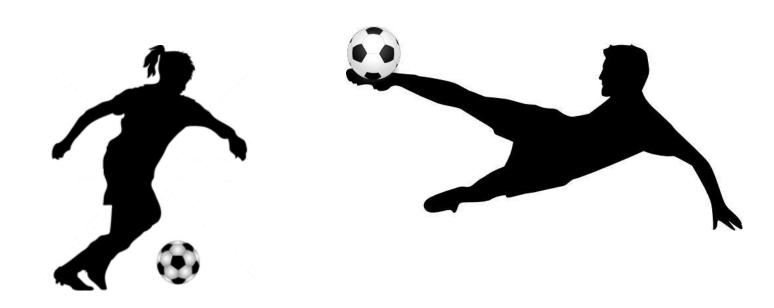


2022 YEAR BOOK





AC United Football Club Committee 2022

Andrew Bella President

Frank Ferraro Vice President & Coaching Coordinator Giovanna Romeo Secretary & Social Media Coordinator

Domenic Romeo Treasurer

Roslyn Bella Registrar, Uniforms & Sponsorship Coordinator
Nick Stojcevski Technical Director & Coaching Coordinator - Mens
Steve Marrone Coaching Coordinator - Non Competitive (Boys)

Frankie Zanella Goalkeeper Coach

Robert Zanella Public Relations Coordinator

Charlie Bugge Grounds / Equipment Coordinator
Tony Romeo Grounds / Equipment Coordinator

Silvana Scamardella Fundraising Coordinator

Marisa Morlin Committee
Odette Bjazevic Committee

Life Members

John Amoroso Max De Felicibus Michael Lavoratto Frank Ojeda

Denis Nascimben Peter Di Giandomenico

Danny Di Giandomenico Dennis Petalas Andrew Loreggian Kylie Ojeda David Maycock Yolanda Spiteri

Silvio Mirabilio Rossana Di Giandomenico

Gianna Di Giandomenico (Deceased) John Vlahadamis Brunella Parr Nicole Douglas

Ron Sullivan (Deceased) Robert Zanella

Robert Mazzotti Joanne Amoroso

AC United Football Club Wish To Acknowledge The Generous Support of the Following Sponsors for 2022

| 2022 MAJOR CLUB SPONSORS | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| Adrian Coluccio Funerals | Adrian Coluccio Funerals | | | |
| Toyota Material Handling Australia | Toyota MHA | | | |
| Smithfield RSL | Smithfield RSL | | | |

| TEAM 2022 | SPONSOR 2022 |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| U5 - BUDGIES | Wet Look Ceramic Coating |
| U6 - KOALAS BLUE | Aqua Kids |
| U6 - KOALAS WHITE | RNR FITNESS |
| U6 - DINGOES | Supreme Teamwear |
| U7 - GOANNAS WHITE | Aqua Kids |
| U7 - GOANNAS BLUE | F8 Timber |
| U7 - OWLS WHITE | Oriem |
| U7 - OWLS BLUE | Cemcon Group |
| U8 - CAHILL | RNR FITNESS |
| U8 - KENNEDY | Aquacorp Plumbing |
| U8 - EMERTON | Planet Builders |
| U8L - JADE | Morlin Kitchens |
| U9 - KEWELL | Caruso |
| U9 - BRESCIANO | Gearbox Express |
| U10 - SCHWARZER WHITE | VPT Group |
| U10 - HOLMAN | Meds Direct Pharmacy |
| U10 - SCHWARZER | Gearbox Express |
| U10L - RUBY | Westside Boating |
| U11 - PORSCHE | Winchester Interiors |
| U11 - MERCEDES | Parkequip |
| U12 DIV 1 | Form Focus Physio |
| U12 DIV 3 | Netseek |
| U13 DIV 2 | It's Football |
| U12L - DIV 1 | Watson Stafford Zipkis |
| U14 DIV 1 | Nicriel |
| U14 DIV 1 | NGK Spark Plugs |
| U14 DIV 2 | Forza Electrical |
| U14L - DIV 1 | Maison Coffee |
| U15 DIV 2 | Westside Boating |
| U15 DIV 3 | Netseek |
| U16 DIV 1 | Supreme Teamwear |
| U16 DIV 2 | Top Lift Scaffolding |
| U16L - DIV 1 | Little L's |
| U17 DIV 1 | Form Focus Physio |
| U18 DIV 1 | AUTOTUNE |
| U18L - DIV 1 | Parkequip |
| U21 DIV 2 | Smithfield RSL |
| M LEAGUE LADIES | Regal Recruitment |
| ALL AGE LADIES DIV 2 | Smithfield RSL |
| AAM DIV 7 | Form & Pour |
| AAM DIV 8 | European Glass & Glazing |
| 035 DIV 1 | Fowler |
| O35 DIV 2 | Smithfield RSL |
| 045 DIV 1 | Uniden |
| O45 DIV 1 | ATC Transmission Centre |

AC UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB - ACHIEVEMENTS

| SEASON | MINOR PREMIERS | PREMIERS | RUNNER-UP | FAIRFIELD CUP | KNOCKOUT | CHAMP/CHAMP REPS | STATE/METRO CUP |
|--------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|---|
| 1994 1995 | UNDER 17 / 18 DIV 1 UNDER 13 DIV 1 | UNDER 17 / 18 DIV 1 UNDER 13 DIV 1 | UNDER 11 DIV 1 | | UNDER 17 DIV 1 | UNDER 13 DIV 1*Winners* | |
| 1996 | UNDER 17 DIV 1 | UNDER 17 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 | | | | |
| 1997 1998 | UNDER 14 DIV 2 | UNDER 14 DIV 2 | UNDER 10 DIV 2 UNDER 9 DIV 2 | | | | |
| 1999 | | ONDER 14 DIV 2 | | | | | |
| 2000 | UNDER 9 DIV 1 UNDER 10 DIV 2 | | UNDER 10 DIV 1 UNDER 9 DIV 2 | | | UNDER 10 DIV 1 | |
| 2001 | UNDER 9 DIV 5 UNDER 10 DIV 4 | UNDER 9 DIV 5 UNDER 10 DIV 2 | UNDER 10 DIV 1 UNDER 10 DIV 4 | UNDER 9 DIV 3 UNDER 11 DIV 1 | UNDER 11 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | UNDER 15 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | |
| | UNDER 15 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | UNDER 11 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 16 GIRLS | | UNDER 16 DIV 1 | | |
| 2002 | UNDER 11 DIV 1 UNDER 11 DIV 3 | UNDER 9 DIV 2 (JP) UNDER 11 DIV 1 | UNDER 9 DIV 1 | UNDER 11 DIV 1 UNDER 11 DIV 3 | UNDER 11 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | UNDER 11 DIV 1 UNDER 12 DIV 1 | |
| | UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | UNDER 11 DIV 3 UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | | UNDER 12 DIV 1 | UNDER 16 DIV 1 | UNDER 14 DIV 1 14 GIRLS | |
| 2003 | UNDER 9 DIV 3 UNDER 9 DIV 4 UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 12 DIV 2 UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 | UNDER 9 DIV 3 UNDER 9 DIV 4 UINDER 10 DIV 2 UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 12 DIV 2 UNDER 13 DIV 1 | UNDER 9 DIV 1 UNDER 11 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV 1 | UNDER 9 DIV 1 UNDER 9 DIV 4 UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 | UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 | UNDER 12 DIV 1*Winners* UNDER 13 DIV 1*Winners* UNDER 15 DIV 1 | |
| 2004 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 | UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 9 DIV 1 UNDER 13 DIV 1 | UNDER 10 DIV 1 UNDER 11 DIV 2 | UNDER 9 DIV 1 UNDER 12 DIV 1 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 | |
| | UNDER 16 DIV 1 ALLIANCE LEAGUE | UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV 1 | UNDER 12 DIV 1 16 GIRLS ALLIANCE LEAGUE | UNDER 13 DIV 1 | | UNDER 16 DIV 1*Winners* | |
| 2005 | UNDER 10 DIV 1 | UNDER 10 DIV 1 | UNDER 9 DIV 1 | UNDER 14 DIV 1W | UNDER 10 DIV 1 | UNDER 10 DIV 1 *Winners* | UNDER 14 DIV 1 |
| | UNDER 10 DIV 2 UNDER 13 DIV 3 UNDER 14 DIV 1W UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 | UNDER 12 DIV 4 UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1W UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 ALL AGE LADIES W | UNDER 10 DIV 2 UNDER 13 DIV 3 | | UNDER 12 DIV 1G UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 2 | UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 Winners UNDER 17 DIV 1 | |
| 2006 | UNDER 10 DIV 2 UNDER 13 DIV 3 UNDER 14 DIV 1 ALL AGE LADIES DIV 2 | UNDER 10 DIV 2 ALL AGE LADIES DIV 2 | UNDER 9 DIV 1 UNDER 11 DIV 2 UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 12 DIV 2 | N/A | N/A | UNDER 14 DIV 1 PREMIER LEAGUE | UNDER 14 DIV 1 |
| | PEMIER LEAGUE | | UNDER 13 DIV 3 UNDER 14 DIV 1 | | | | |
| 2007 | UNDER 17 Div 1 UNDER 10 GIRLS UNDER 16 GIRLS DIV 2 UNDER18 LADIES | UNDER 17 Div 1 UNDER 10 GIRLS UNDER 16 GIRLS DIV 2 UNDER18 LADIES | UNDER 9 DIV 1 O35 DIV 1 ALLIANCE LEAGUE | DNP | DNP | UNDER 17 Div 1 ALL AGE LADIES DIV 1 | U11S RUNNERS UP U17DIV 1 WINNERS |
| | ALL AGE LADIES DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV2 | UNDER 14 DIV3 UNDER 14 DIV2 | ALL AGE LADIES DIV 1 UNDER 16 GIRLS DIV 1 | | | | |
| 2008 | UNDER 12 DIV 2 UNDER 14 DIV2 UNDER 15 DIV2 UNDER 16 DIV2 UNDER 17 DIV2 | UNDER 12 DIV 2 UNDER 14 DIV2 UNDER 15 DIV2 ALL AGE LADIES DIV 1 UNDER 14 GIRLS DIV 2 | UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 16 GIRLS DIV 1 UNDER18 LADIES | DNP | DNP | | UNDER 14 DIV 1 |
| 2009 | ALL AGE LADIES DIV 2 UNDER 16 DIV2 | UNDER 15 DIV1 UNDER 16 DIV2 UNDER 17 DIV2 O35 DIV 2 | UNDER 9 DIV 5 UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 18 DIV 1 O35 DIV 1 UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV1 ALL AGE LADIES DIV 2 | PREMIER LEAGUE RSVES | PREMIER LEAGUE RSVES | UNDER 16 DIV1 RUNNERS UP | UNDER13 DIV1 WINNERS |
| 2010 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 PREMIER LEAGUE PREMIER LEAGUE RSVES O35 DIV 3 | UNDER 10 DIV 2 UNDER 16 GIRLS DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 PREMIER LEAGUE O35 DIV 3 | UNDER 10 DIV 2 UNDER 14 DIV3 O35 DIV 1 | | | UNDER 13 DIV 1 Runners Up UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 PREMIER LEAGUE | UNDER 14 DIV 1 Winners UNDER 17 Div 1 Runners Up |
| 2011 | UNDER 14 DIV 2 UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 18 DIV 1 O35 DIV 1 O35 DIV 2 O35 DIV 3 PREMIER LEAGUE PREMIER LEAGUE RSVES | UNDER 12 DIV 2 UNDER 12 DIV 4 UNDER 14 DIV 2 UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 18 DIV 1 O35 DIV 1 O35 DIV 3 PREMIER LEAGUE | UNDER 14 DIV 1 O35 DIV 2 PREMIER LEAGUE RSVES | | UNDER 12 DIV 2 UNDER 14 DIV 2 | UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 18 DIV 1 O35 DIV 1 PREMIER LEAGUE | UNDER 12 DIV 1 Runners Up O35 DIV 1 Runners Up |
| 2012 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV 1 UNDER 18 DIV 1 OVER 35 DIV 1 PREMIER LEAGUE RSVES | UNDER 12 DIV 2 UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV 1 UNDER 21 DIV 1 OVER 35 DIV 1 OVER 35 DIV 2 PREMIER LEAGUE PREMIER LEAGUE PREMIER LEAGUE RUSS UNDER 14 GIRLS | UNDER 11 FERRARI UNDER 18 DIV 1 ALL AGE LADIES DIV 3 | | UNDER 13 DIV 2 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV 1 UNDER 18 DIV 1 OVER 35 DIV 1 | |
| 2013 | UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 UNDER 14 GIRLS OVER 35 (Blue) | UNDER 12 DIV 1 GIRLS UNDER 14 GIRLS UNDER 14 DIV 3 OVER 35 (Blue) UNDER 17 DIV 2 UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 | UNDER 14 DIV 2 UNDER 15 DIV 2 UNDER 21 DIV 1 | | UNDER 18 DIV 1 | UNDER 14 DIV 1 Winners | UNDER 14 DIV 1 Winners |
| 2014 | UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 GIRLS AAL DIV 3 UNDER 21 DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 2 (BLUE) UNDER 16 DIV 2 | UNDER 15 DIV 2 (GREEN) UNDER 16 DIV 2 UNDER 12 DIV 1 GIRLS UNDER 14 DIV 1 GIRLS PREMIER RESERVES UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 21 DIV 1 | AAL DIV 2 AAL DIV 3 UNDER 12 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 | | WINNERS UNDER 15 DIV 2 GREEN RUNNERS UP UNDER 13 DIV 2 AAL DIV 2 | UNDER 12L DIV 1 Runners Up UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 17 DIV 1 UNDER 14 DIV 1 GIRLS UNDER 21 DIV 1 | UNDER 15 DIV 1 Winners UNDER 21 DIV 1 Winners |
| 2015 | UNDER 13 DIV 1 UNDER 14 LADIES DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 | UNDER 14 DIV 2 UNDER 14 LADIES DIV 1 UNDER 21 DIV 1 | O35 DIV 2 WHITE UNDER 15 DIV 1 UNDER 16 DIV 1 UNDER 18 DIV 1 | | | UNDER 13 DIV 1 RUNNERS UP UNDER 14 LADIES DIV 1 UNDER 15 DIV 1 RUNNERS UP | UNDER 15 DIV 1 WINNERS UNDER 14-1 L RUNNERS UP |

AC UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB - ACHIEVEMENTS

| SEASON | MINOR PREMIERS | PREMIERS | RUNNER-UP | FAIRFIELD CUP | KNOCKOUT | CHAMP/CHAMP REPS | STATE/METRO CUP |
|--------|--|--|---|---------------|--|---|----------------------------|
| 2016 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U14 DIV 2 GIRLS U14 DIV 2 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 2 GIRLS U16 DIV 2 GIRLS U17 DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 LADIES U21 DIV 1 LAA DIV 2 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U14 DIV 2 GIRLS U14 DIV 2 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U17 DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 LADIES U21 DIV 1/AAM3 | U12 DIV 5 U13 DIV 4 U17 DIV 2 O35 DIV 2 BLUES LAA DIV 2 | | WINNERS U16 DIV 2 LADIES RUNNERS UP U18 DIV 1 LADIES | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U14 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U17 DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 LADIES U21 DIV 1 | U14 DIV 1 GIRLS RUNNERS UP |
| 2017 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U18 DIV 1 LADIES U15 DIV 2 U16 DIV 2 U17 DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U18 DIV 1 LADIES U15 DIV 2 U16 DIV 2 U17 DIV 1 | U14 DIV 1 LADIES U18 DIV 1 O35 DIV 4 | | WINNERS U14 DIV 1 RUNNERS UP U13 DIV 1 U12 DIV 2 GIRLS | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U18 DIV 1 GIRLS U17 DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 | |
| 2018 | U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 2 GIRLS U18 DIV 1 LADIES U17 DIV 2 | U14 DIV 4 U18 DIV 1 LADIES | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 2 GIRLS U17 DIV 2 U18 DIV 1 U21 DIV 1 LAA DIV 1 | | WINNERS U14 DIV 1 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U14 DIV 1 GIRLS U16 DIV 1 GIRLS U18 DIV 1 GIRLS | |
| 2019 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U14 DIV 1 GIRLS U15 DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 LADIES | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U14 DIV 1 GIRLS U18 DIV 1 LADIES | U16 DIV 3 O35 DIV 1 O35 DIV 2 | | RUNNERS UP U17 DIV 1 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U14 DIV 1 GIRLS U15 DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 LADIES | |
| 2020 | U12 DIV 1 GIRLS U12 DIV 5 U13 DIV 2 U16 DIV 1 U21 DIV 1 LADIES | U12 DIV 5 U15 DIV 1 SHIELD U16 DIV 1 U16-3 U18 DIV 1 SHIELD U21 DIV 1 LADIES O35 SHIELD | O45 U12 DIV 2 U14 DIV 3 U16 DIV 1 LADIES | | | | |
| 2021 | COMPETITION CANCELLED DUE TO COVID PANDEMIC | | | | | | |
| 2022 | U16 DIV 2 U18 DIV 1 U21 DIV 2 O45 DIV 1 | U14 DIV 2 U21 DIV 2 U18 DIV 1 WHITE CUP U18 DIV 1 BLUE SHIELD U16 DIV 1 SHIELD U14 DIV 1 SHIELD | | | | U18 LADIES DIV 1 U18 DIV 1 WHITE | |

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to start by thanking previous committee and life members for establishing AC United to be the club that it is today. I am honoured to be the President of such a great club, and the committee and I are blessed to have followed on from all the great work and commitment you have all done to contributing to making AC United the club it is.

2022 Committee, your time, ideas, and effort that you all put in is priceless and much appreciated. This season our Secretary, Giovanna and Registrar, Roslyn were faced with a big challenge to get the club regos paid online through Football NSW and to educate all members on our new platform "Dribl". Both have done an amazing job with this and have set a great path for our club to be run smoother and ensure financially our registrations are finalised prior to competitions starting. You are both truly invaluable.

To our Sponsors, we are grateful to have you on board, as you are all aware our Club is run as a Non For-Profit Club and the funding that comes in through your Sponsorship goes a long way for our Members to be able to play all season, purchase equipment, and run great presentations to celebrate the year we had.

2022 brought us new challenges. We thought 2021 with Covid bringing our season to a sudden end was bad! The rain experienced in early 2022 brought a new set of challenges and the season was delayed by over a month. Powhatan being a water retention park would not see us using Field 1 for training for most of the season and we only managed to play the last 4 rounds at our home ground. Behind the scenes committee members filled the low points, planted grass seeds and I'm sure some even prayed to see us playing at home.

To all our coaches and managers this was very challenging, not having proper training grounds, hiring courts, booking gyms and the list goes on. You have all done a great job to get through such a challenging season. This club would not be able to run the number of teams we have without your support. Our young members would not be able to learn and enjoy the game without the time and effort you all put in. Through the rain, cold freezing nights you all stepped up and trained and organised our teams and I hope the members of your teams appreciate all that you have done for them.

This Year we had a lot of success with our teams:

- Under 14 Div 1 Grand Final Shield Winners
- Under 14 Div 2 Grand Final Winners
- Under 15 Div 2 Grand Finalists
- Under 16 Div 1 Grand Final Shield Winners
- Under 16 Div 2 Minor Premiers
- Under 18 Div 1 Male White. Undefeated Minor Premiers and Grand Final Winners.
- Under 18 Div 1 Male Blue Grand Final Shield Winners
- Under 21 Div 2 Minor Premiers and Grand Final Winners
- Over 45's Minor Premiers

Our Ladies were invited to join the M-League, after the success they have had in the last few years and they stepped up, got off to a great start in the competition, the number of games and injuries caught up with the team but they had a great 1st year and I'm sure they will build from here and challenge for the cup in the very near future. A special thank you to Denis, Danny & Rosie for taking on this challenge.

Our Season is now complete, and we have 2 teams from the club going on to compete in the prestigious "Champions of Champions" competition. Our under 18 Ladies and our Under 18 Div 1 Male White. We wish these 2 teams the best of luck and I'm sure they will represent us well.

To all the Coaches and Managers returning for season 2023, the challenge is to build on your teams, and finish better than where you did this season. Our goal is to have more teams in Finals and competing in Div 1 through all ages. This all starts from the non-competitive ages of under 5 to under 11's, grading the teams correctly so that players are in teams of players at the same level. If we build these teams, by the time they get to play competitive in under 12's, we should be very competitive.

I hope you have all had a great year, enjoyed playing, coaching, and managing in your respective teams. Remember you are all members of this club and we welcome any ideas on how we can make next year even better. Together we can build AC United to be the Strongest most competitive club in our District.

Look forward to seeing you all next season.

Andrew Bella Club President

SECRETARY REPORT 2022

Welcome to the Secretary report for 2022.

2022 was another successful year for AC United with over 548 players and 108 coaches/managers registered. This included a total of 43 teams: including 23 competitive and 20 non-competitive.

Congratulations to the following AC United teams who were premiers in 2022;

- U14-2 Premiers
- U21-2 Premiers
- U18 1 White Cup Premiers
- 18-1 Blue Shield Premiers
- U16-1 Shield Premiers
- U14-1 Shield Premiers

Congratulations to our 2022 special award winners:

- U14-2 Junior team of the Year
- U18-1 Senior Team of the Year
- President's Award Greg Baldock
- Coach of the Year Denis Nascimben

Thank you to Andrew, our President and all the committee, Roslyn, Frank, Domenic, Nick, Silvana, Marisa, Odette, Steve, Charlie, Tony, Rob and Franco who volunteered their time, we appreciate the support and contribution in 2022.

A special mention to Roslyn our Registrar, we worked many long nights together throughout the year after our day jobs to keep the club running, and to implement new systems such as:

- Going online with all registration payments in Play Football. This benefited AC as administration was reduced and we created an improved experience from a player's perspective. AC was commended for leading the way in respect to these new processes.
- Implementing Dribl our new competition management system which replaced iCompman which was decommissioned at the end of 2021 and training all our coaches and managers in using the system.

A big thank you to our coaches and managers who worked tirelessly to communicate with their teams, plan and deliver training and be there on game day. We sincerely appreciate all that you do for AC United and our players and families.

The rain throughout the season was frustrating but out of our control and still didn't stop us to continue to engage our players and families. The coaches and teams adapted to not being able to use the fields; by hiring courts and implementing fitness regimes with the support of sponsors to keep our players fit and active.

Our competition saw some new and exciting changes in 2022 to our female competition including the introduction of the inaugural Women's M-league and 16/17 ladies competition which was a combined Southern Districts and Macarthur competition. Congratulations to our

ladies teams, coaches and managers who lead AC and took on this competitive experience. We are looking forward to more AC teams participating in the combined district competition in 2023.

In 2022 we implemented the Inaugural Life Members meeting. This forum is a way to acknowledge our life members' contribution to AC United. Many of these members have been involved with the club for over 20 years and are still very actively involved in volunteering their time for the club. The AC Committee values our Life Members contributions and will continue to meet on a regular basis to keep our members informed and to allow for feedback on club activities.

Throughout the year AC United were involved in many community engagement opportunities for our junior players and families and got the opportunity to meet A-League and international players. Some of these opportunities included:

- Wanderers Players Mascot for season launch
- Sydney Cup March past
- Wanderers in the Community; Meet and greet with Oliver Bozanic and Jarrod Carluccio.
- Player Mascot for Sydney Super Cup between Celtic FC and Everton.

Thanks to Southern Districts and to Western Sydney Wanderers for these opportunities.

AC United have done a great deal of work in the digital space and have a new and improved website which is our central point for all communications. Thank you to Frank Ferraro for all his work in creating and maintaining the site.

You may have also noticed that we have increased our social media presence. We have implemented our AC TikTok channel and a new initiative called 'Volunteer Spotlight' to learn more about our amazing volunteers and to recognise the great work that they do. A shout out to our U16 ladies player Chiara Romeo who has volunteered her time to help implement some of these new ideas. We welcome other AC players to get involved and support the club.

On the note of volunteers, a big thanks to our players gave their time as referees for our Junior teams including Alex Bella, Chiara Romeo, Georgia Dowd, Angelina Scamardella, Nicolas Poles and Denzel Bonarrigo.

In the interests of the growth and development of our players, 2022 saw the introduction of our first training academy for our Junior players led by; Daniel Georgievski and Peppe Fedele, who are well known leaders in football. Our players loved this opportunity and we have had some very positive outcomes and feedback from this 6-week program. A big shout out to Andrew Bella, Nick Stojcevski, Frank Ferraro and Daniel and Peppe for initiating this program for AC.

I would personally like to thank all our AC Family. Thank you for volunteering your time, for your hard work and above all the friendships.

Looking forward to a successful 2023!

Giovanna Romeo Secretary AC United

AC UNITED FC TEAM: U5 BUDGIES

Coach: Estevan Olivera Manager: Kerry Olivera

What a year it has been! Our 5-year-old Budgies first ever football season has wrapped up and what an enjoyable ride it has been. To witness the excitement and enthusiasm they exhibited from the very first day was a joy for Kerry and I to observe. With many disruptions at the beginning of the season due to the unprecedented amount of rain, the kids and their parents remained patient throughout, demonstrating the passion and desire they have for the beautiful game of football.

The main objective for this season was to ensure that our kids had fun and enjoyed themselves. We wanted football to be about happiness and for their love of football to grow. Developing core skills and team play were other important areas that we focused on. Watching the kids improve every week with a smile on their face was a pleasure to watch. We are confident that many years of football lay ahead for these little footballers.

Our team was complete with 6 wonderful kids, each bringing their own fun and spirited personalities.

Marco - Our top goal scorer and all-round nice guy. Marko's infectious smile would indicate he's having fun but would get serious come game time. He knew what had to be done during the game. **Matteo -** Our defender and a force to be reckoned with. He was the "Blocker Roach" of the team. If players wanted to get around him, they'd have to take the long way because he was right there blocking their path. Matteo was always pumped for training games especially sharks and minnows. **Luka -** The power kicker. He has a super boot and could kick the ball across the field in one strike. The last few games he discovered his fierce side, putting the opposition under pressure when they had the ball.

Leo – Our first goal scorer. He might be small but don't let that fool you. He's superfast! Those little legs pumping at speed whenever he made a break. The opposition were fooled by his speed every game.

Xander - The entertainer...on and off the field. Xander made sure to give mum and dad a wave every game and had the whole team pistol shooting during the match. Pow!!

Alessia - She preferred training over the real game, but when she played, she was great in defence (when she wasn't skipping along next to the opposition players). The only girl in the team and the youngest female player at the club.

The season could not be complete without thanking our wonderful parents. The commitment to their children, ensuring they attended training sessions and games through the many challenges the year threw at us, is to be commended. Thank you for your commitment.

To our sponsor, Wet Look Ceramic Coating, thank you for supporting our team and grassroots football in this country. We greatly appreciate your contribution.

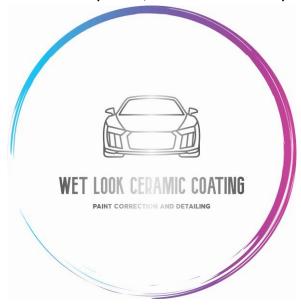
Thank you to our manager Kerry, for all her tireless efforts throughout the season, particularly during our training sessions. Our kids thoroughly enjoyed themselves and always turned up to training and the games with a huge smile because of you.

Finally, thank you to all the AC United committee members for the extremely hard work and sacrifice you put in throughout the year. Your commitment to the cause ensured we all had a season to compete in.

The development of our Under 5 Budgies, from quiet and shy first-timers to confident and aspiring football players, will be something Kerry and I treasure for the rest of our lives. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of their journey. Hope to see everyone in 2023!

Regards. Coach Esty





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U6 KOALA WHITE

Coach: Phil Albert

Manager: James Chandler

We came together as a new team this year. We have four 6-year-olds and two 5-year-olds who won more games than they lost. Somehow, we played more games than washouts in the wettest season ever. Remarkable!

Johnny Dabbagh is our very tall player and he was our early scoring powerhouse. Getting 18 goals in one game meant he would be the team's Golden Boot winner for sure! Johnny played strong every game and chimed in well during games and at training.

Kristian Alberts was our solid mid-fielder who ran and played strong all over the pitch, in defence and in attack. When he wasn't scoring goals, he was setting them up or getting back to assist our defenders. He was a great asset to our team in every game he played, and an eager trainer as well.

CJ Chandler was a star at defending and quickly learnt how to shut down opposition attacks. He protected his goal diligently and was able to drive the ball long to our forwards. CJ loved scoring goals and often scored them from distance and at angles whether at training or on game day.

Marcelino Dawood is our agile all-rounder who could play in attack, out wide or in defence. He loved to get into tackles and get the ball back for his team. Sometimes he was so eager he would tackle his own players just to get onto the ball. (Most of our boys did this to be truthful!)

Julian Alberts always worked hard on the field and at training to get the ball off the opposition and into the goal. He played hard and like nothing better than to beat his brother to the ball or to score the goals. Julian improved a lot throughout the season and has become a great team player.

Zaya Zaya is our smallest player who loved to be on the field, or guarding the goals, or playing in the sand and dirt, or just having fun. He helped CJ in defence and on the odd occasion was up front trying to score or set up our forwards. Zaya loved training especially playing with the goals or poles.

Thanks to **Philip** for coaching and improving our players along this season's journey. We are a good side getting better due to Philip's coaching and guidance. Philip played each player to their strength, developed their skills where necessary and ensured every player got a fair share of play each game.

James was our Manager after initially being the early season coach. He organised the players and the parents to ensure we were ready for every match and training session. Thanks James for your organisation and efforts this season for our team! We appreciate the time you put into our club.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U6 KOALAS BLUE

Coach: Phillip Bonvino Manager: Rodney Agassi

What an amazing bunch of boys we had this year. They have learnt so much, but the main thing is they had fun and made some great friends! No doubt this team will be staying together next year, and I would be honored to continue to coach them. They are a funny, crazy very skilled bunch of boys.

What a season it was, the boys were able to win a lot of their games but also came up against some strong opponents and learnt what it meant to lose.

Thank you again for all your hard work this year at training and at our games.

A big thank you to all the AC United staff, Giovanna and Roslyn have been very helpful this year thanks again for being there for us.

Thanks to our sponsor Aqua Kids the boys looked outstanding this year.

Finally, I cannot go without saying thank you to our Manager Rodney, mate you have coached the boys numerous times this year saving me and making it possible to coach the U11 team also so thank you! Hopefully I can get you along next year \odot

See you all next year!







AC UNITED FC TEAM: U6 DINGOES

Coach: Kristian Joseph Manager: Nik Joseph



Proudly Sponsored by

SUPREME TEAMWEAR

AC UNITED FC TEAM: U7 OWLS WHITE

Coach: Joe Addabbo Manager: Michael Taccone

It was a truly memorable year for our Under 7 Owls White team.

Our team:

Antonio Romeo, Alessio Lopresti, Antonio Addabbo, Rocco Napoletano, Domenico Romeo, Leo Taccone

This team of little champions were undefeated all season. We loved seeing the kids love of the game develop and witness how much they have grown individually and as a team.

We would like to thank the parents for their commitment throughout the season and to our amazing players for the enthusiasm they brought to training and the game day every week. A big thank you to Oriem for sponsoring our team this year. We look forward to another successful year in 2023!

Joe Addabbo (Coach) & Michael Taccone (Manager)





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U7 OWLS BLUE

Coach: Charlie Bugge Manager: Denis Gonzales

It was a great year for our under 7 Owls Blue.

There were some challenges with wet weather, but when our boys were on the field playing the game they love they didn't want to stop!

Our team:

Anthony Bugge, Austin Tacca, Maxon Cheung, Pietro Sitta, Cruz Gonzalez and Pietro Sitta

We are proud of the boys' achievements throughout the season, we loved watching you all develop your skills week after week.

Thanks to our parents for all your support with getting the boys to the games and training. And thank you to our sponsor Cemcon for supporting the team in 2022.

Looking forward to a bigger and better 2023!

Charlie Bugge (Coach) & Denis Gonzales (Manager)





CEMCON GROUP

AC UNITED FC TEAM: U7 GOANNAS MIXED WHITE

Coach: Matt Barilla Manager: Bryson Mohan

The U7 Goannas Mixed White team came together early 2022 at registration day with little champions Eva, Joseph, Marvin, Slobodan, Tristan and Xander. It was their first year playing together as a team at AC, and for some their very first year playing soccer. It was great to see how quickly the kids bonded, formed an amazing team spirit, and became very good friends.

Training sessions every Tuesday night (when the rain allowed), were full of fun and the kids quickly developed their competitive spirits. We spent time passing, dribbling, shooting, juggling, but what the kids enjoyed most were the games and we always had to end the session with a penalty shootout.

Game days were fun, once Dribl was updated with game times, the WhatsApp message went out and we hoped the rain stayed away. The kids always turned up ready to go, excited. There were occasions when we had to play without reserves, or in the pouring rain, and the kids gave it their all.

I am super proud of how much the kids and team improved from the very first game when we were still learning the rules, till the end of the season when we were fighting it out to the very last seconds of the game, to get a result. There were many top games, and cracking goals throughout the year!

A big thank you to all of the parents for their dedication throughout the year, keeping up with all the WhatsApp messages, taking the kids to training and the games, for the cheering from the sidelines, and the laughs we shared.

Thank you to everyone involved at the AC Club, for all your efforts to make it a great season. Thank you, Bryson, for being a top Manager.

Matt





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U7 GOANNAS MIXED BLUE

Coach: Joey Agius Manager: Liza Chohail

It was great year of fun and learning for the boys. Four of last year's team Chase, Eamon, Gilyana, & William returned this year and were joined by new team mates Sakson and Lucas.

It took the boys a couple of weeks to get back into the swing of the game and remember the rules, however it was great to see them having a go.

Training was lots of fun, lots of drills and the boys loved playing a friendly training game against coach and I. It was great to see them developing over the season, particularly when they used these skills during the games on the weekends.

Over the season the boys really gathered the importance of passing the ball to one another during the game to eventually score. It was fantastic to see the team working together for a great end result.

As both their manager and a parent I'm very proud of the boys for their dedication and discipline. Above all the friendships they have made and the love for the sport has been the highlight.

Thank you to all of the parents for their commitment – I know all the boys really appreciate it.

Thank you to the AC United Committee, thank you to Joey for stepping up this year and being coach, and finally a huge thank you to Luke Kennedy from F8 Timbers for sponsoring our team.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U8 CAHILL

Coach: Ryan Xerri

What a season. Coming into the start, I as coach was a little worried about how the season would pan out and how the team would handle playing on a bigger field and with a keeper.

To my surprise, they have not only battled through it, but grown in stature through the season, learning how to play as a team, play from the back, fluent passing, quick plays and cohesion.

We started the season with nervous, and recorded a 5 all results v Fairfield bulls coming from 4-2 down and snatching the draw with a last min goal.

With a few games postponed due to the rain, the nervous hit back in, but the swagger we came back with brought us our first win for the season with a 7-4 result v Sydney United.

The team went on a run with 3 wins 2 draws and a loss – with the biggest win being 10-1 win again v Sydney United.

The team continued the season winning again number of games beating Moorebank and Mounties comfortably.

A result that went against us, should how far we have come along was v White City, losing 2-1 but seeing how proud the team played, and walking off knowing this was our best game of the season. The way the team challenged, passed the ball, focused on the movements and holding out the opposition in the 2nd half was brilliant by the team.

This showed in our 2nd last game beating Chipping Norton 9-0 and playing out the back, and controlling the mid field. The opposition had 1 shot on goal all game.

Final Game – the team was led by Rui (Aytons Dad) against a weaken side that required players from AC. Given the collaboration, players loaned were under 10s and our side took on the challenge with crips passing and finishing ending with a 4-1 win.

Thank you to my Players, Jacob W, Jacob V, Luca X, Ayrton L, Adriano P, Andre R, James W, Samuel S, Matthew T and Charbel Y for a fantastic season and Parents for their support this season!

Looking forward to what we can do next year!





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U8 EMERTON

Coach: Sonny Naamo Manager: Sandra Naamo

We were fortunate enough to play a full season this year due to the many environmental factors out of our control. The 2022 season brought new players and some return players to our team. The initial matches that we played were extremely tough matches however we have a team of fighters and what these kids showed was absolute resilience. Towards the end of the season, the scores became tighter with the team even managing an epic win against Liverpool Rangers! The game was a nail biter and the kids were ecstatic to have won a game, it was a great day indeed!

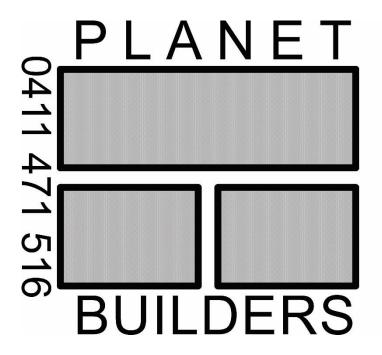
This season the boys developed new football skills including passing, positioning, dribbling and communicating to one another on the field. Towards the end of the season you could see a great improvement in their defensive skills and attack.

With Alex's alertness, Joey's bravery, Jacob's dedication, Levi's fearlessness, Luca's determination, Mateo's enthusiasm, Orazio's awareness, Valentino's cleverness, Zayn's persistence and Zyon's competitiveness we truly had a brilliant team that I will never forget. This season you have shown that with persistent training and a never-give-up attitude you can be the best person you can be! Remember to keep training and practicing and you will only get better and stronger.

Thank you for the memories and allowing me to be your coach.

Coach Sonny.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U8 KENNEDY

Coach: Steve Marrone Manager: Marco Tagilavento

We (Coach Steve and I) have had a challenging soccer season this year and also challenging for our little champions playing in the top division. In this time, we've seen our team trying to adapt to new and unfamiliar game rules.

However, without fail, our little champions have tried their very best, worked hard and managed to learn as they go and this is what makes a good team.

We have seen our team listen at training and on game day, we have also seen our team learn new training drills, which we have found to be helpful.

Coach Steve and I are very proud of our team because each game we played, our little champions still turned up, striving to win a game which has been encouraging.

Coach Steve and I would like to say a big thank you to the parents in supporting our Coaching and Managing styles for the team this season and this has made our job more enjoyable.

We are excited to continue with the team next year and many more years to come.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U8 LADIES JADE

Coach: Steve Gatt
Asst Coach: Chiara Romeo
Manager: Marisa Morlin

What an amazing season these Little Ladies have had, not even all the rain could dampen their spirits or their dedication and determination.

Starting 2022 we had some new faces in our team some of whom had never played a game of soccer before, and not to mention a new Coach and a New Manager. But somehow these girls showed us week in and week out the power of the game. They formed a camaraderie that saw them encouraging each other at training to cheering each other on from the sideline on game day.

As the season started to get momentum the girls' ball control and passing improved tenfold showing our opponents that we meant business. It was all the confidence the girls needed to collect the win, more often than not.

Each of the girls shared a love of getting out on the field and playing the game as hard as they could, so much so we found it really hard to keep the girls on the bench as we switched reserves "can I go back out there" becoming the common chorus. It is this excitement that cemented just how much fun our U8 Ladies were having and just how much they didn't want the fun to end.

Sadly, our season for 2022 has ended and we could not be more proud of our Under 8 Ladies Jade and all they have achieved this season. However, we could not have got through the season without our awesome parents who braved the cold at training and who lost their voices on game day, without you taking the time to show up each week and being so supportive of Coach Steve, Coach Chiara and Marisa we could not have done this without you.

Lastly, it is with great pride that we say it has been an absolute honour and privilege to have coached and guided the girls this year and we hope to see them ready to take on the new season in 2023.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U9 BRESCIANO

Coach: David Awad Asst Coach: Aidan Awad Manager: Carol Campos

It was a pleasure meeting and coaching the boys, for some it was their first year playing football.

Thank you, Aidan for your help and assistance with the boys, with your knowledge that you have gained by playing football (I know the boys enjoyed your company more than mine)

It was a great team where the boys all bonded and enjoyed their training sessions a bit too much.

Even though they complained about the running, they still had a smile on their faces and a can do attitude.

Our boys tried their best to win most of our games, even though we came second best I know the boys had fun.

I enjoyed watching our team improve on their skills and developing during the season.

I hope the boys enjoyed their season as much as we had fun times teaching them.

I wish all the boys the very best and can't wait for next year.

I would also like to thank the parents for their commitment.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U9 KEWELL

Coach: Raffi Banbekian Asst Coach: Elias Bahbah Manager: Celeste Love

2022 was a great year. Although it was challenging due to training and games being cancelled because of wet weather, our team was able to rise to the occasion and work together as best they could under the circumstances.

The grade 9 Kewell team consists of 10 young boys. They are;

Amir, Andre, Ashur, Brodie, Jake, Julius, Milan, Ryan, Tyrell and Zachary.

These boys are dynamic, unique and they each bring passion and love to the game. Their commitment and dedication at training and on game days is to be admired and I am proud to be their coach.

A special thanks to our assistant coach Elias Bahbah and our team manager Celeste Love for their help and support for our team this year.

I would also like to thank all of our parents/guardians, family and friends for their continued support throughout the year.

Finally, thank you to AC United FC and our sponsor Pasticceria Caruso.

Cheers, Coach Raffi





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U10 SCHWARTZER WHITE

Coach: George Karamaneas Manager: Anthony Neofytou

2022 U10s Schwartzer White... WOW

What a crazy year that we've had, we started off a little late a little bit due to the rain and wet grounds,

However, once we got started the boys were loving it. We had a few losses to start with and every Tuesday and Thursday night we practiced and practiced different skills and drills and the boys got better and better as the year progressed.

We had some really great wins lots and lots of fun and the boys thoroughly enjoy themselves, so to myself and George, we can't believe that we finished the year with a number of undefeated games and the skills and passing from the boys was absolutely exceptional. Both George and myself are so proud that you all learnt and got better players throughout the year. We look forward to a great offseason and some skills at the Summer Soccer Academy at Powhatan Park, can't wait to see you all there!

From manager Antony (coach ant **)

A little hard to beat what Antony wrote so I won't lol! I just want to add to it by saying I can't believe the soccer season is over just like that. We all had a blast each and every week in coaching these awesome young lads, we had a mixed bunch, all with different personalities and strengths.

We had to find our feet at the start of the season and get back into the swing of things, and once we worked out each and everyone's abilities and strengths, we gave our opponents nothing but trouble and headaches on the field. The boys all gelled together and really enjoyed training and let's not forget game day, we always had a complete team each and every week! That just shows how much these outstanding young lads love soccer!

Thankyou boys for producing great memories for us.

Also, a massive to all the parents for giving up their time bringing their young lads to training twice a week and game day also battling freezing conditions you guys are amazing thank you.

Also a massive shout out and thank you to one of our busy mums, Marisa Morlin for continuing to bring our boys orange's of for half time each week on game day

See you all at the AC Academy, can't wait!

Coach George





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U10 DIVISION HOLMAN

Coach: Bradley Pastoors
Asst Coach: Javier Ruiz Davilla

Manager: Sandro Issa

Another season has come and gone. 2022 has given us plenty of challenges, from lots of wet weather, a bigger pitch and some tough competition.

Thank you to all the boys and parents for coming back this season, and a thank you to the new boys and parents who joined us as well. It was a real honor to coach the team again, they showed great character and determination each week improving their game individually and as a team.

With some much harder competition than the previous season, these boys stepped on to the pitch each week without fear always looking to play the beautiful game of soccer. It has been fantastic to see their positive attitude to learning and developing in training and applying these skills into their game.

Thank you to all the parents for supporting not only your son, but the whole team and really getting behind them each week.

Thank you to AC United Committee for all their organization and effort in keeping this challenging and very wet season going.

Thank you to Javier from the U18/1s for your help at training throughout the season. Gracias Hermano.





www.medsdirectpharmacy.com.au

AC UNITED FC TEAM: GRADE 10 SCHWARZER

Coach: Frank Garzo Manager: Paul Jekki

We started the season welcoming 6 new players to our team. It has been exciting watching our players come together, learn new skills and have fun. As the season developed, training was becoming more dangerous as the practice shots whizzed past the coach's head.

The matches became increasingly exciting as the season moved on with great passing, shots at goal, saves and headers that we never saw coming.

It was a season of suspense with close finishes including the last 5 minutes of the season where a controversial save was made by the opposition behind the goal line, we all know it counted and we finished on a high.

Thank you to the players;

- Alessandro for tormenting the opposition
- Frank's lightning feet and awesome sprints
- Stefano's big kicks & best comebacks to coaching and management.
- Jacob's "JP" supersonic speed
- Ameel & Andrew "the twins" (not really twins) with fancy footwork & most number of "can I be striker" questions per minute
- Jacob's "JY" big kicks and the always pumping up the team
- Jackson with his sticky hands, and fearless skills and one of the alltime best goals at training
- Patrick for his ability to have both a tough playing style & cool hair style
- Andrea with his "pain is scared of me" mentality and also a cool hair style
- Gabriel with his big kicks and tough defense
- James with owning the field and perfect passing

We would like to say thank you to the parents for all the support throughout the season. It has made it even more of a pleasure to train the team.

It has been a fun and exciting season and we are proud of how our players have grown and represented themselves this year.

Thank you, Frank & Paul





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U10 LADIES RUBY

Coach: Michael Beauchamp

Manager: Maria Macri

We couldn't control the weather which interrupted our season! But we could control the way our girls enjoyed and improved as individual players, and just as importantly, as a team.

From the very first session, their enthusiasm was clear. Although some of our players had already played together, some were from other teams and some had never played in a team before. Despite this, the bonds within this team were already showing.

Throughout the season, the girls slowly came out of their shells, at training by sharing stories about their day at school, and during each game by dribbling more, passing, crossing and shooting! I was so proud watching the girls unite as a team. If someone was hurt, or they had just made a great save as goalkeeper, or when they scored, there wasn't a player too far away to run up and give a helping hand or high 5!

Our team always played the game fair, but when things got a bit physical, they never took a backward step (which as a former defender, definitely made me smile internally!)

It felt like the season came and went fast, and although we will have some players who will move up into the next age group, I hope Maria and I were able to create lasting memories for our team this year.

To the girls, Maria and I wish you all the very best in your football journey and hope that we have been able to feed your love of the game!

A special mention and thank you goes to Maria, for always having the answers before I asked questions. She definitely allowed me to just turn up and coach the girls, something I looked forward to every week.

To the parents, thank you for your support and commitment in getting the girls to different training venues and last-minute field changes for the game. Maria, the girls and I really appreciated it.

Thank you to Westside Boating for sponsoring our team this year. Your business logo looked great on our jerseys.

Finally, to Giovanna, thank you for dealing with our many questions in the group chat! ©

WHO ARE WE?... AC! AC!





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U11 MERCEDES

Coach: Phillip Bonvino Manager: Steven Diaa Manager: Joseph Markho

I just want to start by saying what a great bunch of boys, we had an amazing season this year together not only was I able to teach the boys about teamwork they taught me what it meant to be a coach. I am so proud of what the boys have achieved this year. We won together and we lost together.

Throughout the year we had our challenges we had ups we had downs let's be honest we had more ups 😊

I want to say a special thanks to all the boys for putting up with our crazy training session it paid off in the end, right? No doubt next year there will be bigger challenges to face, but I hope I have given you enough to be the best you can be on and off the pitch.

Thank you to all the parents for getting the boys to our training sessions and their games it really meant a lot to us all.

Special thanks to my manager Steven for all your help this year really appreciate it.

A big thank you to all AC United staff I had the pleasure of interacting with, especially Giovanna and Roslyn, I must have annoyed them enough this year



And to our sponsor Parkequip thank you for all the support this year the boys looked outstanding in their uniforms.

Thanks again for a great season! See you all back at AC next year.







AC UNITED FC TEAM: U11 PORSCHE

Coach: Steve Marrone Manager: Chris Sayers

The boys lined up for their last season of non-competitive football, with largely the same squad from the previous year plus 3 new additions.

From the early training sessions they all worked their socks off, bonded with each other, and when the action got underway, they were ready to do theirselves, their family, and AC United proud.

And proud we were as they all played their part in a fantastic season, enjoying all the highs and the lows, that football brings and coming out the other side stronger from it.

The season had it all, from last-minute winners, to heartbreaking defeats and plenty of drama in-between.

Steve and I remember 2 particular games which highlight how far they have all come in the last 12 months.

The first, at home versus a solid Liverpool Rangers outfit, who were put to the sword by a thrilling display from the team. It felt like all the hours of training drills finally paid off as the team scored at regular intervals throughout, playing simply but effective football that the opposition had no answer to.

And secondly, the final game of the season against a strong Chipping Norton who last season put 9 past us. This time was so different. Even though the boys disappointingly lost, they more than matched them and held their own, and on another day would have come away with the win, a measure of how far they've come.

Final special word of thanks goes to the parents and family's who got the boys prepared for training every Tuesday and Thursday and come match days, screamed the house down in support from the first minute to the last. It was much appreciated and meant so much to the boy's, Steve and I.

The boys are all a pleasure to coach and manage, and more than ready to step up to the thrill of competition next season.

Chris





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U12 DIV 1

Coach: Steve Zipevski
Asst Coach: Vince Vartuli
Manager: Caroline Zipevski

Mounties Junior Soccer Kemps Creek United Moorebank Sports Soccer Club Sydney United Juniors FC AC United Football Club

Horsley Park United

This was a year of transition for the team, stepping up from the small sided games to a full-sized field with 11v11. We managed to retain a small core group of players from previous seasons and welcomed several new faces to the team.

The transition to the full-sized field was a challenge for our boys, but the boys never stopped trying and learning. The year was a year impacted severely by weather, Covid and the flu with the team having to play many games undermanned. Our games had a similar story week in week out, extremely competitive in the first half; if not the better team; and then being overrun in the second half. Congratulations goes out to the boys for continuing to fight all the way to the final whistle when we were outnumbered, playing with less players on the pitch.

Thanks to all the parents and players who showed the commitment to train week in week out, to the boys who kept showing up and displayed resilience even when knowing we did not have enough players to fill a team.

A special thanks to Vince Vartuli who volunteered to step in and help out with the coaching responsibilities, deservedly coaching our team to victory!!! Thank you to all the club representatives for organizing the matchday weekends, training programs and all the behind the scenes that makes it all tick.

Final message to all the boys, hope you all enjoyed your season and learnt new things and look forward to seeing you all next year.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U12 DIV 4

Coach: Abdullah Raouf Manager: Alf Alfonso

Fairfield Hotspurs
Mounties Junior Soccer
Austral Soccer Club
Liverpool Spears

Liverpool City Robins F.C. Wetherill Park Westerners **AC United Football Club**

Lansvale United

It was my second year coaching a team within AC United FC, and it was a great year where the boys faced new challenges. One was the introduction of playing the full field with the full goal and offside rules and the other is the weather.

Due to the new changes, the team struggled with the fitness level at the beginning however, they have shown great attitudes with the training where gradually they improved their skills, fitness level and enjoyed the game.

Training was fun with all the different drills and games between the boys. They were benefiting from each other and supported each other. The team moto was to RESPECT everyone no matter what. Sadly, training days were short as we were faced with the heaviest rain that we ever seen which pushed us to cancel many training sessions and many games getting washed out.

Parents were supportive during the training and game days, and they have shown a great dedication to be there for their boys. Big thank to them as without their commitments the games and the boys wouldn't have enjoyed the occasion.

Thanks to the club and the AC united committee for their ongoing support and coordination specially Giovanna and Nick for being there for us.

Special thanks to our sponsor this year.

Finally, big thanks to Alf and Dom for managing the team when I wasn't there.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U12 DIV 1 LADIES

Coach: Javier Leira Coach: Greg Baldock

Moorebank Sports Soccer Club Chipping Norton F.C. Liverpool Olympic Sydney United Juniors FC Liverpool City Robins F.C. Kemps Creek United AC United Football Club

With a team comprising of girls returning from last years Under 10 team as well as some new girls not only to the club but also to soccer it was another highly enjoyable year.

Given the strange year and season it has been, all the girls rose to the challenge of playing on the bigger field and learning and practicing new skills including goal keeping.

Our big focus this year was on learning positions and working as a team. The girls left their best game until last when they really showed their passion and determination. It was fantastic to see their overall game play and positional play improved.

The girls should all be proud of what they achieved this year. A very difficult year in our first competitive season but one where we have all learnt a lot. Being a young team in an Under 12's competition was tough.

With most of the team still eligible for under 12's again next season I'm sure you will all come back stronger after this years' experience.

Greg and I would like to thank:

- All the parents and families for the support of the girls throughout the vear.
- Our Sponsor Watson Stafford Zipkis Solicitors
- The Club and Committee for ensuring everything runs so smoothly each week.
- The girls a super bunch of young ladies with the world and ball at their feet. We are so proud of your achievements this year and the way you improved throughout the year.

Coaches Javier and Greg





WATSON STAFFORD ZIPKIS

Solicitors Attorneys Conveyancers

AC UNITED FC TEAM: U13 DIV 2

Coach: Franco Zanella Asst Coach: Roberto Zanella Manager: Trudi Zanella

Chipping Norton F.C. Fairfield Bulls Canley Heights RSLFC Liverpool City Robins F.C. Mounties Junior Soccer AC United Football Club

Another year has passed. It's with great pleasure that I want to thank the team for their extraordinary effort and commitment this year. We started off in Div. 3, where I wanted to be, but were moved to Div. 2, probably against the wishes of all involved.

This didn't deter the team as we started strong and tried to maintain that aggression throughout the season. But we lost a player early and were down to 13 for the rest of the season. Sickness and injury played a major part and we'd have no subs for many of our games.

However, I would like to give a special mention to two players that assisted our team over the year. They were Ottavio's brother Mariano and Jordan's brother Noah. Thanks guys, the team appreciated your commitment and you were warmly welcomed.

During the year, even though we were in Div.2, we were extremely competitive. We lost most of our games, but only just on numerous occasions, as heard from the crowd, "The ball bounced on the wrong blade of grass."

All in all, we did our best and that's all we ever asked. Thanks team for your commitment and passion shown this year. We had fun.

Special mention goes to the parents for taking the guys to training and weekend games. *Thanks mum and dad.*

Thanks Franki for coaching the team. You're a mentor and life coach to these boys, they look up to you and appreciate your effort and commitment.

Be safe and look after each other.

We were competitive and gave our competitors a run for their money.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U14 DIV 1

Coach: Liam Salked Manager: Victor Baptista Manager: Rob Esposito

Austral Soccer Club White City SC Horsley Park United

Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

Fairfield Hotspurs

AC United Football Club

Mounties Junior Soccer

With the core group of players returning from last season, the team picked up a few new players and a new coach and excitement levels were high for the 2022 season. A limited pre-season and few trials had the team champing at the bit to hit the field and commence the regular season.

Who could have predicted the amount of rain that would precede a delayed start to the season and the cancellation of the State Cup knockout tournament had the team thinking here we go again with another start/ stop season as frustration started to rear its ugly head.

Finally, the season began and we found ourselves on the pitch, from the moment the first ball was kicked the core group of players from last year were joined with the new players blending quite nicely building new combinations and learning new plays. The return of the rain and the start/ stop of games meant maintaining combinations and fitness levels was becoming challenging.

As the season progressed it became increasing apparent that the team begun to gel better and better, combinations became slicker and fitness levels increased that would ensure a strong finish to the season was on the cards.

Towards the end of the season the team was in a position to make a charge towards a higher position on the table which meant playing a number of catch-up games culminated in 5 games within a 9 day period, battered, fatigued, exhausted and carrying injuries the team fought through all of this.

What these men have done this season was quite commendable with all the challenges they faced mixed with playing nearly all their homes games at the oppositions home field with their first game at home being in the second last week of the regular season.

Thank you's to all the players for your efforts and commitment to training sessions and games, a wonderful group of parents that supported the team, your dedication and commitment to making yourselves and the boys available did not go unnoticed.

A big thankyou goes to our coach Liam for all his hard work and dedication to making all sessions and games, hard, fun and developing the players.

To our sponsors NGK and Nicriel your support was greatly appreciated.



nicriel

We know people

and



AC UNITED FC TEAM: U14 DIV 2

Coach: Christian Nascimben
Coach: Denis Nascimben
Manager: Leonard Nastasi

Sydney United Juniors FC AC United Football Club Liverpool Rangers

Kemps Creek United Austral Soccer Club Bonnyrigg F.C

What a way to finish off the season..... 2022 PREMIERS!!!

It still feels surreal to this day and wasn't until the final kick of the ball by our captain, Darius during extra time of golden goal in the grand final, did we realise what an incredible accomplishment we had achieved. From winning the grand final 2 seasons prior in division 5 and now once again in division 2, Christian and I are extremely proud to have coached such a special team. It was undoubtably a rewarding and successful season.

The 2022 season saw the majority of last years' AC U13-2's team with the inclusion of some new faces. We welcomed to the fold Xavier and Marcus Baldock, Nicholas Jabro and Alvaro Ishak. We also welcomed during midseason Anthony Frizzo, who joined the mix well, providing additional flare and attack to the squad.

With the worst of covid behind us we were hoping for a fresh and promising start to the new 2022 season. However, this was not the case with La Nina constantly impacting our crucial pre-season and forever delaying the start to our competition. Apart from this major setback, and not having played any pre-season trial games, we still managed to finish the season 2nd on the competition table. I believe the team adapted well to these setbacks and developed their fitness as the season progressed.

Our training sessions were focused on positional awareness and drills centred around playing out from the back, ball possession and distribution from middle of the park to our wide players on the flanks when transitioning our play into attack, with emphasis on cutbacks to goals.

As coaches, we are very proud of our team for their dedication and efforts at both training and on game days. It was very rewarding to sit back and enjoy the team's progress and football they displayed. More importantly it was most pleasing watching the friendships, bond and spirit within this talented team flourish from week to week, as the playing group matured as a football team.

Highlights of the season for me was the tight 0-0 draw with minor premiers Sydney Juniors towards the end of the domestic season, to secure our second position on the competition ladder. With no reserves on the day, the team 'matched it' with Sydney Juniors, displaying some of the best football seen all season. And of course, winning the Grand Final (2-1 over Kemps Creek in golden goal) and sharing that special moment of jubilation afterwards with the team as we celebrated.

A special mention to Ethan Ladurner on winning the Most Valuable Player (MVP) of the match in the Grand Final, awarded by Southern Districts.

Christian, Leonard and I would like to take this opportunity to thank this wonderful and talented team, which we thoroughly enjoyed coaching.

I am very grateful and thankful to coach alongside my son Christian Nascimben and our Team Manager Leonard Nastasi. Without these guys our team would not have reached its full potential and success this year.

Special thanks to Greg Baldock and John Davino for your assistance throughout the year at both training and on game days.

Thanks to all our parents, family and friends for your support throughout the year, which set the platform for another successful season. As coaches we appreciate all your support, but more importantly the team enjoyed the cheering and encouragement provided from the sidelines.

Thank you Giovanna Romeo, Andrew Bella and all the wonderful AC United Committee for all your hard work and support throughout the year.

Lastly and importantly, our thanks and appreciation to our team sponsor, **Forza Electrical**. Thanks again Leonard Nastasi, we greatly appreciate your generosity and support of our team and club.

Our Squad:

Cooper Davino, Alexander Nascimben, Martin Martinovic, Xavier Baldock, Marcus Baldock, Matias Nastasi, Leonardo Russo, Mark Sorojevic, Darius Nastasi, Rocco Marando, Ethan Ladurner, Brian Hextall, Anthony Frizzo, Nicholas Jabro and Alvaro Ishak.

Congratulations and thanks to all for a memorable season.

Denis, Christian and Leonard.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U14 DIV 1 LADIES

Coach: Charles Aprim Manager: Odette Bjazevic

SDSFA Knockouts - Runners Up

- AC United FC
- Kemps Creek
- Liverpool City Robins FC
- Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

Chipping Norton F.C.
Liverpool City Robins F.C.
Kemps Creek United
Wetherill Park Westerners
Moorebank Sports Soccer
AC United Football Club

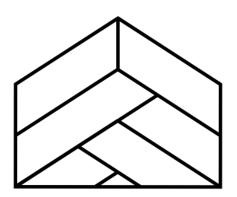
An exciting season for our girls this year with some early challenges during trials of a new team however we got there in the end with some wonderful fresh faces. Our team had some new first-time players to our beloved game of football this time around and I took action to ensure additional coaching and nurturing to get them both comfortable in an effort to advance their skills quickly as possible.

From 15 games played we took 2 wins, 5 draws and 8 losses. What was a slow start for us in those early season games soon picked up and I was proud to see the girls responding to utilising new skills for our first-time players and the more experienced ones giving guidance and assistance in a proactively and positive manner. I trialed a couple of formations to find our best fit as a team and then we improved along the way and commenced to recover a couple of notable wins and then some nailbiting draws. The effort and determination the girls gave each week should be commended and I am so proud of all of them.

Our team then moved on to play the SDSFA Knockouts moving to the grand final and then becoming distinguished runners up.

I'd like to thank the parents for their ongoing support, time and commitment for these girls as wouldn't be possible without it. A note of thanks to Odette our Manager also my acting-wingman! A callout of appreciation to the AC United Club and our sponsor of the team Maison Coffee.





MAISŌN

COFFEE

AC UNITED FC TEAM: U15 DIV 2

Coach: Sasha Stanojevic Asst Coach: Peter Carbone Manager: Nora Lopes

Chipping Norton F.C.

AC United Football Club

Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

Bossley Sports Club

Liverpool Olympic

Bonnyrigg F.C

What a Year!! Got to say after taking a year off from Coaching it was good to be back, even If it was just to be able to see the boys playing at the positions there meant to be in & playing at their best again....

With 3 new players being added to the team I thought there was going to be a bit of an adjustment that our boys needed to get used to, but I got to say with the addition of "Dom" Dominic Carbone (Right Striker) "DJ" Dylan Jammo (Left Midfielder) & "Max" Maximus Lopes (Left Center Back) the boys settled straight in.

After watching the boys playing & winning their 1st game it was like watching a team that has been playing together for years, it was a real pleasure to watch the boys just read each other & know exactly what each of their team mates was thinking.

With an unbelievable 10 game straight winning streak to follow, I knew we were well on our way to the Finals! With Armando Scotece glad to be back as (Left Striker) he managed to put away 12 goals this season with "Dom" Who was able to play Both Right Striker & Right Midfielder was also able to score 11 goals for his new team. But the standout this year for goal scoring for his team was Anthony Stanojevic (Center Striker) who had a tally of 15 goals which included 3 sets of Hat tricks! Well done, Anthony...

With Luka Topalovic playing (Center Midfielder) this year but who also was able to take some amazing corners from either side of the field which led to a majority of our goals being scored also managed to put away 7 cracking goals this season as well. Along with our other Midfielders "DJ" (Left Mid) 5 goals & "Little D" Dylan Di Tommaso (Right Mid) adding another 4 goals to their team tally's . With Dylan Gewargis who played both Midfield & Striker adding 2 of his own goals for the season.

One of my most versatile players had to be Youshaman Nazoraia who could play pretty much any position that I needed him to fill & he always gave 100%.

This brings us to our back line of Defense who included Anthony Lombardo who is another player that always gave me & his team 100% effort week in week out. Along with "Max" who not only managed a cracking header in one of our games against Bossley, his skill's in defending was outstanding. He also stepped up one week as Goal Keeper & proved his Skills as a Keeper as well. Next in line is Matteo Strati who is another player that could pretty much play any position that needed to be filled & who also managed 3 of his own goals, one cracking goal from the halfway line.

Also in our back line is Romeo Nabeel who has been there for his team for the last few years & has always defended his team matter who came up against us, just like a Big Brother.

This brings me to my Best Defender Liam Zinghini, who I am so grateful for coming back to join our team this year without him I don't think the boys would have made it this far. Liam never quit when it came to defending. Not only could he defend but he was remarkable at winning the ball off the opposition no matter who came at him.

Last but not least is Benel Moshi, our dedicated Goalkeeper for the year. Benel who not only managed to save an outstanding 32 goals that were destined for the back of the net but also managed to keep the opposition team scoreless in 6 of our matches, all this while playing with an injured knee for the season.

Unluckily the boys just missed out on the Minor Premiership by 3 points leaving us finishing 2nd on the Leader Board. So our hopes were set on the Finals & it looked promising with a 4-0 Win in our 1st Semi Final game against Moorebank, with an amazing Hat Trick from Anthony Stanojevic.

Unfortunately, Our Grand Final Game did not go as planned with players recovering from the flu & players missing, we fell short going down 4-1 against Chipping Norton.

I would like to thank my Assistant Coach: Peter Carbone & my Manager: Nora Lopes who both stepped up without hesitation to help me this year & without your help I would have truly struggled.

I would also like to thank one of our Parents, Anthony Di Tommaso who on several occasions with only short notice was able to step in for me during training sessions & was always available to be there for the boys...

Lastly, I would like to thank all the parents that not only had faith in me to Coach the boys again this year but without fail turned up to pretty much every training & match we played & cheered the whole team on week in week out. You guys truly made coaching this year a wonderful experience & provided a great family feel not just for me but our whole team

Thankyou Sincerely from your Coach: Sasha Stanojevic





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U15 DIV 3

Coach: Joseph Hermiz Manager: Albert Oraha

Mounties Junior Soccer Wetherill Park Westerners Chipping Norton F.C. Canley Heights RSLFC Liverpool City Robins F.C. AC United Football Club

It was a tough season, no one in the team knew each other before the season started but as time came everyone started building chemistry with each other.

Even though we came last we fought a good battle the boys gave it 100 and ten percent even though I missed out on most of the season due to a holiday I was keeping a good eye on them messaging them privately every time checking up with my manager and always got told they gave a good fight with every team and trying their best.

Even though we didn't have a good finish on the ladder I cannot begin to explain how proud I am of my boys. They played their hearts out every single game. We didn't have a permanent goal keeper so we had to switch up every game even though some of the boys hated playing keeper they still went there and played their very best.

To end it I'm so proud of the boys, I hope one day I can train them again and come back way stronger and make a big difference.



AC UNITED FC TEAM: U16 DIV 2

Coach: Claudio Veliz Manager: Juan Fletcher

AC United Football Club

Mounties Junior Soccer Chipping Norton F.C. Fairfield Hotspurs Freeman Sports

Liverpool City Robins F.C. Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

Austral Soccer Club





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U16 DIV 1

Coach: Messi Yakho Asst Coach: Andres Bella Asst Coach: James Galera

Manager: Dom Romeo

Mounties Junior Soccer

Fairfield Bulls
Freeman Sports
White City SC
Liverpool Olympic
Kemps Creek United
AC United Football Club

Liverpool City Robins F.C.

The Season that could have been" quote; James Galera

It was exciting to see so many players returning to the club after so many years. So many had played their younger years at the club and had left to play at higher levels and returned this season as a group and we were all excited at the potential this team could have.

The 2022 season started with high expectations. A good playing group was assembled, and the coaching staff and management were excited by the prospects. We had a few players leave the squad early to pursue NPL opportunities which slightly hampered our pre-season preparations. Regardless, our squad still contained the cattle to get the job done.

We kicked off the season proper with a match against Mounties the eventual Premiers, Cup Winners, and Kanga Cup Winners. It was always going to be tough to get a favorable result against a side which has been extremely successful over the years.

The season progressed where we found ourselves drawing far too many games, games which we could have won. The games which we lost were only by a goal or two at most and even those games could have gone either way. Draws which we should have won and losses where we should have drawn would have painted a very different picture come semifinals time. At the end of the season proper, we ended up coming 7th with which wasn't the result we were expecting.

The squad also took the journey down to Canberra to participate in the Kanga Cup. A great experience for the boys. Same story line. Games which we were expected to win ended up in losses. The one shining light from the Kanga Cup is that we drew 1-1 with the eventual Kanga Cup winners Mounties. Again, a great experience for the boys playing teams from outside their association.

So the squad was left to contend the Shield at the end of the season against Kemps Creek. We reminded the boys that we have an opportunity to come away with something. We also explained to the boys that teams who finished 2nd to 4th could end up empty handed and that nobody would remember who came 2nd, 3rd or 4th. This pre-game speech must have worked because the boys were revved up and ended up winning the Shield on penalties.

The win was good and an uplifting experience for the playing group given the extremely frustrating season that we had.

A special mention to Messi, first year coaching and did a great job with the boys..



Proudly Sponsored by

SUPREME TEAMWEAR

AC UNITED FC TEAM: U16/U17 DIV 1 LADIES

Coach: Tony Romeo
Asst Coach: Sam Monteleone
Manager: Giovanna Romeo

Camden Tigers Oran Park Rovers Mt Pritchard Chipping Norton

Gunners **AC United**

Congratulations to the AC United U16/17 ladies team for a successful season. The team were very fortunate to have the opportunity in 2022 to play in a combined Southern Districts and Macarthur Football Association competition. A big thanks to Southern Districts for this opportunity!

In our competition there were a total of 13 teams from Southern Districts and Macarthur associations. The competition was split early on in the season in which we were placed in Division 1 alongside 6 other teams and played some really competitive football with some high calibre teams.

A big thanks to our ladies for making the season so enjoyable....Anelise, Angelina, Ava, Catia, Chiara, Georgia, Jade, Kiara, Lorenza, Marinela, Maya, Myrna, Phoenix, Sienna, Sofia.

We never had a dull moment at training, there was lots great humor, fun and hard work of course. It has been great to see our ladies passion, drive and results.

Thank you to our coaches Tony and Sam, also known as Tony Balone! Sam the Man! We appreciate the dedication and work you put in to train the ladies and lead them on game days!

Thanks to our parents, we appreciate your support, friendship and getting the girls to games and training!

A big thanks to our Sponsor Little-I's. Thanks to Ray for his generosity with looking after the team with his amazing meals and the best chicken in town!.

A big thanks to all the AC Committee for all you work to lead our club, on behalf of the 16/17 ladies team we appreciate all you do for our AC United players!





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U17 DIV 1

Coach: Robert Carniato
Manager: Andrew Poles

Kemps Creek United
Mounties Junior Soccer
Moorebank Sports Soccer Club
Bonnyrigg F.C
Mounties Junior Soccer
AC United Football Club
Liverpool City Robins F.C.

Like the majority, we were looking forward to a "normal" season after experiencing disrupted seasons prior. After the pre-season selection trials had concluded, we felt that we had assembled a team that would be competitive for the 2022 season, which was predominately based on last years team together with the addition of three new members – Dylan, Lucas and Antonio.

We started the pre-season with high spirits and the team was working hard on fitness and removing the cobwebs from their technique. The Club management did a great job in arranging a series of pre-season trial games which we felt would prepare us well for the season ahead.

Unfortunately, the wet summer was not kind to us, and we only managed to play a couple of trials. Nonetheless, the potential of the team was still evident in these games despite the disrupted pre-season.

As a group, we entered the 2022 filled with promise but fully aware that sterner tests would be in store.

Our opening game of the season was a draw against a well-organised Bonnyrigg FC. It was a game where we did not capitalise on our chances created and probably felt we could have come away with the 3 points. Nonetheless it was a solid start.

The month of May saw limited game time and training due to wet weather, with byes and teams dropping out. We suffered a narrow 1-0 loss to Moorebank during this period. It was a game which we did not deserve to win, but despite this we were unlucky not to have come away with a point after hitting the crossbar near the end of the game.

We felt that the team was showing character to stay in contests even when not being at our best. These were great qualities to have, especially considering the stop-start nature to the season up until this point of time.

Fortunately, the rain was able to stay away, and this allowed us to have consistent training sessions and a string of regular, uninterrupted weekend games. This consistent and continuous commitment to training certainly translated onto the pitch.

Throughout the remainder of the season, we played some great football and were always in the contest, many times being the better team. It was a tough competition and games were often decided by a single goal and by the team who was able to take their chances.

Unfortunately, the commitment and effort displayed often went unrewarded and we were not able to realise the victories that we all felt we deserved, and as a result we were unable to secure a semi-final spot.

It is certainly hard to continue to come to train when it's cold and windy, especially when results are not going your way. However, as a group we continued to do so despite not recording some victories or draws that we felt were deserved. The playing group is to be commended on this continued commitment to attend training and games when the going is tough. We are sure that these qualities will be rewarded and there will be better time ahead.

In closing we whole heartedly encourage all the boys to stay together and to keep playing their football at AC united. The good times will come, and above all keep enjoying the beautiful game we all love.

Boys, thanks for all your effort, commitment and friendship during the season.

Rob and Andrew.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U18 DIV 1 WHITE

Coach: Nick Stojcevski Asst Coach: Matt Stojcevski

Frank Peronace

Manager: Angela Biviano

AC United Football Club White

Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

Fairfield Bulls

Kemps Creek United Austral Soccer Club Chipping Norton F.C.

AC United Football Club Blue Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

A huge congratulations to the boys on winning their Grand Final. A 5-2 victory over rivals Fairfield Bulls. We wish the boys all the best in their quest to take out the title of Champion of Champions 2022.

We would also wish to thank all our supporters throughout the year, who come out each week and get behind the team. It's much appreciated and means a lot to the team.

Also, thank you to Joe Biviano from AUTOTUNE for sponsoring the team.

Achievements/Stats

- Undefeated Minor Premier 2022
- Premiers 2022
- State Cup and Champion of Champions Qualifiers
- Goals For: 7'
- Goals against: 13

Meet Our Team

- <u>1 .Evan Frendo (C)</u> Captain courageous. A tenacious goalkeeper with great reflexes and a shot stoper sensation. Has the odd moment of madness.
- <u>13. Domenic Velardi</u> A determined defender with a never say die attitude. Full of enthusiasm and all heart. Has a bag full of tricks he brings out now and then. A real fan Favourite and the team joker.
- <u>12. Lucas Romero</u> Solid as a rock! A monster in defence with speed and physicality that breaks down opposition attack. Also a known to score the odd goal or two.
- <u>4. Jesse Cootes</u> MVP in the Grand Final. Mr consitent. Technically talented and a highly intelligent player. Poetry in motion, with footwork second to none. Killer left foot. Highly respected by his team mates.
- <u>10. Messi Yako</u> wears his heart on his sleeve. Plays the game tough. Fast, strong, and has a determined attitude to win at all cost. Leads his troops on the field for battle. Inspirational leader.
- <u>15. Mitch Stojcevski</u> The composer and creative midfielder/attacker, can hurt opposition with his passing game or dominate with physical presence. Known for creating goal assists or scoring goals of his own.

- <u>6. Sam Peronace</u> never say die midfielder, with huge work rate. Has ability to break down play and turn it into attack. Always busy and looking opportunity to create. Loves to mix it up with the big guys. Wont shy away.
- <u>11. Luca Biviano</u> MVP Runner Up 2022. Possesses lethal speed and agility, a menace to any defence. Goal scorer and set piece specialist. Has a huge engine and determination to win. Leads by example.
- <u>2. Kevin Tran</u> The Orient Express. Versatile player with great speed and stamina. Can play anywhere on the park. A great character on and off the field. Never lets the team down.
- <u>21. Nathan Aloe</u> Great impact player. Can hurt you with speed and creativity. Pounces on moments in games. Unpredictable and always a threat.
- <u>9. Javier Ruiz-Davila</u> MVP 2022. A passionate player with a knack to sniff out a goal. Ability to read the game and be in the right place at the right time. Always looking to be involved. Loves the odd goal celebration.
- <u>47. Pablo Hevia creative and menacing player who likes to take on defenders.</u> Provides plenty of assist and goals. Brings a bit of south american flair to the game.
- <u>29. Ismael Valiente –</u> Strong and powerful winger. Trains hard plays hard. Loves to cut in on defenders. Always looking to set up our attack. Loves to let rip with the right boot. Loves playing the game.
- <u>8. Marcus Alonso</u> Strong and versatile player. A tough defender that can turn defence into attack . Possesses a lethal right foot shot.
- <u>20. Jayden Da Silva</u> Strong and aggressive. Has the abiltiy to play many positions. Has shown how deadly he can be anywhere in shooting range. Scoring one of the goals of the season in the Grand Final.

<u>Angela Biviano – Team manager</u> - In charge of Dribl on game days. Keeps record of all our game stats. Always in control.

<u>Matt Stojcevski – Asst Coach</u> - great mentor to the boys. Our time keeper and team medic at the games. Great runner of the water bottle.

<u>Frank Peronace – Asst Coach</u> - Our reliable game analyst. Always focussed game day and inspiring the boys with his words of encouragement.

Nick Stojcevski – Coach - This team makes me the best Coach in the competition.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U18 DIV 1 LADIES

Coach: Cody Ojeda Manager: Brunella Parr

Harrington United Football Club Kemps Creek United Chipping Norton F.C. AC United Football Club

Bonnyrigg F.C Austral Soccer Club

This season I had the pleasure of coaching the 18-1L side at the club for the first time. The side was primarily made up of the 16-1L from last year, with some from last years' 18-1L also able to stay in the age group. From the start the talent in the side was noticeable, however being put into an U21 competition, and playing against girls 3-4 years their senior (even more for some of them!) was going to challenge them in ways they hadn't been before. From the get-go the girls showed their determination, and continually showed their class come Sunday. Between injuries, COVID isolations and bad weather, consistency was tough to come by, however their performances were always something to savor, even receiving plaudits from opposition coaches and parents on occasion.

The final ladder did not do their development over the year and the football they played justice. The girls so often dominated their games this season, playing exciting football in the process. We ultimately finished in a finals place, a great achievement for the girls as they continually remained competitive with older sides, however facing the minor premiers in our semi final was always going to be a tough task. But the girls stepped up and kept themselves in the game until the end and can be proud of how far they were able to go. With Champions of Champions still to come also, the journey isn't over and only time will tell how far they can go.

I would first like to thank sponsor Parkequip for their support of the girls this season. I would also like to extend a big thank you to the club and its volunteers who keep it running. The last few years have not been easy for anyone, but the commitment to ensure us and all the teams in the club are able to get on the park each week, even through a pandemic and freak weather events, is truly admirable.

To the parents and families of the girls, I would like to thank you all for your support of the team this year. Whether it be helping get the girls to and from training or games, or simply supporting them and myself throughout the course of the season. I truly appreciate it.

Finally, to the girls. To say I'm proud of you all for what you have been able to do is an understatement. Each training session you all worked hard and stepped up to any challenge I set for you. Through all the ups and downs throughout the year your energy and work ethic never wavered. Each training session you were able to improve bit by bit each time, taking to any complex

challenge or drill I tried to throw at you, even pushing me to become a better coach in the process. Your support for me was truly appreciated, and I hope you all enjoyed this season as much as I did (even if my team talks went for longer than you all would have liked \bigcirc). This season has been one of my most enjoyable experiences as a coach, and seeing you all grow not only as footballers, but as people too, has been amazing to see.

I hope you all can take away messages and lessons from this year that will stay with you no matter where life takes you, and hopefully play some small part in any success you will all undoubtedly have in the future, whether that be in football or life in general!





AC UNITED FC TEAM: U21 DIV 2

Coach: Gino Scamardella Coach: Robert Mazzotti Manager: Silvana Scamardella

Lauretta Genovese-Mazzotti

Manager:

AC United Football Club

Liverpool Olympic Wetherill Park Westerners Horsley Park United Fairfield Pats FC

Horsley Park United

It all started one summer night. First trial, unknown to any of these soccer players I watched to see if their intensity and love for the game interested me. A gentlemen, Elias, super keen to play and mentioned his mates were the pick for this team had later organised them for one trial. That's all it took and it was on.

Coaching an older group came with its challenges. These boys weren't interested in running kilometres or practicing drills. I needed to make it competitive so we started a Wednesday night comp for our Pre-season. Wow did they turn up. If there is competition and rivalry, it was expected the most entertaining football ever seen. I had front row tickets every Wednesday night and boy was it exciting. Rob and I had to occasionally fill in but were no competition to these boys.

We were to play a few trials and then hit the ground running into the season. Right from the start the boys had shown their intensity and passion for the game with White City finishing in a 2-2 draw. Week in week out had its challenges with commitments from the lads however, we managed to keep the core group training. Our starting lineup evolved every week but soon enough our strengths and weaknesses were worked out. We definitely had a team that could take out the title.

The top 8 teams out of 12 were to finish Round 1 with a 5 point difference but for unforeseen circumstances we we're wrongly placed in Div 2. Very hard pill to swallow but thankfully our core group decided to power on and finish the second round as Minor Premiers.

Semi finals and then Grand Finals. Today we needed to turn up and bring the win home. With a determined Wetherill Park team, within the first 10 mins I knew was going to be a hell of a fight. An Entertaining match with a scare from being behind with only 17mintues left on the clock, equalising from a cross and then boys delivered the final blow with a few minutes to go from a wonder strike for Martin finishing the game at 3-2 Win! Premiers.

An enjoyable season and hoping you boys had fun. Thanks goes to our Captain Marius, our rock, that either delivered exciting goals or pulled the strings when we needed it the most. To all the boys: Alessio, Anthony, Ash, David, Elias. Fabian, Gianluca, Isaac, Jamie, Joseph, Joshua, Louis, Luke, Martin, Massimo & Vincent. Each and every one of you had something special to offer which made this a successful season.

Thanks to coach Robert for your assistance and to our managers Silvana and Lauretta for keeping us organised, fed at halftime, photos and videos each week.

Thank you to our team sponsor Smithfield RSL. Thank you to the AC United FC committee and our family and friends for their support.

Gino Scamardella



Proudly Sponsored by



AC UNITED FC TEAM: U18 DIV 1 BLUE

Coach: Nicolas Benjamin

AC United Football Club White Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

Fairfield Bulls

Kemps Creek United Austral Soccer Club Chipping Norton F.C.

AC United Football Club Blue Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

U18 Shield Premiers



Proudly Sponsored by

SUPREME TEAMWEAR

AC UNITED FC TEAM: ALL AGE MEN DIV 6

Coach: Luca Del Bel Belluz

Sporting Rovers
Moorebank Sports Soccer Club
Liverpool Rangers A
AC United Football Club
Mounties Junior Soccer
Liverpool City Robins F.C.
Lansvale United
Austral Soccer Club

This year has been one filled with ups and downs and overall, quite a roller coaster ride. What started off as an idea to put a team together for the purpose of having some weekend fun quickly turned into a burning desire to be competitive as an all-age side which in my experience is quite rare to come across.

As the coach of the team having coached football before I thought I knew what I was getting into and could predict the challenges I would face, but this season definitely took me by surprise from the weather difficulties to the dramatic changes to the final team with players coming in and out of the team, not for a second while it was all happening did I think I would walk away from the season with an even stronger love and admiration for coaching and I credit most of that to the boys in the team.

What began as a slow start to this season losing and drawing many of our opening games and having to see our team and club on the bottom of the ladder, to then with a couple changes and a slightly higher commitment in training we not only managed to display the prettiest style of football within the competition but to make the semis.

As a team we grew in our understanding of the game, became better individual players and ultimately had fun and as a coach that's really all I could have asked for.

To the team Thank you for the season, thank you for your commitment, thank you for the respect shown and belief in me and thank you for making me a better coach.

GO AC!!!!!



AC UNITED FC TEAM: ALL AGE MEN DIV 7

Coach: Cody Ojeda

Manager: Victoria Vlahadamis

Green Island FC
Liverpool Rangers
Sporting Rovers
Horsley Park United
Austral Soccer Club
Fairfield Pats FC
Bossley Sports Club
AC United Football Club

If ever there was a team that could truly define "Sunday League Football", this was it.

This team had everything. From relying on the age group below us for players so we could field a team each week (a big thank you to Gino and Rob from the 21's for constantly letting their players fill in for us), not being able to go a game without someone cramping in some way, shape or form, to the manager of the side being whichever girlfriends showed up that week and got roped into sitting on the bench.

Despite results not going our way too often, there were plenty of moments to savour from this team.

In terms of the football played, the highlights were Antoni's long-range goal against Pats, after many failed attempts throughout the year, Martin playing just about every position on the field, Luca constantly out-strengthening players double his size (and age) and Max's triumphant screams whenever he or someone else made a good challenge. However, it was keeper Josh, who made save after save throughout the season (believe me when I say he had to make ALOT) who would have made the most impressive highlight reel out of all of us.

We did find ourselves becoming the team that others looked forward to playing too, although this may have more to do with Manager Tori handing out oranges and lollies to the opposition than the 3 points that were picked up.

Through those poor results though the banter and unity never wavered, and we were still able to come out of games with a good mood amongst the boys. And for those of us that stuck it out until the end of the season, including the ones that turned up each week to watch us play, just reward came in our final game of the season in a 3-2 win over Austral.

A dream start with two quick-fire goals from star striker Andrew Albanese and an olimpico from myself (this definitely wasn't an own goal from their keeper) saw us pull ahead in a game for the first time this season. We went into the half 3-1 up thanks to a Jonathan Martinez finish, and the second half can only be described as a masterclass in gamesmanship.

We did eventually run out as winners, the score finishing up 3-2. And after a long season with washouts, injuries and players on holidays (thankfully we had no suspensions), we couldn't've asked for a better finish.

I would like to thank sponsor European Glass and Glazing for their support of the side this year. A thank you also to our loyal fans (the parents who still come and watch us) for their support of us this year also. And also, to Tori, Alyssa, Alex and anyone else that stepped in as manager this season for helping us to get on the park and play each week.

Through everything this was most certainly an enjoyable season for all of us, and we're looking forward to seeing what next season brings.

Cody





AC UNITED FC TEAM: M-LEAGUE

Coach: Danny Di Giandomenico

Coach: Denis Nascimben

Manager: Rosanna Di Giandomenico

Liverpool Robins

Camden Tigers

Sporting Rovers

Tahmoor

Oran Park Rovers Narellan Rangers

AC United

Harrington United Liverpool Rangers Sydney United Jnrs

St Marys

2022 certainly proved to be a successful and exciting new era for women's football at AC United FC, with our newly formed Women's All Age Premier League team.

The amalgamation of women's topflight teams from both Macarthur and Southern Districts saw the inauguration of the **Women's M-League competition**. The competition was consistent with the Women's NSW NPL format, comprising 22 rounds of football, 12 teams, 5 of which were representing Southern Districts.

After a lengthy trials process, the AC team was finalised, with most of the squad comprising of last season's U21 Ladies Division 1 team, with the inclusion of players from the women's All Age Division 1 team.

With the worst of covid behind us, and an exciting new team, we were hoping for a fresh and promising start to the new 2022 season. However, this was not the case with La Nina constantly impacting our crucial pre-season and delaying the start to our competition. The team adapted well to these challenges and developed their fitness and cohesion as the season progressed. Apart from this setback, and only having played a couple of trial games, we still managed to finish the season respectably in mid-table, in what proved to be a very tough and competitive environment.

When I look back at some of the games that got away from us due to injuries and players unavailable for various reasons, I can't help thinking we could have snuck into the semi-finals this year!! Nonetheless, our first crack at the M-League was a success and huge learning curve for most players, which will place us in good stead for the 2023 campaign.

Our training sessions were focused on positional awareness and drills centred around playing out from the back, ball possession and distribution from middle of the park to our wide players on the flanks when transitioning our play into attack.

As coaches, we are very proud of our team for their dedication and efforts at both training and on game days. It was very rewarding to sit back and enjoy the team's progress and football they displayed. More importantly it was most pleasing watching the friendships and spirit within this talented team flourish from week to week, as the playing group matured as a football team.

There were numerous highlights throughout the year, but the ones that come to mind include a stunning Jasmyn Windsor hat trick against Sporting Rovers in Round 22, and a physical and gritty win against newly formed rivals Oran Park Rovers – eliminating them from semi-final contention.

Special mention and congratulations to Jasmyn Windsor who was awarded the S.D.S.F.A Golden Boot award, as well as receiving 1st Runner Up Women's Premier League Most Valuable Player (MVP) award.

Danny, Rosanna and I would like to take this opportunity to thank this wonderful and talented team, which we thoroughly enjoyed coaching.

I am very grateful and thankful to have been given this opportunity to coach alongside life-long friends Danny Di Giandomenico and Team Manager Rosanna Di Giandomenico, who supplied everything from lollies, tissues to ice packs.

Thanks to all our parents, family, and friends for your support throughout the year. As coaches we appreciate all your support, but more importantly the team enjoyed the cheering and encouragement provided from the sidelines.

Special thanks to Cody Ojeda and the AC U18 ladies' team for your support and help throughout the season, especially players Jasmine Araya, Daniela Araya, Teagan Hunter and Lorena Scarcella.

Thank you, Giovanna Romeo, Andrew Bella and Frank Ferraro and all the wonderful AC United Committee, for all your hard work and support throughout the year.

Lastly and importantly, our thanks and appreciation to our team sponsor, **Regal Recruitment**. Thanks again Frank Ojeda, we greatly appreciate Regal's generosity and support for our team.

Our Squad:

Carissa Nascimben Captain, Mihayla Bilaver Vice Captain, Gabby Bilaver, Isabella Di Giandomenico, Jasmyn Windsor, Maryanne Zaatiti, Jazmine Nery, Isabella Queipo, Isabella Rizos, Chiara Mazzotti, Cindy Lam, Nicola Bugeja, Fida Yamak, Bianca Frketic, Caroline Jabro, Serena Sartoretto, Olivia Viana, and Carina Bella.

Congratulations and thanks to all for a memorable season.

Danny, Denis and Rosie.





AC UNITED FC TEAM: ALL AGE LADIES DIV 2

Coach: Alex Vogiatzis

Coach: Brody

Manager: Yolanda Spiteri

Green Island FC Fairfield Bulls

Mounties Junior Soccer Liverpool Rangers AC United Football Club Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

Hinchinbrook Sports Liverpool Rangers

It was set to be a highly anticipated season, with new recruits joining what has become the team of golden oldies at AC United. And with an astonishing 11-1 thrashing in the opening game, the hopes of a Premiership were high among the team. Sadly, and as most season's go with AAL-2 (welcome to the big leagues, Teagan) the once bright smiles faded, the attendance to training was non-existent.

And we can't forget the rare incident of the two siblings (Bru and Trish) being yellow carded in the semi-final after, simply for making sure the referee knew a trip to Specsavers was on the cards for him. "Oi, what the hell ref? Her hand clearly touched the ball!" the fiery Trish fumed, according to witnesses. "Not intentional? Who cares if it's intentional? Read the rules! My grandma can see that's a penalty and she's 600kms away in a cemetery" chimed in sibling and team mate Brunella. Meanwhile, the referee, who has requested anonymity for his own safety, says he has asked the club to ban Trish and Brunella from future matches as he does not feel safe. "I hope I never see those two again."

To our coaches, Alex and Brody – thank you both for your patience and encouragement, for not high-tailing out of the team when 2 people could make it to training and we're all especially grateful for the constant videoing of our inability to score and the photobombing of your faces. To Yoli for providing oranges and lollies each game (and Karen for that one time you did). And to the girls who made up the AAL-2, please stick around next year, we really think we have a high chance of finishing as runners up.



Proudly Sponsored by



AC UNITED FC TEAM: O35 DIV 1

Coach: Darren Borg

Sydney United Juniors FC Blue Sydney United Juniors FC Red White City SC AC United Football Club FC Eagles Sydney





Proudly Sponsored by

FOVLER SCAFFOLD HOISTS FORMWORK

AC UNITED FC TEAM: O35 DIV 2

Coach: David D'Alfonso Manager: Michael Herrera

White City SC Bonnyrigg F.C

Moorebank Sports Soccer Club

AC United Football Club

Season 2022 is one that will be remembered for all the right and wrong reasons. We had a few new boys join this year and everything looked promising..... until round 2.

Injuries got the better of us this year which resulted in having more players off the field than on during the season, but we still had a good time and a few beers.

3 massive training sessions couldn't turn our season around, but missed open goals, wiggles inspired saved penalty, broken wrist and walk offs during the game were just some of the memorable memories.

The Goal was to make top 4 and we achieved it... well done lads, unwrap the cotton wool and lets' get ready for next season.



AC UNITED FC TEAM: 045 DIVISION ONE

Man Manager 1: Dennis Petalas Man Manager 2: Joey Mey Paperwork Manager: Kylie Ojeda

Season Stats: Goals Scored – 56

Leading Goal Scorer - Mark Abi-Arrage (17 goals)

Runner Up – Greg Baldock (13 goals)

AC United Football Club Holroyd Rangers SC WHT Holroyd Rangers SC Blk

Auburn FC Black Greystanes Dundas United Blk

After the 2021 season was cancelled due to COVID, the guys were keen to get back out on the park for season 2022. Due to there being no O45's competition in SDSFA, we had entered into the Granville District's O45s competition last year and decided to give it a crack again in 2022. Hoping this season would be completed in full and with a couple of new additions to the team, things certainly looked promising.

Early rain delays were frustrating with almost a month of no soccer due to washouts, but we picked up where we left off and ran with it. Finishing the season off in first place, we had wrapped up the Minor Premiership.

The semi final was a tough game and despite having a send off, we progressed straight to the grand final with a 3-2 win over Holroyd White. But this is where the fairy tale ended. 6 players out for the big dance saw an extremely tough task ahead for the remaining team members. This was due to overseas trips, sickness, injury and a suspension.

The Grand Final was played against Holroyd White and we conceded an early goal, but the team never gave in and a cracker equaliser was scored by Mr AC AC himself (Claude Fradel). Holroyd plugged another away to take the lead 2-1 and despite the team's best efforts, taking them down to the wire in atrocious field conditions, the final whistle called an end to the game.

Whilst this wasn't the Grand Final result we were after, we will still look back at the season as one of the best we've had. An awesome bunch of guys, some spectacular goals scored (and saved), lots of laughs, a bit of KFC, lots of lollies and even more beers!! We will look forward to doing it all over again next year.

A huge shout out to our fantastic sponsors Uniden and Australian Transmission Centre for your continuing support.

A big thank you to the AC United Committee for all your hard work throughout the year.

And of course, the forever die hard tragics who came out each week rain, rain, rain and maybe a little bit of sunshine, to cheer us on, we thank you all.

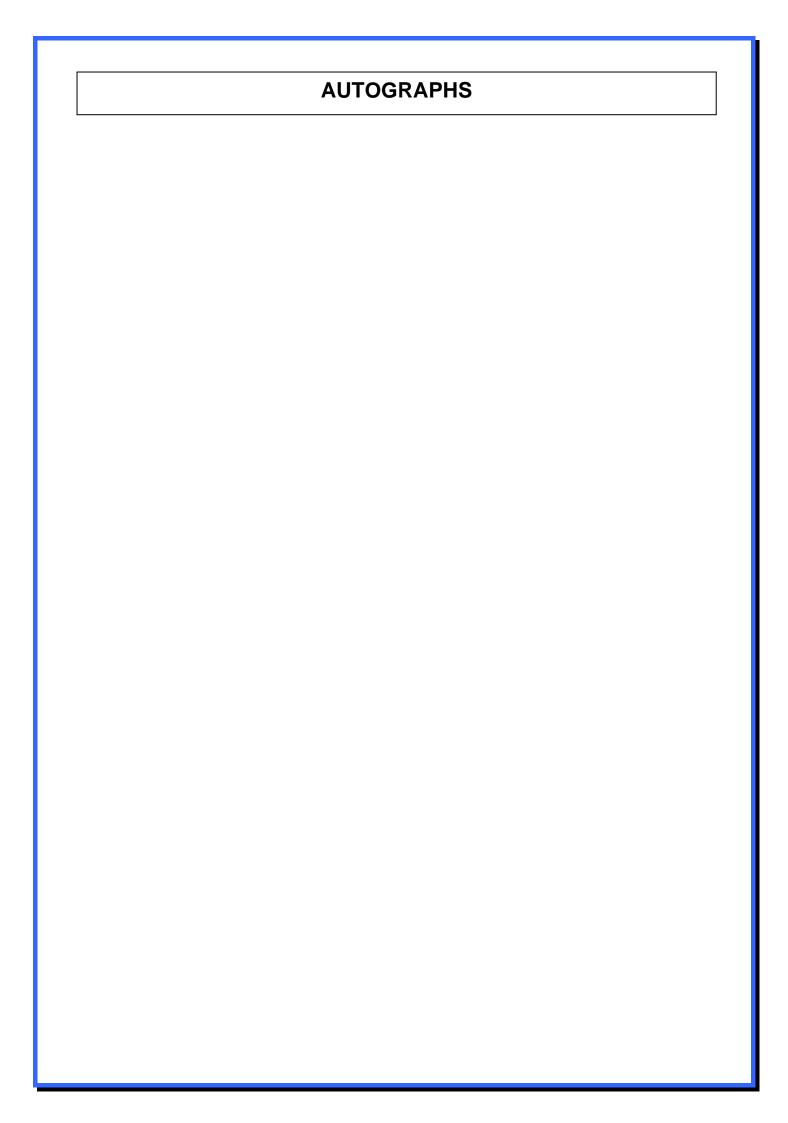


The Squad: Frank Ojeda (C), John Amoroso, Luca Ciapponi, Mark Abi-Arrage, Greg (Bulldog) Baldock, Baggio David, Joe Jukic, Rick (Kelpie) McKevitt, John Vlahadamis, John Currao, Robert Mazzotti, Terry Hawkins, Dennis Petalas, Vic Sacco, Claude Fradel, Nino Babani, Darren (Rooster) Rostek, John Papoulias, Max De Felicibus (missing) Management: Dennis Petalas & Joey Mey (Man Managers) / Kylie Ojeda (Paperwork Manager)











Always With You







































































