

Magpies Junior Football Club



2018 Presentation

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COACHES AND MANAGERS

Auskick Rookie	Geoff Love, Grace Love and Sheridan Lockerbie
Under 8 Black	Nigel Brown and Kirsten Brown
Under 8 White	Ben Turnbull
Under 9 Black	Martin Roos and Nathan Brownell
Under 9 White	Paul Netting, Josh Clifford and Stuart Dunn
Under 10 White	Simone Xirakis and Glenn Staff
Under 10 Girls	Shae Krushka, Maggie Gorham, Mark Lockerbie
Under 11 Mixed	Steve miller and Andrew Churches
Under 12 Mixed	Paul Raadts, Craig Itter and Mark Sawade
Under 12 Girls	Brendan Read, Tash McKay and Bernie Williams
Under 13 mixed	Anthony Monaghan and Pat Minall
Under 15 Boys	Rickie Dolliver and Davis Heins
Under 15 Girls	Amber Allen and Tracey Weston
Under 17 Boys	Jeremy Foster and Emma Simpson
Under 18 Girls	Lisa Kennedy and Simone Xirakis

The Magpies Junior Football Club would like to thank all the people that volunteered their time to make the 2018 season happen



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Magpies Junior Football Club has again had a very successful and enjoyable season in 2018. We saw continued success in terms of growth in participation and skill improvement with our Youth Girls program, with all three competitive age groups making grand finals, the Under 12s and Under 15s winning their respective competitions and our Under 18s going down in fiercely contested very close game. Our competitive age groups all made finals again this season, with our Under 12s Mixed going back to back, and our Under 17's making the Grand Final with a team we had to piece together each week and that we envisaged would be more suitable for the Under 16's.

The most pleasing aspect this year for the Club has been the continual positive feedback from other Clubs about the way in which our teams play great competitive football and more importantly, display outstanding sportsmanship and respect for their opposition, umpires and coaches and managers. As a Club we should be proud that we have worked hard to create an inclusive and family-oriented environment for our players and families. Smiles on faces is a great indicator of success.

Our committee continues to go above and beyond, as do our many regular volunteers. There are too many to name, but on behalf of the whole Club a massive Thank You to those that give up watching their children play to make sure that our Club runs smoothly, and so that we can run a canteen that provides a service to the supporters and raises valuable funds for the Club to support our annual budget. These people do not do this for thanks, but their time and efforts should be applauded and we hope to get more support for them next year so we can share more of the burden around.

I would also like to thank our Life Members, who support us in many ways and who have made this Club the great community group that it is today.

I also want to thank our fantastic sponsors: Ginninderry, Rebel Sport, Affinity Electrical, Freedom Facilities Management, Belconnen Picture Framing, Magpies Sports Club and Mr Pieman. Their support has been invaluable this season so Thank You. A late special thanks to the Raiders club for giving us a last minute venue for the Presentation Day. The new sports club, The Brindabella is now open up at the Belconnen Golf Course with a new food and beverage offering so we encourage you to support them as our major sponsor with your patronage over the summer if you get the opportunity.

This coming year we are celebrating our 50 years of football in the Belconnen district and we would like to focus on developing the AFL brand further in the Belconnen area. To ensure longevity we will look forward to a closer working relationship with both the Senior Club and the Cats Juniors going forward.

Thanks to all the players, coaches and managers, volunteers and parents for supporting the club and your children to play our great game. Next season as part of our 50 years of footy in Belconnen celebrations we want to recruit strongly and come back in 2019 with more players and volunteers to begin the next 50 years in style!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW PLAYERS FOR 2018

Under 8s to U10s

William Bardsley, Piper Barrow, Nathan Brown, Zac Callinan,
Harmehar Cheema, Harry Cook, Remy Davis, Kaitlyn Dawson,
Blayze Dobson, Ryan Dunn, Poppy Edwards,
Jack Fitzpatrick, Harrison Foster, Alex Fraszczak, Zachary Gallway,
Max Gillespie, Marcus Gonsalves, Thomas Griffin, Tulli Hansen,
Matthew Howes, Lily Hughes, Rohan Imhoff, Emily Jackson,
Leo Landon, Jordan Mansfield, Lachie Mansfield, Lucas Mayberry,
Bronte Naughton, Owen Netting, Noah O'Brien, Coby Ogilvie,
Nakita Payne, Christopher Penfold, Chloe Pietrukowski, Isabella Pole,
Hayden Raymond, Alyssa Ruitenbergh, Edward Sansom,
Luca Saunders, Toby Schumacher, Fergus Shea,
Charlie Shields, Cooper Smith, Finn Starczewski, Kobi Starczewski,
Henry Thompson, Connor Turnbull, Ethan Wallensky, Ross Wilkinson,
Hannah Williams, Adeline Wittchen, Arwen Wittchen

Under 11s to U18s

Baden Arellano-Gerrard, Maddison Bailey, Diana Bartulovic,
James Berryman, Remy Booth, Montana Boyle, Abbey Britten,
Mitchell Foster, Lachlan French, Samuel Griffin, Nicholas Hanily,
Connor Hanley, Maija Havu, Maxwell Hennessey,
Paige Jagoe-Shaw, Arabella Johnson, Alisha Jones,
Nuthpravee Khaenram, Ethan Lawewnce, Zachary Liversidge,
Lachlan Martius, Harrison McDermott, Lukas McDermott, Henry McDevitt,
Thomas McInnes, Mackinley Miller, Ryan Murphy, Liam Muray,
Asher Naughton, Brayden Noonan, Lillian Paull, Tom Penyu,
Naomi Pisciotta, Jack Read, Isabella Rees, Harry Ryan-Baker,
Hunter Sanderson, McNeill Sherwin, Sophia Sutherland,
William Thomas, Jed Turner, Brady van Zomeren, Mikayla von Renouard,
Ahsleigh Wallis, Christian Walsh, Scarlett Wells, Coper Wilkinson,
Ainslie Winefield, Ella Woodward

2018 GAME MILESTONES

25 GAMES

Abdol Abuoi, Malua Aleer, Nicholas Ayton, Saverio, Barbaro, Deidi Chiswell, William Duff, Paterson Dwyer, William Dyer, Bridget Fisher, Hannah Fitzpatrick, Casey Jade Gibson, Katarina Heffernan, Bella Hiskin, Sarah Kelly, Jordan Lampard, James Mansfield, Emily Martin, Audrey McCombie, Oli McGready, Summer McKay, Henry Michael McKenzie-McHarg, Darcy Menzel, Annabelle Mickelson, Torkieah Miller, Jacob Moore, Ruby Muller, Tyler Nisbet, Frankie Read, Ronnie Read, William Russell, Mieke Schmidt

50 GAMES

Matthew Brown, Alexander Churches, Lachlan French, William Laurent, Daniel Martin, Samuel McCann, William O'Brien, Bryce Ogilvie, Tiarne Reid, Lachlan Raadts, Eliza Roberts, Lincoln Rose, Ashlea Weston, Miles White, Riley Xirakis

75 GAMES

Jayden Burleigh, Cameron Hourn, Grace love, Ethan McNevin, Talon Miller, Wilhen Minall, Liam Moroney, Finn O'Brien, Brodie Ruitenburg, Dylan Sim, Connor Thompson, Addison Vincent, Joseph Walker, Jack White, Phebe Xirakis

100 GAMES

Cooper Bell, Piers Flook, Jasper Pryor, Ethan Sawade, Jade Schumacher, Jorja Simpson, Ashlyn Walters

125 GAMES

Michael Fitzpatrick, Calum McCann, Jack Read, John Rees Declan Sim, Sam Simpson, Luke Taylor

150 GAMES

Leigh McKay, Jesse James Monaghan

175 GAMES

Toby Kidney

200 GAMES

Thomas Simpson, Oscar Xirakis, Thomas Evans

2018 TEAM AWARDS

Under 8 Black

Best & Fairest Player	Nathan Brown
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Coby Ogilvie
Most Consistent	Charlie Shields
Most Improved	William Bardsley
Coach's Award	Finn Starczewski

Under 8 White

Best & Fairest Player	Isaac Turnbull
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Samuel Morris
Most Consistent	Jordan Mansfield
Most Improved	Leo Langdon
Coach's Award	Harry Cook

Under 9 Black

Best & Fairest Player	Nathan Wiencke
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	William Simpson
Most Consistent	Elijah Brownell
Most Improved	Torkieah Miller
Coach's Award	Max Mattiske

Under 9 White

Best & Fairest Player	Rohan Imhoff
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Lucan Clifford
Most Consistent	Connor Turnbull
Most Improved	Lilly Hughes
Coach's Award	Henry Thompson

Under 10

Best & Fairest Player	Darcy Menzel
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Jesse Weston
Most Consistent	Nicholas Ayton
Most Improved	Tom Griffin
Coach's Award	Jordan Lampard

2018 TEAM AWARDS

Under 10 Girls

Best & Fairest Player	Jesse Weston
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Layla Raadts
Most Consistent	Ashley Lockerbie
Most Improved	Remy Davis
Coach's Award	Hannah Williams

Under 11 Black

Best & Fairest Player	Sam Simpson
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Dylan Sim
Most Consistent	Riley Xirakis
Most Improved	Paterson Dwyer
Coach's Award	William Simpson

Under 11 White

Best & Fairest Player	Alexander Churches
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Oliver Shaw
Most Consistent	Talon Miller
Most Improved	William Dyer
Coach's Award	James Mansfield

Under 12

Best & Fairest Player	Jacob Holgate
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Brodie Ruitenberg
Most Consistent	Cooper Bell
Most Improved	Mackenzie Francis
Coach's Award	Will O'Brien
Best in Finals	Brodie Ruitenburg

Under 12 Girls

Best & Fairest Player	Emily Martin
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Isla Weinke
Most Consistent	Annabelle Mickelson
Most Improved	Luka Hiskins
Coach's Award	Summer McKay
Best in Finals	Lilian Paul

2018 TEAM AWARDS

Under 13

Best & Fairest Player	Calum McCann
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Casey McNevin
Most Consistent	Wilhem Minall
Most Improved	Finn O'Brien
Coach's Award	Samuel Griffin
Best in Finals	Charlie Gough

Under 15

Best & Fairest Player	Connor Thompson
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Lucah Conlan
Most Consistent	Saxon Heins
Most Improved	Harrison Francis
Coach's Award	Addison Vincent

Under 15 Girls

Best & Fairest Player	Heidi Chiswell
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Jorja Simpson
Most Consistent	Eliza Roberts
Most Improved	Naomi Pisciotta
Coach's Award	Ashlea Weston
Best in Finals	Phoebe Xirakis

Under 17

Best & Fairest Player	Thomas Simpson
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Jack White
Most Consistent	Benjamin Taylor
Most Improved	William Russell
Coach's Award	Jack Read
Best in Finals	Jordan Jones

Under 18 Girls (Rising Stars)

Best & Fairest Player	Adol Abuoi
Runner-up to Best & Fairest	Emily Pease
Most Consistent	Ruby Giampaolo
Most Improved	Bella Rees
Coach's Award	Phoebe Xirakis
Best in Finals	Emily Pease

2018 CLUB AWARDS

Best Clubman—Under 8-11	Talon Miller/Alexander Churches
Best Clubman—Under 12-18	Jorja Simpson
Best Club Team—Under 8-11	U10s Mixed
Best Club Team—Under 12-18	Under 17 Boys
Most Improved Club Team	Under 10 Girls
Manager of the Year	Tracy Weston /Pat Minall
Coach of the Year	Paul Netting
Kelvin Ryan Memorial Award	Lincoln Rose
WCFC Encouragement Award	Adol Abuoi
TREZEL Outstanding Achievement	Ellie Hicks
Sonja Vaughan Volunteer Award	Joy Dunn
President's Award	Weston Family

2018 AFL CANBERRA AWARD WINNERS

Under 11 Top Goal Licker	Liam Moroney
Under 12 League Runner-up	Brodie Ruitenburg
Under 17 League Best & Fairest	Thomas Simpson

Future Stars Team of the Year

Youth Girls — Maggie Gorham (Captain), Emily Pease, Tiarne Reid, Ruby Giampaolo, Adol Aboui, Ellie Hicks, Ciel Georgevski

Boys — Max Monaghan, Thomas Simpson

2018 AFL CANBERRA PREMIERS

UNDER 12s Mixed

UNDER 12's Girls

UNDER 15's Girls

Congratulations to all award winners

2018 REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

ACT Representative Players

Declan Sim	Brodie Ruitenburg	Heidie Chiswell
Ashlyn Walters	Mikaya von Renouard	Phoebe Xirakis
Eliza Roberts	Grace Love	Chelsey Moroney
Jorja Simpson	Annie Winefield	Bella Hiskins
Leigh McKay	Elijah Witchalls	Tom Itter

NSW/ACT Under 16s RAMS

Max Monaghan

NSW/ACT Under 18s RAMS

Ellie Hicks



UNDER 8s REPORT

Congratulations to the U8s team on an exciting first season. Both teams have been a pleasure to coach and we have enjoyed getting to know them all.

Since that first training session and game their determination and skill level has grown. Their teamwork and sportsmanship has been awesome to watch and all parents should be feeling very proud of their child/children.

Definitely one of the highlights of the season were the teams getting the chance to run out on Manuka Oval at half time for GWS and Crows. The boys were all so excited and did the Magpies Club proud.

Lastly thank you to everyone who has supported the teams, to setting up and packing up the ground, umpiring, goal umpiring, taking photos, supplying oranges and lollies, being a cheer squad and getting their child/children to training. The season ran smoothly due to your assistance, so we thank you!

Ben and Nige have felt very privileged to coach these teams and can't wait for season 2019



UNDER 9s REPORT

Magpies Under 9s whites and blacks teamed up at the start of year for joint trainings and activities which was a great initiative for us to be able to form a larger tight group that had a really enjoyable year. We had great support at training with many parents involved which allowed us to train with a wide variety of drills, games, obstacle courses, game like scenarios, as well as games against each other at training. We had consistent high numbers at training which gave us great opportunity to teach kids various skills which then saw amazing improvement across the board with our group, particularly with our new players.

Game day we had fantastic results with both teams performing very well against their respective opponents. The most pleasing aspect of this was the growth we saw as we increased the size of the fields and also trialled two zones instead of three including our own game in the holidays on a Sunday. This all led to improved positioning by the kids, longer and repeated leads, greater movement of the ball around the ground and most importantly great teamwork and team unity.

Our Managers Nathan and Skip (Stuart) gave us fantastic support so thank you for your efforts, also to those who supported them, helped at training and at games umpiring etc. Special thanks to Symon Badenoch former 1st grade Captain who only missed a couple of trainings all year and was a great help in all aspects of training but in particular teaching kids about game like situations, and challenging them with greater skill development.

We loved our coaching this year, so great to see so many smiling faces of kids keen to learn and improve which was very rewarding to us as coaches. Hopefully we can keep this group together (and any new players) for many years to come and keep building on what we have achieved so far. Parents, your support has been fantastic, your involvement provides so much development, hopefully you can keep building on these skills and enjoyment at home too.

Regards **Mardo & Netto** (Martin Roos & Paul Netting)

UNDER 10s MIXED REPORT

The U10 Magpies team was a very different team to the U9 team from the year before, with a number of younger players deciding to play another season with U9 and a few players wanting to move up an age group to U11. As a result, half the team was recruited with new players, many never having played aussie rule before, and some never having kicked a football before.

After the first few games of the season, it was apparent that the team had to work on their contested ball. Training drills on competing for the ball become a real focus and the improvement throughout the season was massive.

The U10 Magpies season did not have a lot of wins, with many of the losses being very close, but the wins they did have were certainly celebrated with great enthusiasm.

All players from the U10 Magpies team should be congratulated for their effort, commitment and improvement to their skills throughout the season.

UNDER 10s GIRLS REPORT

The Under 10s Girls were amazing this year, with 25 registered with us this season, we were bound to have a big year of trainings, goals, fun and more goals! The girls quickly got to know each other and quickly learned the game of AFL and how it could be more than just a game but rather a way of making new friends, learning life skills and kicking a ball along the way. By the end of the season the girls learned that AFL is very much a team sport and you can't do much without your teammates! These girls were some of the best sports we have ever seen and really hope each and every one of them continue to play in the coming years!

A massive thank you to Mark Lockerbie for helping us so much throughout the season!

Maggie Gorham and Shae Krushka

UNDER 11 BLACK REPORT

What a fantastic season for Under 11s Black! We were fortunate to have some new players to the game come in to the team showing some amazing talent and developing their skills to become amazing footballers.

Over the season Magpies Black showed great improvement in their ball movement through development of their kicking skills and game awareness. What was even better to see was the great teamwork that these awesome players showed, every single week. Even when things did not go their way, they still played each game with the Magpies spirit of never giving up.

A big Thanks to the Cats who provided players for us each week so we were not short and also to those Magpies who played in our team as well as others, ensuring we had numbers each week.

The Under 11s competition this season was pretty even – many of the games were tightly contested across this age group. Congratulations on making the prelim finals and on a successful season all round.

UNDER 11 WHITE REPORT

This year, the U11's white team's focus was one of growth, leadership, inclusiveness and enjoyment; which resulted in a brand of football that was both exciting to play and watch. It also provided a fun training environment that allowed many non AFL players to try, appreciate, then develop their AFL skills. Close games were a staple for the year, with about half the games coming down to a kick (particularly wins in the last 3 games against top sides to make the finals). Still the most pleasing aspect of the season was the attitude and behaviour of the players, who never let any injustice or bad luck bother them; something noted by opposition coaches who often commented on how they played the game in the right spirit, making it fun for all involved. They have done the Belconnen Magpies Club proud, increasing our standing in the footballing community.

Alex Churches – Skilful in the air, covers ground, dominant goal kicking CHB and tap ruckmen.

Cade Griffiths – Impressive straight line running at the ball, winning it and feeding teammates.

Cooper Wilkinson – Consistently wins the contest; injury cruelled his season, & setback ours.

Daniel Martin – Very smart footballer and great at reading the play, always delivers under pressure.

Henry McDevitt – New to AFL joining halfway through the season; learned quickly & took game on.

James Mansfield – A team leader with immaculate kicking skills who is also strong in the air.

Joshua Lockerbie – Our tall forward marking option who regularly kicked multiple goals a game.

Lachlan Kershaw – Outside midfielder who wins the ball on the inside, creates lots of opportunities

Liam Moroney – Very talented player. Won League goal kicking despite the opposition targeting him.

Lukas Mcdermott – Developing ruckman, now imposing himself on the game. Great in congestion.

Luke Lampard – Injured for first half of year, he returned to win crucial contests at key moments.

Luke Wallensky – Our player of the finals. Run & carry winger who was often our last line of defence.

McNeill Sherwin – Strong, courageous & dependable; breaks open packs and wins the hard ball.

Noah Harvey – Learning the game but still finds a way to win the ball. Loves the contest.

Oliver Shaw – Top 5 league B&F and Goal Kicker, anticipates the play to win the next contest.

Osirus Henschke – Ultra consistent “Eddie’s recruit” who made fullback his own, saving many games.

Piper Barrow – The rookie, whose first kick was a goal. Fearless, never shying away from a contest.

Talon Miller – Strong tackling in under player, with unique ability to read & win the ball off the ruck.

William Dyer – Mr versatile! A key forward, key back, ruck, wing; he played & won all these positions

Isla Wiencke – An inspiration: through her hardball gets, tackling and pressure acts.

Nicholas Ayton – Filled in from the U10's & played a key role for the team. Wins his own ball.

Torkieah Miller- U9s top up player, who regularly beat her opponent. Strong tackler.

Darcy Menzel – U10s top up player, won a crucial contest in our last game to get us into the finals.

Nathan Wiencke – U9s top up player, fitted in seamlessly; gaining many possessions to setup play.

Jordan Lampard – U9s top up player, thrived in the contest with a ferocious attack on the ball.

UNDER 12s REPORT

Well what a year we had 2018 Under 12 PREMIERS!!

I feel very lucky to be the coach of such a fine group of young men. As it was my first year of coaching I feel like I was given the keys to a Ferrari. In saying that, I would like to Thank Craig Itter for his hard work, dedication and years of service for the team and the club. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mick Bell for your guidance and assistance this year we couldn't have done it without you. Mark and Jen Sawade for managing the group, your service was 1st class and I thank you for it. Nathan Moore and David Holgate for running duties (I think I made you work harder than the boys). A massive thank you to Joy Dunn for goal umpiring and Miles McCann for Boundary Umpiring. And a special thank you to all the parents for getting the boys to the trainings and all over town to the games, and for providing the oranges and the lollies. I honestly believe the loud support you gave the boys in the last quarter in the Grand Final got us across the line.

To all the boys, I hope you have enjoyed this year as much as I have. We started this journey late last year and have continued to grow and improve all season long to the final siren. All the running, sprints, push-ups and sit-ups paid off. We have worked hard and we deserved to win the flag. Mick and I are proud of each and every one on the commitment and improvements that you have made this year. Our new recruits fitted into the group as if they had all been playing together for years. Well done on your achievements this year, you have done your families, your friends, your club and your coaches very proud.

Looking towards 2019 and the challenges that it will bring is exciting. Again we are the team to beat so the whole competition will be watching us. Mick and I will be asking more of a commitment from you and will be asking for you to “buy in”. We will work hard on strength and conditioning, endurance and skill development. We will be also looking to get more players to be selected for representative football, and to develop players weakness into strengths.

Lastly thank you to my family for your patience and support this year. It has been a challenging and rewarding year for me and I couldn't have done it without you.

Bring on 2019

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UNDER 12 GIRLS REPORT

From the start of the year we had a committed bunch of young footballers that were prepared to invest their time to improve their football skills and knowledge and the improvement that we discovered was just reward for their efforts that they put in. It was common across the year to get 21 of the 23 players at training and everyone committed to getting along and having some fun. The players really responded to the rough stuff at training and I think their favourite drills were definitely the tackling ones. For the club to allow us to train on the Nest gave our girls the space that we needed to develop our craft, to build friendships and to branch out in our drills which was great. We had support from some senior players during the year and I know that the girls got a real boost the week that Amber Allen and her senior players came down or a run with us.

Game day was much the same with the players enjoying the rough and tumble that comes with playing Aussie Rules. I think and I hope that all the parents enjoyed coming along and watching the style of play that the girls were able to develop over the year and I hope that each of you saw some improvement across the year. What I enjoyed the most was the character building efforts that we saw across the year. From what was possibly the coldest day when we played Ainslie at Kippax, when I asked that we don't talk about the cold anymore the girls stopped. (They also all got there early for the photos). To playing on Kangaroo pooh oval at Jerrabomberra where the players hardly whinged once about the oval.

To what was our ultimate show of character when we were well beaten by the Tuggeranong Lions in the 1st Semi. Our girls hit the training session hard that week, we changed up how we wanted to play, we took some confidence from the preliminary final win and obviously ultimately saved our best for last in the Grand Final. During the year we had some girls back up and play under 15's (against QBN) when asked so I think we also have some club focused girls and parents in this team and that is something that makes Tash, Bernie and I very proud.

To that end I would like to thank Natasha McKay for all of her assistance over the year. She went from being a quiet big sister at training to becoming a up and coming coach in her own right. To Bernie Williams I never wanted for anything on game day and your organisation across the year made the job of coaching that much easier. To the helpers like Brock Weston and Greg Taylor helping with the running duties and to the parents that brought oranges, waved flags and gave your support thank you for making the year a lot of fun.

To the club thank you for allowing me to coach, I really enjoyed the experience of coaching junior football. To Tim Xirakis, Emma Simpson and the committee for the smooth running of the season thank you for the assistance that you gave our team from opening the gates and having pads on the goal posts it worked really well and the team as a whole I am sure would appreciate that. To the under 15's well done on your success and to the 18's girls I am glad a fair few of our girls stuck around to watch the gutsiest performance of the year we witnessed in your GF. It was an effort that I haven't witnessed too often in local footy and you should rightly be very proud of your year it was an amazing effort.

On presentation day we applaud the individuals that across the year played big parts in the team, but while doing that we won't forget that this group was a great team in its own right. From our youngest to oldest or shortest to tallest I think that they gave as much as they could and that is why I'd like to think of 2018 season as a success for the under 12 girls.

UNDER 13 MIXED REPORT

2018 was both challenging and inspiring for the U13's. A mixed bag of players that despite numerous hurdles never stopped learning, pushing themselves and having fun. The never say die attitude displayed throughout last year continued to impress us all, including opposition Coaches – a trait of this Magpies team!

We had a great start to the year with plenty of W's in the column, however struggled to match that in the second half of the season. This was not due to a lack of endeavour but rather inconsistent attendance at training as a result of low numbers and several injuries. A huge thank you to the U12 boys and eligible girls who doubled up each week to contribute to the team. Pat and I were very proud of the team and how they conducted themselves, win or lose. There is a great team bond evident and this was displayed out on the footy field with a willingness to back up and support team mates.

It was a pleasure to coach each and every player. They are a credit to their families and to the club.

UNDER 15 REPORT

Season 2018 started well with a 10 goal win against cross town rivals The Cats, followed by a 25 point win against The Lions and a massive 149 point win against The Jets. Round 6 brought our first defeat at the hands of a much-improved Ainslie team by 32 points. The following week we bounced back with a 133 point win against The Hawks. At the halfway mark it was obvious that the top four teams, Magpies, Ainslie, Queanbeyan and Eastlake were a cut above the rest of the competition and had cleared out on the rest of the competition.

We were playing good footy most weeks with our **team** footy a highlight. Our allover improvement during this season has been quite dramatic across the board, although we do lack size we have a great group of men committed to returning and continuing to strive for improvement. Maybe 2019 we can take more steps to try to turn the tables on our arch rivals Queanbeyan who beat us convincingly in the Preliminary Final and went on to win the competition for a fourth straight year.

I would like to say a special Thank You to my Assistant Coach Joe White and Team Manager David Heins. All our Parents and others that volunteered for jobs on the day throughout the season. Lastly a big thanks to my wife Shelley for her help and understanding throughout the year. **Rickie Dolliver**

UNDER 15 GIRLS REPORT

Well what a year we have had. Honestly, when I first turned up to training by myself with the thought of coaching 35 teenage girls I wasn't sure what I was going to be in for. But by the end of the season, I was happy I had put my hand up to coach. We started off our season well, winning our first game by a significant margin. I remember talking to Jodie after the game about how much raw talent was in this side and how excited we were to be a part of this team.

Our season ran smoothly, and the talent in our team was recognised with 10 girls being selected for the u15's ACT team. It was great to see those girls come back willing to share their newfound knowledge with the team after competing against the best players in Australia. Throughout the rest of the season, the girls grew as a team and from that we ended up finishing off the year with a well deserved premiership. Their focus, respect and commitment to developing is what got them there in the end.

I'd like to thank all the parents for taking the girls to and from trainings/games, volunteering your time on game day and supporting the girls on and off the field. To Tracy, thank you for all your help this year getting myself, Jodie, and the team organised, we were lucky to have such a great manager! To Jodie, it was great to have a GWS AFLW player as an Assistant Coach. You have shown that you make a massive impact both on and off the field. And to the girls, it's been a pleasure to coach and see you all develop as players. Both myself and Jodie couldn't be more proud of you.

Amber



UNDER 17s REPORT

The season started in February, with the merger of two clubs, and players from approximately four age groups. The majority of the players hadn't played together before and by the end of the season had played 2 games most weekend in the Rising Stars and then in the u17s in the afternoon. Players soon found the importance of recovery and preparation for games and a huge thank you to Emma our team manager who ensured that they all were as ready and prepared to play. In addition to this, having only 4 of the 14 games at home, we were on the road most of the year, the year was tough. This was eased by great assistance from Greg Taylor, Joey Piscotta and Will McInness, taking trainings while I was on shift and on game day running the bench, being runner and assistant - it was a great team effort. Thank you.

The lads took the challenge of multiple games head on and played 100 % week in and week out, with their skills improving greatly over the course of the year and the team bond growing, and by the end of the year, you would have never known they hadn't played together at the start.

The team had a few injuries that came at the wrong time of the season, but to their credit each player was at every game helping where they could and ensuring they were there for their team mates. This makes the team stronger and with their never say die attitude they will continue to challenge the competition in their own style, a true credit to all players who were part of the season and something I hope to see continue into their footy careers with the senior club.

The end to the season was disappointing for all, but from this generates more determination and willingness to challenge oneself and each other to get the goal they all desire. I am really proud of all the lads' effort and commitment throughout the year and hope they all continue together as together they will be a force to reckon with.

UNDER 18s YOUTH GIRLS REPORT

U18 Youth girls had a fantastic season despite the challenges they faced weekly. With many players playing multiple games prior to the U18 time slot resulting in niggles at various times throughout the season. The girls were able to pull together at the last moment each week, play a solid team game and showcase incredible talent and composure under times of pressure. Despite some large score lines in our favour, the girls effort did not waiver. They performed consistently, and in the true spirit of the game. After an incredible season, it was heartbreaking to not walk away with the cup, however I truly believe this team is one to watch for the future.

Kenno

A big Thankyou must go to all the under 15 girls that filled in throughout the season and to Troy and his coaching group from the senior club that had our u18s train with them all year. The support from the senior women's group and tireless efforts from Grinda and Dermott certainly allowed our girls to be the best they could be.

A massive Thank You to Simone Xirakis who managed our team brilliantly and organised all our parents and others to fill various roles on game day. Simone was exceptional in handling all challenges she was presented with every week. She is a massive asset to our club.

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To our loyal and devoted Committee: we do what we do because seeing happy, healthy children makes it all worthwhile.

And finally to the Magpies Sports Club, our sponsors, patrons and players, who support and contribute to the juniors throughout the year, your time and effort are very much appreciated.

See you all next year.



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