Richards. Life Memberships were awarded to Robert Nowak, John Main, Merv McKenzie and these players also represented South's in the SGL Squad that year.

President Rex Gellard had seen the club improve this year with much promise for the future years however the team performed badly the next year in 1963 with the committee not happy with the team's performance and it issued instruction that the team train regularly and develop more conditioning. Les Kittel the President of the day knew that if the club would be competitive in this new expanded league it may have to recruit some skilful players to the club.

In 1964 the loss of Reg Richard to Adelaide was a huge loss, however it did recruit well at the start of the year with inclusion of Jimmy Anderson from Darwin, Wally Redaway, Ray Hanrahan, and Mick Vanvacas among the new players.

Under the guidance of A Grade Coach Trevor Searle South defeated Ports in the Grand Final. South 11.17 to Ports 11.15. Best Players were Bill Virgo, Jim Anderson, Mick Vanvacas, Sam Moore, Gorden Harbridge and Trevor Searle. The crowd was reportedly 7,000 to 8,000 and it is regarded as the club's best premiership as it was in a twelve-team competition.

Looking forward to seeing you next month,

Gazza Kittel

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