Hawthorn Football Club

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Dear Members

As we forge our way through the end of the financial year and the half way mark of the footy season the report card to date is in pretty good shape. At the time of penning this introduction the footy team is sitting in fourth spot on the ladder and in reasonable shape coming into the second half of the season and your association continues to work hard behind the scenes to enhance benefits for members. We continue to work with the AFLPA to assist in benefits to our past players most notably a new initiative by the AFLPA in paying the excess between what your medical expense is and what the scheduled rate is applicable to your procedure. Shane Murphy our AFLPA representative will continue to bring us all the relevant information as it comes to hand.

Note that you must be a member of the AFLPA and your club PP Association to access these benefits. Further detail inside

We recently celebrated our Annual Generations Lunch at the MCG in the Miller Room. The event was well supported with 114 members and guests taking up the offer to attend. Past Players Norm Bussell and Ken Beck were presented with framed profiled jumpers for their services to our Association and the Football club and they gave their account of life at Hawthorn during their stay. The day was completed when the Hawks romped home in the last quarter to win the game over Fremantle by 22 points.

The highlight of the day no doubt, was the appearance of comedian and mad keen Hawk supporter Anthony "Lehmo" Lehmo put in a "best on ground performance" with his recollections of footy back in Adelaide and his recent trip to Afghanistan amongst other things. On behalf of the Association I wish to formally thank him for giving up his time to attend and perform for us on the day. Great work Lehmo!

It's been very encouraging to see our membership numbers have improved from last year. Thanks to all those who have renewed for 2011, and welcome to all our new members. Your support is very much appreciated and is critical to the ongoing viability of our organisation.

Let's see if we can get to 350.

Until next time

Go Hawks

Yours Sincerely



Current 336

John Kennedy Jnr

SUPPORT YOUR ASSOCIATION

If you would like to join the HFCPP&O please contact Mike Warren at the Hawthorn Football Club, on 03 9535 3063 or by E-Mail mikew@hawthornfc.com.au and we will send out a Membership Application. Full member \$40.00 Concession \$30.00

GENERATIONS LUNCH MCG JUNE 2011



Lehmo and John Kennedy

Gary Ayres, Lehmo, Brian Albiston, John Kennedy and Peter Schwab

Our Annual Generations Lunch was celebrated in the Miller Room at the "G" recently with a pleasing turnout of 114 members and friends. We had members come from far and wide including Norm Bussell from Whorouly, lan Dunn from Korumburra, Greg Dear from Lakes Entrance, Pete Gallagher and Friends from Bendigo to name a few. It was great to see some of our members from the 40s and 50s era namely Fred Wain, lan Pearson, Graeme Peck and our eldest member Laurie Peters, who turned 95 on the 13th of June. Congratulations Laurie!

Great to see some of the 80s boys as well, Ayrsie, Schwabby, Dipper, Andy Gowers, Paul Cooper, Greg Madigan, Russell Morris, Mick Johnston, Phil Murton and Pete Russo.

In keeping with the 40 year anniversary of the 1971 premiership we had special guests Kel Moore, Norm Bussell, Ken Beck, Geoff Angus Don Scott, Bob Keddie, Dave Parkin, Bruce Stevenson and Coach John Kennedy all attend and reminisce on that glorious day in September. Both Becky and Normie Bussell were presented with their Framed Profile Jumpers and entertained members with their memories of significant events during their careers notably Becky's Cartwheel when standing on the mark and Norm's memorable encounter with Richmond's Bruce Chierpig while elevating himself out of the mud at Glenferrie oval one season. Teammate Kel Moore spoke glowingly of Norm's contribution as did John Kennedy Senior on Becky's career.

It was a terrific day well supported and enjoyed by all those who attended.

Gold'n Brown

In 2011, Hawthorn Football Club will celebrate 50 years since its first premiership victory.

Hosted by Hawthorn great Peter Knights, this is an opportunity to celebrate a significant milestone in the history of the Club.

Join Hawthorn premiership players over lunch at the picturesque Leonda by the Yarra and reminisce the September glory of 1961.

Event Details

Venue: Leonda by the Yarra

When: Thursday 25 August, 12 noon for 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Cost: \$175 members, \$195 non-members,





.Kelvin Moore .presents Norm Bussell with his Framed Jumper

Back Row Nassib Maatouk, Shane Murphy, Julia and Bruce Stevenson, Geoff Angus **Front** Peter Ryan, Norm Bussell and Annie and John Chandler



Back Row Ben Goodey, Dave Hall, Andy Gowers **Front**- Ray Nicholls, Greg Madigan, Phil Murton, Mick Johnston, Bev Skerrett

Back Row Allan Woodley, Alistair Gay, Jack Cunningham, Terry Gay **Front**-Natalie Woodley, Vin Crow and Bob Keddie



Back Row-Sue & Kel Moore, John Kennedy Snr, Ken Beck David Parkin and Judy Beck.

Front – Dulcie Kennedy, Garry Young, Maurie and Maureen Considine.

John Kennedy Snr presents Ken Beck with his Framed Jumper

WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Greg Madigan

Years played – 1988 - 1994
Nickname – Mad Dog and other K9 variants
Games – 44 Hawthorn, 26 Fremantle
First Game- Round 11 v Melbourne 1989
Where do you live- Mont Albert North
Family –Wife Donna, daughters Keely, Ella and Jasmine

Occupation – National Sales Manager Lion Nathan for International & Craft Brands

Hobbies – Golf, Horse Racing



How do you think you would perform in today's football?

Having had a strong background in athletics, I think I would be ok with the running aspect nowadays. Today's players seem more than happy to sit on the bench for a period of time but having done plenty of this I'm not sure I'd welcome that. I'd certainly need to sharpen up my inside skills, but I think not having to wrestle guys twice as heavy as I was, I'd welcome a go in today's game.

Any memorable moments -

From a playing perspective being a part of the 1989 Premiership team is the obvious highlight. Aside from that I've got many great memories of just being at the club. We had some magnificent footy trips, players review nights and the general socialising and these are what I look back on and enjoy reminiscing about. We had so many "big" characters and they all seemed to bring so much to any situation be it on field or off, so as a group we were never short of entertainment.

COMING SOCIAL EVENTS

AUGUST 4th-Trainers' Night Waverley Park (Kennedy Room) 6pm till 8pm \$20 entry

SEPTEMBER -- Pre Grand Final Pub Night. Have a beer with your mates and relive past times

NOVEMBER –HFC PP&O Annual General Meeting

AFLPA MEMBERSHIP

The one off \$50 membership fee (\$25 for concession card holders) for all players who have played one senior game has valuable benefits. These include:

- · Access to AFL Medical Officers Association members who will bulk bill for consultations
- Discount offers for car and health insurance
- · Reimbursement of health insurance fund excess payments
- Free Drake training courses
- Health and Welfare financial support through the Geoff Pryor Hardship Fund.

If membership is of interest contact Jo Rafferty (E) <u>joanne@aflpa.com.au</u> (T) 03 9926 1344. If you would like more information on the Geoff Pryor Hardship Fund contact HFC PP&O committee members David Wanless (M) 0417 072 215 or Shane Murphy (M) 0419 597 748 or (E) <u>pastplayers@hawthornfc.com.au</u>

GOLF AND BOWLS DAYS

If you are interested in playing or being part of these days, please contact Golf Ken Beck 9803 1462 and Bowls Ken Hopper 9890 4573. New players are most welcome .Next Golf day will be in September and Bowls day at Altona Bowls Club in November.

RIP George Barker 1939 1 Game, Lance Wilkinson 1949-56 116 Games, Vic Atkinson 1942 1 Game Neil Pearson 1945-54 133 Games