

Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club
Annual Report 2026

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Caulfield Bears
Junior Football Club



President's Report

Overview

Upon completion of my first year as President at the Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club, it's my absolute pleasure to present our 2026 annual report.

What is clear is that our club thrives on community values and nurturing connections between our players and families. Our season launch was a highlight designed as a broader community event than just our footy club, for all to enjoy! We had oval games, inflatables, a BBQ, boots exchange, ice cream, face painting, visits from AFL stars and our very own Bears mascot made his debut appearance! It was a great day out at Koornang Park.

Importantly this is an integral event for growing our profile in the community, showcasing the friendly and inclusive environment we aim to nurture at the Bears and giving local families a fun and exciting event to share with us.

It’s also a great opportunity to increase registrations for junior footy and Auskick. To increase merchandise sales, to make sure every child can own a pair of boots to

play, for convenient mouthguard fittings and next year I'm sure we can add more to the list.

Preseason training was in full swing from November and our season launch was complemented by three practice matches. A last minute change to East Caulfield Reserve did not deter. Working with council to ensure the quality of grounds to play on has to be priority and has stayed top of mind. The ground at Koornang Park has been well managed all year.

Concussions and injury management remain a club priority. Contact sport is important for childhood development, but we always want to ensure injuries are limited and recovery is prioritised. The conditions of our grounds and strict protocols for any incidents remain top of mind.

In season we were lucky to have a huge amount of home games for all ages. We are very lucky to have such a great home ground, Koornang Park has beautiful surroundings which make for a great day for the local community coming down to watch and our canteen was busier than ever this year.

Overall registrations were down as we lost our U16 girls team from 2025 having decided not to go around for a second year. We also lost a large number of players from our two 2025 U16s teams that either decided not to continue playing or moved to other clubs. It was a disappointing outcome for our club and with a number of 2025 U15 players dropping out of footy also, the decision was made that in the spirit of keeping our players together that we would merge these two age groups.

Common practice in other sports, it was met with mixed opinions, but pleasingly the majority of players rose to the challenge and formed one of the most dynamic teams the club has ever fielded. Retention in the older age groups continues to be a challenge the club needs to continue to focus on.

Recognising the resilience, maturity and talent at this age level and the importance of keeping this U17 cohort playing and at the club, we collaborated with the Bears Seniors for combined training through preseason and intermittently throughout the season to give these players added opportunity. This has been exciting for both the junior and senior club attracting a lot of attention about how we are pushing boundaries for our player development (including a write up in the Leader Local footy online 'How Junior players are playing a key role for SFNL club). Continuous improvement and innovation is something we will continue to focus on for the future of our club and keeping players in the sport longer, investing in player development and attracting more players at all ages.

Also part of our retention strategy for the U16/17 age group this year was to offer complimentary Pulse 8 training sessions. Recognising the benefits for this age group as they start taking more responsibility for their own health and wellbeing, we

as a club want to provide support and facilitate establishing healthy habits for our players.

We also hosted mental health sessions for our U12+ teams in conjunction with the Danny Frawley centre. These were held over 2 weeks to coincide with regular training and overall feedback was positive. This was another way as a club we have chosen to invest in our players on and off the field. We aim to continue to and are open to new ideas in this space.

We added some extra skill sessions in our U10 and 11's with the ability to bring in some added coaching resourcing. Something we have the opportunity to build on in 2027. We will look to consult with our coaches further to gain feedback and ideas of how our players and teams can benefit the most from additional coaching and resources.

It was a fantastic season of events. Community feedback was resoundingly positive of the family friendly atmosphere we create at the club. We reduced the family nights from 4 to 3, but re-introduced our parents event and moved forward our volunteer and sponsors evening to earlier in the season. It was a good change up from previous years and the added live music added something new although with mixed results, not due to quality of the music just how it integrated into the event. Calling out more players for awards added further interest in these evenings at the club and also provided a great opportunity to recognise our club volunteers.

Mid-season we held our Trivia night fundraiser with none other than ex. senior Bear captain and MVP Tom Siegert aka The Suburban Footballer. The generosity of our families was absolutely amazing and raised $4855 for the club. Many people who couldn't attend the evening also went out of their way to make donations through the Toyota Footy Raffle which raised a further $1438. These funds are vital to the operation of the club for covering running expenses and investment in player development.

Later in the season we had a visit from Melbourne players, yes Kozzie Picket was here! A whole club event, KP was buzzing and it created fantastic excitement for the club!

These events are the lifeblood of our club, they provide the sense of community and connection that we want for not only our players and families, but the broader community.

On the field we celebrated three for three with our U13s, 14s and 15s all making their Grand finals and coming away premiership winners!

The quality of our players shone through further at the annual SMJFL awards where our teams collected their premiership trophies as well as an incredible eight Bears players being recognised in the Best & Fairest Awards across the entire league.

We also held an end of season Gala dinner for our U17s, what we hope is the start of a great new tradition for the club. It was a well attended evening of players and their families to recognise these players at the top level of junior footy and we also recognised a number of 10 year players who's footy journey started from their very first bounce in Auskick.

We must say thank you to our amazing 2026 club captains Cooper Warburton and Delilah Clohesy for their dedication and service to the Bears over many years. Both have been great role models for the club.

We also thank our amazing 2026 committee for all of their hard work and contribution to the club. This year we farewell James Brown as our club registrar and Andrew Harrap as our footy ops manager.

Being a part of the club committee is a rewarding way to contribute to the local community and its youngest members. We are always looking for new committee members to lend a hand. Volunteer recruitment continues to be a challenge and we are looking at more enticing ways to attract people to contribute to our committee without it being too hefty a commitment for any individual, many hands make light work whether you can contribute a little or a lot.

It was a highlight this year to recognise Matt Dry for his over 10 years of service at the club, this is a rarity and Matt was a worthy recipient of the club lifetime membership award.

Last but not least, the future of our club is looking strong. Our Auskick numbers hit over 100 participants of which we had 30 register to play U7s ahead of being eligible to play U8s next year.

Kelly Wheeler, President



Highlights and statistics for the 2026 season

A total of 203 players registered in 2026 (of these, there were 17 Girls and 186 Boys).

We also welcomed 10 Female players from St Pauls McKinnon JFC to join an U9 Girls merged team hosted by Caulfield Bears.

6 of our registered players were loaned out on a Season Permit with 5 playing in the U12 Girls team with St Pauls McKinnon JFC and 1 in the U16 Girls team at St Kilda City JFC

There were a total of 9 Caulfield Bears teams in 2026:

- U8 Mixed, U9 Mixed, U9 Girls, U10 Mixed, U11 Mixed, U13 Mixed, U14 Mixed, U15 Boys, U17.5 Boys

Three teams out of the 5 eligible made Grand Finals and 3 league Premierships were won in:

- U13's Mixed,
- U14 Mixed and;
- U15 Boys.

We also featured strongly in the SMJFL Best & Fairest awards with an exceptional 8 representatives:

- U17.5 Boys Winner - Quinn McDonald
- U16 Girls Runner up - Delilah Clohesy
- U15 Boys Winner - Yiani Tsakirakis
- U15 Boys 2nd Runner up - Owen Holm
- U14 Mixed Runner up - Kristoffer Pipingas
- U14 Mixed 2nd Runner up - William Livingstone
- U13 Mixed Winner - Harrison Widjaja
- U11 Mixed Runner up - Vinnie O'Kane

Congratulations to each of these players for their on field efforts and sportsmanship.

Jacob Leung was also recognised with a league young leader award.

In addition, the club recognises the outstanding commitment to the Bears demonstrated by the following club members:

- Lifetime Membership Award - Matthew Dry
- Senior Bear of the Year Award – Scott Cowell
- Junior Bear of the Year Award – Jacob Yeong
- 10 Year Bears - Quinn McDonald, Cooper Warburton, Archie Johnstone, Jackson Dry, Charlie Burrage, Josh Stacey, Luca Cipriani
- Club Captains - Cooper Warburton and Delilah Clohesy.

Bears Alumni:

- 2025 Club Captain Angus Brown drafted to the AFL (Tasmanian Devils)
- Ex. Bears player Charlotte Brewer drafted to the AFLW (Collingwood)
- 2024 Club Captain Ged Saunders drafted to Footscray in the VFL

2026 Sandy Dragons Players; Angus Brown, Eamonn Walker, Erik Hennequin, Kenneth Brown, Delilah Clohesy

Registrations

CBJFC recorded 203 player registrations in 2026, a slight decrease on 2025. We also welcomed an additional 10 girls on season permits to form a U9 Girls merged team with St Pauls McKinnon JFC. 6 of our players were on a season permit out to other clubs including a U12 Girls team at St Pauls McKinnon JFC and the U16 Girls team at St Kilda City JFC. We thank those families and host clubs for their support.

In 2026, we were able to field 9 teams across many age groups. This included a good intake into the U8 Mixed team as well as good playing numbers across all other teams including U9, U9 Girls, U10, U11, U13, U14 and U15. Our U17.5 team comprised players from U16 and U17.5 age groups.

Auskick

Auskick was a major success again at Koornang Park, with 100+ children participating, including 30 girls. Friday night and Saturday morning sessions were again well supported, thanks to Luke Codarin, parent helpers, junior player coaches, canteen volunteers and BBQ helpers. New additions Andrew, Alex and Nick were integral to running our Saturday sessions and have offered again to help in 2027.

The U7 Lightning Carnival was a season highlight, with 3 teams of 9 entered into the competition 2 x boys and 1 x girls team showing their skills and readiness for U8 football in 2027!

The future is looking bright!

Social Engagement

Our social media presence continued to grow throughout 2026, with engaging posts, reels and stories capturing the energy, achievements and spirit of our club.

We extend our sincere thanks to all our volunteer photographers, as well as Avi Gulwadi from Gulwadi Media, for helping us bring the season to life through photos and videos. His work captured memorable moments from our Season Launch, Family Nights and Volunteer & Sponsor Night, along with game day matches.

With 1,550 Instagram followers and 934 Facebook followers, our social media channels remain an important way for us to celebrate our players and volunteers, share club news and updates, and recognise the valued contribution of our sponsors.

Sponsorship

Community sponsorship helps keep junior sport accessible and welcoming. We thank all sponsors, both long-standing and new, for supporting our club in 2026.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the following sponsors for supporting the CBJFC in 2026:

- Gary Peer

- The Bank
- UDL Group
- TMS – Track Manage Support
- David Southwick MP
- Prosthetique Dental Designs
- Vets on Koornang
- La Cabra Carnegie
- Glen Eira Physio
- Gulwadi Media
- Travel Managers
- Bromley's Bread.

Businesses interested in supporting the 2027 season are warmly invited to join the Bears family and connect with the club about sponsorship opportunities.



Football Operations Report

Season Overview

The 2026 season has been another significant year for the Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club. Across our age groups, the season has been defined by growth, resilience, development, teamwork and, for a number of teams, outstanding on-field achievement.

What has been particularly pleasing from a Football Operations perspective is the breadth of those achievements. Our younger players continued to discover the game and build confidence, our middle age groups demonstrated substantial development and resilience, and our older players continued to strengthen the pathway into senior football.

The season also demonstrated the strength of the Bears community. Teams supported one another when player numbers were challenging, new players were welcomed into established groups, and volunteers, coaches and families continued to provide the environment in which our players could enjoy their football and develop.

Season Highlights

There were a number of outstanding football achievements throughout 2026. Our Under 13s completed an undefeated home-and-away season, finished on top of the ladder and secured back-to-back premierships following a 14-point Grand Final victory over Dingley. The season was complemented by significant individual recognition, including Harrison Widjaja being named Division 4 League Best & Fairest and Grand Final Best on Ground, and Jacob Yeung finishing as the Division 4 leading goal kicker.

The Under 14s produced one of the season's most remarkable stories. After beginning the year with a very small list, the group rebuilt through school football and player recruitment to reach 20 players. Despite being graded into Division 4, the team developed throughout the year, defeated Saint Paul's by close to 70 points in the final home-and-away game, won through the finals and ultimately secured the premiership. The success was made even more impressive by the support provided by Under 13 players, who regularly backed up for a second game to help the team field a side.

The Under 15s also enjoyed a standout season. Following a challenging period in previous seasons, the group committed to a strong pre-season and developed a team-first style built around individual roles, trust and shared responsibility. The Bears finished the home-and-away season undefeated and went on to win the premiership, providing a fitting reward for the players' commitment and development.

At the younger end of the program, the Under 10s finished their modified football years with a Lightning Carnival flag after a season in which the players developed resilience, accountability, tackling, decision-making and the ability to play football at pace. The Under 8s also experienced strong growth, increasing from 12 players at the beginning of the season to 15 by the final round, reflecting the welcoming and enjoyable environment created around the team.

Our girls programs continued to provide important opportunities for players to participate and develop. The Under 12 Girls merged team successfully stepped into Division 1 following the previous year's premiership and demonstrated clear development throughout the season. The partnership between the Bears and the Doggies was a strong example of how merged teams can create sustainable opportunities for girls to play football, develop skills and build friendships.

Player Development and Pathways

Player development remains one of the central priorities of the Bears football program, and the 2026 reports provide strong evidence of progress across the age groups.

For our youngest players, development was about learning the fundamentals of the game, building confidence and discovering the enjoyment of being part of a team. Across the modified football age groups, players developed their kicking, marking, handball, tackling, decision-making, game awareness and teamwork.

As players progressed through the age groups, the focus increasingly moved towards team structures, positional understanding, decision-making and playing for one another. The Under 13s in particular demonstrated how a group can retain enjoyment and camaraderie while adding greater focus and discipline to its football.

The pathway into senior football also continued to develop. Within the Under 17.5 group, four players earned opportunities to play senior football during the year and a further five represented the Reserves. These opportunities provide an important link between junior football and the senior program and are an encouraging indication of the talent and development within our older age groups.

Culture, Teamwork and Resilience

While premierships and wins are an important part of junior football, the strongest theme across the 2026 reports is the culture that sits behind the results.

Our teams consistently demonstrated a willingness to support teammates, welcome new players and put the interests of the group ahead of individual success. The Under 9s, for example, had players volunteer to play for opposition teams so that everyone could participate and games could remain competitive. The Under 14s relied on support from the Under 13s throughout the season, while numerous teams described the importance of players celebrating each other's achievements.

The season also highlighted the resilience of our players and coaches. Several teams faced difficult periods, whether through limited numbers, tougher competition, injuries, rebuilding or results that did not immediately reflect their effort. The response was consistently to keep working, keep learning and continue to support one another.

That is an important measure of the health of our football program. The Bears should be a place where players enjoy coming to training and games, feel valued within their team and are encouraged to improve. The 2026 season provided many examples of that environment being created successfully.

Coaches, Team Officials and Volunteers

None of the achievements of 2026 would have been possible without the extraordinary contribution of our coaches, assistant coaches, team managers, trainers, runners, umpires, scorers, boundary umpires, photographers and parent volunteers.

The team reports repeatedly acknowledge the countless hours contributed behind the scenes to organise teams, prepare players, run training sessions, manage game days and support families. From the volunteer umpires who stepped outside their comfort zone to officiate modified games, to the team managers who kept the administration moving, these contributions are fundamental to the operation of our club.

I would particularly like to thank every coach and assistant coach for the time, energy and care they have invested in our players. Coaching junior football is about far more than teaching skills: it is about building confidence, teaching teamwork, providing feedback and helping young people understand the value of commitment and resilience.

I also want to acknowledge the parents and families who continue to fill the many volunteer roles required each weekend. The strength of the Bears community is built on this collective contribution, and it is greatly appreciated.

Looking Ahead to 2027

The 2026 season provides a strong platform for the year ahead. Across the club there are encouraging signs of player growth, strong team culture and continued interest in football.

Our focus moving into 2027 should remain on player development, retention and recruitment, quality coaching and providing clear pathways for players as they progress through the age groups. The transition from modified football into full-oval football will be an important next step for our younger players, while our older groups will continue to play an important role in connecting junior football with the senior program.

The continued development of girls football will also remain important, with the successful merged programs demonstrating the value of collaboration in creating opportunities for players. There is an opportunity to build on these partnerships and continue strengthening the pathway for girls within the Bears community.

Finally, we should continue to invest in the people who make our football program work. Strong coaching, well-supported team officials and engaged families are the foundation on which player development and club culture are built.

Thank You

Thank you to every player who represented the Caulfield Bears in 2026. The commitment, enthusiasm and resilience shown across our teams has been something the Club can be proud of.

Thank you to our coaches, assistant coaches, team managers, trainers, runners, umpires, volunteers and, most importantly, our families. Your contribution makes junior football possible and creates the environment in which our players can thrive.

It has been a privilege to serve as Football Operations Manager throughout the 2026 season. The stories from across our teams demonstrate that the Bears football program is continuing to grow, and I look forward to seeing what we can achieve together in 2027.

Go Bears!

Andrew Harrap, Football Operations Manager

Team Reports

Under 8 Mixed

This year was a special one for our U8 mixed team, with many of our players experiencing AFL for the very first time. We began the season with 12 enthusiastic kids and, as word spread about how much fun they were having, our squad grew to 15 by the final round. That growth alone says a lot about the environment the team created — welcoming, energetic and full of genuine enjoyment.

A First Taste of AFL

For most of the group, this was their first year playing organised footy. From the early sessions, players embraced the challenge of learning how to kick, handball, mark, find space and support teammates. Their confidence grew week by week, and it was clear they were discovering not just the game, but the joy of being part of a team.

Skills, Teamwork and Fun

As the season progressed, the team developed a stronger understanding of match play and how to work together at contests. They learned to communicate, protect each other, and stay involved in the game.

But the most important achievements weren't just skill-based — they made new friends, developed a real sense of teamwork, and had plenty of fun along the way. The smiles at training and the excitement on Sunday mornings said everything.

A Supportive Community

Thank you to all families for your involvement throughout the year. Whether it was helping with drills, assisting on game day, or cheering from the sidelines, your support created an environment where every child could thrive and enjoy their first steps in AFL.

Special Mentions

This season was made possible by a committed group of volunteers:

- Assistant Coach Michael Vandenberg – for guiding players with patience, encouragement and clear instruction
- Team Manager Anja Mueller – for keeping the team organised and ensuring everything ran smoothly
- Sarah Vandenberg – for stepping in as interim Team Manager when needed and supporting the group seamlessly
- Umpires Chris Wright and Brad Chilko – for giving their time each week to officiate games and help create a fair, enjoyable environment for all players

Your contributions shaped the season and helped make footy a positive experience for every child.

Looking Ahead

The team should be proud of everything they achieved this year — the skills they developed, the friendships they formed, and the confidence they built. Keep practising over summer, keep kicking the footy with mates, and get ready for an exciting year of U9s in 2027.

Coach, Mark Buick



Under 9/10 Girls

The 2026 season was another fantastic chapter for the merged Caulfield Bears / St Paul's McKinnon U9/10 "Puppy Bears". With 18 registered players, including 10 girls from St Paul's and 8 from Caulfield, the team combined strong numbers, plenty of enthusiasm and a determination that quickly made them one of the toughest sides in the competition. From the opening round it was clear this group had developed into a fearless outfit built on pressure, tackling and teamwork.

The girls enjoyed a string of impressive victories across the season, recording strong wins against Brighton Beach, Prahran, St Kilda City, South Melbourne and East Malvern. Even in defeat against the Vampires, Brighton Beach and Prahran, their spirit never wavered. The Puppy Bears built a reputation for relentless tackling, attacking the contest with courage and supporting each other from the first bounce to the final siren every week.

Season highlights included Indigenous Round, where honorary Puppy Bear, Ester, joined the team from Arnhem Land, PLAY4BCNA Round with trademark pink socks, Mother's Day celebrations, dramatic one-point victories, spectacular goals, sideline human pyramids, goal celebration dances and enough orange wedge discussions to rival the AFL's biggest strategy meetings. Most importantly, the girls continued to grow as footballers and teammates, creating memories and friendships that will last well beyond the season.

Individual awards recognised outstanding contributions across the year. Nora Holland was awarded Best and Fairest, with Emily Shepherd second and Eloise Edmonds third. Imogen Needham received the Highlight Reel Award, Annabelle Cadet was recognised as Most Courageous, and Olivia O'Halloran earned Most Versatile honours. Pariza Khodabux was named Puppy Bear of the Year, while Maggie McAuliffe took home the Lightning Carnival Award

A huge thank you to coach Matt Powell, assistant coach Tim O'Halloran, and all the St Pauls and Caulfield families who contributed to another brilliant year for the Puppy Bears. The season delivered plenty of goals, tackles, friendships, laughs and memorable moments, but perhaps most importantly it left the girls excited to come back for more - they are already looking forward to pre-season beach training in preparation for season 2027!

Team Manager, Chelsea Hall



Under 9 Mixed

The 2026 season will be remembered as a year of growth, resilience, friendship and achievement for the Caulfield Bears Under 9s. From the first bounce of Round 1 through to the final matches of the season, this group of young footballers embraced every challenge and continued to improve as both players and teammates.

The season began with excitement as many players experienced modified rules football for the first time. Early matches showed promising signs, with the team moving the ball confidently, supporting each other around the ground and displaying a willingness to learn. Important milestones arrived immediately, with first games, first goals and new friendships helping set the tone for what would become a memorable year. The Bears quickly established themselves as a team built on effort, enthusiasm and teamwork rather than individual success.

As the season progressed, the focus at training was clear. Weekly sessions concentrated on fundamental football skills including kicking, marking, handballing, tackling, decision-making and ball movement. Players were encouraged to be brave in contests, protect their teammates, support one another and celebrate both goals and goal assists. The emphasis on development over results created an environment where every player could improve at their own pace while contributing to the collective success of the team.

Throughout the year, numerous individual milestones were celebrated. Several players kicked the first goals of their football careers, while others played their very first matches after joining the sport for the first time. These moments were often the highlights of the season, bringing joy not only to players but also to teammates, coaches and families. First goals by players became special memories that reflected the confidence and improvement each player developed throughout the year.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the season was the team's sportsmanship and community spirit. On multiple occasions, Bears players volunteered to play for opposition teams to ensure everyone had a game and matches remained competitive. Whether helping Oakleigh, Dingley or other clubs, the players demonstrated maturity, generosity and respect beyond their years. These moments embodied what community football is all about and reflected the culture built within the group.

The team's performance also improved significantly across the season. Early challenges around goal kicking efficiency and defensive structures gradually transformed into strengths. The Bears produced several outstanding team performances, including dominant victories and matches where the group worked relentlessly for one another. One of the season highlights came when the team recorded a major win against Oakleigh, with multiple players kicking their first goals and the group earning the opportunity to sing the club song together for the first time. It was a reward for months of hard work and development.

More importantly than wins and losses, the Bears became a genuine team. Players learned to trust each other, parents created a strong and supportive community, and the coaching group helped foster a positive environment where every child felt valued. Whether playing in sunshine, mud, rain or wind, the attitude never changed. The Bears continued to turn up, support one another and give their best effort every week.

Looking back, the 2026 season was not defined by scoreboards. It was defined by courage, improvement, friendship and fun. The countless first goals, first games, team celebrations, training sessions and shared experiences have laid a strong foundation for future years. The players should be enormously proud of what they achieved, and the future of the Caulfield Bears U9s looks incredibly bright. 🐻💙💛

"Hard work, teamwork and enjoyment were the true wins of 2026, and this group achieved all three in abundance."

Coach, Alastair Renshaw



Under 10 Mixed

Pre Season

The Under 10's got things underway fairly early for pre season 2026, it seemed like every player I would bump into during the Summer Holidays was asking when we were going to start training - so with the interest and keenness being there, we started a run club at ECR every Sunday.

Having come up against some decent sized teams in the Under 9's carnival - we knew fitness and speed were going to be an important piece of our puzzle for 2026.

We had one pre season hit out against Ormond, which was a valuable marker to see where we were at.

Season

We started off with two great home wins which set the confidence high. On the back of that we were moved into a different group which presented some tough competition. I'm sure the kids would have wanted to stay where they were, but from the coaches perspective - we wanted them to back themselves to step up to the challenges of tougher competition.

We had a hard fought win against St Peters in our first outing in the new division, but then came up against some really well drilled teams which took a bit of adapting to.

We had a bit of a line in the sand chat with the team regarding what they wanted to get out of the remainder of their season - which resulted in a great last 3-4 games where everyone was on board, playing as a team, and putting in the effort both at training and game day - proving to themselves that they are capable of stepping up to the challenge.

Our lightning carnival was all based on playing the game as fast as we can - as we know these carnival games are short in length and on smaller fields. We had a tough game against Murrumbeena, and another hard outing against Hampton. The reward at the end of it - was a flag that the team were absolutely stoked with - and a brilliant way to finish off our modified years.

What we got out of 2026

The team learnt a lot this season, quite a bit to do with attitude, being resilient, being accountable, and being able to adapt on their own.

They learnt about tackling and body position - and nailed the tackling.

Playing the game at pace - getting the ball moving quickly, kicking to a player - not the player.

Also effort equals reward, playing as a team.

Different players stepped up with both confidence and ability.

Thanks to

Sanaa - our manager. She has been at the forefront of this team since the start, and does a great job of making things run smoothly from behind the scenes - countless hours spent.

Our volunteer umpires over the past 3 years that have donned the high viz and stepped out their comfort zone to control the games and done a bloody good job of it: Steve, Adrian, Andrew, Mark, Jarrod.

Our runners, we had a “Mums on the Run” initiative - that had Mum’s out there sending the messages out - it was fantastic.

Nadine our photographer that watches the games through the lens - captures the most amazing images and sends them out to us - memories that will last a lifetime.

All our parents that have done the rolls put to them week in/week out.

The club for bringing the modified games to KP - awesome to be able to play on our home turf.

We now look forward to what 2027 can bring as the team now steps into full oval footy. It will be a challenge - but one the team are excited for.

Coach, Simon Rayner



Under 11 Mixed

The 2026 season was one of growth, resilience and development for our Under 11s group. While results didn't fall our way, the players continued to turn up each week with enthusiasm, a willingness to learn and a commitment to improving as footballers and teammates. As coaches, we could not have asked for more in terms of effort and attitude.

I would like to sincerely thank all parents and families for their support throughout the season. Junior football relies on volunteers, and we were fortunate to have so many people willing to contribute their time each week. A special thank you to our assistant coach, Dale Bower, whose experience and commitment were invaluable, and to our team managers, Jenn Needham and Andrew Needham, whose organisation and support behind the scenes made everything run smoothly. Thanks also to our trainers, runners, scorers, goal umpires, boundary umpires and all other volunteers who helped throughout the year.

The season concluded with our presentation night, where we recognised a number of outstanding contributors:

- Coach's Award: Alex Thompson
- Team Spirit Award: Isaac McDonald
- Most Improved: Sam Bower
- Best & Fairest: Vinnie O'Kane
- Runner-Up Best & Fairest: Will Needham
- Third Place Best & Fairest: Darsh Jani

Most importantly, every player who represented the Caulfield Bears this season contributed positively to the team and should be proud of their efforts. It has been a privilege to coach this group, and we look forward to seeing their continued development in the years ahead.

Coach, Jonathon O’Kane



Under 12 Girls

After last year's premiership success, the team was promoted into Division 1 and knew the challenge ahead would be significant. A patchy pre-season didn't provide the ideal preparation, but the excitement around the group was still high, especially with a number of new players joining the squad. Chief among them was Caulfield's very own Cora, who we finally managed to convince to pull on the boots and become part of the team and who made a huge contribution to the season.

Round 1 arrived with regular coach Sammy unavailable so fill-in coach Simon took the reins against a fancied Mordi-Brae side that had finished mid-table in Division 1 the previous season. The girls couldn't have asked for a better start, producing a fantastic opening-round win and immediately proving they belonged at the higher level.

The reality of Division 1 football arrived the following week though when we came up against East Malvern, one of the previous year's Division 1 grand finalists. It was a tough day at the office, but an important learning experience for a young team finding its feet in top level junior girls football. The remaining grading matches saw one win and one loss, resulting in the girls settling into Division 1 for the season ahead.

As the year unfolded, it became clear that we weren't quite in the top bracket of Division 1 teams. However, success wasn't going to be measured solely on the ladder. The girls set themselves goals around winning games when opportunities arose, improving individually and collectively, and competing harder each week. On those measures, the season was an overwhelming success.

Throughout the year we saw genuine improvement across all areas of the game. The team's ball movement became cleaner, their attack on the football stronger, and their awareness of the little things that help teammates and create team success continued to grow. There is still plenty of development ahead, but the progress from 2025 to the final game this year was obvious for everyone to see.

Most importantly, the girls had fun. Whether it was sliding through the mud on rainy mornings, proudly pulling on the new pink jerseys, celebrating big moments with teammates, or getting the opportunity to learn from AFLW players who attended training sessions, the team embraced every part of the fun of football.

We are also incredibly proud of the achievements of our small group of Bears representatives within the merged team. Avana, Evie, Cora, Maddie & Jem are the powerhouse of our team and although outnumbered compared to the Dogs girls, they definitely bring the talent! Special congratulations must also go to Jemima and Maddie, who were selected in the St Kilda Academy and represented brilliantly in their interleague match.

We are enormously grateful to the Doggies club and the parents & girls at both clubs. The partnership between the two clubs has been outstanding, and we believe this team has become a genuine blueprint for how merged teams can work successfully, creating opportunities for girls to play football, develop their skills and build lifelong friendships.

Go Doggie Bears!

Team Manager, Kerry Widjaja

Under 13 Mixed

Season Lead-In

Coming off a premiership season, the challenge for 2026 was to retain the group, continue their development and motivate them to climb the mountain once again.

The team returned largely intact, bringing with them the same energy, enthusiasm and love of football that had been such an important part of the previous season.

The key word for the group in 2026 was focus. We wanted to maintain the fun and enjoyment that had always been central to this team, while bringing greater focus to our training, preparation and football. The aim was never to change what made the group special, but to add another layer to it.

Coaching Focus

- Maintain the enjoyment and love of the game.
- Improve focus at training and on game day.
- Understand individual player strengths and develop players in positions that best suited both their development and the team.

Pre-Season

One of the great qualities of this group has always been their enthusiasm for football and their willingness to learn and improve. That was again evident throughout pre-season.

A number of players participated in AFL 9s during the off-season, maintaining their connection with football and with each other. The camaraderie within the group was infectious, as always, and provided an excellent foundation for the season ahead.

Our challenge as coaches was to preserve that enjoyment and camaraderie while asking the boys to switch on and bring greater focus when it was time to train and play.

Coaching Focus

- Team morale, focus and ethos.
- Knowing when to have fun and when to switch on.
- Reinforcing the importance of playing for each other.

Grading

Our first grading game was always going to be a significant test. We faced the previous year's Grand Final opponent, who had realigned their two teams to create a stronger side.

We were beaten on the day, but took some valuable lessons from the encounter. The response from the group was excellent, recording strong wins in each of the remaining three grading games and finishing the grading period as the No. 1 ranked team in Division 4.

Coaching Focus

- Team structure and game play.
- Reinforcing our QLD philosophy — Quick, Long, Direct.
- Moving the football quickly and giving teammates the opportunity to play in space.

Home-and-Away Season

With a largely unchanged playing group, we embarked on the Division 4 season with confidence but knowing there would be plenty of challenges ahead.

A number of tough early games against highly rated teams including Prahran, Mordialloc, AJAX and Hampton demonstrated that we were capable of competing with the strongest sides in the competition.

What became particularly pleasing was the team's development as the season progressed. When we faced the other premiership contenders for a second time, the margins began to extend in the Bears' favour. The key difference was the improvement in teamwork, awareness and the players' understanding of the structures we had been working on.

The greater focus we had asked for at the beginning of the year was becoming evident on game day. The boys increasingly implemented those structures on the field without needing constant direction from the coaches. Our ethos of unselfish football — sharing the ball and finding the teammate in the best position — became a genuine feature of the way the Bears played.

Importantly, that increased focus never came at the expense of enjoyment. Team morale remained exceptionally high. New players were welcomed with open arms, individual successes were celebrated by the whole group, and the enjoyment the boys took from each other's achievements became infectious both on and off the field.

The result was an undefeated home-and-away season and a first-place finish on the ladder.

Coaching Focus

- Continued development of team structure and game play.
- Spatial awareness and using the available space.
- Ruck contests, midfield setup and work rate.
- Forward-line structure and positioning.
- Defensive match-ups and structure.
- Looking to the open or "fat" side in general play.
- Wings maintaining width and position.

Finals

Finishing the regular season undefeated and on top of the ladder gave the playing group great confidence. It also presented a different challenge: for the first time, the Bears entered the finals as the hunted team, knowing the opposition had been watching and preparing specifically to beat the league leaders.

The Semi Final against Prahran was the first test. The group embraced the occasion with confidence and produced a strong performance on our home ground to earn a place in the Grand Final.

The Grand Final against Dingley presented a much greater challenge.

Dingley arrived extremely well prepared and produced a highly contested game, putting the Bears under a level of pressure they had not experienced since the first grading game of the year.

The boys responded by drawing on the core principles that had underpinned their football throughout the season: focus, an appetite for the contest, determination to win the football, trust in their teammates and the ability to use the ball effectively once it was won.

The Bears created the greater share of the scoring opportunities and, after a tough and highly competitive Grand Final, secured a 14-point victory to become back-to-back premiers.

It was a fitting conclusion to an undefeated season and a tremendous reward for the development, commitment and teamwork shown by the entire playing group.

Post-Season

An outstanding team season was complemented by a number of individual awards.

In a team sport, these awards are not only a wonderful recognition of the individual player, but also a reflection of the teammates who supported them and helped create the environment in which they could succeed.

The team's achievements have been warmly celebrated by the entire group and provide a fitting conclusion to a memorable 2026 season.

Individual Honours

Harrison Widjaja

- Caulfield Bears U13 Best & Fairest
- Division 4 Grand Final Best on Ground
- Division 4 League Best & Fairest

Jacob Yeung

- Division 4 Leading Goal Kicker

Louis Shanahan

- Caulfield Bears U13 Best & Fairest Runner-Up

Isaac Curpin-Bates

- Caulfield Bears U13 Best & Fairest – 3rd Place

Harvey Codarin

- Caulfield Bears U13 Most Determined

Jett Harrison

- Caulfield Bears U13 Most Improved

Charlie Dwyer

- Caulfield Bears U13 Coaches Award

Season Summary

The 2026 season represented another significant step in the development of this playing group.

The achievement of going through the home-and-away season undefeated and ultimately winning back-to-back premierships was outstanding. More importantly, however, the boys continued to develop as footballers and as a team.

At the beginning of the year, we challenged the group to add greater focus without losing the fun, enthusiasm and camaraderie that had always defined them. By the end of the season, they had done exactly that.

Their willingness to learn, play unselfishly, embrace new teammates and celebrate each other's success remained central to everything the group achieved.

When challenged in the Grand Final, they showed that their success was about more than talent or results. They maintained their focus, trusted the structures they had learned, competed when the game demanded it and played for one another.

That combination of fun, focus, development, teamwork and competitive spirit defined the Caulfield Bears U13s in 2026 and made the season one the players, coaches and families can be extremely proud of.

Coach, David Ratner



Under 14 Mixed

Season 2026 began with our thoughts still on the final game of 2025, where our boys took on a side far bigger and stronger than them in the last match of the year. It showed. A lot of soul-searching followed, and as a coaching staff we came to a hard conclusion: we could no longer ask a group of mostly underage players to compete a year above their own ability. It meant stripping out our older kids and sending them up a level, while keeping our nine Under 14-aged players in their own age group. It was the fair thing to do — but it left us with an empty list and at least six players to find for every game.

The rebuild started with school football. We went knocking on the doors of school coaches trying to find players who weren't yet club-affiliated, and after a huge effort from the boys themselves and their parents, we'd built the list to 20 by the end of the year — a monumental effort. Most of the recruits had played some school football but had never been part of a club, so we were a green group finding our feet together.

The grading games went about as you'd expect for a young group still learning to bond as a team — we had our share of success and our share of failure — and we were graded into Division 4, the lowest division, even though we felt we were probably a touch better than that. The season had its share of big wins and losses, but the turning point came when we played Saint Paul's for the first time. As coaches, we quickly realised they were the yardstick for the division. From that moment, every training session and every game stopped being about the team in front of us on the day, and became about building a style of football that could beat Saint Paul's in a Grand Final.

The second half of the year brought some big wins, and the boys began to grow real confidence. With no tall marking targets and a squad that was often short on numbers, we built a running, carrying, handball-intensive game — one built on keeping the ball and not turning it over, which is a physically demanding way to play. Huge thanks here to Dave Ratner and the Under 13s: several of his players backed up to play a second game for us most weeks, quite literally helping us avoid the bench and getting us to a minimum of 15 players most games — even when the opposition had a spare. We still managed plenty of big wins playing a man down.

By the last game of the home-and-away season, belief in the group had grown into something real. We met Saint Paul's at home, and it felt like a final — the boys had built themselves up all year for one more shot at the ladder leaders. We played outstanding football and won by close to 70 points. It wasn't the margin that stood out so much as the shock on the opposition's faces at how far we'd come as a side.

The following week, the top-four system put us up against Saint Paul's again — this time in our first final. Playing a player down on a huge ground, the boys got across the line in what was probably one of our best wins of the year, booking a place in the Grand Final. It was a huge effort for a team that, only months earlier, hadn't really existed. Explaining to a group of young players who'd never really played much football that Grand Finals don't come around often was a challenge in itself, but on the day they stood tall again, with more help from our Under 13s players topping up the list. For only the second time all year, we had players on the bench.

The game was a tight tussle. We jumped out to an early lead, but Saint Paul's fought back and, to their credit, had us up by just a single point heading into the last quarter. The boys dug deep and played one of their best quarters of football all year, putting the premiership in the trophy cabinet of the Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club.

Thanks must go to the committee, who had the faith not to merge the side and instead backed us to build one from scratch, and to the parents, who believed in what we could achieve even though the team had its back against the wall from day one. It was a valiant effort from every single one of the boys — I watched a group of young boys at the start of the year leave the football field on Grand Final day as young men, having taken huge steps in personal development, teamwork and belief in their own ability. Being part of that, as a coach, is incredibly humbling.

Thanks and Awards

A huge thank you to the Under 13s players who backed up to help us across the year: Ben, Harrison, Harvey, Aussie, Jacob, Charlie, Dylan, Ryder and Izzy. Congratulations to Leon on runner-up Best and Fairest, to Kristoffer on winning Best and Fairest, and to William for the club's goal-kicking award.

Off the field, thank you to Cathy for her outstanding work as team manager, to Liam for his efforts as runner all season, to Buzz as assistant coach for keeping the players on the field and strapped up, and to Alan for all his help. A personal thank you also to my wife, Topaz, for her unwavering belief and for everything she did behind the scenes to keep these young men on track all year.

Well done to everyone involved — we look forward to season 2027.

Coach, Scott Cowell

Under 15 Mixed

After a couple of challenging seasons, the playing group embraced a strong pre-season that began in December, with a clear focus on developing a team-first game style, understanding individual roles, and building a system that would allow the team to compete consistently. The players' commitment to learning, training and supporting one another laid the foundations for what would become a remarkable season.

The season started positively and momentum continued to build as the team grew in confidence and understanding of the game plan. While results were pleasing, it was the development of the group as a team that stood out most. Players embraced their roles, shared responsibility, and increasingly looked to bring teammates into the game. The improvement in ball movement, teamwork and decision making across the season was significant.

The team finished the home and away season in outstanding form, securing top spot and carrying that momentum into finals. An undefeated season culminated in a dominant Grand Final performance and a well-deserved premiership. More importantly, the players demonstrated what can be achieved through hard work, trust, selflessness and a commitment to each other.

As coaches, we could not be prouder of the way the boys represented themselves and the Club throughout the year. They showed respect to teammates, opponents and umpires, embraced feedback, and consistently put the team first. We are also incredibly grateful to our parent group and volunteers whose support throughout the season was invaluable.

2026 was a special season and one that everyone involved should be immensely proud of. The premiership was a fitting reward for a group that committed themselves to improvement and became a genuine team in every sense of the word.

Coach: Troy Fryar

Assistant Coach: Michael Goudie

Team Manager: Jen Watts

Club Awards

Best & Fairest - Yiani Tsakirakis

Runner-Up Best & Fairest - Owen Holm

Third Best & Fairest - Elliot Mulholland Pyle

Most improved - Angus Brookes

Best Team Player - Christian Siracusa

Coaches Award - Darcy Messer

SMJFL Best and Fairest U15 Division 3

Best & Fairest - Yiani Tsakirakis

Third Best & Fairest - Owen Holm


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Under 17.5 Boys

The 2026 season presented significant challenges before a ball was even bounced. Following the departure of approximately 15 players from the age group, player numbers were critically low during the pre-season. To ensure we could field a competitive team, the difficult but necessary decision was made to combine the Under 16s and Under 17.5s playing groups.

Despite these early setbacks, the club successfully built a list of 27 players for the season. The players trained alongside the senior group throughout the year, providing strong training numbers and gaining valuable exposure to senior standards. Looking ahead to 2027, it would be beneficial for the Under 17.5s group to complete their pre-season alongside the Under 16s to strengthen relationships, continuity and player development within the age groups.

On the field, the team made an encouraging start during the grading phase, and the league's grading process appeared to place us in an appropriate division where games were generally competitive and enjoyable. Considering the age profile and experience of our list, the team's effort and competitiveness throughout the season were outstanding.

With the exception of two matches, we were competitive in every game we played. While our win-loss record may not fully reflect the effort shown by the group, several matches could easily have gone our way. More accurate goal kicking and the ability to consistently run out games across all four quarters would likely have resulted in additional wins throughout the season.

Season Highlights

One of the major highlights of the season was the development pathway provided for our players. Four players earned opportunities to play Senior football during the year, while a further five players represented the Reserves side. This is a tremendous achievement that reflects both the talent within the group and the commitment shown by players throughout the season.

Another significant achievement was Quinn's nomination to attend the League Best and Fairest count. This recognition was thoroughly deserved and was a reward for a consistently strong season, setting an excellent example for the wider playing group.

Player Development

The most pleasing aspect of the year was the development of our players. Every member of the squad showed growth, whether through improved skills, greater game understanding, increased confidence or stronger leadership qualities. This development provides a strong platform heading into 2027, and we are hopeful that the majority of the playing group will return ready to build on this year's progress.

Team Culture and Presentation Night

Off the field, one of the highlights of the season was the Gala Presentation Night. The event was a tremendous success, bringing players, families and officials together to celebrate the season. It was a fantastic way to recognise the efforts of the group and create lasting

memories. It is strongly recommended that this become the standard celebration for all Under 17 teams at the Caulfield Bears moving forward.

Acknowledgements

A team is only as strong as the people who support it, and our team officials were outstanding throughout the season.

Our Team Manager and Physio were exceptional, dedicating countless hours to ensuring players were supported both on and off the field. Our Assistant Coach provided invaluable support, guidance and advice throughout the season and played a significant role in the development of both individual players and the team.

The coaching staff worked tirelessly to maintain confidence and belief within the group despite the challenges of a tough season. New skills, structures and standards were introduced throughout the year, helping the players continue to develop and improve. The resilience shown by the group in remaining positive during periods of limited on-field success was a credit to both the players and coaches. The coach should also be commended for keeping standards high throughout the season and focusing on player development. Moving forward, there is an opportunity to further strengthen outcomes by maintaining a strong focus on the game itself and not becoming distracted by outside influences.

Looking Ahead

While the season presented numerous challenges, it also delivered significant growth, valuable lessons and a strong foundation for the future. The commitment shown by the players, families and volunteers throughout the year should give everyone confidence that the Under 17.5s program is well positioned for a successful and exciting 2027 season.

With a largely developing list, increased physical maturity and another pre-season together, there is every reason to believe this group can take significant strides forward next year.

Thank you to all players, parents, volunteers and club officials for their support throughout 2026. We look forward to an even stronger year ahead.

Coach, Joel Webb

Treasurer's Report

The Caulfield Bears JFC recorded a loss in 2026 of $18,941. A loss of approximately $15,000 was budgeted for at the commencement of the season, with a purposeful increase in spend on advertising, community and club social events, and coaching and player support, with an of increasing club registration and participation, and player retention for this year and future years. There is outstanding revenue of approximately $4,700 for invoices that have been issued to our partner clubs also using Koornang Park and East Caulfield Reserve, for shared costs in cleaning and line marking have not been paid at the time of this report. Whilst this will then likely be offset in the absence of being invoiced from council for ground hire for this season. The available cash reserves from the preceding years have helped facilitate this approach, however will need to be reviewed year on year, to ensure it remains sustainable.

Registrations were down from the budgeted position, with two teams not being able to retain enough players to form again this season, however this was then offset by the reduced expenditure required for all supporting budgets, in particular medical costs for game day medics and team first aider training, and also SMJFL umpire costs for game days. Merchandise sales were equally down from previous seasons

The financial position of the club remains very strong with high cash reserves.

FY26 Profit & Loss with three-year comparisons below:

Account	2026	2025	2024
Trading Income			
Canteen and Bar Sales	28,271.29	37,261.26	46,139.78
Entertainment Events Sales	12,366.88	0.00	0.00
Fundraising and Raffles	248.34	0.00	1,128.70
Grants	0.00	1,125.00	200.00
Merchandise Jumper Resale	0.00	0.00	460.00
Merchandise Sales	3,967.07	8,644.43	16,393.48
Registrations Auskick	971.20	781.67	494.96
Registrations Junior	38,706.38	45,311.85	64,324.58
Sponsorship	19,750.00	21,620.00	28,500.00
Total Trading Income	**104,281.16**	**114,744.21**	**157,641.50**
Cost of Sales			
Cost of Goods Sold	11,397.00	9,372.39	12,820.00
Total Cost of Sales	**11,397.00**	**9,372.39**	**12,820.00**
Gross Profit	**92,884.16**	**105,371.82**	**144,821.50**
Operating Expenses			
Advertising	1,631.69	125.00	115.00
Bank Fees	105.40	58.00	66.80
Canteen Expenses	15,813.55	18,419.93	20,123.04
Canteen Staff	6,245.75	6,150.72	9,253.21

Cleaning	4,430.00	2,198.44	1,538.33
Coaches, Team Managers	7,374.48	4,559.19	10,197.00
Consulting & Accounting	795.75	812.25	755.25
Donations	0.00	454.12	550.00
Entertainment	21,837.93	400.00	0.00
Footballs	4,664.81	1,436.00	6,064.00
General Expenses	808.40	2,288.88	2,872.67
Ground Hire	165.00	8,975.01	5,818.75
Ground Manager	3,866.23	3,200.13	3,424.67
Light, Power, Heating	2,737.16	327.00	2,433.91
Medical Expenses	8,182.10	13,659.20	9,687.53
Merchandise Purchases	11,596.43	12,564.84	23,490.68
Newsletter	875.00	2,040.00	1,920.00
Office Expenses	486.00	0.00	0.00
Printing & Stationery	0.00	0.00	381.77
Repairs and Maintenance	3,212.00	1,940.83	1,386.28
SMJFL - Fines	40.00	300.00	100.00
SMJFL - Subscriptions	1,185.00	600.00	1,846.00
SMJFL Umpires	10,307.13	14,775.00	20,302.64
Telephone & Internet	375.00	315.00	300.00
Trophies and Awards	5,040.09	3,677.71	6,215.30
Website	50.90	528.00	528.00
Total Operating Expenses	**111,825.80**	**99,805.25**	**129,370.83**
Net Profit	**(18,941.64)**	**5,566.57**	**15,450.67**

Canteen & Entertainment

Revenue from the canteen operations and club social events slightly increased when compared to previous years, due to strong promotion and management from Jenny Watts and Natasha Robinson.

Registrations

Registration incomes decreased due to inability to reform two teams from last season. Although not generating a lot revenue for the club this season, the increase in revenue from auskick registrations this year indicates a very promising season ahead if we can convert these into junior club playing registrations.

Sponsorship

Sponsorship maintained its high levels, with continued support from sponsors across all tiers and renewed long-term support from major sponsors.

Merchandise

Merchandise Inventory: A physical stocktake was not completed at period end. Stock on hand is considered to be broadly consistent with the prior year and, accordingly, no adjustment has been made to the reported inventory balance.

Medical Expense

Medical expenses decreased from previous years due to lower number of teams in the non-modified competitions requiring less game day medics to be scheduled in, and a lot of existing depth in our volunteer trainer and first aiders.

SMJFL Fees

SMJFL fees consist predominantly of umpiring fees. The decrease this year again primarily relates to the decreased number of teams.

Cleaning and Repairs and Maintenance

At the time of this report, invoices that have been issued to our partner clubs at Koornang Park and East Caulfield Reserve, for shared costs in cleaning and line marking have not been paid. These are in the order of a total of $4700.

Capital Investment

The club purchased a new chest freezer for the canteen as the previous one had ended its useful life. The club also purchased new game milestone banners to replace the severely damaged ones being used from previous years. The opportunity was also taken this year to undertake a renewal of our training and game ball inventory to replace a significant amount of old and worn out balls.



50/100 Award Winners

During the 2026 season we celebrated the following key game milestones.

100 Games	**50 Games**
Alexander Ratner	Archie Palmer
Anastasi Pipingas	Avana Hell
Arjun Gulwadi	Chris Likopoulos
Ashley Barker	Clovis Hoban
Baden Vandenberg	Daniel Lee
Banjo Goudie	Darsh Jani
Ben Affinita	Evie Ellis
Benjamin Ratner	Harrison Kelaher
Conor Evans	Harvey Codarin
Darcy Stewart	Isaac Bates-Curpen
Eli Watts	Jack Bloom
Harrison Widjaja	Jack Miller
Owen Holm	Jack Shortall
Sebastian Sparrow-Cooper	Jett Harrison
Yiani Tsakirakis	Joseph Bates
	Luke Benoiton
	Madeline Widjaja
	Miller Chan
	Paddy Jeans
	Sam Bower
	Sebastian Lay
	Thomas Drake
	Vinnie O'Kane
	William Needham
	Zachariah Radion
	Zaphira (Zaza) Radion

2026 Committee

- President – Kelly Wheeler
- Vice President - Kerry Widjaja
- Secretary - Rebecca Hunt
- Treasurer – Andrew Harrap
- Head of Football Operations – Andrew Harrap
- Coaching Coordinator – Tod Mathiesson, Susan Price
- Team Manager Coordinator - Sanaa Radion
- Registrar - James Brown
- Sponsorship Coordinator - Chelsea Hall
- Marketing & Social Media Coordinator - Chelsea Hall
- Social Events Coordinator - Natasha Robinson
- Merchandise Coordinator – Joy D'Souza
- Canteen Coordinator – Jen Watts
- Trainer & Medical Coordinator - Joe Cremin
- Child Safety Officer – Natasha Robinson
- Auskick Administration - Luke Codarin
- Incident Officer – Chris Wright
- General Committee – Simon Rayner, Matt Dry

