

Hawthorn Football Club

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Members

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Welcome to our first newsletter for 2010.

We enter the New Year with great anticipation for both our football club and our association. We wish the team every success in their endeavours to secure our 11th Premiership for the Hawthorn Football Club. Your association will again be active in providing the environment in which you can enjoy the company of fellow teammates and officials.

Our key function for the year will be our Generations Lunch which will be held in the Miller Room at the MCG on Sunday June 6. It will be our home game against Port Adelaide. I encourage you all to support the function. Bring your wives, girlfriends, organise a table of former team mates or come on your own. All welcome. I can assure you from previous events that you will thoroughly enjoy yourselves

Two Trainer's Nights will be organised this year and this is a great way to spend a couple of hours after work. It gives an opportunity to catch up with members in the surrounds of our new Past Player's Room at our Hawthorn Waverley Park Headquarters.

A new initiative that will be undertaken by your association this year will be the advent of a number of impromptu and informal gatherings at selected hotels during the course of the year. Thanks to the sponsorship of REDTXT and director Russell Morris, we will be notifying everyone by text to their mobile phone that there will be a gathering at 5pm -7pm at X hotel on a specific date. There will be a follow up text the day prior to the event. I urge anyone who has a mobile phone and has not given us their details to contact Mike Warren or Dave Wanless to do so. We ask you to spread the word to those few, who may not have a mobile phone so they can be included.

This first issue is an excellent opportunity to remind all Paid Up Members that we have available, 80 free seat tickets to all Hawthorn home games at the MCG (with the exception of the Collingwood game) . Ground entry passes not included – use your HFC member's ticket to get in. For access to these tickets call Bob Moore on 9890 0271 or M. 0409 366 602. We also have access to a Past Players and Officials room to enjoy some food or beverages should you wish to do so.

Attached in this first addition is our new advertising sheet. I would ask all members to support these generous contributors should the need arise for the use of their specific services. Anyone wishing to avail themselves of the opportunity to use our Past Players advertising sheet should contact Mike Warren

Finally, I would like to thank those of you who have sent in your subs for this year and urge all of those who haven't to pull out the cheque book and do so without delay. Without your support the association would find it difficult to continue in its current form. So in line with the Football Club drive to exceed their membership of last year, we will be striving to reach a target of 350 members for 2010. So get on board!

We look forward to an exciting year and hope you can all see your way clear to attend as many functions as possible

Yours Sincerely

John Kennedy Jnr

TARGET 350

Last year 320
Current 247

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

THE PERFECT HAWTHORN GRAND FINAL

On Sunday the 15th November 2009 a number of Past Players were guests of the Hawks Forever Committee who organised at the Box Hill City Oval (The Pavilion) their annual Friends of the Hawks Museum function for 2009.

The theme for the day was the Perfect Hawthorn Grand Final, made up of one quarter from each of four different Grand Final wins. DVD highlights from the selected quarters were shown. This was followed by M.C Mike Derum interviewing some of the past players who participated in these games.

The selection of quarters chosen were the first quarter from the 1989 Grand Final, the second quarter from the 1983 and the final quarter from 1971. As for the third quarter, the selectors were unable to agree on the best quarter between the 2008's third quarter against Geelong or the 1961, storming towards our first premiership. So both games were revived and the audience were asked to decide. Although after considerable pleading from the 1961 players Morton Brown, Jack Cunningham and Graham Arthur the 2008 team was declared the winner.



M.C Mike Derum, and 1983 players Peter Knights, Peter Schwab and Terry Wallace



Two mates, Kelvin Moore and Leon Rice from 1971

PAST PLAYERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Past Players and Officials Association held its Annual General Meeting on Sunday the 22nd November 2009 in the David Parkin Lecture Theatre at Waverley Park.

Two members of last year's committee in Ken Beck and Don Scott retired and we thank them for their contributions. The newly elected members are Shane Murphy and Len Petch and we welcome them to the committee.

Your Committee for 2010 is President John Kennedy Jnr, Vice President Ian Paton, Secretary David Wanless, Treasurer Bob Calwell and Committee Members John Chandler, Gene Chiron, Terry Duggan, David Hall, Daniel Harford, Scott Maginness, Richard Matthews, Bob Moore, Shane Murphy, Len Petch and Leon Rice.

The Committee this year awarded Life Membership to former player, Chairman of Selectors and Hawthorn FC Committee Member Jack McLeod. Well done Jack for your outstanding contribution to Hawthorn. Player Milestone awards were also presented for:

1st Senior Game - Riley Milne, Beau Muston, Shane Savage, Liam Shiels, Ryan Schoenmakers and Matthew Suckling

100 Senior Games – Lance Franklin, Rick Ladson, Jordan Lewis, Michael Osborne, Jarryd Roughead, Brad Sewell and Mark Williams.

450 Senior Games – Luke Hodge and Sam Mitchell



Sam Mitchell receiving his award for 450 games

THE HAWTHORN STORY

The Hawthorn Football Club has a proud history. It is the only Club in the AFL to have grown from a small suburban team. From 1902 the Club played in the Metropolitan Junior Football Association then joined the Victorian Football Association in 1914. Hawthorn was then invited to join the Victorian Football League in 1925 becoming one of the powers of the now national competition, the Australian Football League.

1902 Hawthorn Football Club Formed and joins the Metropolitan Junior Football Association

Guernsey blue with red & white braces.

1906 Constitution of HFC Adopted

1914 HFC enters the Victorian Football Association

Guernsey changes to brown with gold yoke & initials HFC

1916 The VFA suspended the competition for 3 years during World War1.

1919 VFA competition resumes.

1923 First (and only) appearance in VFA Finals.

1925 HFC invited to join the Victorian Football League

Guernsey stays brown with gold V & initials HFC.

1927 Club called the Mayblooms

1937 New Red Brick Grandstand opened
(named The Tuck Stand in 1992).

1943 Roy Cazaly names HFC the Hawks

1950 **The Guernsey changes to the vertical stripes.**

1961 1st VFL Premiership

1962 Social Club opens

1965 Beau Wallace retires as Head Trainer, served from 1919
R1 Record crowd 35,500 at Glenferrie

1970 Ken Goddard appointed Head Trainer, part of 9 Premierships,
an AFL record

1971 2nd VFL Premiership

Peter Hudson 150 Goals equals VFL record

1973 **Last home game at Glenferrie**

1974 Home games played at Princes Park,

1976 3rd VFL Premiership, now known as the Cup for Crimmo

1978 4th VFL Premiership

1981 Record crowd of 92,935 at Waverley, Hawthorn defeat
Collingwood

1983 5th VFL Premiership

1986 6th VFL Premiership

1988 7th VFL Premiership

1989 8th VFL Premiership

1990 VFL now known as the AFL (National Competition)

1991 9th VFL/AFL Premiership (at Waverley Park)

Last Home Game at Princes Park

1994 13 consecutive years in the Finals an AFL record
Jason Dunstall first Hawthorn player to kick 1,000 goals

1996 **Merger proposal with Melbourne defeated by vote of HFC Members**

2000 Home Games moved to the MCG.

2001 Some Home Games played at York Park, Launceston, Tasmania

2005 **Last year at Glenferrie after 100 Years, Social Club closes.**

2006 HFC moves to Waverley Park

2007 Four home games now played at Aurora Stadium Tasmania



Glenferrie Oval



Princess Park



Waverley Park



Melbourne Cricket Ground



WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Ian Law

Years played – 1960-68

Nickname - Liberty

Games – 109

First Game- Essendon

Where do you live- Wentworth NSW

Family – Wife Barbara

Occupation – Runs Avoca Heritage Homestead,

Hobbies – Music, (leaning towards Jazz) and astronomy

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

Provided the ball was delivered low to me (I was not a regular or reliable overhead mark), then I'm available for selection. It is a pleasure to see today's players covering the ground as only we followers and centre line players had to do.

Any memorable moments – My first game for Hawthorn. From as far as Swinburne Tech the streets were full of people wearing Hawthorn and Essendon scarves and jumpers and on entering the Colosseum (Glenferrie Oval) I could see the members stand packed. There were telegrams of good wishes and even the umpire wished me well. I sought sanctuary in the changing rooms with friendly strangers. The rest became a bit of a blur. After the match we enjoyed drinks with our opponents, the umpires and officials from both clubs and by the end of the day the strangers had become very firm team-mates and I knew I had joined a very special club.



COMING EVENTS

Two Trainers Nights to be held in the Kennedy Room at Waverley Park.
Thursday 13th May and Thursday 8th July.

The Generation's Lunch to be held in the Miller Room MCG on Sunday 6 June against Port Adelaide details will be sent out mid April.

A number of Impromptu and Informal Gatherings at selected Hotels between 5.00 and 7.00pm.

You will be notified in advance by text on your mobile phone

AFLPA

Recent meetings between the Past Players Associations of the various clubs and the AFL Players Association has highlighted the **importance of all players who have played one senior game being a paid up member of the AFLPA**. It is a \$50 one off payment or \$25 for concession card holders and the benefits afforded to members as a result of their payment can be very advantageous. There is no doubt that the AFLPA are actively encouraging our club associations to participate in this developing area of football.

We at Hawthorn see our affiliation with the AFLPA as a very important step to assisting in the wellbeing of our past players, particularly in the area of health. Because we consider this to be such an important area for us, we have appointed Shane Murphy (new committee member) to keep us, and in turn you, up to date with all developments in this emerging area of the Past Players.

GOLF AND BOWLS DAYS

If you are interested in playing or being part of these days which are always fun and very competitive please contact Golf Ken Beck 9803 1462 and Bowls Ken Hopper 9890 4573. New players are most welcome.

RIP- John Hall 1938, 2 Games
Sydney Fredrick Francis 1932, 2 Games
Ron Condon, Official & Anthony Condon's
Father

Brendon Brady 1940-41, 8 games
George Hancock 1956, 5 games
Bob Neate 1946, 1 game