



2015

**Goodwood Saints
Football Club
Annual General Report**

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Club Vision

The Goodwood Saints Football Club will be recognised as the premier football club affiliated with the South Australian Amateur Football League.

Club Mission

The Goodwood Saints Football Club will provide opportunities for people of all ages to enjoy a lifetime of involvement with Australian Rules football.

Players will enjoy mateship and enjoyment of football in a professional environment and will be given the opportunity to realize their full playing potential at both junior and senior level. Players will be provided with safe, above standard facilities. They will enjoy consistent on-field success and will receive reasonable financial rewards.

Members will enjoy their involvement with Australian Rules football in a safe, friendly, comfortable and family oriented environment. They will have the opportunity to become involved at all levels of the football club and will be rewarded with the ongoing success of the club. Members will have access to outstanding quality, reasonably priced licensed facilities to enhance their enjoyment of the club.

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Club Management, Coach's & Support Staff

Management Committee

President	Chris Gates
Chairperson	Chris Verrall
Secretary	Kim Verrall
Treasurer	Kim Verrall
Senior Football Director	Brett Perry
Social & Fundraising Co-ordinator	Chris Verrall
Sponsorship Director	Colin Shipton
Club Facilities Manager	Mark Goodman
Junior Football Director	Andrew Braley
Player Representative	Anthony Dempsey
League Delegate	Craig Scott

SENIOR COACHING STAFF

A Grade (Division 1) Coach	Trent Mills
A Grade (Division 1) Assistant Coach	Daryl Spencer
A Grade (Division 1) Team Manager	Craig Kirkbright
A Grade (Division 1) Runner	David Bartel
A Grade (Division 1) Statistics	Frank Pinto
B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Coach	Daryl Spencer
B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Assistant Coach	Kym Hand
B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Team Manager	Chris Verrall
B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Runner	Paul Clarke
C Grade (Division C1) Coach	Adam Morgan
C Grade (Division C1) Assistant Coach	Kym Bennett
C Grade (Division C1) Team Manager	Dion Stendt
C Grade (Division C1) Runner	Various Players
C Grade (Division C1) Statistics	Tom Pysing
Under 18's Coach	Scott Uppington
Under 18's Assistant Coach	Eric Kells
Under 18's Assistant Coach	Shaun Gillespie
Under 18's Team Manager	Tony Curtis
Under 18's Runner	Shaun Gillespie
C7's Coach	Gary Sutherland
C7's Assistant Coach	Nick Purgacz
C7's Team Manager	Paul Barnden

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Club Management, Coach's & Support Staff

Senior Support Staff

Trainers

Senior Training Manager
Head Trainer
Trainers

Colin Nelson
Hans Ellenbroek
Luke Dixon, Scott Palmer & Sean Bushby

Senior Registrars

Colin Nelson & Sharon Zacher-Partington

Physiotherapists

Physio Studio (various staff)

Chiropractor

KWR Chiropractic - Aaron & Fenela Scott

Administration Officer

Sharon Zacher-Partington

Bar Managers

Colin (Chuck) & Megan Mashford

Canteen Manager

Tom Verrall & Kim Verrall

Kitchen Management

Andrea Wenske (Juniper & Pine) & Elliot

Junior Sub-Committee

Junior Football Director
Secretary
Junior Treasurer
Junior Football Development Co-ordinator
Junior Registrar(s)
Committee

Andrew Braley
Chris Robey
Luke Braddy
Kym Laube
Sally Atkinson & Cathy Milowski
Steve Milde, Justin Speedy, Tony Satanek
Kylie Noblet, Yasmin Jordan,
Ben Thilthorpe, Paul Starick

JUNIOR COACHING STAFF

Auskick

Co-ordinator
Assistants
Assistants
Administration

Craig Scott
Scott Uppington & Eric Kells
Daniel Scott & Junior Players
Prisca Harrison

Under 7's

Coaches
Team Manager

Mark Eichler & Matt Harris
Verity Ferguson

Under 8's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager

Charlie Thomas
Darron Hogben
Simon Graetz

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Under 9's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager

Darren Chyer
Trent Mills
Justin & Lynda Speedy

Under 10's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager

Matthew Earl
Troy Klemm
Toby Priest

Under 11's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager
Runner

Arron Strawbridge
Mark Ryan
Phil Jones
Matthew Noblet

Under 12's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager
Runner

Michael Lawton
Matthew Spencer
Matthew Allen
Charlie Thomas

Under 13's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager
Runner

Kym Laube
Michael Sipek & Mark Worner
Heather Jenkin
Connor Fairlie

Under 14's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager
Runner

Andrew Rogers
Andrew Braley
Greg Colls
Michael Lawton & Andrew Braley

Under 15's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager
Runner

Simon Charlton
Michael Wakim
Tony Satanek
Matthew Noblet

Under 16.5's

Coach
Assistant Coach
Team Manager
Runner

Paul Page
Ken Green
Nicole Laube
Josh Starling

Under 13's & Under 16's (Girls Teams)

Coach
Team Manager

Rob Potter
Cecilia Moretti

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A Grade Premiers



C Grade Premiers



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President's Message to Members

Once again Goodwood Saints has completed a successful season in 2015, with both our A grade and C grade sides winning Premierships. The B Grade and Under 18 sides both made the finals with the 18's just falling short in their Grand Final. Our C7 team also played finals finishing third. Congratulations to all the coaches and players for an outstanding season.

The club was also well represented by 10 junior teams from U7s through to U16.5 with 3 teams contesting finals. These teams together with the Auskick programme will ensure a steady stream of players through to our senior ranks for many years. Let's hope some of these boys will be future SANFL and AFL stars. The club also fielded an U13 Girls' Team again this year who were coached by Robert Fuller with Cecilia Moretti as Team Manager. A big thankyou to the Junior Committee for their great work throughout the year and also to the coaches, team managers and volunteers who helped put all the sides on the field each week.

Football clubs such as ours would struggle to continue, without the generous support of our sponsors. To our Platinum Sponsor, The Avoca Hotel and our Major Sponsors Atkins Building Group, William Buck, Camporeale & Klemm Built and Cash Converters Clovelly Park together with all of our other sponsors, we value and thank you for your continued generosity. It is up to all of us as members and supporters of Goodwood Saints to support where possible our many club sponsors. I urge you to go to the club's website for the full list.

While we can look forward to 2016 with confidence, it will bring some different challenges, such as the introduction of a salary cap to which The South Australian Amateur Football League is committed. This may cause problems for some clubs, with regard to player retention, as not all country leagues will sign on. However I firmly believe the lure of playing for and winning premierships with Goodwood Saints will stand us in good stead in this area.

Fund raising for clubs such as ours is always an ongoing battle, with many other worthy sporting and community groups vying for financial support from sponsors, state and local governments. With this in mind if you as a supporter of our club have any ideas to assist in this area please come forward; the committee will be pleased to listen to any ideas. I encourage all Saints supporters to bring a friend to our home games to enjoy a drink and something to eat on the hill, and to join us in the clubrooms after the game. If you know of any past players who may not been to the club for a while, urge them to come to a few games during the year and re-connect with the club.

One area that we must focus our attention on in 2016 and beyond will be the state of our facilities. We must investigate all possible avenues for improving the clubrooms, especially the internal toilets, change rooms and umpires showers. Again any constructive input will be welcomed. Given the physical and financial restrictions we face regarding increasing the overall size of the club rooms. I see this as an important step in making our club a more modern and welcoming entity.

I would like to thank the Management Committee for their efforts throughout the year, the amount of work done behind the scenes is remarkable. A special thank you to Kim Verrall who unsuccessfully tried to leave the committee at the end of 2014, however because we were unable to fill the vacancies she found herself taking on the roles of Treasurer, Secretary and Canteen Manager this year. Thanks Kim.

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To all the volunteers who helped with the multitude of tasks that have to be completed each weekend, also thank you. We couldn't do it without you.

It is important that each of us who identifies with Goodwood Saints ensures that all of our players, male and female, together with our supporters, spectators and umpires can enjoy their football in a safe environment.

Congratulations to everyone involved with the club for another successful year.

Chris Gates
President

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Sponsors

- PLATINUM** - AVOCA HOTEL
- MAJOR** - ATKINS BUILDING GROUP
- CAMPOREALE & KLEMM BUILT
- CASH CONVERTERS CLOVELLY PARK
- WILLIAM BUCK
- GOLD** - BENDIGO COMMUNITY BANK GOODWOOD
- BETTA WOOD
- HOGBEN RETIREMENT LIVING
- IRONFISH INVESTORS
- MAXIPLAS
- RAWSONS ELITE APPLIANCES
- SIGNARAMA MELROSE PARK
- SPORTSPOWER MELROSE PARK & MITCHAM
- THE VILLAGE BAKER BLACK FOREST
- VOICEOVERS ON THE NET
- SILVER** - ASAHI PREMIUM BEVERAGES
- DENIM & CLOTH HYDE PARK
- FIDELIS FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS
- GARY J SMITH REAL ESTATE MARION
- GOODWOOD QUALITY MEATS
- KING WILLIAM ROAD CHIROPRACTIC
- LA TOMBOLA ITALIAN RESTAURANT
- LG – Life’s Good
- SMILECARE DENTAL
- BRONZE** - ALTITUDE ADVISORY
- ACEIT COURIERS
- AV FINANCIAL SERVICES
- BLACK FOREST OPTICAL
- BRAVA FINANCIAL SERVICES
- BRIDGESTONE SELECT EDWARDSTOWN
- DCM SERVICES
- DOMAIN MITRE 10 WESTBOURNE PARK
- GOODWOOD BAKEHOUSE
- IDM SPORTS
- JUNIPER & PINE
- KINGS PARK MEDICAL CENTRE
- MEC CRASH REPAIRS FORESTVILLE
- PORCARO LAWYERS
- PPI PROMOTION & APPAREL
- SUBWAY BLACK FOREST
- WESTERN UNITED TRANSPORT
- AWARDS** - CAFÉ LEADER
- PIZZA PIZZAZ

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Player Sponsors

Airquipe Electrical & Airconditioning	Mawsons Lake Chiropractic
Altitude Advisory	Maxiplas
Atkins Building Group	Melrose Plumbing
Arrunga Concrete	Money Options
Avoca Hotel	MovieHQ
Bendigo Community Bank Goodwood	Next Rural
Betta Wood	Plan Australia
BJ & Steff Barr	PJM Solutions
Bruce Ford Home & Property Maintenance	Randstad
Camporeale & Klemm Built	Rawsons Elite Appliances
Catapult Wealth Pty Ltd	Reardon Solutions
Cash Converters Clovelly Park	Rowlands Apartments
Club 25	S.A. Quality Roofing
Commercial Food Equipment	Silver Chef
Cons Upholstery	Sportspower Melrose Park & Mitcham
CRG Carpet Cleaning	The Moseley
David Whelan	Thornton Group
Empire Liquor Pty Ltd	VIP Lawns & Gardens
Goodman Plumbing	Voice Overs On The Net
Harcourts VennMillar	William Buck
JK Ramage Builders	

Sponsorship Manager's Report

2015 was a fantastic year for the club on the football field and in increased sponsorship. Well done to all of the hard working Senior and Junior Committee plus volunteers who make this club so great.

Thanks to all of the existing sponsors who have been a part of the club for so many years and welcome to all of the new sponsors who have become a part of this great club now through their generosity and commitment. I look forward to discussing additional sponsorship with new families within the club and local businesses to increase their commitment as costs within the club also increase. Around the club, people have been asking me the reason for an increase in the level of sponsorship levels and monies received again this year? It always comes down to many old and new members and families within the club who ask me to contact potential sponsors who are willing to provide monies and vouchers to the club.

The Goodwood Saints 'key ring' loyalty card also highlights to sponsors that we are supporting them so if you have misplaced your Goody Saints key ring or simply need extra for other family members for next year then please ask for one at the bar or office at the club and remember to check the website and Sponsor T.V's to remind you who you need to support within the community, as Goodwood Saints Football Club sponsors out of season as well. This is the most important aspect for families and players at the club. If you don't say you are from Goodwood Saints when you purchase then the sponsor does not know that they have only gained your business because they sponsor GSFC. Please help in this area.

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Again, the player sponsor revenue from many long term business supporters and members who sponsor players has been highlighted by the work of Dale Fitzpatrick and this continues to be a winning combination for the club and appreciated by the players. Great job again Dale and I look forward to another great year in 2016 if you are keen to help. I also hear that we may have another helper available from the club for sponsorship which will open up additional sponsorship opportunities for the club, which is great.

As every year, the focus in 2016 will be to continue to grow sponsorship to help this non for profit club to have the monies available for the expenses it incurs during the year and to put a little aside so it is available for additional improvements within the club.

Many of our sponsors have been providing sponsorship for many years and it is fantastic that we are now finding more and more of past players children are forming part of the junior's competition with these past players becoming Sponsors, Caches and Team Managers. This has been the vision of many past and present Committee members and the culture at GSFC will continue to be the envy of other clubs as we get stronger through this association.

Sharon Zacher-Partington has continued to help me in my role with many facets of sponsorship including emails, recognition certificate's, photos for the player sponsors in clubrooms, organising sponsors day, plus staying on top of updating the sponsors on the website and the 50" dedicated LG sponsor TV within the clubrooms. Of course, it was a team effort and the Senior Committee have been 'stretched' even more this year and I can only say that they do a fantastic job as volunteers and cannot believe how many hours they provide to the club so any new helpers will ease the hours for all.

Lastly, from my perspective it is great to see so many people who contribute throughout the club in so many different ways and it is important to involve as many people as possible to also help out where possible as their time permits. The Management Committee acknowledges that you may also be on the school committee or coach netball, softball etc. so may not be able to help as much as you would like but trust me when I say that every little bit helps. Thank-you for being a part of the Goodwood Saints football Club.

Go Saints

Colin Shipton
Sponsorship Manager

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Treasurer's Report

Congratulations to the club on yet another successful year on the field including back to back premierships for the A and C grade. On field success makes all the hard work behind the scenes all the more worthwhile.

Financially 2015 was not as successful, resulting in an expected loss for the year. The major reason for this was the introduction of a paid Administrator. The committee felt this was the only option due to the increasing requirements of running a football club and the decreasing time volunteers have available. Luckily for the club Sharon was willing and able to fulfil this role. The draw this year did not help either with most home games in the first half of the season.

Other points to note from the 2015 Profit & Loss include:

- Decrease in Bar, Canteen and BBQ income, although margins maintained.
- Fundraising income similar to last year thanks to the great success of Ladies Day, Presidents Lunch and Heritage Day.
- Sponsorship income increased markedly thanks to the perseverance of Colin Shipton. A mighty effort – thanks Col.
- Successful application by Chris Gates for a grant from Office of Recreation & Sport to assist with sporting equipment costs.
- Senior football costs increased due to the new Guernseys purchased and increases in medical supplies and umpire fees.
- Repairs and maintenance costs were primarily for the Cool Room condenser repair required.

The challenge next year will be to bring the club back in the black so we can maintain our reserves and be in a strong financial position moving forward.

I would like to thank all those who assisted in any capacity this year, with special thanks to Dale Fitzpatrick for again co-ordinating player sponsorship, Con Eleftheriou for shaking his tin every Thursday and Saturday night and all those who assisted with fundraising events this year.

Thanks also to Luke Braddy for again fulfilling the important role of Junior Treasurer and to the Junior Committee for their efforts over the year and especially hosting another successful Junior Grand Final Day. Finally thank you to Chris Verrall for assisting when asked (nagged) to help!

Kim Verrall
Club Treasurer

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A Grade (Division 1) Coach's Report

It was another extremely successful season for the senior football department. Congratulations must go to Scott for taking his Under 18 side to another Grand Final, unfortunately falling agonisingly close. Adam again led his C Grade side to another Premiership which is a marvellous effort and Daryl blooded many young players this year through the B Grade and was still able to lead the side to a Preliminary Final. The work of Daryl, Scott and Adam leaves the club in good stead with many junior players making their way through the grades.

The pre-season was again at Concordia and Daryl put together a program that continued to improve on the previous years increased intensity and focus on the game plan and style we wanted to play.

With players retiring, moving back home to the country, taking time off to go overseas or leaving the club, there was seven changes from the previous years A Grade Premiership side.

The minor round saw a reasonably consistent performance with only four losses for the year and we finished the minor round in second place. It was again great to see past juniors of the club make their A Grade debut or get to taste more A Grade football with the likes of Loucas Theodoulou, Angus Clarke, Addison Burns, Josh Slape and Reid Pinto, either debuting for the club or adding to their senior experience. Congratulations must also go to Lou Whitelock who represented the club in the State under 23 team.

We had again made it to a finals series and were to face Henley in the qualifying final. This was a tough game which saw us stick to the game style and process; we have worked on, all day and come away with a hard fought victory.

Next on the agenda was an away second semi-final clash with Tea Tree Gully, who we hadn't beaten this year so far. We went out there with a plan and executed it nearly perfectly coming away with an 89 point victory. This meant we were into our eight Grand Final in twelve years as a club with the opportunity to win our seventh Premiership in that time.

Grand Final day was a little different from the six I have previously been involved in. We took on Payneham Norwood Union who had beaten us in the last minor round game. Unlike the previous six Premierships we were not at our best on Grand Final day, just lacking a little intensity and clean use of the football. Some of this was due to the pressure Norwood Payneham Union put on us. However as great sides do we were able to hang in all day and there were signs at the start of the second half that things were starting to click. Despite being a goal down at three quarter time we were able to run out 28 point victors and add a seventh Premiership in eleven years for the club.

It really is only at this time of year you get a chance to look back at what we have achieved as a club and in the eleven years I have been at the club to have won seven Premierships and finish no lower than third is an absolute credit to the players, the club and all the volunteers that have made this club what it is today.

I have said many times this year that all football clubs have great volunteers that work tirelessly for their football clubs to survive. I believe one of the differences at our football club is that we have a lot more of those people that are willing to do what it takes for our club to be successful. I would like to thank Chris Gates and all the management committee for their ongoing support and work they put in to ensure the club runs smoothly.

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The club legends in Colin "Tiny" Nelson, Hans Ellenbroek, Mark Goodman and Craig Kirkbright and many others are why this club is such a success.

On the playing side of things, I'd like to especially thank Daryl Spencer for his support and work in improving many facets of our football department and his commitment to bleeding young Goodwood Saints talent. I'd also like to thank David Bartel, Adrian Burton, Murray Hamblin and Paul Clarke that all helped out as the team runner at various times throughout the year. Brett Perry continued his often thankless task of football director and provided great support and accommodated any need we had as a football coaching group. His efforts are much appreciated. A big thank you to Jon Pysing who is always there especially when recruiting is needed. With a turnaround of seven players from a Premiership side his work this year was phenomenal with the recruits we were able to obtain. Thanks also to Adam Morgan for his support and role as C Grade coach.

I would like to acknowledge the work of all of our medical team including, Scott, Sean and Luke from the Physio Studio - they provide great assistance to all the players at the club and without them we would not be able to put a team on the field each week. Hans Ellenbroek continued his great work for the club assisting in the medical area along with Nadia, Megan, Eva, Kiana and Sophie.

A special mention must go to Craig Kirkbright who not only is a great Team Manager but his assistance and rapport with the playing group is invaluable and often what keeps the side together.

I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the great support of my family that allows me to coach and be a part of the club. Without this from my wife Emma, who does a magnificent job given the time I spend at work and coaching, then I would not be able to continue.

Finally one of the main reasons why we coach is for the playing group and they again need to be congratulated on the way they have conducted themselves and I have pleasure being involved with them and look forward to working with and continuing to develop them next year.

The club has had an unprecedented past twelve years due to the hard work of many stakeholders within the club but we all need to continue to put in this hard work to ensure we stay at the top of Division One.

Trent Mills
Senior Coach

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B Grade (Division 1 Reserves) Coach's Report

Development & Success are partners at Goodwood Saints A1 Reserves and whether we achieved the ideal balance of the two with a Preliminary final loss in 2015 will be determined in the years to come by the level of A grade success the club enjoys.

This year was a great development platform for that future success to spring from, with 54 players being exposed to a season that provided all the learning experiences you could ask for in games where we:

- Found a way to beat every team in the competition.
- Lost three games by less than a goal
- Won two when we came from behind in the last quarter.
- Had to win 8 of last 9 games to make finals
- Played in 3 pressure finals games

2015 was a very transitional year for the faces in the team with 22 new players to the group, our preliminary final team having 14 new faces from the previous year's finals team and most exciting is that we had 12 men 19 years and younger who experienced reserves footy this year. They now have an understanding of what is required to take the step from junior to senior footy and they have an opportunity to play a part in future senior success. The cautionary warning to those lads is that this transition is not an automatic journey and will need a healthy dose of patience, resilience and commitment.

What is guaranteed is that those players will be supported and surrounded by a quality team of people who care for the club and the individuals within it. The people involved in the footy club as a whole continue to amaze me and I am especially proud of the input that the men in the A1 Reserves team have both on and off the field. Driven by the team leaders – Ben Johnston, Josh Slape, Harrison Ellis, Andrew Caire and Max Duncan – this is an outstanding core group of people who should be very proud of their contribution this year.

Thank you to the other members of the coaching team, Kym Hand, Paul Clarke and Chris Verrall, who once again provided all the support I could have asked for in assisting me to coach.

Congratulations and thanks to: Trent, Kirk and the A grade team on setting a great successful example for us to follow, and, Adam Morgan and the C grade group on your premiership success and support as needed, and Scott Uppington and those U18 players who were prepared to have a crack with us.

Vital to our club in offering a professional environment for our players is the contribution of our Physio and Medical team lead by Luke, Sean and Scott. As always we the on field team, need an off field team to be successful and I thank all – Legends, Committee, Sponsors, Helpers and Supporters – who contribute in so many ways to making the footy club tick.

Always remember that “A ship is safe in the harbor but that is not what ships are built for” Restaurant Owner – and I encourage all the playing group to stretch yourselves as a team, enjoy having a crack at discovering how far you can go and being prepared to be hero's on the journey – in footy and life!

Daryl Spencer
A1 Reserves Coach

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C1 Grade Coach's Report

Firstly we would like to congratulate our teammates, committee and fellow members, on yet another successful season for the Goodwood Saints Football Club –

- The A1's winning the coveted A1 Premiership,
 - The A1 Reserves doggedly fighting their way thru to the Prelim Final
- and
- The Under 18's playing off in yet another Grand Final.

After last year's incredible success, in 2015 - it was always going to be a tough act to follow. As a club, we were still successful in fulfilling our mission statement and being recognized as the Premier Football Club within the South Australian Amateur Football League.

The C1 side is here to play a simple role; we are here to support the A1 Reserves. The side acts as a conduit for Players, to develop their game to the next level. Be that a 1st year Senior Player coming out of the Under 18's, a Reserves Player returning from Injury or a lay off back to the Reserves and beyond.

In 2015 the C1 side fielded 55 players, 20 odd players were promoted to the Reserves, and we debuted 15 First Year Senior players and welcomed 8 new players to the club. That is a role we are proud to successfully undertake. It is part of a program that owes its success to people like Mark Goodman, Kym Hand, Craig Scott, Scott Uppington, Shaun Gillespie, Kym Bennett and Dion Stendt – who silently work behind the scenes encouraging and ensuring that the Under 18 and Junior programs are a success and that the players coming out of those programs, can successfully transition to Senior Football, at The Saints.

That successful transition needs a structure that can help develop the player's skills and abilities and there are no better coaches in this League than Trent Mills and Daryl Spencer. The players and their parents can be assured, that their sons will get the very best in coaching available, when they play for the Goodwood Saints Football Club.

Whilst on that note I would like to thank both Trent and Daryl for their support of the C1's - and in particular acknowledge the attention to detail that Daryl initiated prior to the Finals campaign in ensuring all of the C1 regulars who had pushed up to Reserves during the season, still qualified for C1 Finals. The Players Final reward a Premiership would not have been possible without that foresight and benefit.

In addition, the support the C1 's received from the Under 18's a week after their devastating loss in their Grand Final, is yet another great example of the various departments of the Footy Club working together.

To cut a long story short, after the C1 loss in the 2nd Semi Final with one thing and another, we potentially had 17-18 fit players available - Injuries, players overseas and a wedding on the West Coast had left us short going in to the Prelim. The request was made that any Under 18's who were available to play C1's would be welcomed. Of course there were no guarantees of playing that week or beyond – but put simply we needed their help.

With Scotty, Kellsy and Dizzies support, we had six Under 18 players attend training on the Tuesday, fresh off their Grand Final loss. They committed to the process with a clear understanding and for that I commend them. The C1 Prelim was to be a Home Final v Henley,

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(who coincidentally played a few Under 18 and overage players themselves) and we witnessed 5 of the best from the Saints Under 18 program, playing alongside the old and not so old C1 Saints players. The end result was a hard fought 13-point victory and a Grand Final berth for the Saints the following week. The Under 18's who played in the Preliminary Final all played well and featured prominently in the Best Players and Goal Kickers

The 2015 season was good to us, we were lucky not to have any serious injuries, although we came very close. Jack Morgan, a 1st Year player, from last years Under 18 Premiers, received a serious concussion in that Prelim Final. Fortunately thanks to the First responders from both clubs on the day, Jack has recovered well and no serious injury was sustained.

We have promoted players throughout the grades, we have introduced 1st year senior players, we debuted new players to the club. We saw Nick O'Connell play his 500th game and win his 10th Premiership for the club, Willie Shoobridge played his 100th game, we saw Aaron Salveson play his 150th game on Grand Final day and on that special day we won the C1 Premiership, going Back to Back against our old rivals Adelaide University. We then joined the whole club in supporting the A Grade in their victory over new rivals Payneham Norwood Union - 2 Premierships in one day....well that's always going to be **A Very Good Year!**

I would like to thank the following people;

- Kym Bennett for his service to the club over the past 9-10 years, his support to me has been unquestionable and we could not have been successful without his input.
- Tom Pysing for bringing a calming influence to our Coaching Bench on Match Days in 2015.
- Our Back to Back Premiership Captain Shaun Mansell for supporting me and his players throughout the season and always "seeing the glass as half full" leading well, wherever he was selected.
- Team Manager Dion Stendt, is simply the quiet achiever, he goes about his work with a minimum of fuss and once again is crucial to the sides success.
- Al May who was our regular Trainer throughout the year and Sam Bennett, Kym's Daughter who kindly supported Al and us during the Finals AND of course the Team at the Physio Studio.
- Football Director Brett "Spaz" Perry and his trusty offsider Jon Pysing, who went out of their way to support the C1 Squad and ensured we had all that we needed.
- Club Legends Mark Goodman, Craig Kirkbright, Hans Ellenbroek and Colin Nelson - Gentleman we are all indebted to you for your work over the past 60+ years
- To the 55 players you are simply the best bunch of lads I've been associated with – let's do it again!
- I'd also like to thank the player's wives, partners and families – your support is paramount and without it none of this can happen.
- Thank you to the Club's Committee for their tireless work behind the scenes, keeping the doors open and the wheels moving. It's a tough job and we do appreciate it.

And finally I would like to thank my wife Victoria, my children Alex, Elsa and Laura who come out most weeks, take photos, support me and put up with my Football Focus 12 months of the year. I love you and I thank you.

Go Saints in 2016 !

Adam Morgan
C1 Coach

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Under 18's Coach's Report

I would like to start by congratulating Adam Morgan & the C1 boys on winning another Premiership. It was a lot of fun helping Adam out for part of the finals & I thank him for this. Congratulations also to Trent Mills & Daryl Spencer on achieving the ultimate with the A grade – any year you win an A grade flag is a successful year as ultimately this is what we're judged on by others. Great work men!

On to the U/18s. Certainly the experience of last year had helped the coach in being more organised & the pre-season was met with great optimism. Things started a little earlier this year with the first session at Concordia in the first week of February. With the addition of several new players, the boys coming up from the U/16s & the competition changing from U/18s to 18.5, training numbers were very healthy right from the start. A solid pre-season ensued & it was also pleasing to see many of the players doing the other sessions with the seniors.

The league made the decision in pre-season to essentially set-up a Division 1 & 2 for the U/18s competition - a move I fully supported as it would only enhance the development of our group. As we were to discover there were no easy games in this division & you only had to be a little bit off on any day to get beaten, no matter who the opposition was.

By the time round 1 rolled around, we hadn't actually played a trial game together so I felt it would take a little while for the group to gel. The first assignment was against Payneham who had won the U/18 Red division last year. From very early in the game you could tell they were a good side – very physical. As it turned out we would have some great battles against Payneham throughout the season. It was tight all day but a late goal from Henry Curtis got us over the line. Following a solid win over Tea Tree Gully, it was an honour & privilege to play a game under lights after the A grade on Anzac Day. It was great to have Henry Clarke back at the club, after being on loan elsewhere, as he put on a show this night. Two more wins followed & we hit our bye week at 5-0. Following a solid win over Golden Grove we had our first loss of the season in round 8 to lowly ranked Henley – this proved to the team that no matter who you play if you don't show up you'll get beaten this year. Post June long weekend we had a solid win over Modbury before the top of the table clash with Payneham. This was one of our better performances for the year. Our first quarter pressure this day was manic & set the tone for a 6 goal win. We were now top at 9-1, which seemed to be the catalyst for us getting a little bit ahead of ourselves. We went on to lose 3 of our next 4 games – what was concerning was the manner of the losses. A team meeting followed at training to reiterate some standards. Round 16 was a season defining game for the group. A win over Golden Grove would virtually seal a top two finish. After being 20 pts down at half-time, our Captain, Bek Garner & Jordan Pressler were instrumental in a confidence building come from behind win. Two wins to finish the minor round meant we finished 2nd with a 12-4 record, meaning a double chance home final against Golden Grove in week one. The boys looked particularly focused pre-game & it showed as we got off to a flyer. Alex Gillett was instrumental early, but by ¾ time we had left the door ajar. The team stood tall in the last quarter to record a comfortable 5 goal win. We were now one win from the GF with a Second Semi to come against the side who all year I've thought are the team to beat, Payneham. We started okay but Payneham's physicality had us on the back foot & we trailed by 34 points at half-time. While there were several off the ball incidents missed by the umpires it was pleasing that our boys stood up for themselves in the second half. Our guys had simply had enough of being push around – we drew a line in the sand! The second half was quite even & Payneham ran out 48 point winners. The message post game was that we've been here before so there was no need for panic. A home prelim final followed against Flinders Park, a side we hadn't played since the

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middle of the year so we knew going in it would be no easy task. It wasn't a game that reached any great heights, mainly due to the opposition trying to congest things. We led all day but wasn't until we built a 5 goal lead halfway through the last quarter that we could start thinking about the GF. 3 late goals by Flinders Park saw us run out 10 point winners. So we were going back to the big dance!

A very hot 29 degree day greeted us for the GF. I was very confident going in that it wouldn't be anything like the second semi & no matter who won it would be tight. The message pre-game was that if we were prepared to run, be just as physical as Payneham & bring the kind of pressure we did against them in round 10 that we would be in it up to our ears. We had the aid of a stiff breeze in the first stanza & our pressure around the ball helped us build a 14 point lead. We hung on for most of the second quarter but a couple of late goals by Payneham gave them an 11 point half-time lead – game on! The first ten minutes of the third quarter we simply couldn't get our hands on the footy. Payneham got out to a 20 point lead & I won't lie – I thought we were gone. From this moment on we dominated, the boys dug in for the fight & by $\frac{3}{4}$ time we were only 5 points down. You could see late in the third quarter that perhaps some of Payneham's bigger bodies were starting to get a bit tired. Kicking into a strong breeze in the last quarter the message at $\frac{3}{4}$ time was run & carry into the wind & we did exactly that – all of sudden we were really starting to exploit them for pace. We certainly had our chances in the last quarter that amazingly didn't have a goal kicked but unfortunately the end result was a heart-breaking 2 point loss. On the whiteboard post game I wrote two words – “shattered” & “proud.” I think this was my proudest day as a coach. From where we were in the third quarter, the boys showed tremendous character & resilience. A lesser group would've given up but we dug in.

Amazing the difference in emotions from last year to this year, last year I wrote how seeing the pure exhilaration on the boys faces post game was an enormous thrill for me, this year seeing how heart-broken & shattered the players were was bloody hard. I know also that this was a few GF losses in a row for some of our players – just let it keep driving you harder boys! While we might not have quite got the result we were after, everyone involved in the group should feel enormously proud of their efforts for the whole season.

Here are some stats & highlights of our season.....

- Obviously playing off in another GF.
- 40 players represented the U/18s this year.
- Several players who were able to play games at SANFL clubs at both reserves & U/18s level.
- Several players who played multiple games in our B grade side.
- Seeing the boys develop, on a team & individual level, not just as footballers but as people.

Of course our success this year would not have been possible without the tireless contributions of a number of people off the field. I would like to thank the following, I hope I don't miss anyone but if I do then apologies but you're all special & a huge part of what makes this club so great. In no particular order - Kim Verrall, Chris Verrall, Craig Kirkbright, Craig Scott, Tiny Nelson, Tiny's mate - Russell, Nugget Rees, Jon Pysing, Con Eleftheriou, Dion Stendt, Hans Ellenbroek, Chris Gates and John Read.

To some other people that deserve a special mention. All the parents for being so supportive of me. Brett Perry for providing such strong support as Football Director. To Sharon Partington, thank you for all your help with all of the registrations and any administration work. Mark Goodman, who as we all know works tirelessly for the club. Yogie, our resident water boy most

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weeks. Kym Hand – again you're a star – always happy to help and offer advice and field a lot of my phone calls! To the other senior coaches – Trent Mills, Daryl Spencer and Adam Morgan – thank you for being so

supportive, and giving me a sounding board for advice and to bounce ideas off. Max Duncan and Physio Studio for providing such professional medical support. Harry McCabe – our resident stats guru – thanks for all your help mate. Tony Curtis for being a well organised Team Manager and for also keeping me calm at times. To Eric and Lauren Kells, and our team mascot Declan Kells. Thanks for giving up your Sunday, it was great having you help me out this year Sir Eric. I quickly noticed from the start that when you speak, the boys listen. To my other right hand man, Shaun “hi viz, red time, dizzy” Gillespie. Thank you for your massive contribution to our season – sorry we ruined your perfect record in GF's!

The last group & most important group I would like to thank are the players. Firstly, to our leadership group, Captain – Bek Garner & Vice Captains – Sam Ovens-York & Marco Cecere-Palazzo thank you for all your efforts. And to the whole playing group, I absolutely love coaching you guys. It's been an absolute pleasure doing it and again still so proud of all of you and your efforts throughout the year.

In closing, thank you to the football club as a whole. I really do love it out here at Goodwood and whenever my time is up whether it is in one, two, ten or fifty years I will certainly miss the place and all the great people involved in it. In short this is a great club for great people. See you in 2016!

Scott Uppington
Under 18s Coach

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Junior Football Director's Report

The Junior Sub Committee (JSC) welcomed 5 new members in season 2015 and on a personal level, my inaugural year as Junior Director.

I'd like to thank the new look JSC for their collective commitment, enthusiasm and support.

As in previous years, we played in the Metro South Junior Football League zone and 2015 saw the introduction of an U7's program. Five clubs participated with 2nd year Auskick participants enjoying a 6 week fixture following on from another successful Auskick program. Our U13 girls again participated in a Friday night competition.

U8's – First year coach and past player Charlie "Chas" Thomas had a great season motivating the group and developing skills of our young chargers. The team thoroughly enjoyed their season and played some really good football. Chas was well supported by Assistant Coach Darron Hogben and Team Manager Simon Graetz.

U9's – First year coach and past player Darren "Washy" Cheyer coached this group with much enthusiasm, introducing structure and focussing on team work and mateship. Many great passages of play from a team enjoying their footy. Trent Mills, Jason Scott and Jason Goodes assisted, with Justin Speedy again fulfilling the Team Manager role.

U10's – Past player Matt Earl continued coaching this group in 2015. Matt's progressive style provided ongoing skills development across the group, it was great to see some really confident passages of play. Troy Klemm offered great support as Assistant Coach as with experienced Team Manager Toby Priest.

U11's – Aaron "Strawbs" Strawbridge had another positive season with this group. Strawbs commenced coaching these lads as U8's and has delivered a team with much improved skills and confidence. Mark Ryan did an excellent job assisting and Team Manager Phil Jones once again added value in the role. Strawbs has chosen to have a break from coaching; a big thank you for your commitment and contribution. You've developed a group of confident young footballers ready to take-on the challenges of 2016 and beyond.

U12's – Current player Michael "Lawts" Lawton had an impressive year focussing on the importance of self-belief, team work, skills development and introducing simple but effective structures. The lads responded & played finals football again this season. I'm sure Lawts will have them around the mark in 2016. Lawts had great support from Assistant Coach Matt Spencer and Team Manager Matt Allen.

U13's – First year coach Kym Laube had a great year investing much time and effort introducing structures and game day plans. A strong focus on skills and team work produced another finals campaign narrowly missing-out on a grand final berth, a great effort by this group. Kym enjoyed solid support from Assistant Coach Michael Sipek and Heather Jenkin as Team Manager.

U14's - First year coach Andrew Rogers placed emphasis on skills, competing at every opportunity and ensuring the lads enjoyed their footy. The competitive spirit of this group is alive and well and was evident throughout the season. This group has real potential and should be proud of their improvements in season 2015. Andrew was well supported by Assistant Coach Andrew Braley and Team Manager Greg Colls.

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We wish Andrew Rogers and his family all the very best with their relocation to Sydney.

U15's – Coach Simon Charlton worked diligently to identify key areas in need of improvement. With direct support of Assistant Coach Michael Wakim, Simon focussed on fitness, skill development, promoting teamwork and game day structures / plans. These efforts paid-off, the lads responded playing finals football and setting-up for another solid season in 2016. Anthony Satanek once again fulfilled the role of Team Manager.

U16.5's – Past player Paul “Pagey” Page put a lot of time and effort into the group, drawing on his knowledge and experience. The lads responded well securing second spot on the ladder, but unfortunately lost the second semi-final. For those transitioning into senior football, all the very best for the future – hopefully at the GSFC. Well done and good luck to the five players participating in West Adelaide U16 / 18's Development Squads. Pagey was well supported by Assistant Coach Ken Green and Nicole Laube as Team Manager. Pagey has also decided to have a break from Junior Coaching. Thanks for your contribution to our junior football program, your leadership and guidance whilst preparing the lads for senior footy has been fantastic.

Girls U13's – Coach Rob Potter and Team Manager Cecilia Moretti did a fantastic job – once again bringing the team together. The girls played with great spirit, week in week out, and it was really encouraging to see the improvement in skills and ball movement. Well done girls!

U7's – Mark Eichler stepped-in to coach our second year Auskick group. The competition consisted of 6 clubs and a 6 week fixture. Mark did a fantastic job guiding and teaching the lads about zones, ball movement and above all skills and mateship. Our side played well with all players thoroughly enjoying the experience. Assistant Coach Matt Harris provided great support as did Team Manager, Verity Ferguson.

Andrew Braley
Junior Football Director

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Facilities Manager Report

Not long after handover last year we had a break in to the canteen where our two day old new fridge was stolen. The “would be” thieves broke in by “jimmying” the door but then removed the fridge by opening the roller door with crowbar and lifting it out of the opening and dragging it to the street making so much noise that the police were called and three men were arrested within 30 minutes of the break. A good result although the inconvenience and damage to the roller door and fridge now had to be dealt with.

We now move on to 2015 where for the first time in several years we had no major project to fundraise for and work towards for the year although there is always ongoing maintenance that needs attention. Unfortunately the condenser on our cool room split and had to be replaced. This is a vital part of the compressor which without it our drinks won't chill. An expensive but necessary repair so had to be dealt with as a matter of urgency.

Also this year, the “Great Man”, Colin “Tiny” Nelson, finally had the Grand Stand named after him. This came about after several years of lobbying the Unley Council who agreed to support the idea. So with a considerable amount of help from Rawsons Electrical and with the use of their scaffold up it went and must say it looks fantastic and a great honour for one of the clubs great stalwarts.

The bar was once again run by Megan and Chuck on Thursdays and Saturdays and Club Legend Craig Kirkbright took charge on Fridays. The canteen was managed again by Kim Verrall and looked after by her son Tom on Saturdays with Junior parents helping out on Sunday's and Shaz looking after all Under 18's games - many thanks to all.

The kitchen was managed by Andrea for the second year with Elliot doing a wonderful job in his first year on his own doing several cheap meals on both Thursday and Saturday nights as well as filling in on the occasional Friday night.

Some upgrades to our internal AV system were also a small but significant change made this year. Our televisions for special events and advertising have now been better utilised as was seen at our Heritage and 30th Anniversary celebrations where multiple visuals and audio were used.

I think plans to upgrade our toilet facilities for 2016 must have top priority although meeting with the council during the year I don't think it is high on theirs - we can only but try.

Overall this year was a quieter one on the facilities front but we must not become complacent and must continue to push for changes to our facilities to reflect the great club we are and provide for a better, bigger and more comfortable space for all to enjoy.

Mark Goodman
Facilities Manager

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Special Achievements

Club 500 Games	Nick O'Connell
Club 350 Games	Michal Lawton
Club 200 Games	Andrew Caire Anthony Dempsey Troy Klemm
Club 150 Games (Playing Life Membership)	Matthew Illman Eric Kells Aaron Salveson Luke Stanton
Club 100 Games	Jacob Hughes Ben Johnston William Shoobridge Dane Sommers
Club 50 Games	Aaron Bayliss Max Duncan Kris Vanderloo Lou Whitelock
SAAFL Under 23's State Representative	Lou Whitelock
SAAFL Team of the Year Representatives	Tom Anderson Eric Kells Luke Stanton Lou Whitelock

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METRO SOUTH JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE AWARDS

2015 Teams of the Year Representatives

Under 11's

- Max Noblet
- Jonah Zinndorf
- Sam Green
- Charlie McArthur

Under 12's

- Peter Paech

Under 13's

- Jack Forrest
- Oliver Long

Under 14's

- Lachlan Stoddard

Under 15's

- Liam Geddes-Ryan
- Addison McGregor-Dey
- Jarrod Miller
- Riley Satanek

Under 16.5's

- Archie Davis
- Patrick Fairlie
- Jakob Heitmann

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2015 Trophy Winners

A Grade (Division 1)

Best & Fairest (<i>Nelson-Ellenbroek Trophy</i>)	-	Benny Holzbauer
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Luke Stanton
Best Team Man (<i>Colin Partington Trophy</i>)	-	Lou Whitelock
Coach's Trophy	-	Anthony Skara
Coach's Trophy	-	Anthony Dempsey

B Grade (Division 1 Reserves)

Best & Fairest	-	Liam Frost
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Tom Gehling
Best Team Man (<i>Len Wood Trophy</i>)	-	Josh Slape
Coach's Trophy	-	Max Duncan

C1 Grade

Best & Fairest	-	Jason Fleming
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Jordan Edmeades
Best Team Man	-	David Baulis
Best Team Man / Most Courageous	-	Jack Morgan
Coach's Trophy	-	Hayden Byrne

Under 18's

Best & Fairest	-	Bek Garner
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Liam Vanzati
Best Team Man	-	Jordan Blackall
Coach's Trophy	-	Bailey Cantlon
Coach's Trophy	-	Tom Messenger

Division C7

Best & Fairest	-	Rhys Baker
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Franz Theodore
Best Team Man	-	Scott Johnson

Under 16.5's

Best & Fairest	-	Jakob Heitmann
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Archie Davis
Best Team Man	-	Mitchell Read
Coach's Trophy	-	Sam Laube

Under 15's

Best & Fairest	-	Liam Geddes-Ryan
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Daniel Wakim
Best Team Man	-	William Clarke
Coach's Trophy	-	Riley Satanek
Coach's Trophy	-	Lachlan Casey

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Under 14's

Best & Fairest	-	Jake Geyer
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Reece Kemp
Best Team Man	-	Jye Sinderberry
Coach's Trophy	-	Lachlan Stoddard

Under 13's

Best & Fairest	-	Oliver Long
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Jack Forrest
Best Team Man	-	Zac Perrie
Coach's Trophy	-	Sam Jenkin

Under 12's

Best & Fairest	-	Benjamin Johnson
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Oscar Grant
Best Team Man	-	Wilson Bock
Coach's Trophy	-	Harry Barnett

Under 11's

Best & Fairest	-	Max Noblet
Runner-Up Best & Fairest	-	Jonah Zinndorf
Best Team Man	-	Sid Farquharson
Coach's Trophy	-	Sam Green
Coach's Trophy	-	Charlie McArthur

Other Club Awards

CJ 'JOCK' GEAREN MEMORIAL TROPHY

(Most Improved Player 2015)

-	Benny Holzbauer
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PETER HAYNES MEMORIAL TROPHY

(Best Club Person – Player 2015)

-	Eric Kells
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HARRY & LENA TODD MEMORIAL TROPHY

(Best Club Person – Non-Player 2015)

-	Kim Verrall
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AARON MANN MEMORIAL AWARD

(Junior Family Contribution 2015)

-	Noblet Family
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LIFE MEMBERS – NON-PLAYING

-	Kym Hand
-	Jon Pysing
-	Chris Verrall