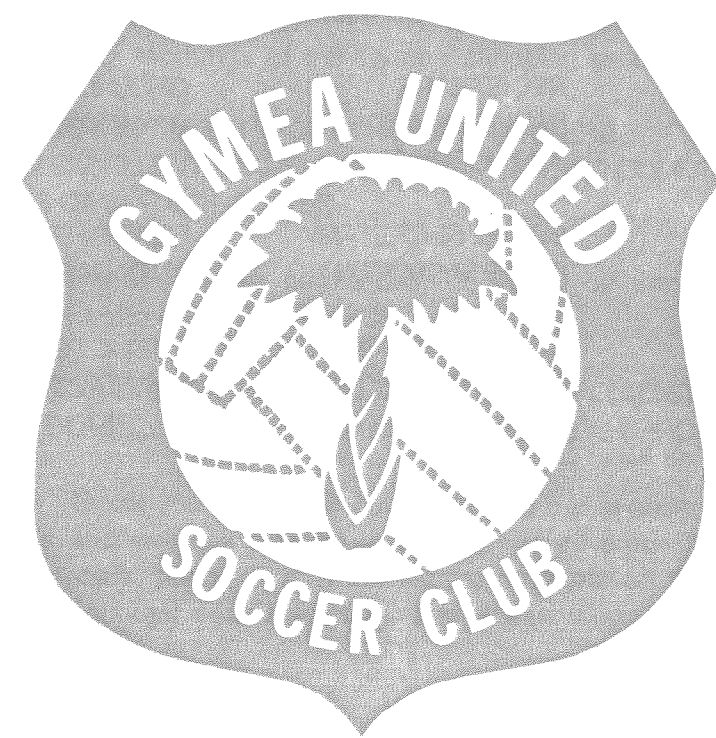


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PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1992

The year has certainly been an eventful one with the commencement of the new hall and toilet facilities, the inconvenience that this caused together with the expected loss of revenue with removal of the old hall. This loss of revenue was foreseen by your Committee and many thanks must be given to the following for their "above the call of duty" assistance.

B.B.Q. HARRY JOHNSTON, RAY DENNIS AND LOU McCROHON

MEAT TRAY RAFFLES SUZY HASHAM, JAN DENNIS, KERRY CHATTO, JUNE BRACK and all the ticket sellers who gave up their time.

WET BAR ORGANISERS DAVID BIRCH, HARRY JOHNSTON AND TERRY HIBBINS, a tremendous contribution considering the lack of facilities.

THE "GIANTS" GUESSING COMPETITION DARRYL CLARK and all the boys and girls who sold tickets on Saturday mornings in the Gynea shopping centre and at Miranda.

TO THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND COACHES & MANAGERS
THANK YOU ALL FOR AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE CHILDREN AND PLAYERS OF OUR GREAT CLUB.

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TO EVERYONE ELSE Thank you for YOUR contribution to the season. We hope you have enjoyed yourselves and we look forward to seeing you all again next year. (Maybe you may even consider taking one of the vacant positions on the Management Committee. If so, please contact your Secretary, Mrs Eileen Ward.)

Rob Glass

CANTEEN REPORT

Due to the economic climate and lack of our hall facilities on Sundays this year's canteen takings were down on last year. Nevertheless, and under the circumstances, profits were reasonable. Parents, players, wives and girlfriends all did their bit in manning the canteen when their teams were on duty to help make another successful season.

Many thanks to Rob Glass for providing improved facilities at the start of the season. I am sure all will agree it is much easier for all involved. Also special thanks to Harry Johnston and Terry Hibbins who carried out modifications and repairs during the season.

To my regular helpers, Kerry, Suzy and June, my continued thanks. It was also great to see a couple of prospective supervisors offering their services this year. Keep up the enthusiasm - it can be great fun of a weekend.

To the Sunday teams - what more can I say but thankyou for the friendship and fun we often had and a special thankyou to Pat Johnston who was there most Sunday afternoons to help me clean up.

Jan Dennis

GROUND CONTROL

With the season over I guess I will miss the early morning starts on Saturdays and Sundays to oversee the preparation of the grounds.

All teams performed their ground control duties satisfactorily with some starters a little keener than others. Matt Hayes just retained his line marking championship title after a number of challenges throughout the year.

With the hall unavailable this season it was difficult to keep spectators around on Sundays to support other teams. At the suggestion of the AL9's we began a regular barbeque and refreshment barrel. The AL9's supported the facilities regularly and, by the end of the season, a number of teams were either staying on or coming back after their games to support the club and other teams playing.

Many thanks to Geoff and Lou McCrohon and Harry Johnston who did most of the work in providing these facilities. Special thanks to Gordon Tench, Terry Enright and Peter Kennedy who helped me mark out the fields at the start of the season - a fiddly job and no fun when the machine kept clogging up.

To those members who manned the ground control office during the week and controlled the issue and return of training aids - well done. Unfortunately we did not start early enough in the season and most of the training balls disappeared before we started.

Finally, to the club referees many thanks. The boys did a great job on Saturdays on No. 2 field while seniors were often required to travel all over the Shire to ensure club games were covered.

With the clubhouse back in action and a hopeful improvement in the condition of the ground next year promises to be a good year. Good luck

Ray Dennis

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Coach: Marc Hasham

Manager: Belinda Teal

ADAM BOYD
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KRISTOPHER FOGDEN
KURT JONES
MATTHEW PENFOLD

DAVID RENTON
JARED TASKER
KIRA TEAL
BRENDON TYRELL

This season for the 6T's got off to a great start with the team having 3 draws.. A bit of bad luck set in for the next few weeks, however a lot of team work picked up our game and brought us home with some exhilarating wins. First we had Kurt, our little goalkeeper, helping us out when we had hard matches. Matthew, our fastest player, showed us all his skill and speed throughout the season whilst Brendon was our little engine runner who didn't stop for a minute when he was on. Jared gave all his effort into every game and was a great contributor to the side. Chris was one of our best tacklers who gave 110% every Saturday. A great player who loves his soccer. Adam was our fullback who saved at least 5-6 goals every game. Adam was there to save every goal possible and, in the future, every goalkeeper will feel safe to have him as a fullback. Kira played well every game giving her best performance and earning every bit of her McDonald's award, whilst Robert, an allrounder (goalkeeper and goal shooter) had a smile on his face no matter what the conditions. Last, but not least, was David who showed his talents with goal-keeping and speed. David was our leading goal scorer with a tally of 24 goals. Well done, it was an honour to coach you and I hope to see you all again next season.

TEAM: 6Q

Coach: Warren Riley

Manager: Don Parker

JOHN ADIS
MICHAEL DAWSON
NATHAN GRANT
CHRIS HAMILTON
RYAN MILLARD

RYAN MURPHY
RYAN NEALE
HAYDEN PARKER
LUKE RILEY

What an enjoyable season. It was terrific to see the boys' skills develop over the time. There were so many exciting moments in some heart-stopping matches that all involved, parents, well wishers and especially the boys were hoping the games would go on and on. What a dynamic group. The tough up-front teaming of John Adis, Ryan Neale, Luke Riley and the gifted Nathan Grant were always dangerous. The midfield area was mined with strength. Hayden Parker, Ryan Murphy, Chris Hamilton and Ryan Millard all put in their best effort and, just in case it broke through, there was the everpresent awesome figure of Michael Dawson at fullback.

Thanks boys for making Saturday morning something to look forward to.

TEAM: 60

Coach: David Parton

Manager: John Walker

JASON DAVIDSON
BRENDAN DRUCE
MITCHELL ELLIOTT
DAVID JEDRZEJCZYK
JEROME LEBREUX

ANDREW MILNER
MITCHELL PARTON
JAMES TYRRELL
JOSHUA WALKER

For a mixed group of first time players and second time seasoned veterans all the team joined in well together, not only had a good time themselves but provided ample entertainment for all present. Both David and John would like to thank the players and parents for their help and support during the season. Hope to see everyone return next year.

TEAM: 7S

Coach: Jim Johnson

Manager: Lynn Mudie

ADAM ALLBON
JOSHUA DAVISON
RYAN JOHNSON
DAVID LITTLE
NEIL MUDIE

LUKE RASBORSEK
DAMON ROBBINS
WESLEY ROSE
LIAM WYATT

Well the boys seemed to enjoy their soccer very much. The parents were eager and enjoyed the soccer as well. This made it a very pleasant season. Well done Mums and Dads. Thank you for your efforts in the canteen and on ground control during the season. We hope to see all those eager faces back again next year. The boys should go on to bigger and better games as they all improve. Thank you all for making my job as manager easier with everyone co-operating.

TEAM: 70

Coach: Laurie Etherington

Manager: Sharon Grant

WAYNE BOCHKAREFF
LACHLAN BRUCE
ROBERT DI GIULIO
JOEL ETHERINGTON
SIMON GRANT

ADAM NOY
LINDSAY OLSEN
PAUL SWAN
LUKE WILLIAMS

A very strong team which suffered only one loss, on a bad day. Also basically the same team which won Caringbah Rangers Gala Day U7 Knock-out Competition.

TEAM: 7N

Coach: Mark Cameron

Manager: Elizabeth Blackburn

MAGNUS AGREN
JAMES AUSTEN
SIMON BLACKBURN
BRETT CAMERON
CHRIS COUPE

LUKE DELLASANTA
SCOTT DOOLEY
CAMERON SMITH
BENJAMIN TRELOAR

The boys fitted together well as a team putting in strong performances every week. Everyone was keen from the start.

It was James, Magnus and Brett's first season of soccer and they learnt the skills very quickly and tried all the time. James was a little "dynamo" in defence and Brett and Magnus fitting in well in midfield. Simon, Ben, Chris and Scott all played together last year and again showed great attitude and understanding of the game. Simon and Chris scored a heap of goals between them and Scott and Ben defended well both on the field and in goals. Luke and Cameron settled into the team well, Luke being a consistent worker all year and Cameron being a great improver. The boys enjoyed the season and will all be back next year. Enjoy the off season and see you on registration day.

TEAM: 8M

Coach: Gordon Tench

Manager: Anne Wright

GLEN BARKER
DAMIEN DAVIDSON
LUKE ELLIOTT
ADAM FLEMING
PAUL McMAHON

DANIEL ROGERS
BRADLEY SUTHERLAND
BEN TENCH
DANE THATCHER

The boys displayed great sportsmanship: win, lose or draw and were held in high esteem by the opposition. They performed well, sharing defence, attack and goalkeeping positions as well as the captaincy. Excellent teamwork and individual skills with determination resulted in 10 wins and 2 draws from 17 matches, scoring 31 goals in the process whilst conceding only 19 goals. Our goalscorers of Luke, Damien, Daniel, Dane and Adam were ably supported by Glen, Paul, Brad and Ben. All in all a great team performance. The highlight of the season was the dramatic fightback against Loftus in the first round. Unlucky to be down 0-3 at half-time Gynea fought back to eventually run out winners 4-3. The team were worthy winners.

I look forward to seeing all boys back next year.

TEAM: 8O

Coach: John Wernej

Manager: Lesley Langley

DANIEL DARRIETTA
BRETT DUTTON
JULIAN FROOD
RYAN GIBSON
OWEN LANGLEY

CHRIS JEDRZEJCZYK
ALLAN MOAR
JOEL PHILLIPS
ROSS WERNEJ

If competition points were to be awarded for enthusiasm, willingness to learn and sportsmanship the 8O's would have been high on the list. Positional play and team confidence improved enormously throughout the season giving rise to a great little team. Each boy displayed different skills. Chris was reliable and kicked the ball hard and fast while Allan was quick on his feet and kept the opposition on their toes. Brett was confident in any position and Julian showed determination and provided support when needed. Joel and Daniel, when on a roll, were unstoppable while Ross, Ryan and Owen made tireless efforts to attack. The team should be commended on their unselfish ball handling. Our appreciation to John Wernej for his time and efforts in coaching the boys. Sincere thanks to the parents who wholeheartedly gave their support. Finally a pat on the back to all the committee members of the Gynea United Soccer Club for all their unseen hard work throughout the season.

TEAM: 8P

Coach: Steve Pyett

Manager: Jenny Kidd

BENJAMIN CLEMENTS
AMORY COLLINS
BLAKE HYLAND
MATTHEW KIDD
SIMON KIRKMAN

JUSTIN MCCARTHY
RHYS PAYNE
DOC PENNY
CAMERON PYETT

A difficult year because of the wide range of ability shown by the boys. Each of the boys was given a chance to play in all positions so as to improve their individual skills and understanding of the game. Sometimes this was at the expense of the final scoreline. The boys exhibited an enthusiasm which carried them through the year. They were always well supported by an involved and vocal cheer squad. All in all the boys should be proud of their achievements and the benefits they gained from the season.

TEAM: 8R

Coach: Carol James

Manager: Dari Hubers

JOHN ANDERSON
KANE CHAFFEY
ROBERT GARDNER
ANDREW GILLEN
JEREMY HUBERS

ALEXANDER JESSEP
KARL JAMES McGRATH
JAMES PURCHASE
GRANT WALKER

The team was comprised of players with very mixed abilities. Whilst they improved a lot in their confidence, knowledge of the game and skills throughout the competition, a few players were still unable to carry out some basic tasks (e.g. throw ins) due to co-ordination problems and limited attention spans. Time and patience will only assist with these problems.

TEAM: 9A

Coach: Matthew Plush

Manager: Lindy Kennedy

DAVID AUSTEN
SCOTT BAKER
DOMINIC DILEO
BLAKE KENNEDY
BRADLEY PLUSH

TIM SUTHERLAND
JOSHUA TENCH
BRETT WHITEMAN
LEE WHITING

The '92 season had its highs and lows for this team of future champions. If shots at goal were counted we would have been on top of the table, however we just couldn't find the back of the net. Although luck never seemed to be with them, to their credit, the boys never gave up and each game was fought hard right to the final whistle. Strikers Tim, Scott and Lee continually pounded the opposition goal while midfielders Joshua and Blake not only ran rings around their defenders but supported our attack and defence tirelessly. Our defence of Brett, Dominic and Brad tackled the opposition attack into submission while the sweeper of all sweepers, David, would make their strikers quiver in their boots as he approached them. Our goalkeepers (the whole team) threw themselves left and right to prevent rocket-like shots from hitting our goal's net.

The boys enjoyed themselves and the action will continue next season.

TEAM: 9D

Coach: Tony Bell

Manager: Ross Smith

MITCHELL BATES
BRENDAN CAIRNS
MARK DI GIULIO
SAM HORGAN
RAYMOND MOAR

SCOTT MOYLE
JILLIAN ROWLANDS
MARTIN SMITH
RYAN SMITH
STEPHANIE WEST

The boys and girls had a long and frustrating season with not many wins under their belts. They came so close so many times but, alas, it was not to be. Despite this disappointment they always fronted up the next week keen and eager to play. I think the team all enjoyed themselves and always showed great sportsmanship. Congratulations to all and good luck for next season.

TEAM: 9F

Coach: Ken Mudie

Manager: Corinne Johnston

JUSTIN ARMSTRONG
KENNETH BLOOD
ALEXANDER BRAWN
ALEXANDER BRUCE
JAMES DOCHERTY

EVAN FACEY
RHYS JOHNSTON
IAIN MUDIE
MATTHEW NOY
GRANT SMITHERS

Although not a winning year for soccer our boys were all winners with a high standard of sportsmanship which came through strongly from our great coach, Ken Mudie, who showed remarkable patience throughout 1992.

With 3 reserves the boys had to come to terms with many half games and this could have been a factor of their inconsistency of play - some brilliant days of soccer and a few very ordinary ones. No-one could tell it was Grant's first year of soccer, he played so well (thanks too to his dad Graham who helped Ken with coaching on many nights). The big kicking of Iain, Evan and Justin combined well with the passing and feinting from Matt, Ken, James and Alex Brawn. Rhys and Alex Bruce spent much of the year as backs, learning the art of defence. All the boys had a go at goals - just to divide the stress level equally among the parents.

Thanks to all the parents who supported the team, coach, manager and club throughout the year - the boys all seem keen to get the boots back on for next year.

TEAM: 10B

Coach: Geoff Duvall

Manager: Margaret Dooley

CLINTON BEATTIE
DANIEL DAVIDSON
ANDREW DOOLEY
MARK GENONI
CHRISTOPHER KEMP
ROBERT LENNON

JUSTIN McCLELLAND
SEAN McGRATH
JONATHAN McINNES
MARK PEREIRA
MARK SANTANGELO
JOSHUA WHITE

This has been a memorable year for both boys and parents of the mighty 10B's. Most of the boys have never tasted semi-final soccer before, let alone play in a demanding Grand Final. On the big day we were unlucky to come up against a very slick, well-drilled North Sutherland team. The boys, along with Adam and Tristan from the 10E's, showed great team spirit and were able to hold their heads high knowing they had done their best. Under the patient guidance and positive encouragement of coach Geoff Duvall the boys learnt much about the game of soccer. Reaching the Grand Final was certainly well deserved and a fitting reward for the dedication and enthusiasm shown by all throughout the year. For the record, from the 18 competition games there were 14 wins, 1 draw and 3 insignificant losses with 63 scintillating goals into the net while conceding 25. By the season's end the team, with the support of assistant coach Warwick Grey, were playing as a very effective unit with a keen forward line, a mobile midfield, rock solid backs and an ever reliable keeper. The team was very fortunate to have an enthusiastic manager who organised, supported and co-ordinated us throughout the year. It was an enjoyable experience to have been associated with such a fine group of parents and players. The boys played in the true GIANT spirit, were a credit to their parents, Gynea United Soccer Club and, most importantly, to themselves. Well done boys. You have brought great credit to yourselves and a lot of pleasure to your supporters.

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TEAM: 10E

Coach: Phil Cross

Manager: Geoff Millard

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TRISTAN PRYOR

A good group of players who tried hard all season. They were a pleasure to coach and manage. All players showed good team spirit and sportsmanship throughout the season. Their 16/26 goals for and against shows that they were a very competitive and difficult side to beat. In fact, the better the opposition the better they played. They were the only team to take a point off the minor premiers in the two rounds. Unfortunately they lost too many games by the one goal scored against the run of play. They could create goal scoring opportunities against any team but too often failed to find the net. Throughout the season every player improved their skills, positional understanding and teamwork. They will all be better players in 1993. Finally, a thankyou to the enthusiastic parent cheer squad who made every game an enjoyable event, win or lose, and whose support made the job of coach and manager an enjoyable experience.

TEAM: 11A

Coach: Peter Sutherland

Manager: John Barker

JOHN ANASIS
LUKE AUSTEN
ROBERT BARKER
GAVIN BATES
TRENT FORD
DREW HURST

IAN LENNON
TRAVIS MOORE
STEPHEN MUSSO
ANDREW ROWLANDS
LEE SUTHERLAND
MATTHEW WHYTE

A good year over all. The boys were initially worried about the transition to 'A' grade, from the lower grades, which cost us the first couple of games. From game three until the end of the season they gained a lot of confidence and started to play to their capabilities. To make the finals the first time in 'A' grade was a big effort. 1993 will see them go one better.

TEAM: 11B

Coach: Terry Enright

Manager: Darryl Clark

STEPHEN ARCHER
MATTHEW BROOKING
MITCHELL CLARK
ALLAN COY
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BENJAMIN WONG

The 1992 season was a good one for the team who finished 5th on the ladder. A great effort after being upgraded two grades from the previous year. The performance was even better than this placing would indicate as the competition was very close throughout the season and a little more luck towards the end would have seen us into the semis. Perhaps the most pleasing aspect though was the unselfish team play from the boys and their support for one another. Well done everyone! An excellent effort and one to build on next year. The thanks of all go to coach Terry Enright for his wholehearted commitment and his enthusiasm, to the parents for their unstinting support, to the 10B's whose members played with great distinction with us on numerous occasions and to our sponsor Rex McDonald. We hope to see you all in '93.

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REECE McMORDIE

SUSAN MORRIS
DANIEL MURPHY
KARL MUZICA
DANIEL PHIPPS
BENJAMIN TURNER
LOUISE WARD

The 1992 season presented our little group with a couple of challenges which, at first, seemed insurmountable but, in the long term, proved to be a challenge which the team took to with relish. We lost a number of key players through retirement and upgrading. However, it soon became apparent that the new kids on the park were quite capable of filling the gaps and keeping the team cohesion going. Once we got the coach's instructions understood and realised that team work happens when we don't give up and keep the concentration going for 50 minutes the team played well and looked good.

Outstanding efforts by Kris Leffler in goals, Daniel Murphy in the midfield, Daniel Phipps at right wing and our team captain Susan Morris. All four deserve a run in a higher grade in '93. Owen Field and Karl Muzica are old hands and look set to make careers out of being solid defensive fullbacks, anything that sneaked past them was generally picked up by Ben Turner who had the speed to cover the sweeper's position and turn defence into attack on many occasions. Aaron Babb, Reece McMordie and Jai Eldridge covered the midfield and generally tidied things up making sure that we always had people filling in spots in both defence and attack. Well played guys. Who can forget the goal that Louise Ward scored. I don't know who got the biggest surprise, Louise or everyone else. I guess persistence pays off. Clint Facey struck terror in the opposition defence all year. A will o' the wisp attacker who seemed to be everywhere at once. A young man with a lion's heart.

Well done team. Our main aim was to have plenty of fun and fun we had. I hope you all come back again next year and keep the team spirit going.

Very many thanks to Stan Muzica and all the folk connected with Muzica Excavations for their sponsorship this year. I hope you get behind the kids again in '93. Remember if you need a hole dug - Stan will do it.

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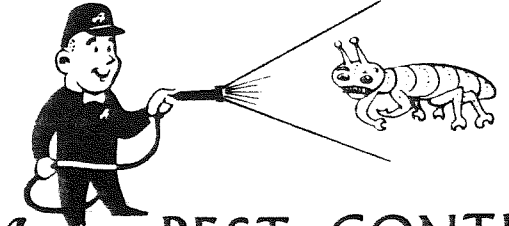
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MICHAEL SKILLICORN

We all thought 'A' grade would be a bit tough but when we put our minds to it we were very competitive. I would have to say that our best performance was against Lilli Pilli in the 2nd round. Lilli Pilli were undefeated and we had 10 men. It took them 'til 2 minutes to go to score the winner but, no doubt, my favourite game of the year was when we beat Como in the 1st round at Gynea. Why couldn't we have played them every week even if Ross might not agree. Then we gave Marton a lesson in the rain at Kingswood Road. We had more injuries that day than the Saints had wins this year Ha! Ha! That day really showed the guts and determination a good side has but guys, we must have a go at training and maybe we would have been more consistent but you did prove you were up to 'A' grade and it will only get better if you work consistently at training. A big thankyou to Lorraine Bell, also thanks to Peter Kennedy and everyone else who gave me a hand throughout the year.





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MICHAEL WERNEJ
BRADLEY WEST

Considering that the team was promoted to a higher division in 1992 the boys can feel proud of the overall results. The team was placed 5th at the end of the season and with a greater consistency and a little more luck could have qualified for the semi finals. The boys were always competitive against the leading teams and gained the respect of all their opponents BUT the games we thought were "certs" often were lost due.....
The team was, unfortunately, always short of players and this position became even more desperate when Travis Jenkins returned to Perth during the latter part of the season. The 11B's, in particular, were very helpful in supplying us with players when in need. Thanks guys!! Now to the players - Robbo was a great performer in goals. The full backs were always dependable - Scott Murray showing great skills, Michael Opperman steady under pressure with a 'huge' kick and Michael Wernej always displaying a wonderful sense of anticipation. The halves developed a sound combination with their forwards. Adam Spooner continually set up his supports, Matthew Hamilton was the everywhere man (can he read a game?) and Bradley West was always an inspiration to his fellow players with his 'never-say-die' attitude. The forwards, on their day, were unstoppable. Travis Jenkins was always dangerous in attack, Russell Price developed into our main striker, Scott Pithers scored some brilliant goals and Romolo DiGiulio never stopped trying in both attack and defence. Well done boys and best of luck in 1993.

TEAM: 12D

Coach: Tony Wenham

Manager: Bruce Dawes

Skills Coach: Mick Carruthers

PAUL ANTHONY
TIMOTHY BOURKE
SHANE DAWES
IAN HACKER
GLENN HUCKER
MARC LAWRENCE

WAYNE MCKINLEY
MARK PAPWORTH
ADAM PHIPPS
LUKE SCOTT
TIMOTHY WENHAM
KEIRAN WILLIAMS

The Demon's season can be summed up in two words, "What if?". What if they had won those supposedly easy games and more to the point what if more than a handful of players had made an effort at training? None of the 12 demons that make up the team would be out of place in one of the higher graded sides, in fact I will be surprised if a number of them are not playing in a higher grade next season. Unfortunately, a number of players seemed to be a bit confused as to what team sports are all about. They used the old maxim that "It doesn't matter whether you win or lose" as an excuse for not trying at training and for not giving 100% on the field. What they forgot was that the full quotation includes the phrase "but how you play the game". Team sport is all about doing your best and supporting your team mates and IF you do that to the best of your ability THEN it doesn't matter whether you win or lose. Anyway that is enough on the negative side. The boys played some great games during the year and I am sure that the teams in the semi finals were glad that Gynea were watching from the stands. The following team has the ability to beat all of them:-

ADAM PHIPPS: Adam was the Captain of the team and also, reluctantly, the goalkeeper. He found it difficult to reconcile himself to the fact that the Panel kept asking him to don the keeper's gloves but, when you have a player who displays outstanding potential in a position it is hard, when every game was so close, to select him elsewhere.

PAUL ANTHONY; Paul joined the team after the season had begun and proved to be a most valuable asset to the team. He is deceptively quick and is not intimidated by the opposition. He gave 110% each week.

KEIRAN WILLIAMS; Keiran provided one of the moments that makes coaching worthwhile when he followed the Panel's instructions and found himself standing in front of the left hand side of the goals with the ball at his feet and the goalkeeper on the right hand side. He duly scored his first ever goal.

WAYNE MCKINLEY; A big boy with a big left boot. Wayne returned to soccer this year after a bit of a layoff and his form improved as the season wore on. He took most of the corners creating plenty of goal scoring opportunities and even scored one himself with a great curling left footer.

IAN HACKER; It was a pleasure to watch Ian show his skills. He regularly halted opposition attacking raids in their tracks and then spearheaded counter attacks from deep in our own territory.

SHANE DAWES: Unfortunately the season drew to a close when Shane was playing his best football. As he gained confidence in his ability he became more involved and his play blossomed. In fact he had his best game of the year in the last round against competition hotshots, Menai.

TIM BOURKE; Tim was a pleasure to coach. He listened at training, offered constructive criticism and always attempted to put the game plan into action. He was not the quickest player on the park but there were not many occasions when the opposition got the better of him. He was the cornerstone of our defence.

MARK PAPWORTH; Mark missed a substantial portion of the season due to sickness and holidays and subsequently, when he did make it on to the field, he lacked match fitness and match practice. We missed his persistence in attack and defence and I hope he is able to get on to the field more often next year.

LUKE SCOTT; Luke had a mixed year. It took him a long while to hit his straps but when he did he was an impact player. If we needed a miracle the team looked to Luke to provide it and, on many occasions, he came up with the goods. He scored some great goals including one over the wall from a free kick and one from a corner.

TIM WENHAM; Tim was our leading goal scorer and with Marc Lawrence formed the most lethal attack in the competition. He is blessed with plenty of pace and a good right foot which saw him not only score goals but lay on goals for other players with some great cross.

GLENN HUCKER; Glenn had a great year and should be proud of his efforts. On a number of occasions, as the sweeper, he was required to put his body on the line to prevent a goal being scored and he did this without hesitation. In one game in particular Glenn inspired the whole team and turned what was looking like defeat into a great victory.

MARC LAWRENCE: Marc was pipped by one in the goal scoring stakes and was another player to have a great year. As previously mentioned he was one half of our pacey attacking duo and had the uncanny knack of being able to put himself into space with the ball. He always troubled the opposition.

THE PANEL: The panel was made up of:-

One really old English gentleman (and I use the term loosely) who reckoned he knew something about soccer. It just goes to show that, just because you speak with an accent doesn't mean you know anything about soccer;

One slightly younger ex rugby league hooker who had obviously stuck his head in one too many scrums and who never let his emotions show; and

A much younger (and I might add, better looking) ex rugby league player who was smart enough not to put his head into any scrums and who has never been known to raise his voice.

It is to the Demon's credit that they won any games with the above people in charge.

TEAM: 13C

Coach: Paul Golland

Manager: Peter Blacker

JAMES ARCHER
GREGORY BLACKER
DAVID BOCHKAREFF
DANE BROOKING
ROBERTO MALIVINDI
JAI McMORDIE

BEN RICHARDSON
BEDE RONZANI
PETER SHEEHAN
MATTHEW WELLS
ADRIAN WONG
JOSEPH ZINNATO

Following the demotion of one team from 'A' grade the Association placed half the 'B' grade teams into a 'C' grade. The team went well all season and, but for lack of numbers in the school holidays when we played the top 2 sides short, would have finished as minor premiers. As it was we missed out by a point. In the semis, after being 2-0 down to Lilli Pilli we came back to win 4-2 and go straight into the Grand Final. Meeting Lilli Pilli again we suffered some bad luck when sweeper James Archer sustained a double fracture of his arm. Down 2-0 at half-time we fought back, scored but could not get the equaliser and Lilli Pilli broke away in the last minutes to leave the final score at 3-1. All agreed, including the Lilli Pilli coach, that the best side lost but that's football. What pleased me most was that the boys tried to play football all season and play as a unit rather than 11 individuals. It was pleasing to see the ball being moved up from the defence, through mid-field to our forwards rather than the expected big kick! Everyone played well and gave 100% every game, supporting each other on and off the pitch. Just a few special mentions: Greg Blacker our leading goal scorer, Adrian Wong our captain who led by example all season, James Archer, in his 1st season, a great potential as sweeper and Peter Sheehan a natural in goal. Thanks also to Peter Blacker and all the parents who left me alone to coach but provided the right support for the kids. Let's hope next season we can go one better. Our thanks to Matthew Hamilton and Scott Pithers from the 12B's for their tremendous efforts in the final series especially Scott who scored 4 goals in 2 games.

TEAM: 14B

Coach: Bob Lennon

Manager: Jackie Lennon

ANDREW BIRCH
DALE BRAND
BRENDAN CLARK
SCOTT DOLSO
JOHN ELASI
GRANT LANE
ANDREW LENNON

ADRIEN MOORE
BRADLEY MORGAN
DAVID OPPERMAN
ANTHONY ROACH
LUKE RUCKLEY
LIAM TIERNEY

Quite a mixed season with plenty of ups and downs. The high point was probably the way the boys beat Lilli Pilli (Finalists) at Lilli Pilli showing true fighting spirit. This was typical of how the boys played right through until the last game. They never gave up. I'm sure the boys could have been final four contenders, unfortunately we gave most teams 2 points start before we got going. On the day they were capable of beating anyone with some fine soccer being displayed throughout the season. All the boys can hold their heads high. I'm sure they will be bigger and better next year. It's been great working with you fellas.

TEAM: 14A

Coach: Charlie Rowlands

Manager: June Brack

GLEN BRACK
PETER DELFS
DAVID GREINER
PAUL GREY
JOHN KIONUSIS
ANDREW KOLTS
JASON MASTERS

BRYAN PECK
PAUL REID
GRANT ROWLANDS
RYAN TARRAN
TRAVIS TYLER
TROY WILSON

This year we nearly made it, finishing just one point out of the final four. It was a great effort considering it was our first year in the A division. If the 7 draws could have been 7 wins a minor premiership may have been on the cards. Success was so near yet so far away. I think all the boys know this and, with a bit of effort, team work and fitness, can definitely go all the way next year. Nevertheless it was a great year with Andrew Kolts scoring some great goals, Peter Delfs tough and tireless in the midfield and Troy Wilson stopping shot after shot at his goals. John Kionusis improved greatly throughout the year, developing a magnificent kick with his right foot. Grant Rowlands and Glen Brack had a good year and played solidly and reliably in their respective half positions. The fullbacks Bryan Peck and Ryan Tarran also improved greatly throughout the year. Ryan, in particular, was outstanding in the air with the high balls. Our sweeper and stopper did a lot of hard work and were the backbone of the team. Travis Tyler was strong and reliable and Paul Reid, playing a year up for his age, was not to be outdone by the older boys using his lightning speed and determination to come through the season with flying colours. David Greiner, who missed a lot of games in the 1st round, came back strongly at the end of the year and received many "Man of the Match" awards. Paul Grey was always there on the wing and then there was Jason Masters, our secret striking weapon, who only lasted 3 games due to a broken ankle. See you next year Jason. The coach would like to thank all the boys, their parents, the manager - June Brack and the Club. I am sure we all enjoyed the season.

TEAM: 15B

Coach: Mark Cupitt

Manager: Cec Riley

STEPHEN BARTOLO
DANIEL CHATTO
MICHAEL COCKS
STEVEN DOWSE
GEORGE EFTHIMIOU
MATTHEW ELPHICK
SCOTT GOLLAND

BERNIE LOW
SIMON McGRATH
MURRAY MOSS
GREG OZOLINS
MICHAEL RILEY
SEAN ROBERTS
CAMERON TRACEY

The boys started the 1992 season confidently with lots of determination and enthusiasm. When the time came to play the top teams everyone rose to the occasion, playing their best football but, unfortunately, we lost points to some of the bottom teams which meant that towards the end of the season things looked a little shaky as far as making the semi-finals was concerned. Eventually we made it in a sudden death situation. After confidently winning the semis and then being unable to score in the finals the season ended up on a satisfactory note. Our Coach, Mark, had a trying time with respect to reserves because with 14 enthusiastic players vying for positions it was always going to be difficult. All players performed well with our new players slotting easily into their roles, particularly Cameron, our dedicated goalkeeper. Lots of thanks to Mark who won the respect and confidence of the whole team - all the boys had an enjoyable season. Also thanks to the parents for their support to the team and for their help on canteen and ground control etc. Altogether a great season and with a little more luck we would have been premiers!

TEAM: 17B

Coach: Craig Teal

Manager: Rob Glass

EVAN BAILEY
STEVEN BARAN
STEVEN BELL
CAMERON BLACKER
BRADLEY GALLAGHER
PAUL HASHAM
LUKE HURST

AARON McKINNON
MICHAEL PHIPPS
MICHAEL PLOWMAN
MERRICK RACE
CHRIS ROEDER
RODNEY ROSS

My congratulations must go to all of you this year, not for the number of games we won, but for the spirit in which you all approached what was going to be a tough season. I am proud to be associated with you and hope you will all come back next season. My experience over many years is that if a group of players stay together long enough several things will happen, namely:- long lasting friendships, teamwork, the ability to read the play (individual or team) and confidence (which is sadly lacking). These attributes, together with determination, will eventually lead to success. FOR CONFIRMATION OF THIS ASK ANYONE IN OUR AL5 TEAM.

Many thanks to the parents and supporters who attended our games throughout the year - your encouragement was really appreciated. Finally, what a great end-of-season weekend away. I can't wait until the end of next season.

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TEAM: 19A-1

Coach: Geoff McCrohon

Manager: Lou McCrohon

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AARON CADET
ANDREW CLEMENTS
CRAIG FLOYD

JOSH HACKNEY
WILLIAM HARDMAN
TIM PERRY
GEOFF PHILLIPSON
BEN SCHULTZ
MARK STANSFIELD
PAUL TAYLOR

A bit of a disappointing end to the season, with a great effort in the Grand Final for a 2-2 scoreline only to miss out because the opposition finished higher on the competition ladder. The lads put in a huge effort on the field every weekend only to be outdone by their efforts off the field every weekend, quite often "socialising" with members of the other teams. The boys also managed to build up a formidable reputation at the judiciary on Monday evenings, the likes of which haven't been seen since the Van Dykes left. Hopefully next season, with a bigger mid-week commitment to training, the guys should give the 21A's a shake and continue to play a style of soccer which will keep the crowds entertained yet again. Training starts soon so get ready boys and let's have another GIANT year.

TEAM: 19A-2

Coach: Stewart Teal

Manager: Gary Flynn

DAVID "HOUDINI" ALLBON
TROY "TWINKLE TOES" BRENNAN
ADAM "HITMAN" CLARIDGE
TRENT "THE CLAYTON'S ACCOUNTANT" DUVALL
STEPHEN "COLUMBUS" FLYNN
DARRYL "THE CAVALIER" GREY
ROBERT "THE GREYHOUND" LANG
CHRIS "GREG LUGANUS" MALONE
ADAM "I TRAIN AT PIZZA HUT" MARKEY

HAYDEN "L.A.LAW" MARTIN
DAVID "BIG MACSH" MUIR
JON "THE OLD MAN" MUIR
DAVID "NUREYEV" RILEY
MATTHEW "SKIP" ROBINSON
BRETT "BIGGLES" TURNER
MICHAEL "STAYER" WARD
MARK "GRASS BURN" WILLIAMS

Once a jolly soccer team played at the Oval, Not on luscious grass but on dirt indeed,
They played 19A's and were hoping they could win a game
"Someone let us get a win against you please".
Up jumped the A-1's in the derby of the season, We had a chance and we scored it with glee,
And we sang and watched as we waited for the kick-off
They scored 5 and thrashed us indeed.
As we went through the season we surprised a lot of people, Especially the committee
who never gave us a chance,
And we sang and we watched as we waited for a victory,
"Please God let us get a win soon please".
It was late in the season when we finally got our victory, Playing Miranda who were
on top of the league,
They thought they would win and put us in their tucker-bags,
But we said, "No way" and we smacked them with glee.
To Stomp and to Gazza, thanks from all the fellas, We appreciate the time that you spent
with us,
We hope and we pray that next season will be different,
If you come a-coaching and a-managing with me.

This year was not a very successful season for the lads. We ended with a single victory and 3 draws. This may sound as if we went through the season being thrashed every game but I can assure you this was not the case. Apart from finishing on 5 points we also finished with 2 serious knee injuries sustained by important figure-heads in our squad - our Captain and our 'Hitman' who both sat out most of the season. We also lost our keeper for the majority of the season due to work commitments etc. but we battled on rotating players in goal every week. Despite these unfortunate setbacks and some of the results we still had a very enjoyable season and, in turn, played some excellent football. Even though we were beaten nearly every week and were playing against some really big "men" as half the team could still play 17's we were still able to enjoy and learn from this year. As we were a small and young team we didn't back down and 'dog' it against some of the might we came up against. To all the fellas, I hope to see you back next year for another season at Gynea. To "The Stomp from old Cazbar" and "Gazza of the Westringia" the team would like to thank you for all your hard work and effort throughout the season. This year also saw the transition of "The Stomp" from looking like a swagman to a very respectable Tom Cruise lookalike, displaying his Mr Squiggle impersonations quite regularly. Gazza "Who is playing Goaldie?" Thanks from all the lads.

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TEAM: AL 5

Coach: Mark Cupitt

Manager: Chris Allen

MARK BONHOTE
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STEVEN EDWARDS
MATTHEW GALE
MURRAY HOLMES
TODD HORRELL

GLEN LARMOUR
DAVID LUMB
JASON MANNELL
WAYNE McALLISTER
GARTH PETTIT
PETER ROSSITER
STEVEN ROSSITER
STEVEN WARD

After a fairly successful 1991 season, where we finished 3rd, there were great expectations placed on the players as they fronted up again, another year older, for the 1992 season. Some ruthless and intense off season negotiations saw the dead wood cut away (on ya Pool!) and some alleged star talent enlisted to challenge for the premiership title. With the skill of the Canberra Raiders' accountants the salary cap committee satisfied the Association that no rules had been broken and we took our place in the competition. The competition started smoothly and we were travelling nicely on top of the competition with the previous year's premiers. We drew last year's premiers in Round 5 at Lily Park and a huge crowd had gathered in expectation of a fierce and brutal clash. Extra public transport was put on to get people to the ground and extra police were organised to control the huge crowd. The crowd was announced as 12,563 but it was obvious to all at the ground that many more young kiddies had jumped the fence to catch a glimpse of their idols and to avoid the ridiculous admission price. The early pace was frantic and Sylvania grabbed an early goal against the run of play. Sylvania's young striker soon learnt the error of his ways as he was crunched in a bruising tackle from John Boy and was sentenced to take no further part in the competition this year. A couple of penalties, supplied by courtesy of Todd who had a real knack of this, and we were victorious. The huge crowd could go away contented. We now sat alone on top of the competition and it would remain this way for the majority of the season. Battling a huge injury toll and having to borrow more players than Christopher Skase borrows money we hung on with a slice of luck to become minor premiers. Our only defeat of the season against Miranda could be laid solely at the blame of the ridiculous kick-off time of 9.20 am. Our purple patch came mid-way through the 2nd round where we managed to pick up 7 points from a possible 8 without scoring a goal, 2 forfeits, a 1-0 win courtesy of an own goal and a nil all draw. Great form leading into the semi finals. Luck played a fair part in our season, but none more so than in the finals series. Down by 1-0 with only a few minutes to play in the major semi final, up bobbed Todd to be awarded a penalty, Guru converted the chance and we went into extra time. We conceded another goal, but never fear, up bobbed Todd again with one minute to go, another penalty, this time Diamond converted and we were into the Grand Final on a 2-2 draw. Confidence was high going into the Grand Final as Sylvania had failed to beat us during the year. Sylvania had the better of the first half and we had the better of the 2nd, in which we had a goal disallowed. The Sylvania goalkeeper, competing for the Gumby of the year award, saw the ball bounce in front of him, then over his head and into the goal. However it had been from a throw in and the ever alert Bamford, after awarding the goal, disallowed it on the linesman's advice. Nil all at full time and extra time was required again. They hit the post with only two minutes left and we were playing with as much control and discipline as a rampaging bull in a Wedgewood china shop. Buzzy had lost the plot, the screenplay and the book (both hard cover and paperback) and was trying to convince everyone else to do the same, but somehow we hung on to win. (Nil all)

Season Highlights:-

- * Poo's departure
- * Bruce's business trip to Singapore
- * Guru's comeback
- * Buzzy's nasal and sinus operation
- * Darlo's videos - 1 Great Goal volumes 1,2 & 3
- * Todd's book - 101 ways to be awarded a penalty
- * Ted's compulsory once a season two match suspension
- * Diamond's ability to appear to be playing when doing nothing
- * Victa's booming Amway business
- * Wardy's goal keeper head collection
- * Macca's broken arm
- * Todd's 2nd book - 101 ways to be injured
- * My winning goal against Marton in the dying moments
- * Matty Gale not breaking any bones
- * Winning the Competition

Thanks to the committee and, in particular Jan & Ray Dennis and Eileen Ward, to Bozo for all his help, to the AL10's for lending us players, to our supporters and to all the coaching assistants, medical staff and team mascots.
Super Coach - Mark Cupitt

TEAM: AL 7

Coach: Greg Harris

Manager: Greg Harris

STEPHEN CLOWES
JAMES DEAN
GREG DONOGHUE
PAUL DONOGHUE
STEPHEN JAMES
GLEN McINERNEY
ANDREW MERCER

ANTHONY MORGAN
BRAD PIGGOTT
DARREN TREW
PHILLIP WARREN
STEPHEN WARREN
GLENN WELSH

We were 1 week before the start of Round 1 facing a season being upgraded from AL9 to AL7 without a regular goalkeeper, needing to find a striker from our midst and hoping to have Stephen James regraded to our team to bring our squad to 13 players. It looked like being a long and hard season for us in 1992. However, we stuck to our guns and found our keeper, who moulded into the team from the first game, and, if he keeps improving as he did over the season we just played, will turn out to be one of the finest in the Shire. After many weeks of appeals to the Shire Head Body, and finally to the Metropolitan Body, we gained the services of Stephen James into the team and, I trust, he had a happy season with us and will continue to do so. All this time we kept ourselves in touch with the front running teams. To the credit of all the players we finished in 4th position qualifying for the semi finals, only to be knocked out after a 3-3 draw. Not a bad effort and we could have gone all the way if only we had concentrated that little extra. Our team should go from strength to strength and, with a little luck, 1993 will be our year. Congratulations to the players receiving the team awards - it was a close one this year to come up with the eventual winners. Well done AL 7. It was my pleasure to be again associated with you in 1992.

Regards Greg Harris

TEAM: AL 10

Coach: Michael Blumor

Manager: Chad Smith

CHRIS ALLEN
MICHAEL BLUMOR
LEWIS BONE
JAMES BOWMAKER
ANTHONY DALE
STEVEN DOLHEGUY
COLIN GRIMBLE
DEAN HUTCHEON

ANTHONY NEALE
ROBERT OWENS
CHAD SMITH
GEOFF STONE
GRAEME THORNLEY
GRAHAM TURNER
RODNEY TURNER
MARK WILLIAMS

The idea of entering an AL 10 team was hatched by Michael Blumor and Steve Dolheguy at the Bowling Club after cricket. They must have consumed a number of liquid ambers to come up with such a masocistic scheme. A rigorous recruitment campaign was undertaken with the well known persuasive powers of Michael Blumor being used extensively. An awesome array of talent was assembled and, for journalistic purposes we shall call them the magnificent 16, a very well balanced unit consisting of youth, plenty of experience and a few new players to the game - eager to show their wares. A basic strategy was devised - to use the young players (strategically signed up) to do all the running and thus enable the older veteran players to be uninhibited and use their natural ball skills. This strategy suffered a major blow when, before a ball had been kicked, both our youngsters declared themselves out injured for at least half the season. Without the younger, fitter players the team struggled with the older, veteran players forced to do a lot of running with the resultant injuries occurring. The AL10 competition was a lot stronger than we thought as every team we came up against seemed to be a lot fitter than us, bringing our fitness regime into question. Half way through the season we addressed this problem and after a bitterly cold Wednesday night it was decided to abandon training for the rest of the season - a particularly popular and overdue decision. In concluding, the AL10's were competitive and, if we managed to put our best team on the paddock, we were capable of beating any other team. Also worth a mention were the efforts of Tony Neale, Chris Allen and Geoff Stone who all had their first ever season of soccer and all improved in leaps and bounds. Finally I would like to thank the manufacturer who makes all those strappings and pressure bandages whose products enabled us to put a team on the paddock.

Following are the players and their contributions:-

MARK WILLIAMS: a fullback who possessed a good turn of pace (a rare commodity in this team). Mark, unfortunately, sustained a crippling, debilitating, life threatening finger injury which kept him out for half the season. We advised him to get it amputated as he had another 3 fingers rather than miss so many games but he wouldn't be in it.

ROB 'HACKSAW' OWENS: was signed up to give the team a look of respectability as, being a family man, a respected banker and appearing in the bank's commercials, he would lift the image of the team. However, once 'Hacksaw' stepped on a soccer field he became a man possessed and thus the team's 'hit man'. There was nothing subtle about 'Hacksaw' - bang and down they went. How he only got 4 yellow cards is one of the season's great mysteries.

MICHAEL BLUMOR: You could sum up Michael's season in one word, "Hamstrung". The old veteran did his hamy on the first weekend of the season. His specialist advised him to hang up his boots and retire but the stubborn old bugger still managed to stagger out on the field occasionally - and let's face it, it was a bit of a pathetic sight seeing him hobble around the paddock.

CHADWICK SMITH: Our goalkeeper - 25 stone of rock hard muscle packed into a Schwarzeneger-like frame. Big Chad provided a very intimidating figure - not too many opponents being prepared to take him on one to one. Chad pulled off save after save, throwing around his agile frame. However, it was probably the 200 goals he conceded in between that didn't do us any good.

LEWIS BONE: The "Scarlet Pimpernel" of the team - he's here! he's there!! He's b....y everywhere!!! Lewis was our fittest and quickest player and the backbone of our half's until he tragically broke his leg. Even on crutches he was still the quickest player in the team.

ANTHONY DALE: Powerful, thrustful, dynamic, ruthless, aggressive, steps off both feet, great swerve - all these adjectives assist to describe Tony in full flight - not on the soccer field but demolishing a family size pizza. Tony could not transfer the same form to the soccer field.

STEVE 'STRETCH' DOLHEGUY: Played most of the season as our sweeper turning back raid after raid. As our skipper he took it upon himself to help point out to the referees their errors in interpreting the rules of soccer - his favourite saying being "you're a joke" I've never seen a bloke go down injured as often and when he went down you would swear he would never walk again let alone continue playing such being the agonised look on his face. "Stretch" had the unenviable record of being assisted from the field more often than leaving under his own steam.

DEAN HUTCHEON: Big Deano was our striker. With legs like tree stumps big Deano can give the ball an almighty thump. With the ball at his feet Deano has all the skills, unfortunately though, he also has none of the pace. He tends to be introverted on the field (etc - goes into his shell) and, as with all great strikers, is an individualist (etc - never passes the b....y ball).

COLIN GRIMBLE: As we found out Colin is a specialist right winger - it didn't matter where he started the match he finished on the right wing. Colin was one of our major weapons as his mere presence seemed to totally unnerve the opposition. Not being a pretty sight at the best of times, Col on Sunday mornings was particularly ugly - those big blood-shot eyes and the green skin.

GRAHAM "SNOZ" TURNER: A slow start to the season after injuring himself sky larking at work. Graham developed an unhealthy habit of head butting opposition player's boots - he was lucky not to be carded when he used his nose to recklessly damage the leather on the boot of a Bangor player. Graham probably did enough, however, and we will probably take up the second year option in his contract.

JAMES BOWMAKER: "The Glass Shin" - James was signed up to answer our problems in the halves - being supposedly a superbly fit young bloke. However shin splints, stress fractures of the ankle and dancing lessons limited his appearances in the top grade. For a young bloke the biggest plasticine man we have ever encountered.

ROD "ROCKET" TURNER: A specialist left wing in the classic mould - temperamental and highly volatile. Great to see a real professional in action - never out of position - in fact he created a couple of trenches on the oval by running up and back. The trenches became so deep that "Rocket" disappeared and we still believe he is in one running up and back - waiting for a pass.

GEOFF STONE: It was Geoff's first year of soccer - he was signed up from the Miranda Musical Society - as you can imagine they are a pretty rough, tough bunch. After a hesitant start Geoff soon developed into a hard-hitting, solid right fullback.

CHRIS "BOZO" ALLEN: Signed up from the Rugby Unions ranks Bozo was a real compact little unit in the Chris Hardy mould. Used his experience to dominate the line-outs, create plenty of second phase balls, always first to the breakdown and was the team's best scrumager. He also developed a pretty mean back pass - just ask Chadwick.

ANTHONY NEALE: It was also Tony's first go at soccer and we were a bit worried that he would be a bit overawed playing in such esteemed company. We did our best to explain the technical and positional aspects of the game to him and, despite this, he still developed into one of our best players. Modelled his game on "Stretch" as he bore a remarkable resemblance to "Stretch" when he went down injured as he writhed in agony on the ground.

MAN ON THE HILL: Started off the season as the team's major attacking weapon. Possesses electrifying pace combined with dynamic and brilliant ball skills and was a constant and potent danger at all times to the opposition. As such he was singled out for special attention from the other teams and, after sustaining some heavy injuries, decided to retire and pursue a journalistic role reporting AL10 games. As a journalist he showed an unswerving approach to make sure that the true facts of the game were reported to the general public. His most endearing quality, however, as a journalist is that he never exaggerates and never tells fibs.

Man on the Hill

TEAM: AL12

Coaches: George Kaly/Simon Betts

Manager: Geoff Wells

PAUL BAILEY
BARRY BERGIN
ROBERT BLUMOR
JOHN CONDRON
ANDREW CRANE
DAVID FORSYTH
DITMAR HELLMAN
STEPHEN HOURIGAN

JAMES JOHNSON
SCOTT JOHNSTON
JEFFREY MAZZARELLA
RODNEY MOSES
ADRIAN WARREN
GEOFFREY WELLS
STEVEN WELLS
PETER WOODALL

What a difference this year has been; to finish on more points than our previous 2 or 3 seasons. I must admit that this is my first manager's report and is due to the fact that winning more often is a lot better than losing and this is definitely the consensus of the side. My thanks to George Kaly and Simon Betts (when he could get out of bed) for coaching our side once again. I am hopeful that we can provide more smiles for their faces by winning the competition next year. (Time will tell) I would also like to thank Steve (Hooges) Hourigan for his weekly match reports and trips to Soccer Headquarters for the weekend results. (I'm still not sure about the weekly stats though) Special thanks also to Maureen (OJ Maurs) Wells for the half-time oranges and to our loyal band of supporters who turned up to the majority of our 9.20 am games. Here's to giving the finals our best shot and backing up next year.

TEAM: 35A-1

Coach: John Henderson

Manager: Christine Jones

GREG AUSTEN
GEORGE CLARKE
JAMES CRILLY
KEITH DAVIS
PAUL GOLLAND
ALAN HAGAN
JOHN HINTON
GARTH HOWE

TOM JENKINS
ALAN JONES
DAVID LATHAM
MEL MEREDITH
PETER SUTHERLAND
JOE TREACY
HUGH TULLOCK

This was a great season for myself and the over 35A-1's. My first aim was to make the top four, but as we completed the 1st round, the team and myself could see that the hard, pre-season training we had put in was paying off and the league title was well within our sights. The team was getting stronger and there was a good feeling amongst the players. The rest is history. We went on to win the league losing only one game all season. Believing that winning the league is the highest achievement of the season, I was guilty of not taking the finals games seriously and this was also the case with the players. Thus we lost our killer instinct in the last two games and did not reach the Grand Final.

TEAM: 35A-2

Coach: Brian Ward

JIM ANASIS
DAVID BIRCH
GERRY BUCKLEY
EDDIE BURTON
BILL CALDERWOOD
PAT DENISON
KEVIN DIVE
JOHN DOCHERTY
PAUL DUNN
CHRIS GIBSON

JOHN GILROY
TERRY HIBBINS
PETER KENNEDY
IVAN LAJDES
BOB LENNON
MIKE MARCHANT
PETER ROSE
ALAN SMITH
GEORGE SMYTH
BRIAN WARD

Having started the season in the top grade by losing an early game 9-1 and ending with a 7-1 defeat it was obviously not an easy one. In between, however, we had a lot of fun especially off the field and occasionally we gave the opposition a bit of a fright particularly until the dreaded second half of the second half when all the benefits of training nights seemed to fade away, just like our stamina. Usual good attendances on Thursday evenings and two excellent evenings out with the ladies. Another year, another season gone and this forgettable one will be history and, hopefully, next year we will have a grade more in keeping with our standard and our age.

"Now being an O35A-2 player is not good reason to cheer
But we don't hit the booze
Every time that we lose
Or we'd have been in a stupor all year"

Special mention for Gerry for volunteer service in goal and for being our Sergeant-at-arms for the season and to Maureen and Jean for organising our social activities. See you again in '93. Congratulations to the 35A-1's and 35C's on making the Finals.

TEAM: PL 2-2

Coach: David James

Manager: Colin Mason

MICHAEL ANDERSON
MICHAEL ANDREWS
SCOTT COLBURT
GARRICK CURTIS
ANDREW ERECKSON
BRADLEY GRILLS
BRADLEY HALLWORTH
TRENT HALLWORTH

DAVID JAMES
LUKE MASON
SHANE PARR
RUSSELL PEREIRA
BRADLEY PLATT
ADAM SHARP
ROSS THORNTON
MICHAEL TURNER

Not an easy season first year up into senior competition but in all we put in a creditable performance, playing good soccer on many occasions. Once again we were hit by many injuries and players' unavailability in the 2nd round thus needing to borrow players for the last 7 rounds. Many thanks to all borrowed players from 19A, AL5 and AL9 who helped us through this dilemma. We showed early in the season that training helps with a draw and 3 wins in the first 5 rounds. After that point training numbers fell away and so did the points. Next season let's give training a fly and see what we can do.

See you next season. Well done one and all.

TEAM: 35C

Coach: Michael Ward

Manager: Lorraine Bell

PAUL ARMSTRONG
NICK BAKIS
TONY BELL
JIM BOWEN
FRANK DI GIULIO
RON GALLOWAY
DAVE GIBSON
LAURIE GREY
PETER HAIGH

PETER HAYES-WILLIAMS
WAYNE LEFFLER
BILL MAUGLE
KEN MUDIE
TOM PAYNE
DAVID PLOWMAN
GEOFF PRUDENCE
CHARLIE ROWLANDS
MICHAEL WARD

This season saw the return to the winner's circle for many of us. Graded to a more comfortable situation had us in the top 3 all season. There was only ever going to be one side capable of stopping us from winning the big one, and they did. Heathcote beating us 1-0 in the Grand Final denied us of our moment of glory. Injury and indiscretion resulted in arguably not being able to field our strongest line-up in the big game. However, those that took the field belied this fact. Missing only a little in attack we were forced to play defensively repelling Heathcote's relentless attacking raids. They were only able to convert one, but that was enough. Don't let the grading fool you, this side that beat us would most probably have beaten either of the "B" grade finalists. Strengthened by a couple of astute signings we were always confident of doing well. Ken Mudie (Muddy) greatly improving our midfield and ball distribution areas, aside from being one of the best "RESERVE" goalkeepers in captivity. Nick Bakis (not as old as he looks) most capably filling the sweeper position. Jim (Porky) Bowen returned to the fold giving us interchange strength in the front row. Peter (Hagar) Haigh actually played this season. He was in the side last year but injury denied him many starts. It should be noted all teams are aware of his ferocious hits around the scrum base. Those turning out again should be proud of their efforts. All improved on the

previous year. Leffler actually found the net and accounted for many of our 50 goals. Both Peters, Jim, Mick, Tom and the Professor all hitting the net at least once. If I missed you I apologise but you were probably a back or out of position and should not have scored it. Penalties were converted by "Muddy". You could bet your house on them. At the other end our "all round keeper" Ron decided we would retain the best defensive record throughout the competition. He constantly confounded the opposition with his deceptive agility. His old Aussie Rules skills more often than not seeing clearing kicks well over half way. Thanks must go to our trainer, Mick, for his tireless efforts. In particular the memorable motivational talks at the business end of hostilities. This season also saw the return of "Madam Lash" to team management. Another tireless worker - many thanks Lorraine. Other milestones were reached this season. Mick ("I will retire when I score a goal") scored two and has not. Charlie (travel all round the countryside) also scored a goal but has never threatened to retire. On a sad note, the forced retirement of Tommy with a knee injury disappoints us. His skills will be greatly missed - or were they greatly missing? Finally thanks to our side line. Your support is appreciated girls. See you all next year.

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GEOFF McCROHON
CHRIS PHILPOT
PAUL PHILPOT
CRAIG TAYLOR
STEPHEN WINGROVE

Due to the low grading of the team we found it hard to keep our enthusiasm and energy levels high. We did it the hard way but we are not known for doing it easier. The Grand Final showed the team's manship of the previous year which had been lacking all this year. I would just like to say thankyou to all the boys for the season and hope we can keep it together for another year to come. It has been another happy year with only a few small problems.