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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A change of name and a change of strip heralded in the 2007 season.

With over 1300 players and 98 teams, we are again the second biggest club in the Sutherland Shire Football Association. The wet weather caused a great deal of disruption. Even though one washed out round was played after the scheduled 18th round, the Saturday teams lost 3 games and the Sunday teams were 2 games short. The finals series had to be adjusted again due to rain and was completed on 2nd September. The format of the competition is under review at present.

We had 33 teams playing in the semi finals with the 12D, 18E, -AL3 and SWC/1 teams being Minor Premiers. The 12D, 12E/1, 35A, 35G, AL11, JW12C, W30B and SWB teams ended the season as runners-up and our PREMIERS were the 18E, AL1 and SWC/1 teams. Our JW18A/2 team won the STATE CUP, congratulations one and all. To the teams who did not make the semis and to our roo-ball teams, we are very proud of you all..... a great year.

When things get tough the tough get going with John Bailey, Michael Lewis, Dale King and Malcolm Curtis putting in endless hours of field-nurturing, marking and organisation at three locations..... a job well done.

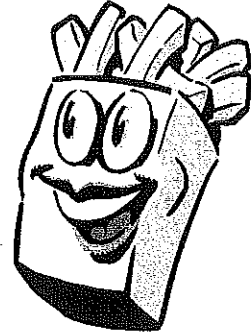
My thanks to all the Committee for their hard work and commitment. To those who are stepping down, Wendy & Graham Smithers, Adam Saunders, Gary Lockwood, Kerry Robinson and Brad Saunders, sincere thanks for your dedication to our family orientated football club.

Happenings on the coaching front have been instigated by our Head Coach Gary Wall, ably assisted by Steve Dolheguy, and we look forward to 2008 with our own Coaching Academy. Our thanks also to Michael Rafferty who very kindly secured a \$1200 grant from Telstra to upgrade our lighting.

Our support for the Titans goes hand in hand with our mission statement of community-based responsibilities.

PRESIDENT
Stewart Teal

CANTEEN REPORT



Well, the 2007 season of football is over already. The last 20 weeks has been a challenge with all sorts of weather conditions that we have had to deal with and this has kept me on my toes trying to keep the canteen running.

Firstly, I would like to thank all the parents, grandparents and friends that have helped in the canteen and on the BBQ during the season. Without your help each week we would not be able to have a successful canteen and BBQ facility within the club. We are a very large club with many players and I am proud to have been associated with these people whether I am at the field, in the local area in Gynea or where I work. I have made lots of friendships during my roll as Canteen Supervisor, for which I treasure.

Secondly, I must thank my merry band of helpers.....Di Mayo, Chris Donaldson, Brooke Conway, Daniel Saunders, Corinne Smithers and Noel Landsberry for their tireless help over this season. All of you have been of great assistance this year. So a big thanks to those people, I do appreciate your efforts.

The canteen has been very successful again this year even though we were interrupted with a bad bout of "Wet Weather". I have been Canteen Supervisor for the past 8 years and have decided to retire at the end of this season. I have worked very hard during my years to make our canteen, I think, the best in the shire and I hope that this will continue with whoever takes over the position.

Many, Many thanks to everyone for another great season.

Wendy Smithers
Canteen Supervisor

2008 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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2007 ACHIEVEMENTS

Semi Finalists

9E, 9F, 10A, 13A, 14B, 15C, 18D, JW12A, JW14B, JW15B, JW18A-1, AL14

Finalists

9A, 9C, 11A, 12B, 15A, JW18A-2, SWC-2, AL5, AL12

Minor Premiers & Finalists

AL3

Premiers

AL1

Minor Premiers & Premiers

18E, SWC-1

Robertson Cup Qtr Finalists

21A-1

Minor Premiers & Runner-Up

12D

Runners-Up

12E-1, 35A, 35G, AL11, JW12C, W30B, SWB

State Cup Qtr Finalists

14A

State Cup Qtr Finalists

JW18A-2

2007 PLAYING/SERVICE AWARDS

10 Years

James Archer
Amanda Beck
Steven Ewings
Bryce Lincoln
Roy Peat
Sean Tracey
Mark Wayman

Jordan Askwith
Daniel Clarke
Brett Johnson
Patrick O'Brien
Bradley Pyne
Jordan Tsekouras
Dylan Wright

Michael Atkin
Adam Duncan
Jordan Knapp
Ben Mayo
Dale Thompson
Garrath Vella

Christopher Baker
Cameron Foskett
Joshua Lavender
Mitchell Ottaway
Graham Smithers
Craig Wayman

15 Years

John Bailey
David Edwards

Cameron Bates
Chris Donaldson

Peter Cox
Michael Lee

Andrew Donaldson
Michael West

30 Years

Mark Stansfield



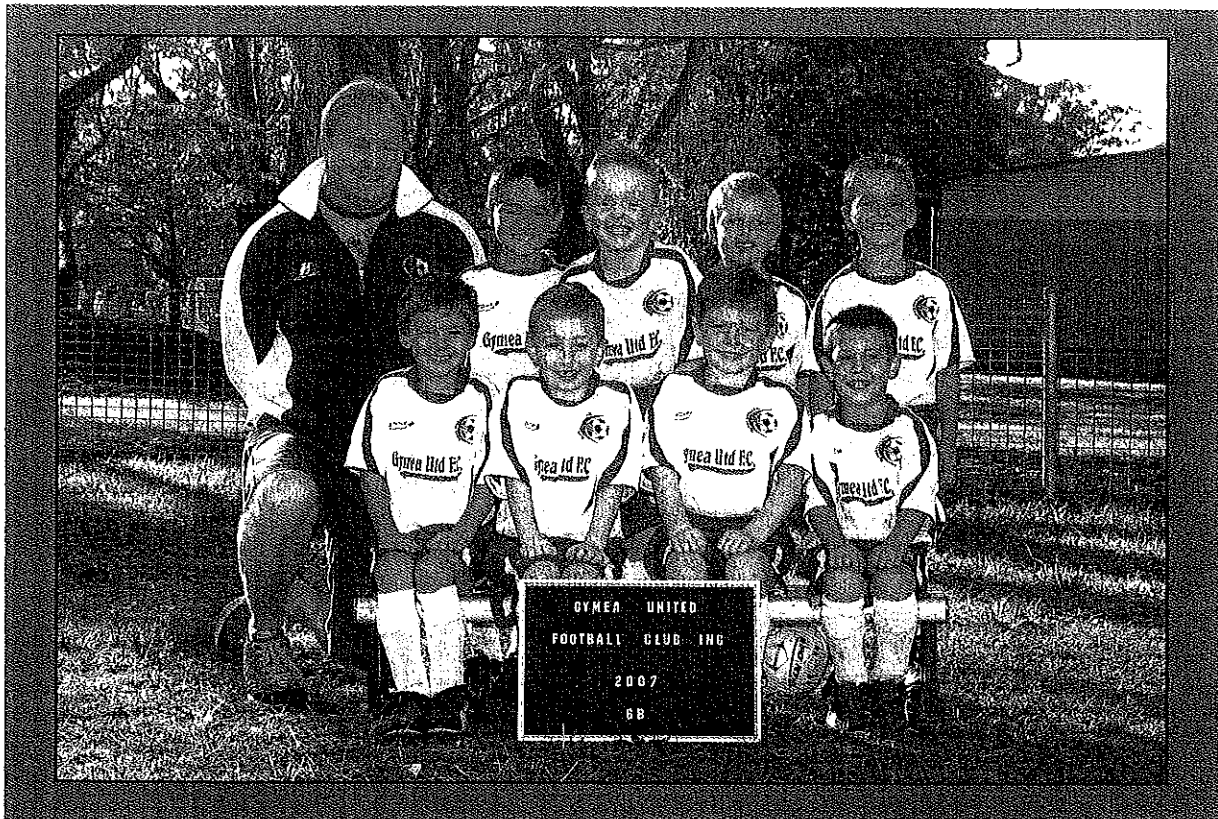
FRONT ROW:(L to R) Bailey Muir, Joshua Maclean, Harry Roberts, Jackson Liberato
SECOND ROW: Tyler Noy, Shadyn Williams-Bond, Taj Temana, Finnan McCann
TEAM: 6A **Coach:** Michael Liberato **Manager:** Alissa McCann
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Coach: Michael Liberato
Manager: Alissa McCann

Well what can I say about the 6a's we had such a great year we went most of the year undefeated, and only losing one game all year made for a good year of quality football. We had every thing going for us, we had our regular goal scorers in Taj, Harry and Jackson. We had great defenders in Tyler, Josh and Finnan and we had Bailey and Shaydn hanging around the middle waiting to give that perfect pass for the boys to score.

All the boys got on the score sheet through the year and that it self is great effort. I would like to say as coach I really enjoyed coaching all the boys hope you all had alot of fun. I'd like to thank Alisa and Mick McCann for all their help though out the year without a good manager the team doesn't function, thank you both.

I'd also like to thank all the parents for all there support all year round. The boys love to see their parents big smiling faces when they score a goal or do a good tackle. Thank you all. Hope to see you back again next year I definitely will be..... Thank you



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Samuel Wild, Nathan Duffield, Jake Forward, Jack Barwick
SECOND ROW: Jordan Alves, Luke Peacock, Lachlan Mullaly, Kai Lewins
TEAM: 6B Coach: Craig Duffield Manager: Sandra Lewins (absent)
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Coach: Craig Duffield
Manager: Sandra Lewins

We started the year off as the 6B's but for a group of boys that hadn't played before and contained a couple of 4 year olds we were obviously going to be outmatched. A word to the club had us regraded to the 6C1's. Though we only won one game all season the improvement from the boys was astronomical and they are looking forward to more improvement next season. After a tough year they will be one of the strongest defending teams. The boys always enjoyed training and thanks must go to Craig for giving up his time to coach the boys.

Jordan - was our first goal scorer and showed great all round skills.

Jack - one of the younger boys who tried his best all year.

Nathan - improved greatly throughout the year and often showed some great attacking skills.

Jake - always managed to give us a laugh with his showmanship.

Lachlan - was another great improver who was really starting to enjoy playing.

Luke - was one of our defenders who always gave his best.

Kai - another good defender with a big kick.

Samuel - was our only other goal scorer during the season and gave us all enjoyment with his individual display of some great soccer skills.

To all the mums and dads - thanks for a great season and looking forward to next year!

6C-2



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Jordan Sabbagh, Angus Sehreuder, Kobi Sharp, Zane Curtis
SECOND ROW: Jed Harrigon, Matthew Harrison, Thomas Maile, Matthew Weston
TEAM: 6C-1 **Coach:** Joe Sabbagh **Manager:** Adam Sharp

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6C-3



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Max Jory, Jude Ford, Joshua Cahill, Logon Carmont
SECOND ROW: Nicholas Condon, Marcus Towers, Takuya Shida-Money, Lachlan Dick
TEAM: 6C-2 **Coach:** Christian Jory **Manager:** Philip Towers

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FRONT ROW:(L to R) Marcus Byrne, Dan Johnson, Tristan Wilson, Will Johnson, Riley Williams

SECOND ROW: Liam Cousins, Katie Gleeson, Addison Lewis, Toby Carr

TEAM: 6D

Coach: Richard Williams Manager: Pauline Gleeson

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Coach: Richard Williams

Manager: Pauline Gleeson

I would like to present the wonderful 6D's.

Katie, Liam, Dan, Will, Addison, Marcus, Tristan, Tobi and Riley please stand tall and take a bow. What a fantastic team of little people you all have been this year. At the start of the season nobody had any idea about what they had to do, but under the wonderful guidance of their coaches Richard Williams and Adam Lewis they finished off with fantastic skills that will no doubt give them a great start to their soccer careers! Not only did they learn about the skills of soccer but about the meaning of being in a team. You all tried your best each week and did not stop smiling or laughing the whole time, even on the coldest of mornings.

There were plenty of spectacular goals scored along with great passing and defending, not to mention the superb goaling that helped our team win all of the games they did. Each week you all grew more confident with what you were doing and by the end we're not afraid of a little bit of push and shove.

Of course this all could not have happened without the participation of all the parents and extended family that got the kids to their games and cheered every move they made. We had a lot of laughs and we all came away from the experience a little better for it. Three Cheers for the 6D's and good luck with whatever you decide to do in the future.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Rachael Ressler, Brayden Dworzak, Shaylee Moffitt, Ewan MacFarlane, Jorja Abeleven
 SECOND ROW: Zac Atkinson, Leah Millett, Robbie Zarb, Riley Dworzak
 TEAM: 6E Coach: Anton Dworzak Manager: Doug MacFarlane
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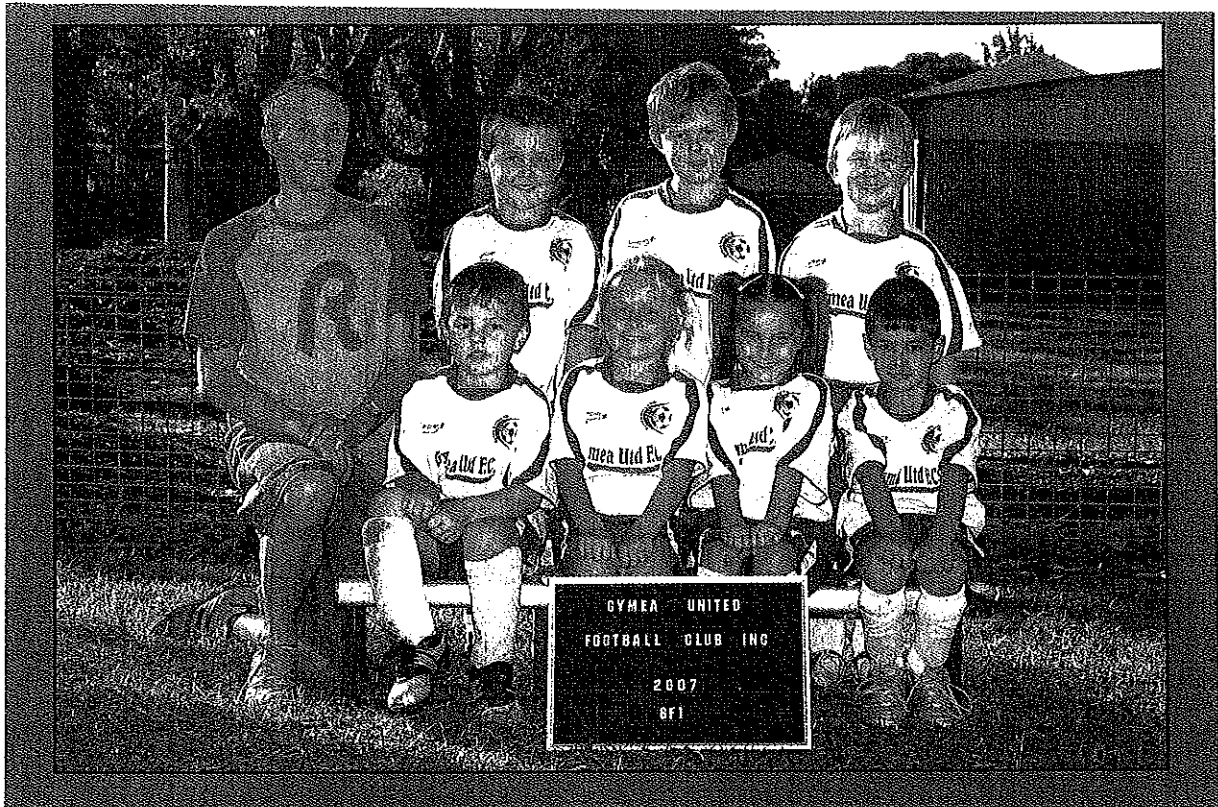
Coach: Anton Dworzak
Manager: Doug McFarlane

What a great soccer season the 6E's have had! Our magnificent nine made up of Brayden, Riley, Shaylee, Ewan, Zac, Rachel, Jorja, Leah and Robbie certainly made us very proud.

As this was all of the children's first experience in soccer they were coached and nurtured by our wonderful coach Anton Dworzak. We couldn't have asked for a more capable, caring, enthusiastic, and patient coach than Anton. Our children's positive soccer experience was made possible by Anton's genuine warmth and fun he displayed towards the children in both training sessions and during Saturday morning games. Furthermore, our team was managed with great care and patience (a necessary pre-requisite for all under 6's coaches and managers!) Dougie McFarlane managed our team with an abundance of fairness, diligence and a great sense of fun. Thank you to Anton and Dougie for looking after 6E and providing them with such an affirming and successful experience which will only serve as a positive catalyst for all of our children's future sporting experiences.

As the soccer season progressed, 6E's made many notable changes. The development in their soccer skills, their ability to work as a team, their growing awareness of being a good and fair sportsperson, and their growth in their self- confidence was clearly evident and commendable. 6E's 2007 soccer season could best be described as an experience that is characterised by determination, team spirit and full of encouragement. Every break, every goal, every attempt, every save, and every effort was cheered, applauded and celebrated! With such a wonderful experience the foundations have been laid for future Gynea United Champions that we will all be reading about in years to come!! Tania Zarb (Proud parent).

6F-1



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Lachlan Freebody, Heather Ewings, Alex Bell, Nicholas Papadakis

SECOND ROW: Zachary McLoughlin, Riley Baker, Mitchell Fahy

TEAM: 6 F1

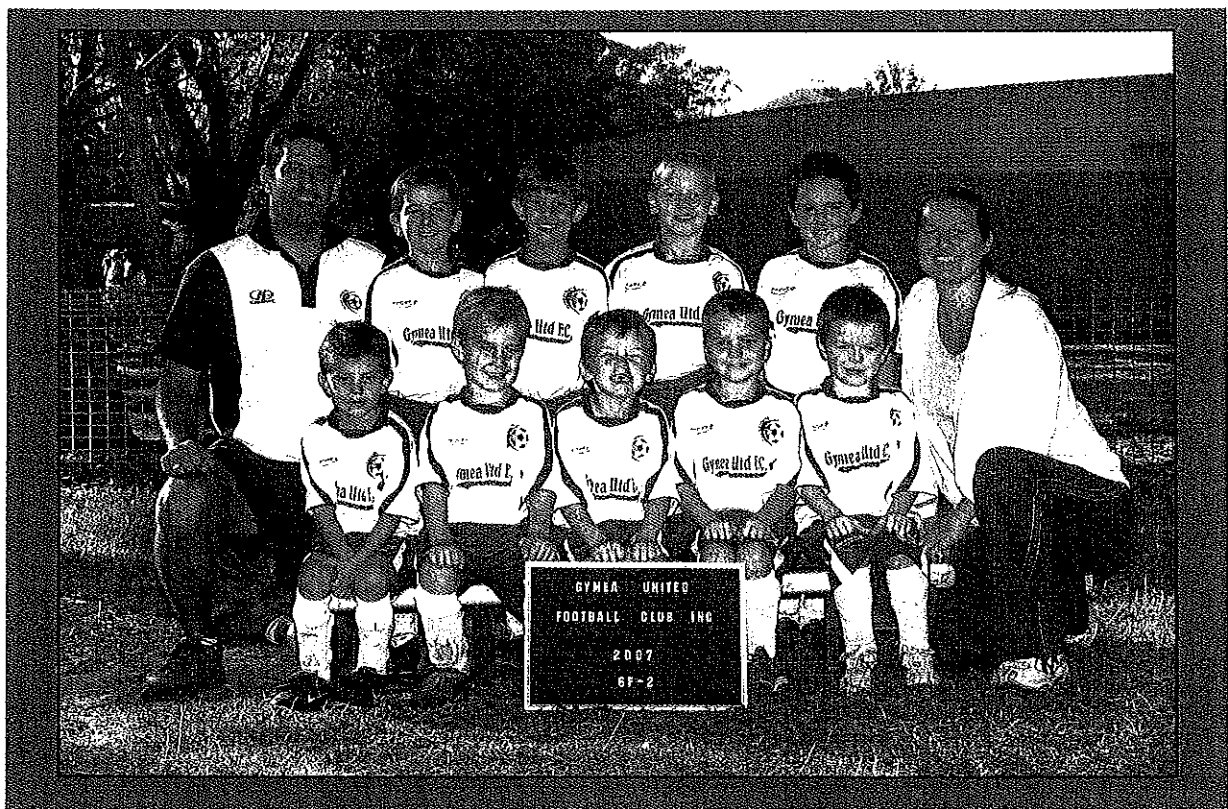
Coach: Paul Bell

Manager: Leanne Freebody

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6F-2



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Noah Flynn, Nate Cooper, Kye Vyvyan, Blake Anderson, Bryson Duffy

SECOND ROW: Dominic Tynan-Ludlam, Alessandro Bocchino, Angus Whitaker, Jed Buckley

TEAM: 6F-2

Coach: Eddie Bocchini

Manager: Natalie Buckley

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6G-1



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Bella, Jazmyn, Casey, Alanah, Jacinta
SECOND ROW: Emma, Zoe, Lily, Samantha
TEAM: 6 G1 **Coach:** Michael Hart **Manager:** Tanya Barber
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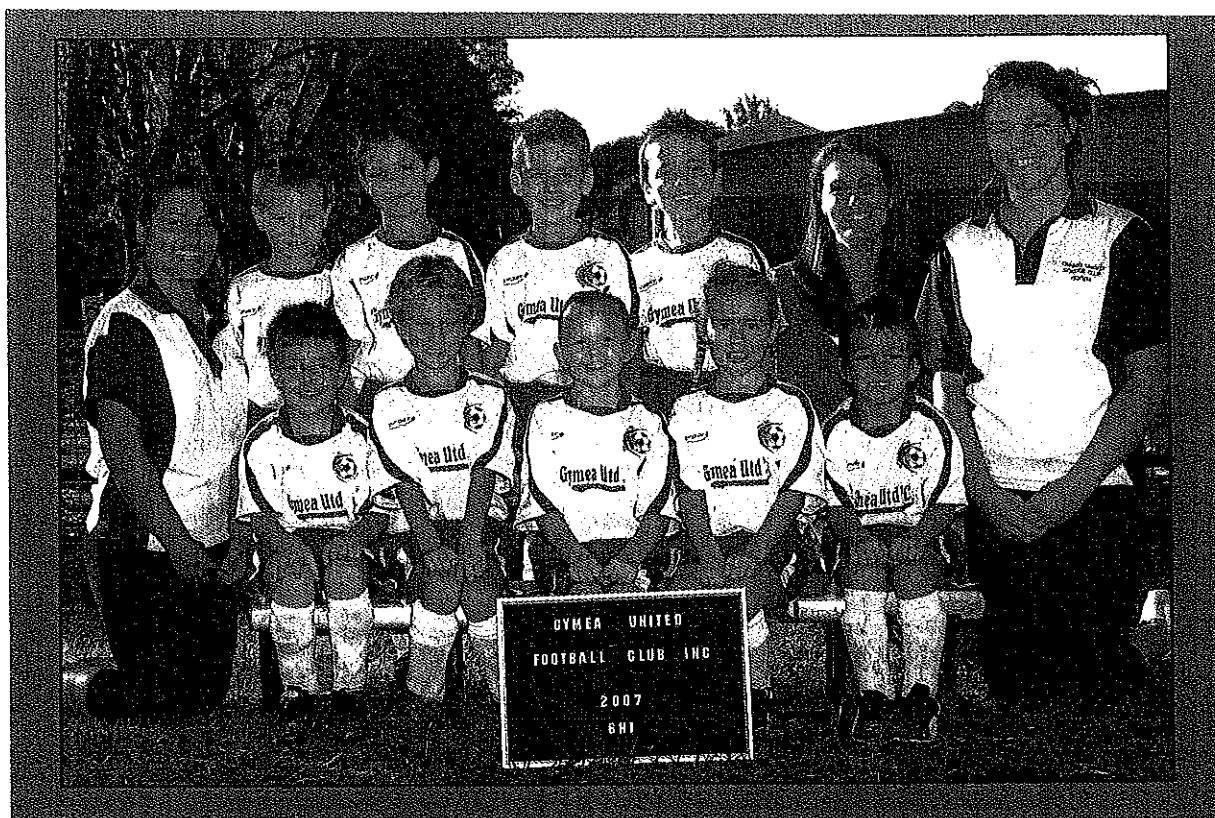
Coach: Michael Hart
Manager: Tanya Barber

The 6G1's had an excellent first year of soccer. This was all of the girls first attempt at team sport.

The results of a first year team were outstanding with only one loss and one draw. Lots of wins for our beautiful girls! Goals were scored by many members of the team. Each girl also spent their fair share of time in goals (although there was little action, usually at that end of the field).

The girls learnt lots about taking turns, being fair, and being patient, as well as many excellent soccer skills taught by super coach Michael. Well done, great playing, Alannah Keane, Emma Barber, Lily & Zoe Hart, Jazmyn Wood, Jacinta Norton, Samantha Dorigato, Bella Weismantle and Casey Loftus.

6H-1



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Ben Kelloway, Mitchell Ashton, Jemima Rees, Maddison Owen, Ethan Harris
SECOND ROW: Marcus Malandin, Matthew Staples, Harrison Nash, EJ Papadimitriou
TEAM: 6 H1 Coaches: Dilara Bahceci & Sophie Lewis Manager: Kathy Staples

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Coach: Dilara Bahceci & Sophie Lewis
Manager: Kathy Staples

The 6H1s had an impressive season in 2007. Mitchell, Matthew, Maddison and Jemima all played in the same team last year and this year were joined by Marcus, Ethan, Ben, Harrison and EJ. The team was full of energetic players who were very consistent throughout the year, notching up 10 wins, 2 draws and 3 very close losses. The 6H1s scored 85 goals for the season and only conceded 28. Just about everyone was lucky enough to have scored at least one goal for the team during the season; some team members were even generous enough to score a goal for the opposition!! The team really bonded together, learnt a lot of new skills, made new friends, tried their best, took some spills and improved from week to week. A HUGE THANK YOU must go to our very patient coaches - Dilara and Sophie - for doing such a fantastic (although sometimes frustrating) job, training and developing the team, and more importantly helping everyone to have fun!!

Some highlights of the season - on and off the field - included : Mitchell's (Mark Viduka-like) goal-scoring efforts; Ben's fantastic season opening with 4 goals; the gutsy all-round effort by Ethan every game; the 'lucky gloves' of Marcus; the biggest improvement to Harrison; the inseperable soccer-twins of Maddison and Jemima; the EJ 'Tim Cahill' effort of scoring two goals (his first for the season) in the last game; and the 'Lucas Neil' defence of Matthew.

Thanks must also go to the huge cheer-squad we had each week - mums, dads, sisters, brothers, aunties, uncles, grandparents, friends, the list goes on... - the team really loved having people there to watch them and cheer them on !! (Probably the bribery used worked really well too!!) To everyone associated with the 6H1s - thank you for the great year, and congratulations to all the players on a fantastic season. Hope to see you in 2008!!

6G-2



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Trent Plummer, Lachlan Reece, Thomas Griffin, Reilly Fox
 SECOND ROW: Aidan Walmsley, Jordan Turner, Brendan Reece, Thomas Heffernan
 TEAM: 6G-2 Coach: Brett Turner Asst Coach: Geoff Plummer Manager: Hayden Fox
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6H-2



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Jayden Aitken, Jarvis Lane, Nathan Jay, Matthew Price, Jordan kohn
 SECOND ROW: Chloe Cotter, Riley Dixon, Olivia Eason, Liam Kelly
 TEAM: 6 H2 Coach: Josh Eason Manager: Michael Jay Asst Coach: Nick Murphy

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FRONT ROW:(L to R) Karlee Hilderbrandt, Hayden Neale, Benjamin Dolheguy, Kaylee Severino, Ben Grech

SECOND ROW: Felice Coluccio, Joshua Harrison, Nicola De Sensi, Kai Weate-Jones

TEAM: 6I

Coach: Mark Hildebrandt

Manager: Nicole Neale

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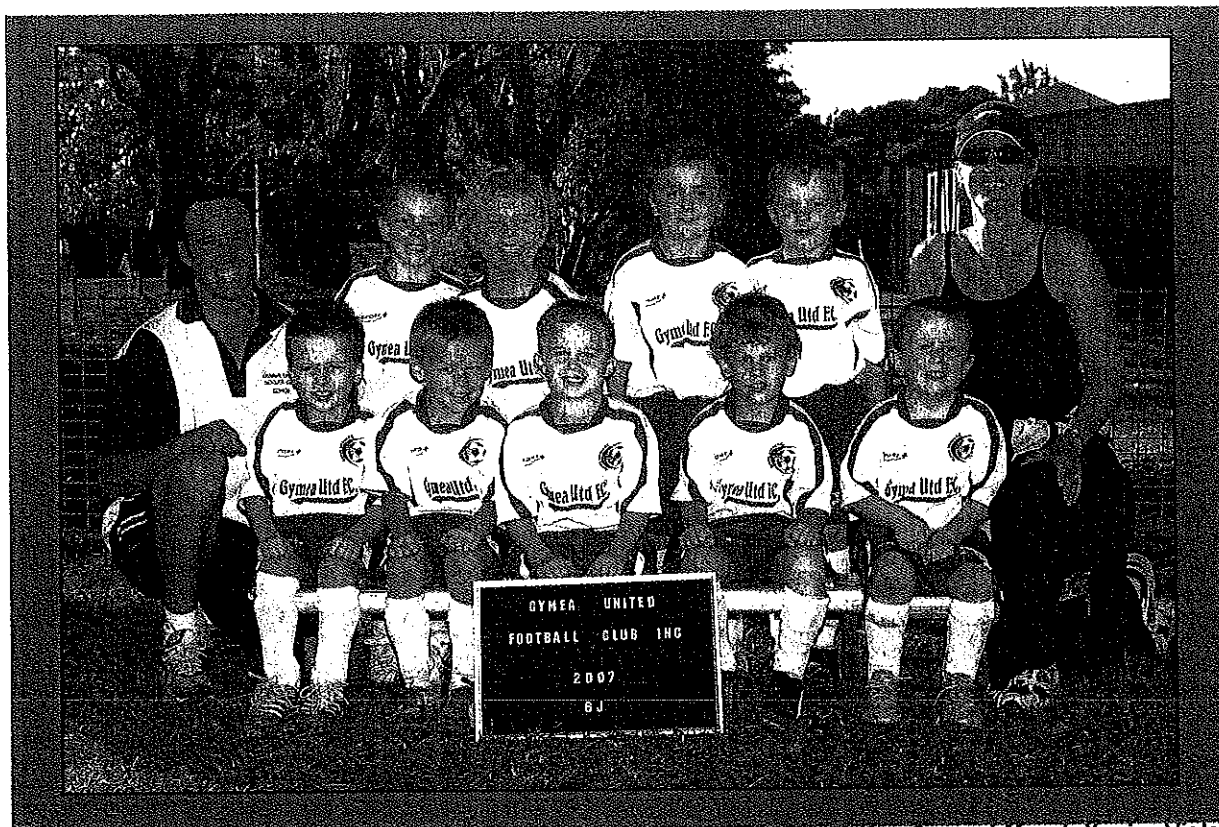
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Coach: MarkHildebrandt
Manager: Nicole Neale

Result : 9 wins, 5 losses 1 draw With only 2 players having played the previous season we were never sure how this little side would perform. However the 7 boys and 3 girls (although we did lose Nicholas Diaz midway through the season) that made up the 6I's had an extremely successful season winning over 2/3 of their games.

As a coach your primary objective is for every player to have fun and in soccer nothing puts a smile on the face of both player and parent more then scoring a goal so the season's success can be exemplified by the fact that all nine players managed to slot at least one shot into the back of the net during the season. Who will forget Ben Dolheguy's celebrations when he scored his first and second goals for the season within 3 minutes of each other in Round 17! Unlike many young sides that rely on one or two exceptional players this terrific little side had a great balance of talent. Felice Colucio topped the goal scoring but was well supported by Nicola De Sensi and Karlee Hildebrandt. It is hard to believe these two young girls played in a side that only scored one goal the previous season. What a difference a bit of confidence can do! Kaylea Severino and Kai Weate Jones were strong in the midfield and Ben Dolheguy and Joshua Harrison were terrific in defence. Hayden Neale and Kaylea showed exceptional goalkeeping skills and Ben Grech was always willing to mix it with much bigger players in his first season. Training was a lot of fun with players keen to get in and have a go to learn some of the finer skills of dribbling, shooting and defence. When concentration levels were a bit low we would resort to working on our fitness. Though we did seem to play our best soccer after the big wet saw numerous training sessions cancelled.

Thanks to the many parents who assisted at training or on game day. The nature and enthusiasm of parents often determine the success of the season and I can honestly say we had a fantastic group who were a pleasure to get to know. Whether it was ground control, Leanne or Renee with lollies, Adrian with oranges or one of the other parents tying a shoe lace or assisting with the goalie's top we always had someone willing to help out. I'd also like to thank Nicole for her excellent managerial skills throughout the season. Trying to give equal time to nine players Unfortunately next year the side will be split with a number of the younger players remaining in the Under 6's but hopefully these young stars of tomorrow will remember their first year of soccer and more importantly friendships developed this year will continue throughout the years. Thank you for a great year!



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Cruz Dempster, Kai Goodacre, Rhys Telfer, Samuel Mood, Xavier Vials
SECOND ROW: Will Angus, Joshua Murray, Christopher Thomas, Zac McDowell
TEAM: 6J Coach: Guy Telfer Manager: Sue Thomas



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Coach: Guy Telfer
Manager: Sue Thomas

Our 9 boys joined together to create the 6J's. A mixed bunch grouping together to build an undefeatable team. As the season progressed all the boys began developing their skills and team work through the fantastic coaching effort of Guy. Their confidence, concentration and accuracy continually improved. It has been such a joy watching them all build lovely friendships with each other and have so much fun. A huge thank you to Sue for keeping the parents organised and managing the team. When asked what each team member liked most about playing soccer, I received the following responses;

Will Angus - "Having fun, nearly scoring a goal, getting awards and the trophy".
Cruz Dempster - "I liked everything. I liked to kick goals and I liked to save goals to".
Kai Goodacre - "I liked tackling the ball".
Zac McDowell - "The best thing was being a good sport and kicking the ball at training".
Samuel Mood - "I loved it when my buddies passed the ball to me".
Joshua Murray - "I done a high kick, I got awards, and my team scored lots of goals".
Rhys Telfer - "Kicking the ball, being a goalie, and stretching".
Christopher Thomas - "Tackling the ball, scoring goals, kicking it out of the sideline, having lollies, getting a certificate and having Guy as my coach".
Xavier Vials - "It was awesome, it was awesome".

Well done boys! Thank you for an enjoyable season and to the parents and grandparents for their support.



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Preston Knowles, Matthew Fong, Daniel Dolheguy, Adam Filintoir, Alexander Beazley



SECOND ROW: Chris Hatzimihali, Lachlan Macpherson, Nicholas Hards, Rhys Hughes
TEAM: 7A Coach: Steve Dolheguy Manager: Natalie Hards Asst Coach: Lyndon Grant

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Coach: Steven Dolheguy & Lyndon Grant
Manager: Natalie Hards

The season started with GyMEA being lucky enough to have an exceptionally talented young side all keen to learn and eager to have a go. We set about trying to ensure that the kids started to understand structure and positional play as well as enjoying the game in general. Trainings were always competitive with lots of skills work and plenty of small sided battles. The coaches thoroughly enjoyed the season as the boys are very easy to coach in general and on game days they proved they are top of the tree level. Anyone that got to see this side play knows that along with the 6A and 8A sides the future for GUFC is burning bright. Rhys was a mainstay at the back for us clearing many times from dangerous situations Chris another back whose speed saw him cover our backline when in trouble. Chris is also very handy in goals, Alex has skill and pace to burn and while he only played about half the season his efforts were first rate, Adam (Freddy) started slowly but as the season got longer Freddy got better just needs to stay focused as all good teams need a good left footer, Daniel thinks he is a striker and scored plenty but may lack the toe needed. Long hard discussion at home will see Daniel accept he is probably a Centre back or midfielder, Nicky the workaholic always practicing and trying to improve played mostly out of the midfield where he ability to get up and down the paddock was seen to best affect. Forms the basis of a very strong group for years to come, Preston spent most of the season up front and scored a few good goals in crucial games has a good training ethic who is very into helping his team, Prez improved all year long, Matthew another with good speed and will to win, Matty spends extra time after training practicing and as another Midfielder has potential to get the ball in the back of the net also covered for us a fullback when needed we can expect to see Matty playing lots a A grade soccer for this club, Lachlan they say you should never over wrap a young player so I won't other than to say anyone that saw Lach play this year will agree he is the complete athletic package speed skill and a great attitude. Aside from all of that he scored a few goals made a few tackles spent time in goals and in general was good fun and he follows the Bunnies what more is there to say. The above boys are a tremendous bunch who really only had one side slightly superior and next year we will add players going into the 8s and go out there and do it all again. I am sure the boys enjoyed their season but none of it could have happed without My number 1 assistant Coach (Hopefully wants the full time role) Lyndon Grant mate the kids loved having you there at training and I am sure the mums did too. Shame you couldn't stay on the paddock with your side they enjoy watching the 21s. And finally nothing could have happened without Natalie Hards great organisation. The boys went to Gala days always knew when and where to be and most important the coaches only ever had to worry about making sure the team was ready on the field. So a Big thanks Nat look forward to you doing it again next year Hint Hint. Other than that thanks to the parents who provided match reports etc I hope you enjoyed watching the side stay with them this side will be very good for a long time.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Thomas Mooney, Hugo Langton, Jamison Ancora, Tom Cox
SECOND ROW: James Coyne, Nate Rached, Jackson Proudlock, Cody Matthews
TEAM: 7D-1 Coach: Brian Andrew Manager: Tim Cox

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Coach: Brian Andrews
Manager: Tim Cox

Result: Played 17, Won 15, Drew 2 (70 goals for, 9 against) 2007 was an excellent season for the boys. Each of them improved their game and had alot of fun along the way. We were very lucky to have Brian, an experienced (and very patient!) coach who helped the boys football development. The boys responded to Brian's motivational speeches, particularly when it looked like we might lose to an All-Girl team! We will always remember Brian's broad Scottish accent yelling "Go Jimmy" each time James broke through in attack! Thanks for everything Brian - we really appreciated your time and effort. **OUR PLAYERS:** **CODY:** his defensive work was enormous. He has a huge kick, which he used very effectively to constantly get us out of trouble. His tackling improved immensely and only a few opposition players got past him. Cody was one of the main reasons we only had 9 goals scored against us all season - he made our goalkeepers job very boring! Even though he was a natural defender, Cody also scored a great goal this season. **HUGO:** this years most improved player. He really got into the games and chased the ball hard. When he scored his first ever goal at the Loftus Gala Day, the sideline erupted like we'd won the World Cup! He proved he likes to score goals when slamming in another one after a very unselfish pass from James. This gave him 2 goals for the year and a lot of confidence. **JACKSON:** was our trickster. When it comes to heel-kicks, the fake dribble or the tricky pass - Jackson was our man. He was also our second highest goal scorer with 8 for the season. He seems to be a born mid-fielder with a good defensive work rate as well as attacking flair. When goalkeeping, his clearance kicks were huge, sometimes going out at the other end of the field! **JAMES:** was our star player. Scoring 43 goals for the season, James loved to slot the ball in the back of the net - usually very hard! He also did a lot of defence, but his strength was cutting through (or around) the pack and dribbling past defenders to score. Some of his long range shots were so powerful that opposition goalies didn't have a chance. Let's hope for GUFC's sake he plays again next year! **JAMISON:** nicknamed the "Bulldozer" for his powerful runs. A born forward, Jamison likes nothing better than to chase the ball into the goals and sometimes over the goalie! He is a very intimidating sight for opposition defenders and goalie's as he runs towards them! This netted him 5 goals for the season. He was also one of our best goalie's as he would put his body on the line to save a goal. **NATE:** a born leader sure to captain a team in the future. Nate was great for getting his team-mates into the right position both in attack but especially defence. He improved immensely throughout the season and was one our best defenders. He also scored 5 goals - 3 on the same day at the Loftus Gala Day winning him our player of the tournament. He also excels at goalkeeping and has a massive kick. **THOMAS:** would have to be our toughest player. Thomas never stopped trying all season. He would always run hard and tackle relentlessly. Thomas scored 4 goals for the season including a hat-trick in Round 2. His tough playing style meant he spent a lot of time getting knocked over, but he always got up straight away and played on. Thomas would usually be the "Go To" man to fire up his team-mates. His celebration dances after a goal were very entertaining. **TOM:** was the team official. He would make sure his fellow players were OK after a tumble and he would also respond to opposition niggles! Tom scored 2 goals this season including a match winner in Round 8 just before full-time. He came close to scoring many others goals and will definitely improve as he grows. Tom was hard to motivate on the cold mornings, but in the warmth he played very strong! A big thankyou to all the parents who braved the cold to cheer on the boys throughout the season. Everyone was happy to help out and our team spirit was terrific. It was very pleasing that the boys played their football in a truly sportsmanlike manner. I hope to see all the boys back again in Season 2008!



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Cody Mitchell, Ben Metcalfe, Renae Curtis, Frank Jory
SECOND ROW: Chloe Mannix, Tyson Gilbert, Brianna Goss, Luke Sothern
TEAM: 7 G1 Coach: Christian Jory Manager: Julie Curtis



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Coach: Christian Jory
Manager: Julie Curtis

The 7D2's previously known as the 7G's, were moved up the rankings due to the great team work and the determination. Out of the 6 games played in the 7G's we won all 6, with some spectacular goal scoring from Frank, Tyson, Ben, Chloe and Luke.

The games wouldn't have been won if our hard working and courageous defenders Cody, Renae and Brianna hadn't been as skillful as they were to set the ball up ready for the forwards. Once we had made our move to the 7D's we were faced with a bit more of a challenge with harder competition.

All of our wins, loses and draws had only made our players turn into one thing, a "TEAM", and that team is called the 7D's. This team had made my Saturday mornings a great reason to get out of bed and watch a fantastic game of football.

Thanks to all my players and manager Julie for being a pleasure to coach and work with (coach) Christian.

7E-1



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Nicholas Di Martino, Joshua Caruana, Samuel Di Martino, Jack Gallen
SECOND ROW: Joshua Sposori, Harrison Waddingham, Kyle Lister, Michael Owens

ABSENT: Benjamin Lund

TEAM: 7E-1

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Coach: Vince di Martino
Manager: Lisa Waddingham

How quickly the 2007 season seemed to finish this year, even with the unfortunate weather and the extra round! The 7E-1's had a great year and we welcomed Ben and his family to our team. What a great first season of soccer Ben had, displaying great all round skills & knowledge of the game.

The improvement in these boys is unbelievable and we thank our Coach, Vince, for his never ending faith and patience as well as his time & effort put into coaching. Also to his offsiders, Daniel & Anthony who helped train and coach the boys on game day. Kyle, who only wants to score goals, did so in a stunning fashion this year. He was our highest goal scorer. I am not sure what Michael is fed for breakfast each Saturday, but he has improved out of sight and runs like a greyhound! Jack, again, had a fantastic season and is one of our most consistent and reliable players. Joshua S. has developed some incredible dribbling skills, getting the ball to the end of the field on his toes! Samuel and Nicholas (our twins with twin skills!) have both proven to be solid all rounders. Their attacking skills, outstanding defensive plays (including Nick's famous slide kicks) and awesome work in goals has really stood out this year. Harry just wants to play soccer and that he did, albeit with his own personal style and flair this year. Joshua C has also improved tremendously and is getting himself more involved in the game each week.

Our boys enjoyed their season this year and just keep getting better. They have bonded well as mates and make a great little team. Congratulations to you all on yet another fun season Also, to the parents - a big Thank You to all.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Zoe Callinan, Sarah Brown, Elana Gent, Matthew Cowan
SECOND ROW: Tristan Kenny, Thomas Mann, Joshua Thomas, Jessica Varney
TEAM: 7E2 Coaches: Gavin Kenny Manager: Rhonda Cowan Asst Coach: Phil Cowan



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Coach: Gavin Kenny & Phillip Cowan
Manager: Rhonda Cowan

It was a year that could be best described as challenging, however the kids never gave up and played the game with great spirit and 110% commitment every week. Let's start with our 4 girls of the team:

Zoe - No matter what the situation was, always gave it a go with a big smile on her face. Great in goals.

Sarah - Would win the award for most improved, great running game and is developing into a good player.

Jessica - Was not afraid to mix it with the opposition, which often lead to some big runs and was solid in defence.

Elana - A real good give it a go player and with time and practice she will be a force to be reckon with.

Now for the boys:

Thomas - A natural in defence and was the key to repelling many attacking raids from the opposition.

Josh - Always showed what sport is all about, playing every week with enthusiasm and determination. Also loved the sausage sizzles after the game.

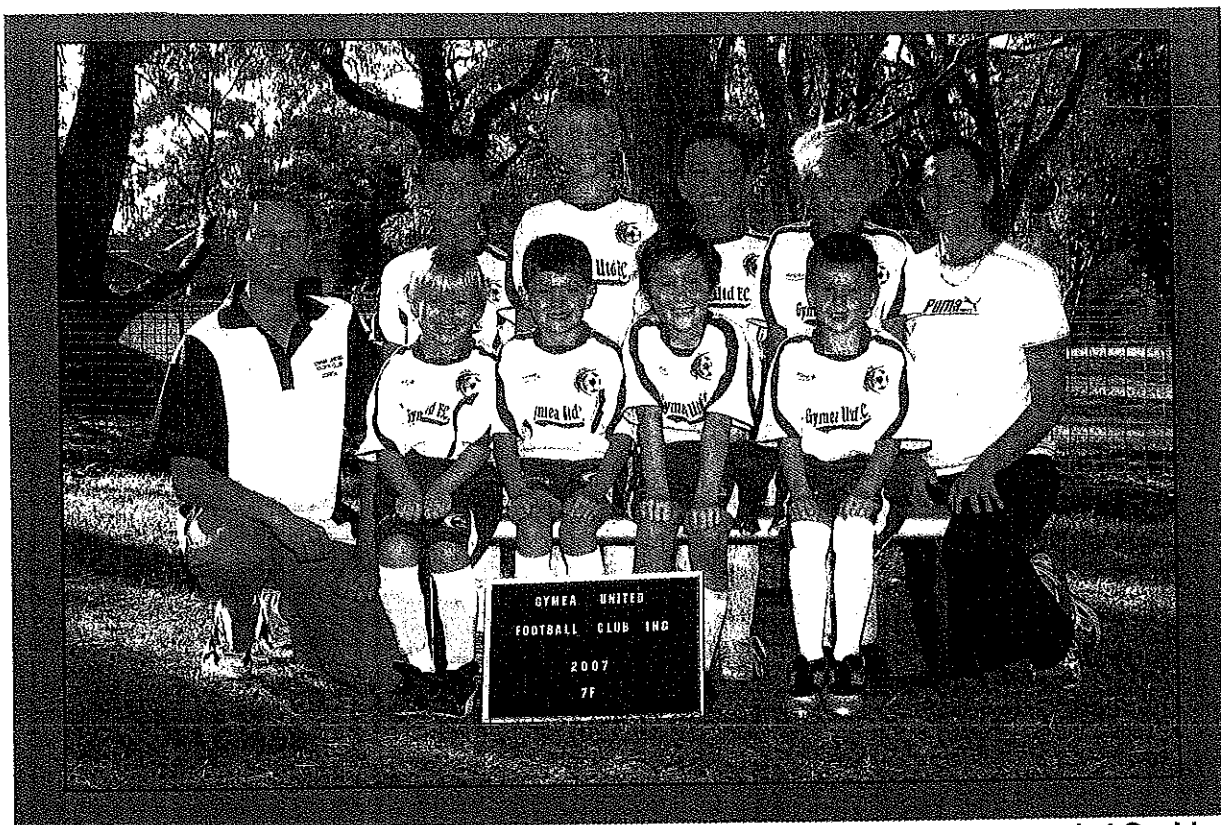
Tristan - Our big kicking player, which was rewarded with a great goal in the last game.

Gavin a tip for next year, longer shoe laces.

Matthew - Although small in size Matt was fearless in both attack and defence. Favourite play was the back flick.

Highlight: It is hard to go past Tristan's goal in the last game. It was a long time between Matthew's goal in the first round and Tristan's goal in the last, but the cheer when it was scored must have been heard for miles and sent the crowd into a frenzy. More importantly for the kids it meant McDonald's. On behalf of Gavin, Rhonda and myself I would like to thank all of the parents for their contributions and support throughout the season. I would also like to thank the kids, you all were a pleasure to coach, always had a smile on your face no matter what the result and played every game with great spirit.

7F-1



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Cameron Soloman, Jack Bryant, William Logan, Jed Cachia
SECOND ROW: Kail Glenn, Lachleigh Thomson, Cory Dean, Flynn Cordin
TEAM: 7F Coach: Kevin Thomson Manager: Dianne Cordin
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Coach: Kevin Thomson
Manager: Dianne Cordin

The motto this year was teamwork and the boys had certainly understood what this meant by the end of the year. The idea of passing the ball and taking positions was something that was coming through in the latter half of the season. Team spirit was also great I loved watching the boys congratulating the opponents and each other at the end of the game. It has been a fun season, both the kids and the parents getting into the spirit of the game. With over 40 goals scored, even with so many wet weather games cancelled, it was a great tally, not only because of the number but because it was an even spread of goals from the whole team. All the kids had their stand out performances and that was always helped by their team mates. As Kevin always said there is no "I" in TEAM...

Positions started to become apparent this year, William and Lochleigh were fantastic in goals, putting their bodies on the line and the huge kicks back into play. Cory and Cameron always built the Great Wall of Gymer as defence that the opposition founds very hard to penetrate. Jack, Flynn and Jed made sure they were always on the attack ready to move the ball up the field. Kail was great at both attack and defence, running down the ball but also weaving through the opposition to find the gaps and make a break through the defence.

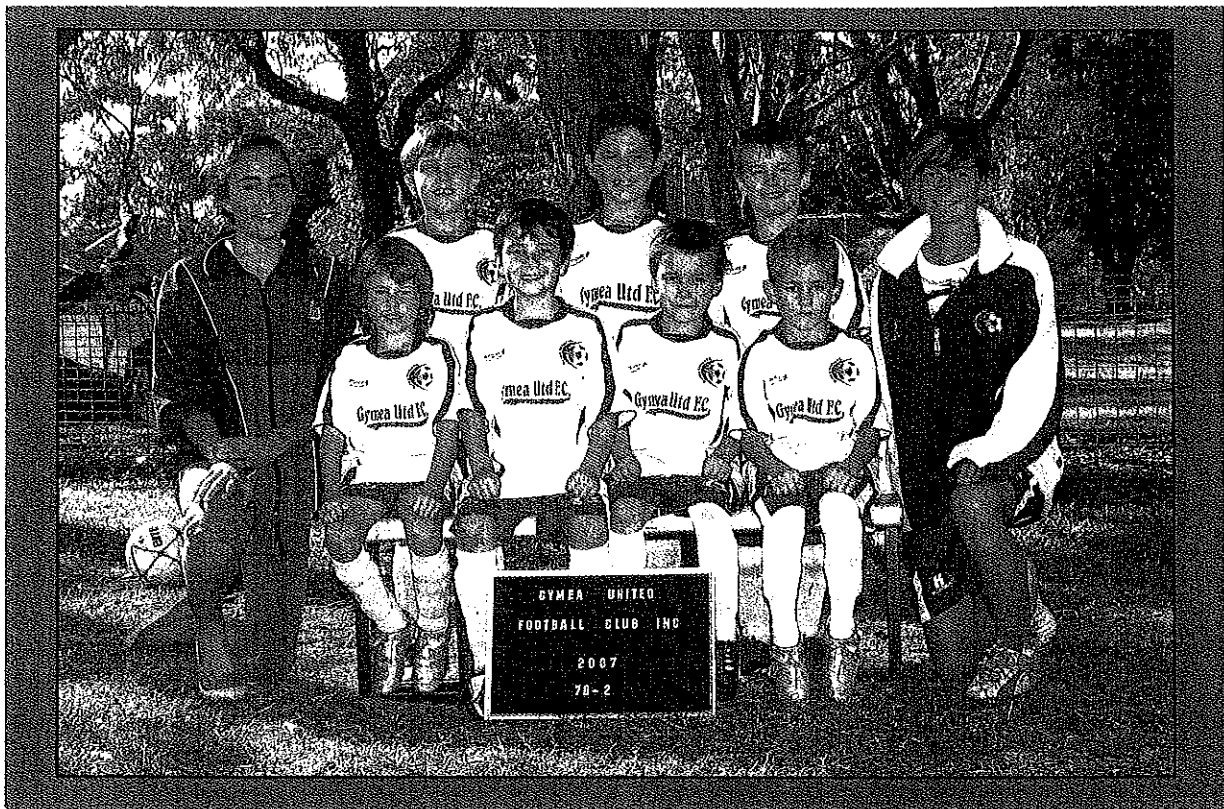
With an almost even number of wins and losses we had hot days and plenty of cold ones this year, it was a fun year for all the kids. A big part of that was the parents participation, so thanks to all the Mums and Dads bringing drinks and helping out. Through the year the kids received MOM awards and BAF awards but I think a special note goes to some of the parents too. Geoff, Des and Mark for the loudest cheers squad in the Sutherland Shire, Sol for Best Support Crew, and Kevin for the worst sense of direction and time. A huge thanks to Kevin, who managed to always keep the boys under control and still being able to keep it fun.

7C



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Dimitri Delhas, Jacob Pascali, Nicholas Lumsden, Kurt Turansky
SECOND ROW: Tyler Kristensen, Nathan Skinner, Adam Canto, Antonio Volpe
TEAM: 7C Coach: Pas Pascalis Manager: Richard Canto
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7F-2



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Roy Bishop, Liam Dugan, Corben Membrey, Jared Stafford
SECOND ROW: Joshua Brennan, Nicholas Rose, Riley Hayes
TEAM: 7D-2 Coach: Rebecca Coulter & Rebecca King
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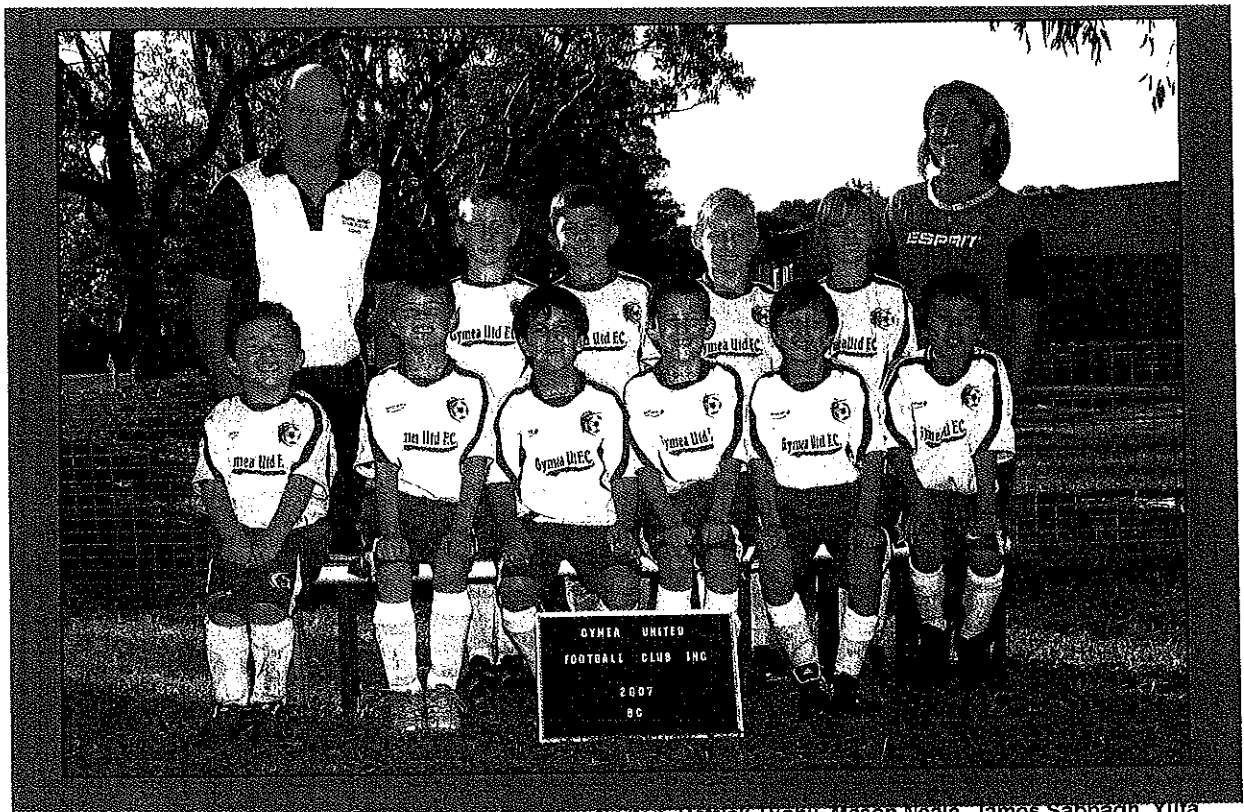
7H



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Elise Frendo, Eliza Benson, Jordan Kourakis, Taylah Dempster
SECOND ROW: James Horrod, Georgia Thompson, Maiya Matthews
TEAM: 7G-2 **Coach:** Robert Horrod **Manager:** Debbie Horrod
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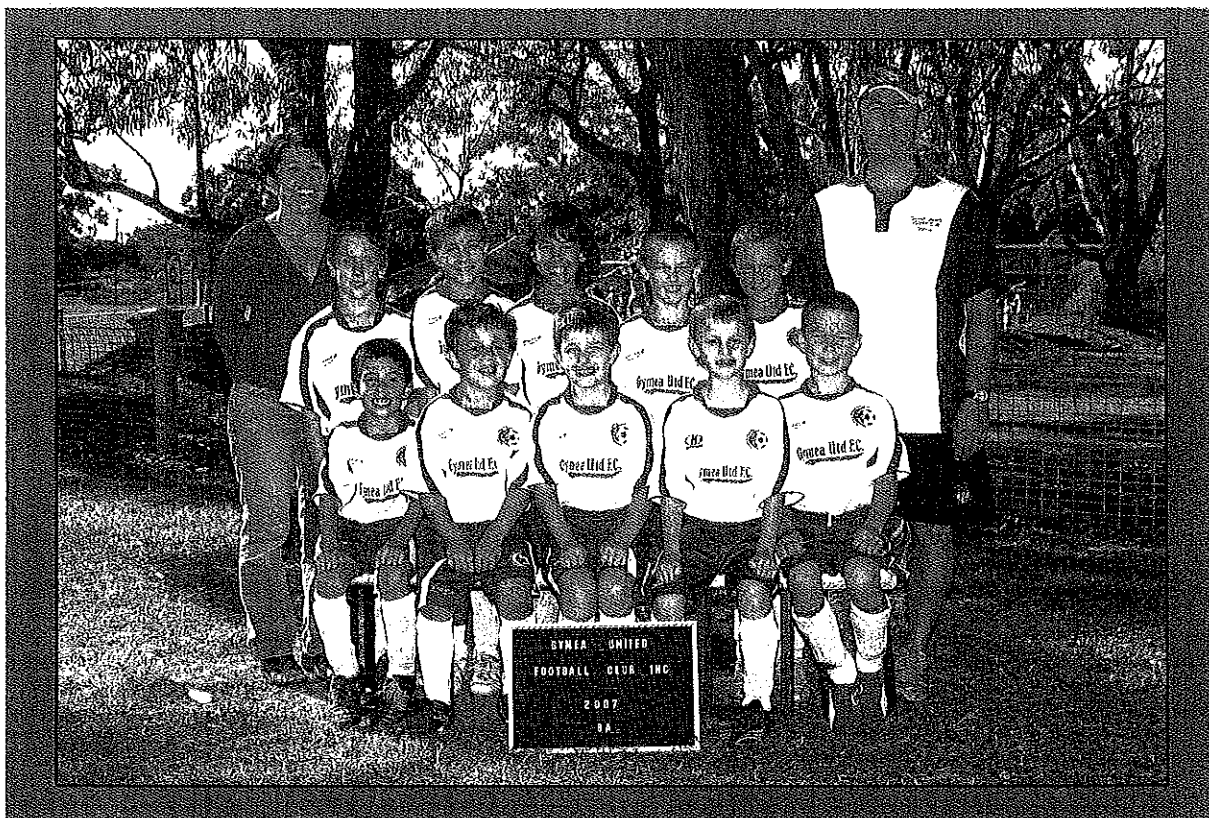


8C



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Jarrod Wall, Brandon Norton, Patrick Tuohy, Mason Neale, James Sabbagh, Yuta Pendlebury
SECOND ROW: Jackson Teal, Thomas Stavropoulos, Kyle Hood, Jack New
ABSENT: Brennan Craig
TEAM: 8C **Coach:** Andrew Tuohy **Manager:** Frances Wall
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FRONT ROW: (L to R) Thomas Mifsud, Joseph De Sensi, Benjamin Donoghue, Daniel Wall, Jesse Naylor
SECOND ROW: Christopher Newell, Nicholas Croucher, Zachary Diefenbach, Jed McStravick, Matthew Sparks
TEAM: 8A **Coach:** Gary Wall **Manager:** Cherie Donoghue
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Coach: Gary Wall
Manager: Cherie Donoghue

What a great year with a great team of boys. I think back to the beginning of the season when I noticed how similar the boys are - good fun, heaps and heaps of heart and very determined to play their best soccer every match. We were lucky to have a great team of players and parents who from the outset were keen to work together as a cohesive team and have a great time doing it.

The game is all about each and every team member and I would like to thank each one for the effort they have put in this year. Our two star forwards Chris and Jed put in 110% effort each and every week, they played as hard as they could and scored lots of goals as reward. Zachary, Daniel and Joseph were amazing in defence - I knew if the ball was near them it was safely tackled and kicked to our end of the field. Benjamin, Thomas, Nicholas, Jesse and Matthew were fantastic in the middle, trying their hardest every week and running and running until they were puffed. Each boy took their turn in goal and were ready to stop any ball at any cost. Congratulations.

Gary Wall's coaching was excellent. Each week he put a lot of time and effort into training and developing the boys skills and this paid dividends towards the end of the season ... our great win against Bosco was the week when all Gary's and the boys effort came together. Our results were mixed but each week all the boys turned up and tried their hardest - we couldn't have hoped for more. All the boys are enthusiastic for the 2008 season and cant wait for each round to be recorded on a table. See you all next year.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Hayley Bryant, Ben Johnston, Tiarne Hogan, Mikayla Woodward, Emily Leitch
SECOND ROW: Shane Adair, Maddison Boseley, Alec Colquhoun, Phillipa Emery, Maddison Bryant
TEAM: 8E
Coach: Mark Boseley **Manager:** Naomi Bryant
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Coach: Mark Boseley
Manager: Naomi Bryant

We started the season with the addition of some new recruits and the appointment of "super coach" Mark Boseley. The kids were really enthusiastic and quickly settled in as a team. Our first game resulted in a win which gave everyone great confidence and some idea of how tired they would get having moved to the larger field this year.

With a few more wins over the next few weeks "all round" Shane quickly proved himself a strong attacker who was consistently everywhere and was our overall highest goal scorer for the year. Phillipa "the big boot" was our formidable centre back who kept all the backs focused and was capable of stopping any attacker and clearing the ball back down our end regularly. Maddy "the terminator" Boseley was the girl who could stop any player, and also kicked some great goals. After some rained out matches it was good to play again and the team tried out different positions so everyone could be a back or a forward. Alec "the Weatbix kid" was strong in the midfield and we soon discovered that 4 weatbix was the secret to getting his best results. As the season progressed we had our worst game against a team (no name but we know who it was) that showed what poor sportsmen-ship is. But in our second encounter it was our team that showed them how to win and still be humble – so congratulation to everyone for that fantastic game. Hayley "the wild one" and "Mad" Maddy Bryant combined well in the backpack to always keep pressure on the other team. In the centres we were lucky to have the team of "never stop" Ben, "the floater" Mikayla who could play in any position, and "Braveheart" Emily who always worked together. Finally "tiny tenacious" Tiarne who was so determined and focused all game and managed to score some terrific goals in the forwards.

To all the players thanks you for being such a happy, friendly and terrific group who were a pleasure to work with. Thank you to Mark for all his time, effort and vocal support in coaching all year. And finally a huge thank you to all the parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters etc who turned up each week to yell, cheer and provide encouragement to everyone. A great season for the 8E's and we hope to see you all back again next year..... Signing off, Manager Naomi.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Larissa Wales, Mitchell Flynn, Keegan Dooley, Zac Cahill, Jake Zdravkoski, Oskajory
 SECOND ROW: Tim Barton, Matthew Rafferty, Mikayla Landers, Robert Beattie
 TEAM: 8H
 Coach: Christian Jory Manager: Dave Cahill
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Coach: Christian Jory
Manager: Dave Cahill

What a year for the 8H's. Only lost 4 games all season, drew 1 and won the rest, the team scored a total of 46 goals and only had 11 scored against them. They played as team from the first round and responded well to playing in positions getting ready for next year. The whole season was totally enjoyable for both coach and manager and the kids made it really worthwhile and responded well to the coaches directions.

Just about all team members scored and the ones who didn't were responsible for restricting the opposition throughout the year, scoring only 11 goals. The whole team deserves a pat on the back for there efforts and hope they can continue to excel next year when they move on to the big field.

It was pleasing to see some big improvers throughout the year, such as Larissa Wales & Tim Barton, who came into there own in the final rounds to contribute significantly to the score board. The major scoring throughout the season, was carried out by Robert "The Rabbit" Beattie and Zac "Sticks" Cahill who scored 26 goals between them. This could not be achieved if not for the great consistent efforts by the remainder of the team, in providing them with great ball, allowing them to attack the goals.

A big thankyou to a great bunch of parents who are no doubt very proud of there kids who represented the 8H's for 2007. All the best for 2008.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Luke Conway, Hugh Links, Aimee O'Neil, Kimberly Keane, Troy Loftus, Luke Froio
SECOND ROW: Denver Napoli, Michael Gannon, Oscar Williams, Cassandra Prince, Kelly Barrett
TEAM: 81 **Coach:** Jo Williams **Manager:** Scott Gannon
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Coach: Joanna Williams
Manager: Scott Gannon

A big CONGRATULATIONS! to our team of champions - Aimee, Cassy, Denver, Hugh, Kelly, Kimberley, Luke C., Luke F, Michael, Oscar and Troy. All the team played well together and gave it their best with great enthusiasm each week- like true champs! We won some and we lost some but most importantly we had fun at every game and all involved enjoyed a great season.

There were many exciting moments with plenty of screaming and cheering from the devoted parental supporters! It was satisfying to watch each players skills improving throughout the season, and see their confidence and understanding of the game grow. We all appreciate her commitment and give a special thanks to Jo for taking up the challenge of coaching and doing a tremendous job.

Thanks also to all at GUFC for making it all happen. Looking forward to next year! Scott Gannon
 Manager 81



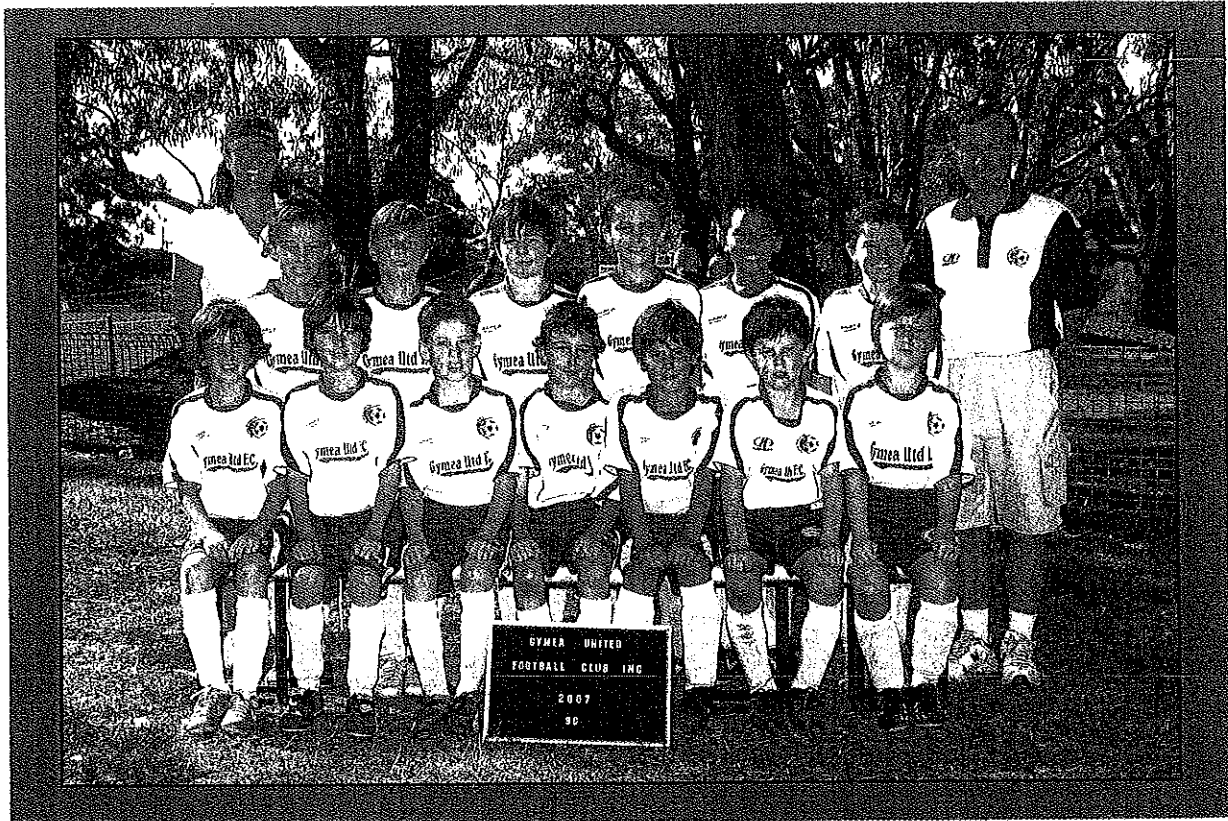
FRONT ROW:(L to R) Mitchell Bishop, Liam Thomas, Jenaya Goodacre, Ben Lamb, Drew Pickup, Riley Kilham, Andrew Condos
SECOND ROW: Lachlan Ancora, Dane Cooper, Joel Walker, Matt O'Dell, Kyann Williams-Bond, Brandon Cleary
TEAM: 9A Coach: Dave Pickup, Michael Keenan Manager: Kerrin Pickup
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Coach: Michael Keenan
Manager: Lisa Brown

At the time of writing this report we have entered the semi-final stage of the competition (by the way we won 3 - 1 against Menai in the first semi-final) just two games to go. I would like to thank the Club and parents for the opportunity to coach the 9A Gymea United team and hope that they too have enjoyed the season as much as I have. This team came together for their first full competition season with eagerness and confidence that will put the in good stead for future years. My thanks goes out to two special people who without their help and inspiration the enjoyment gained from a personal perspective could never have been achieved. Lisa Brown - 'Manager of the Year' The effort that was put in by Lisa was nothing short of astounding. Always positive and boundless in energy, truly a pleasure to be associated with. Dave Pickup - Coach No.2. His name may not appear on any of the official records, but Dave was instrumental in making this outfit gel together. His repour with the players, and the knowledge of the game he brought to each training and game day was appreciated by all involved.

PLAYERS.

Lachlan Ancora - Our defensive leader. A player of immense speed and an ability to read the game. Will be remembered for the amount of times he ran down an opposition attacker.
Mitchell Bishop - What this guy lacks in height he makes up with heart. Another who reads the game well (not many got past him), controls the ball well and cool under pressure, lovely left foot.
Brandon Cleary - One of our tough guys. Brandon gave a good account of himself when the going got tough, put many a fear into the opposition (and occasionally the coach).
Andrew Condos - Played solid all year, provided the team with our first ball skill now known as the 'Condos'. I think Rinaldo might have something to say about that, but we'll claim it anyway.
Dane Cooper - This is the type of player you just love to coach. Nothing was too much problem him, if he didn't do it right the first time he'd just do it again and again till it was perfect. Another speed demon who would run all day.
Jenaya Goodacre - A player who gave as good as she got. I remember hearing an opposition coach say to one of his players "Skin her, she's only a girl." There is now one very sore and sorry Bangor player.
Riley Kilham - Stepped up a few grades to qualify for this team and proved that 'If you believe in something it can (and will) happen'. Thoroughly deserved his spot and will gain a lot from the experience.
Benjamin "Ben" Lamb - The competitions No.1 Goalie. This guy can do anything (pity he's such a good goalie) no matter what position he played, a heart as big as Texas who just does the job with little fuss, a pleasure to coach.
Matthew O'Dell - Left foot - right foot it doesn't matter to him, he just knows the way to the goals and that the ball has to end up in the back of the net, invariably it does. Has a presence on the field that makes the opposition know that they're in for a hell of a game.
Drew Pickup - Part of our 'Defensive Four'. Many words could describe his game, however, he typifies the heart and soul that each player gave this year. He is a 'Rock' that you always want in your side rather than playing against.
Liam Thomas - The import of the year. Skilful, Determined, Never 'Say Die' attitude. Represents what a team game is all about, will go all the way in the game, if you want to watch a young player play this game at the highest level, you'll see no better.
Joel Walker - 'I'm glad he plays for Gymea'. There is nothing he can't do. A player that came along with a big reputation and lived up to it, makes it look all too easy sometimes. I'm sure the representative selectors will be knocking on your door next year. A great season.
Kyaan Williams-Bond - 'The Sheepdog'. A workaholic, the more they ran, the more he chased. His positional play was exceptional which made him the ideal leader for the midfield. One of the first picked each week, the ideal team player.



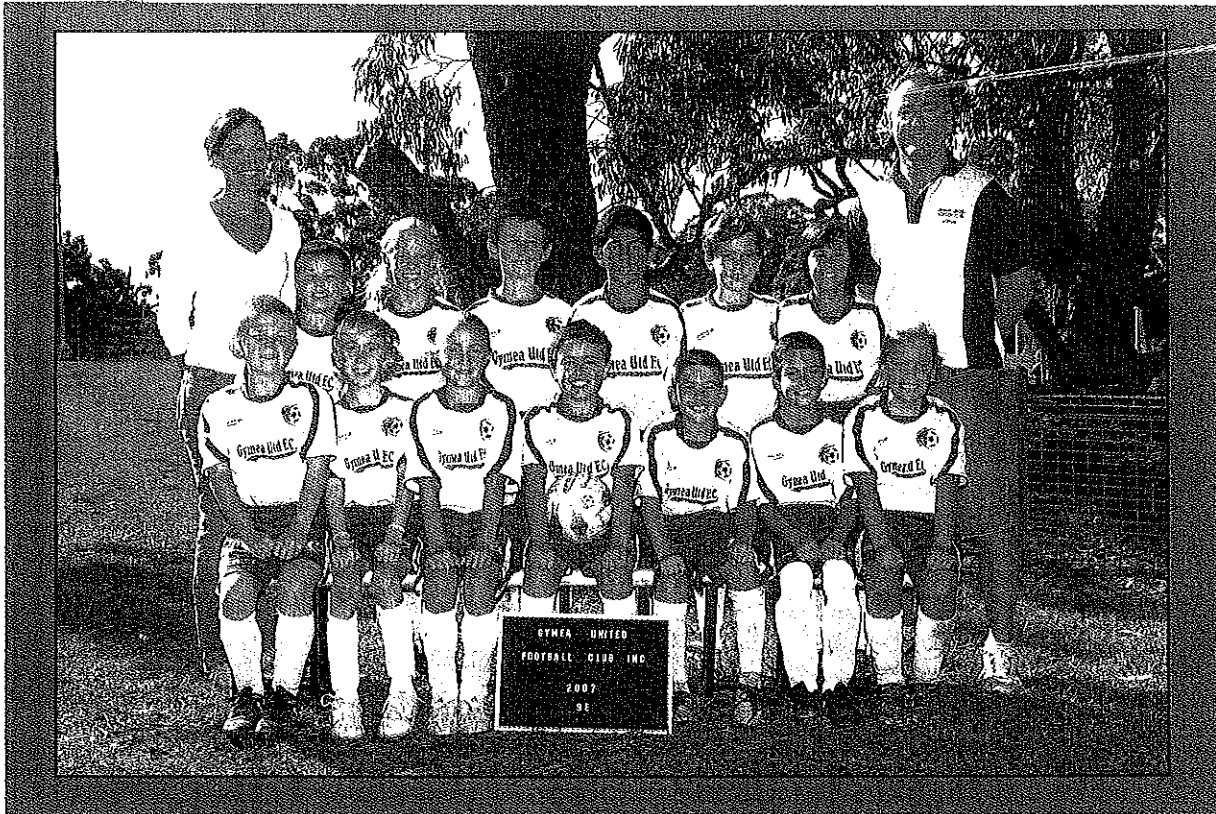
FRONT ROW:(L to R) Nicholas Varney, Nathan Sullivan, Connor Beard, Rikky Fitzgerald, Nicholas Button, Nathan Duncan, Harrison Riordan
SECOND ROW: Joshua Malle, Simon Duff, James Spriggins, Sebastian Diefenbach, Albert Fong, Ben Howe
TEAM: 9C Coach: Warwick Gray Manager: Meredith Sullivan
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Coach: Warwick Gray
Manager: Meredith Sullivan

The boys can be proud of their individual skill development and team achievements this year. The one nil win away to Barden, that pass from Nicholas B into the gap for Rikky to run half the length of the field to score a cool goal was special. Then there was the come from behind goals to beat Menai at home. It was Rikky's neat foot work in front of goal to score the first and Ben's pile driver with only minutes to go to seal victory. Who could ever forget the come from behind win to beat Bosco away with only ten men.

Nathan D played a blinder and Ben scored a couple of goals. There were numerous one nil victories where the supporters were chewing their fingernails but to win 12 games in a row makes the year all that more special. The defence was prone to small laps in concentration which can prove costly but generally they held their shape well. Sebastian Diefenbach, Simon Duff, Albert Fong and Connor Beard all had strong games in defense. The mid field of Joshua Maile, Nathan Duncan, Ben Howe, James Spriggins and Harrison Riordan worked tirelessly by providing the link between the defence and the forwards. Rikky Fitzgerald, Nicholas Button, Nicholas (Nick) Varney and Nathan Sullivan have all had great seasons.

I have enjoyed coaching the boys. They have responded by giving me nothing but their full commitment for each and every game. I can't ask for anymore than that from a great bunch of boys. Gymea 9C's played their best football of the season to beat Cronulla RSL in the minor semi final and advanced to the final. We are extremely proud of their achievements this year, well done boys.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Thomas Keane, Ethan Crawshaw, Meagan Dibley, Rhys Banner, Shaun Malivindi, Alex Hatzimihali, Kayley Williams
SECOND ROW: Jayden Ring, Phoebe Hick, Ben Fuller, Reese Akkari, Joel Kristensen, Dylan Tully
TEAM: 9E **Coach:** Matt Dibley **Manager:** Belinda Fuller
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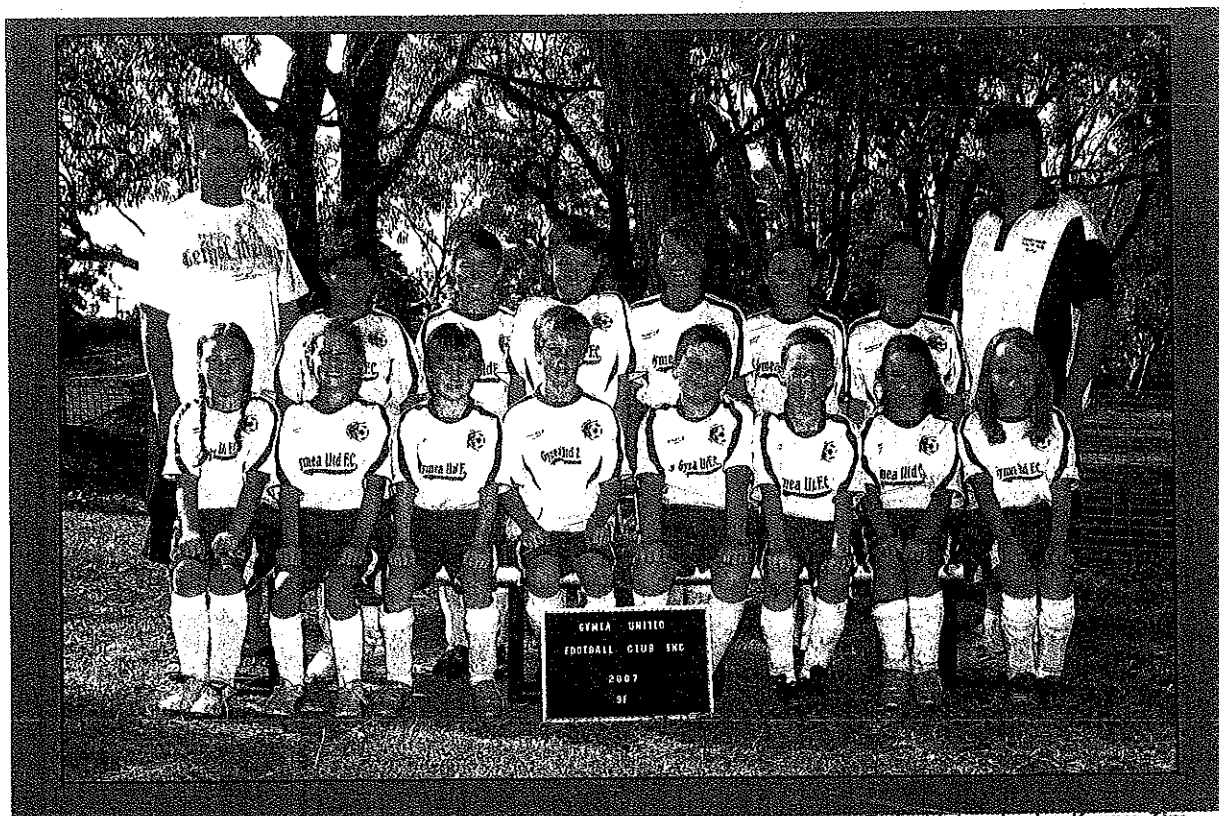
Coach: Matt Dibley & Tony Malivindi
Manager: Belinda Fuller

Regular Season: Played 15 ... Won 10, Drew 2, Lost 3 = Points 22 ... Goals for 38, Goals against 13
 Semifinal versus Bangor Lost 1-2 in extra time.

The 2007 Under 9E's were a team made up of 13 great kids, stacks of fantastic parents, a wonderful manager and a very proud coach. From the very first trial game down at Helensburgh to the semi-final against Bangor I couldn't begin to tell you how much each player has developed and improved. I asked a lot of these footballers every training session and every Saturday matchday and they showed me their loyalty and determination by listening, learning and "fighting" for their team when they put on their football boots. Our Team was marshalled well by our two regular goalkeepers Rhys "Mr Fixit" Banner and Thomas "Energiser" Keane who both regularly came to our rescue and they had a granite like defensive trio of Jayden "lollybags" Ring (left fullback) Reese "big fella" Akkari (centre back) and Kayley "The General" Williams (right fullback) playing in front of them. These defenders never gave an inch and always looked in control. The Goalkeepers and defenders gave this team the ability and confidence to attack opposition teams knowing that no team would have an easy passage to "our" goal.

In the midfield we had four players who every week worked tirelessly in attack and defence. The centre halves pairing of Alex "The Cannon" Hitzimihali and Dylan "The Cruncher" Tully were unstoppable every single game. Alex and Dylan would tackle everything in sight and then deliver wide quality passes to our "Blonde Bombers" Megan "B1" Dibley (Right Half) and Phoebe "B2" Hick (Left Half). These two footballers loved to run with the ball fast down the sidelines, take our throw-ins and chase down the opposition. What can I say, these four midfielders were a pleasure to watch!

Up front we have our attacking quartet of Joel "The Chief" Kristensen (left wing), Ben "The Flash" Fuller (right wing), Ethan "The Pilot" Crawshaw (left wing) and Shaun "Havachat" Malivindi (centre forward). These four footballers scored plenty of goals and showed the way forward so that our team could get over the top of the opposition. Ben and Shaun smacked away some beautiful individual goals during the season and Joel and Ethan shared the left wing spot with both players making important tackles in every game. Socially our team was a coach's delight. Who will forget those fateful words "If you win 3 in a row I'll shout you to McDonalds!" Also I will never forget the excited screams down my mobile phone when we beat Bangor 3-1 in the first round. (and that was just the parents!) What about Liz watching Kayley in goals against Bangor in the second round! (Liz, she kept a cleansheet!) And of course we had a very nice "thinktank" amongst the parents at Café 12 in July where many a topic was covered with passion and intelligence! Thankyou's must go to the parents for supporting the team, Micheal Hitzimihali for helping me with the coaching and Leah-Ann Dibley for filling in as manager on occasion. But on behalf of myself, the parents and the team I would like to thank Belinda Fuller for being our manager. Belinda did an impeccable job making sure that everyone was up to speed and I knew what was going on. So, we made the semi's at our first go, and I always believe that "you have to lose one before you can win one!" Therefore I look forward to seeing everyone (kids and parents) next season!!



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Hayley Swanson, Xonthy Lajoie, Kain Anderson, Blake Lister, Jordan Kenny, Tim Weston, Courtney Hildebrandt, Josie Pitter
 SECOND ROW: Domenic Sejenno, Harley Donaghey, Ben Harrison, Jaylen Toutounji, Peter Thompson, Rebecca Lord
 TEAM: 9F Coach: Anthony Sejenno Manager: Rod Donaghey
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Coach: Anthony Severino
Manager: Rod Donaghy

Well, unfortunately 2007 has come to a close. What a season for the 9Fs. We started out with a good mix of players from various teams from 2006, and some who had not played before. With only a couple of brief training sessions under their belts they suffered a heavy defeat in the opening round, losing to Kirrawee 5-0. Anthony needed to work out where their strengths and weaknesses were, and to fit them into the most suitable positions for each individual. During the year he tried numerous combinations during matches and training sessions and through trial & error, came up with the following, most suited positions:

Courtney	Fullback	Hayley	Winger/Forward
Josie	Midfield	Rebecca	Midfield/Fullback
Xanthy	Goalie/Midfield	Ben	Winger/Midfield
Blake	Goalie/Midfield	Dom	Sweeper
Harley	Centre Forward/Winger	Jaylen	Midfield/Forward
Jordan	Midfield	Kain	Fullback
Peter	Winger/Forward	Tim	Midfield

This is the team which after losing the opening round went on to record 9 wins, 3 draws & 3 losses during the season, before moving into the semis in 3rd place outright. We had some great results during the year, and not just the big wins. There were some very close matches to test the team's character, and they deserve to be where they are on the ladder. Over the course of this year, each of these players has grown in both confidence & skill level due to the commitment by our coach Anthony. He put in a lot of his own time in coaching our kids, and also extra time to advance his own qualifications as a coach. The kids in the team can all relate to Anthony and his coaching methods. This is clearly shown at both training and in the matches throughout the year. We had a good sprinkling of goals throughout the team this year whereas normally you find one or two players do all of the scoring. This creates a great atmosphere where they are all having fun & it promotes good teamwork. Well done 9Fs, you have made us all (parents, siblings, other relatives, friends & the club) very proud of you throughout the year with your great teamwork & sportsmanship (or is that sportspersonship). A lot of new friendships (both players & parents) were forged this year and we can only hope that the core of this team will remain together for another assault next year. Anthony & I would also like to thank all the parents for their support throughout the year and hope that you enjoyed being part of the team.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Cayden Winkworth, Jordan Roberts, Zeke Barker, Oscar Langton, Jack Stevens, Ami Shida-Money
SECOND ROW: Isaak Ford, Dylan Warren, Jake Gsellmann, Ali Khalid- Butt, Kurt Benson, Hannah Condon

TEAM: 9G

Coach: Darren Ford Manager: Dan Condon
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Coach: Darren Ford
Manager: Rowena Condon

Although playing at the bottom of the 9 grades, we always felt we had a chance of winning a few games as everyone, including the parents, was very enthusiastic. We had a few players that had not played before but also a few players that had been playing for a few seasons.

Myself as coach (Darren Ford) and Rowena Condon as manager, had some team talks and a few practice sessions and we were ready. Our first game was a great success and we came away with a comfortable 8-0 win with goals from Jack, Dylan, and Oscar. The mood in the camp was very good at this time and we went on to win our next couple of games. At this time of the season we were on second place and looking good.

Then came Easter, rain, interruptions, flu etc, and we missed matches as did everyone else, and our luck changed. We were playing with 9-10 players and losing but we were only getting beaten by the odd goal thanks to our great defence of Hannah, Jordan, Jake, Ali and Ami. Throughout the remainder of the season we have always been competitive. Our midfield led by Isaak, Kurt, Liam and Cayden were always hard working and hard tackling. We managed to get a few draws together and our last couple of matches we have gone down 1-0 to the top four sides.

I think everyone has enjoyed themselves and has improved in some way and through the whole season has stuck together as a team. Well done to everyone. I would like to say thank you to all the parents and to the club volunteers and committee members who make all this possible.



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Rhys Leitch, Brayden Knowles, Braydon Wall, Hayden Dorigato, Connor McCormick, Lachlan Campbell, Curtis Smith

SECOND ROW: Todd Bryant, Jack Lombo, Jake Rigney, Blake Woodward, Ben Harrington, Ben Hunt

TEAM: 10A

Coach: Gary Lockwood

Manager: Andrew Woodward

Assistant Coach: Stewart Teal

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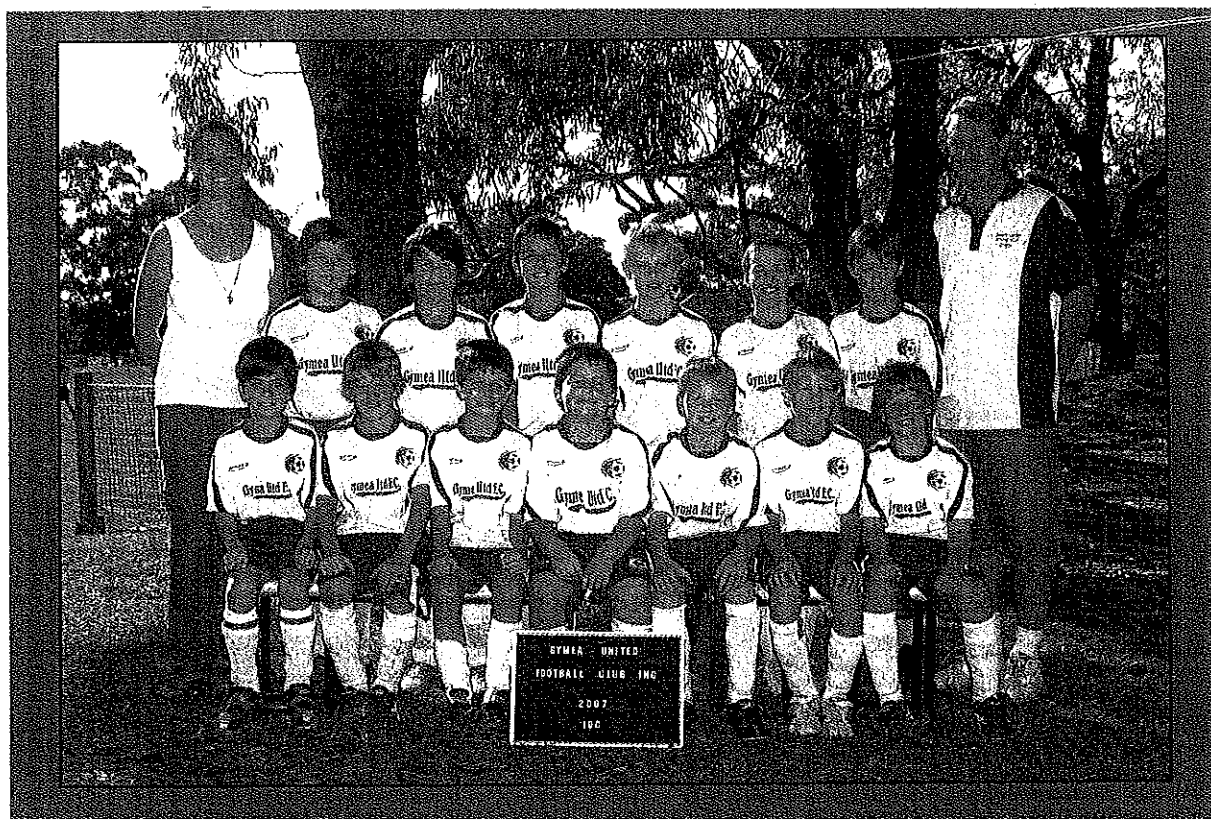
Coach: Gary Lockwood & Stewart Teal
Manager: Andrew Woodward

The year started out with a couple of personnel changes and renewed anticipation of challenging for the title. The boys set out with the goal of making the final, one week further than last year. The season started off nicely enough with a convincing win against a promoted team. From here we stumbled as we lost to Como and then the two big guns in Miranda and Lilli Pilli. With rain interrupting the season it was hard to get some training and momentum.

We arrived at round 6 for a match up with our fierce rivals Menai knowing a loss could put us under extreme pressure to make the semis. After dominating Menai in last years semi only to go out as a result of finishing behind them on the table, the boys were primed for some form of revenge. The intensity of this game was truly awesome for boys of such a young age, both teams keen to ply end to end attacking football. It was only desperate defence from both teams that kept the first half goalless. The second half was more of the same until our boys scored a great team goal. From that point we dominated and managed to keep out Menai's final fling to get the points.

The lift in confidence in the boys was there for all to see and they carried it through to the remaining games. We entered the return game against Miranda, the undefeated leaders, with a specific plan that worked superbly. Two mental lapses cost us dearly, but we showed we could compete with them and would be looking forward to another shot at them. The Lilli Pilli return game was less inspiring but from there we didn't lose a game, including completely dominating Menai and entered the semis playing good football with a real chance of going all the way. Well done on a good season of football boys. Thanks to Stewart and Garry for their coaching of the boys and to all the parents for their support during the year.

10C



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Matthew Garrett, Matthew Worthy, Steven Barton, Lachlan Bird, Sandy Hoy, Mitchell Worthy, Julian Bonser
SECOND ROW: Brendon Fowler-Jones, Tyler Boseley, Nathan Holland, Daniel McStravick, Oscar Pinkerton, Keelan Dickinson-Black
TEAM: 10C

Coach: Paul Worthy

Manager: Joanne McStravick

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Coach: Paul Worthy
Manager: Joanne McStravick

Another tough year for the 10C's. It began with three draws a bye, one loss and one washed out game, and we were up to round seven all ready. The team stuck together through the next few games, where we had another two washed out games and a bye. Whenever we came up against the top of the ladder contenders we always gave them a run for their money, and let them know that Gymea United were not to be taken lightly. A special mention must go to all the boys who equally shared time in goals and did a terrific job.

With Sandy Brendan & Nathan in our back line, our opposition always found it hard to score goals. Our mid field of Steven, Lachan, Julian, Keelan & Mitch kept the center tight. There were some good goals scored by Daniel (3), Mitch (2), Matt W (2), Tyler (2) & Oscar (1). Overall the boys where a great bunch of kids who played well together and started to bond well as a team.

A special thanks goes to Jo our super manager, and all the parents who supported the team all year. I hope to see all the boys again next year (except Oscar who wants to play that other sport they call football). Thanks for a great season and all the best Coach Paul Worthy.

10E



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Sam Waddingham, Kimberly Duncan, Sam Owen, Jack Ralphs, Phoebe Honor, Michael Wilson, Jarrod Salmon
 SECOND ROW: Jake Frendo, Jarrod Dunford, Lachlan O'Brien, Karl Orr, Jerome Watts, Jack Harrison
 TEAM: 10E Coach: Neil Harrison & Steve Salmon Manager: Dave Dunford
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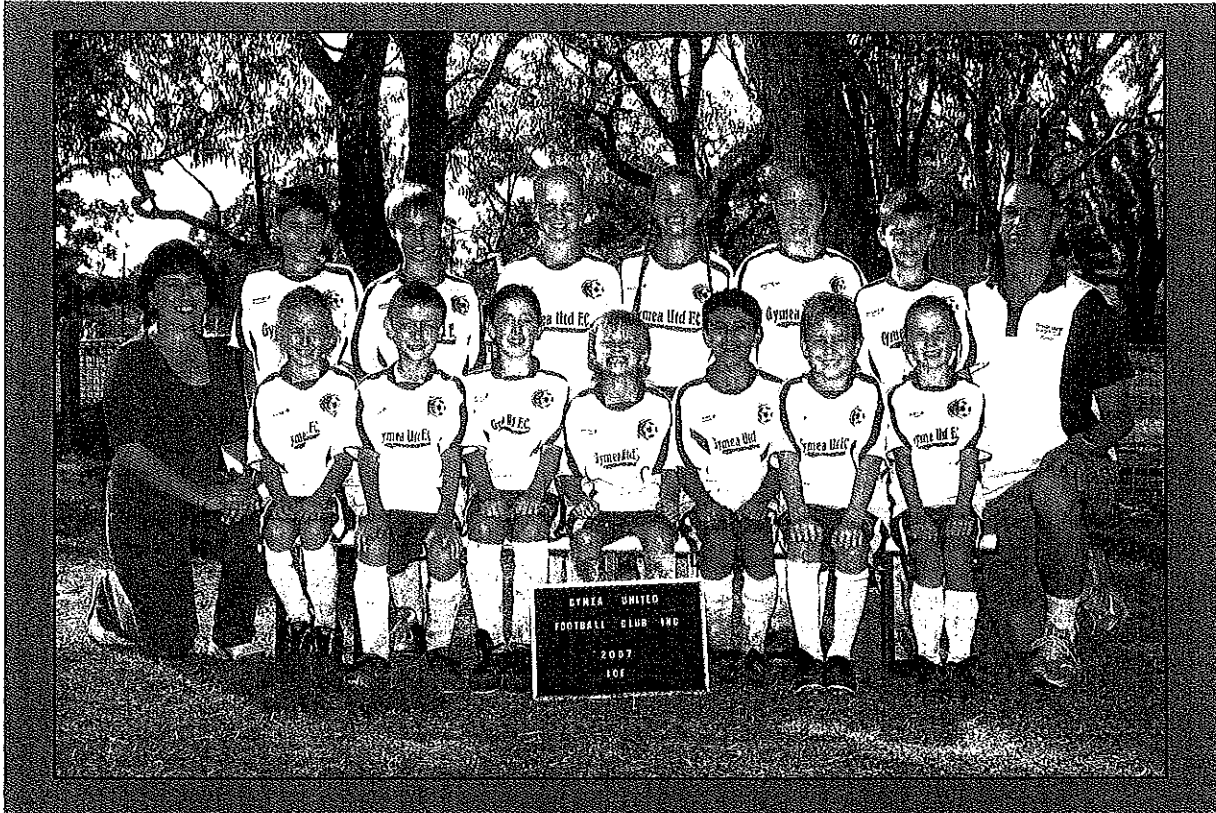
Coach: Steve Salmon & Neil Harrison
Manager: David Dunford

What a great season we had, the players are to be congratulated on their commitment and their steadily increasing performance throughout the year culminating in a nail biting last match against the minor premiers.

Finishing the season in 6th position with a total of 7 wins and 1 draw from the 15 matches that were played was a great result. Keeping the momentum going through the middle of the season was especially difficult after bad weather forced the cancellation of 3 matches and countless training days. Under the expert guidance of our coaches Neil & Steve, the kids were showing improvement with every game. We started the season with all of the kids chasing the ball and some not understanding their field positions and by the end of the season they had learned to look up and pass the ball, improved on their tackling and know their field positions.

The highlight of the season for me was the 3-0 Win in round 17 against Cronulla Seagulls. The kids took control of the game by working together as a team and could not be stopped. Thanks to the parents/supporters who brought the kids to training each Thursday and turned up in full cheer mode every Saturday to inspire the kids to "give it their best"!!!

Special thanks to Steve & Neil for coaching our kids this season, teaching them the finer points of soccer. And finally thanks to Jack H, Jack R, Jake, Jarrod D, Jarrod S, Jerome, Karl, Kimberly, Lachlan, Michael, Phoebe, Saige, Sam O and Sam W for coming to training and the matches each week, enthusiastic to learn new skills and work together as a team.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Maddison McLaughlin, Philimon Filippou, Emma Brown, Tobias Gaitt, Karim Saleh, William Harris, Kiara Dolso
SECOND ROW: Marco Sposari, Ben Lodington, Holly Adair, Brooke Davey, Alexandra Emery, Nicholas Britt
TEAM: 10F Coach: Gary Davey Manager: Rosanna Sposari
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Coach: Gary Davey & Greg Harris
Manager: Rosanna Sposari

The year looked hard for the team, when we were put up into the E's and it looked like being a long year. We started out with a couple of close games against last year's premiers, it looked like we would be struggling at the higher level. Once we were in the right grade things started to gel. As every coach knows, once you have confidence in your backs, you can afford to try different combinations at the front. The 10F 's strategy was based on rock solid defence.

Our star goalie was Brooke as she has terrific reactions and sound positional play. The teams backline had the strength of Alex, the tenacity of Holly and Marco, whose skills at reading the play made him an essential part of the team. Our midfield, was occupied by the speedsters of the team, mainly Maddie, Nick, Kiara and Philemon. This combination worked well to provide the necessary ladder to get the ball forward. Our Forwards Karim, and Ben were the star strikers of the team. Together they formed a potent team, and worked well. Our specialist wingers William and Emma could be relied on to take the ball forward. The undisputed best ball player Tobias has a terrific athletic ability who could play anywhere on the field, his natural enthusiasm and ability with the ball will see Tobias playing soccer at a much higher grade in a higher grade in the future.

The team came dangerously close to the finals, missing out by a few unlucky goals at the end of the year. Special thanks to super manager Rosanna, who tirelessly organised the parents and kids week after week. I look forward to seeing as many of the kids back as possible, and once again I had a terrific time coaching a great group of kids.

11A



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Jason Sparks, Dane Lamb, Kurt Northcott, Gerard Stevens, Tommy Lyons, Nicholas Tsekouras, Tyron Wall
SECOND ROW: Jack Harris, Lachlan Colquhoun, Aidan Watts, Dylan Kable, Jake Anderson, Ben Rizzuto, Jonathan Rose
TEAM: 11A Coach: Doug Sparks Manager: Michael Rose



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Coach: Doug Sparks
Manager: Michael Rose

The 11as were formed from two strong groups of players this year. One group being seasoned Gymea United footballers and the other half from Grays Point, looking towards a larger club to challenge their skills and mesh with a larger group of like minded players. Essentially all the players formed a strong team at a similar skill level. We started off the season winning most games, drawing a few but always staying at the top of the draw. THEN THE RAINS CAME! Our boys couldn't train as much as they had hoped and the strong mesh we saw at the start of the season began to fray at the edges.

The boys lost a few games and morale was low. Amazingly we seemed to only slip a couple of spaces down the ladder and have managed to reach the semi final. The boys need to keep focus going into the semis and stay strong, keep their heads up and be positive and NEVER ASSUME that they are going to win. GOOD LUCK for the up coming games and CONGRATULATIONS on a great season.

A great BIG THANKS to all parents and players. We all really appreciate the fantastic effort that Doug Sparks has put into training the boys this year. And not forgetting his assistants in training Richard Lyons and Alan Watts. A BIG thank you also goes to the managers Sharon and Michael Rose it is a huge job and we all really appreciate it Reporter Sue Lamb.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Corey Hogan, Nathan Potter, Scott Whiteman, Marc Richardson, Joshua Heffernan, Hannah Lupton, Luke Cirillo
SECOND ROW: Jordan Keith, James Landers, Brendan Laezza, Lachlan Fahy, Daniel Jamison, Caitlin Dooley, James Callinan
TEAM: 11B Coach: John Lupton Manager: Stephen Keith Trainer: Noel Whiteman

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Coach: John Lupton
Manager: Steve Keith

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Dramatic improvement represents the change in this team from the first game to the last when considering that this middle 11's team had nine new players to the ranks.

Callinan, James: James' overall game play continued to improve and he made his presence felt in every match he played. Ability to win 1v1 and cross a ball was a feature.

Cirillo, Luke: Luke's skills were sharp and effective and rarely was he beaten. Luke sank the shot of the year with a volley into the top right corner of the net!

Dooley, Caitlin: Caitlin's pace and determination meant that she improved consistently throughout the year. Her throws and ability to turn and run are highly prized.

Fahy, Lachlan: A defender that turned to the dark side taking up the scariest role of all—keeping. Whether in the field or in the nets, Lachlan made his presence felt.

Heffernan, Joshua: Starting with a strong bias to one foot, his development saw that fade and his ability to win 1v1 grow significantly.

Hogan, Corey: Another player who has an uncanny ability to win 1v1 and 1v2 with cool footwork and time. His size belies his power, speed and determination.

Jamison, Daniel: Daniel has a remarkable turn of speed. His striking ability saw him hit the net and his ability to "go wide and around" caused trouble for every team he met.

Keith, Jordan: Jordan's cool demeanour and his reading of the game meant he was in the right place at the right time more often than not. His concise kicking, basic skills and strength gave him dominance over his opponents.

Laezza, Brendan: Brendan showed an ability to press through opposition players and contest high balls with delightful regularity. He improved throughout the season and was a valuable addition to the squad.

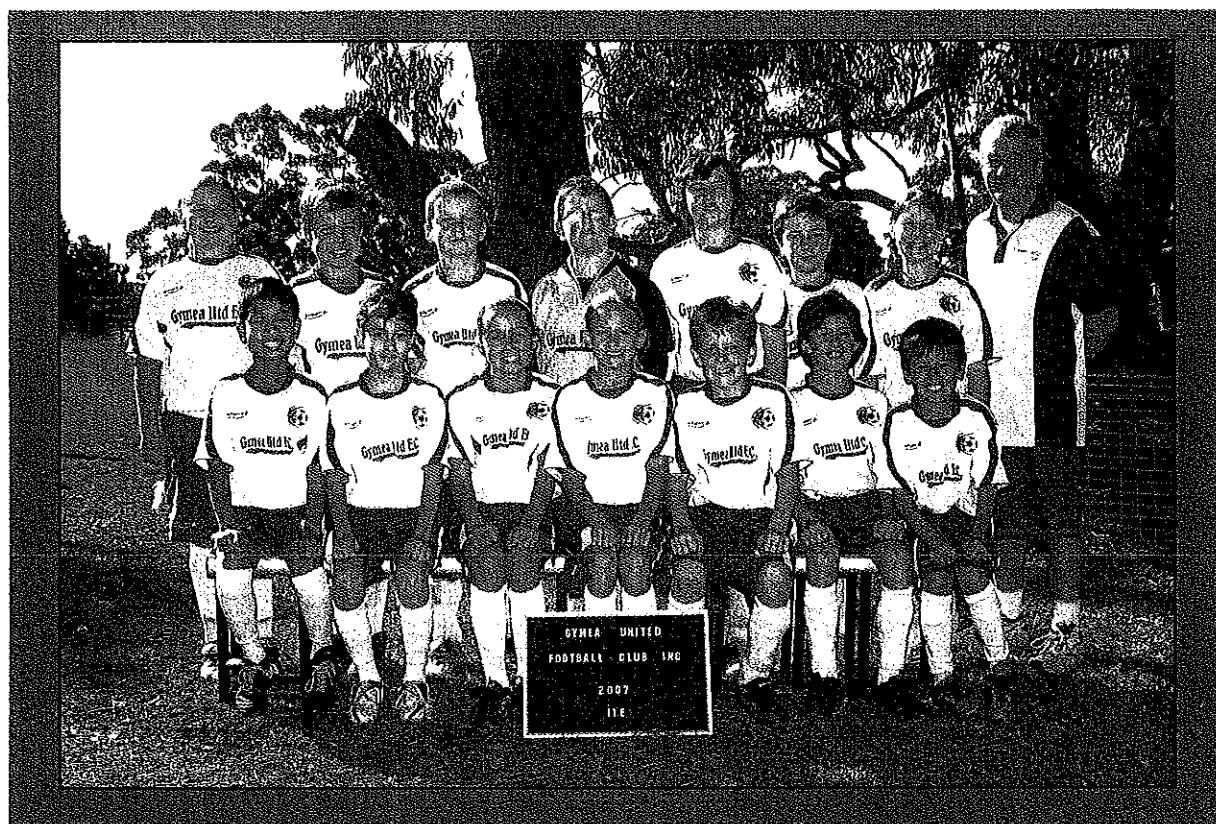
Landers, James: Veteran to the speed of the grade and a fine game reader, he was purposeful and certainly prized in the team's defensive line. His ability to take corners, goal kicks was very handy though his throws were probably the best of the entire grade.

Lupton, Hannah: Her football skills and close-in combat abilities made her a very handy attacking back. Hannah's ability to coolly dispossess her opponents, and then calmly look for the first receiver in counter attacks saw opposition suffer at her hands.

Potter, Nathan: Nathan is another player that can take 1v1 challenges and win! His ability to be mobile about the pitch and rotate through different positions is highly prized and used throughout the season.

Richardson, Marc: Marc's understanding of the game, his ability to read the match and his never surrender attitude meant he never failed to contribute to the team. His timed crosses improved significantly during the season!

Whiteman, Scott: Scott had the fun and games of patrolling not only the left wing, but the centre and up point. His solid performance in each role underlines his skills and his willingness to work for the team..... - I say things that are known



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Leighton Chen, Andreas Nicholson, Ruby-Ann Hills, Nikita Knapp, Braden Moon, Garret Barker, Karl Pendlebury
SECOND ROW: Jessie Ewings, Thomas De Leelw, Connor Moon, Matthew Underwood, David Lawrence, Joshua Walmsley, Charleyne Prince
TEAM: 11E Coach: Carl Moon Manager: Alison Underwood

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Coach: Carl Moon
Manager: Alison Underwood

Perhaps not the successful season of last year, but they are working hard to finish on a good note. After a difficult season of lots of 1- nil losses the team have worked hard to draw the last two weeks. It has to be said that the mighty 11E's never give up and always fight to the last whistle.

There have been times when they were out numbered on the field but this gave them even more determination to try their best. As a team they have been complemented on their good sportsmanship and their compassion for other players.

So despite the losses (and there were a lot of them) the 11E's can say they had a great season as they always give their best. Well done 11E's, and let's hope for a few more wins next season.

12B



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Josiah Baty, James Hyatt, Steven Condos, Lachlan Hunt, Scott Avery, Jacob Stretton, David Hagtharp
SECOND ROW: Aaron Clarke, Stephen Curtis, Jordan Ramirez, Ewan Macpherson, Keegan Spring, Jye Williams-Bond
TEAM: 12B Coach: Craig Stretton Asst Coach: Andre Ramirez Manager: Dennis Baty
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Coach: Craig Stretton & Andre Ramirez
Manager: Dennis Baty

Congratulations to the boys on a spectacular season, which has seen the development of a truly talented side. With the introduction of five new players comes re-shuffling of positions and team structure. This was evident through our first six rounds where we fine tuned positions and game plans, the boys soon gelled and the results have followed. We are often in awe to the quality of game the boys have and are developing from Lochy as our keeper saving goals week in and week out which could turn a game, through to our fearless back line including Scott, James, David and Josiah who have all at different stages of the season put personal wellbeing behind as they crunch some of the biggest players on the park and come up with the ball. The halves being, Jordon, Steve, Ewan, Jye and Jacob running down everything that moves only to back it up with attacking runs time after time and our forwards Keegan, Aaron and Steve breaking the opposition's defensive line and supplying the movement and sharp passing required to achieve great quality goals from themselves and our halves.

To show how our team improved throughout the season in round 6 our stats were 3 wins, 3 loses, 9 goals for and 10 against, then at Round 18 we had 11 wins, 3 loses, 47 goals for and 18 against, hence finishing 2nd on the table. All in all a season to be remembered as a turning point the ball that would not go in the goal finally goes there every game from the efforts of 13 individual confident players playing as one team. Thanks to the support of all parents and grandparents on the sideline and enabling the boys to make regular training and getting them to the various grounds each Saturday. A special mention to Michelle's Patisserie Gymea for supporting our 12B's and supplying the shirts we all so proudly wear. Onward to the finals we will go taking our personal brand of soccer to the opposition and what ever the outcome it has been a successful and enjoyable season, and thankyou to Dennis Baty for all of your hard work and managing our wonderful 12B's. We are proud of you boys!!



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Max Heycox, Jordan Jessop, Mitchell Wade, Alex Wood, Nathan Campbell, Matt Parsons, Trystan Dunlop
SECOND ROW: Nelson Hall, Daniel Momirovski, John Badger, Sean Bonser, Josh Uzzell, James Doods
TEAM: 12D Coach: Tony Wade Manager: Kylie Dunlop
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Coach: Tony Wade
Manager: Kylie Dunlop

Saturday's game at gorgeous Grays Point was feelings of one of an easy win but this was not at all the case. Grays Point showed maturity and very good technique the full fifty minutes. So Gymea had a decent campaign to immobilise. "No problem" said the 12D's and Nathan pushed forward surrounded by his teammates to bounce the ball onto the opponent's hand and into the net and made the kick look professional. At one all, the pressure was on. Or was it?, when Grays point scored just before the second half. A whisper of she'll be right was lip sinked from the sideline and halfway through the second half Alex scored another one of his fabulous goals. We have all had so much confidence in this team this year, and the support has been awesome from family and friends. Adoration, respect and encouragement will strengthen their dispositions. With 2007 drawing near close this team of champions find themselves at the top of the ladder with only four goals against and thirty-four goals for!! With excellent coaching from Tony Wade, John Badger, Sean Bonser, Nathan Campbell, James Dodd, Trystan Dunlop, Nelson Hall, Matthew Heycox, Jordan Jessop, Daniel Momirovski, Mathew Parsons, Alex Wood, Mitchell Wade and Ex 12D player Josh Uzzell fought and won all weekend battles bar two. Both of these unlucky games were against Marton. The first was a loss one nil. And the second was a draw. The games were played at times under seemingly unrelentless conditions with players unable to attend matches or field closures making the season at time laborious. This squad stood tall in the face of adversity. And the desire would not and could not be weakened in the minds of these troops. It has been a team who have usually ended up alongside familiar faces as the grading from the selectors over the years has found the boys playing on the same level. This has obviously helped in view of knowing the technique, talent and attitude of each other, and the persistence of their previous coach Trevor Bonser. Attributes of the boys include- Josh and Nelsons sprinting and accuracy. Alex had much pace and good headers. John, Jordan and Matt's determination not to let the opposition penetrate the back row only to frustrate them with huge kicks back into their halves. Seans passing like a well thought out chess move. Daniels corner kicks, pinpoint accuracy, bending the ball to the centre for James, Trystan and Mat Parsons to work their magic soccer skills and set up dazzling goals. Our mighty tenacious goal keepers Mitchell and Nathan whose ratio of saved goals to the few that made it in was immense. All the boys improved so much this year. It's hard to place each one where they were and what they provided in the scoring of the goals over the season, and indeed the defence when the attacking opposition was a threat. But that is not what this team is about. It's a cliché I know, but it's a team effort. Let's not forget the efforts of Mr Tony Wade. Unselfish productive and impressive talents not only as a recent player for Gymea, but now as a favourable coach for the best club within the shire and beyond. His team has always been first on his list of chores for Saturdays, having to work immediately after the game while most of us went home with our champions to soak up yet another win. Tony's humble yet thorough approach to coaching has been poignant and comforting as we new the coaching would be done skilfully, correctly.....greatly. CHEERS TONY!! From all the parents, grand parents, brothers, sisters, and most of all from John, Sean, Nathan, James, Nelson, Matt Heycox, Jordan, Trystan, Daniel, Mat Parsons, Josh, Alex, and Mitch, thankyou!!! Your coaching in 2007 was tremendous. SOAK IT UP BOYS! AND DESERVE IT YOU DO. TOGETHER YOU BECAME THE MOST FEARED UNBEATABLE MINOR PREMIERS WITH ONLY FOUR POINTS AGAINST YOU AND THIRTY-FOUR GOALS IN YOUR FAVOUR!!! It would be fantastic to see you all together in 2008 with Tony at the helm.

12E-1



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Brad Low, Storm Drury, Jarrett Wall, Luke Brann, Andrew Duncan, Jack Lee, Jeremy Low
 SECOND ROW: Stuart Dean, Sam Phillips, Michael Blumor, Jordan Boseley, Brayden Wall, Michael Clapham
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 Coach: Alan Dean Manager: Michael Blumor
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12E-2



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Chris Moir, Conor Riordan, Brendan Micallef, Mat Edwards, Andrew Thompson
 SECOND ROW: Toya Sunarya, Douglas Lord, Mason Whyte, Ramy Elads, Simon Jones
 TEAM: 12E-2
 Coach: David Micallef Manager: Peter Coupe
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SECOND ROW: Daniel Brown, Patrick Beck, Harrison Irvine, Ilia Iordanidis, Stuart Betts, Matthew Lewis, Blake Morrison
TEAM: 13A

Coach: David Anderson Manager: Jill Beck
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Coach: Dave Anderson
Manager: Jill Beck

Another football season has passed, but this year WE'RE IN THE SEMI'S !!!

The improvement in the team since last year was obvious from Round 1, with a 6-1 win, and while not all games turned out like that, they were able to bounce back the next week. The boys maintained their enthusiasm, even when rain threatened to derail our finals ambition. Matt's broken arm was another hurdle to overcome, and he is only able to make a cameo appearance in the semi for us. With no State Cup of our own this year, four of the boys were happy to help the 14A's out in their quest for glory.

Thanks to all who have supported the team throughout the season - the load is lighter with many hands. Thanks to Coach David for putting in so much effort towards making our boys better football players and people in general. All year the boys have played consistently and with great energy and are a credit to themselves and their parents. Have fun in the off-season, and we'll see you next year.



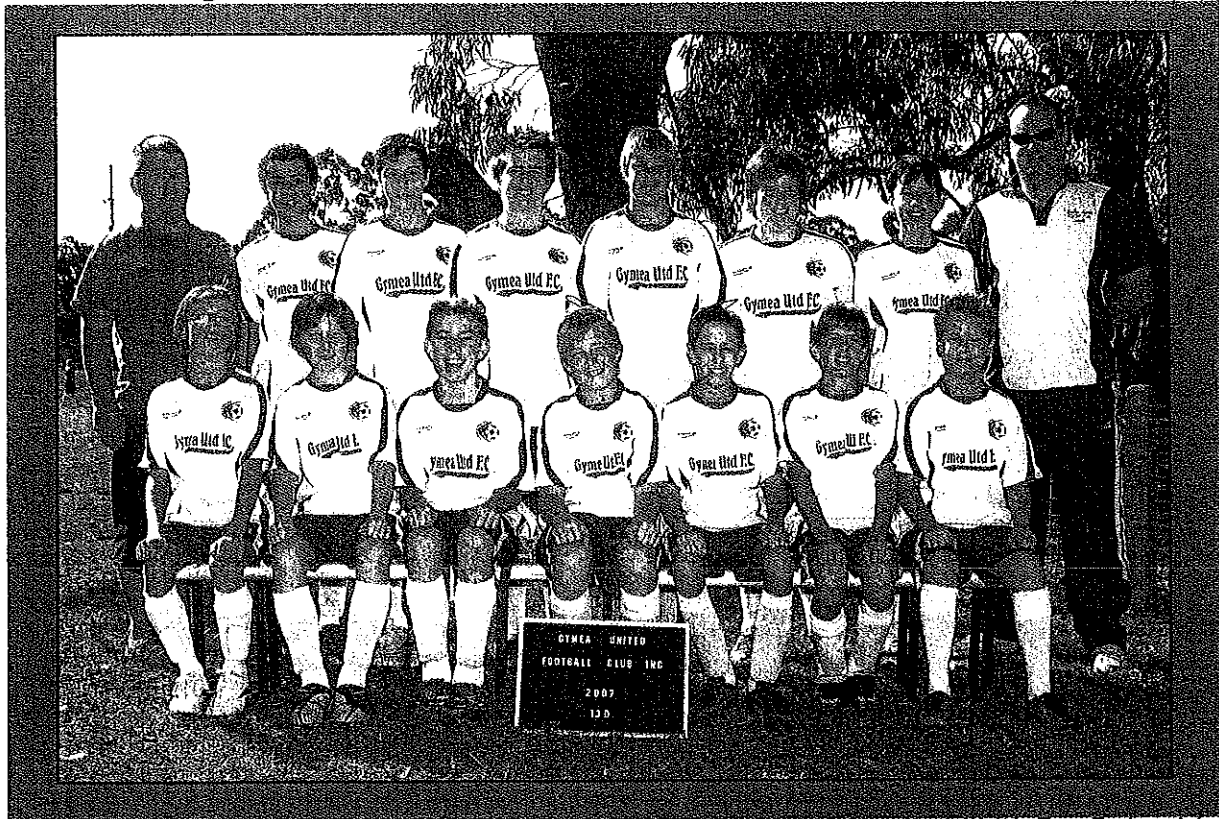
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 SECOND ROW: Lindsay Stevens, James Underwood, Cameron McDowall, Jason Flynn, Elias Honor, Joshua Seage
 ABSENT: Max Lucas, Brendan Jeff
 TEAM: 13B Coach: Malcolm Curtis Manager: Brett Bryant



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Coach: Malcolm Curtis
Manager: Brett Bryant

A Great year with this team just missing the semi finals, the season started well, finished brilliantly by beating the second top team, if only for a couple of hiccups mid season we would be in there fighting for a shot in the finals. Our backs starting with Nathan b who offered to be goalkeeper for the season, giving up his on field position which was greatly appreciated by the entire squad including Macka & myself. He had a great year between the sticks fending off most attacks & used to his pace to snuff many breakaways. Brendan started slowly but found his niche at fullback and finished the season on fire and nearly won the best player award in the final match, Brendan contributed greatly in the final months. Dylan, tried hard in every match & listened to the instructions & gave 100% in every match, constantly on the ball. Dylan was always in there giving his opponent a hard time. Max L Started the season very casually & it was hard to tell if soccer was on his mind, however after he hit the pitch & made the sweeper position his own. Max was one of the first players chosen, his skill improved out of site & it was no coincidence that our biggest loss was when Max was out with a broken nose. Josh, his strong defence & long throws ensured that a numbers of attacking plays began with him, a good team player who always put in 100% Trent, combined with Max L to form a solid combination in the middle of the park, keeping our defensive line in tact, Trent kept worrying the opposing forwards and was always safe under pressure. Cameron the type of player every team & coach wants in their team, versatile, played his heart out every match & finished the season amongst our best. The best talker on the field, Cameron was always positive even when we were behind on the score board, always put 110% no matter where he played. James very skillful on the ball, whether he played mid field or defender he helped control the play & ran himself to a stand still & put the team first by putting his hand up when tired. Corey a quiet & unassuming player, but once on the field he played out of his skin. A constant menace to the opposition Corey was one of our best each week Rhys, our captain lead from the front, always first to training & the game. Rhys lead the team well & slotted in well at Gymea. A very solid mid fielder who lead by example & was always on or near the ball. Jason, started a little slowly but soon found his feet & in the second round was constantly one of the best. Jason could play anywhere & never complained, he always put in a great effort and his versatility helped strengthen the squad Nathan P voted players player by the boy's, another newcomer to the club Nathan slotted straight in and was our most outstanding player all year. His skill on the ball & unselfish play ensured we scored a number of goals, a lot of our attack came down the right where Nathan played. Max T, playing a year above his age, Max tried his heart out in all games, used his ability with both feet, Max bagged a number of goals during the season to ensure we recorded a number of victories in tight matches. Elias, once we worked out his best position up front Elias became a very important link, scored the match winner when we really needed a win, and played well all year. His combination with Lindsay & Max T was highlight. Lindsay, scored the first goal in our final game with ease Lindsay was always upfront working hard to make a break, a player with silky skills who always tried his best. As coach & manager we greatly enjoyed the season & while sometimes it did not always go our way the boys remained positive and always played their best. Our numbers at training were always high & the boy's spirit never wavered. We look forward to seeing you back at Gymea giving it your all next year.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Jimmy Keane, Andrew Donohue, Jacob Stockbridge, Hugh Walsh, Tyce Barton, Jake Hill, Dylan Donohue
SECOND ROW: Regan Hendricks, Thomas Hayes, Kaj Amnell, Josh Dures, Max Weismantel, Kieran Lamp
TEAM: 13D Coach: Ian Lamp Manager: Jim Keane



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Coach: Ian Lamp
Manager: James Keane

A great season was had by all players in the 13Ds.

My measure of success for our team has been a never say die attitude and great smiles after each game whether we win, lose or draw. Another great measure of a successful season has been our ability to turn around a game and come out on top, even when the result looked set to go against us on several occasions.

Above all, the most satisfying aspect of the season has been how strong and unbreakable the friendship bond has been within this team, both with the guys that have been together for many seasons and to our new season members. A great time was had by all, including the coach.

Well done and hope to see you all next season.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Michael Baker, Metin Zirhman, Jack Beckinsak, Sam Grasso, Johann Alessandrini, Clayton Beranek
SECOND ROW: Aaron Campbell, Dylan Wright, Christopher Curtis, Ben Wade, Liam Roffe
TEAM: 14A Coach: Bryan Molan Manager: Geraldine Roffe



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Coach: Bryan Molan
Manager: Geraldine Roffe

Our team this year coached by Bryan Molan was a newly formed team and consisted of a combination of new players from other clubs, other grades and other teams. Here was the lineup:

Johan Alessandrin – played in the mids and backs, great utility player
Micheal Baker – played in the mids, even though he's a great forward
Metin Zirhman – played mid, great footwork, good defender
Chris Curtis – brilliant goalkeeper, would rival Mark Schwartzner
Clayton Beranek – played flank most of the year, great utility player
Dylan Wright – played up front, great striker and reader of the game.
Jack Beckinsale – played in the mids and back, brilliant attacker & defender

Ben Wade – played up front, great striker
Byron Brown – played mid, great reader of the game
Aaron Campbell – played mid, outran any opponent
Liam Roffe – played back , not much got past him
Sam Grasso – played mid and back, great defender
Kurt Baxter – played back, great defender of the ball

We started the year with much enthusiasm in a competition that had one very strong team but the boys approached each game with vigour and various amounts of raging testosterone!! After the first 4 or so games, we realised that our team were every bit as good as the opponents but began to get unlucky with a few losses in a row which ate away at the boys' confidence. Enter State Cup Games. We drew a bye in the first round of the State Cup. Won the next game against Gladesville in what could only be described as a flawless game of football the team had played to date. With another win we were through to the Quarter Finals, only to be beaten on the day by a much slicker team in Lilli Pilli who went on to win the State Cup championship. I guess being beaten by the winners sat a bit easier with the boys. For the rest of the competition year our team, won some but lost more. We were extremely unlucky on several occasions to not come away with the 2 points but it will make the team a better one for 2008. Our position on the ladder does not reflect the quality of the team that is the 14a's. There have been friendships formed, new skills learned but mainly the boys have had fun in 2007. All the parents have agreed that this year of football has been a great one for their sons – which is a credit to all the players, the parents and the coach. On behalf of myself and Liam, I would like to thank all the parents who have warmly welcomed us and made us feel very much at home at Gymea. Thanks must also go to Wendy Smithers in the canteen who swapped our team's roster at such short notice. And to the lovely Eileen Ward. Thank you so much for all the help with State Cup and everything else that you do for the club. Last but certainly not least, a HUGE THANK YOU to Bryan Molan legend coach who has encouraged, inspired and trained the boys all year. Your dedication, reliability and commitment to the 14a's has been greatly appreciated by all and we look forward to 2008 for a brilliant year of football.



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Daniel Green, Nathan Farrow, Mason Bunn, Elliot Kolega, Nicholas Mangialavori, Dominic Spathos, Max Dillon
 SECOND ROW: Michael Merritt, Nicholas Bhaunani, Jason Murrant, Rhys Cleverley, Rohan Ragoo, Jesse Fitzgerald
 TEAM: 14B Coach: Zac Spathos Manager: Belinda Cleverley
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Coach: Zac Spathos
Manager: Belinda Cleverley

The 2007 season started with plenty of promise, a combination of last years 13B & C teams plus two new members to the club from Barden Ridge proved to be a competitive team. The lack of match play and training due to the big wet made it difficult to keep the teams continuity together. Eight wins, three draws and four losses saw the 14Bs sitting fourth on the table at the end of the season and into the semi finals. It is safe to say that the semi finals against Lilli Pilli were the most exciting game of the season. Going into the match we knew we had to win, a draw would see Lilli Pilli progress into the final and the team did everything they possibly could to win. The entire team giving 100%. Full time saw a nil or draw. Extra time and Gymea United came out firing on all cylinders and in the last five minutes Michael finally found the back of the net. All we had to do to secure the victory was to hold our ground. To the dismay of all in the last minute of the game Lilli Pilli was awarded a direct from a hand ball and scored.

Our 2007 season was over. Player and supporters alike were disappointed. On the day Gymea was the better side and deserved to win we just didn't have luck on our side. Let's look forward to the 2008 season. Lastly on behalf of the team and parents I would like to thank Zac for coaching the team. Also Bruce for training the boys Monday nights. We all appreciate your time and effort.

The team: Nicholas Bhavnani, Mason Bunn, Rhys Cleverley, Max Dillion, Nathan Farrow, Jesse Fitzgerald, Daniel Green, Elliot Kolega, Nicholas Mangialavori, Michael Merritt, Jason Murrant, Bradley Pyne, Rohan Ragoo Dominic Spathos.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Billy Gsellmann, Luke Solomon, Jake Walker, Matthew Lopes, Zac Watson, Matthew Dean, Chris Weber
 SECOND ROW: Nathan Smith, Jacob Mark, Chris Ramirez, Matthew Hamill, Vaughn Rosewall
 TEAM: 14D Coach:Glen Mark Manager: Sol Solomon Assistant Coach: Andre Ramirez
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Coach: Glen mark
Manager: Sol Solomon

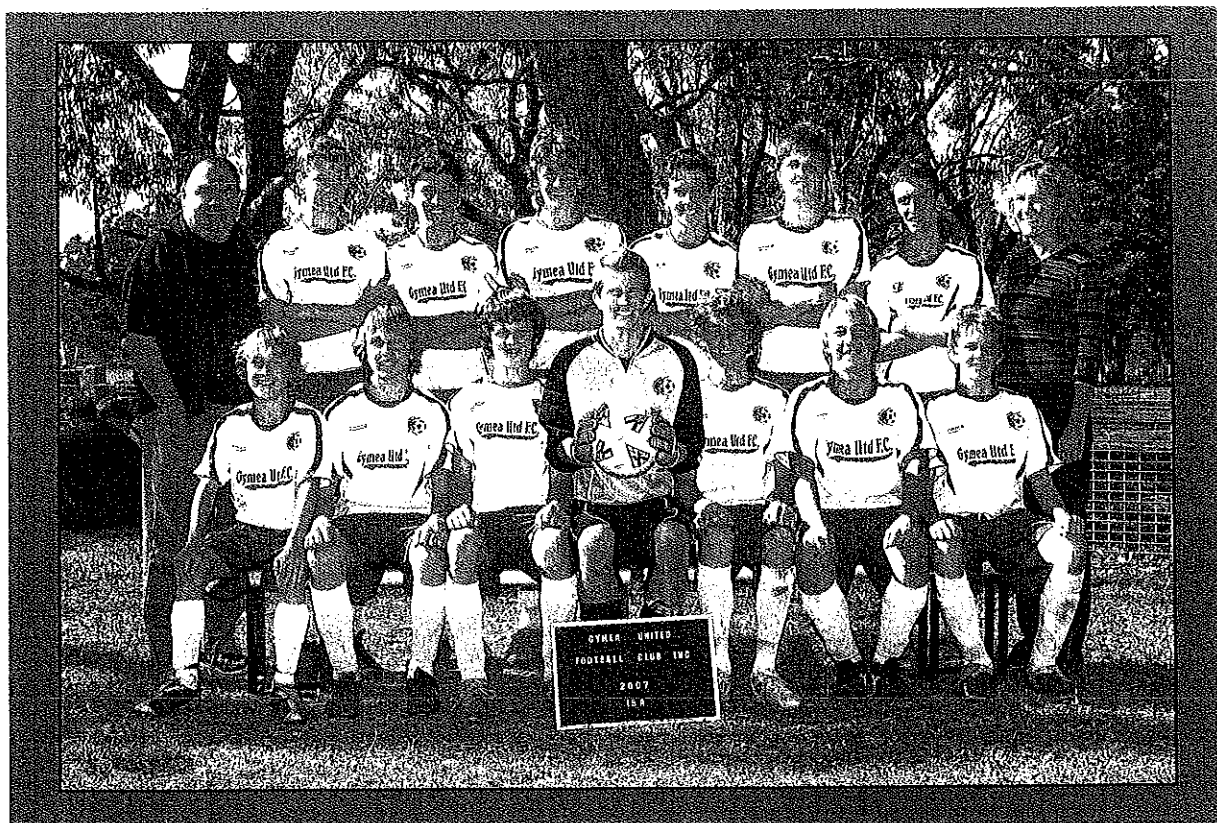
What does the result for the season tell you about a team of young men that have tried all year. Really, not much. This team played with commitment and great heart through a very stop and start year. As we all know the weather was far from respectable to this season, but still these young men played a strong season. Aply coached by Glen Mark, this team should be proud of its accomplishments and hopefully will continue the friendships that are nurtured on and off the field.

The last game of the season pretty well summed up the whole year. The make up game that had a couple of false starts. We played the number 2 team in the competition and held them to a 1 all draw and probably scored the best goal of the season. Well done! Statistically this was an average year, but it should still be said that we: Won 4, Drew 4, and Lost 6. They finished a respectable 6th in the comp.

The team was made up of: Matthew Dean (defender), Billy Gsellmann (mids), Matthew Hamill (all rounder), Nick Jessep (all rounder and even goals), Matthew Lopes (goals and forward), Jacob Mark (all rounder), Chris Ramirez (defender), Vaughn Rosewall (goals and forward), Nathan Smith (defender), Jake Walker (mids), Zac Watson (defender), Chris Weber (forward, first season with Gymea), and Luke Solomon (forward and all rounder).

It has been a pleasure to be able to help you all this year. Sol Solomon - Manager to a star side 14D's.

15A



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Chris Baker, Andrew Grant, Jack Graham, Nicholas Fahy, Bryce Lincoln, Luke Henderson, Sean Treacy
SECOND ROW: Isaac Honor, Alex Calderon, Brett Johnson, Jordan Hunt, Tyler Trusty, Jordan Tsekouras
TEAM: 15A Coach: Paul Golland Manager: Jenni Henderson
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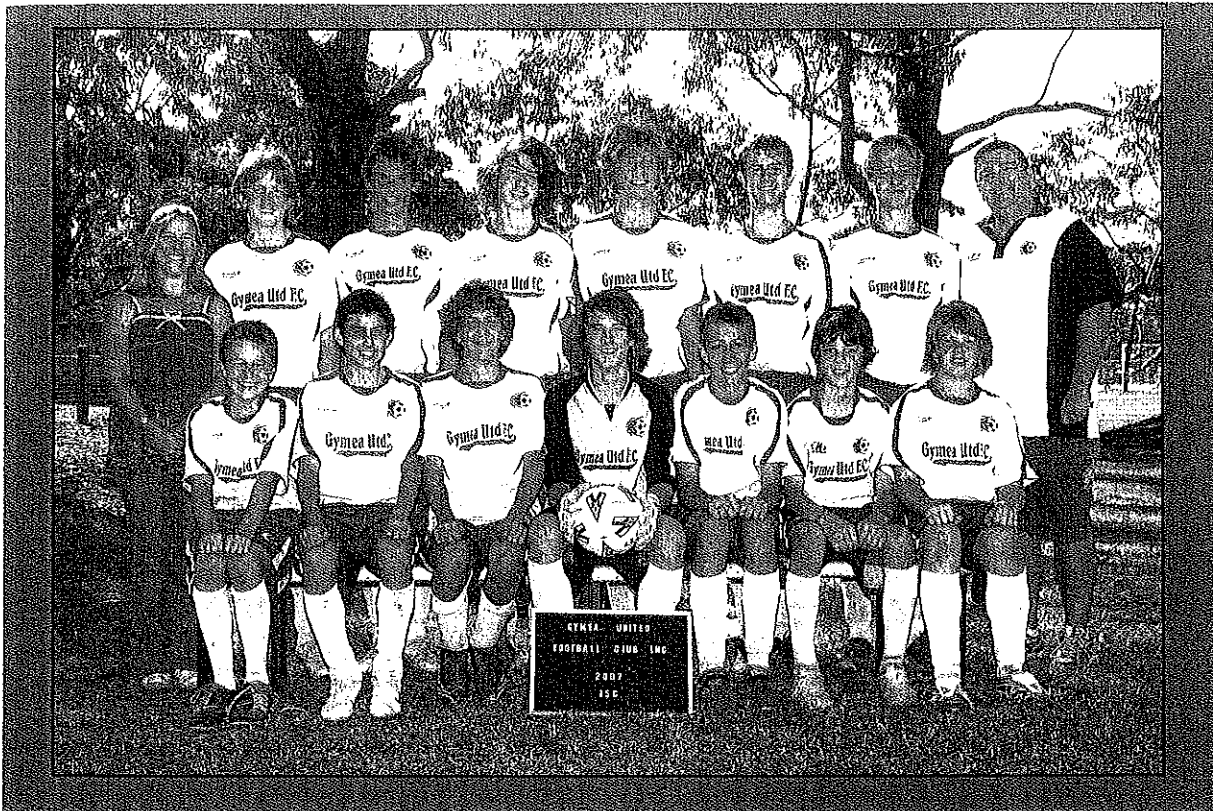


15D



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Max O'Reilly-Pheips, Jake Phillips, Dale Thompson, David Thomas, Dane Carson, Michael Atkin, Mitchell Stevens
SECOND ROW: Nick Gereghy, Lachlan Berger, Kane Barker, Conan O'Connor, Andrew Milnac, Tom Cullen, Alex Anker
ABSENT: Zac Mitchell
TEAM: 15D Coach: Steve (Stretch) Dolheguy Manager: Wayne Phillips Assistant Coach: Lynden Grant





FRONT ROW:(L to R) Daniel Stevens, David Clarke, Robbie Eastwood, Brandon Biddlecombe, Jamie Clarke, Adam Duncan, Cameron Foscett
SECOND ROW: Mitchell Clark, Dylan Storrie, Jordan Knapp, Robbie Northam, Jordan Askwith, Jesse Benson, Rick Benson
TEAM: 15C Coach: Rick Benson Manager: Debbie Biddlecombe
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Coaches: Richard Benson
Manager: Debbie Biddlecombe

I would like to say a big thank you to all the players and parents for the season this year. Although it is my first year as a coach I am really proud of our final position this year and the boys should hold their heads high. David Clarke, the skipper, the thinker, the playmaker. You are an absolute champion and a very classy player. I think back to the first time we spoke and I made you captain there was something about you that told me to back you and I am glad I did. Then we have Brandon Biddlecombe. Our goalie that worked hard all season to keep as many out as physically possible. Not afraid to put his body on the line if it meant saving the goal. Well done. Brandon, a goalie that certainly knows how to do his job. He is not afraid to go in and get the ball and if necessary put his body on the line. Our sweeper Mitchell Clark. What a boot, when the ball connected it went for a screamer. As long as he remembers not to have too much caffeine before a game we were right. Always a consistent all rounder. Then Jesse Benson my son. I have a new appreciation for your athletic abilities after watching you this year. You never give up and will chase all day. Congrats for the year I am proud of you. Our main goal scorer Robbie Eastwood. It got to the point in the season that I think McDonalds were sick of seeing him with all the Man of the Match awards but well deserved. Once he had a space Robbie took it and usually scored. Rob Northam well what can I say about the striker that has not been said before. You certainly have a lot of talent and should feel secure in the knowledge that you can play in any grade and be a star. Dylan Storrie the enforcer, I could always bank on his fearlessness and his determination to stop any body with the ball that was not on our side. Daniel Stevens the future Prime Minister of this great land. You certainly have a natural ability to step a player or two and will be a leader in the years ahead. Jordan Knapp (Knapper). When we could see his face through the hair he always had a smile, which made us think at least he was enjoying himself. And it showed with some great plays down the sideline and passing. Hope the charity haircut comes soon. Jordan Asquith. Unfortunately he missed out on a few games due to illness and we did miss him. At the end of the season he came back with gusto and helped the team out greatly. Cameron Foscett,, well Boonie you have a heart as big as Phar Lap mate and you should be proud of your efforts this year. I came to rely on you to stop a lot a ball this season and you did it. Lastly we have Jamie Clarke. We needed an extra player and Jamie put his hand up just at the right time. It allowed us to play to full strength every week and had some great plays up his sleeve. Well done boys.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Mark Stanley, Ben Colee, Jarrad Moon, Sean Garton, Jasper Brown, Craig Burney, Matt Condos
 SECOND ROW: Levi Tul, Sean Mulligan, Mitchell Hows, Sam Johnson, Andy Gray, Sean King
 TEAM:16A Coach: Dave Johnson Manager: Bev Hows
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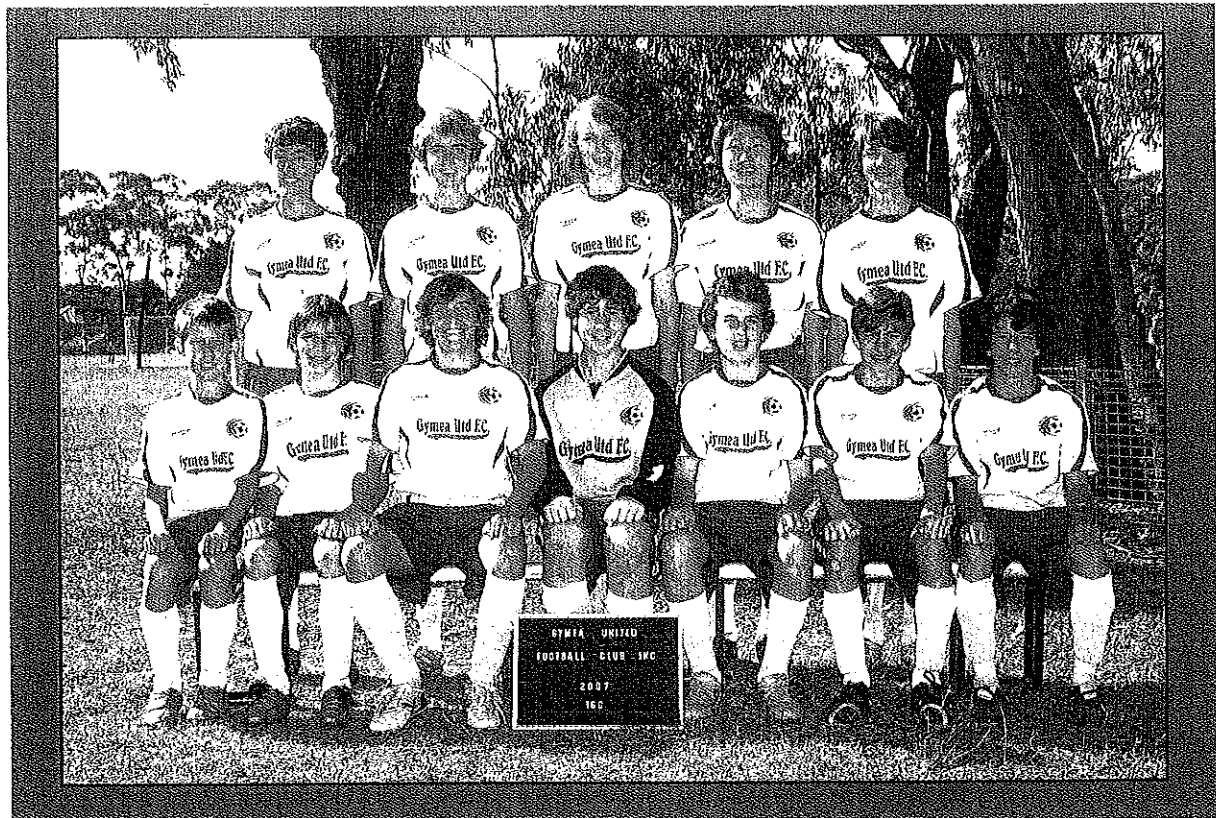
Coach: Dave Johnson
Manager: Bev Howe

After triumphing in the 15B's Grand final last year and being promoted to "A's", we knew that this season was going to be tough, we also lost our goalie Sam Taylor to Reps and the boys spent a few weeks looking for a new keeper. The season started disastrously at Menai, the boys soon felt the difference between "B & "A", more aggression/less time on the ball and mistakes punished.

The team has lots of character, most of them have been together for several seasons and for the next few matches although we were beaten, we were not disgraced. Our back four of Mitch, Sean M, Sean K & first Ben and then later Mark, had outstanding seasons with timely interceptions, hard marking and covering for each other. After 2 weeks we picked up Sean Garton who had never played football before, let alone goalkeeper but Sean a natural gifted sportsman had a fantastic year and did some unbelievable saves (eat your heart out Sam Taylor). Our general midfield was strong with Jarryd & Sam J getting through an enormous amount of work, both scored vital goals as well. Jarryd played a screening role in front of the back four and was brilliant in every game. Our other wide midfield players Matt, Jasper & Craig got through an enormous amount of work supporting the strikers and particularly helping our backs when we were under the cosh. Levi & Andrew up front put their bodies on the line and many times held the ball up until help arrived from the midfield. Levi in particular was a revelation, with his speed and aggression he was a handful for most defences. In our first win against Bangor, Levi scored the winner in a great all round performance.

In the State Cup, we had an excellent 2-1 win over Kissing Point with goals to Andrew & Jarryd. In the next round, we were beaten but not disgraced by a strong Liverpool team. Overall, though the results do not indicate a great season, I was very happy with the determination of the players and we all look forward to a better season in 2008. I would also like to thank Bev Howe for managing the team and Dave Gray & Peter Howe for coaching the team when I was overseas.

16C



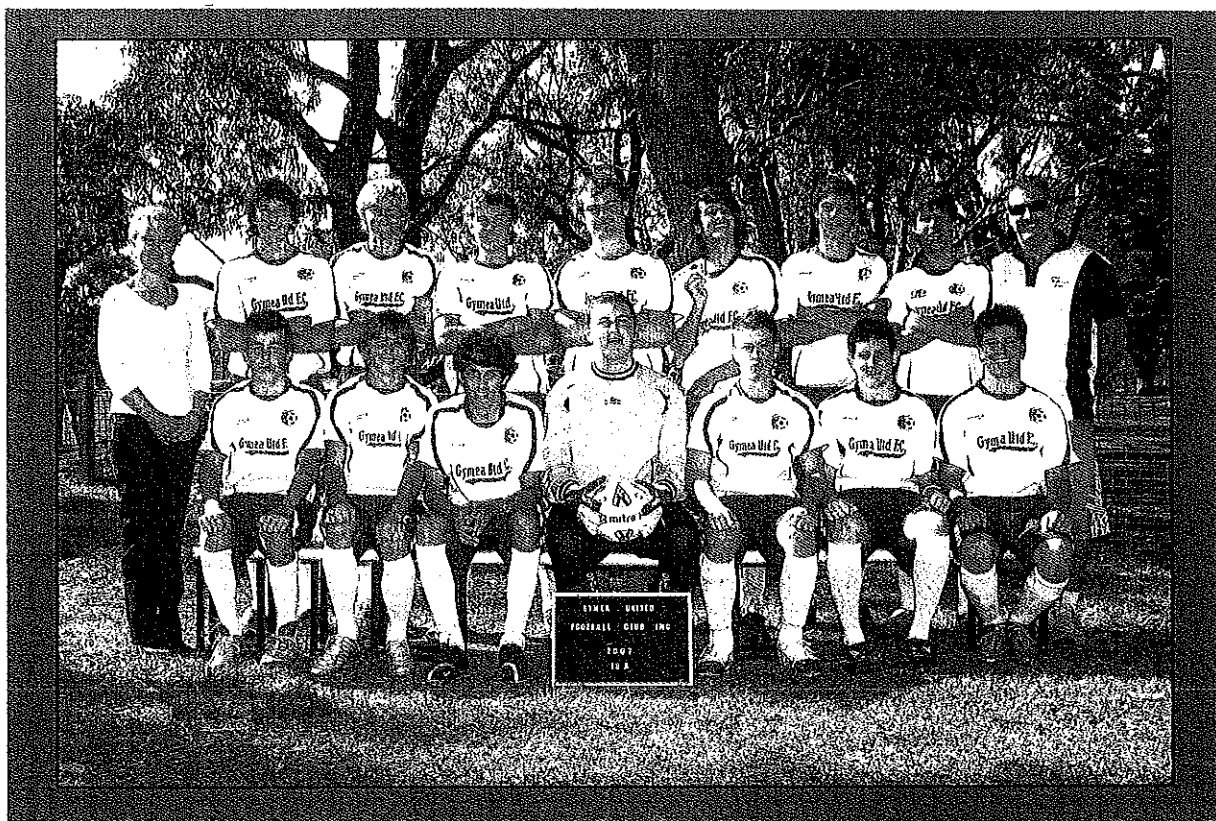
FRONT ROW:(L to R) Craig Wayman, Jack Shepherd, Jordan Butler, Michael Tartaglia, Dylan Jennings, Adam Rosewarne, Tim Mayo
 SECOND ROW: Michael Dundas, Sam Kuntz, Josh Melbourne, Ian Kim, Sam Cobb
 ABSENT: Miles Devine, Eren Gorur
 TEAM: 16C Coach: Stewart Teal Manager: Leanne Wayman
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Coach: Stewart Teal
Manager: Leanne Wayman

The 16C's enjoyed a great year. Although the results on the field were mixed (we won some, we lost some, we drew a couple), the team always put in 110% and were a credit to themselves and the Club.

The season started off a little shaky with our first game not exactly going to plan (Redbacks 6, the good guys, zip), but after that minor hiccup, we bounced back the next week with a 2 all draw and we were off the mark. From then on, the 16C supporters were kept on the edge of their seats every week with the tight contests and close results that unfolded on the field. Miles was fearless in goals and time after time put his body on the line to make impressive saves to keep the team in the game. We also had the luxury of a second goalkeeper in our team! Michael T. was a key figure in the team's backline but was also more than up to the challenge of keeping goals when Miles was unavailable. The rest of our backline of Josh, Sam K., Adam and Jack were solid in defence and quickly shut down any attempts by the opposition to get past them. The midfield of Craig, Sam C., Michael D, Dylan and our international signing from Korea, Ian, worked tirelessly to control the play and feed the ball through to our forwards while also contributing to the scoreline with fantastic goals. Up front, Eren, Tim and Jordan ran rings around their opponents, dazzling everyone with their speed and classy footwork, while relentlessly pressuring the opposition. The 16C's didn't just impress on the field though. They worked hard at training, even when circumstances meant they had to do it on their own. And of course their ground control skills are now legendary!! For the parents, we couldn't be more proud of them. Well done boys!

On behalf of the whole team, we would like to thank Stewart for taking on the job of coaching the boys. We hope you were as impressed with our boys as we were. Lastly, a huge thank you to our Manager, Leanne. Not only did she keep Stewart in line, Leanne organised us all with great efficiency and good humour whether she was coaching the boys from the sideline, sorting them out at training or making sure all the messages got through. If anyone deserved a bottle of Moët, it was Leanne! See you all next year!



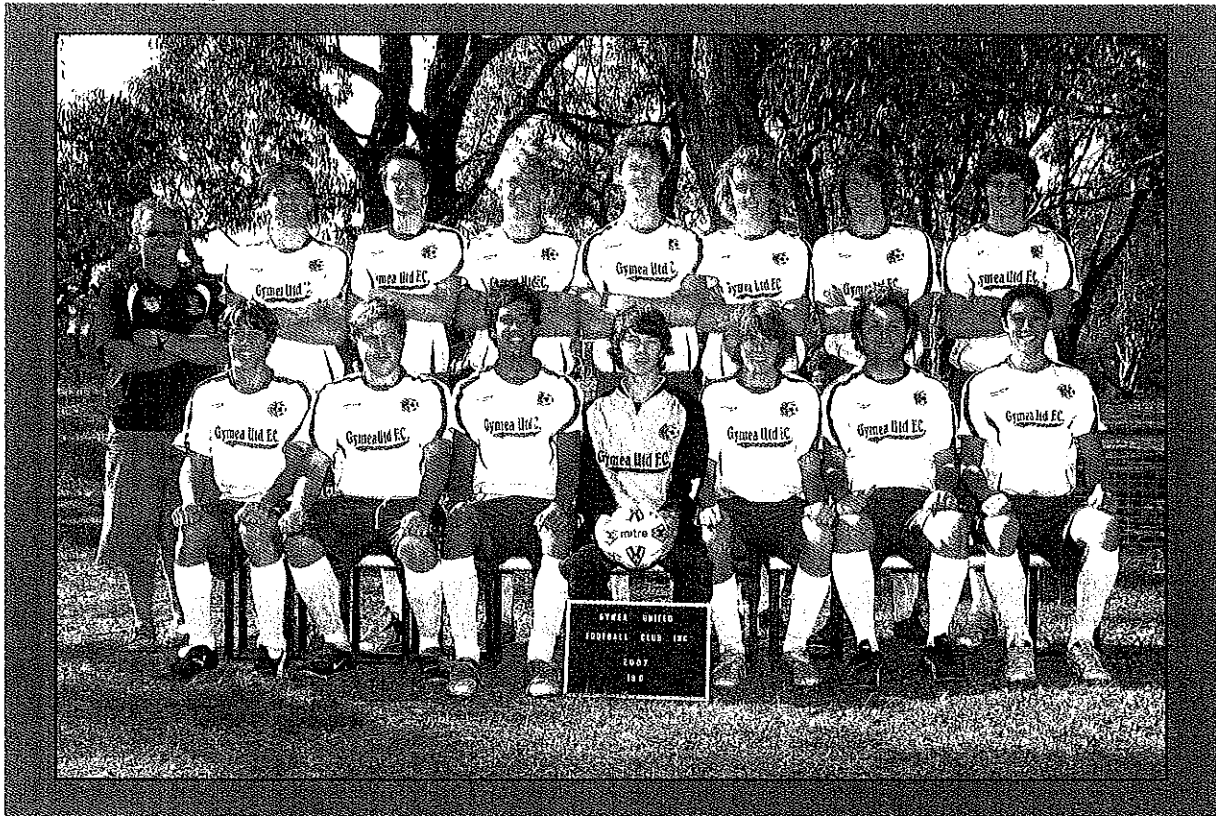
FRONT ROW:(L to R) Noel Landsberry, Mitch Davies, Tom Parkhill, John Wade, Daniel Saunders, William Del Din, Alex Keith
 SECOND ROW: Pat Dibley, Julian Keith, Grant Johnson, Luke Armour, Ben Hines, Adam Padmore, Thomas Tsekouras
 ABSENT: Adam Hone
 TEAM: 18A Coach: Brad Saunders Asst Coach: Jeff Dibley (absent) Manager: Kelly Saunders
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Coach: Brad Saunders
Manager: Lea Tsekouras

Starting the year with apprehension at being graded in A's in one of they premier age group competitions in arguably the strongest association in Australia was understandable for a group of boys coming out of 16's. As first year 18's there was no great expectations despite this team having a wealth of A grade experience. The team was much the same as the year before with only the addition of Grant Johnson, the return of Adam "AP" Padmore, a debut year for Adam "Nugget" Hone.

The boys got off to a great start beating Loftus who were a second year 18's team who really thought they would have a chance, which gave the boys some real confidence. As the season progressed we had a mixture of results wins and draws against some tough teams, dropping points with losses and draws against the lower teams we could not quite keep in touch with the leaders but were still a chance with 2-3 rounds to go before finishing up 7th in the end. It was a great year as a team with excellent team harmony and commitment. Some worthy individual mentions include the 150% effort and commitment of Keithy & Grant in the back line plus Thomas & Jules's ability to snuff out any attacking raids. The versatility and development shown from our utility players Ben, Noel, Luke and Nugget who skills are amazing. Goal scoring and shooting feats of Pat, the skill and strength of the engine room of Will & Tom in mid field plus the pair of Donny & Mitch who seemed to grasp the balance between smart and flamboyant football to really influence a game. The heroics and strength of John in goals and his touch when he was given a go on the field. AP was my biggest surprise after a timid trail game grew in confidence in every game and became an inspirational player by year end.

Special thanks must go to Jeff and Matt Dibley, who were an excellent asset to the team taking a number of training sessions and offering great assistance on game day. Also to Kelly our Manager who's efforts were often unnoticed, which is a sign of a good manager. Thanks you to all the boys for your efforts and let's see if can step it up a gear next year!



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Mitchell Johnson, Paul Meekings, Rede Carney, Ben Mayo, Nick Murphy, Tom Ellercamp, Jordan Lee
SECOND ROW: Sean Blake, Scott Ingus, Dean Smith, Tim McCarthy, Michael Gray, Hayden Cooke, Thomas Vernier
TEAM: 18D Coach: Stewart Johnson Manager: Anthony Mayo
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Coach: Stewart Johnson
Manager: Anthony Mayo

A team consisting of school and past soccer mates was developed by a couple of the players and formed the 18D side for 2007. The season in the early rounds proved a real challenge and possibly caught the 'boys' slightly under prepared, however they really hit the rest of the season running and showing that their were a force to be reckoned with for the balance of the season.

The season's results were out of 15 matches – 9 wins, 2 draws, 4 losses with a 'for and against' record of 42 – 19, and fourth on the competition ladder.

Thanks to Stewart for his motivational talks and efforts throughout the season. A special thanks to all our supporters – parents, grandparents, girl friends and other family members, that moral support was a real boost to the 'boys' each week and really assisted to getting us to the final series.

Hope we will see you all again in 2008 and all the best to those players undertaking their HSC this season and hope you achieve your goals for the future.



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Jim Brown, Adam Nicols, Tom Brown, Ryan Bartlett, Jason Economos, Matt Coulter, Nathan Mapstone, Christian Farrow, Marc Mallate
SECOND ROW: Blake Deacon, Billy Fogden, Michael Henry, Riley Spring, Chris Leak, Paul Terry, Josh Batty
TEAM: 18E Coach: Daniel Nicols Manager: Trevor Leak

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Coach: Daniel Nichols
Manager: Trevor Leak

Gymea U18E 2007 year report 1st Coach: Daniel Nicols 2nd Coach : John Economos Manager: Trevor Leak
What a great year! A group of 16/17yr old's joined together to form their own team and through dedication and hard work become a formidable side in this competition.

The team regularly had the 15/16 players turn up for training and matches each week which made them easy to manage and coach. At the time of writing this report the team is heading into the finals as Minor Premiers, demonstrating the value the coaches have added, not only during training, but on match days, giving the boys guidance and advice. Great coaching - the team would not be where they are without them.

The team's choice as Players' Player is From the high quality in this side it would have been difficult to single one out. Congratulations to, your team has recognized your hard work and dedication to the team - well done!

The Coaches award goes to again a hard choice but just as well deserved. Consistent improvement in game throughout the season and never giving up has paid off – congratulations

All up though this it has been a pleasure to work with this team and also enjoy the games they have played and the skills they have demonstrated. They are able to maintain a sense of humour, are able to encourage and motivate each other and hope they have many years to come playing soccer for the fun of the game and "mate ship". So have a great wrap up to the season - show them what you can do and bring home the medals you deserve!

21A-1

Coach: Gary Landsberry
Manager: Warwick Flynn

The boys stepped up to A grade for the first time in a few years and they knew it was going to be a challenging season. This year was a good learning experience for the boys to get the taste of A grade soccer again in preparation for next year, as 2008 will be the last year in the 21's for many players in the team.

The team welcomed new players Kizza and Lynden into the team and the return of Adam & Zac. All our pre-season training paid off as the boys got off to a flying start winning their first 4 games. Then we had a few serious injuries to some key players, which saw them sidelined for several weeks. So then we had to change the team's formation and the boys hit a bit of a mid season slump which saw them lose some crucial games. Oh yeah... then the wet weather set in and the boys missed weeks of training & playing which did not help. Throw in some State Cup games and it ended up being a very mixed up season. However, the boys finished off the season in fine style winning 3 of their last 4 games and just missing out on the semis. The boys finished in 5th position winning 8 games and losing 7 (no draws!!) scoring 24 goals with 28 against. As mentioned this year the boys played in the State Cup competition and after a few road trips we made it to the quarter finals only to rue on a number of missed chances in the last game. This was a good effort by the team considering they had to back up on Sundays after playing on the Saturday and we had a few players unavailable due to other commitments. This year the "Players Player" went to who started the year on fire and finished off the season in great style playing in various positions when required. Great effort The success of this team would not be possible without the valuable input from the coach Gary Landsberry who knows how to bring the best out in the boys from his early fitness training at Wanda sand hills to those inspirational talks at training, before the game and at half time. For me it has again been a pleasure to be associated with a great bunch of young men and I really enjoyed the year of exciting soccer.

To the boys, good effort this year, we were hoping to make the semi finals but just missed out. Next year is a new ball game and you now know what is required to play in the 21A's so we will see you early next year for some pre season training. Last but not least Gary and I would like to thank the parents for turning up each week to watch this great team play and for helping out with ground control when required.



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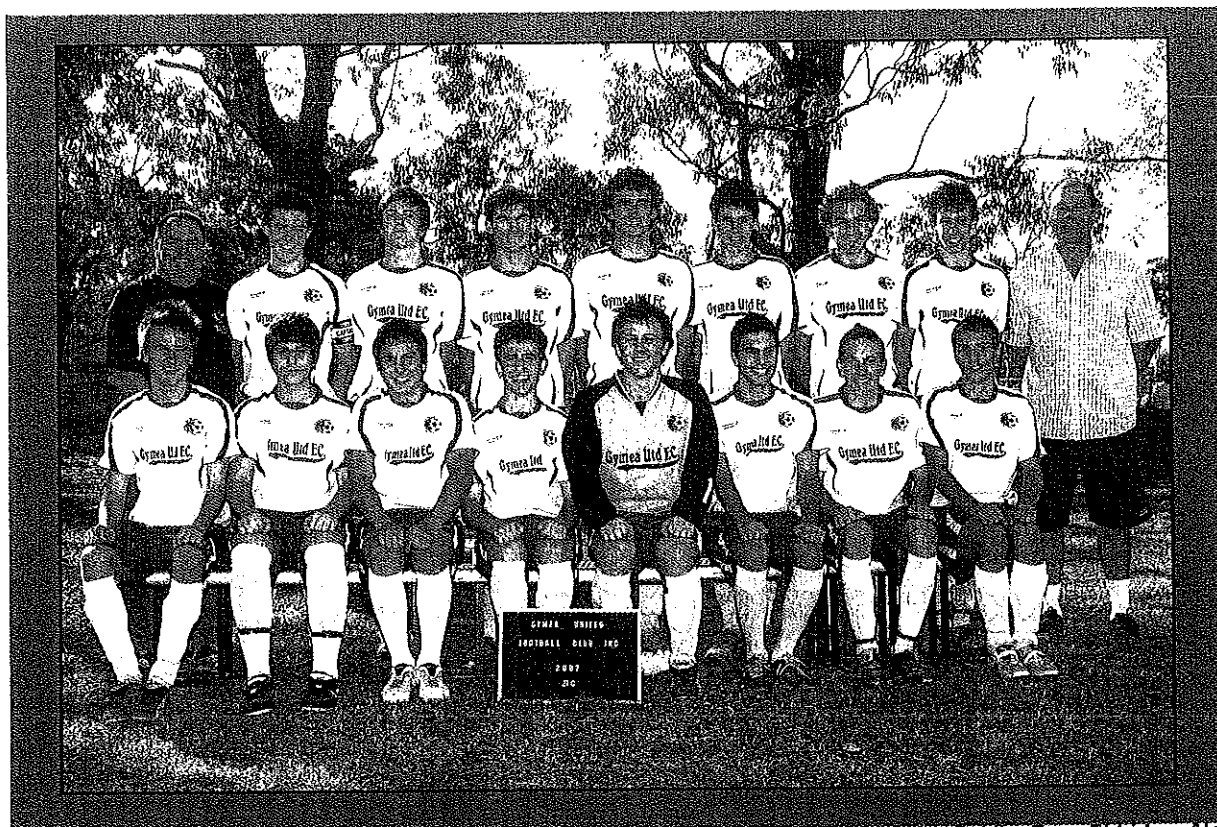
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FRONT ROW:(L to R) Christopher Long, Thomas Mitchell, Sam Bruce, Nicholas Deldin, Ross Eldridge, Alan Khoury, David Humphries, Daniel Fogden
SECOND ROW: Jarryd Knapp, Ian Bacon, Douglas Perry, Murray Spencer, Ryan Cropp, Brett Ketelaar, Luke O'Shea
TEAM: 21C Coach: Paul Golland Manager: Ross Bacon
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Coach: Paul Golland
Manager: Ross Bacon

As the season that was draws to a close for Gymea United who lament on what could have been, we find that every cloud has a silver lining. This is without a doubt one of the best talented group of footballers I have coached in the 20 years I've been at Gymea, so it is disappointing to see we did not make the finals.

To delve into the mathematics of it all seems wasteful, but the Gymea contingent can't help to repine on the prospects long gone. We started with two losses against teams we could have beaten (missing a penalty in both games). We had Bosco (minor Premiers) by the balls. Playing them off the park only to get a 1-1 draw then losing 2-1 with half a team sick. We played Georges River, placed last, once. The disheartening, though rubbish performance against North Sutherland 2 is still ringing in our hearts. We are YET to convert a spot penalty. The early loss to Gwawley Bay and Lilli Pilli could have been avenged weather permitting. Our draw and loss to Bangor are arguably our worst performances this year. BUT... there is no use crying over spilt milk. We must take away what we can. We proved if not to anyone but ourselves that on our day we are the best team in this competition, but the table doesn't reflect this. Anyone that saw us demolish North Sutherland 1 team twice by SIX goals can confirm that, just ask the President. We also knocked off the team that will likely win the comp Seagulls 2-1 and in that game they were totally outplayed. Yes football is a funny game. To the actual team we played the whole season without a recognised keeper but Ross new to the team had some great matches with good reflexes that often kept us in a match. In defence regulars Ian, Luke and new comers Windy and Chris were most times solid even if it took Chris most of the year to actual head the ball. In midfield Alan showed what pure class he is and its true to say we missed him when he did not play, especially in the last few games. He was well supported in central midfield by Sam, who also took a lot of the pictures that appeared on our website throughout the year. Out wide Daniel, Murray and Brett all got goals and played well, each contributing in their own way. Thanks to Murray for filling in as keeper when Ross was away as well. Up front we mainly went with Nick and Tom who scored a lot of the goals this year. Nick has improved out of sight in the last two seasons and his work rate is second to none. Tom is new to the team and if we can get him to pass more he will get a lot more goals for us next year. He has a lot of ability and great ball control, which was reflected in some of the goals he scored.

Special mention to the last three players. Jarryd, who captained the side played in just about every position. He always give 110% regardless of where he plays and leads by example. A great person to have in your team. Finally to Dave and Doug, I'm sure both would have liked more time on the park but never once complained and were always there at training and gave it all when they played. Doug even managed a few goals here and there and Dave until he was badly injured gave his all. Thanks to Ross Bacon for managing the team and the parents and girl friends who show up each week to support us its all greatly appreciated. We have another two seasons in 21's football and there is no reason why next year if we stay together we cannot win a competition. Hope to see everyone back next season.

21D



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Adam Alijagic, Joel Anleck, Sean Pyne, Ben Ghislain(c), Matt Howden, Ben Shute, Andrew Harding
SECOND ROW: Jason Gibbs, Andrew Lee, Tim Porter, Matt Schofield, Jason Coulter, Tom Bayley
TEAM: 21D Coach: Adam Alijagic Manager: Ben Ghislain



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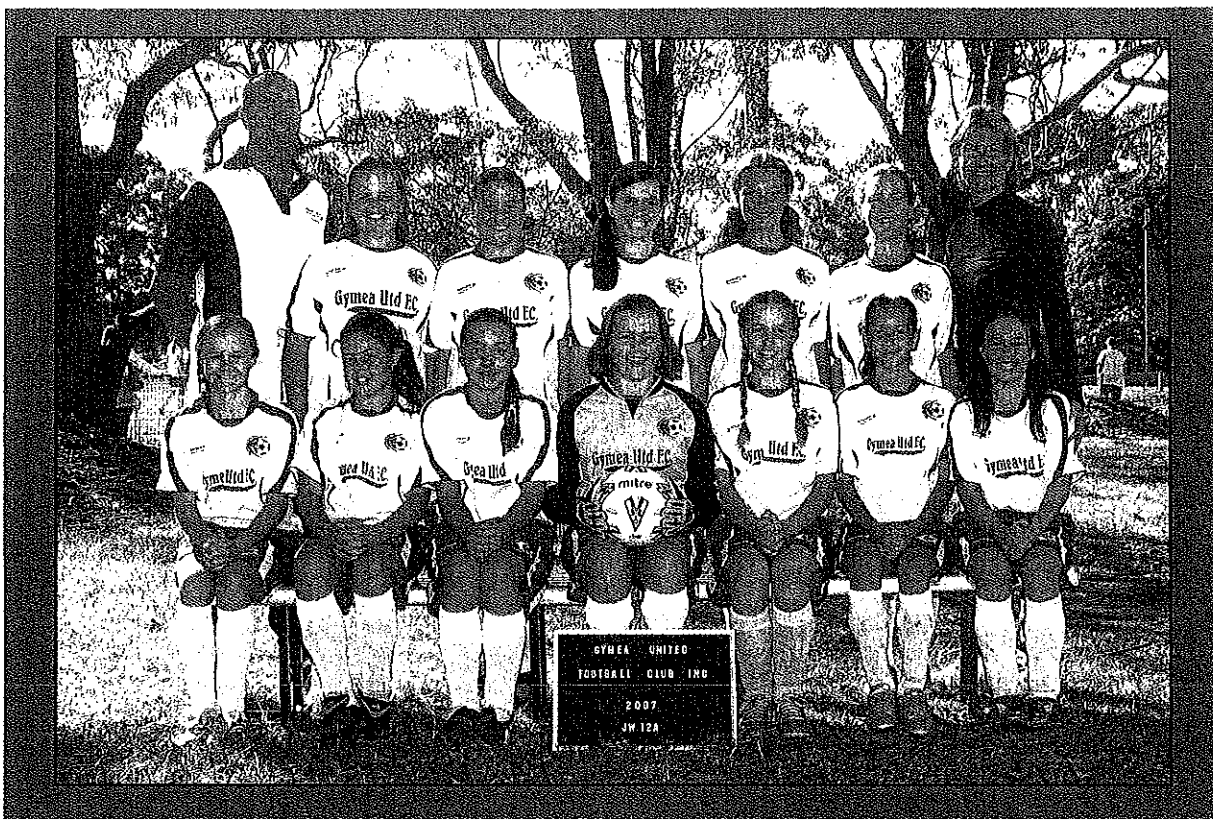


FRONT ROW: (L to R) Joel King, Brock Lawton, Matt Chesterfield, David Edwards, Mark Wayman, James Samut
SECOND ROW: Nick Beck, Rhys Melbourne, Mark Hobman, Chris Ciccia, Tyson McCarthy, Glen Wilmington
TEAM: 21E Coach: Dale King Manager: Leanne King



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JW12A



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Michaela Sargeant, Charlotte Williamson, Renee Knowles, Louise Taylor, Brittany Davey, Taryn Carson, Grace Pinkerton
 SECOND ROW: Dana Thompson, Tessa Herbert, Sarah Farrell, Rebecca Kruitt, Sienna Burton
 TEAM:JW 12A Coach: Michael Thompson Manager: Leah Burton
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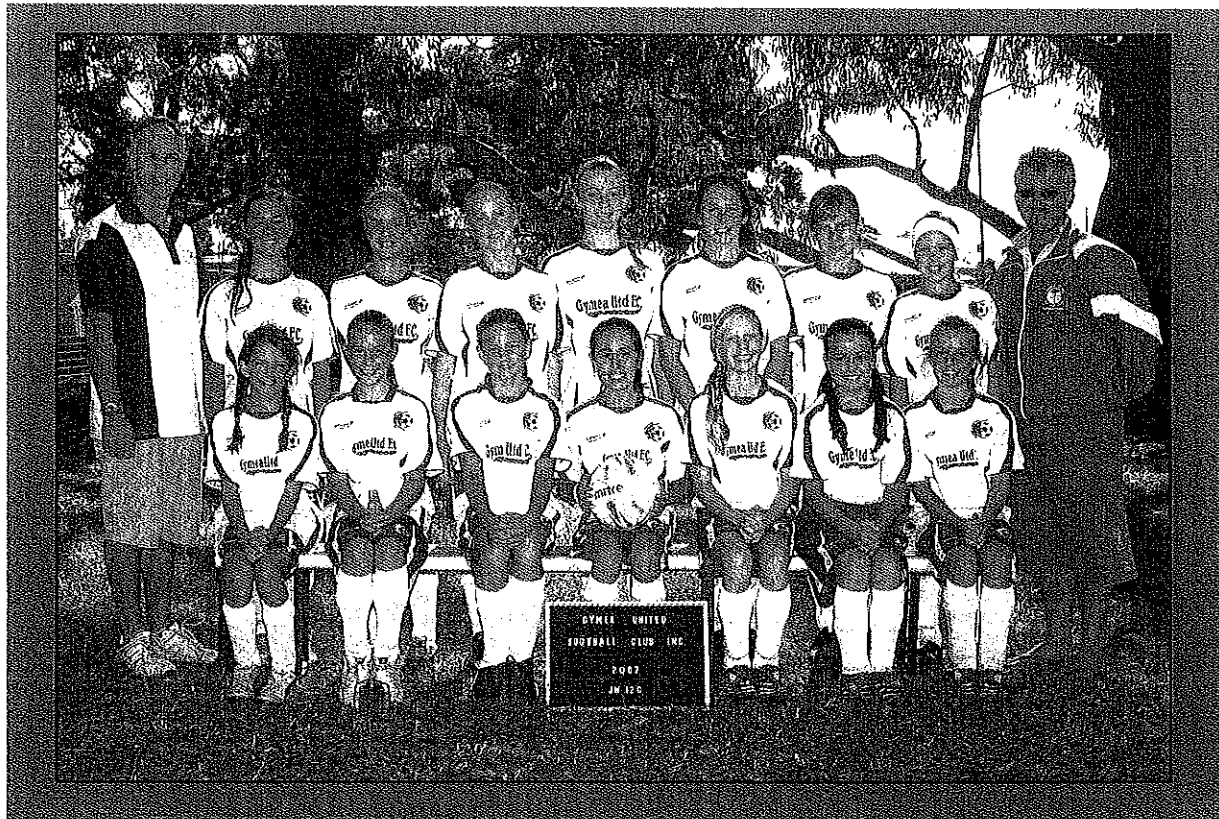


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JW12C



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Cassie Mayo, Aiysha Hindle, Courtney Winkworth, Gabriella Papamitriou, Aiysha Thompson, Aileen Fleming, Rachel Holland
SECOND ROW: Alex Miedzinski, Ebony Lane, Aleisha Oberg, Madeline Holbeach, Alessia Pigna, Ellen Ryan, Jordan Moore
TEAM:JW 12C

Coach: Graeme Holland Manager: Anthony Mayo
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Coach: Graeme Holland
Manager: Anthony Mayo

For most of our team it was the first season of soccer, either coming from netball, watching brothers or other family members play over the years or just joining their friends. Our first match was a real eye opener for all, going down 11 – 1, however the shock this first match's result must of sent shivers through their spines as it was the only match they lost all season.

It was a real pleasure to be involved with this group, they were always enthusiastic and willing to learn and listen. The whole team bonded with each other, and I think developed some really good friendships that did not exist before the season started. The season's results were, out of 16 matches – 9 wins, 6 draws, and only 1 loss with a 'for and against' record of 48 – 18, as well as finishing second on the competition table. For first timers, the above is a real credit to all the players and Graeme for their continued efforts for throughout the season of 2007. A couple of real stand out moments for the season were:

- The majority of the mid field and forward line scored at least one goal for the season
- Overwhelming weekly support from the parents, grandparents, siblings and other family members (no matter what the weather conditions through down)
- The team spirit and moral support during the match from the bench and on the field

The results this season generated from dedication and efforts throughout the season by our coach, Graeme. A special thanks to all our supporters, the players really appreciated that support. A 'big' special thanks to all the girls that made up the 2007 JW12C team, it was a pleasure to watch you all each week enjoying yourselves and develop into accomplished soccer players. Looking forward to seeing everyone in the 2008 season.

JW13A



FRONT ROW: (L to R) Carly Wayman, Melike Banceci, Jaz Dolso, Adrienne Deldin, Samara Mayo, Ashlea Houlson, Erin Holland
SECOND ROW: Alice O'Reilly, Phelps, Hannah Daly, Lauren Oberg, Shae O'Dowd, Elizabeth Bird, Emma Lousie Irvin
TEAM: JW 13A

Coach: Craig Oberg Manager: Anthony Mayo
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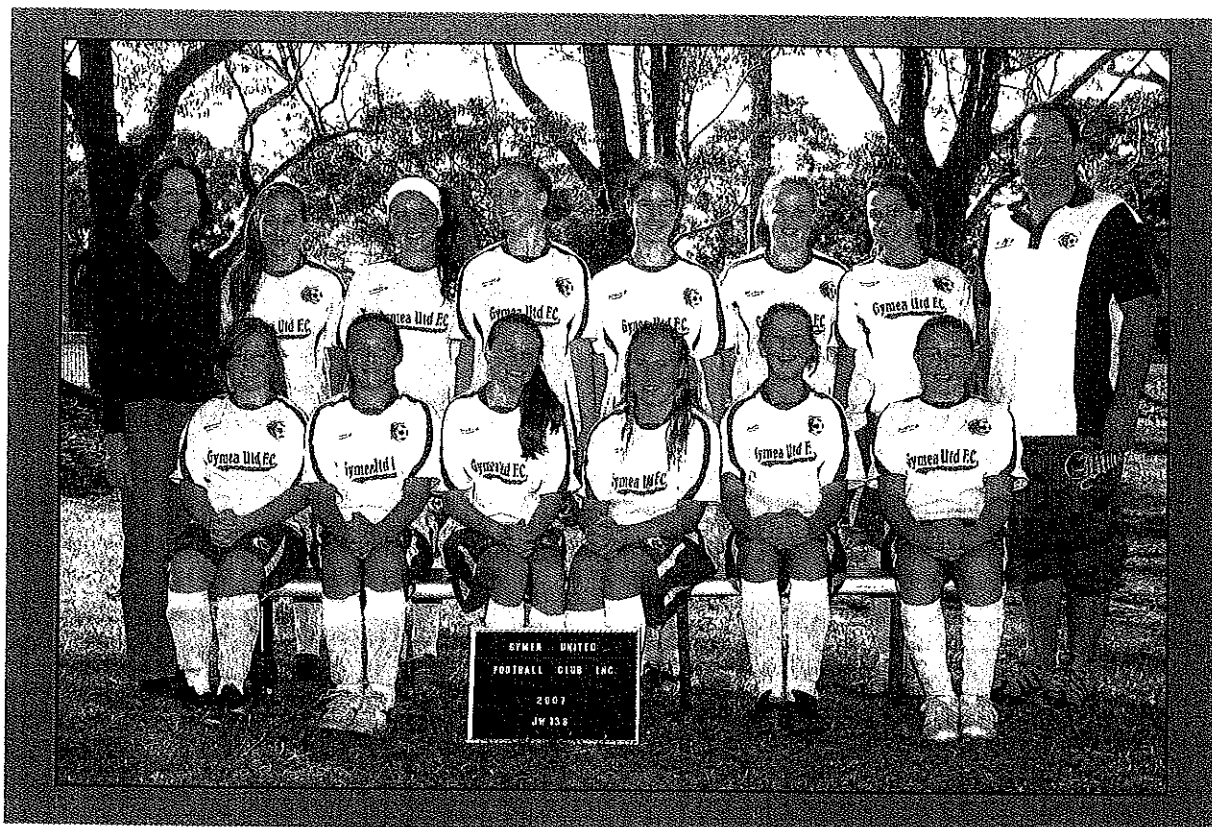
The third season for this group of girls as a team and the second year playing A grade, 2007 proved to be a little harder and the level of competition is really improving. The season fluctuated with some really good results even defeating the team who eventually run third up til the final series then some not so matches with team that we should have beaten.

Overall, it was a mixed season, the girls really are such learning and developing the skill bases and will really hit their straps hopefully in 2007. Again another season unfortunately impacted by wet weather, just reduced our time available and we really started to come good in the latter rounds of the season. Our season in summary - finished 7th on the competition ladder with 4 wins, 2 draws, 10 loses with a goal difference of -13

A special thanks to all the family members, grandparents and friends that attended the matches during the season, providing some encouraging support to the girls, it was greatly appreciated.

We hope you all enjoyed the 2007 season and will all return in 2008 to join the JW14 ranks.

JW13B



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Taylor kent, Ashleigh Croucher, Samantha Biddlecombe, Emalie Sparks, Alese Macarthur, Christie Mortimer

SECOND ROW: Sophie Piggot, India Johnson, Emily Parker, Kirrille Hansen, Paris Williams, Kirsty Lowe

TEAM:JW 13B

Coach: Brad Johnson

Manager: Kate Cleary

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Coach: Brad Johnson
Manager: Kate Cleary

2007 was a fun season for the W13B. Our team included Samantha Biddlecombe, Sian Colee, Ashleigh Croucher, Kirrily Hansen, India Johnson, Taylor Kent, Kirsty Lowe, Alese Macarthur, Christie Mortimer, Sophie Piggott, Emily Parker, Emalie Sparks and Paris Williams. Although some of the girls had played together before, for a couple of girls this was their first season of soccer.

Throughout the competition the girls overall soccer skills had improved. They became more confident and skilful in kicking and trapping the ball, tackling and taking throw ins. The girls became better at positioning themselves on the field and were taking advantage of the whole field. In the forwards we had Sam, Sian, Kirsty, Christie, Emily and Sophie. These girls did a great job of running to the ball and attempting to kick a goal whenever possible. In nearly each game they achieved at least scoring one goal! In the mid field we had Ashleigh, India, Alese and Paris. These girls ran all over the field to help gain the ball onto our side and to keep the ball up our end of the field. In the backs we had Kirrily, Taylor and Emalie who defended beautifully and who kept the opponent's score to a minimum.

Every week the girls arrived at training and to all the games with a smile on their face and with enthusiasm. Although the soccer season has drawn to an end, many of the girls are already looking forward to playing again next year. A big thank you to Brad Johnson who coached the girls during the season. Many of the girls have already signed him up for 2008!

JW14B



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Karlyn Hinchy, Alexandra Conwell, Lara Hughes, Sarah Howell, Jordan Allan, Nicole Ghall
SECOND ROW: Jaqueline Perri, Gemma Jamison, Alexandra Northam, Caitlin Northam, Ashleigh Johnson, Sarah Kruit
TEAM:JW 14B

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Coach: Mick Perri
Manager: Stewart Johnson

4th place, and semi finalists 2007 has been a successful year for the JW14B's. We started the season with only 10 players, half previous players and half new players. We added to our team list progressively to a full compliment of 13 players, but started many early games with less than a full team. Great commitment in those early games saw some good results regardless of numbers. We've had some good results in some games, and some not so good results when we didn't carry out what we had learnt at training. Our training sessions have progressed from 40 minutes of talking and 20 minutes of soccer; to 10 minutes of talking and 50 minutes of soccer. What a breakthrough this has been for coach Mick, who has done an admirable job in progressing the girl's skills over the season. In particular they have played like a "team" in the last few weeks, playing in formation, and with purpose. The team....

Cait, experienced player who regularly shared goalkeeping duties, and at striker and midfield contributed with sound play and occasional goalscoring.

Ally N, shared goalkeeping duties and as a midfielder played a key role in setting our attack.

Karlyn, showed her versatility as occasional Goalkeeper, dependable defender and mobile midfielder.

Sarah K, stamped her authority as a strong central defender who dominated our defence.

Gemma, our very dependable right back who is always strong in defence.

Jordan, our left back who is rarely beaten in a tackle, and possess a strong kick.

Lara, a versatile stopper or defensive midfielder who is tireless in her effort.

Sarah H, a defensive or occasional attacking midfielder who never says die, even wanting to play when recovering from surgery early in the season.

Elise, a much improved midfielder who possesses an incredibly long throw in.

Ash, lightning quick attacking midfielder or striker, who chases down everything.

Jacque, our striker with a strong shot that gave us numerous goals, particularly from set plays.

Ally C, a midfielder who is always in the action, highly improved late in the season.

Nicole, a midfielder who always puts in a huge effort in attack and defence.

Well done to the entire team who have improved individually and as a team throughout the season. Well done to coach Mick, and thanks to our eager band of supporters who enjoyed the games.

JW14C



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Brianna Butler, Shontelle Fisher, Holly Fulker, Isabella Duncan, Heather Fleming, Naiara Du Toit Agintas
SECOND ROW: Rochelle Thompson, Cassandra Hunt, Brooke Garrett, Jacqueline Wright, Alana Gray, Tahnee Fletcher
ABSENT: Taylor Yankos
TEAM:JW 14C Coach: David Grey Manager: Faye Gray Asst Coach: Andy Gray Mascot: Jess (the dog)

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Coach: Dave Gray
Manager: Faye Gray

Coach: David Gray Assistant Coach: Andy Gray Manager: Faye Gray
Great friends, great fun and surprisingly- some instances of great soccer!! (Well.. pretty good for their first season)

The Bumblebees were incredibly united throughout the season - and isn't that what team sport is all about! The girls supported (with hugs) whomever "volunteered" for goalie each week, when a shot flew past into the net. They danced, cheered, sang and cartwheel-flipped each time they scored (and hugged). They acknowledged each other's strengths and overlooked each other's air swings and miscalculations. Coach "David Sir "and assistant coach Andy, attempted to impart knowledge of game-play, tactics and ball skill techniques during training. This was sometimes lost in all the girl talk, however, the team demonstrated evidence each week that some of the practise and drills were worthwhile.

The Bees weekly game commitment and enthusiasm was brilliant. Every player has developed a passion for the game and continued to strive throughout the season to develop their skills and knowledge of football. These girls have definitely developed their love of life from their parents - I think we had even more fun than the kids - a lot of laughs!!!! Thanks to all of the relatives and friend supporters throughout the season including Jesse the dawg and who could forget that bugle! The girls are already looking forward to next season! What a blast!

JW15B



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Madison Gillies, Alyssa Moon, Carly Brock, Angela Stewart, Kristen Zumot, Gabrielle Morris, Hannah Millard, Kelsey Hill
 SECOND ROW: Ashley Kent, Verity Carolin, Mikaelee Miller, Alexandra Britton, Meagan Girle, Rhiann Toutounji, Amber Dare, Alexandra Leak
 TEAM:JW 15B Coach: James Townsend Manager: Linda Millard
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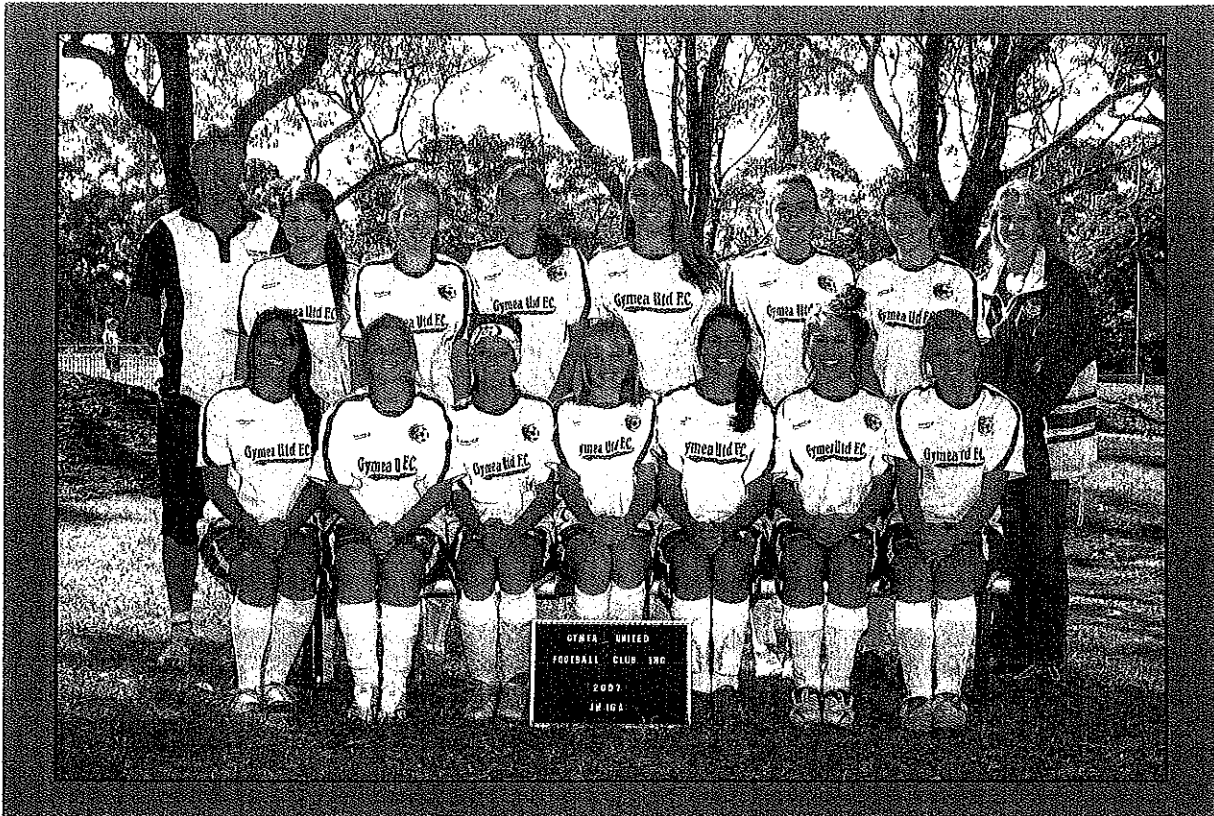
Coach: James Townsend
Manager: Linda Millard

What a journey! What a team! As a first time coach I would like to say that I feel privileged to be known as the coach of such a great bunch of girls with such natural talent. From game one, anyone could see the potential when we had a hard fought draw against the now premiers of the competition.

It took us a few games to really progress and gel as a team and we came close to a first win on a few occasions. Then after a few more training sessions, these determined girls, some of whom had never kicked a soccer ball before, scored their first win against Bundeena. That inspirational win was the turning point of our season and the girls just kept wanting more, which took us on our winning streak and eventual move up the competition ladder all the way to third place. It was unlucky that the rain brought the season to a halt and there were fears that we would lose momentum, but the girls never feared and they played the first game back on a flooded field which kept their winning streak alive, and what better way to celebrate than to wrestle in the mud after the game.

I hope all of you continue to enjoy your soccer, there is still more talent to be unleashed in upcoming seasons and I thank all of you for making my job as coach such a remarkable and memorable experience. I would also like to thank Linda Millard who was able to be our Manager on top of her own soccer commitments along with all you parents for your help and support throughout the season. Cheers.

JW 16A



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Dilara Bahceci, Georgie Molan, Rebecca King, Jemma Gallehawk, Mia Toutounji, Paris Pearce, Rachel Grant
SECOND ROW: Danielle Gowan, Karlee Oberg, Alessandra Vernier, Sophie Lewis, Rebecca Coulter, Elaine Thompson
TEAM:JW 16A Coach: Bryan Molan Manager: Delwyn Gowan

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Coach: Brian Molan
Manager: Delwyn Gowan

Result: Done good Congratulations to all the girls on a great season in 16A's. The girls turned up every week giving it their all and even if things didn't go their way, they showed fantastic sportsmanship, commitment and kept the sideline entertained.

It was going to be a challenge having fourteen girls playing together for the first time but the girls trained well and quickly became familiar with each others playing style. We had many close games either ending in a draw or going down by one goal. We managed to challenge the stronger teams in the competition giving every opponent a competitive and physical game. Our backs week in and week out continued to grow in strength, dominance and performed as a unified group. They managed to keep our oppositions scoring possibilities extremely low. The mid field worked hard every game, continually running and setting up scoring opportunities for our forwards and assisting our backs. Our forwards were always close and around the mark but those goal posts often got in the way. The forwards never gave up and continually looked dangerous.

I would like to thank the Committee of Gymea because without your dedication and many many hours of work our girls would not have had the opportunity to play soccer in such a supportive and family friendly environment. Special thanks must go to Bryan for his dedication and support shown to all the girls. Without Bryan the girl's skills and knowledge of the game would not be where it is today. We look forward to seeing you all next year back on field.

JW16C



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Rochelle Macarthur, Kaitlyn Faiella, Danielle Downer, Tahni Morrison, Sarah-Stevie Edmonds, Sian Callaghan
SECOND ROW: Georgia Brown, Samantha Hopkins, Hayley Blight, Amella Rees, Samantha Rigney, Danielle Brown
TEAM:JW 16C Coach: Peter Brown Manager: Jackie Faiella

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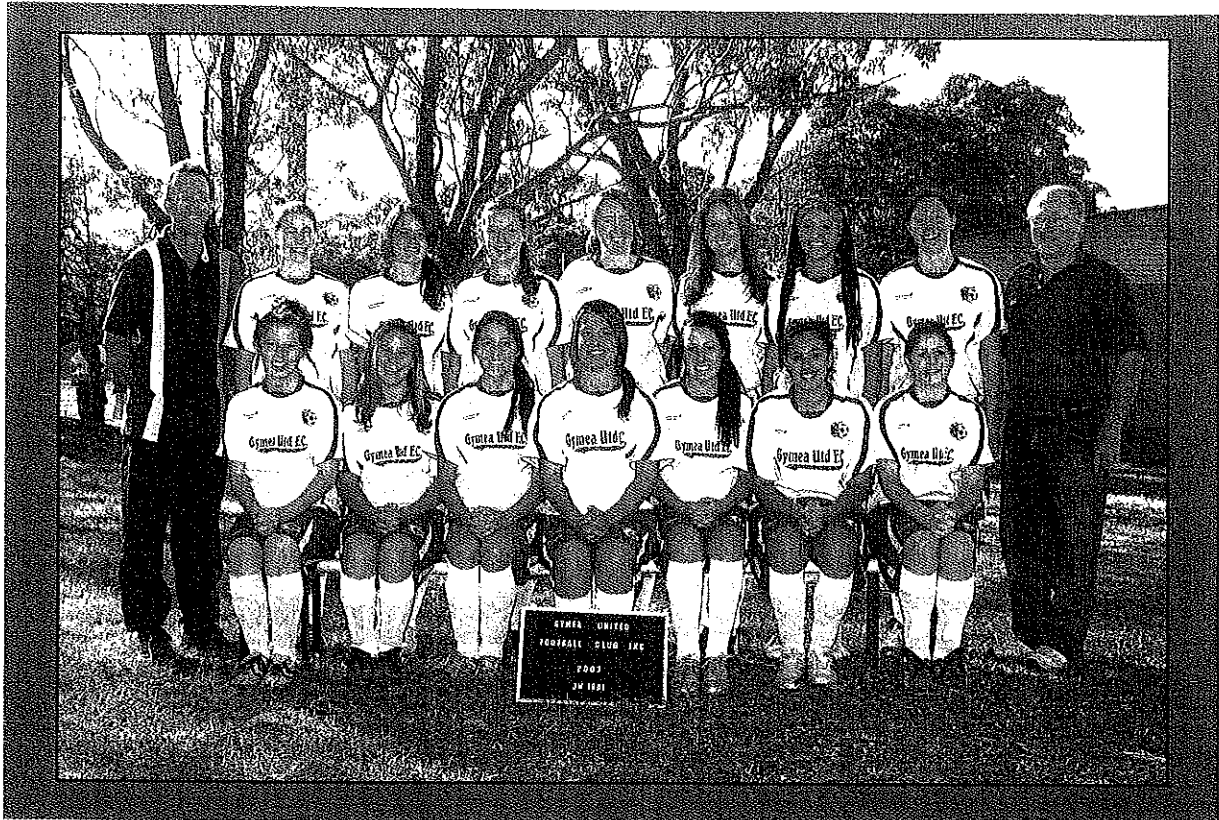
Coach: Peter Brown
Manager: Jackie Faiella

We would like to thank our fantastic coach Peter Brown, for your wonderful coaching and putting up with 12 ever chatting, loud girls at training each week. Thank-you also to our assistant coach, Bryce, who helped us with our fitness every week and persisted with us even when we whinged and whined at him all night. And last but not least, our short lived original assistant coach, Katie, when she turned up she encouraged us all and it was much appreciated.

At the start of the season we were all wondering how we would work - a new team, a new coach, some girls that had never played before, but all in all we did a pretty good job. We had a couple of wins, a lot of draws & we won't mention how many losses... but we had the best season ever - it was an absolute blast. It's not always about where you finish on the ladder but how much fun you had during the season - which isn't too hard with such a nice bunch of girls!!! Our new girls, Dolly, Sian and Shelly, who were our amazing forwards, scored most of our goals and absolutely shone through-out the season - to think these girls had never played soccer before! Our fantastic mids - Georgia, Hayley & Sammy who always worked really hard & perfected the art of heading a ball while looking totally glamorous & without a hair out of place. These girls were great support for the forwards - even occasionally scoring a goal. Then we had the awesome foursome backs of Dani, Amelia, Sam & Kaitlyn who held up the back line - well most of the time. Always trying, never giving up & keeping us amused as well. Great defence girls & back up for our sweeper Tahni. Don't know what we would do without you - Tahni was always on the ball & ready to chase down anyone she could. Cheers also to the girls who willingly offered to be goalie each week - great job always well done. Special mention & goodbye to our ice-hockey playing champion, Sarastevie, who was ready to put her body on the line every week. Another one of our girls who had never played soccer before but could play any position & excelled at it. She will be sorely missed next year - good luck in Canada.

During the season we were fortunate to have Hannah, Rhiarn & Maddie from the 15B's sub for us on a number of occasions - love your work girls - thanks so much. We want to thank all the parents who came along every week to cheer us on. Also thank-you to our manager Jackie who was always running late (and for wearing the attractive yellow jacket every week). Thanks to the commitment & teamwork from the girls & to Peter for never giving up on us. ☺

JW18A-1



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Steph Lukin, Georgla Thodey, Ash Samut, Sam Perri, Natalie Hone, Jessica Ciccica, Katelyn Keenan
SECOND ROW: Jess Fraser, Allanah Burgett, Britany Greatrex, Ashleigh Hobman, Lauren Harding, Courtney Vella, Lauren
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TEAM:JW 18A-1

Coach: Dave Lukin

Manager: Peter Tench

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Coach: David Lukin
Manager: Peter Tench

Season start was a big learning curve for all players ... new team, new uniform and a new coach. Some old foes in the opposition list, Kirrawee, Bosco and Bonnet Bay and also, arch-rivals (joking!!) Gympsea A2s. With a first round Bye out of the way the team were itching to get some dirt on their boots and to start scoring some goals in the second round. The A1s managed a good number of goals during the first half of the competition, but were Queens of the 'Draw', with their only loss being against the leaders, Bosco, in round 9. Our injury woes started early in the season with a number of players unable to play for weeks at a time (**Jess Fraser**, sadly, out for the rest of the competition & **Ash Hobman**, out for last three rounds) but team morale didn't seem to dip. To the credit of the remaining fit and able players, they went on and played week-to-week doing their best, under the extreme pressure.

Many matches went by without any reserves and with a number of wet weather cancellations thrown into the mix, it was a pretty rough mid-season. Luckily, the last four rounds saw most of the team back, with some level of fitness, and the race to the semi-finals. With another three good wins and ONE GREAT WIN – 2-1, round 18, against the (once) undefeated competition leaders Bosco, the team played themselves into an unbeatable fourth place and into the semis. This match against Bosco was full of drama, with Vella yellow carded and Bosco players with a Red and a Yellow, it was full on. A spectacular last round match, worthy of a final, but the team weren't intimidated by the bustling Bosco players and this had the spectators off their seats and cheering. Through a great solo goal by **Steph Lukin**, that put the opposition onto the back foot and had them looking worried, when we took the lead. Our defenders **Allanah Burgett**, **Britney Greatrex**, **Jess Ciccica**, **Lauren Harding** and keeper 'extraordinaire', **Nat Hone** played out of their skins, stopping attack after attack, frustrating the Bosco forwards at every bounce of the ball. Mid-fielders, **Lauren Tench**, **Georgia Thodey**, **Ash Samut** and **Courtney Vella** challenged well and pushed a lot of ball forward for **Sam Perri**, **Katelyn Keenan** and **Steph**. With not a lot of time left, and at 1-1, it was great to see the team still peppering the Bosco defence and goals and were justly awarded a late penalty, after a frantic scuffle in the goalmouth. Tench made sure of the kick and we'd WON 2-1, with a great boost to team morale, after taking the game up to and then beating the competition leaders.

Congratulations on a season ending with 8 Wins, 5 Draws and only 3 Losses and a **brilliant TEAM effort**. Semi-finalists – at time of writing this report – but if you repeat your performance of that last round ... who knows what may happen ... maybe a Gympsea V Gympsea play off for the medals !!! Hope you all enjoyed playing with the team and had an enjoyable time in the JW18A1s.

JW18A-2



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Elizabeth Berger, Nadine Livesey, Skye Lawton, Jessica Carter, Melissa Brown, Brianna Powell
 SECOND ROW: Alana Haswell, Emma Taylor, Brogan o'Dowd, Jenna Lincoln, Pamela Dimitriadis, Rochelle Wood
 TEAM:JW 18A2 Coach: T.Wade, T.Lawrence Manager: J.Wood
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Coach: Anthony Wade & Todd Lawrence
Manager: Jenny Wood

Another year with the gorgeous Gymea Girls (the giggle gurts) and what a successful, enjoyable year it was. We started without our Coach Col (who has been enjoying playing himself this year). Tony and Todd had BIG shoes to fill. Once they got over the overwhelming girlie factor they settled in and enjoyed the year as much as the girls..... In actual fact they excelled.

The sportsmanship, the caring, the teamwork and all round good fun was reflected in their weekly play. I especially remember the State Cup game against Bosco when it was ten players against Bosco's sixteen players and the girls played 110 minutes before the penalty shootout. Each one of them went out of their way to comfort, support and lift spirits when exhaustion had set in. The big huddle of green and white on the ground at the end of the game displayed how caring they were of each other. That's what you call a REAL team. The winning of the girls **18W STATE CUP CHAMPIONSHIP** was an added bonus-a very well deserved one. We would like to thank Gymea United for their generous support to our team and I must admit the team does look outstanding in their embroidered Gymea polo shirts. We thank you immensely. Parents, Grandparents and friends have been a great support and enjoyable company throughout the year. A special thankyou to Bev, Marianne and Fiona for the extra help you gave.

The girls - what a pleasure to be associated with- are:
 Our Goalie - Annette
 Our Awesome Backs - Jenna, Nadine, Liz, Mel, Breanna
 Our Energetic Mids - Amelia, Jessica, Skye, Rochelle, Brogan
 Our Assertive Forwards - Alana, Pam, Emma, Catherine

At the end of our comp we have finished in the top three with hope of winning the grand final. Hoping to see you all next year with our great coaches Tony and Tod. Go Gymea Girls.

JW18B



FRONT ROW:(L to R) Adele Pacione, Lisa Fogarty, Sarah McLachlan, Chantelle Pahina, Tara Brown, Emma Salmon
SECOND ROW: Dana Brown, Jay Skennar, Charlotte O'Connor, Holly McKee, Hannah Phillips, Lucy Honor
TEAM:JW 18B Coach: Aaron Skennar Manager: Trish McLachlan
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Coach: Aaron Skennar
Manager: Trish McLachlan

Well we all knew this was going to be a challenging year with 3 new players to the game, along with some C grade players from last year, coupled with some strong u16 girls – what a mix! The girls blended well though and as an absolute credit to them, continued to play their hearts out every week against consistently strong B grade sides. This team should be known as the one with determination and courage, as every match was a difficult one and yet not once did we see their faces drop or their high level of sportsmanship ever being compromised. A credit to you all, it's been a pleasure to manage this lovely team of girls.

Thank you to all our fabulous forwards of Adele, Hannah & Lisa, our strong mid section of Holly, Jay, Sarah & Lucy, the hard working backpack of Jessica, Tara, Dana & Charlotte and our brilliant sweeper Chantelle. Last but not least, the girl with the hardest job on the field, our very dependable goalie – Emma. Many of these girls also need to be commended for helping out in some of the JW18A's club matches and for the State Cup games.

A special mention to our 3 new girls to the game this year – Dana, Jay & Charlotte, who started as complete novices but by the end of the season were all playing beautifully. Thank you to our small bunch of dedicated parents who were on the sideline every week and to Kerry, our coach's mum, for her inspiring match reports. Lastly, but certainly not least, a huge thank you to our young coach Aaron, who did a great job with the girls and kept us entertained every week with his display of fluro board shorts.

SWD-1



Coach: Chris Cameron
Manager: Amanda Waddington

Well what a season, we had breakages, surgeries, knee reconstructions and ligament damage and that was just round 1. With a win in the first game the season looked promising, Becks was given the prestigious title of team captain and had the arm band to prove it, as well as her beloved 10 year soccer jacket. Disaster struck after the injuries of the first game, with Kerrie Anne out for the season and a very unhappy manager/player forced to the sidelines with a broken wrist. From there the curse of the 1-0 loss managed to follow us for most of the season, never quite reflective of the game that took place. With half of our games being draws including the clash with the leaders of the comp it was unfortunate to receive the wooden spoon, which I hear is now on a mantle in the Becks household.

A great group of girls made up the team, 9 originals from last year and some new blood. J-Lo and Taryn ran the front line and were a force to be reckoned with, Congrats J-Lo as top goal scorer for the season. Shooter and I (Sam) looked after the centre midfield with matching hair and consecutive numbers on our back it made it tough to distinguish between us, but a good partnership was formed. Shooter was given player of the year by the team, and was a deserving winner. Great support from the midfield came from pocket rocket Julia, and star recruit Jas, as well as Nicole who copped a ball to the face more times than I can recall but still kept coming back, a determined Jeanette and Emma who kept getting even better with each game played made up the rest of the midfield. We had one of the best defensive lines with Rona who always gave 150%, Jen managed to put forward the birth of her child in order to start the season and was one of the best defenders in the competition as well as strikers scoring the final goal of the season, Manda held the centre back position with such ease and with her 'pre game hype up' of the team was always inspirational. Becks & Charlie were feared most by the opposition with neither backing out of a tackle & most of their opponents ending up worse for wear. Jess took up the role in goalie until her exciting news that she has a mini Jess on the way, Congratulations Jess. Kylie one of our great defenders was an amazing stand-in keeper.

A big thanks to Chris & Ash who bravely (some would say stupidly) took up their first season of coaching women's soccer, they put in a lot of effort and were a great asset for the team and managed to keep their cool some of the time, thanks guys. Lastly a big thank you to Lea for her coaching assistance and support and for chauffeuring a certain injured player to most of the games. Looking forward to next season girls, I know I said this last year but I am quite sure next year will be our year. Some new "goal celebration moves" will need to be thought up though...

AL1

Coach: Laurie McAndrew
Manager:

Like a jet-lagged, sleeping-pill-affected John Stamos doing an interview with Kerrie-Anne Kennerly, season 2007 has been at times unpredictable and bizarre, but always entertaining. A high-court battle over 2 competition points, a defection to another club, an on-field boxing match from the Greek before departing to Greece, a hopping-Hoppie, losses only to the bottom teams, and a duck that flew to the UK before the semis have all been part-and-parcel of the season.

Our on-field performances have also been decidedly yo-yo-like – ranging from sublime to dismal – and it hasn't been uncommon for us to switch from one end of the continuum to the other in a single match. But for all the unpredictability, one constant is that we keep doing *just-enough* to get by. For example, only once this year have we beaten a team by more than 1 goal, and at the time of writing, we're leading the competition by 1 point. Some of our rivals have called this luck, but I prefer to call it efficiency.

So as we head into the finals, let's hope that we either keep the pattern going and *only-just* win each remaining game, or else tap into the reserves of form we've saved by our scrupulous efficiency and win by a lot. Juan-Juan's baby yeah.

AL3

Coach: Gary Landsberry
Manager: Warwick Flynn

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At the beginning of the year the boys were a bit disappointed at being dropped from AL2 to AL3's but they put their disappointment behind them and performed admirably to take out the AL3 Minor Premiership. They won 10 games, drew 5 and lost only 1 game. During the season they scored 43 goals (but don't ask me who scored them all!! – was it Kev, Frank, Steve, Mick or Mitch B?!!?) and conceded only 15! Let's hope they can go on to win the AL3 competition and move back up to AL2 next year.

We started off with a squad of 17 players all keen to play some exciting soccer which made it very difficult for Gaza to select a team and stand a player off each week (not something a coach likes to do). However, after a serious injury in round 3 we were down to 16 players then another injury in round 7 we were down to 15. As the season wore on we had a few players travelling overseas, going down the snow and a few more with work commitments, our playing roster was a bit more manageable and was even diminished down to 10 players for one game. Thanks to those 21A players for filling in that game, which we won 3-0!! The boys started the season on fire winning the first 5 games comfortably before drawing with their “boogie” side Grays Point. Then we had a game washed out with only 15 minutes to go where they were leading 2-1, which eventually had to be replayed. A few minor injuries crept up on the team and some double headers took their toll as the side started to struggle a little. Then the wet weather set in and after missing a few weeks of playing and training the boys had to start all over again. However, the boys showed their true fighting spirit and scraped in some last minute goals to draw 3 games, which eventually proved crucial to winning the minor premiership.

Towards the end of the season players returned and the team started playing to their potential again. And wasn't it good to see firstly Matt Willmott and then Matt O'Neill running around the park, barking their orders in the last couple of games, even if it was for only half a game!! **Unfortunately both players have been ruled out for the rest of the season and will miss the finals, but I'm sure both "1/2 game Matts" will be there on the sideline supporting the team.**

Managers Magic Moments:

Kev's hat trick against the Crusaders up at Gynea Oval in front of a huge crowd. His first goal a neat header (his first ever?), the second was a "cracker" late in the second half which left the keeper with no hope. The keeper was still clearing his head when Kev scored his third which was hit with pin point accuracy. This was closely followed by Mutz's OG against the same team in the first round – No one could have placed it better!! And how could I not mention Muzza's great saves throughout the year that kept us in those close games. Whytie's efforts in every game he played, not forgetting the great goal he scored against Bonnet Bay.

Players Player this year went to the ever-consistent who gives 110% every time he plays. was solid in both defence and attack, playing either fullback or in the mid field. Now it's onto the finals and if the boys play to their potential they should take out the AL3 premiership. So good luck in the finals and bring on Cairns!!!!

The success of this team would not be possible without the valuable input from the coach Gary Landsberry who knows how to bring the best out in the boys with his inspirational talks (yells) and tough training runs. Not to be forgotten, thanks must go to our sponsor Steve "Smudge" Smith – from More than Meat -*More than you're your Friendly local butcher* at 130 Wyralla Road Miranda (9524 5474) for his fantastic support throughout the year, supplying beautiful meat for our team barbeques. Last but not least Gary and I would like to thank the wives, girlfriends, parents & supporters for turning up each week to watch the boys play and for assisting with ground control.

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AL5

Coach: Brad Saunders
Manager: Paul Bell

Farewell to the 5's !!!!

It what will be our collective last year in all age we would have to say it's been a good one! As I write this we are preparing for our Semi after finishing equal 2nd (3rd on GD) which is not a bad effort considering vast experience. In general I would say we have on average 10-15 years more experience than the teams we play and to be competitive still is rewarding in itself. However, we play to win and hope my crystal ball is working well and when your are reading this we are celebrating a premiership!

This bunch of blokes welcomed into the team some new blood with new boys to the shire football scene Paul and Jason who were an instant success both on and off the field and added some youth. We also dragged in the experience of Doug who returned from the 35's for a one year contract in AL's. Then with the unfortunate loss of Giggsy for the season with knee damage we needed some help and when you think knee damage you think Felice so we "tempted" out of retirement with the prospect of taking out that elusive "5's" premiership.

We certainly had some high lights and low lights. Giggsy's season ending knee, Paul's knee troubles which caused a long holiday, Jason's tour of duty to Melbourne and the 3 Amigos who went to the USA at the same time, not to mentions Doug's season ending shin moment. All this placed great strains on the players left but to their credit and with a little help from our friends (35's Lockwood, Sharp, Hagtharp, Max and almost King and Tracey. O'Berg from the G's + McMordie & co from the 7's, Jarrod 21C and who could forget Air-swinging and Air-heading Prawn). More lows with the Saunders brothers trying to see can catch the worst in goals, the Thredbo disaster that is Todd "Stuart" Diver. The draw against Sylvania 1 and the chalk out lines left by CSI around the goals murdered by Micky & Baboon that day.

The highs started early when we got 2 points for loosing to Bundeena and our luck just seemed to stick with some memorable wins. Some were getting lucky off the field like Baboon getting friendly with "Doug's Missus". Wadey released his best position on a soccer field is off it! Steve didn't score from half way! Darlo didn't score.....again and highly likely he never will. Pete managed to sign up half way through the season lost 4 rounds to rain and still played more games then Paul and Jason. Cookie worked out how to "sms" and proved to be the best beer bitch we ever had. Brian didn't get a yellow card for abusing a Ref but Roy did! Jason's solo effort v Miranda and Saundo's left foot screamer at Port hacking can vie for goal of the year!

Jury still out on the return of Bradaldo, is the post match gloating low worth the highs of the goals? The Scott got married and finally had to shout a round to his friends, they sure are deep pockets in those kilts. The wives and partners provided another great year of support and some enjoyed them self a little too much, and Kirsten and Brian are looking at adding another "player" to their home team.

As I said this will be our last year as the "5's" as we plan to go to the dark side and play O35 next year. Very sadly not every one can make the migration and we will bid a fond farewell to our newest friends Jason, Paul and their families, hopefully not from the club but just our team. A huge hole will need to be filled as we part with Scottish import Ian and his lovely bride Renee. All 3 of you have plenty of football still in you and will be a great asset to any other team in the club. Giggsy will have a year off after reconstruction of his knee and return in 2009 as young gun.

Very sadly we also have to bid farewell to one of the longest serving members of this team as we can't wait another 5 years! So to Brian as player we will miss you. However, we know you will be around and to make sure we bestow upon you and your crazy wife "5's Life Membership" and expect you to be there with us and we make the promise that when you are finally able (and if we haven't moved to 45's) that your spot is always there.

Cheers Lad's and thanks for another great year, what ever the final result!

AL7-2

Coach: Paul Jospe
Manager: Manuel Alves

The AL 7/2's have had a great first year as a new team. The boys came together from a few different backgrounds to form the squad and we have built a good mate ship over the course of the season. Early in the season we were unlucky to suffer a few injuries and work and other commitments meant that we went a few games with the bare 11 on the park which was frustrating for the guys and we struggled to click as a unit but midway through the season we had a draw with Como Jannali 3-3 whereby we were down at half time 3 - 0. The boys showed amazing spirit to come back and draw and there was a possibility that we could have won that game but it gave the lads a sense of belief in themselves and from there we have encountered only 1 loss to claw our way back up the table.

Unfortunately the winter weather and those rained out matches put paid to the season and we have ended up just outside the semi finals. Special mentions go to newcomers Ashley & Morrie whom gave great vision, options & striking prowess. Chris our keeper whom grew in confidence and made some awesome saves throughout the year, Steve Lord, Dom & Mark of whom are new to the game or coming back to soccer after many years away but you would not know it as they slotted into their respective roles with confidence. Russell, Michael Liberato, Dan Steve Dowse & Matt whom were solid week in and week out and always turned up ready to play. There are a few of us left and when on the park we played well - the key is to get on the park more next year. We look forward to having another go next year !

AL11

Coach: Brendan Clark
Manager: John Economos

AL11 Report JUDGE: Provides plenty of mongrel up front and even more salmon at the back. HAMMO: Moved to the backs to harden up his image. Results pending. Energy to burn. GLENN: Owns shares in Thermoskin. Flag held aloft goal scorers mountain. DANNY ECO: Occasional transport issues. Always dangerous with his foot on the ball or the accelerator. MATTY D: Owes us a nude run! Heart as big as his hairstyle. 50 -50 King! CLARKY: Self-crowned king of the slide tackle. His salmon has it's own player card. WONGA: Late transfer. Most improved player. Could he be the new Ghandi? EDDY: So much time on the ball. Slides between players like they were silk sheets. HADDY: Lemon scented. Non-slip surface. Pleasing to the taste. Bargain. GREGIS: Commitment +. Would miss his own funeral if the backs needed him. ROXY: Rampaging start to season tempered slightly by psychosomatic ankle injury. Danger all round. NIALI: The "Irish Jackrabbit". Never stops running but often confused by being told to sit in the corner of a round room. JOSH: Find of the season! Don't mess with the bull, you'll get the horns. JACK: Hefty transfer fee worth every cent. Transition from backs to mids as smooth as his legs. LIAM: "The Head" stopped more dangerous flow than a protective dyke. Safe as a bank. JOHNNY ECO: Ran the changes with ruthless efficiency. Showed adequate distaste for each and every ref.
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AL14

Coach: Andrew Donaldson
Manager: Brendan Blake

After a disappointing defeat in last years' semi final we were ready to prove we got what it takes, only to be insulted with relegation to the AL14s. The target was then clear: a spot in the grand final and promotion to a respectable all age league.

An early broken jaw saw Nath out for the first few games but fortunately that didn't stop a blistering start that saw us winning with 11-2 and 7-1 score lines. Our mid season crumbled through lack of commitment, illness or more injuries but wasn't bad enough that we couldn't reach 4th spot when we needed it. The season wasn't without controversy though with Brad "Tévez" Hayes involved in his own transfer saga. Special mention goes out to Dale King who hasn't demanded my head on a platter (yet). That said, Brad settled in well and earned his team place.

The other transfer of note was Pete Austin being called out on loan to the MLS. Good luck Pete and see you again next season. Overall it was an enjoyable season that at the time of writing has us looking forward to our pre-season target. Thanks heaps for making it fun boys!

35E

Coach: Paul Golland
Manager: Kerry Robinson (so we're led to believe!!!!)

Having been in the finals in the last two years our president decided we would be able to cope with the extra pressure of E grade and up we went. The first game came and with it a win as well as a sending off to Mel (you really think he would have learnt by now) and the team was quietly confident. Unfortunately this bubble was quickly burst as we lost most of the next few games. Career finishing injuries to little Phil, one of our fitter players and Keith one of our taller players did not help matters and we quickly found ourselves near the bottom of the table. Just before the end of the Transfer window Ian returned to sign on for us and Mick our new signing happened to mention he used to play in goal on a regular basis. Asked why he had not mentioned this before he said he did not want to upset Stewart who up until then had been in goal. Why he thought this would worry him or anyone else was beyond us and he was quickly installed as keeper. Now having some one between the sticks who could touch the crossbar and fresh legs and aggression from Ian we picked up our game. A win against old enemies Grays Point was quickly followed by draws against Menai, Redbacks, Bonnet Bay and Como all who made the semi finals. The two results against Menai and Redbacks were particularly good as we came back from two goals down in both games. Unfortunately this was not enough for us to reach the semi's and our season finished with no semis for quite a few seasons.

Highlights were not that many, well not on the pitch anyway. Max scored most of our goals with assistance from Gus, when he was not on the telly, injured or at the Sharks. Gibbo and Paul both contributed up front but did not trouble the scorers enough. In midfield Dave J showed old legs can still move the ball around, Dale, Richard, Gary, Brian and Stewart as well as Ian all played their part through out the season. Jonesie flitted between playing defense and midfield for us and centre forward for most other sides. In defense Dave G, when he played, was solid and supported by Mel, Rob, Macca, Izzie and Joe. Mick in goal, when not injured played some great games and kept us in it on more than one occasion. All in all a great effort from what must be one of the oldest playing O35 football.

Special mention to our manager Kerry who as the World cup gets nearer gets more worried the All Blacks will choke again. Let hope he can find the bus soon. Thanks to all our supporters who turn up most weeks, usually for the cheap beer, but also to shout support. Finally mention to Mel who in his last game of football with \$50.00 on the line took and scored the first and only penalty of his career to win us the game. Hopefully next year will see most if not all of us back again and with a few younger players to support the older legs we will again challenge for honors. Now all that's left is the end of season trip to the Gold Coast, but enough of that.

45A

Coach: John Bailey
Manager: Brian Ward

This was a fun season, everyone got on well and gave 100%. We lost several key players from previous years which made it a bit harder but we all enjoyed the game each week. Special mention for Keith who had another great season in goals, also Dave Birch and John Bailey for running the team and showing brilliant tactical manoeuvres.

We started the season with 20 players and ended up with eleven after players leaving and major injuries etc, but we hung in and played our best. Finishing 5th, which is basically where we finished last year before the competition split into two grades, was not a bad effort.

Another special mention for all the girls, who turned up every week and gave support no matter what the conditions or location. Hope to see everyone next season all the best. Also a big thanks to Rick who somehow must have volunteered week-in week-out, to do the match reports.

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