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## North Hobart Football Club Newsletter 30 August 2019

### Season wrap

The seniors finished the year in superb fashion beating Clarence in the final game of the season at home under lights on August 23<sup>rd</sup> in a thriller by 5 points.

It was a brilliant way to finish a season of great improvement and a great way to farewell one of our favourite sons in Ollie Di Venuto, who kicked a vital goal in his final game.



**Club great Ollie Di Venuto is chaired off after his 153<sup>rd</sup> and final game for the club**

Col Garland was unstoppable up forward with six majors while young midfield gun Sam Caswell was superb and Callum Kilpatrick, Nick Lee, Harry Ireland, Sam Darley, Nathan McCulloch and Hugh Williams junior were all great contributors in a terrific team performance.

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>North Hobart</b>	2.5-17	3.9-27	8.10-58	9.13-67
<b>Clarence</b>	3.1-19	4.3-27	8.6-54	9.8-62

#### **North Hobart**

##### **Goal Kickers:**

C. Garland 6, S. Darley, O. Di Venuto, H. Williams

##### **Best Players:**

S. Caswell, C. Garland, C. Kilpatrick, S. Darley, H. Ireland, N. Lee

#### **Clarence**

##### **Goal Kickers:**

C. Nield 3, B. Rubock 2, N. Holmes, L. Borsboom, J. Preshaw, K. Wylie

##### **Best Players:**

E. Jackson, B. Jones, O. Paprotny, J. Bealey, J. Holmes, C. Riley

The seniors won three games this year (two more than last year) and were extremely competitive in many more.

Statistically the team was an eight goal per game better team this year than last year, and our percentage grew from 28 at the end of season 2018 to 61 at the end of this year. If that improvement is replicated next year, we could finish 3<sup>rd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup>.

We done to all the players and the coaches in Richard Robinson (Senior Coach) and his assistants, Aaron Vince, Luke Curtain, Col Garland, Hugh Williams senior and Will Perry and huge thanks also to the great roles Nathan McCulloch and Brent Williams play in strength and conditioning. Many thanks to Todd Appleby and Les Allie for the important roles they play too as runner and statistician respectively.

Big thanks to our trainers headed up by Ash Pearton and her great team comprising Ty Brown, Ian Walker, John Gibb, Rey Subramaniam and Sam Pearton. Also, a big thanks to our physios from Back in Motion Liam Blue, George Gavalas and Hamish Anderson and for the great work that Daniel Gerrard, Josh 'Cookie' Mione and Maree Smith carry out too.

Many thanks to Russell Burleigh and Tam Norton for being the match managers for the Seniors and Dev League teams respectively.

Our Development League team won 5 games and also improved by an average of 8 goals per game compared to 2018, which is also promising.

Again, well done to the players and the coaches Jim Ransom and Ray Becker. There is a lot of talent in the Dev League that we expect to continue to develop and play senior football next year and, in the years ahead. Many thanks as well to Paul Payne as Dev League runner.

Our Ladies team couldn't quite repeat the heroics of last year that saw them make the grand final and suffered the heartbreak of a narrow loss to University in the elimination final after a year in which they performed creditably winning 8 games. The growth of our women's program has been enormous and saw us with a squad of around 40 players during 2019.

Well done to all the players and to Head Coach Greg Grubb, assistant coaches Sam Grubb and Steve Bailey, Strength and Conditioning coach Chris Price and to match manager and Women's Football Director Jasmine McLeod.

The board has decided that our Ladies team will remain in the SFL next year.

Also, many thanks to Ricky McCulloch and Jacob Howard for the great roles they played in coaching the under 18s and collaborating so well with the NHFC coaches and in providing opportunities for the Under 18s.

### **Best and Fairest night is on October 4**

The Club's Best and Fairest night for all teams will be held on Friday October 4 in our social rooms with a similar format to last year.

Wattlebanks Catering will again cater for this year's event after great feedback from last year and the beautiful food they provided at the Red and Blue Ball this year.

Club members and supporters are asked to consider if they would like to donate some money towards a trophy - can you please contact the club at [gm@nhfc.net.au](mailto:gm@nhfc.net.au) or [president@nhfc.net.au](mailto:president@nhfc.net.au).

### **Redevelopment update**

The \$1.26 million redevelopment is going well and is on schedule.

The concrete slab has just been poured for the kiosk and cool room on the Hill and the old coaches and media box have been removed and will be replaced by a new AFL compliant coaches and media box. There will also be terraced standing on the Hill and a roof over the wet area up there.

All this will be completed by the end of November this year with the lift to the Plaister Stand in place prior to Round 1 next year.



***The scene on the Hill on August 28***

## Great work to all involved in delivering our Community Engagement Activities

Well done to everyone involved in delivering our Community Engagement plan during the season.

Developing a plan and delivering on it is part of our agreement with AFL Tasmania however it's something we do anyway as part of our desire to engage with our community.

During the year we undertook a range of activities including the following:

- Ran footy clinics for kids at local schools for boys and girls and attending local Auskick sessions
- Ran a footy clinic for boys and girls after the AFLW match on Feb 3.
- Organised a Speak Up Stay Chatty session (mental health awareness) for our under 18 players.
- Organised a Work and Training information session (Work and Training are an Employment Company and one of our major partners, see picture below) for 15-20-year-old males and females to enable them to find out about apprenticeships and traineeships. This was attended by around 18 young people and a number of parents.



- Had a junior team as a guest at seven home games where they had a tour of our changerooms, Senior coach Richard Robinson spoke to them, they played a game on NHO at half time and had a drink and something to eat.
- Players and coaches visited both junior clubs during the Rep Game week and the following week to conduct training sessions.
- We hosted the North Hobart Junior Football Club's Kick-a-thon on Friday May 31.
- We partnered with Vinnies as part of the AFLW match on February 3 to raise money for the bushfire relief appeal and with The Salvos to raise money as part of their Red Shield Appeal on May 19 at the game against Glenorchy.

All up we delivered over 115 hours of football participation activities which more than delivered on our agreement with AFL Tasmania to provide 100 hours. We have one more event to do which is Footy Colours Day at St Mary's College on September 20.

Well done to all involved and in particular to our Women's team captain Krystal Kelly who led a number of the school clinics during the year.

### **Southern Primary Schools Sports Association Footy Carnival**

A great example of our community engagement activities is the brilliant work that senior players Sam Caswell, Callum Kilpatrick and Bailey Walker did in coaching the Demons (Hobart-based) team in the Southern Primary Schools Sports Association Footy Carnival held at Geilston Bay on August 27.

Sam, Callum and Bailey took two training and selection sessions in the lead-up to the carnival and coached the team in the carnival which was a one-day event.

Not surprisingly both Sam and Bailey played in the Grade 6 team in this carnival when they were at primary school! Well done boys, great stuff!



***From left Callum Kilpatrick, Sam Caswell and Bailey Walker with one of the team members.***



***Callum, Sam and Bailey pass on their coaching knowledge to the youngsters at quarter time.***

## Players Major Fundraiser

For the fourth consecutive year the North Hobart playing group will be delivering phone books in early October to raise much needed funds which will be redirected back into the football programs.

This year both the male and female playing groups will be working together during this fundraiser.

If any club members or supporters are willing to help out during the fund-raiser, please contact Hugh Williams Senior on 0447 877 639.

## Work and Training attend key education conference

One of our major partners, employment and training company Work and Training, attended a recent key education conference.

The Tasmanian Schools Administrators Association held a conference in August. This is an internal Education Department group that represents all school administrators made up of School Business Managers: key contacts for an employment and training organisation.

Thanks to contacts at the footy club, most notably Club Director Paul Gourlay who is also the HR Director at Department of Education, Paul was able to introduce Work and Training to key contacts and they were included at the conference in a booth along with other organisations and were able to speak directly to School Business Managers.

This shows once again what a great network our footy club has!



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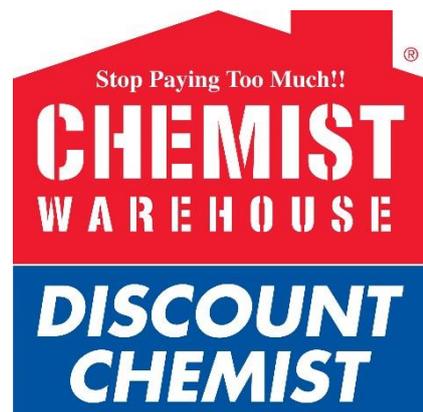
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