



Our Club Song

Good old Greyhounds forever
We know how to play the game
Side by side we stick together
For the glory of the Greyhounds name

Hear the barrackers shouting
Come on, show them how we fight
All the premierships are easy
For the mighty black and white



GLEBE GREYHOUNDS J AFC President's report

President's report

PRESIDENT PETER GOWERS



In the immortal words of Tom Jones:

*Yes, they'll all come to meet me, arms reaching, smiling sweetly.
It's good to touch the green, green grass of home.*

Yes, how good it was to touch the green, green grass of Jubilee Oval again in 2014! At home games, the Club looked a picture and was the envy of opposing teams. It also brought out the best in our players and 2014 saw some classic tussles played out on the green, green grass of Jubilee (although not so green for our last home game!). Thank you to Sydney City Council for the work it put in to rejuvenate our wonderful home ground.

2014 witnessed a record number of players wearing the Black & White with over 300 players signing up to play for the Greyhounds this season. This influx in numbers was due to the tremendous efforts of our Vice President/Recruitment Manager, Jason Howard, Registrar, Maxine Bartlett, and Auskick Co-ordinator, Kirsty Bass during the off-season/recruitment period plus our many school ambassadors who stuck up posters, distributed flyers and put information in school newsletters to help get the word out about the Greyhounds. Thank you.

This year we also welcomed many new Clubs to Jubilee for the first time such as Heathcote, Bangor, Penshurst, Cronulla and Miranda. AFL is growing.

Thank you also to our Club Captain and Vice Club Captain for 2014, Oscar Gibbins and Lachlan White. Your enthusiasm, commitment and leadership were appreciated and you represented the playing group admirably.

On the field, 2014 was a very successful year with all teams competing in the required Glebe style – hard but fair. A highlight of the year was our Under 13s, Under 14s, Under 15s & Under 17s Division 2 & 3 teams all making the semi finals of their respective competitions. Our Under 14s & 17s Division 2 made it all the way to the Big Dance with U17s taking out the major prize. Full details of the season enjoyed by all our teams are set out in the very well written team reports contained in later in this Yearbook.

None of the above achievements would have occurred without the effort and dedication of our coaching staff. A HUGE thank you to all coaches, assistant coaches, managers, runners, water carriers, boundary umpires, goal umpires and timekeepers.

Thank you to all those who assisted with serving behind the counter, cutting rolls, slicing onions, buying supplies and turning sausages. A special thank you to Mr Mark Gibbins, the well-known Glebe entrepreneur, for his countless hours behind the coffee machine!

2014 saw the Club enjoy its first electronic scoreboard to be named "The Winston Sammut Memorial Scoreboard" in honour of Winston's efforts to acquire it for the Club. Whilst Michael Dunlop had a dream in 2014 of seeing all players train in "Side by Side" training singlets. Thank you to Michael, Belle Property Glebe and The Merton Bistro for making Michael's dream come true.

2014 also witnessed Margaret Sammut's 5th and final year of editing and publishing the Dishlicker. Margaret you are a star! Thank you.

We are again privileged to be the recipients of a fabulous Glebe Greyhounds Yearbook for 2014. Thank you to Jamie Lamshed & Maxine Bartlett, with help from Diane Adair, for their tremendous efforts in putting this fantastic publication together.

The Club has enjoyed excellent support this year from our sponsors – Belle Property Glebe, The Merton Bistro and Café Morso. Your support of our Club is most appreciated and is vital for our continued success. Please support our sponsors who support us.

Farewell to those U17s leaving us. You have left a tremendous legacy.

2015 will be an exciting time to be around the Club and I urge you all to "GET INVOLVED".

Go the Greyhounds !

PETER GOWERS
President, Glebe J AFC





Swans visit



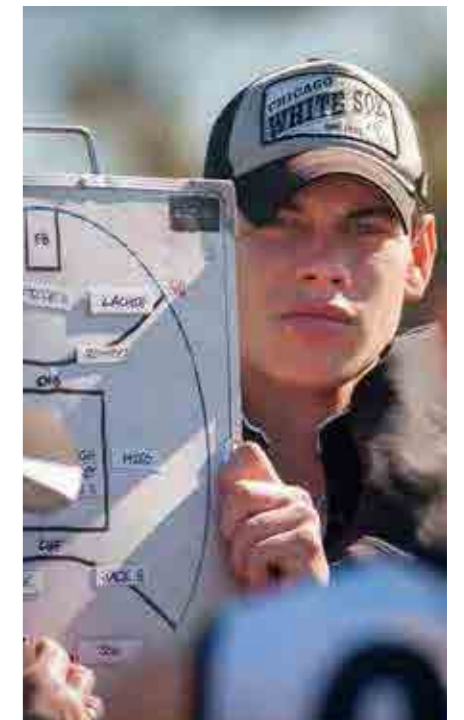


Around the grounds





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Umpires' round





Indigenous round





GLEBE GREYHOUNDS J AFC Auskick coordinator's report

COORDINATOR KIRSTY BASS



Well, it's been a giant year for Auskick. I have had a lot of fun around the club and loved meeting all the new Auskickers, their enthusiasm for footy is infectious.

We have seen Auskick explode in numbers this year, a testament to the welcoming, family atmosphere of the club and the patient, passionate coaches. The reason the kids really enjoy playing footy for the Glebe Greyhounds is the whole club experience that has lead so many of them to bring their friends down to register for Auskick. In season 2014 we had 145 Auskickers compared to 90 Auskickers in 2013. That's a 61% growth in 1 year!

The AFL has really ramped up their support of our club this year with the introduction of O Level Training for parents. They ran two sessions with Tim Fava who came down to instruct parents on proper techniques for hand passing and kicking. And we all know the importance of practice, practice, practice. Even our parents who have been with the club a few seasons benefitted with Christian Rugge-Price U8 parent saying "I didn't realise you hand passed with your knuckle, it doesn't hurt your thumb that way".

The Swans visits were fantastic with Keiran Jack, Buddy Franklin, Lewis Jetta, Craig Bird and Harry Cunningham all giving the kids an opportunity to sign their guernseys, chat about footy and also provide the mum's of the club with some great eye candy (perhaps some of the dad's too.)



Footy cards were introduced to the canteen this year and we kept the Melbourne distributor extremely busy with couriers up from Victoria every other week. They were like drugs to the Auskickers, their faces lighting up as they walked into the canteen and glimpsed the orange flash of the boxes. The footy card swaps at the end of each game were great and there were some interesting trades with Swans cards providing the ultimate trade.

We were given 3 opportunities to play half-time at the AFL games this year. A very rainy Swans v Nth Melb at the SCG, Swans v Geelong at the SCG and Qualifying Final Swans v Fremantle at ANZ. The coaches tell me the excitement in the race before running out was insane. These opportunities are fantastic for both the kids and parents. It's pretty cool telling your friends that you are playing at the SCG in front of 30,000 people and something that can be bragged about years later.

There are lots of people to thank around the club who make the footy experience look effortless. A big thankyou to all the Auskick coaches & managers you all do an amazing job, Maxine Bartlett U17 parent and club registrar & Glebe extraordinaire for her tireless work at the start and during the whole season, Peter and Fiona Clark U5 for their countless mid week trips to Jubilee to restock our canteen and serving on the BBQ many more times than they needed, Cain Sarah U5 coach for organising GWS v Collingwood tickets and Kevin Sheedy for presentation day, Janelle Kenchnington U6 Manager & her amazing team of roll cutters who turned up every home game at 7am to get us going, Luke MacDougall U13 assistant coach who came down to set us up with our new sound system on Saturday mornings and his inspired choice of the Ghostbusters theme to run through the banner, Jason Howard U9 parent and VP admin for his great organising skills and tireless efforts in making all the important club events and Swans visits so much fun, Don Chudleigh U14 parent who is every parents Tuesday night saviour by providing TNT for hungry families, Mark Gibbons U13/U17 parent who is also every parents Saturday morning saviour with the coffee cart being ready to go by 7.15am and to my own kids Gabe U12, Charlie U8 and Margot (not a footy fan) for being dragged to Jubilee every home game, being squashed by hot bread rolls in the car at 6.45am and helping out for hours on the canteen, ground manager's table and setup. Thanks to everyone who volunteered - coerced or not - on the BBQ and Canteen without you the club would be literally a poorer place. We have such a great ground and club house, we are the envy of many.

I have had a great year as Auskick Coordinator and am looking forward to another fun filled footy year ahead.



Auskick





U5s Coach's report & player profiles

U5s

COACH CAIN SARAH

COACH'S REPORT

Other than Harrison, for each of the other boys who formed part of the under 5s Greyhounds team, it was their first season of competitive Aussie Rules football. It was amazing to see the development from the first training session where barely a ball connected with boot, to the last game where players knew their positions, had learnt to run to space, take the odd bounce, find a team mate with precise kicking and generally play as a well oiled machine. To say my expectations were exceeded is a huge understatement. The kids seem to really want to learn and play the game as evidenced by barely a missed training session or game regardless of the conditions. I sincerely hope that each one of the boys returns next year as an under 6 ready to learn and develop their skills further.

Special thanks to each of the parents who helped with the games, recording of goals, cooking of BBQ, bringing oranges and generally ensuring the games and training ran efficiently. Special mention to Peter, Fiona, Steph, Lee, Terry, Paul, David and Grant whose help on game day and at training made my life a lot easier.



COACH	Cain Sarah
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PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best and fairest	Harrison Broderick
Most determined	Nicholas Roche
Most improved	Lachlan Williams
Superboot	Hamish Redden
Most skilful	Alexander Fulton
Best forward	Archie Sarah
Coaches award	Aston Clark-Holley
Most consistent	Christian Herfst
Greyhounds clubman award	Archie Natt
Most courageous	Will Turner
Best defender	Sebastian Costelloe
Encouragement award	Mac Rundell
Most naturally gifted	Emakhi Munro
Encouragement award	Oscar Sharp

HARRISON BRODERICK

Harrison takes out the best and fairest award. His small stature and quiet nature hide a very determined and skilful footballer who has an absolute love and passion for the game. He kicks the ball as well as any 8 year old, regularly takes the game on and is able to bring other players into the game, a very good trait for someone so young. Harry was a pleasure to coach, always listening and carrying out instructions to the letter and is someone I look forward to watching develop over the coming years. He is a definite star of the future.

NICHOLAS ROCHE

Like Harry, Nicholas has a passion for football like no one else, turning up to training every week in his swans jumper. He was super keen to attack the footy during games and his development was exceptional. Nicholas was always amongst the best players on the ground and towards the end of the season was confidently taking bounces, marking the ball and slamming through more than the odd goal. He was always quick to correct me in my post game speech if I missed how many goals he scored.

LACHLAN WILLIAMS

I cannot recall Lachie missing a training session or game and was an absolute pleasure to coach. Lachie's development over the year was great to see and he enjoyed training and games more than anyone. He was constantly seen running around the ground and almost commentating as the game played out. He managed to kick a few goals which always brought a smile to his face. Lachie was definitely a favourite amongst his team mates.

HAMISH REDDEN

Hamish's kick of the football has to be seen to be believed. It either works or it doesn't and when it does, it goes as far as Buddy kicks it. He slams it down onto his foot with brute force and more than a few times kicked goals from a long way out and on others almost took off an opponent's (or teammates) head. A regular at training and one of the boys who played every game. Hamish was a joy to coach always turning up with a massive smile on his face and seemingly enjoying every second of the season.

ALEXANDER FULTON

Alex understands the game better than anyone. He is very determined, competitive, focussed and is able to read the play and would run all day regularly coming off the ground at the end of the game red faced and exhausted. Alex had a tremendous year and will be another one to watch over the years. He took more marks than anyone else for the year and without fail, after every goal would celebrate with a little fist pump and a glance towards mum or dad to make sure they witnessed the moment. Alex was also a real pleasure to coach and it was a very close call between he and Harry for best and fairest.

ARCHIE SARAH

Archie had an excellent first year of football playing every game and not missing a training session. He was extremely consistent over the season and a solid contributor every week racking up plenty of possessions. Archie played his best football as a forward where a season highlight was 5 majors against the Giants one cold Saturday morning at Concord Oval. Archie was also very good at bringing other players into the game with effective handpassing and precise kicking to a Greyhound in space.

SEBASTIAN COSTELLOE

Sebby showed a lot of promise over the year and I believe with some more practice will develop his skills further and will be a player of the future. He was always a very keen defender stopping many goals on the last line of defence. He hit the scoreboard managing three majors in one game.

ASTON CLARK-HOLLEY

Aston did not miss a training session and only one game through illness. He turned up every week with his trademark headband and orange mouthguard looking like he had just stepped out of the 1980's. Towards the end of the season, Aston developed his signature move - a smother with his forehead. Aston was an excellent team player and was very selfless in the way he played, regularly doing the one percenters that get you the respect of your team mates. Without doubt the best singer of the song after games.

CHRISTIAN HERFST

Christian's kick of the football improved over the year more than anyone else in the team. By the end of the season he was kicking the ball with very good technique. Christian was very consistent and often bamboozled the opposition with a tricky move of wandering over to mum or dad, pretending to get a drink or something to eat before burning into the midfield to swoop on the ball and send it forward. As the season wore on, Christian started to kick some goals and finished with the very respectable total of 16 for the year.

ARCHIE NATT

Archie Natt was a very quiet achiever. One game in particular against the Giants he really came out of his shell and you could see his confidence grow. His skills and knowledge of the game developed very well as the season progressed. Archie was a very good trainer, always listening and doing everything asked of him. An excellent team player who epitomises what it means to be a Greyhound earning him the much coveted clubman award.

WILL TURNER

Will started the season a week or two after the others after I believe never having really picked up a football before. He was the one who probably developed his knowledge of the game more than anyone else. He is quite a bit bigger than the rest of the boys (about double the size of Emakhi) which gave him the confidence to throw himself into contests often barging out of the pack with the ball tucked under this arm. Will is very determined and enjoyed a great first year of footy.

MAC RUNDELL

Mac missed quite a few games but when he played, he showed signs that he could be a player of the future. His season highlight was a goal against the Newtown Swans in the second last game of the year. Mac often had opponents distracted with his gorilla like jumping around the field which meant his team mates would get the ball, move it forward and kick goals. Very selfless play Mac!

EMAKHI MUNRO

To say Emakhi is naturally talented is a big understatement. Emakhi joined the team about half way through the season and took to footy like a duck to water. From the moment he stepped onto the training track you could see he was going to be a very good player. He has a very natural kick of the ball and his ability to pick the ball up one grab and pass it to a team mate was very special. Often opposition parents were marvelling at his skill. His only downside was the frequent need to have a bacon and egg roll mid game to re-energise before coming back on and dominating. The goal now is to keep the rugby league recruiters away from him to ensure he remains with us.

OSCAR SHARP

Oscar was a team favourite and after 6 weeks he realised he had achieved all he could possibly achieve in the game for the year kicking 2 magnificent goals and promptly announced his retirement at a press conference attended by hundreds of adoring fans. Hopefully Oscar will be back next year bigger and better than ever





U6s Coach's report & player profiles

U6S

COACH MATT SMITH

COACH'S REPORT

The playing group swelled from 10 to 36 this year. Early on we all fought hard (mainly with each other) to get the skills going for the kids and let them get an understanding of what the game was about. Initially we just got the kids to concentrate on getting boot to ball and when this was going well worried about the more complicated stuff like not putting your finger in your teammates ears, pulling down pants or desecrating the Club song.

With so many kids, we would have been dead in the water without an organiser, someone supremely efficient and that somebody was Janelle Kenchington. Her role was crucial in getting us to games, keeping stats, organising wristbands, awards, the list goes on and on. Also her biggest achievement was to corral the parents into volunteering for set up and BBQ. The good news everybody is that we will be on set up next year so there will be no need to learn any new skills. A huge thanks to Janelle and Matt as they really gave a lot. Also, she did an awesome job in getting the coaches gifts!!

Chris Placencia has done a great job with the Blacks this year and whipped them into a tight unit which started to really gel and dominate. Without Chris around, Tuesday nights were have been pretty impossible so a huge thanks to him.

In relation to the Greys, I feel pretty bad that they did not have a Saturday Coach. I hope this did not impact upon their enjoyment of the game and that they come back next year. I would like to thank Andre Liem, Nick Morrison, Sam Jordan, Ian Millward and Stewart Cosgriff for helping out on game day. The Greys were all new to the game and initially I was a little concerned. I should not have bothered. They improved out of sight and really started to belt things around. They were often the team that got mixed in with the Blacks and Whites when the other sides were not able to come up with 3 teams so I guess it was a positive that they got to play games with all the guys in their age group. It was great to see them progress.

There were some serious highlights. The Blacks putting Concord to the sword early in the season set a standard for all to follow. The Greys playing down at Jubilee on the big field was a highlight and their physicality left a mark on the opposition. Literally! The White's clinical demolition of every team on Gala Day was a sight to behold.

Although the kids may be pleased that they get some time off from me blowing the pea out of the whistle and yelling at them to "mark up", "find space" "run", "get rid of it" (3..2..1..) I hope they all come back next year as I can see a really strong age group coming through. The best part of the year and honestly the most surprising, was the speed of the kids improvement and their passion for playing. They absolutely loved it. Also, as the cherry on top, the respect for the team chorus!! Nothing finer than belting that out after another great draw. Bring on 2015.



COACH	Matt Smith
ASSISTANT COACH	Chris Placencia
TEAM MANAGER	Janelle Kenchington

GREYS – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best Clubman	Aidan Cosgriff
Best Goalkicker	Oscar Crosbie-Smyth
Most Courageous	James Huynh
Most Improved	Henry Jordan
Best Defender	Gabriel Liem
Best Centre	James Morrison
Best Ball Winner	Shea Millward
Best Ruck	Oliver Milton
Rising Star	Hamish Paxton
Best Mark	Fin Swift

BLACKS – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best Ruck Man	Lachlan Rundell
Coaches Award	Jack Turnbull
Gun Full Forward	Joel Kenchington
Best Wingman	Sascha Christie-Day
Best Run Man	Luca Gardiner
Best Rover	Ruki Merlin
Coleman Medal	Isaac Placencia
Most Improved	Hamish Cahill
Best and Fairest	Cash Robinson
Best Back Man	Raphael Jolly
Best Team Mate	Harry Zylmans
Rising Star	Abe Race

WHITES – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best Defender	Ned Bennett
Match Winner	Hamish Burnicle
Best Mark	Liam Burnicle
Best Team Man	Charlie Morrison
Rising Star	Stanley Morrison
Best Midfielder	Remy Morrow
Most Improved	Oliver Farrar
Most Courageous	Tex Liu
Best Club Man	Oisin Moore
Coaches Award	Phoebe Pace
Best Goal Kicker	Patrick Smith

AIDAN COSGRIFF

Enthusiastic to a fault. That is the only issue I can raise about this kid. Loves the game and blossomed as the season went on. Dynamic on the field and dynamite efforts at training saw Aidan really push on. Once he got his name on the scorecard he was thirsting for more. He was an inspiration to the playing group and is a deserved winner of this inaugural award.

OSCAR CROSBIE-SMYTH

Oscar was scouted and recruit via the Irish draft and made an immediate impact and has been the greatest import into Sydney football since Tadgh and he gets the honorary award. Oscar loves a goal and boy did he know how to find his way between the big sticks. He kicked swags of goals on a few occasions and gave the opposition coaches headaches with his speed and elusiveness. A great addition to the fabric of this club.

JAMES HUYNH

James had a great first year with the Club and pushed himself all season long. He really took a liking to defence and throwing himself into the path of the opposition's players and kicks. He wanted to stop them so he did. Love to see reckless disregard for safety, particularly his own. Great contribution to the year and gets his award with bruises and blood as a side dish.

HENRY JORDAN

I don't think Henry will mind me saying that when he arrived at the Club he struggled with his kicking. I hope he does not mind because I have said it. However, with determination and graft, undertaking extra practice, he turned into one of the best and most reliable boots in the competition. He is a shining light to his contemporaries that hard work does pay off. Without a shadow of a doubt the most improved in all of the under 6 teams.



GABRIEL LIEM

Gabriel is a natural footballer who was one of the early standouts at pre-season training. An ability to read the ball in flight and win ground level contests for the pill was matched by his accuracy with the boot. Best part of his game though was his willingness to work hard both with the ball and without. His tracking back in defence and marking up on opponents was great to see and saved many scoring shots from the other teams. Good stuff Gabe, see you next year.

JAMES MORRISON

James was spotted early by the coaching community as a stand out and one to watch. Great speed and hand to eye skills were evident. This translated into perfect skills for the sport. He had one memorable game in a contest at Drummoyne where he opposed some other Greyhounds when he must have rubbed the grip off the Sherrin he had so many possessions. He is the definition of "see ball, get ball". Was nominated for a few awards, this is his.

SHEA MILLWARD

The kids love playing at this age. However, Shea LOVES playing! He is a player you want in your team, runs hard all day and leaves it all on the track to get a result for the team. He is best in and under around the contest, winning the ball and tearing it out of the maul of bodies on the ground. From there he either gets on the pedal or he sinks the slipper into it to get it forward. Great to have in the team and not the other side.

OLIVER MILTON

Oliver would often ask, can I go in the ruck? Who am I to say no? A few coaches mentioned he was a big kid. That is irrelevant, it is about attitude. For the first time in the history of this competition we have a ruckman who won every contest he was involved in and hit it to advantage. Congrats. He has a big boot and once the radar gets tuned he will bombing the goals from distance when having a spell down forward. What a talent.

HAMISH PAXTON

Hamish had a good start to the year and he was all effort but used his smarts to get in and around the opposition. He did not play out the season, which is a pity and we hope to see his return in 2015.

FIN SWIFT

Fin was an exceptional player and this could be his breakout year. Outrage and running power were more than complemented by his attack on the footy. Great hands allowed him to take a number of great grabs. The power of the mark is that it halts the opposition attacks and sets up attacks. Fin recognised this and became the teams best mark merchant. Well played champ.

LACHLAN RUNDELL

Lachlan "Pikey" had a solid year, played most of the game and nailed his maiden goal in the last game of the year! He showed his teammates the true way to celebrate, not only goals but near misses (the dreaded behind). An upcoming star and one to follow.



JACK TURNBULL

Jack Turnbull "Richo" is one of my favourites. He always put in when he was on the field. Jack's pick up and snap for goal is still a picture clear highlight of the year. Pulled up sore, off for a spell & sure to come back better.

JOEL KENCHINGTON

Joel "Buddy" is a tough uncompromising forward whose conversion rate in front of goal is at 99%. He was a key player throughout the season. His ability to converse with opposing player while converting for goal, GOLD. Joel's running speed improved remarkably this year. A seasoned performer, I'm looking forward to next season.

SASCHA CHRISTIE-DAY

Sascha "Hanners" a very tough midfielder who excelled at his first year in the Black & White. His fearless attack on the ball winning him many admirers. Sascha is a solid player who will enjoy plenty of ball in the years to come.

LUCA GARDINER

Luca "Jetstar" improved towards the end of the year getting many more kicks and he nailed a couple of great goals. His work rate was pleasing to watch as he chased and chased. He had a good second season and will be better for the run. Another one to watch in the new year.

RUKI MERLIN

Ruki "Benny" is another tough midfielder who became a great links man through the centre. He also showed enormous courage to play the back end of the season with a fractured finger. A definite favourite who will take a lot of catching in future years.

ISAAC PLACENCIA

Isaac "Isaac Smith" is the great goal sneak, who snuck past his mate to nail his first Coleman medal. His participation was a lot better than the previous year. Isaac mastered the art of kissing the ball goodbye before sending it through, which may have helped him achieve the Coleman. A potential star in the making who will need blinkers in the future to fully concentrate.

JACK MAIDEN

Jack Maiden "Birdy" gave a sound effort throughout year and showed glimpses of brilliance to clear the ball from the centre in a number of games. He has worked hard to develop his hand ball and kicking skills during the year to show great improvement.

HAMISH CAHILL

Hamish "Tippo" in his first year was the most improved player who took his game to a new level this year. His anticipation of the ball making him a ball magnet, his pick up and carry a constant highlight of the year.

CASH ROBINSON

Cash "Goodsey" had a stellar year and improved with every run. He came into his own this year after a solid pre season. His marking and kicking will surely have other codes circling. Looking forward to seeing him run around next year. A future group 1 winner.

RAPHAEL JOLLY

Raphael "Grundy" was another to take his game to a new level. Raph is a solid back man able to go forward when asked to kick a few goals. In one game Raph saved 4, went forward to nail 3 and kicked one from outside 50. Potential top flight player with plenty of will to win. Not to be underestimated.

HARRY ZYLMANS

Harry "Parks" is a gutsy forward not scared to put in, he had a great first season and is certainly on the improve. He was loved by all his team mates and was always up for a laugh. One to watch in the new year, has a big motor.

ABE RACE

Abe "Reidy" is another great addition to our team. Abe made a huge impact and combined well with others to always bring the ball forward with precision. He showed great foot skills through out and is another star in the making. Huge run first up.

NED BENNETT

They say key position players need time to develop. Ned is the exception. Game 2 of the season against Drummoyne down by the water, Ned took two screamers above his head to provoke gasps from the crowd while he prevented 2 certain scores. From that point on both Ned and his coach knew it. He was our lynch pin in defence. Able to organise his teammates with authoritative waves of his hands, looking like an Italian traffic cop, Ned provided a command presence at the back end.

HAMISH BURNICLE

New to the Greyhounds, Hamish was a hit. Plenty of yards made with the ball in his mits. He loves sniffing out a goal and managed to be first to the ball consistently to get the Greyhounds moving. Looked like a natural in most positions with his speed and ability to read the game setting him as a real prospect. Loved the link play and his energy was contagious.

LIAM BURNICLE

Liam came to the club after the coach had recruited him from the playground from Forest Lodge primary, fertile territory for 2014. It was obvious to all that he had good hands but the question was, could he convert that onto the oval fielded game. The award answers that question. If the ball was in the air from a kick and it was in the vicinity of Liam, it was always going to be a mark. Give him bombs or lightning fast torps, he was going to latch on. DStudies were undertaken and he has glue like skin. Riddle solved.

CHARLIE MORRISON

Another member of the Boyce St mob, Charlie was an ever-present member of the side and really grew an understanding of the game and where to put the ball to the advantage of teammates. He has an unselfish streak, which benefits the side in that he is always looking for players in better positions. He provided a cog in one of the plays of the year. His kick in rewarding Remy for working to space, set of a chain of passes which led to a goal without the ball hitting the deck.

STANLEY MORRISON

I love a left footer in the team, like having your very own Lance Franklin. The way a left footer throws the opposition out, they don't know what to do. Stanley is a left footer and his kicking went to a new level by the end of the season. Combine that with his gut running and you get a kid with some real talent and potential to make a lasting impression with the Club. A rising star!

REMY MORROW

Remy had a year or two out of the game. It was worth the wait to get him back in the team. He has been a mate of mine for years now and it was great to have him back. He came back revitalised and determined. He is a big-bodied midfielder in the David Mundy Josh Kennedy mould and in the back end of the year he was able to really win lots of ground level contests to set up some forward raids. The game against Newtown at their Haloumi Oval of peace and tranquility was his stand out performance.

OLIVER FARRAR

This was the easiest award for me to give. Oliver improved out of sight and came home with a wet sail. He is a red hot goer and it is no surprise that he improved as the season went on as was always one of the kids I could rely on at training to give his all and hone his skills. He is a good listener and brought his A game to the Gala Day when he kicked his best goal of the year but was close to netting a bag.

TEX LIU

Last year, I had Tex's sister Matisse in my team. Tex joined this year and brought the same determination but his own twist. Tex is a purist when it comes to the smother. His tenacity is unparalleled. He will not let them get away. Arms straight forward, head over the ball, no regard for his money making face. Unfortunately, we did not keep stats on the smothers but he must have done at least 2 a game. Easily most courageous.

OISIN MOORE

Your club-man is the one who gives his all to inspire his teammates. Doing all the little things, the one percenters that give the team the slightest of edges. Nothing shows on the stat sheets, but the people who notice, the teammates are the ones who count the most. That is where Oshy came in to his own. He fronted up every week and gave it a real go and enjoyed himself. He had an impact on all and got the Club Man award easily.

PHOEBE PACE

Phoebe came late to the season and we were lucky to have her company for the season. She was super keen and settled herself into the forward line with consummate ease even though she had missed out on the pre-season and early season skills sessions. She always presented but we look forward to her return next season after a year of soaking the game up.

PATRICK SMITH

Paddy was at an advantage as this was his third season. His other advantage, his determination and obsession with the game. He had a great year and topped the goalkickers list with a couple of beauties on Gala Day bringing applause from parents of both teams. The most pleasing part of the year was to see Paddy practice hard, particularly his passing by foot which was a real highlight and allowed the ball to be shared around the team. Great to see him make sure the other forwards got their shots on goal as well.





U7s Coach's report & player profiles

U7s

COACH MICHAEL DONALDSON

2014 was a great season! We welcomed a number new exciting debutants to the club. All were a pleasure to coach and were great on the paddock. They already have us excited about 2015.

2014 also saw us back at Jubilee oval. We hosted the spiritual Welcome to Country ceremony at the start of the year, the Swans and home games every second week. The additional home games meant that we all needed to help out around the club and it was great to see parents pitch in with the canteen and the BBQ. Special thanks to Ben Hunt for his assistance with game day umpiring and all our stats.



COACH	Michael Donaldson
ASSISTANT COACH	Mark Kimberley

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Most Courageous Player	Declan Williams
Goal of the year	James Hardy
Run of the year	Noah MacKenzie
Mark of the Year	Tom Evans
Ball Magnet of the year	William Nichols
Rookie of the year	Finlay Wake
Most improved	Ryan Thomas
Stawell Gift Medalist	Oscar Badman
Coleman Medalist	Will Kimberley
Best Forward Pocket	Leo Hoenig
Brownlow medalist	Benjamin Hunt
Super Boot	Tobias Lindsay
Rover of the year	Jake Donaldson
Best Wingman	Henry Souter
Defender of the Year	Massimo Henderson
Debutant of the Year	Oliver Chaplin
Midfielder of the Year	Xavier Jacks
Clubman of the Year	Micah Ford
Best and Fairest	Charlie Joyce
Centre half back of the Year	George Griffith
Sandover Medalist	Connor Redden
Ruckman of the year	Harper Rauchle
Rising Star	Billy O'Brien
Best Contested Ball	Angus Rundell

DECLAN WILLIAMS

Playing in his first year with the club, Declan was always super keen to get his hands on the leather. He perfectly sharked packs for any loose balls, but would pause, perhaps a little surprised, once it was in his hands. With each game his confidence and self belief grew. Fast forward to round 13, at Wagener Oval, against West Magpies Declan was at the bottom of every pack digging the ball out. While he was taken off to the tuckshop for medicinal purposes following a knock to his knee, his courage and enthusiasm shone bright that day.

JAMES HARDY

They don't come more passionate than James. Off the field, he's first in the queue for autographs from the Swans, keen to have a chat with John Longmire or help with the pre-game setup. On the field he certainly loves booting a goal. He's a left footer and his favourite hunting ground is the left forward pocket. Following a rare Maroubra fumble, James was handed the ball and lined up from goal deeeep in the left pocket, behind the boundary line. Degree of difficulty scoring from there? Impossible. Yet James took it up to eleven by playing on, doubling back and then popping it over his right shoulder. A ridiculous goal celebrated with a hearty (hardy) fist pump.

NOAH MACKENZIE

Noah started the season quietly, but surprised everyone with a perfect Nic Naitanui tap from the ruck, rove and goal. To prove it wasn't a fluke he did it twice more! Considering that it was against East and at Trumper it was even sweeter. Noah was white hot that day and earned him run of the year. We'll done!

TOM EVANS

Tom is certainly a hard at it player and often can be spotted chasing a loose ball with a slight furrow on his forehead. However Tom also loves marking the ball and while we could describe each of his great grabs on Saturday's games, I'd like to focus on one Tuesday night training session where we had a knockout marking competition. Tom was in the final and the Sherrin had already volleyed between Tom and his challenger half a dozen times. Each time his team mates would loudly clap and chant his name. Tom went on to win the comp and all the accolades of his mates. There can be no greater honour.

WILLIAM NICHOLS

Bobby Skilton and Dick Reynolds are legends of the game with both winning the Brownlow medal three times. Nobody has won the same medal in three consecutive years. The Greyhound's "Ball Magnet of the year" award can be likened to the Brownlow and to win it once is awesome, but to win it three years in a row is a testament to Will's hard work. Whenever there's a hard ball to be won, Will will either emerge from a pack with the ball or standing in front with his hands up, forming a screen. He also loves a goal - which we love too!

FINLAY WAKE

Finn made the switch from League to AFL this year. In the past few years the AFL has wooed a number of Leaguies over, such as Karmichael Hunt and Israel Falou who haven't lived up to the hype. We therefore naturally dialled back our excitement and waited to see how he'd go on the paddock and under pressure. How did he go? Well his brilliant debutant season was capped off with a five goal, B.O.G performance in the gala day grand final that left the opposition and their coach stunned. His last goal was a 50m bomb from just inside the boundary line. Legendary stuff.

RYAN THOMAS

Ryan took his game up another rung this season and picked up two coach's gongs along the way for his games against Concord and Newtown - which are certainly no easy beats. The key difference has been his ferocity at the ball and around packs - usually with Henry at his side. Great job Ryan.

OSCAR BADMAN

Debuting this year, Oscar took no time in showing that a) he loves a goal and b) he is genuinely quick. Once the ball is in his hands, he quickly breaks free from the packs, bolts down the wing and into attack. His speed and pace therefore make him the clear winner of the Stawell Gift medal for 2015. The coming seasons look even brighter for Oscar as the ground size increases. Watch this space.

WILL KIMBERLEY

This year Will clocked up a number of big milestones: 50 games and winning the leading goal kicker award, the Coleman medal, for the third year in a row! A three-peat of the Coleman medal is a massive achievement. Well done. While he enjoys kicking goals, unlike other full forwards such as Locket and Buddy, he likes to equally involve his team mates. Will's hunger for the footy, runs from the half back line through the middle right through to the forward line. His footy smarts are also a joy to watch.

LEO HOENIG

In the thick packs that form around centre half forward and in the forward pocket, a special player is needed to navigate the traffic and make time stand still. Think Leon Davis' or Nick Davis' (unrelated) preliminary final performances. Leo is that type of player. Cucumber cool, great at navigating traffic, a well balanced great kick and more importantly somebody who knows where the big sticks are!





BENJAMIN HUNT

Ben's always been solid at marking or kicking the footy. This year he really stepped up and was a consistent and prolific ball winner in every game and across every term. Even against strong teams like East, he did not drop his shoulders and still ran hard to space to win us the footy. Up front, he didn't butcher the ball. He would just turn, run a couple of yards, straighten up and kick the ball over the goal umpire's hat. Ben was therefore the clear winner for this year's Brownlow.

TOBIAS LINDSAY

This year we welcomed Tobias back from a year's sabbatical. Where did he go? We don't know, but we're certainly glad to have him back! While Tobias is solid in and around packs and his marking is faultless, his lnnnnng, laser guided, kicks from defence fill the team with confidence. He therefore deservedly claims the Super boot title. Tobias' skills will certainly stand out over the coming seasons where marks are crucial and long kicks key.

JAKE DONALDSON

Out for the first three games with a broken thumb, Jake starred in his return game against Concord booting two goals and teaming up with Ben Hunt for a dozen hand passing runs from defence. Great stuff. Jake style of play is reminiscent of ex-Collingwood captain, Tony Shaw who was a tough, no non-sense mid-fielder who created plays with his 30m hand passes and short kicks. Tony Shaw and Jake have something else in common. They are mad talkers, constantly distracting players with chatter before breaking away and scooping up the ball. Talks a lot, but atones when required. Perhaps next year when they play with mouth guards we'll see more footy.



HENRY SOUTER

The Lone Ranger and Tonto. Batman and Robin. Maverick and Goose. Everyone needs a wingman and there was no better wingman the Henry! Henry's silky skills by foot or hand were a delight to watch. He would often team up with his buddy Ryan and link a chain of hand passes through the middle, perfectly delivering the ball to our forwards. Given that this was Henry's first year of AFL, his footy future looks bright.

MASSIMO HENDERSON

The AFL has accolades for kicking goals (Coleman medal) or disposals (Brownlow). However, once you get to the grand final it is the back line that is key. Dustin Fletcher, Stephen Silvagni, Tom Harly, Matt Scarlett, Brian Lake... are all legends in the part of ground where you need a cool head and dependable execution. Max's calmness, read of the play, fearless smothers and long kicks make him a stand out in our defensive half. He's also great at organising his teammates, ensuring our structures are just right. We'll done!

OLIVER CHAPLIN

All kids start Auskick as pieces of clay to be moulded. When Oliver showed up this year, he needed some moulding, but it is fair to say that by the end of the year no player on the team had improved more from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. After only slotting a couple of goals through round twelve, Oliver ended the year on a four game goal streak. Oliver is to be commended for his hard work and great attitude. We look forward to seeing him next year to see how much he improves over the summer.

XAVIER JACKS

Xavier was part of this year's rookie class and he quickly fit into the team through his hard work and effort. He was great throughout the year and constantly ran hard for the ball. Xavier improved as the year went on and he began to really understand the importance of positioning. He was the team's midfielder of the year for his ability to be in the right place at the right time to take the ball from the backs to the forwards.

MICAH FORD

Micah was one of this year's most pleasant surprises. While not the largest hound on the park he was definitely one of the most tenacious. He was all over the ball whenever it came near him and he was always up for a pass. Micah not only was great on the field but he was great off the field, as he was always quick to support his teammates, which is why he was the easy choice for this year's Clubman of the Year.

CHARLIE JOYCE

Charlie was new to the club, but it didn't take him long to pick up the Greyhound way of top skills, top bloke and top sportsmanship. Charlie was a revelation with his quality play, but he was also the first to stick up his hand if someone was needed to fillout numbers on the other team. Charlie's great play in all phases of the game made him a natural leader on the park and an easy choice as the Best and Fairest.

GEORGE GRIFFITH

George was an imposing presence on the field this year, but not only did he have size, but he backed it up with speed and a quality kick. George was noticed by the coaches as a player who always had his eye up looking for the open man. George was part of the new wave of Greyhound players this year, having been signed as a free agent from another club. It was noted by some that only Buddy was a better transfer (marginally) this year. We look forward to seeing George next year!!

CONNOR REDDEN

The Sandover is a medal given by WAFL for the best and fairest. I had to look that up. We are not sure about Connor's WA credentials but we are sure that he was one of the top players on the park this year. When Connor had the ball in hand, there was a sense of calm (with some anticipation) amongst all the spectators as everyone knew the ball was in good hands and they were about to see something special. We look forward to seeing Connor run out in the black and white next year.

HARPER RAUCHLE

Harper was one of this year's grizzled veterans. (I'm sure I saw him shaving before a game one morning) and he was at his best in the ruck. Harper was naturally aggressive, but also had the soft hands required to lay the ball softly into the waiting midfielders for a solid clearance. Harper was always looking to get into the middle of everything and we know that his competitive fire will carry over to next year.

BILLY O'BRIEN

Billy has that spark that all great players have. He often arrived to games early and when the whistle blew he was on his game. As the year progressed Billy became more and more important to the structure of the team and played some of his best games when the contest was in doubt. Billy has been identified as a star of the future and the team expects great things from him next year.

ANGUS RUNDELL

Angus was a riddle wrapped in an enigma surrounded by great footy talent. Angus needed a little revving up on some mornings, but when fully engaged he was dynamite in getting the ball out of the tightest and toughest places. Angus paired up beautifully with Noah this year and the two of them could often be seen taking on, in combination, opposing players with Angus's role to go in strong and retrieve the ball. Angus had a great year.





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COACH SIMON TRACY

In The Hitchhikers Guide To the Galaxy a race of hyper intelligent, pan dimensional beings (who appear in this dimension as white mice) created the super computer Deep Thought to answer the ultimate question of life, the universe and everything. For seven and a half million years Deep Thought pondered the question before coming up with the answer of 42. It seems Deep Thought took so long to come up with the answer it forgot the question, and so the Earth was created to come up with the question.

Sydney Aussie Rules fans, vexed by our ultimate question "How do we get footy happening here?", responded by forming clubs like our own Glebe Greyhounds all the way back in 1980. In 2014 we may have learnt the answer. 42. There were 42 players in the U8's this year. Those are numbers so significant we capped rego's for the first time ever. Has the question been answered? I've been so busy I've forgotten what it was.

Four teams comprised the U8 Greyhounds, Black, White, Grey and Hounds, and with a healthy intake of players new to Aussie Rules we had a robust mix of experienced and fresh players in each team under the watchful eyes of the plucky Dan Kenny, the debonair Greg Smith and the dapper Mike Cooney.

The U8's were lucky enough to play half time at Swans vs North Melbourne at the SCG in the rain, something even our players who have been with us since U5s hadn't experienced before. It's fair to say the excitement was explosive. The noise in the tunnel prior was like a jumbo taking off... except we're used to that in the inner west. It was like the screams from Newtown residents when they discovered their favourite barista had moved to Byron overnight taking his tattooed arms, aloof attitude and recipe for single origin, fair trade, organic quinoa friands with him. That's how loud it was. Velayus Wynne from the Hounds team timed a mark beautifully with a roar from the crowd that we think was clearly meant for him, and Sam Howard and Charlie Bass-Tracy from the Black team made it onto the slow motion highlights on channel 7 during the telecast.

There was another opportunity to play half time at some other game, might have been Swans vs Geelong, I forget. Anyway, the players seemed to enjoy it... I think... I don't remember... who cares anyway? It's only footy.

Flamboyant goal celebration were all the go amongst the U8's, with Charlie Sarah and Luca Smith from the Hounds and Luca Cooney from the Whites earning themselves solid reps with suitably over the top performances. James Fulton from the Greys went bananas after scoring the goal that would have won the game at a Gala Day (if we kept score), and a particular highlight of 2014 was during the Glebe U8's White vs Blacks game, a cracker of a game to watch played at a very high standard, when Bill Smith ran up to the goals, saluted the crowd and slotted one through. Classy.



COACH	Simon Tracy
TEAM COACH	Dan Kenny
	Greg Smith
	Mike Cooney
ASSISTANT COACH	Angus MacDougall (U13s)
MANAGER	Kirsty Bass

BLACK – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best Defender	Charlie Bass-Tracy
Best Centre	Will Killen
Best Ruckman	Coby Liu
Best Centre	Thomas Moss
Best On Ball	Alex Norman
Ball Winner	Luis Placencia
Mark Of The Year	Harry Powditch
Coaches Award	Zach Rodger
Best Goal Kicker	Felix Ruge-Price
Best Rover	Parker Stevenson

GREY – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best & Fairest	Xavier Busch
Most Improved	Aiden David
Goal of the Year	James Fulton
Best Defender	Rory Gamble
Best Leading Forward	Finn Glindemann
Clubman Award	Arndt Haesler
Best Backman	Will Henderson
Key Forward Award	Will Kenny
Best Inside Player	Saxon Kerr
Sublime Boot Award	Flynn Morrison
Best Runner	James Schmidt



HOUNDS – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best Allrounder	Nicholas Andreacchio
Most Improved	Hugh Davis
Most Courageous	Alex Herfst
Best Team player	Aaron Hoenig
Most Determined	Oli O'Callaghan
Best Back Man	Charlie Sarah
Best On Baller	Luca Smith
Best Ball Winner	Harry Wadland
Best Support Player	Ned Wadland
Best New Recruit	Finn Walsh
Most Versatile	Velayus Wynne

WHITE – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best Emerging Talent	Oscar Bristow
Best Goal Kicker	Luca Cooney
Best Midfielder	Henry Daniels
Best Runner	Rupert Gillies
Most Determined Player	Frank Lewis
Best Team Player	Matisse Liu
Best Defender	Rowan O'Connor
Best Mark & On Baller	Bill Smith
Natural Talent Award	Linus Stafford
Coach's Award	Oliver Wallis
Most Improved	Angus Young

MILESTONES	
50 Games	Charlie Bass
	Bill Smith
	Felix Ruge
	Will Kenny
	Velayus Wynne



The Grey team struggled a bit during the year, but all credit to them, they never let themselves get down and on the final Gala Day of the year won three out of their four games with Xavier Busch leading the way as he did all season. If we scored that is.

There were some outstanding grabs across all the teams this year, with special mentions to Harry Powditch, who seemed to wander out of packs of three or four opposition players with the ball in his hands an expression on his face that can only be described as nonchalant, Thomas Moss who would run back with the flight, eyes on the ball and leave the coach and parents watching through their fingers, and Hugh Davis who just became enormous as the season went on using his height and safe hands to pluck the ball from the air.

U8's in the last year of Auskick, and it's a little sad in some ways. Coaches have shouted "no tackling" for all these years, then next year we'll be shouting "tackle, please, for the love of God, tackle". Of course the players have been ready for it for ages. Some of them are just desperate to get their hands on someone, anyone. Rowan O'Connor is one who, in the absence of tackling, mastered the art of the fair (but good) hip and shoulder, something that came in handy when the Whites came up against a particularly physical team and the Whites held their ground well and left coach Mike very proud.

Following a game between the Blacks and the same team there were complaints of sledging. "Don't worry about it" said the coach. "It doesn't matter. All that matters is that you were good sports and played the game in the right spirit." "I kned him in the back" replied one of our players.

I'd like to thank Mike, Greg and Dan for their work with their teams this year. We all acknowledge we have a very good playing group and it's been a really great season on the field. Thanks boise.

Angus MacDougall from the U13's helped every Tuesday at training has been fantastic and invaluable to helping teach our players skills. Even when they're 10 of them gang tackling him to the ground.

A huge thank you to Kirsty Bass, my gorgeous wife and the most frustratingly organised Auskick Coordinator and team manager in the region. Kirsty spent many hours this year getting mud maps sorted, emailing parents and helping with ground set up even when U8s weren't playing. Can you imagine being married to her? Best not to mention Gala Day timetables to her though.

To all the parents who have helped this year, whether with on field stuff at training and game day or off field at home games on the BBQ, ground set up and canteen, thank you. You're the reason the club continues.

So what will the off season hold for our players? Practice I hope. Plenty of practice. U9's is a big step up, the ground is bigger, there's tackling, there are real umpires. It's going to be hard work, but heaps of fun. Players with the natural talent and ability will get some of the way, but there is no substitute for enthusiasm, enjoyment and love of playing. Don't underestimate the power of going for a kick in the park. That whole 10,000 hours thing is real. Brett Kirk, every blokes man crush, was delisted by the Swans. Twice. It wasn't his boyish grin or fantastic hair that got him back in the side to be remembered as one of the greatest Swans captains ever. It was relentless hard work and determination. The players who like the game, have made new friends and enjoy being on the paddock who will be the next Brett Kirk or Joel Selwood. They might not be a frontrunner in 2015, but you wait, when the Greyhounds U16 Div 1 team runs on for the Grand Final in 2022 a fair chunk of that team will be the same players we saw run around in the black and white for the U8's in 2014. Go the Mighty Greyhounds.

**CHARLIE BASS-TRACY**

2014 was another good season for Charlie, and again saw him take his game to a new level. Always a competitive ball winner, Charlie presents as a reliable target for his teammates and makes good decisions when under pressure. His preferred position is in the backline where he plays as an attacking, rebounding defender, however he plays well in all positions and loves a cheeky goal when he goes forward. He racked up his 50th game in season 2014, great work Charlie.

WILL KILLEN

2014 was Will's first season with the Greyhounds and from the first game proved himself to be a determined ball winner and someone who will never take a backward step in a contest. Will matched his ability to win the ball with explosive pace that saw him blow off opponents leaving them in his wake wondering what just happened, and then back it up with a classy hand pass or precision kick to a team mate. Will always loves kicking a goal when he goes forward, but looks to share them around with the other forwards as well, an admirable trait. Great work Will, a very good season.

COBY LIU

They say there is a position for everyone in Aussie Rules, and Coby managed to find a few. Whether he was following coaches instructions to the letter (something that happens... never) as a defensive forward or protecting the goals on the last line of defence, whether he was smashing the ball out of ruck contests or harassing opposition forwards, Coby was able to just about do it all. He is well liked by his team mates for his easy going attitude, and his coach for his willingness actually play the role that is asked of him, however the lasting image of Coby will be of him clutching the ball with three opposition players fighting to take it from him, and Coby winning it. Great work Coby, a fantastic season.

THOMAS MOSS

Thomas joined the Greyhounds in 2014 and quickly established himself in the team with jack rabbit speed and a competitive, fair attitude that saw him fit easily into the team. As the season went on he backed it up with awesome marking, especially in contests, and a text book drop punt, and then became a resolute in and under player, often winning possession of the ball from the bottom of packs. Running, tall players are solid gold, and I look forward to seeing what Thomas brings to the U9's in 2015. Well done.

ALEX NORMAN

They say you should always play to your strengths, and for Alex his undoubted strengths are his ability to run (and run, and run), and get the ball. He is just a relentless ball winner and can often be spotted taking the bouncing ball in two hands on the run before streaming off down the wing, opposition players left looking like they're standing still. Something else happened to Alex in season 2014, I think it was the school holiday footy camp. He came to the first training session after the camp and had this mighty boot that hadn't been seen in the previous seasons. He transformed himself into a genuine on baller that can turn defence into attack in a split second. Great work Alex, see you in U9's in 2015.

LUIS PLACENCIA

Luis has played for the Greyhounds for four years, and is another player who has taken his game to new heights in season 2014. He is very determined, strong in contests and fantastic ball winner. Luis has a great attitude, is fair and always happy, and is a leader on the field. When the coach is following the game in the forward line, it's Luis who reminds his teammates to mark up in defence. He loves playing footy, and is always listening to instructions and learning more about the game. He is popular with his teammates and an asset to the team. I look forward to seeing what Luis has in store for 2014.

HARRY POWDITCH

Harry was another of first year players in the U8's, and his ability and skill lifted from game to game as the season went on. As naturally quiet person Harry let his marking and kicking do the talking on the field. He developed into an outstanding contested mark, often leaving the coach with his mouth agape seeing him walk out of a pack of three opponents with the ball in his hands, and backing it up with a fantastic kick that had distance and the ability to hit team mates on the chest. Fantastic season Harry, can't wait to see what 2015 has in store for you.

ZACH RODGER

Zach arrived at the Greyhounds towards the end of the season, but more than made up for the late start with infectious enthusiasm and a willingness to learn that coaches just love. As we all know, footy can be hard to get your head around when you first start, but I'm pleased to say by the end of the season Zach was winning his own ball and firing off hand passes to his team mates on the run. With more games under his belt Zach has the opportunity to become a handy ball winner and goal kicker, and I look forward to seeing what U9's has in store for Zach. Well done.

FELIX RUGGE-PRICE

Felix had a fantastic season in 2014. He has outstanding pace, is very competitive and has excellent kicking and marking skills that allow him to often dominate opponents in all positions. He rebounds from defence by bypassing the centres and bombing straight to the forwards. His height gives him natural ability to win the ruck contest, and while there isn't a ruck rover position in Auskick, he loves chasing a kick in defence, bombing it long forward then roving his own work. Good job Felix.

PARKER STEVENSON

In his first year playing footy for the Greyhounds Parker was fantastic fitting into the team with ease. He is a pacey outside player with lightning fast disposal and handy in the contest. Parker was often able to find the ball as it came out of a pack or in the linchpin through the middle linking a chain of handballs together. He is a team player and listens to the coaches instructions, whether roving the goal square as a forward target of marking up on opposition when he played in the centre. Awesome work Parker, a great first year, looking forward to 2015.

XAVIER BUSCH

Xavier took his game to a new level this year, building on his talent to lead the team from the front through every match. Xavier turns up every week and gives his absolute best, playing hard through defence, the midfield and up forward.

AIDEN DAVID

Playing for the first time this year and coming back from a big injury, Aiden practiced hard and developed his skills throughout the year, becoming a key player in our momentous wins during the final weeks.

JAMES FULTON

A great player with an infectious attitude and great skills, we will never forget the celebrations as he drove in the winning goal in his last game of the season! Stevie Johnson goal of the year.

RORY GAMBLE

Rory played well through every position this year, but cemented himself as one of our best defenders, able to stop goals through sheer desperation and little regard for his own safety.

FINN GLINDEMANN

Finn's easy smile and positive attitude concealed an ability to put himself into space and grab the ball. Will look to further develop the skills that he's learnt this year.

ARNDT HAESLER

Arndt developed beautifully throughout the year, playing a key role, in his own relaxed style, to help lift the team to the momentous victories in the last week.

WILL HENDERSON

Another of our rookies, Will developed throughout the year, learning to use his height to take some great marks, especially down back when the team needed it most. Ted Richards key defender of the year.

WILL KENNY

Will's ability to slot goals on the run from long distances provided many of the highlights for the year. Also able to go back and play a strong defensive role, Will was an important player throughout the year.

SAXON KERR

Saxon played hard throughout the year, demonstrating an ability to grab the loose ball and drive it forward. Also able to take a mean mark and kick the ball forward effectively.

FLYNN MORRISON

Flynn's appearances for the team this year were sensational. He has a sublime right boot and is able to slot goals from anywhere on the field. A real champion.

JAMES SCHMIDT

In his first year with club, James gave us a good glimpse of the gun that he'll be in the future. His acceleration with the ball is exceptional and commitment to getting the ball will provide the base to make him an extraordinary player as his skills develop. Lewis Jetta speedster award.

NICHOLAS ANDREACCHIO

Nick has very silky skills along with a passion and knowledge of the game that makes him a good footballer that played consistently well each week. He is very involved in the game and picks out/looks for teammates to deliver the ball – Mr Football.

HUGH DAVIS

Hugh was the bolter this year having transformed to a good in and under footballer. He has grown in confidence and has developed very good hand skills in a game situation, looks for teammates and has started to take on the opposition – Mr Bolter.

ALEX HERFST

Alex is a very strong player and without regard for himself busted through packs to get the ball and as a result he had the most injuries. He loves to get the ball and run and run. He enjoys the game and is a player of the future – Mr Pack Buster.

AARON HOENIG

Aaron as a first year player worked hard on developing his skills. He quietly goes about his game, but don't be mistaken there is a demon in the making. He has displayed plenty of team spirit by sharing the ball and always looking for his teammates – Mr Demon.

OLI O'CALLAGHAN

Oli is very determined and not afraid to get in a get the hard ball. He has a good sense of the game and has a very strong kick that he uses well. He loves to be involved in the game and was often the go to person to do a job – Mr Goer.

CHARLIE SARAH

Charlie developed his running game particularly from the back line. He has been a good link person with good foot skills and a long kick. He has improved his awareness of the game and is a strong player when in possession. He has been a good team player – Mr Dasher.

LUCA SMITH

Luca loves to run with the ball and also makes space to receive the ball. He has a deadly left foot that he uses well to find his teammates. He is a good outside player always demanding the ball and reads the game well. He has been very useful upfront and loves to kick a goal – Mr Kicker.

HARRY WADLAND

Harry has an enthusiastic attitude and is always part of the action. He has played some great games especially when he plays for the other side, taking some great marks. He is competitive, runs well and takes the opposition on – Mr Game Breaker.

NED WADLAND

Ned loves to get the ball and run and share the ball with his team mates. He is very keen to play the game and has the potential to develop into a good footballer. He gives his best every game and is happy to share and help his teammates – Mr Utility.

FINN WALSH

Finn quickly fitted into the team with some good foot and hand skills and has an ability to find the ball. He is able to shake off the opposition to get into space and share the ball with his teammates. His keenness has seen him play some good games – Mr Sneaky.

VELAYUS WYNNE

Velayus had a good year playing well in all positions. He has developed very good ball getting skills and improved delivery by hand. He is determined over the ball, has taken some good marks and played some great team football during the year – Mr Ball Getter.



**OSCAR BRISTOW**

After snapping several goals in his first game of AFL against Newtown we knew we had the makings of a star. Oscar has done well in his first season. He has had many high lights throughout the season, his man up marking is a standard to behold. His spacial awareness late in the season was also worthy of a note, nicely anticipating the bounce of the ball. Oscar's boot got better as the season got longer & more work with his hand passes will round him off to move into the under 9's.

LUCA COONEY

Luca started the season kicking well but with added practice he was able to kick more & more accurately as the season progressed resulting in guess what.....more goals. It shows you what hard work can do. Like the player who the award is named after, he doesn't sit waiting for the ball he works hard up & down the field creating a nice target for his teammates. He knows he has pace & has a nouse for putting himself into space. Great season Luca, keep the skill work up.

HENRY DANIELS

Henry is great everywhere but seems to do his best work in midfield either bursting through the pack or working the footy up field with deft hand passes. Henry loves his footy & is passionate about it. He has been thinking hard about building on his performance in finding space around the field & he has seen good results. He doesn't flinch when it gets physical, he's no one's stepping stone. With Henry's grit & determination he has many more great seasons to come.

RUPERT GILLIES

It is great pleasure to give Rupert this prestigious award. He thoroughly deserves it. He has worked very hard this year to be the best he can, week in, week out. He leaves nothing in the change room lifting his team with his efforts. Although smaller than most it he clearly out matches them for spirit & heart. Speed is one of his more obvious skills with the kicking & hand passes progressing well. He has had a stunning campaign in 2014. An "A" for enthusiasm Rupert keep working hard in the off season & look forward to seeing you next year.

FRANK LEWIS

Frank runs hard. When you ask Frank to do something he responds twofold. This is his first season & what a pleasure it has been to have him in the side. Guts, grit, determination to get involved & hands on that footy are what we see from Frank. With that attitude I can only see great things to come Frank's way in next year's season. Frank's best is yet to come. A great first year effort.

MATISSE LIU

Matisse is a player that lifts the team just by being there. She has the respect & admiration of her team mates because she is the back bone of the team & after a few seasons of AFL has the cool steady head to keep calm in tough games, like the last match of the season. Her kicking is another strength & we see that she has worked hard on being accurate & has one of the best kick passes in the squad. When the ball hits the deck you can count on Matisse coming away the winner. She has had an outstanding year & look forward to many more to come.

ROWAN O'CONNOR

Rowan is a player that makes you want to jump out onto the pitch & join him in battle. He always gives 110% & does so with a huge smile on his face that is infectious. Great around the footy pitch in all positions but where we have seen a sizable leap this year is in defence. This is attacking the footy on the deck & wrestling it out of opposition hands & blocking of opposing forward lines near the Glebe goalmouth. But let's not underplay the dashing runs from the backline. Keep coming back Rowan, we need more of you.

BILL SMITH

We could give Bill several awards such is his versatility & skill. He works hard around all areas of the field & has made huge leaps in his footy this season from his already high standards. One aspect of his game is his huge ability to take cracking marks. This skill he possesses is remarkable given his age with several opposing coaches stopped to make comment during the season. He is tenacious in defence as he is in attack. He has been the engine room for the side this year. We look forward to seeing the progress next year as he is more than ready to take the next step.

LINUS STAFFORD

Linus is gifted with a natural ability to play AFL from which we have seen some great moments this season. There have been several perfect overhead marks along with some fine kicking displays. It hasn't been all that easy though & Linus has had to play through some tough games & show us his mettle on a number of occasions, we aren't playing tiddly winks. This is Linus's first season to the game & we forecast further improvements as he progresses through the grades.

OLIVER WALLIS

Ollie has been an inspiration this year as he has begun to learn the great game of AFL. Week in week out he is there at training & there on Saturday beaming with a huge smile on his face happy to be part of the team. We have asked him to get involved & he has performed that task well & excelled when back cleaning the footy off the deck & sending it back up field. I have enjoyed watching the progress this season & seeing the joy he gets from the game. Looking forward to seeing what Ollie has in store for us next year.

ANGUS YOUNG

We welcomed Angus back to the Whites in the 2nd game after he had recovered from a pre-season broken arm. As the weeks passed we saw an exponential improvement in Angus's form. He is gifted with a glorious boot & natural ability. He took some fantastic overhead marks and worked hard to move into space & give himself options for disposals. We have seen what you can do & the ability you have Angus, we see a bright future awaiting you. Congratulations on a fantastic season. Keep working hard in the off season.





U9s Coach's report & player profiles

U9s

COACH PETER READ

COACH'S REPORT

Wow! Is that really over? Forty under 9s over three teams over 16 rounds really did this club proud. The largest playing group over the past two seasons the club has ever experienced keeps getting bigger and better. Go celebrate Greyhounds! This is a wonderful group of young men playing the greatest game of all!

We entered the Blacks, the Whites & the Hounds this season. The coaching panel made a decision early on to train the boys as a group and, where possible, have set teams each week. This further reinforced our team values of team work, looking after your mates and giving everyone a fair go and a game each week.

The boys in the Blacks were a real mix of experience – 5 who had been with us since they were only four years old. One of those, Raymond Burn went on to reach his 50 game milestones this season, a real stalwart of our Club. Another 3 with a couple of years' experience under their belts, who really matured as footballers during the season and made fantastic contributions to our team and 6 first timers who took the game by the scruff of the neck and gave it the biggest shake. Well done to you all. Thank you for entertaining us with your skills and sportsmanship each week. It was a real pleasure to be your coach.

With the advent of tackling we really needed a lot of parental support at both training and the games so thank you for all those who helped out with a hug and an encouraging word and wiping away blood whenever needed! Thank you also for water carrying, goal umpiring, taking photos, marking scoresheets, handing out jelly snakes, doing warm up drills and acting as Manager (you've gotta love wearing that Maroon bib) if Fiona was away.

Some people do need a special mention for their extra effort and support. The Hound's Coach, Dan O'Callaghan was always one of the first to training. Never flagging in his enthusiasm I know the boys in the Blacks always welcomed his guidance on skills and match tactics. Simon Thomsen, the White's Coach for is undying love and support for junior footy and the kids who play it. Thanks to Ben Thomas, who stepped into our coach's ranks, this year, he was a great addition to our panel both at training and offering guidance on game day. On game day, BJ was always there to help coach our side. Our first-aiders, Sally Webb and Matt Carroll, were a godsend at home matches we really cannot play without you. To all you guys a great big thank you from the coaches, manager all the players.

From all of us to our great team manager, Fiona who kept me and all the U9s all on track each week. Her work as a liaison between the parents and coaches was just brilliant allowing us to ensure we were delivering what the players and parents expect from our great Club. She is also not bad on the AFL 9s paddock either!

Our continued thanks go to the Registrar, Maxine, for coping with our ever increasing numbers and doing our coach's registration on Footyweb, enjoy the bubbles! Our Ground Manager, thanks Jason for setting up our new "big" fields when we played at home; to Margaret Sammut for The Dishlicker each week, we will miss you Marg xx; to the Auskick Coordinator, Kirsty for handling our transition from Auskick to youth footy & to Don for the BBQ & coffee, especially the coffee! Looking forward to being back next year with the U10s!



COACH	Peter Read
	Simon Thomsen
	Dan O'Callaghan
MANAGER	Fiona Thomas

WHITES – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Most enthusiastic player	Felix Coorey
Best tagging player	Jack Oslington
Best all-round player	James Gibson
Best attacking player	Nicholas Edwards
U9 White Goalkicker of the Year	Max Rider
Best defensive player	Archie Thomsen
Bravest player award	Louis Quayle
Match winning player	Jack Kilby
Best Midfielder	Sam Howard
Fastest learner award	Jack Goodwin
Most versatile player	Jack Harris
Most improved player	Brodie O'Neill
Best team player	Sam Cassell

BLACKS – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Rookie of the Year	Jazper Alewood
Game Breaker Award	Bon Berger-Streilein
Most Consistent Player	Raymond Burn
Most Creative Player	Tom Carroll
Best Centre Man	Oscar Daley
Best & Fairest	Darcy Dessent
Best Running Player	Sam Donaldson
Coach's Award	David Kilty
Best On-baller	Alexander Lawes
Best Back Man	Hunter Mackenzie
Best Forward	Liam Read
Best Playmaker	Paddy Thomas
Best Ruck man	Cooper Twine
Best Tackler	Kira Verzar

HOUNDS – PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best ruck	Luca Morrow
Most versatile player	Banjo Byrnes
Best utility player	Darcy Byrnes
Rising Star	Thomas Crick
Most improved kicker	Jasper Nichols
Best mid-fielder	Jake Evans
Best on-baller	Taine Coates
Toughest player	Lochlann O'Callaghan
Best all-rounder	Alexander Longville
Goal kicker award	Archie Christie-Day
Best team player	Bill Jordan
Most tenacious player	Flynn Tanner
Overhead mark award	Alexander Howdin
Best Tackler	Kira Verzar

GSJ SYDNEY HARBOUR	
Association Outstanding Achievement Award	Darcy Dessent

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS	
Players	Darcy Dessent
	Liam Read

MILESTONES	
100 Games	
50 Games	Raymond Burn
	Jack Kilby



FELIX COOREY

Felix is a fox terrier, chasing the ball all around the ground, never relenting and always helping the team, in attack or defence. A strong ball carrier, Felix is the bedrock of the Whites and his determination and great attitude always lifted the boys when challenged. We couldn't have done it without you Felix. Thanks for your cheerfulness and reminding us all to have fun, we loved playing with you!

JACK OSLINGTON

Jack reads the game well, looking for his chances and knowing where his teammates are to get the ball away quickly. He finds a way through the crowded pack with ease and does a great job tagging the opposition, hustling them out of the ball. Great work Jack, we hope you had fun this year and want to come back for more because we loved having you as a Whites player.

JAMES GIBSON

In his second season James became a great mentor for the new players, encouraging his buddies, settling them in and setting a great example too. He deserves some of the credit for helping build a strong team culture and helping his mates shine. James is a powerful defender, shutting down the opposition and then moving quickly to send the ball forward. You anchor the team James. Geat work!

NICHOLAS EDWARDS

Nick is a stealth bomber, an extremely talented player who goes about the job with little fuss, but plenty of brilliance. Our equal second top goal scorer, Nick is an awesome forward, but does an equally great job whatever position he plays. Watching Nick play footy is exciting and a joy. Keep up the great work Nick and thanks for being such an important part of the Whites' success in 2014.

MAX RIDER

Max is the White's Buddy Franklin, a goalkicking superstar, leading the season with 14. He's just as impressive in defence. After long penetrating runs and scoring Max is suddenly down in the defensive 50, snuffing out opposition attacks. His phenomenal work rate made Max the White's most valuable player. Max also led by example and shared the ball generously. Congratulations on a brilliant year Max. It's been an honour to play with you.

ARCHIE THOMSEN

Archie's passion and constant chat to inspire the best in his mates makes him such an important player, combined with his talent for knowing where the ball is going to next. He's a long, strong kicker and powerful ball carrier willing to take on the opposition. When not taking screamer marks, Archie's lock-em-up tackling is the best for shutting down attacks. An awesome job Archie!

LOUIS QUAYLE

Louis has one of the best footy brains in the Whites. 'BB' is hugely popular player with his team, who know he's the go-to player for a mark in heavy traffic, or he'll send a great kick or hand pass your way. He's a chirpy, gritty pocket dynamo and one of our toughest players, and when not in the ruck, he's making space so the team can drive the ball forward. BB, you're simply the best! Well done!

JACK KILBY

Jack tries his heart out with gutsy relentlessness and quiet determination. He's lightning quick, with a knack for the perfect snap goal from impossible positions, and great strength in close. Jack's always there to help his teammates and it's a joy to watch when you see him running in space. The Whites' senior player, our first 50 gamer, and a great buddy and mentor to the other boys. Don't ever stop being great Jack!

SAM HOWARD

Sam is the team's meerkat – always alert, on the lookout for the ball and popping up in unexpected places, snatching it from the edge of the ruck to dash away from the pack, or giving his mates great options when they're under pressure. Sam is the perfect team player, always there when you need him most. Don't be fooled by his size, inside Sam is the heart of a lion and when he gets the footy, he roars! Go Sam!

JACK GOODWIN

Jack joined halfway through the season and didn't know the rules, but soon showed what a talent and quick learner he was, becoming a valuable player as the season wore on. Jack's ability to burst from the ruck with the ball wowed footy fans ever time and his strong running and hunger for the ball shows he's a player with plenty of promise and great footy ahead. Go Jack!

JACK HARRIS

Jack is a laser-guided missile: fast, manoeuvrable and deadly accurate, a prolific goal scorer (equal second with Nick) and fantastic team player who's first to the ball and first to dispose, backing up all the way. Jack's footy skills keep rising and set the team standard as he bravely, with no fuss, swings the game in our favour. You're a coach's dream player, Jack, and a future superstar!

BRODIE O'NEILL

Most improved player
As the season wore on, Brodie found his rhythm, freed up his hands and bloomed, showing he doesn't mind a tough ruck to help his team win the ball, then showing quick reflexes to boot a flurry of goals. His transformation to become a key Whites player was great to watch and Brodie should be very proud of his debut year of footy. Congrats Brodie!

SAM CASSELL

Best team player
Despite his rock star good looks, Sam isn't a flashy player, but he's one of our best, a workhorse in the ruck who doggedly chases down attacking players and the ball. His teammates know Sam's the man to get them out of a tough spot. His handballs and kicking are spot on, and when Sam plucks a seemingly impossible mark from nowhere, the crowd goes wild! You are a rock star Sam – a talent and top player too!

JAZPER ALEWOOD

A debutante to our great game this year Jaz really applied himself at training to maximise his impact on game day. Still needing that polish that only experience can bring as the season went on Jaz became a valuable part of our match plans. At home at centre half forward or centre half back he became a pivotal part of the mighty Blacks. We are predicting great things for 2015. Wonderful season Jazper.

BON BERGER-STREILEIN

Willingness was the best word I could describe Bon. New to AFL this year, Bon struggled in the first few games with rules that at times probably seemed alien. With perseverance and a willingness to succeed he continued to throw himself into every game and became a reliable forward and a hard go to man in the centres. Always making the ball his primary target Bon showed great promise of things to come. Awesome Bon!

RAYMOND BURN

This was a milestone year for one of our original Pups, from the class of 2010. Raymond, congratulations on reaching 50 games for the Greyhounds, what a wonderful reward for all your effort. Always listening to the coach Raymond can be relied upon to carry out the game plan to perfection. Renowned for doing those team things, you can see why this young man is always a favourite of his team mates. This season saw him spend much of his time up front where he was selfless in supporting his mates. Super work Raymond.

TOM CARROLL

Back for season number two came "BIG" Tommy. He took to tackle footy like the duck takes to water. Nothing would stop Tom, whether it was tackling or breaking a tackle or just getting into position to help a team mate, he was always there. He was Mr Versatile, seamlessly switching from forwards to backs, wherever the team needed him and always delivering quality handballs or kicks to the advantage of his team mates. Tom is a man that every team needs. Tom, you are a marvel!

OSCAR DALEY

Wow what a start to an AFL career for Oscar. Playing most of the season in the engine room, Oscar played a brand of football the purists would be proud of. Hard into a pack and out of it again, usually with the Sherrin. Always given 100%, and sometimes more, he was a coach's delight. Attentive on the training paddock and able to support his Team mates he is an absolute delight to have on our Team. Sensational first season Oscar

DARCY DESSENT

Another of the originals from 2010 Darcy was nothing short of outstanding this year. His sweep off half back started many an attacking raid and when we moved him forward he converted many chances into major scores. His exploits were justly rewarded in being selected in the City West representative side and also being our Team's winner of the Association Outstanding Achievement Award. Congratulations Darcy.

SAM DONALDSON

Sam had a slow start to the season with a broken bone in his foot which led to him miss most of the first half of the season. On his return it only took a couple of games for him to regain his confidence and be a significant contributor around the centre of the paddock. Always looking for a team mate in a better position, he is known for selfless play. The Coach's tip is to mark Sam's name down for great things to come.

DAVID KILTY

David as a first year player displayed a wonderful enthusiasm for our game. He trained hard and played hard with no fear or thought of self-preservation. Always first into a tackle he is known in the Mighty Blacks for doing those little one percent things that can turn a game in your favour. Consistent high quality performances were a hallmark of David's terrific season.

ALEXANDER LAWES

In his second season of AFL Alexander really started to blossom as a AFL in and under player. Solid in defence and fearless in the centre too, he is a player who can be relied on to carry out the Coach's instructions to a tee. Hard work at training has paid off for Alexander. His read of the game is second to none in our team. Truly amazing season Alexander.

HUNTER MACKENZIE

The best full back in the competition! Like a rock, Hunter's concentration and read of the bounce of the ball has saved us in game after game. In a fantastic first season Hunter has fit right into our team. With his occasional runs up in the centres and laser like kicks out of defence he started many of our attacking raids. Any fair judge would pick him as an All Star – Brilliant Hunter!

LIAM READ

When the going gets tough Liam likes it best of all. Always one to rise to the challenge of some star opposition Liam always likes to play on the best. Strong round the bounce of the ball Liam was always near the action. Playing much of the season at centre half forward he became the tall forward that our small forwards would constantly crumb off. An original Pup his years of experience saw him picked in the City West side this year. You had a sensational year Liam.





PADDY THOMAS

Not knowing what a backward step is Paddy is always one of our hardest at the ball. Whether playing off half back or in the centres Paddy's hard gut running gave us great forward momentum in all our matches. His willingness to help out his team mates in the clutches made him a much respected player in our playing group. A natural leader on the training paddock and on the field of play makes him a very valuable part of our side. Champion stuff Paddy!

COOPER TWINE

After a brilliant start to the season Coops suffered a midseason injury which threw a spanner in our works. But coming back for the last few games, he gave us a fresh momentum. Our main ruck man, Cooper really worked hard on his game this season. He is now renowned as the champion of the second effort and now possesses that never say die attitude that epitomises the great Greyhounds. Smashing stuff Coops.

KIRA VERZAR

New to the game this year, Kira started off tentatively but soon found his niche as a hard tagging back man. Using all his size, when Kira tackled someone they stayed tackled. Showing himself to be a good student of the game he became an integral part of our match day plans. We are expecting great things for him next season when he returns with some real experience under his belt. A pleasure to coach Kira.

LUCA MORROW

One of our most experienced players, Luca found his love for AFL early in life. He is a taller boy and uses his height well, especially in ruck and defence, and also when marking confidently across the many positions he can play. The blonde headed Luca is a fair competitor, has a long and accurate scoring kick and is selfless, having also set-up many goals for his team mates throughout the season. Luca celebrated his 50th game this year – a particular delight was to see his family including grandparents at the game, banner-side, and enjoy him have another great game – well done on a 'milestone season'!

BANJO BYRNES

Banjo had a fantastic second AFL season in 2014. With a very pleasant off-field demeanour, those opposition who let Banjo's sense of calm fool them, and let their guard down, are still suffering the consequences. Banjo has the guts to have a go; he marks confidently amongst players twice his size, sets-up goals with his quick passing and has scored a bagful himself this season. Banjo you have proven your versatility in a fantastic season – well done!

DARCY BYRNES

Darcy was always in the thick of it in his second AFL season – quick to get the ball out or roving the pack, he is not shy to let his team mates know he is "HERE" in full voice, which is a critical attribute of a classy player. Also comfortable in the backline, he has a powerful tackle and has a solid reputation as a safe team mate who will work hard to get the ball forward. Excellent all round season Darcy, you are developing into a great talent!

THOMAS CRICK

Thomas had some ground-breaking games in his third AFL season. He is a thinker, knows what AFL is about and showed toughness when the Hounds needed him – he played through when unwell, earning further respect from his team mates. Happy right forward or right back he scored at critical points in some of our toughest matches. Most notably Thomas has that rare u9 quality valued highly by coaches and team mates alike – he listens and follows instructions! Great work Thomas!

JASPER NICHOLS

Jasper is one of the Hounds best defenders – there's not much that gets past Jasper as he stretches high to defend. He is very handy in the backline, is one of our taller lads and uses his natural abilities well. He has also worked hard to make great skills improvements in his third season in 2014. His dedication to extra training during the season showed in his improved game - our forwards know he will get them the ball with his booming kick travelling a country mile – excellent season Jasper!

JAKE EVANS

Jake's ball handling & passing skills just got better in his third AFL season in 2014; on ground agility and a penchant for the centre/back, he is at the start of our best plays. Jake can play any position he wants as he is very effective re-possessing the ball, getting the ball quickly forward. Jake is one of our best kickers and has a quality handpass too. Well done Jake, you had an awesome season!

TAINÉ COATES

Taine is the Hounds best ball stealer and spelt "DANGER" to his opposition players in 2014, his second season. With energy most can only wish for, he is on the ball with laser intensity, always in the thick of the action, loves to burst out of the pack with the ball & go for a run before kicking forward. He is well regarded amongst his team mates and kicked a bagful of goals in a great season. Taine you are showing tremendous form, well done!

LOCHLANN O'CALLAGHAN

Loch had a terrific season and further improved as one of the most reliable on-ball players in his second year. A fearless competitor in defence, he kicked a handful of goals and set-up a truckload more. He worked on his ball skills which showed in his marking, kicking and disposals. He enjoys challenging his opponents, can handle a good knock (or four!) and is most enthusiastic when playing hard with his dedicated team mates in the thick of a tough game. Well done Loc, it was a terrific season for you!

ALEXANDER LONGVILLE

Alex really broadened his game in his second AFL season this year. One of our most versatile players; able to consistently get to the ball first, clear it, dodge and weave, connect ball to boot and deliver the ball safely to a team mate in space. Alec was also one of our highest goal scorers this year, a credit to his focus and application. Alec, you have really developed your all round game - well done!

ARCHIE CHRISTIE-DAY

Archie smashed the AFL season at Glebe this year! One of our best goal kickers, he is a talented player in any zone, he worked hard in training to improve with his team mates. Some of the best plays through the season involved breathtaking link-up cross zone combinations and resulted in many impressive goals with Archie in the classy combination. Archie you've added great skill to many Hounds 'best plays' – awesome first season with the Hounds!

BILL JORDAN

Bill has a great reputation with his teammates because they know he is always looking out for them. Although always kind, his cool pre-match approach off the field, polarises his on-game contribution. Bill has caused much damage to Hounds adversaries; imagine him chasing down 3 opposition players at once to fragment their game, tackle, force a turn-over and set-up the front end of a winning play. Also good on the forward line, he's been known to strategically position a little out of the pack, collect the ball and pass selflessly to team mates or score himself. Excellent work Bill – great to have you as a key Hounds player!

FLYNN TANNER

An amazing all round player, Flynn shows his enthusiasm in spades and just works and works – he LOVES to work for his team. He has a great skills, is hard in for the ball and is known to burst out of the pack, take a bounce and score. A gentle and considerate boy off the field he is transformed to a hard nut on the paddock and a great team asset. Outstanding season this year Flynn – you set a new standard!

ALEXANDER HOWDIN

We were thrilled that Alexander joined the Hounds in his debut AFL season and what a season it was! He improved in confidence, made a great contribution in each position he played, was selfless in his game and also scored a few. One of our tallest boys, he is a cool & calm contender, uses his height well, is reliable and causes the opposition great trouble. Alexander took the best overhead mark of the 2014 season and in the history of Glebe Greyhounds U9s. Alexander, we look forward to you returning next year for another great season!





U10s Coach's report & player profiles

U10s

COACH PAUL KITCHIN

COACH'S REPORT

2014 was a great season for the Glebe Greyhound Under 10s with the team developing well as a strong cohesive unit that plays hard and has a great time. With a squad of 20 we could only field one team this year which proved a good number as we managed our way through a number of injuries, the usual winter coughs and flus and the inevitable wash out of a few games and trainings. It meant that we usually played 15-a-side games with our players sometimes required to play for the opposition or spend a quarter on the bench. Yet all the players tackled this with great maturity and played to their best no matter what shirt they wore. On the injury list we lost two players during the season to broken arms - Sebastien Procter and Benjamin Baskin. Neither injuries occurred in our matches and they were tough players to cover for in the team but they both showed great courage to make it back to play again later in the season.

Across the board we saw great improvement from the team this year with both the individual skill levels and the team work showing the benefit of time together and a bit of solid training. There is no doubt that our biggest strength was in defence, especially tackling. Indeed we were a very hard team to score goals against. It was probably not a surprise to most parents that the team adapted very well to the new tackle rule where the kids could wrap up and hold the player and is a lot more physical than the hold and release rule of past years. It allowed them to release some of that aggression! When the opposition did kick goals on us it was usually our positional play that let us down with players moving up the field and not marking up on the opposition.

By contrast the team's Achilles heel was scoring goals. We could get the ball forward, we could keep it there, but in many games during the season we were just not able to kick enough goals. This was evident with the team's leading goal scorer Harvey Lynn winning the award with 7 goals. It was a combination of inaccuracy in front of the sticks as well as struggling a little to get clear in the forward zone.

When the Gala Days arrived at the end of the season we faced the challenge of being one of the 8 out of 19 teams to win enough games to qualify for the finals. It is a tough transition moving to games where scores are kept after a season when you don't but the kids tackled the games with gusto. We played some really tough opponents and showed our trademark defence but in the end were just unable to score enough points to make it to through to week three.

However the squad of players we have has great potential to excel as they move into the older age groups. Next year the players will begin to develop their more specialised positions which we have already seen occurring this year, and as we move onto the larger fields with no enforced zones, this team is only going to get better and better.

It is important to thank all the parents in the team - this year was the best we've ever had in the number of parents willing to jump in at training, wave the goal flags, wear the First Aid armband, carry the drinks, work the BBQ and all the other many activities that it takes to complete the season. Many thanks to assistant coach Daniel Kenny whose extra input this year at both training and on game day took our coaching to a new level. Our magnificent manager Blaze Stephenson was the lynchpin of keeping us on the field each week - she organised the kids, the parents, the coaches and often the other team to make sure everything ran smoothly. And finally a big thank you to all the kids who put in a great effort every week, who continue to learn about the game, to give it a red-hot go and keep smiling. We hope to see you all back next year.

Well done Greyhounds.

COACH	Paul Kitchin
ASSISTANT COACH	Daniel Kenny
MANAGER	Blaze Stephenson

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best and Fairest	Manus Bailey
Runner Up B&F	Harvey Lynn
Best Team Man	Finn Kitchin
Most Consistent	James Kenny
Most Improved	Noah Sherratt
Rookie of the Year	Manus Bailey
Leading Goal Kicker	Harvey Lynn (7)

GLEBE J AFC AWARDS	
Susan Parker Memorial Auskick Graduate of the Year	Samuel Scutella

G SJ ACHIEVEMENTS	
Outstanding Achievement	Cooper Kilpatrick

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS	
Wes Greenaway	Samuel Scutella

MILESTONES	
50 Games	Harvey Lynn



MANUS BAILEY

What a great find for the Greyhounds – Manus joined us this year and walked away with the Best & Fairest and Rookie of the Year awards. It's not often you see that combination but it said it all about his great first season. He was consistently outstanding using his speed and great ball sense to make an impact in every game. In both defence and attack his focus for getting the ball, tough defence and working with his teammates was always on show. Great work!

BENJAMIN BASKIN

A good season for Benjamin which was unfortunately disrupted when he broke his arm at the holiday program. Benjamin always provided a good target up forward and his kicking really improved during the season. His determination was never better on display than his insistence to make it back from his broken arm – for the very last game of the final gala day. A great effort Benjamin!

ARCHIE CAMPBELL

A speed merchant who returned to the Greyhounds after some time away it was great to have Archie in the team. He has great natural ability with the ball and is one of those players who can run and run all days. Some of Archie's combinations with Samuel and Manus provided some of the best playing sequences in the team each week. A great season!

JOSEPH FERREIRA

Joey's football continues to go from strength to strength – both literally and in standard! Indeed it is his strength and his ability to break through the pack with his bullocking runs that is always a highlight of his play. He is never afraid to take on the opposition and has the unique ability to break a tackle, get free and get the ball into the clear. A great asset to the team!

HAYDEN HANDO

It was great to see Hayden running around with the Greyhounds again this year and see his football talent continuing to develop. While he can play anywhere on the field Hayden does appear to have an affinity with the back and half back lines. He can read the ball well, shows good support when moving the ball out of the back line and regularly used his speed and kick to get the ball up to the forward line.

JACOB HARMAN

A breakthrough year for Jacob when I think we said "that was his best game ever in the black & white" at the end of at least three games this season. He was right up there in the most improved stakes. Jacob revelled in the up close and physical tackling style of our games this season and every game he would be in the pack laying on tackles, getting that ball out and delivering the ball to his support players running by.

BEN HITCHEN

Some of the greatest memories of Ben this year were of him saving goals in the last line of defence. A number of times just when you thought a goal was about to be scored Ben would appear with a vital mark on the goal line or to make that crucial "touch" to make it a behind. He also contributed in other positions around the field and his skills continued to improve.

SAMUEL JACKSON

A terrier. That's the best way to describe Sam and his play this year. When the ball was loose you could be sure Sam was going for it – and he would stay on it, and stay on it. His never say die attitude was a great strength to the team and he was tireless in getting the ball and getting it moving. His play really developed well during the year especially in kicking and positional play. Great stuff Sam.

JAMES KENNY

Search the AFL dictionary for "courage" and "head over the ball" and it says James Kenny. A great season for James which saw him really develop his ability to channel his passion and aggression into his play with outstanding results. He is a ferocious competitor for the ball and a no-fear tackler who could be relied on every week. His efforts were recognised with the team's Most Consistent Award and an AFL Harbour Region Outstanding Achievement Award.

FINN KITCHIN

If we had tallied the stats on marks for the year, Finn was the man. With his safe hands and great reading of the positional play Finn was always on hand to rebound the ball coming out of the ruck. Whether it was in the last line of defence or rebounding back into the forward line he was always there and looking for a team mate to pass to. Equally enthusiastic at training and the games, Finn picked up the award for the Best Team Man.

MATTHEW LANE

One of the quiet achievers of the team, Matthew plays with a steely resolve and determination. He is not afraid to get into the rucks and work the ball out and regularly displayed strong defence to stop the opposition in attack. Matthew also showed great improvement during the season working hard at his skills and this was evident in his ball movement off the foot and by hand later in the season. Well done.

HARVEY LYNN

A really great season for Harvey where he not only won the Leading Goal Kicker award but showed great consistency to finish as the runner up in the Best and Fairest. An outstanding achievement. We have always known Harvey has a great kick and this year we saw his running game and overhead marking develop so that he was a formidable force whichever position he played. Great work Harvey.

SEBASTIEN PROCTER

An outstanding recruit from the lower age group, Sebastien's season was rudely interrupted when he broke his arm after the first game. But importantly he made it back to play later in the year. And when he was on the field he sure made an impact. In his first game for the U10s he kicked a goal – in his first game after his arm break he kicked a goal with his first touch. A great talent who has plenty of super football to come.

REED RAUICHE

Reed has developed as a great defender throughout every part of the field this year. He played a key role in keeping our pressure on the ball and "defence-first" mentality. Reed regularly shut down some of the opposition's best forward, particularly while playing across the back line. He is a key member of the team with a bright future.

BLAKE PROVEST

A great player who regularly took on opponents much larger than himself. We'll never forget the sheer desperation and effort during the Concord game this year, when only Blake stood between the opposition and the goals, saving three goals in a row through nothing but determination. Blake also provided great run across the field and strong tackling wherever it was needed.

ALEC SCOTT

A new player to the team Alec has developed into a strong footballer during the course of the year. Not afraid to run the ball, Alec always attacks the game with great purpose and had some of his best games while running in the midfield, often feeding off the crumbed ball in the rucks. He is a great team man providing support to his team mates in games and at training – it's great to have him on the team.

SAMUEL SCUTELLA

A player who lives and breathes footy, Samuel was a key link in the team performance this year. He is relentless in his pursuit of the ball and racks up big numbers of possessions in every game using his speed and skills. Samuel was often instrumental in some of our best team plays with quick one-tuos with his team mates. Already with well over 100 games for the Greyhounds a deserved winner of the Auskick Graduate of Year award.

NOAH SHERRATT

A very deserved winner of the Most Improved award this season, Noah's game developed fantastically during the season. We saw a lift in his number of possessions in every game and his courage in tackling was outstanding – often stopping players significantly bigger than him in their tracks. He would chase the ball with absolute focus on getting possession and contributed to the team in a big way. Congratulations Noah.

PATRICK TAME

A great outside runner, Patrick is a player always working to be first to the loose ball, putting others in space and starting some fantastic forays forward. Going the other way, Patrick was tight in defence, putting pressure on the ball carrier and stopping the opposition run. His play has certainly developed well over the season and he is a good team player. Well done Patrick.

JEREMY WALDON

Throughout the year, Jeremy personified the team's ability to play strong in tight and bring pressure to bear on the ball carrier. Jeremy's best work was across the half-back line, where he both stopped enemy forays forward and started our own counter-attacks. Jeremy's strength was his ability to play in position and help out team mates where required. A great year for Jeremy which he'll look to build on next year.





U11s Coach's report & player profiles

U11s

COACH GUY FITZROY

COACH'S REPORT

The U11s fought a pitched battle not only against their weekly opponents but also against the authority of the AFL this entire season. Their issues with the governing body ranged from complex to trivial to personal to bewilderment and back again throughout this long season. These boys had been coasting along in the polite yet firm world of 'grab and release' for the past two or three seasons, they had been coached in the finer arts of 'running full tilt at a pack of opponents', knowing full well that the opposition were only a minor distraction on the path to three full seconds of unrestricted running with the ball before disposal or death at the sound of the umpire's whistle. They had also been reminded time and time again of their responsibility to release an opponent on the umpire's call of 'release !', these were hard lessons learnt at the torrid coalface of U9 and U10 junior football.

What a shock then to be told at the first training of 2014 that we were playing real footy...no holds barred, full tackle, two bounce running, the policing of high tackles and the introduction of a scorekeeper. It's my firm belief that some of our Greyhounds never did recover from the shock of that fateful March afternoon.

This season presented more challenges to our U11s than a double episode of 'Survivor'. For many of our squad, the intensity of the full tackle was much more of an issue when we had the ball. Our ability to make the tackle, whilst never particularly pretty, was never a real issue this year. But the idea of being tackled was one that has taken most of the season for many of the squad to come to grips with... that concern, combined with the other very important issue of 'not being caught with the ball', made the early season very frustrating for the Greyhounds and their loyal fan base.

All that being said, the boys never backed off, never let an opposition have it their own way, and slowly, slowly came to terms with the new rules and the changed playing environment. We always had near maximum numbers at training, and we were constantly causing trouble for other teams and big Don at the bbq by not wanting to finish training till well after our allotted hour. That dedication to training will serve us well next year when we will need to train twice a week and improve our distance running skills to be ready for Sunday football.

More than in any other year, this football team depended on its fan base to fulfill the many, many responsibilities that come as part of being the final match of the day at Jubilee. The U11s fan base nearly always fulfilled those responsibilities at Jubilee, treading that fine line between being efficient and being on time, remembering their duties and remembering mouthguards. Our fan base were a brilliant advertisement for our club and genuine role models for hundreds of the thirsty hungry brigade.

To Matt and Kevin, the U11s steady and unruffled assistant coaches, I'd like to thank you for some miracle juggling and fast driving, which managed to get a coaching representative to every training session and game this year... as simple as that may seem, there were moments during the season when it looked like no one would get to Jubilee on time. I'd really like to thank Matt Kidd for his time and knowledge this year and for his efforts in trying to evoke a sense of calm on the sideline amidst my self-made sea of calamity. And to Kevin Lum who contacted me very early in the year to offer his services before even meeting me or the team... Kevin you are not only foolhardy, but a God-send and your training methods and keen footballing eye will be missed next year.

Finally to our fourth manager in five years, the young Kingsley Edwards, a very big thank you for taking on the massive job of dealing with the demands and egos of the playing roster whilst continually under the microscope of the three greatest former managers known to junior AFL football. With their guidance and your skill you not only steered the U11s through their first year of competition footy but you also took on board a couple of fashion tips that made for interesting conversation and great photos as the year progressed.

COACH	Guy Fitzroy
ASSISTANT COACH	Matt Kidd
	Kevin Lum
MANAGER	Kingsley Edwards

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best and Fairest	Riley Fitzroy
Runner Up B&F	Baxter Aurisch
Best Team Man	Edward Moir
Most Consistent	Finn McKendry
Most Improved	Tom Sherratt
Rookie of the Year	Jake Eller
Leading Goal Kicker	Riley Fitzroy (21)

MILESTONES	
50 Games	Lachlan Walsh
	Hamish Kidd
	Luca Stenekes

NIC CALIC

Nic's second year at the Greyhounds was an opportunity to show his strength at the contest. Nic was never afraid to get the ball in difficult situations and take on opposition defenders. His marking improved dramatically during the season and he never ever wanted to come off the field.

BRAITH COATES

Braith's defensive play this year showed how well he can read the play and position himself to thwart an opposition attack. The pressure on the ball from bigger opponents this year made it hard for Braith to show the attacking skills he possesses, but his skill level can't be questioned and with a full season of tackle under his belt, he will start next year a lot more confidently.

BAXTER AURISCH

Baxter has managed to take up many column inches in the weekly reports early in the season due to his remarkable ability to transform himself into playing six or seven different positions...completely ignoring all coaching instructions...then something happened, no one is sure what, and instead of running 10kms round circles, Baxter held the half-back line and threw himself into the path of (often) marauding opposition forwards, often coming off bruised and battered and never complaining about his boots.

LUCA FOTEA

Luca has probably the best overhead mark in the team, and when he is switched on and confident, he is a delight to watch. The bigger ground this season meant that running was just as important as marking, and Luca didn't get as many chances to mark above the pack as he should.

RHYS KIMBERLEY

Once again Rhys backed up most matches after playing rugby earlier in the day. His rugby skills were often evident as Rhys was determined to get his hands on the ball in tight situations and his defensive marking skills improved during the year, giving him the confidence to regularly fill the fullback position

FINN HAWKINS

Finn burst onto the scene for his rookie year a little late after making the most of the year's best camping weather. Finn's speed and natural athletic ability meant that he quickly picked up what was needed to get involved and start learning a new game. Just as Finn was gaining confidence playing full contact footy, he was cruelly cut down during a game of soccer by a player not supposed to be making full contact. Although his playing season had ended, Finn still made time to come to support his team when we played at home and even managed to make a comeback for our final game (against both his doctor and his mother's orders)...sorry if she reads this, Finn.

HARRISON EDWARDS

As a free-wheeling half-forward, Harrison has been able to snap goals from just about anywhere inside 30m these past two seasons...this year however, what had been fun, became hard, really hard. The extra pressure on the ball was difficult for all the Greyhounds this year, but the results of that pressure were highlighted by our forwards lack of opportunity in front of goal. Harrison had a hard year, being starved of possession. He should come back hungrier than ever next season.

LUCA STENEKES

Luca started off the year with a bang after pulling on some very bright lime green boots. The hard contact suited Luca's game and his strength in defence really came to the fore. He was the winner of one "Personal Best" award for his efforts at training and on the field and was unlucky not to win more.

JACOB ELLER

Jake arrived for his rookie season full of confidence and with a good skill set. What he wasn't prepared for was the running and marking the ball on the run...but he could kick and he could get his hands on the ball. Over the course of the season Jake's marking skills improved and his confidence with the ball in hand resulted in many memorable attacking runs as well as some top class defensive marks. Well done Jake and we hope to see you next year.





EDWARD MOIR

Another year on and we know very little more about the secret life of Edward Moir. He arrives at training under the cover of darkness and surprises us with his random appearances on match day...but what a surprise it is when Edward arrives in the mood to play. He has the body of a praying mantis and the heart of a honey badger, he has a motor that won't stop running and a kicking style that is nothing less than...individual.

RYAN HENNESSY

Ryan had a fantastic start to the year, being one of the standout players in our first match against Drummoyne, his hunger for the ball and his effort in the tackle was very noticeable for someone of Ryan's build. A bout of illness and an ongoing finger injury that went from bad to worse really affected Ryan's season. He so wanted to play that he chose not to mention how bad his finger injury was, and it was only when it was quite obvious that his normally safe hands were letting him down, that he fessed up to trying to play after having his finger nail remove. When he came back, he returned to his early season form.

MATT CHAN

Another rookie from our St. Brendan's Academy and a welcome addition to our left-footed stocks. Matt gave away quite a few inches and even more pounds to the defenders that marked him this year. It's very difficult to ease yourself into a brand new game when you are being pursued relentlessly by largish lads with only one thing on their mind - to get you or the ball. Matt did remarkably well, playing under constant pressure, kicking some lovely running goals and really enjoying himself at training.

ASHTON ROBINSON

Ashton arrived full of beans for his first year of footy...he was very excited, we know this because he told us...he told us lots of stuff...Ashton loves a chat...to the team, to the coaches, to the opposition and even sometimes to the umpire...which can be dangerous. Ashton loves to be involved, hates coming off and will volunteer for any position to get him off the sideline. Next year Ashton promises me he is going to do more running than talking, especially in the pre-season, where he is aiming to be able to run 5km before the season starts. If Ashton can harness just a smidgen of his boundless enthusiasm for the game and use it to increase his fitness level then he is in for a cracker of a year in 2015.

GUS TIERNEY

Gus had a rollercoaster year in 2014. Early season had him on the right wing with his mate Luca S, shutting down attack and working together to move the ball up into the forward pocket. Later in the year the decision to move Gus closer in to the action brought huge rewards to the team as Gus teamed up with another low flying powerhouse in Tom Sherratt to produce some wonderful possession and to slow down the clearances from taller, faster opponents.

OLIVER HITCHEN

Ollie really enjoyed stepping up a level to full

contact footy. He was the first recipient of our "Personal Best" award for efforts on the field and at training. Ollie is always hard at the ball and always willing to listen and put his training into practice whenever he is on the field.

FINN MCKENDRY

In a team of very well-mannered lads, Finn stands out for the respect he shows to everyone he comes into contact with during the season. From team mates to coaches and umpires, Finn is always polite and courteous. The trouble is that he continues to usher kindness on to the opposition way too often. For a big lad who knows what he wants and how to get it, Finn can be a ferocious ruckman and full forward, swatting players hither and thither forever onwards and upwards towards victory. And then he can just chill out, idling by on those long pegs and (occasionally) waving to the crowd (they tend to wave back). He has a good time either way and it is a pleasure to have him about.

AUGUSTUS ELLIOT-GIBBS

Gus' rookie year was harder than that of our other rookies this year. As a diehard Magpies fan, the pain of watching his team getting dusted up week in week out on both the TV and on a Saturday afternoon became too much to bear. Gus was always ready to learn and had a lovely kick, it was a shame he was unable to complete the season.

CULLEN LUM

Cullen played U11s in 2013. Cullen was supposed to play U10s in 2014. Go figure. It turns out Cullen really just likes playing with his friends, and because he's big enough and good enough, well, he sure can. Cullen has a raking boot that hits the target, which makes

him an invaluable asset when kicking out from the goal square. He knows how to read a game and saved more goals than we kicked this year with his perfect positional play.

HAMISH KIDD

Hamish decided to really test himself this season by playing an early game of footy with his school team and then backing up in the afternoon for the Greyhounds...that is a big call, and it was no surprise when Hamish's legs wouldn't do as he wished in the later stages of some matches. Hamish was the only one of our squad that played two games of footy on a Saturday. There are others who played rugby or soccer, but none that attempted to run the miles a footy game requires TWICE in one day...well done Hamish, and we look forward to next year when at least you'll be able to lie down between matches.

TOM SHERRATT

There was talk in early February that one of our team's longest serving members was thinking of taking a sabbatical this season to spend more time with his family. As a time-honored excuse given when no other is available, we sensed that his PR machine was behind the move...a couple of discreet phone calls to the right people and whadda you know, the Greyhounds have a reason to restock the first aid cabinet. Tom built on the foundation of pit-bull aggression and superior angry face that began last season...he excelled at being Tom Sherratt like no other before him. He is the genuine article and the absolute proof that joy can only be claimed by those that seek it.

LACHLAN WALSH

The Lachlan Walsh is more than just one 10 year old boy. Sure, physically you may only see one 10 year old boy, but there is more than one Lachlan Walsh. The crazy madcap bungy jumping pie-eater is also a musician, a street poet, a grungy biker and a dancer...a rain dancer...he also likes to cook. And he likes playing footy, he really likes it. He likes it so much that sometimes he completely forgets about the football and just enjoys running headlong into people...not necessarily the opposition either...umpire, dog, goalpost...all have to be on high alert. When we can get Annandale's very own 'Smiley' to slow down to the pace of footy, I reckon we will unveil a remarkable talent

CHARLIE EYIEM-ROWE

Gee, Charlie it was hard to get you in the team...tell your Dad to get you registered on time next year, but it was so worth the effort to fit you in to the squad again Charlie. Charlie is one of the most consistent trainers in our team. He always comes with the mysterious

Edward Moir and they turn training all post-modern by having their dinner from the bbq BEFORE training begins...hells bells, I thought Mr Don was gonna have a chicken when he heard.....'the shear gall of it!', is all he could say.

RILEY FITZROY

Riley has very strong opinions on things that most would let go. Riley strongly dislikes Drummoyne Power for having a really good oval. Riley strongly dislikes opposition players that celebrate too much, cheat, talk, smile, kick the ball, mark the ball, get in his way... he really, really strongly dislikes opponents that get in the road. It's his very strong dislike of any footy player not in Greyhounds colours that drives him through the week towards Saturday...its always about getting to Saturday...next year he has to wait till Sunday....any chance he could go to your place for a sleep-over?





U12 Coach's report & player profiles

U12s

COACH DAN HENNESSEY

COACH'S REPORT

The season kicked off with a trip to Dural to play a practice game against Westbrook. It was a great opportunity to have the guys regroup after the summer break and get an early look at a couple of the new recruits to the U12 Greyhounds. Westbrook are a very competitive team and gave us an early look at the standards against which we'd be measured.

In an unusual situation our Division only had five teams. Despite what negatives that may have brought the positive was that whatever the standard of those teams was to be it provided a constant against which we'd be able to measure our performances our progress. As it happens it was an excellent opportunity.

We played the other four teams before we had a home game and were comprehensively beaten in all four. I could point to the lingering pull of summer sport commitments, some of our guys playing up an age group, some old hands not yet 'turning up', or the natural lag of time it takes new players to find their roles; but whatever it was we were not playing as a team nor to our potential - despite the obvious effort of many of the guys.

Time to concentrate on the positives and the aforementioned effort was the key. In fact in the fourth game of that run of four we won our first quarter against a hard Newtown outfit. In the trainings that followed and over the bye we concentrated on maintaining that desire and will to get to the contest, and to win, and retain our possession - believing in our ability to match the opposition physically.

Result. Penshurst turned up to Jubilee after the bye expecting to replicate the easy win of round one. Our boys shocked them with their attack at the ball and ball skills. We lead at halftime and not for a lapse in the 3rd quarter we'd have won that game. Despite the result it was a celebrated loss and ignited a belief within boys and their teammates. Moving forward from there meant that whatever the result the fighting 12s were playing to compete and compete hard.

In the ensuing weeks we pushed all the teams - taking many quarters off them without managing to finish the job. Consistent and applied effort on the park on game day and at training was finally rewarded in Round 11 with an emotional away victory against Penshurst. A victory the following week against Newtown was reversed due to a scoring technicality (don't ask) and by seasons end we were a couple of good quarters off challenging for a play off spot. What a turn around!

The U12 Glebe Greyhounds finished the year a long long way from where we'd started. Many teams would not have come back from that start but by seasons end there was much to celebrate. Increased skill levels were evident along with a strong belief in themselves and their ability.

As coach I was immensely proud of the boys. There were many who grew as players and young men during these winter months and ultimately that was the goal. I hope all the boys feel good about their efforts and what they achieved and hope they all return in 2015 to make the most of the opportunity they have now created for themselves. As a first year coach I really appreciated the patience and respect afforded me by the playing group. I'd also like to thank Michael Bicknell (manager) and Jason Howard (assistant coach) for their counsel and guidance during the year. Again it was very much appreciated.

COACH	Dan Hennessey
ASSISTANT COACH	Jason Howard
MANAGER	Michael Bicknell

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best & Fairest	Abe Mahlab
Equal Runner Up Best & Fairest	Clem Bicknell
Equal Runner Up Best & Fairest	Sebastian Wood
Best Team Player	Dylan Howard
Most Consistent	Daire Filitonga
Most Improved	Ryan Kitchin
Rookie	Yuribaya Farrowell
Leading Goal Kicker	Dylan Howard

SWANS ACADEMY	
Outstanding Achievement	Dylan Howard

DEVELOPMENT TEAM	
Clem Bicknell	Dylan Howard

MILESTONES	
50 Games	Samuel Burns
	Ben Hennessey
	Abe Mahlab
	Clem Bicknell



GABRIEL BASS TRACY

Gabe only played two games with the team before a season ending foot injury. We hope Gabe recovers over the summer to rejoin the team in 2015.

CLEM BICKNELL

Clem was the only player to play all 12 games this season, and reached his 50 game milestone this year. His height and run provided versatility around the ground. Clem was the captain of the team and provided leadership to the team at training and during games.

JOSHUA BILLINGHAM

Joshua joined the Greyhounds this year and was a consistent performer in the games he played. We hope he comes back next year and is able to play more games.

THOMAS BROWN

Thomas took a ruck role in many games this year as one of the team's tall, and provided many valuable taps from centre bounces. His height and strength also saw him play in key defensive positions. Another consistent season from Tom!

SAMUEL BURN

Samuel achieved his milestone 50th game this year and continued his consistent efforts throughout the first part of the season before other commitments kept him away. We hope to see you rack up more games next year Samuel.

ANGUS CADOGAN

Angus was a consistent performer in his first year with the team. His size, strength and determination were valuable in defence.

SAM COFFEY-THORPE

Another good year from Sam with lots of dash. Sam made the small defensive role his own and was able to tackle and shut down opposition players.

YURIBAYA FARRAWELL

Yuribaya joined the team this year and quickly showed his commitment to the team and ability to improve quickly. He was the rookie of the year, was always keen on the training track and played all but one game. Well done Yuri, we hope you'll continue your improvement in 2015.

BEN HENNESSEY

Ben was ferocious in a tackle and desperate in defence, and his full commitment to the game was always evident in the way he played. Ben was an effective user of the ball by hand and by foot and was able to play well in any position on the ground. Another player to reach his 50 game milestone this year, well done Ben!

DYLAN HOWARD

Dylan had a great year, with consistently high statistics in all his games. Dylan knew where to be to win and receive the ball, and was a strong mark in attack, making him the top goal scorer for the team. Dylan also provided leadership to the team through his examples on the field.

CAMERON KERR

Cameron suffered a knee injury that just wouldn't go away in 2014, and this limited his ability to play games and be mobile in those he did play. However it was great to see Cameron bob up for a cameo goal in the last game of the season. We know Cameron can get over the knee and be a key forward and scorer next year.





DAIRE FILITONGA

Daire had another solid season, always performing at the high level we've come to expect. He played in key back and forward positions, kicked goals, took strong marks, and continued to use his strength to break and lay tackles.

KADE FOX-QUINN

Kade's height and speed were valuable in the midfield, and when kicking goals as a forward. Kade's runs with the ball down the wing could be relied on to produce results. A good second year in AFL from Kade.

SEBASTIAN WOOD

Sebastian continued to be great at the hardest task in football, winning the ball from the bottom of a crowded pack. Sebastian was fearless and reliable at getting the ball back for the Greyhounds and could also run and carry the ball effectively when in the clear.

RIAZ KHAN

Riaz continued to improve in his second year playing AFL but unfortunately wasn't able to play many games. We hope to see more of him in 2015.

RYAN KITCHIN

Ryan didn't play many games this season, but those he did were great ones. Ryan loved playing a rebounding defensive role and was able to bring the ball back in to an attacking position with his sense of where the play would go next. We hope that you can play more in 2015, Ryan.

ABE MAHLAB

Abe had a standout year this year and was a deserved winner of the best and fairest award. Abe took marks, laid hard tackles, won the contested ground ball, ran and carried into attack, and kicked goals. Abe the energizer bunny never stopped and always made a massive contribution to the team, and also passed the 50 game mark.

CLIVE MANZIE

This was Clive's first year of AFL, but the skills and footy smarts needed for a successful player are already evident. Clive can take a strong grab, find space, be patient with his use of the ball, and draw opposition players out of position. Well done on a great first season Clive!

MICHAEL READ

Michael's presence added strength to the team and his ability to break through tackles and kick accurately helped the team rebound into attack. His season was cut short by injury just when he was playing his best, so we hope he'll be able to play out a full season next year.

HUNTER MUNN

Hunter played in the first few games of the season before deciding AFL wasn't for him. We've missed his efforts since and would welcome him back in future.

TOMAS GREANEY

Tomas wasn't able to play many games in his first year with the Greyhounds but we look forward to him continuing to improve with the team in 2015!

LUCIEN PROCTER

Lucien played well in the midfield this year and was always in the right spot to lay a tackle, pressure the opposition or provide run in to attack. Another strong season Lucien!

JAMIE SHAW

Jamie's game improved throughout the year as his hard work at training paid off. Jamie played on a wing and was effective at shutting down the run of the opposition and putting pressure on the ball carrier.

LACHLAN WILCOX

Lachlan was a consistent performer throughout the season and could always be relied on to chase down an opposition player, or get involved in a loose ball contest. Another good year Lachlan!

MAX NORINGTON

Max took some solid knocks this year and continued to be willing to go in hard! It was his willingness to go in for the tackle that led to him taking some hits but that was exactly what we needed from players this year, so well done Max!

BYRON YOUNG

Byron found a home last year in full back and was reliable and effective there again in 2014. He was able to contest and spoil marks and find downfield players with long kicks out of defence. Another very valuable year Byron!





U13 Coach's report & player profiles

U13s

COACH JOE BRITTON

COACH'S REPORT

My first season with the side was a thoroughly enjoyable one. I started the season not knowing what to expect from the group, what I came across was a group of committed, passionate and selfless young men. It was fantastic to see so many boys improve and enjoy their football this year and to see the team come together and unite as a group was the highlight for me.

We started off the season with some convincing wins but were soon brought back down to earth against some stronger opposition. Throughout the year we struggled with our consistency, failing to string together good performances. In saying that we had some great results and managed to finish the season in third place. A home final awaited us, unfortunately we were outgunned on the day by a bigger Penshurst side. In saying that I still consider the year to be an unequivocal success, to see so many boys grow and improve as footballers was very pleasing.

There are so many people who contributed to the team this year and it was much appreciated. Firstly to Luke MacDougall who did a great job organising the team on game day and continuing to help out with the coaching. To Margaret Cassidy who did so much behind the scenes managerial work in organising the side. To Richard Falkiner, Dave Claringbold, Ingvar Kenne and Mark Gibbins for all of their great work around the traps. And finally to my fantastic assistant coach Oscar Gibbins who is a great role model for the boys and helped me immensely at training and on game day.

Thanks also to Dylan, Abe, Ben, Michael, Ryan, Tom and Clem from the 12s and Finn and Felix from the 14s who helped us out this year. The team simply would not have functioned without your help.

Most of all a big thanks to a great bunch of young men. I have been so impressed by your attitudes, work ethic and mateship. It has been such a privilege to get to know you all and coach you this year.

See you next year.



COACH	Joe Britton
ASSISTANT COACH	Oscar Gibbins
MANAGER/ PHOTOGRAPHER	Margaret Cassidy
GAME MANAGER	Luke MacDougall

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best and Fairest	Dom Gibbins
Runner Up B&F	Riley Holmes
Best Team Man	Luc Claringbold
Most Consistent	Brendan Doyle
Most Improved	Gulliver Hull
Rookie of the Year	Zac Skrabanich
Leading Goal Kicker	Brendan Doyle (34)

GSJ ACHIEVEMENTS	
Runner Up Best and Fairest	Cooper Kilpatrick

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS	
Wes Greenaway	James Scutella
Cooper Kilpatrick	Billy Chudleigh
Tom Baxter	Miles Glover
Jotaro Howard-Shibuya	

MILESTONES	
100 Games	Dominic Gibbins
	Angus MacDougall
50 Games	Brendan Doyle
	Callan Pratt



LUC CLARINGBOLD

A sensational leader of young men. Luc has a rare ability to inspire his teammates through both words and actions. His ability to run directly at the ball and influence contests is superb. It was great to see Luc's skills improve throughout the year, he rarely missed a target by hand or foot. An integral part of the team and a great season from Luc.

EUGENE DE ROOY

Loved Eugene's efforts this year. He really committed to the team and had some big games. His attack on the ball through the midfield and forward line changed the course of games. Great year Eugene.

LUKE DENVIR

Luke is a talented footballer who can play a variety of positions. Luke has a booming kick and is a smart and skilful player. Luke was a super important player for us this year and his versatility and game smarts were instrumental in winning us a number of games. A big game player who will continue to improve.

BRENDAN DOYLE

Brendan is a naturally talented footballer. He has great skills and an ability to read the game well. Brendon kicked 34 goals this year which is a fantastic achievement. I am extremely proud of the way Brendon was able to take feedback from his coaches and apply it to the games, he is someone who is only going to get better and better.

JAY FALKINER

Jay is a super reliable and consistent performer. His contributions in the backline were both selfless and admirable. I couldn't be prouder of his efforts on game day and at training, he is somebody who always does his best and is a great team player.

JAYLAN FOSTER

Kicked 13 goals this year and did a great job in the forward line. Jaylan is a great competitor and improved as the season went on. He tackled hard and would always stand up for his team mates, smart crumber and knows how to find the goals. Good work Jay.

DOM GIBBINS

Breakout year from Dom, this year he combined his great talent with incredibly hard work and great leadership. Doms ability to consistently make tackles, put his head over the ball and also hit targets with his kicks was superb. Dom is to be congratulated on a great season of football.



JAKE HARVEY

Jakes improvement this year was rapid. In his first season of AFL he became a very important part of our team. Super fast and agile, his kicking got better and better as did his game sense. A great trainer and committed member of our team. I hope he continues playing as he can get even better.

MAX HOCHULI

Max is a big physical presence and a talented player. He is fast and skilful and has a great mark and kick. Played a key role backline this year and I was impressed with his rapid improvement. Max has a stack of natural ability and I hope he sticks with the oval shaped game.

RILEY HOLMES

Riley is a match winner. An outstanding running and support player who has the ability to change games. When Riley is in full flight there is no better player to watch; exciting, strong and skilful. His attitude improved immensely throughout the year, to the point he became a leader within the side. I look forward to watching Riley's continued development.

GULLIVER HULL

Great year from Gully. Really arrived as a footballer this season and is deserving of his most improved award. Contested hard from the ruck and involved himself in the play all over the ground, a great team player who always did his best and did his job for the team. Well done mate.

CORMAC KENNE

Corm had a great year in the backline. He improved his kicking and marking enormously and his accountability in the backline was superb. Cormac always does his best and gives his all. I am very proud of his efforts and am excited to continue to watch his improvement as a footballer.

JACK KITCHEN

Jack improved a lot this year and did some really good things in some games. I was most impressed with Jack's effort at the contest and to see the way that evolved throughout the year was particularly pleasing. His efforts in the semi-final lifted his team mates and was fantastic to watch. Well done Jack.

ANGUS MACDOUGALL

Angus is a fantastic clubman and team member who lifts the team through his words and actions. Angus reinvented himself as a forward this season and had a key role in some important wins. Angus is hard at the football and determined, his willingness to put the team before himself is fantastic. Great year Angus.

LOU O'ROURKE

Attacks the ball exceptionally. Lou's tackling, attack on the ball and enthusiasm was infectious. Often lifted the team with big hits and his efforts around the ground. Didn't see enough of him due to injury but very hopefully will return next year.

CALLAN PRATT

Unfortunately Callan's season was cut short by a broken collarbone. I had seen Callan play prior to this year but hadn't fully been aware of just how tough he really is. Callan consistently puts his head over the ball and tackles opponents nearly twice his size. Callan works so hard on the field and always puts in for his team mates. He is also a clever player who finds space and has a great goal sense. One of the best.

MAX RODIE

A great character and person to have around the team, Max is very well liked by his teammates. Max's commitment to the team was great and his kicking and marking improved throughout the year. He would often help his team mates in the forward line and put his head over the ball fearlessly. Good job Max.

ZAC SKRABANICH

A first year player who made a huge impact. Tough, strong and courageous. Zac's tackling and attack on the ball inspired his teammates. His kicking and skills improved during the season and he also learnt to play a variety of different positions. Zac has a fantastic attitude and always does his best, a superb first season of football.

DANIEL THIELE

Made a massive difference towards the end of the year. Tough, strong and puts his head over the ball. A great natural leader and great person to have around. Lots of natural ability, is going to be a really good player.

OSCAR TIERNEY

Oscar is a terrific wing and backline player who is hard at the ball and determined. He is also great tackler and his kick improved throughout the year. I am super proud of Oscar, he is incredibly supportive and encouraging of his team mates and is an inspiring presence to have around the team. A great player and young man.

DAN WRIGHT

Dan made a big difference to the team in the second half of the year. Very skilful and a great reader of the play. Dan's effective kicking and marking really added strength to the team. Very versatile and can play in any position. Hardly missed a training in the last half of the year. Great work Dan.





U14 Coach's report & player profiles

U14s

COACH BRAD SCUTELLA

COACH'S REPORT

2014 was a case of deja vu. We played 16 rounds of footy, lost 3 games during the season, came second in the minor premiership, lost to Wests in the Major Semi Final, beat St Ives in the final, played Wests in the Grand Final and lost. Pretty much the same as 2013. The difference this year was that I didn't think we would even make the semi finals this year, let alone get into a grand final.

Having lost six players from our 2013 team mean't we had to undertake a massive rebuilding program to try and get a team on the field. One option would have been to merge with our champion under 15's team however that would have been the soft option and it wouldn't hold us in good stead for the years ahead. Instead, the boys went out and recruited mates from school and we were able to form a much stronger than expected team. All credit goes to our boys for going out there and recruiting so well and bringing down some champion players and keeping our team together.

After losing quite soundly to Easts in our first pre-season game, followed by a hammering from Wests, I mentioned to Roger Bluett that this year will be a 'rebuilding' year. We will just have to be patient and rebuild our team for 2015. The thought of making a grand final again in 2014 seemed like a long way away.

New players came on board such as: Felix Loveday, Finn Crowley, Don Choi and Zane Carroll who all had cracking seasons, together with the return of champion players Matthew Hutchinson and Luke Asnicar. This got our numbers up, however we still had to rely upon our mighty Under 13's, 12's and even an Under 10 to help out through various stages of the season. And what a great job they did.

We started off with a close win over St Ives in the mud, followed by hammering Manly at Weldon, then a last quarter win against Wests at home. Three from three, much better than I expected. The show kept on rolling along with a win over Canada Bay, St Ives, then a two point win over Manly and a comfortable win over Hornsby. Two weeks later we went back to Manly and lost under controversial circumstances. Our first loss of the season and it hurt.

We then had a narrow win over a rejuvenated Canada Bay followed by wins over Hornsby (x 2) then a loss to St Ives and a 1 point loss to Wests. Our form was looking patchy but we picked up in the last two games with solid wins over Canada Bay and Manly playing the latter at home for the first time this season at Jubilee.

In the first major semi final we played Wests in the mud at Picken Oval and lost by 2 points. A massive disappointment. We then recovered with a hard fought win over St Ives which, in hindsight probably gave us too much of a work out. The following week it happened all over again, a grand final loss to Wests. Notwithstanding this game, we had a very good season whereby we blooded a lot of new talent and some of our boys who have been with us for a number of years showed great improvement and maturity. Overall, a very good season despite the result.

It should be noted that all this doesn't happen without the help of parents. A big thank you to Roger Bluett for the outstanding job he did again by managing our team and keeping in contact with our families re training, games, organising BBQ, canteen, organising Milestone banners and everything else he does to keep this team going. Also big thanks to David Alais for helping with the Coaching. Also thanks to Richard Glover and Anthony Asnicar our Linesman, Simon Loveday, Nick Potter, Dermot Crowley, Maus in the Canteen, Craig Kent and Andrew Adams for all your help around the club. Apologies if I left anyone out but this year has truly been a team effort.

See you all next year whereby I hope we can go one better.

COACH	Brad Scutella
MANAGER	Roger Bluett

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best and Fairest	James Scutella
Runner Up B&F	Billy Chudleigh
Best Team Man	Jojo Howard-Shibuya
Most Consistent	Silvan Bluett
Most Improved	Miles Glover
Rookie	Finn Crowley
Leading Goal Kicker	Thomas Linfield-Kent

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS	
Billy Chudleigh	Miles Glover
James Scutella	Louis Wilcox
Jotaro Howard Shibuya	

HONOUR BOARD	
Greater Sydney Under 14's Best and Fairest Awards	James Scutella – Runner Up
Joss Talent Identification Program	James Scutella
Representatives	Billy Chudleigh
	Miles Glover

MILESTONES	
50 Games	Murali Chinnappa
	Alex Mountford

UMPIRES	
Tom Stapleton	





TIM ADAMS

Played a variety of roles in another strong season, often as first ruckman but showing great flexibility to fill in as a key defender or forward when required. His ability to win the hitouts time after time was a big factor in our success this year, as was his clever positioning around the ground as a marking option.

PHILIPPE ALAIS

Had a solid season playing mainly on the wing or flanks. Always moves the ball on quickly with a fast handball or kick. Played a lot on taller opponents and this year displayed some good crumbing skills around the packs. His accurate kicking set up many teammates with neat passes.

LUKE ASNICAR

A great competitor who runs hard and uses his pace and evasive side step to great effect. His speedy runs on the wing or out of the backline left many opponents in his wake and were important in setting up scoring opportunities in the forward line.

SILVAN BLUETT

Had a very strong season this year and was one of our warriors who thrived in the tough games. Silvan was a dependable and competitive defender who was rarely beaten and showed he could take solid defensive marks under pressure and hold his position against any opponent. A great year, Silvan.

ZANE CARROLL

Had a solid year playing as a marking player in the forwards or backs. As a forward he read the play well and found space to present as a marking option and in defence he developed into a disciplined spoiling defender. We'll miss him when he returns to Broome and appreciated his contribution this season.



DON CHOI

A first-year player who was new to the game, Don soon showed he had good hands and a decent kick. Don's solid physique was well suited to the rough and tumble of AFL footy and he showed many times he could beat his opponent in a marking contest with his size and strength. A great debut season, well done, Don

BILLY CHUDLEIGH

Another great season from a whole hearted player. Mainly played in the backline and did a great job re-bouncing through the midfield linking up with our centres and delivering the ball into the forward line. Rewarded with being awarded with the Club's Prestigious Award of Back of the Year, as well as selected in the City Representative team and capping off a fine season with being selected in the Joss NSW/ACT Representative Team. Well done Billy.

FINN CROWLEY

What a cracking year this boy had. Played his first year of AFL and totally dominated whenever he was in a contest. Able to play in any position including in the ruck but settled in on the Wing due to his pace and relentless passion for the ball. A truly fierce competitor who ran all day and tackled hard. Also played a couple of Under 13's games and was by far and away the Best on Ground whenever he played. Rewarded with the Club Award of Rookie of the Year. Good work Finn.

TOM DESSENT

A dynamic player who when he is on his game is unstoppable. Compliments his AFL skills with his tough rugby league tackling and always leaves his mark on opposition players. Mainly suited playing in close either in the midfield for the ball ups or in the back and forward pockets. Has an uncompromising 'head over the ball' attitude and always goes in hard. Chipped in with three sneaky goals during the season. Well done Tom.

BRENDAN DOYLE

One of our super sub under 13's who played eight games and scored four valuable goals. Mainly played up in the forward pocket, able to take a great overhead mark as well as knows how to lead out from the forward line. Great turn off pace who really blew away the opposition when he came on in the final against St Ives. A player with plenty of potential and knows his way to the goal square. Great work Brendan.

Miles Glover

Had a great season playing mainly up in the forward line and occasionally in the backline. Has a great overhead mark and was outstanding when running with the ball down the wing or the midfield. Kicked the second highest number of goals for the team with a very worthy 24 goals, was selected in the City Representative team as well as selected in the Joss ACT/NSW Representative team. Well done Miles.

MIKEY GROVE

One of our star backline players come midfielder who has a strong 'no nonsense' style about him. Always involved in the hard stuff even when isolated in the backline and never backs down from a contest. Always safe and reliable in the backline. Played a few games in the midfield this year and dominated and will more than likely get more midfield time next year. Good season Mikey

JOTARA HOWARD-SHIBUYA

A team favourite who never stops running. Has the best running game in the team and looks great in full flight with the ball. Inspirational player who has great field position, plays one kick back behind the ball and knows how to link up with supporting players. Came third in a close contest in the Best and Fairest Awards and selected as a City Representative player. Great season Jojo.

MATTHEW HUTCHINSON

Great to see Matthew back for another season. A quiet achiever, played strong in the backline and used his tall body well to stop forward attacks by taking great marks or just running over opponents. Gutsy and fearless player who always put his head over the ball and looks around for supporting players when in possession of the ball. An underestimated team player who does all the subtle things well like 'shepherding' for his team mates and blocking opponents to ensure the ball is cleared out of the danger zone. Great season Matt.

THOMAS LINDFIELD KENT

Tom had a great debut season last year and only got better this year. Played up at Full forward for most of the year and was outstanding with his accuracy, kicking 29 goals and deservedly awarded 'Goalkicker of the Year'. During part of the season he proved how strong his motor was by shifting to the Wing as well as to Centre Half Forward where he showed plenty of potential and versatility for 2015. Well done Tom.

FELIX LOVEDAY

Strong first season debut for Felix. Came to us from soccer this year, was a willing competitor for the ball and enjoyed the 'physicality' of AFL and playing up in the forward pocket. Our only left footer in the team who tried hard all season and is always eager to learn more. Played down in the backline on a few occasions and acquitted himself quite well showing plenty of courage in defence and determination for the ball. Well done Felix.

ANGUS MACDOUGALL

One of our Under 13's super subs who was ultra reliable to back up and play in the 14's. A great clubman who played 11 games for us this year mainly in the backline but showed his versatility by also playing in the forwards. Showed no fear whatsoever against much bigger and physical opponents and more than held his own in the tough contests. A smart and unselfish footballer who fitted in well with the team. Thanks Angus.

RORY POTTER

What a champion player this boy is. No matter where I put him he gives 100%. Predominately played on the wing this year however he was also menacing when playing in the midfield as well as in the forward and backline. A ferocious tackler (just ask a couple of the Manly players) and was underestimated by his opponents at their peril. A great team player and well like by all.

JAMES SCUTELLA

Our Team Captain who always leads from the front. Awarded Team Best and Fairest player this year and runner up in the U14's Greater Sydney Juniors AFL Awards. Always has his head over the ball and runs hard through the midfield. Kicked 14 goals and was rock solid in defence. Also selected as a City Representative player as well as in the NSW/ACT Joss Talented Player Representative Team. Well done James.

TOM STAPLETON

Displayed plenty of maturity and courage this year and played arguably his best season of football so far. This year Tom's leadership skills were on display encouraging his mates both at training and on the field and providing positive input during games. Kicked a respectable 12 goals, played well in the forward line. Showed his versatility by playing on the wing as well as outstanding when playing in the ruck and dominating. Great work Tom.

GRIFFIN TAYLOR

Played all 19 games this season and able to play in any position on the field. Started off in the backline and was solid in defence then switched up to the forward line where he kicked an admirable 11 goals and set up many others. Has a very deceptive step and swerve which always deceives opponents and this year showed considerable improvement in his contested marking. Also reached his 100 game milestone for the club this year. Well done Griff.

LOUIS WILCOX

Another player who played all 19 games this year and kicked 3 goals. Not bad for a player who predominately plays in the backline. Was given a few opportunities of playing on the ball and acquitted himself quite well. Only problem is that when he is moved out of the backline it leaves massive gap in our defence which is an indication just how valuable he is to the team. Another boy who matured this year, achieved his 100 game milestone and rewarded with selection in the City Representative team. Well done Louis.

OTHER PLAYERS WHO CONTRIBUTED THIS YEAR

A big thank you goes to: Samuel Scutella 4 games courage and pace, Luc Claringbold 2 games great leading and kicking, and one game each to; Riley Holmes hard at it, Clem Bicknell fearless, Dylan Howard classy, Ben Hennessy no fear, Michael Read goal scoring opportunist, Jacob Harvey hard worker and Dom Gibbons full of mongrel and plays above his weight. All these boys filled in when we were low on numbers and put in gutsy performances against much bigger opponents and displayed plenty of true Glebe Greyhound spirit. Well done boys.





U15s Coach's report & player profiles

U15s

COACH MARK GARDINER

COACH'S REPORT

I am sure after last Sunday's game there was a lot of disappointed Greyhounds, both players and fans. (Spare a thought for Henry, Osh, Murali, Darragh, and Jack who headed straight down to Maroubra and lost another preliminary final.)

It would be easy to look at the team that ran out on Sunday and ponder what would have happened if we had our best 22, but fixturing, injuries to Connor and Hugo (not to mention James D who willed himself through the game and could not walk after) and the absence of one of our true talismans in Isaac .

However, that would really belittle the efforts these boys put in on any given Sunday. They won 10 games in a row and have beaten both grand finalists. Everyone of them is a better footballer than they were at the beginning of the season. Everyone of them I hope will take away the fact that they were part of a team that played some of the best footy any Greyhound team dished out this year. My favourite memories were at Jubilee on a Sunday with all the supporters lucky to watch these guys at their work and walk away undefeated at home.

I would like to thank the selection committee (you know who you are) who were a massive support through the season.

To every parent who will now find that the amount of road tolls they are paying on a Sunday is massively diminished. To Brad and Fraser, who's Friday night training and advice was invaluable. To Ian who's goal umpiring was often at the end of some great Greyhound play. Peter Gower's precise boundary umpiring. Peter's late running. Hugo's magnificent assistant coaching and Justin's support. To Robert and his ability to fill in on any of the jobs required. To the 14s all year who played real grownup footy with us (good luck Sunday boys). Michael who, as well as his assistant coaching, is on first name terms at every emergency ward from here to Cherrybrook. The leadership group... Darragh, James D, Ollie, Jack and Chris who stood up all year at training and on the ground on Sundays as well as Murali, Jack D and Osh; this was a mature and driven group who demanded a lot of themselves and the group. To the man who has chronicled the entire season, the Ansell Adams of U15 Div 3 footy, who has made the day of at least one grandmother every week and whose brilliant photos are a real reminder of how these boys play footy. Thanks, Paul Devonshire. And without question the most important part of the whole group - Brian. His only shortcoming is that he can't yell at the ref... it's an umpire. If I have forgotten anyone... thank you.

So 2 prelims in a row for this group. My parting request is this. Have a rest and think on this year and this team. Think about all those rubbish exams and projects you have to do. About the rubbish you were supposed to put out, the room you had to clean, the sister or brother you were supposed to be "nice" to, the parents who no less about stuff than you do, the radio programmes you have to listen while your father drives the car, the girls who won't speak to you, why you can't have that new phone/computer/tablet, why you have to be home at 11.00pm or any of your other adolescent first-world issues, and think on the real joy we got out of playing really, really good Australian rules football with a bunch of guys who you know are there for you all the time. Come back stronger, faster and bigger and dominate the U17s next year, I absolutely know you can.

After a few years now that's it for me. It's been a blast and I can't thank all of you...parents and friends for the support and the football enough. In parting with deep apologies to some English bloke from a long time ago (Collingwood supporters can get a Hawthorn supporter to read it to you... you deserve each other):

*We few, we happy few, we band of brothers
For today that plays footy with me
Shall be my brother, be he ne'er so vile*

As a postscript... We were able to get four boys into the city rep squad, 3 of whom were non Academy boys. It looks like we had the leading goal scorer in the division and a placegetter in the divisional best and fairest. We had 6 to 7 boys who played with distinction in the U17s.

Go Greyhounds.

COACH	Mark Gardiner
ASSISTANT COACH	Michael Dunlop
MANAGER	Brian Ashby
PHOTOGRAPHER	Paul Devonshire

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best & Fairest	Daragh Mullen
Runner up B&F	Murali Chinnappa
Best Team Man	Oliver Ashby
Most Consistent	Oisin Filitonga
Most Determined	Jack Devonshire
Most Improved	Oren Olgers-Chemke
Leading Goal Kicker	Jack Gardiner (35)

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS	
Oliver Ashby	Murali Chinnappa
Jack Gardiner	Daragh Mullen

MILESTONES	
50 Games	Murali Chinnappa
	Alex Mountford

UMPIRES	
Murali Chinnappa	



TIM ADAMS

18 goals from 8 games is a fair haul but does not tell the full story of what Tim brought to the side. One of the 14s who always put their hand up Tim put structure into a forward line that was the best in the comp.

OLIVER ASHBY

Formed a great partnership with Murali moving between key defender to the ruck. Never ever stopped and was easily our strongest overhead. Played rep football and all of sudden realised he is actually a really good footballer. In the comp for the worst shot at goal he tied with Murali.

GABRIEL BEECH-JONES

Turned up at the beginning of the season and brought enthusiasm and footy smarts with him. The late season change to defender saw him play his best footy by far. My only concern with Gabe is... Fremantle... I mean really!

MURALI CHINNAPPA

Dominated the ruck. Ran all day. Tackled. Marked. Did it all. Murali in 2014 went to the level we all knew he could. He played rep footy he umpired and was a confident leader of this football side. An absolute pleasure to have in the side. Just learn how to kick for goal.

BILLY CHUDLEIGH

After completely forgetting to mention Billy last year I am guessing I have to really lay it on this year. How anyone could forget him I don't know. Not out of place in the 15s his pace and skill but more importantly his footy smarts mark him as a special talent. (is that enough).

REMY DE ROOY

One part of a formidable backline trio that just got the job done week after week. His real defensive skills this year added a real desire to take the game on and run through the corridor. It is quite simple Remy Jack and Connor don't play we don't win.

JACK DEVONSHIRE

Read the above and copy it. Add though a real ownership of this side and Jack really became quite formidable at every break. One of this year's highlights was the goal kicked at Jubilee which saw Remy get the ball off for Jack to kick one of his 2 for the year.

SAM EAMES

Forward back or mid. Did it all. Got his hands on the footy more than just about anyone else in the team. As fast as anyone in the team, to the point he "blew a boot" in one game. I seriously believe in a side with some handy players Sam could be as good as any of them.

OISIN FILITONGA

Just a super year. Played grown up football. Forged a relationship with Jack G which saw plenty of goals kicked. Ran straight, took marks, tackled, shepherded, did not stop moving. Trained all the time. His last month was better than anyone's in the side. A ripper!

JACK GARDINER

35 goals. Played rep Runner up in the comp b&f. One of 2 chief advisors to the coach. Trained every night he could. Importantly realised and respected the efforts of others up the field who worked hard to present him with the opportunities he usually took. Importantly loves the game learns the game and barracks for a real club.

MILES GLOVER

Miles is just a really complete football player. Kicks well, strong overhead. He is in my best team without hesitation.

HENRY GOWERS

Without question the smartest footballer in this side. Realising what Connor, Remy and Jack would do allowed Henry to play quarterback all year. His decision making was usually flawless and his contribution to the leadership of this team vital. Seriously I say this in the best possible way...he is uncoachable coz he really does know it better than me.



DARCY HARRIS

New to the Greyhound fold this year he quickly became a big part of our forward set up. 4 goals from 13 games does not tell the story of a season of shepherds, tackles, leads, goal assists that occurred in every game. Trained every night he could and was a better footballer at the end than the start. Next year will be great.

JOTARO HOWARD-SHIBUYA

I want 2 of him. Seriously. Does not stop. Gets the footy. Tackles. Shepherds. Kicks better than he did.... Blessed with the "knows where the ball is" skill. Along with a few others he is the sort of player Glebe will build some success around.

ISAAC MAHLAB

4 games. 400 tackles. 400 kicks. His cameos were magnificent and we were all truly grateful for his appearances. He gives opposition pause, he makes his teammates fearless. I really hope the club sees him back next year because he is worth the admission.

CHRIS MCMASTER

Last year's b/f winner had an interrupted season with illness and his jet setting lifestyle intruding on his year. One of the side's leaders he ran himself into the ground, kicked goals when needed played back when needed. The point is if something was needed Chris either did it or made sure somebody did.

ALEX MOUNTFORD

Again an interrupted season with injuries and South American Expeditions Alex filled a utility role in the side using his pace to run with the opposition's best. Combining with the defence to link with defence Alex gave the side avenues we didn't have when he was standing on Macchu Picchu.

DARAGH MULLEN

If Daragh could he would invent another day so he could play football. We lost a captain in round one, luckily we had one ready to step up. From January Daragh took ownership of both the side and his football. He was our best player all year, played rep and academy. Consistently inside, tackling, shepherding, talking and cajoling. His understanding with Jack Gardiner was a highlight for the year. I have known Daragh for 10 years now and coached him for 2. He should be very proud of his year.

OREN OLGERS-CHEMKE

I am going to write this down because otherwise he will not believe me. For someone who has never played Oren has arguably the best hands in the side. He gets to the right place. He tackles he is quick. He kicked 9 goals. Sure he could have kicked plenty more but he has not picked up a football till this year. If he keeps on going and learns how to kick the potential is ridiculous.

JAMES SCUTELLA

Play in the forward pocket James.....nope. Goes straight to the middle and plays against a lot bigger bodies, gets 20 touches, most of which are efficient, kicks goals. James is a Rolls Royce.

CONNOR SMITH

Last years most improved did not rest this year. He got bigger, played smarter, improved his skills. He was a wrecking ball who ran straight and over the year I struggle to remember a time he was beaten one on one. He was asked to play up in the 17s and just went about it in the same way he always does. Worst part of the season was watching him sit on the sidelines in both finals.

LOUIS WILCOX

Louis may be the most improved player in the club. His courage was never questioned but his skills particularly his hands are terrific. Also he would run water, sit on the bench with limited game time without a word of complaint.

HUGO YOUNG

In a season of where player unavailability hit us at the worst possible time the loss of Hugo along with James Dunlop was the most important. It was all starting to click when Hugos hammy went. Instead of retreating to the couch he came to training he came to games and was a most effective assistant coach. I truly hope he comes back next year watching Hugo play is never ever dull.

JAMES DUNLOP

If you would have said our first game was going to require an ambulance I would have said... James Dunlop. To see Tom and James Dunlop without splints or crutches must be a rarity though knowing James he would make table tennis a blood sport. A really hard season for our captain never being able to get fully fit but his cameos were special and his leadership lifted the side weekly.

SYLVAN, PHILLIPPE AND CHARLIE

I did not get enough games out of any of these guys but when the opportunity presented they all contributed and for that I am really thankful.





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COACH FRAZER ADAMS

COACH'S REPORT

After a year away from the Greyhounds it was great to be back in black and white. I wasn't sure what to expect at the start of the season when we decided to run 2 teams in the U17s comp, but with injuries, availability and restricted players list to contend with I realised it was going to be challenging. Training started well and I found out early that Max was an excellent coach and I was going to enjoy working with him. Being an umpire gives him great football nous and he uses it in both training and on game day.

Game one saw us at Heathcote in the pouring rain, still trying to work out team positions. Sam was a big help, with his knowledge of the boys' skills. The discussions between Sam, Dekka and myself made sure we put the best players in the best positions for the day and the game. Working with my son, Dekka, as an assistant has been rewarding this year. He has an uncanny insight into footy and I could leave him to work the whiteboard while Sam did the running duties. Having coached them both previously I am happy to see them still involved with footy.

With all the challenges we faced, the Div 3 team would not have worked without the U15s playing up and Div 2 helping out. We had a core group of players who easily slotted in and quickly picked up the game plan. We also had Rowdy, Alex and Murali, who often umpired a couple of games, played their own game and still put up their hand to play Div 3. Thanks to all of you guys. However, the real thanks should go to their parents who would drive them half way round Sydney from game to game and cheer them on from the sidelines.

Quietly (until she was at the sidelines!) co-ordinating all of this was the wonderful Maxine, working the emails and phone to make sure we got a team and a game. Those early Sunday morning phone calls just have to be made sometimes. Maxine helped smooth the way in this crazy Div 3 season and make big problems look small and easily solvable. Thank you.

I firmly believe that having a great support team is just as important as having a great bunch of boys. My support crew this season included Geoff Martin, who would goal umpire every week in his lab coat and oppy cap. Made me proud. Also President Pete and Brian running the boundary. When you can rely on people to do these jobs it helps us concentrate on the game in hand. Having Jamie and Mark willing to help and put in their observations was appreciated too. Phil took some great photos, creating lasting memories for the boys of their time with the Greyhounds. Last but not least to thank Andrea. She understands my passion for junior football. Thank you for your input, level(ish) head and shoulders, typing skills, word use and support to let me get on with doing what I love.

Highlights of the year:

- Game 1 – A big score on a very wet day with everyone playing 100% already.
- Beating Easts by one goal at Jubilee with Luke kicking the winner.
- Combined training with U14s, U15s and U17s and watching the older boys helping out the younger ones.
- Playing a semi-final against Heathcote in the mud at jubilee. Great photo of Max Drew.
- Seeing the boys' skills and confidence grow and improve.

Word of the year: Bamboozle

Goal of the year:

Henry's over the head goal which the umpire said was touched. I'm still waiting for the score review, mate!

Thank you boys. Bring on next year!

COACH	Frazer Adams
ASSISTANT COACH	Sam Nachtergaele
	Dekka Adams
MANAGER	Maxine Bartlett
PHOTOGRAPHER	Phil Kennedy

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best & Fairest	Yirrbi Jaffer Williams
Runner Up Best & Fairest	Henry Lamshed
Best Team Man	Isaac Wallis
Most Consistent	Raphy Weir
Most Improved	Aaron Abbonizio
Rookie	Ryan Martin
Leading Goal Kicker	Henry Lamshed (22)

MILESTONES	
100 Games	Isaac Wallis

GLEBE JAFc AWARDS	
Droudis Award for Determination and Courage	Isaac Wallis



AARON ABBONIZIO

Superboot. Coming into the season as a utility player, we spent some time working out where he would fit to capitalise on his size. Then two words crossed our minds – 'full-back'. It just worked. Always halting attacks, spoiling and dominating his opponent. Aaron had a great year.

LUKE ASTRİ

Notoriously late, "I don't like warm up". Luke surprised us this year. His skills are amazing... especially his kung foo! Luke would always come up clutch with a goal when we needed it most. 9 goals in 14 games shows how dangerous he is around the big sticks.

GABE BITTI

Macca's employee of the month! Gabe was one of our most improved players this year. He managed to get a lot more ball, enabling him to kick a few sneaky goals. No matter what he did he would always have a smile on his face. And boy does he make a good cheeseburger!

YIRRBI JAFFER WILLIAMS

We didn't really know what to expect from Yirrbi, because we hadn't seen him play in a couple of seasons. Man, has this kid improved. Yirrbi dominated in the air, on the ground and in front of goals. 5 games, 50 votes says it all. What a season.

MICHAEL KENNEDY

Solid Mickey K! Fantastic season from our co-captain. Michael was the general of the back line and the voice of the team, always orchestrating the play in front of him. Then when his time came he never put a step wrong.

HENRY LAMSHED

Pack crusher, mark taker, goal kicker, whatever you want to call him, Henry had an amazing season. Leading goal kicker for the Div 3 boys and runner up Best and Fairest. Lets just hope he gives up skateboarding!

RYAN MARTIN

Crossing over from Newtown was the best decision Rhino ever made. Our rookie of the year, and well deserved. Rhino always put 110% effort into anything he did on the footy field and we definitely noticed it. This kid feels no pain, laughing off a dislocated finger like it was nothing.

STUART MCLEAN

We only saw Stuart on the field a couple of times, and he showed us how classy he is. An awesome player with an amazing skill set, especially around the goals. He can kick them from anywhere. Unfortunately injury stopped him finishing the season. Hopefully we will see him back in full form next season.

WILL STEWART

Will had a fantastic season. Moving into the midfield from the wing did him wonders, a BOG performance and plenty of goals. Unfortunately Will was hit by an ankle injury, but did that stop him? No, he played out the rest of the season left footed. Super human effort, mate.

CHARLIE STOKES

The Unit. This kid is so solid I didn't even know he was a true age 15 player until half way through the season. Back pocket is where he plays best, always muscling his opponent out of the game, huge tackles and spoils leaving his man scared.

NED TARANTO

Ned really showed his leadership skills when it mattered – he never shut up on the field, which was a good thing. Out for a while with a fractured finger, he came back and needed time to return to form. From not being able to kick a drop punt to finals Most Valuable Player is an awesome achievement.

ISAAC WALLIS

Rabbit, our other co-captain, more of a motivator through his actions, he may be the size of a rabbit but he definitely played like a bull. No fear, Rabbit was determined and focussed when he was after the ball. Receiving a few head knocks, I can see why he used to wear the head gear.

MİLO WATKINSON

He worked on his kicking throughout the year, and became one of the teams' best kicks. Still has a strange ball drop though. Milo was our go to winger. He wasn't silky smooth but he always did his job and came to the bench exhausted because he put in 100%.

RAPHY WEIR

On baller/ruckman. I know, weird combo but it worked. When we were limited on ruck options Raphy stepped up and made it his own. So consistent when it came to votes, not so consistent when it came to training... GET TO TRAINING MATE!

U15 PLAYERS

Almost every player from the U15s helped us field a competitive side each weekend, in particular thanks thanks to those who qualified for finals: Oliver Ashby, Murali Chinnappa, Oisín Filitonga, Jack Gardiner, Henry Gowers, Daragh Mullen and Connor Smith.





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COACH MAX FRIEND

COACH'S REPORT

2014 was a great season for the team, finishing Minor Premiers and Div 2 champions. Some solid recruiting at the start of the year meant that we were able to bring in and welcome back some quality players into the team.

Hampered by injuries at the start of the year things were looking grim but seeing guys take their football to a new level this year meant that we could cover the large amount of injuries we sustained in the first half of the season.

The return of some quality players in the back half of the year kept us on track and contributed greatly to our eventual premiership.

Sam in his first year as captain blossomed in this role, not only on the field but being a great leader, mentor and friend to the boys in the team.

We had a great cohort of representative players as Tom D, Sam, Rowdy, Joe and Will all represented Inner City at the representative carnival, whilst Charlie Morgan represented the NSW/ACT Rams at the state carnival.

Throughout the season a number of boys played up and down a division, which highlighted the cohesion and cooperation between the two teams.

The team also had 2 umpires in the team in Alex and Rowdy, who for most games would umpire twice and then play 2 games. Having the coaching support from Jeff, Frazer, Michelle and Joe throughout the year was enormous and greatly contributed to the team's success.

As I have had every year since I have been coaching the support and volunteering from the parents/ supporters was exceptional. Whether it was being involved on game day, post match with photos, canteen, giving lifts, coaching advice, team management, cheering on at the games or being generally positive and encouraging you have made this team so great and enjoyable to coach.

Congratulations to the boys who have grown up to be such talented and well rounded young men you have left your mark on the club and will always be remembered!



COACH	Max Friend
ASSISTANT COACH	Jeff Wright
RELIEVING COACHES	Frazer Adams
	Joe Britton
MANAGER	Michelle Chantrill

PRESENTATION AWARDS	
Best & Fairest	Will Gowers
Runner up B&F	Sam Clark
Best Team Man	Rowdy Friend
Most Consistent	Charlie Morgan
Most Improved	Joe Stapleton
Rookie	Connor Miller
Leading Goal Kicker	Oscar Gibbins (53)

HONOUR BOARD	
GSJ Sydney Harbour White U17 Div2 Premiers	Glebe U17 Div2
Best on Ground GSJ Sydney Harbour White U17 Div2 Grand Final	Will Gowers

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS	
U16s NSW/ACT Rams	Charlie Morgan
Sydney Harbour U17s	Sam Clark
	Tom Dunlop
	Rowdy Friend
	Will Gowers
	Joe Stapleton

MILESTONES	
50 Games	Max Drew
	Jacob McKenna
	Jake Skrabanich

UMPIRES	
Rowdy Friend	Alex Wright



JOEL AGIUS

A versatile midfielder who can be shifted to any position on the ground. Joel's greatest strengths are his versatility and overhead marking ability. Joel approaches contests with little fear or concern for his own safety and regularly out-marks guys twice his size. Joel has shown he can excel in the midfield, push forward and kick a goal or plug a hole in defence. Joel is crafty on the ground and has good hands which allow him to win clearances around the packs.

SAM CLARK (C)

Tall key position defender, has extremely strong hands and loves to take a strong pack mark. Sam always draws a tackle and gets his arms up to offload the ball. Sam likes to run up the ground and is very dangerous when he pushes forward as he likes to sneak the occasional goal. Sam is courageous around the contest and has great leadership skills. Captain for 2014, representative player, runner up best and fairest.

HARRY DOUGLAS

Harry is a small defender who is hard at the football. Harry has great strength and is willing to put his head over the ball. This saw Harry draw numerous free kicks. There was many a time when Harry would lock the ball down in defence, lay a tackle or barge through a pack by using his brute power.

PATRICK DOYLE

Key Position Defender who has good athletic ability and reads the game and flight of the ball well. Patrick is rarely beaten one on and will put always put himself in the best position to take an intercept mark. Patrick knows when to kill the ball and when to keep it in play. Patrick has good hands and a deadly accurate big right boot. Patrick has excellent kicking skills and regularly spears balls to a team mate. Patrick's size and means he is a hard player to stop with the ball in hand. He has shown that he can put on a step and lay a big hit.

MAX DREW

Midfielder/ small forward who plays with plenty of aggression and can find the goals. Max has an elite tank and running ability which means he finds plenty of the football because he is always in the right place. His acceleration and balance means he can break the lines and win plenty of clearances. Max shows tremendous ability when the ball is on the ground and his passion for the game and contest stands out as he will go in that little bit harder than everyone else contesting the ball.

JAMES DUMMETT

Medium defender/ Inside midfielder. JD has good strength and a fearless approach to the contest. JD is very good defensively but his attack on the ball and the contest means he is a good clearance player when thrown into the middle of the ground. JD has elite tackling ability and uses this to stop the run of opponents who think they can get the better of him. JD has developed his marking ability overhead this year and shown that he can take a good contested grab when under pressure.

TOM DUNLOP (VC)

A hard midfielder who does his best work on the inside of contests. Tom has exceptional acceleration and speed which makes him very dangerous with his outside run. Tom will fly for some remarkable grabs and showed his versatility by being damaging off the half back flank. Tom's aggressive style of play lifts the team and makes everyone stand a little taller bolder. Vice Captain 2014, representative player.

LIAM FOSTER-CONSTABLE

Medium Forward who can find space in the forward line has good hands and a long reach. Liam's biggest strength is in the air. He seems to find the goals easily and has shown that he has good potential.

ROWDY FRIEND (VC)

Midfielder who can push up onto the half forward flank and kick a goal. Is great on the inside and can be damaging on the outside. Rowdy has strong hands and always out-marks bigger and stronger opponents. Rowdy makes things happen around the ground and you will often see him weaving his way through the packs as he has elite evasive ability. Vice Captain 2014, representative player, third in best and fairest

OSCAR GIBBINS

Small Forward, Oscar is a small forward who plays tall. Oscar was our most dangerous target up forward as he had the ability to outsmart, outmanoeuvre and read the flight of the ball with such precision. Oscar can always tell will the ball will fall and will give his opponent a bump, push or shove at the right moment to take a good contested grab. While Oscar is excellent in the air with his body he is also creative around goals and has an elite lead. He has a terrific goal sense, mops up the ball for a snap regularly and has a deadly accurate kick. Oscar thinks quickly and is a clever player who knows when to send the ball long or sheppard the ball through for a goal. Oscar also has great leadership qualities. Leading goal scorer for 2014.

WILL GOWERS

Small Defender/ Midfielder. An extremely versatile talent who has a great football sense and ability to read the play. Will's combination of a large tank, speed and elite evasive ability means that he is a hard target to take down. Will uses his body exceptionally well in the air can take a good contested mark but where he hurts the opposition most is his game sense in which he will quickly play on. This regularly leads to him pushing up the ground and kicking a few goals with his deadly accurate kick. Will is an exceptional user of the ball on both sides and is a great decision maker with the ball in hand. Winner of "best on ground" in a grand final, best and fairest, swans academy member and inner city representative.



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HARRY HARVEY

Medium Forward. Harry has a long boot and ability to kick goals a long way out from impossible angles. He has great acceleration which allows him to burn his defender and keep the ball in front until he has enough space to pick the ball up and have a shot for goal. Harry has a booming right boot, has accuracy in front of goals and he is a regular goal kicker who has the ability to kick a bag. Harry is excellent on the ground and has a fantastic vertical leap, this means when he takes the ball he grabs it from its highest point.

HENRY LAMSHED

Ruck/ Key Forward. Henry's obvious talent is in the air. Henry will take those big pack and contested marks. His enormous reach is also shown with his ability in the ruck, where he is rarely beaten. Around the ground he is a focal point and an extremely important player to have in the team because of his status as a "go to" player in the air. Henry is also good when the ball drops to the ground and has shown he is agile and can swoop on the ball and kick a goal.

CHARLIE MANNIX

Key Position Forward/ Ruckman who has great strength, size and marking ability. Charlie is a key target up forward who will mark anything that comes towards him. His strength and size make him an imposing opponent up forward as he uses his size to get into the best position to take a grab or a hard match up in the ruck. When the ball drops to ground Charlie can have good strength and can easily push his opponents out of the way. In front of goals Charlie is very reliable.

JACOB MCKENNA

A small defender whose ability to take an exceptional grab means he can also be flung forward and be extremely damaging. Jacobs ability to read the ball in the air and take it at its highest point means that not many balls went over the back of him in the backline. Jacob has grown into a solid defender and never shirks a contest on the ground and he just knows how the backline operates and was a vital cog in the team's success.

CONNOR MILLER

Outside Midfielder who has freakish speed and acceleration. Connor brought a new dimension to the team with his aggression towards the contest and opposition. Connor's biggest asset was his run which made him a hard opponent to tackle. Connor's combination of acceleration and strength meant that he would regularly break the lines and have the ability to break a tackle. He would regularly strike fear into the opposition with his thirst for contested ball and fearless approach to the game. Fourth in Best and fairest.

CHARLIE MORGAN

A tall key position player, with an exceptional mark and long boot. Charlie not only has the ability to kick big bags of goals up forward but played his role around the ground as a target exceptionally well. Charlie has elite field kicking and keeps his feet around the contest. Charlie is pure class and has the ability to take a towering hanger or boot a goal from an impossible angle. Charlie represented NSW/ ACT at the U16s championships and is a player of the future and is a Swans Academy member. Fifth in best and fairest.

TOM OSTINGA

Key Position Forward/ Ruckman who is very athletic and has a big tank. Tom has a fantastic acceleration and lead and is very good in one-on-one situations. When the ball drops to ground he is very good below the knees. His size, speed and ability to use his body to push off from the defender makes him a dangerous target. In the ruck, Tom's leap is elite, he rarely loses and when the ball drops to ground he is able to recover it quickly acting as a fourth midfielder. When playing in the middle of the ground Tom knows when to push forward. This means that he is able to kick large bags of goals regularly.

FINN POTTER

Finn is a small winger/ small forward whose greatest asset is his speed. Finn has the ability to read the play so that he enters the forward line at the right moment. Finn is able to use his speed and acceleration to swoop on the ball, keep it in front and snag some classy goals. Finn brings to the team a real X-factor with his goal sense and ability to run the ball. Finn also developed his inside game throughout the year and proved he can be a good ball winner on the inside.

AIDAN SAMMUT

Big bodied midfielder/ half back flanker. A player who always listens to instructions then executes them to perfection. This makes Aidan an extremely important player structurally as the success of the game plan relied on his ability to execute the game plan. Aidan is a clearance machine when placed in the midfield and a true inside player who will always put his head over the ball and win it through his strength and ability to keep his feet in the contest. Aidan works hard on the field and will push up the ground in defence and kick the occasional goal. Aidan has a fantastic side-step which complemented his new role in the middle of the ground.

JAKE SKRABANICH

Big bodied inside midfielder whose has exceptional strength and ball winning ability. Jake has an excellent tackle and was valuable to the team because he was able to incite fear into the opposition. Jake was able to break the lines and tackles with his strength and ability to fend off opposition players. Jake has good game sense and always puts himself in the best position to win the football. Jake is the toughest player on the ground will take a hit, dislocation, fractured skull or broken vertebra as nothing more than a tickle and go in twice as hard to the next contest.

JOE STAPLETON

Ruckman who has an elite tank and kick. Joe's exceptional kicking ability means he is an essential player to have running through the middle of the ground. The combination of Joe's height and tank means that he finds the ball coming in his direction frequently. When this does not happen Joe will run up and down the ground to get into a position in which he can receive the ball. His ruck skills are top notch and he loses very few hitouts. Swans Academy member, Inner City Representative. Sixth in best and fairest.

BLAKE TULK

Outside midfielder/ Half back running defender. Blake is an extremely versatile player. Blake has so much natural talent it means that any position he moves to he will excel. This was shown regularly as although he played predominately of the half back flank he is also at home in the midfield. Blake has also proven he is a very dangerous forward with his speed, incredible acceleration and run. Blake likes the bash and crash but can also fly high for an unbelievable mark on someone's shoulders. His speed and obvious hunger for the ball in his hand means he racks up high possessions and can find plenty of the football wherever he plays.

REMY WEBB

A versatile utility, who was best around the ground where his attack on the ball and explosive pace meant that he was able to win lots of contested ball. Remy was best on the inside as his strength on ground level and explosive pace meant that he could hit a pack hard and come out on top with the ball. If needed Remy can be flung onto the half back flank where his run and ability to run straight at the footy proved to be extremely dangerous.

LIAM WHEATLEY

Winger/ Inside midfielder with good speed and a very good sense of the game. Liam works hard around the ground to get in the best position and has a good combination of inside and outside game. Liam has good versatility and while he has proven he can play in the guts and on the wing he can also swing forward to boot some goals. Liam is best when the ball is in front of him and rarely loses a contest when he is in a one on one situation.



LACHIE WHITE

Medium Defender. Lachie is a consistent and reliable defender who reads the flight of the ball exceptionally well. Lachie will always bring the ball to ground and has a great ability to stand his ground in a contest. Lachie's experience means that he can out-manoeuvre his opponent and put himself and the ball in the best position to be reclaimed or cleared. Lachie can play further up the ground of the half back flank if needed and his reliable boot means that he will always hit a target. When in this role Lachie knows when to push back into defence. One of Lachie's greatest assets is his leadership and ability to direct others around him.

ALEX WRIGHT

A small forward with an excellent tank. With the ball in hand Alex is quick off the mark and has exceptional evasive skills. Alex plays a high and low forward role. Alex has great outside run and seeing him run across the pocket stepping 2/3 players was a regular occurrence. Alex has a good goal sense and regularly pocketed goals. Alex's defensive game was exceptional this year and he applied good pressure playing as a defensive forward at times this year.





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Milestones

