

# THE TAIN 2019









# The 35 Teams of 2019 and their coaches

**UNDER 6:** Bushrangers – David Badcock & Kampbell Jarman;

**Kicks** – Belinda Hawkins; **Raptors** – Natalie Brown; **Roar** – Anna Tyson; **Strikers** – Tia & Jason Barrett

**UNDER 7: Diamonds** – Jim Keenan; **Force** – Amanda & Daniel Mace;

**Rebels** – Matt Finlayson; **Storm** – Keith Ryan

**UNDER 8:** Thunder – Matt Green; Titans – David Sturdy;

Rascals – 'JP' Morice; Sharks – Clyde Goosen

UNDER 10: Avengers – Warde MacIntosh; Mini Messis – Sasha Wong

Joeys Orange – Chris Rademacher;

**Dynamos** – Tom Priest; **Roos** – Duncan Willis;

**Snow Leopards** – Maria Tabagari;

**Terminators** – Farrah Wigg

**UNDER 12: Dinosaurs** – Sarah McRobbie & Geoff Boyden;

Kangaroos - Tim West; Ninjas - Brian Wightman;

**Scorpions** – Jodie McNab; **Socceroos**;

Wallabies - Sarah Clark

**UNDER 13: Cats** – Marcia Humble; **Vixens** – Damien Griffiths;

**UNDER 14:** Boomers – Cosmo Cox-Haines; Galaxy – Jeremy Smith;

Gladiators - Matt Townsend & Marcia Humble;

**UNDER 16: Olympic** – Tom Prince; **Olyroos** – Jason Jones

Matildas – Georgia Wing;

Pheonix – Georgia Wing & Olivia Fletcher



#### ...TO THIS YEAR'S REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

Representing the Northern Tasmania Junior Soccer Association at home and interstate tournaments were the following Joey players:

### NORTHERN TAS PLAYERS

#### **U10 Boys Gold**

Ranga Eri Isaac Bezemer

#### **U11 Boys Black**

Alex Taylor Isaac Hills Tariku Brammall

#### U11 Boys Gold

Koby Atkinson-Gunton Noah Colgrave Damon Hannes Tyson Rusden

#### **U12 Boys Gold**

Jordan Bezemer Tomas Brozek Harry Costello Eli Grant Toby Harrop Kampbell Jarman Henry Routley Hamish Whatley

#### **U13 Boys Black**

Joeb Dedman

#### **U13 Boys Gold**

Campbell Young

#### **U14 Boys Black**

Broc Gabbedy Rylei Pattie Salvador De Michiel-Burnham Rupert Rathbone

#### **U10** Girls

Gabriella Holden Cammi Thomas

#### U12 Girls

Daisy Barbour
Maddison Barrett
Katie Campbell
Imogen Donoghue
Kiera Gabbedy
Shelby Griffiths
Skyla Higgins
Lola Mateos-King
Matilda Reilly

#### U13 Girls

Jessica McCallum Smith Sarah Moore Amelia Wing

#### **U16 Girls**

Angelina Von Stieglitz

#### STATE REP PLAYERS

#### **U14 Girls**

Jessica McCallum Smith

#### **COACHES**

Nick Rawlinson



#### **RIVERSIDE OLYMPIC NTJSA REFEREES 2019**

These current and past players have refereed for the NTJSA games this season. Congratulations on giving back to the sport you love so much:

Daniel Aurik; Alexander Caie; Brady Colgrave; Broc Gabbedy; Izayah Gerke; Evan Harrop; Nathan Hill; Xavier Huizenga; Salvador De Michiel Burnham; Rylei Pattie; and Jeremy Smith.

Apologies to anyone we may have missed.



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2019

2019 has been a challenging year for many at Riverside Olympic Football Club with the successful implementation of a new training structure in the Joeys and with the addition of the NPL team our club has increased their playing members to in excess of 520.

This has definitely been a challenge and would not have been possible without the dedicated volunteers that run your football club.

This year also saw us staffing the NTJSA canteen and it was great to see many standing up to take their turn. This only happens every 6 years so we can all have a rest from this until 2025.

To our sponsors, we thank you for your commitment and loyalty, without your support we would not be able to continue to provide the environment that we do.

Riverside Olympic Football Club continues to move in the right direction and has been recognised by Football Tasmania as being one of the best administered clubs in the Tasmania.

Nothing has changed, ROFC continues to strive to be the best football club in the state.

#### Stuart McCarron

President Riverside Olympic Football Club



# VICE PRESIDENT'S (JUNIORS) REPORT 2019

Another HUGE year at Riverside Olympic passes us by. I've been involved with the club in one way or another for a dozen or so years now and it seems like a lifetime. So much stays the same but there's also so much change along the way. Again the club topped the four hundred junior players number, for the fourth successive year and it's always great to see so much orange at Churchill Park every Friday evening and Saturday.

You may or may not have seen me at Churchill Park this season; I've managed to get around and see most of the Riverside teams in action this year. Whether that's handing tops out, refereeing, cheering loudly from the sidelines or just quietly in the background it's been a pleasure to see you all enjoying your football.

Most if not all of the coaches and committee who were around when I started have moved on, but we have a wide range of great people in today's differing roles. I'd like to thank these people and volunteers and do sincerely hope that I don't miss anyone out.

To all of the ROFC junior (and for that matter senior) players – thank you for choosing to play at Riverside Olympic and we trust you enjoy your time here. We have excellent facilities and culture and it's fantastic that you all join us. To the 2019 Under 16 graduates, we'd love to see you back in 2020 training and playing with our senior teams.

A big thank you again to all of our coaches, managers, scorers, top washers, orange and half time treats providers, parent and family taxi services and anyone else who helps run and manage teams and get kids out on the park, training and playing, two to three times a week.

To the members of the juniors subcommittee this year; Di, Marcia, Les, David, Dale, Maria & Hayley – a massive thank you from me. These people do a huge amount of work behind the scenes, particularly at the start and end of the season, that you probably don't even realise is being done. For anyone interested in getting involved with the club or having a say in how the junior part of the club, please join the committee (there's no specific election

process for a general committee member) – we are always looking for people with new ideas and a fresh perspective.

Thank you to the executive board, Carol Eastman in administration, the various Tuesday and Thursday weeknight academy coaches, Wendy and Di for managing and organising the Churchill Park canteen this year, the cleaners, bar and Windsor Park canteen / kitchen managers, Geoff for his regular and top quality cleaning of the club room surrounds and anyone else who helped the club ticking over by volunteering their help.

To each and every one of the volunteers who helped operate the canteen (many more than once), a huge thank you from all at ROFC. We only operate the canteen once every six years and it's been my pleasure to be involved for a second time, after previously helping out in 2013. Sadly, I won't be around next time in 2025 as my children will be well entrenched in the senior ranks by then, but to whoever ends up managing the canteen in 2025, put me down for a shift. To all of the other 2019 canteen volunteers, sit back, relax, take a deep breath and let someone else look after it for the next five years.

Congratulations to any players, coaches, manager, referees and anyone else involved with the club who has gone on to achieve higher honours; many of whom are listed throughout this booklet. Keep striving to be the best you can, train hard and the rewards will come. ROFC is delighted that we now have a pathway for our male players to aim to play at the highest level in Tasmania and are looking to be part of a joint venture in 2020 and beyond for a team for our female players to also have the opportunity to play at the highest level in Tasmania.

And to the ROFC sponsors, listed at the end of this booklet, many grateful thanks from all at ROFC for your input, support and assistance, in whatever form. We couldn't do what we do without you and we're so pleased you've either come onboard or stayed aboard with ROFC.

"We are the team in the Orange and the White and Olympic is our name." Go Roos!

Cheers,

#### Jeremy Smith

Vice President (Juniors) Riverside Olympic Football Club



# DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL REPORT 2019

2019 has been a year of exciting change and advancement at Riverside Olympic Football Club (ROFC) that has not been seen at the club in a very long time. With the senior club's successful promotion into the National Premier League (NPL) state-wide competition and the excitement and interest that this generates our club now has a focus that is firmly on football and our players' best interest. There is now a pathway from junior level to a competition that generates national interest and offers players to play at the highest level in Tasmania and beyond. The onfield success of our Senior Women's team has also created an exciting pathway and opportunity for our youth girls to leverage the growing interest in female football around Australia and the world. The success of the Matildas means they now have professional pathways and rolemodels in the sports.

Within the junior development space these new exciting pathways see an even greater need to focus on quality football development programs. Under the leadership and expertise of previous Director of Football Alan Eadie ROFC embarked on critical football development programs based on the FFA Curriculum Building Blocks to great success in 2019. After four years in the role of Director of Football, Alan has led and encouraged a football culture that will allow us to go from strength to strength in the future. As a club, we will feel his legacy for many years to come.

After taking over from Alan midway through 2019, my role was to continue to support the FFA Curriculum development programs that had been successfully implemented, as well as look to continue improving and advancing the programs in 2020. These programs are standard across clubs all over Australia and are integral for youth development. It is something we must continue to support and invest in. The Skill Acquisition Phase (SAP) is for players aged 9-13 years old and focuses on building a solid foundation of technical skill based on the five core technical skills – striking the ball, first touch, running with the ball, 1 v 1's & goalkeeping. The Under 12 Skills Training (SAP) program has been delivered expertly by Chris Rademacher and his coaching team and at any given time has been delivered to almost 100 ROFC Junior players around this age group all through out 2019. Observing this new program that began at the start of the year, it has been a huge success and the improvement of the players and the happiness that this

brings them is clear to see. Chris must be congratulated for his hard work and for delivering a program that from my observations is one of the best in Tasmania.

The next building block in youth development comes in the form of a Game Training Program. The Game Training Phase is for players 14-17 and aims to prepare players for senior football by teaching them to apply functional game skills in a team setting using 1-4-3-3 as the preferred formation for teaching. It aims to develop tactical awareness, perception and decision-making through a game-related approach to training. This academy program at ROFC has been delivered expertly by Academy Manager Michael Monticchio and his group of committed coaches. This program aims to make the step into our Under 18s and NPL programs an easier transition and helps to educate players on the tactical and technical aspects that make our game so unique.

My role moving forward is to continue to support these programs and improve them – they are integral to the development of our youth players to provide them with the best opportunity to improve and enjoy the game. Watching these programs from the sideline and seeing the kids think and get involved in on the pitch problem-solving, I am encouraged by the potential and what makes it even more special is that they are doing it with a smile and laughter. Alan Eadie, Jeremy Smith, Chris Rademacher and Michael Monticchio should be congratulated for working tirelessly to improve the football culture at our club and it continues to be the club of choice in Launceston and Northern Tasmania.

My experiences over the past few years working for Football Tasmania and observing in other football environments both in Tasmania and nationally I can now confidently say ROFC is firmly within the space of best practice coaching and youth development programs. This is a great place to be as a football community and I look forward to seeing the development of the most important stakeholder at any football club – our young players.

Cheers,

#### Alex Gaetani

Director of Football Riverside Olympic Football Club



# INDIGENOUS ROUND

What a busy year it has been celebrating and acknowledging our Indigenous players! Riverside Olympic were invited down to the new Riverbend Park by Elder and artist Aunty Judith Rose where players and their families where able to put their hand print on the 18 metre mural that Aunty Judith Rose and Aunty Nettie Shaw had been working on, we are lucky enough to have our own section on the mural for the Riverside Olympic Football club.

Riverside Olympic is very proud of their Indigenous rounds as it gives the club the opportunity to Acknowledge its Indigenous players and the rounds that keep getting bigger each year, this year is the 5th year in celebrating the Indigenous round. We are also proud to say that we are the only club in Northern Tasmania who Acknowledges their Indigenous players.

This year we have had 10 Indigenous rounds in the Junior Club, keeping Indigenous round organiser Marcia busy organising the rounds, as previous year we only had 4 rounds, it's a very proud moment for our Indigenous players, families and communities when these rounds occur. The round usually kicks off with the Indigenous shirts being presented to the team by a Tasmania Aboriginal Elder or a Community member, followed by an Acknowledgement to Country by the Indigenous player or a senior player for the younger children followed then an ochre ceremony where the Indigenous player puts ochre on their team mates prior to taking the ground, a lot of fun is had on the day where the Indigenous players can be proud of who they are and are able to share that in a culturally safe environment.

This year is the first time that the club have offered the Indigenous shirts to players and families, this has been proved to be very popular as two separate orders had gone in. We are looking forward to next year's season already for the Indigenous Rounds, so if any of the Club families acknowledge of being Aboriginal or Torres Strait please make contact with Indigenous round organiser Marcia Humble.

#### Marcia Humble

Indigenous Round Organiser



On Saturday 6th July, Riverside Olympic held the first ever Ladies' Day! This day was focused on the celebration and promotion of women's football particularly within our club.

The day began with the RO U13 Girls leading the RO Senior Women's team for the walkout and team line-up before the game commenced. The RO ladies went onto play a competitive match against Launceston United Women's team.

A great match was also seen between the RO U13 Girls teams, Cats vs Vixens. The girls demonstrated their skills on the big pitch showing the future of female football at Riverside Olympic is looking bright.

Female and male club members, spectators, volunteers, parents and players enjoyed a buffet lunch and dessert platters, between activities spread across the afternoon. Local businesses and our RO sponsors donated quality prizes that were won throughout the day with great involvement from all that attended.

Thank you to all that supported and made the day a success! A massive thank you to our sponsors and businesses that made donations, along with those who organised the event.

We hope to see everyone at Riverside Olympic Ladies' Day 2020!





**Pictured:** Ladies' Day participants





**Pictured:** Indigenous round participants







## NTJSA CANTEEN

In 2019, Riverside Olympic operated the canteen at Churchill Park on Friday nights and Saturdays throughout the season.

Managed by Wendy Davies and supported by many ROFC volunteers, this has been an important role for the Club as it provides a valuable service to the community and supports the purchase of equipment and other activities within the Club.



This year the Canteen offered a wide range of products that were popular with players and families, particularly the homemade items such as soups, pastas and baked potatoes that Wendy prepared.

Thank you to Wendy for operating the canteen throughout the year, to Di Brozek for organising and rostering volunteers and to all the parents, grandparents and friends of the Club for volunteering their time and support.



#### **UNDER 6**

#### **BUSHRANGERS** DAVID BADCOCK & KAMPBELL JARMAN

Returning players **Archie**, **Hunter** and **Leo** were joined by **Isaac**, **Max**, **Noah** and **Oliver** and what great additions to the team they've been! Throughout the year, all the players developed their skills and understanding of the game, achieved some excellent results and played the game in a positive, supportive and sportsmanlike manner.

**Archie Badcock** has had another great year, always involved in the action in attack and defence. Archie always gives his best at training and during the game, using his skills with great success.



**Hunter Jarman** has continued to develop into a very good player. Confident with the ball and showing great personality on and off the field, Hunter has had another great year.

**Isaac Brewer** is a very good all-round player. Defending and attacking well, Isaac always works hard in training and during the game achieving excellent results.

**Leo Williams** continued his great work from last season, scoring excellent goals, defending well and always being a positive member of the team.

**Max Blyth** has had an excellent first season. Always in the action, Max has scored amazing goals and never stops giving his best for the team.

**Noah Finlayson** always playing with a smile on his face, Noah is lightning fast, has scored some terrific goals and is a very intelligent defender.

**Oliver Lily** is the team's big improver. In his first year playing soccer Oliver has developed some great skills and scored some good goals. His attitude and commitment have been outstanding.

Once again, thanks to all the parents for their time, support and contribution to the team and club, particularly for volunteering in the canteen at Churchill Park, and our shirt sponsor Tasmanian Retirement Centre.

Let's go Bushrangers!

#### KICKS BELINDA HAWKINS

### Owen Carnicelli, Ivy Furfaro, Joey Hawkins, Mason Holmes, Millie Sattler & Sandy Will

The kicks have enjoyed a wonderful year of playing soccer together, where we have welcomed 4 new players to the club and team. They have taken delight playing together and having fun in matches and training. This has enabled them to learn new skills and building their confidence independently as well as a team. Half time is always enjoyed with oranges and sometimes a few lollies are produced at the end of a game,



which are eagerly eaten. I would like to say

a big thanks to all the parents for their generous help each week in subbing, time keeping, oranges, communicating, training and refereeing.

#### **RAPTORS** NATALIE BROWN

The Raptors were a new team for 2019, with only one player with previous experience. Throughout the season, the team learnt a lot and worked hard on developing skills both individually and as a team. They all should be really proud of their effort this season – we had a lot of fun together.

**Thomas Watson** – Showed great commitment and skill, he has a powerful kick, and can dribble with great accuracy. He was never afraid to get in and have a go, and is showing signs of a very skilful soccer player.

Noah Reinkowsky – Noah was one of our quieter players, but enjoyed the team aspect. He had a great sense of space and read the game very well. He has made great improvements since our first training session, well done Noah!



**Tio Brown** – What Tio lacks in size he makes up in heart, he is always amongst the action and follows the ball with a keen eye and much determination.

**Ollie Greatbatch** – Ollie has been a quiet achiever this season, he was keen to learn the rules and try his best. He proved to be very successful in attack, whilst also aware of the importance of defence, he would often be in attack one moment and then in defence the next. His dribbling and accuracy have improved out-of-sight. It's been a pleasure, Ollie.

**Louis Routley** – Louis was the only raptor to come in with some experience, he has really showed his strength this year in both attack and defence. Many great Raptor goals came off Louis boot, however he was also usually our last line in defence, and with his speed and skill, saved many opponents goals from hitting the back of the net.

**Lucas McClelland** – Lucas loved to steal the ball from the opponents, his dribbling has improved no end, and his accuracy has resulted in quite a few Raptors goals. He was committed to training and has shown some real improvements this year.

**Oscar McClelland** – Played midfield very well, he was not afraid to be in the middle of a pack, and has a powerful kick, which would result in the ball being pushed into attack. Always working hard and enjoying his teammates.

#### **ROAR** ANNA TYSON

### Hayden, Thomas, Flynn, Henry, Tom, Darcy, Hunter

A team of first-time players, the U6 Roar have had a great 2019 season. Initially placed in Division Two they scored a total of 38 goals in seeding and were quickly moved to Division One for the season.

All the players have shown enormous improvement in skill over the season.



Once working out that they didn't need to tackle their own team and that working together was far more successful we have really come together as a team. And everyone has kicked some goals! The boys have all put in 110% with very few missing even one training session. Well done Roar you deserve all the success you achieved this year!

#### **STRIKERS** TIA & JASON BARRETT

As we reach the end of the season it's been wonderful to watch our young boys turn up to training each week, develop their skills and friendships and bring it onto the field each Saturday. The friendships and social skills developed is an important part of playing under 6 soccer and all the boys have excelled. The boys encourage each other on the sidelines and celebrate each other's successes. Thanks to all the boys and their parents for coming to training and games each week and



helping out with canteen, fruit and subs on the sidelines.

**Jack** – Jack has always shown a competitive spirit. His determination to run down the field with the ball determined to kick for the goal is to be admired. Jack has learnt to be a team player and we have enjoyed seeing his team spirit flourish. Great season, Jack.

**Edan** – Shy at first Edan has grown in confidence and is keen to get in and attack the ball. He is a respectful player who is always polite and respectful to coaches, team mates and other players. His runs down the field dribbling the ball show great determination. Fantastic work, Edan.

**Toby** – Full of confidence Toby has no fear of the ball or other players. Determined to win the ball when there is stiff competition for it, he gets in and gives it his all, often successfully. Keep up the great work, Toby.

**Parker** – At the start of the season Parker was happy to run around with the other players having fun. His confidence has now grown, and he is getting in and attacking the ball and running down the field determined to get near the goals. Well done, Parker.

**Ben** – Ben was shy at the start of the season but has come out of his shell and has developed a big boot. He's been playing a great defensive game recently and makes sure he's there to defend the goals with a big kick while following it up. Great job, Ben.

**Luca** – Luca shows confidence and competitiveness every game. His dribbling and passing skills are to be admired and he has been consistently looking for a team mate to pass to when needed. He gives his team mates room and calls for the ball. Well done, Luca.

**Harry** – Harry is a confident, determined player whose ability to win the ball and send it out to his team mates is superb. He always brings his A-game and never gives up. He's always a great sport and enjoys the game. Great effort, Harry.

#### **UNDER 7**

#### **DIAMONDS** JIM KEENAN

What a great year we have had! Plenty of smiles, goals and teamwork. The whole team has improved since the beginning of the year and has been a joy to coach.

**Alice** has shown that she is super reliable in defence, repelling many attacks with her long kicks and then, when in attack, she has scored multiple goals in a single game. Her flexibility to play any position is a real asset. She also holds the Guinness record for the longest run up for a free kick!

**Olivia** possesses one of the strongest kicks in the team and was unfortunate to fracture her ankle in one of the games. Her best game was when she used her dribbling skills to kick agame high 4 goals, showing that she has the skills to be a valuable player in any team.

**Sophie** has shown great improvement over the course of the season. Her confidence has grown, showing off her strong kicks and fast running, and I look forward to seeing her finish off the year strongly.

This is **Layla**'s first year of playing and although she missed a fair chunk with a broken arm, she has improved over the season. Her attack on the ball and lightning quick pace have saved many a goal as she runs back quickly to defend the goal. Her competitive spirit is a real attribute to the team.

**Milla**'s excellent dribbling skills have made her the attacking weapon of our team, scoring a goal nearly every game. She shows that she is listening at training by transferring training tips to her game. She is a good team player always offering to start off the ground after half time... although, I have a feeling that is just so she can keep eating the oranges!

**Cruz** has joined us late in the season and has added a real positive energy to the team. His powerful kick enables him to get a lot of shots on goal – once he gets

more accurate, he will be a fantastic attacking player.

Giselle has improved during the season and is not far from scoring a goal soon. She is tackling other players more frequently now, enabling the team to go into attack more often. Oh I forgot!..... she did score a goal (the funniest of the season) by booting the 'kick off' straight past our players and into the opposition goal! Everyone shared a laugh after that.

**Nina**'s speed has helped the team defend as she is always quick to get back and kick the ball away from the opposition's goal. For her first year she has done well and always tries her hardest making her well liked by her teammates.

From her very first game, **Hazel**'s attack on the ball has always been outstanding, regularly kicking the ball clear from the pack for others to run on to. Lately her kicks and passes are getting much better and her follow-up afterwards has enabled her to land a few goals for the team.

#### **FORCE** AMANDA & DANIEL MACE

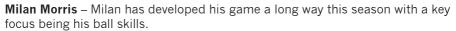
The Force have done incredibly well this season. Their game has developed quite a fair way from simply ball chasing like seagulls after a chip to working together and starting to think about positioning themselves to further advance.

Coaching the Force has been a privilege and it has been a lot of fun coaching the boys. Some of the great attributes each player provided include:

**Jaxon Macleod** – Fantastic overall player with the ability to convert a quick turnover into a goal

Kano Kulsawang – Great defender saving many goals each game with one focus getting the ball!

**Lachie Stone** – One of our lead goal scorers throughout the season and brings passion into each game.



**Noah Mace** – Great team player who brings a lot of energy and enthusiasm to the game.

**Ollie Macleod** – Always willing to 'have a crack' and show the bigger kids how it's done!

**Robbie Vinson** – Robbie has made some excellent progress, contributing greatly to the team.

**Tom Green** – Great all-round player with his signature 'big boot', kicking the ball from the base-line and well over halfway.

Thank you to the players and parents for an excellent season.



#### **REBELS MATT FINLAYSON**

The Rebels had a terrific season. They played really well as a team, always encouraging and supporting each other. Every player gave their absolute best each week.

**Ash** was a flash around the ground, weaving and dribbling the ball around his opponents and scoring goals.

**Cooper** consistently showed his amazing skills, exciting the crowds with his ball mastery.

**Rhys** was a star, especially in defence when he would bring out his mega kicks, driving the ball back down the ground.

**Hugo** the all-rounder was always helping out his team mates, a tactical player who knows the importance of a well-placed kick in.

Nate was fierce in his attack, never giving up. Ever.



**Sam** was a dangerous player for the opposition, especially around our goals where he would skilfully sneak them in.

**Hamish** consistently showed his fancy footwork, especially the time when he scored a goal against his school mates!

**Nino** was the ultimate team player, showing endurance and enthusiasm on the ground and he was always encouraging his team mates.

It has been a pleasure coaching the team this year.

#### **STORM** KEITH RYAN

With a mix of new and returning players, the Storm has come together well as a team during 2019. The group are enthusiastic and keen to learn and show positive signs for the future with a nice solid defence, a good general awareness of field positions, increasing ability to create space, improved ball control and passing between players. After a tough start to the year the team has demonstrated good resilience and bounced back to enjoy some successes in the second half of the season and improved with every game. It was great to see everyone score a goal at least once during the season and at the same time remain humble and respectful of their opposition players. The Storm were a great bunch of guys to coach in 2019 and hopefully all will be keen to return in 2020. The team includes:

Cappi 'Lightning' French – A second year player who is comfortable playing anywhere and manages to find space and get in some great positions on the field. His passing and dribbling have continued to improve over the year.

Drew 'Barry' Bowman – A natural midfielder willing to work forward or back when needed. He shows persistent attack on the ball around the ground and never stops running.



**Finn 'Shark' Milne** – One of our sharp shooters who likes to play forward and can find the goals from any angle. He has a big kick and shows relentless attack on the ball and speed around the contest.

**Harvey 'Jackson' Bates** – An attacking midfielder who goes hard at every contest and will not stop if he has a sniff of the goals. He is willing to run all day and is quick to get up when knocked down or hit by the ball.

**Max 'Taco' Lawrence** – One of our experienced players who is willing to use both left and right feet. He has some great control when kicking in from defence or the side line often hitting another player with his passes.

**Paddy 'Bolt' McLeod** – A natural defender who is most at home defending the goals. He can read the game well and has a big clearing kick when needed. When he finds himself in space he shows some good control and foot skills.

**Raff 'Banana' Hrycyszyn** – A natural midfielder who will drift forward when he gets the chance. His willingness to attack the ball and go to the contest has improved throughout the year.

**Thomas 'Bonkers' Lovegrove** – A very handy defender who has saved numerous goals this season. He reads the play well drifting back in defence when needed and is quick to deliver a clearing kick.

**Will 'Pain' Ryan** – A versatile player that has an ability to read the game in defence and attack and find good positions on the field. He has some great dribbling skills and is willing to take defenders on at every chance.

#### **UNDER 8**

#### **RASCALS 'JP' MORICE**

The Rascals had a very competitive year, not many losses, a couple of draws, and a lot of wins. Moving up to U08's this team got some new players, and some extra positions. Yes the boys had to learn what positions mean in a team, and they did it well.

**Banjo Titmus** has the best hair cut by far, and he played up forward scoring in most games. It was great to see him improve each game and learn new tactics, as well make up some of his own!! Also, probably equal best at goal celebrations.

**Eli Stevens** turned out to be a really good goalie, although I couldn't convince him to stay there for the whole game. He was also good at taking what he had learnt at training and putting it into practice during the game.

**Harrison Mee** as the boys call him is the strong man who will go into the packs and always come out with the ball. He was always there to cross to a team mate waiting in front of goals. Well done Harry.

**Jack Peirce** is a new comer to soccer and the team. Jack would have to be one of the most polite kids I know. Jack is improving with every game, he has had a go in goals, in the back line and up forward. Jack is a great kid that loves getting involved. Thanks, Jack.

**Max Dalgleish** has become one of the mainstays in the back line and often does enough to put the opposition off. Great job Max. Max also had a stint in

goals making many saves, we were so proud of his work that day (a very steep learning curve for him).

**Oakley Townsend** is a quiet achiever. He goes in so hard, sometimes we are surprised he comes out the other end. Oakley is a very brave and courageous player who commits to the contest. Oakley has the ability to blow a game wide open, and is a pleasure to coach. Thanks Oakley.

Rhys Cairns is our Ringarooma / Winaleah import. A very cheap import (mostly popcorn and jelly



beans etc at half time). Rhys couldn't train with us, so I put some Youtube tutorials up on our Facebook page. Rhys was a pleasure to coach on game day;

he liked to play as centre back and held that role well. On the occasion he did venture forward, he would make an impact; a great little player.

**Tom Morice** was famous last year for his dancing after goals were kicked, sometimes it didn't matter for which team. This year he was doing a lot of scoring and his celebrations were more Renanldo / Cahill like, but all the same very entertaining. Thanks, Tom, for not being too hard on your coach.

**Will Thomas** was always there with a kick that was just enough to stop the opposition attack last year. This year he was no exception. Will attacked the ball in defence with purpose and again did enough to stop forward movement. Great to see Will's improvements through the year, great work Will.

**Xavier Karras** is another new-comer. From his first training run I could see we had a kid who could kick a ball. This kid has a rocket launcher for a right foot. He has a great knack for dropping into the back line at the right time and using that right boot to great effect. Thanks Xavier you have slotted in well.

A big thanks to Vanessa, Fiona, and Asher for their canteen duty. Thanks to both Matts and Dave for helping out at training, and to Matt Stevens for filling in for me.

#### **SHARKS** CLYDE GOOSEN

With Sully and Ollie D our only seasoned players, the rest of the team joined the league as first time players, and have had a fantastic 2019. With players coming together from 3 different schools the team got to know each other quickly – though I am still not sure if some of the spectators are quite sure if it's Lola or Liliana given the matching boots, kits and hair!



**Ollie D, Ollie H, Jacob, Callen, Sully, Charlie** – may have not played on a team together before, however they have played non-stop together at school since Kinder. They even all joined the pre-academy training squad to get even more soccer time.

**Oskar, Jude, Robbie** – best mates from Trevallyn Primary, they have really found their place on the team and have shown a great improvement over the season.

**Lola and Liliana** – best friends with matching kit, the girls have worked hard and shown great commitment to the team, always willing to step up to any position asked.

The sharks have played this season in div 2 and have found themselves undefeated so far this season. With strong goal scorers and attackers, as well as great defending the team has really come together as a power house. They have

taken my direction and really look professional with quick throw ins, resetting of positions, moving into space and making play.

Well done Sharks, it has been a pleasure working with you this year.

PS. Sorry about all the running at training, but what a bonus to have the first 5 finishers in the RPS grade 2 cross country being Sharks!

#### **THUNDER MATT GREEN**

The Thunder have had another enjoyable season this year. This is the teams third season together and everyone has shown tremendous improvement again this year. We have also acquired some fantastic new players to our team this year and everyone has really bonded well together. Once again it has been a pleasure to coach a fantastic bunch of kids who give their all to the team every



game. Thanks also to all the parents for your support this season. Go Thunder!!

**Charlotte** once again has shown fantastic improvement with her skills. She has a great kick and a reliable defender. Great stuff Charlotte.

**Levi** is a fantastic defender with great skills who stops so many forwards attempts from the opposition. Well done Levi.

**Rooke** has really improved his ball skills and tackling this season. He has a fantastic long strong kick. Great work Rooke.

**Ruby** is a great little player who continues to develop her awesome skills. She has done a great job scoring our goals this year. Nice stuff Ruby.

**Alex** absolutely loves competing and is not afraid in using his skills to get past the opposition. Fab work Alex.

**Max** has crossed over to us this season from another team and has been a valuable asset with his tackling skills. Nice stuff Max.

**Thomas "T Dog"** once again has continued to develop his skills and has been working hard on his defence work. Great work T Dog.

**Rhys** has come back to us this year after a season away and has shown improvement in his skills during the year. Well done Rhys.

**Zahli** is another new member to our side this year. She has shown great determination and her skills are developing nicely. Great work Zahlia.

**Cameron** is also another first year player. Cam has a damaging strong left foot kick which sets up a lot of our scoring attempts. Top work Cam.

#### TITANS DAVID STURDY

The Titans have had another fantastic year in 2019. It was great that so many players remained with the team as we have been able to build on our established foundations and connections. We also welcomed three new players; Archie K, Ellis and Aria and their families. It has been an honour to have been working with a wonderful group of



parents and kids who have made such valuable contributions to this team and the Riverside club.

This has been our first year with goalkeepers, corners and throw-ins which has given us the opportunity to practice new skills and learn to play in a formation. Strategically, we have been playing a two, three, one formation with players rotating from the defence through to the forward line. Overall, we have progressed in developing our team work and interdependence, our exploration and creativity, and our organisation and self-reliance; values that will serve to enhance the team moving forward into under 10s next year.

**Xavier** is a strong player. He continues to listen well, has become more composed on the ball and finds space well.

**Ji** continues to make a fantastic effort in chasing down balls and putting pressure on opposing players.

**Wilbur** has continued to develop the strong technical aspects of his game and increased his understanding of patient, possession-based football.

**Archie M** keeps the ball close to his feet and is often able to weave in between opposition players to create opportunities.

**Ollie** brings a quiet, calm confidence to the defence. He frequently makes simple, sensible decisions with the ball to the benefit of the team.

**Teale** plays with enthusiasm and drive. This year he has become more patient on the ball and is willing to pass backwards if under pressure.

**Jett** has developed in leaps and bounds this year. He has maintained increased periods of focus even when in goal with few touches of the ball.

**Aria** has done amazingly well to rise to the challenge of being the only girl (and first year player) in a team of boys. She has made some valuable assists and her skills have developed well.

**Archie K** has integrated into the team well. He plays well in several positions and has developed his defensive understanding of the game.

**Ellis** is a strong player, who at times, has shown quite a deft touch and good decision-making. Hopefully as his confidence with the team improves further, he will continue to make good choices.

#### **UNDER 10**

#### **AVENGERS** WARDE MACINTOSH

With this being my first year coaching, I would first like to thank all the U10 Avengers for welcoming me, and all the parents for their ongoing support. I really appreciated it.

The Avengers had a great season, notching more wins than losses and improving their skills every week. I was particularly impressed with how close the team became as the season went on, and how well they complemented each other's strengths.

**Lucia (Lulu)** – Lulu would be one of the finalists for 'most improved' if I was giving out awards. From her first game where she shied away from the ball somewhat, Lulu developed her defensive skills to the point where she now runs at the opposition without fear.

**Tyson** – I could always rely on Tyson to listen and give 100% at training, and at game time it was no different. He put in a few shifts in goal, he was solid in defence when needed (with one of the biggest clearing kicks on the team), and he created opportunities by putting himself in the right place when on attack

**Ethan** – I'm not sure if I ever saw Ethan this season without a smile on his face. He clearly enjoyed running out for his team, and that showed through in his performances (both playing and post goal dances). Ethan



shared his time between playing up front and in the midfield, and he was terrific in both. He had great game awareness, and got a few goals of his own away.

**Oliver G** – Master striker! Oliver had a terrific season up front and put the majority of his scoring opportunities away. He's got all the skills, but I was equally impressed with how much of a team player he is. Oliver gets just as much enjoyment passing off to his team mates and sharing the goals around, which he also did successfully.

**Gabriella** – Our defensive backbone. Gabby was outstanding in defence and really made the position her own. She was always focused with great game awareness, and as a result, not a lot ever got past her. I had all the confidence in world that the Avengers wouldn't concede many when she was on the ground.

**Kyah** – Tiny in stature, but brave in defence. Kyah played mainly in the midfield, and it was impressive to see her never taking a backward step, no matter who it was running at her. I was also really excited to be on the field when she managed to score a goal of her own.

**Ben** – A consistently solid player up front and in the midfield, and I was particularly impressed in one game where he was a standout. His game awareness that day was awesome and he put team mates into space with pin point accurate passing. He scored his fair share of goals and set up just as many.

**Innes** – Innes has some real talent with the ball at his feet... and he's quick! It was not unusual for Innes to beat a few defenders with his fancy footwork and create an opportunity or two. Innes flying down the wing was a sight to be seen in more than one game.

**Oliver M** – I was a huge fan of Ollie's energy and the enthusiasm he plays the game with. Every time he ran on to the field, the tempo went up. He ran hard, he tackled hard, (he trash talked hard), and he scored his fair share of goals. Ollie had a great season!

**Zachary** – Zach put his hand up for goalie duties early on and the team were better for it as a result. Zach didn't let many shots past him, and I enjoyed his enthusiastic chats with me about new game plans we could adopt, or what goalie techniques he was going to try.

**Jasper** – Jasper was everywhere this season, and slotted in with ease no matter which position. Personally I felt he played his best when he covered midfield and full back. He tackled hard, and he had a great ability to quickly turn defence into attack when he stole the ball.

**Bella** – Bella had a terrific season, either playing in the midfield or in defence. Bella's skills, particularly tackling, improved every week and I noticed her confidence grow. She was fantastic at clearing the ball up field for her team mates and creating opportunities. Bella's enthusiasm for playing with her friends was infectious, and her attitude made her a pleasure to coach.

#### **DYNAMOS** TOM PRIEST

Firstly a big thank you to all the parents throughout the season for their support, we couldn't have done it without you. Also, a big thanks to Belinda Hawkins as co-coach for all the referee duties you did, we appreciate all that you have done for the Dynamos 2019.

**Jaymie** had a great year playing mainly as a striker. He has great ball control, pressures defences to win the ball and kicked some great goals. Nice job, Jay.

**Cammi** had another great year and was our rock at centre defence. Cammi reads the play really well and made opposing teams earn their goals, such a future star!

**Zahara** had a great year, developing into a very strong midfielder. She has great awareness of where her teammates are, makes some fantastic passes and scored some cracking goals well done Zahara.

**Jett** played on left wing and in goals. He is a very selfless player who makes some amazing crosses for his team mates and kicked some really nice goals. He's also very strong in goals and a true asset to the team. Always has a listening ear and is very eager to learn more. Great work, Jett.



**Henry** has had a great year and continues to improve. He played left wing and goals, has some really nice skills, a great left foot kick and scored some impressive goals. We're looking forward to seeing his continued development in the future, keep up the good work!

**Rory** has had another great year playing right defence and wing. He plays with such an attack on the ball that is exciting to watch, Rory is a fearless player who never gives up. Fantastic work, Rorser.

**Lachlan** played as right wing and has had a great year. He has a great right kick and sets the ball up nicely for others, as well as scoring some really cracking goals. He is very aware of his position and role in the team. Great job, Lachy.

**Liam** played his first year with the Dynamos and what a inclusion! He's settled into the team nicely and is a very strong midfielder, winning the hard ball and swinging the ball into attack. He has a lot of potential and a big future. Great job, Liam.

**Spencer** had his second year of soccer and is developing very well. He plays mainly in the mid-field, and has a great physical presence and great strike of the ball. We loved your determination this year. Keep going Spence.

**Otis** played his first year with the Dynamos and has been a great teammate. Playing mainly in defence, he has a great strike of the ball and is very good at his defensive role. Great job, Otis

**Rem** is our youngest player, has great pace and a very strong kick and loves a goal. Rem played wing and defence and is one to watch!. Fantastic work, Rem.

**Toby** has had a great year. Mainly playing in midfield, he has a great awareness of the game, passes the ball nicely and is very calm with ball at his feet. Well done, Tobes.

**Noah** played his first year with the Dynamos and also has a very powerful strike! Noah played midfield and striker, scoring some cracking goals throughout the season. He has so much potential to become a very dangerous player, great job, Noah.

**Aarlo** had another great year, playing mainly as striker. He has great awareness of where to be when attacking plays are being made and scored some nice goals. Well done Aarlo.

#### JOEYS ORANGE CHRIS RADEMACHER

Sebastiaan Barbour - Oscar Blyth -Ranga Eri - Flynn Grant - Jack Healey - Keelan Officer - Jaxx Pattie - Sam Rademacher - Sam Richie - Seb Vincour

This mixed team of older and younger under tens is loaded with natural ability and determination. The way that they handled themselves in a training program surrounded by kids vastly bigger than themselves, was brilliant. Learning the basics well was at the forefront with the Joeys this season and certainly will



continue into the next. Very fortunate as a coach to be around this great bunch of lads with the parents to match.

#### MINI MESSIS SASHA WONG

Welcome to season 2019 for the Riverside Olympic Mini Messis. A team more fun that a sack of whoopee cushions.

This year, more parents have been drafted into the support group. It is often said that it takes a village to raise a child, I like to add that it takes an Angry Mob to run a football team. So I'd like to offer great thanks to the entire Angry Mob including Marcus Cramp for whipping the team into physical shape and referee duties, Michelle Wells for dropping back into the role of looking after the team while I have had to be away along with Tara Fox for ensuring inner ear damage from the sidelines. Raf Broomhall and David McKeller are thanked for their help in herding cats at training and of course Fiona Cramp for organising our team roster for half time fruit and canteen duties. Thanks to all the families for helping out with the canteen and supporting the club and the team.

So, who are the Messis? A beating heart with more emotion than any Pixar film and a sense of fun to rival a giant box full of puppies. Lets meet them:

**Jack Millwood** started the season looking for a place to belong on the pitch. It didn't take him too long and Jack became the goalkeeper of choice displaying



skill and courage beyond his years. It is indeed a shame that Jack wont be with us next year, he will be truly missed.

At the heart of our defensive efforts this year has been **Fergus Broomhall**. Fergus has been organising and corralling the defensive unit. His consistent performances throughout the season have been rewarded by his team mates. Some players don't

need to run quite so much as a defender because they know where they need to be and what they need to do, but add to that, fitness levels honed by cross country running and you have a regular contender for the best finish on the beep test.

Many players develop interests outside of football and this year a couple of our players started a greater involvement in martial arts. **Josh Atkins** and **Tyson Saunders** both engaged with **San Chi Kai** and they have both developed a resolve that quickly replaces a playful exterior. Defensive skills honed by sparring balanced hours spent playing fortnight allow for flair and fortitude as well as an ability to sense weakness. Both of them have learnt how to cope with injuries sustained in the game this season and how to calm themselves. Josh has been a regular player at left back this season, while Tyson's abilities lent him to a more defensive midfield spot. Both players have laid an incredible platform for themselves to build on for next year.

Annalise Frost has been an absolute joy and surprise package this year. Often seemingly happy to simply work hard and be a part of the group, Annie enjoyed a number of forays forward this season ultimately resulting in her first goal, ever. Annie has been with the team for years, has never taken a backward step when dealing with players bigger and faster than her. Certainly, two highlights of the season have been watching Annie in goal and the cheer that went up from the sidelines when she scored "that goal". This has been a breakthrough season for Annie.

**Harper Carless** had some learning to do at the start of the season. Not so much a square peg in a round hole, more an octopus shaped thing finding his way into many different shaped holes. Harper is still relatively new to the beautiful game, and it has taken him a little time to learn and understand his various roles. When he has achieved that, however, he has had a great time, attacking with flair and pace, and defending doggedly. This has been a marvellous season for Harper.

**Willem Fox** started the season a little unsure of himself and what he wanted to do on the field. Initially playing as a holding midfield player, Foxy developed a taste for long range goals, and a sense of the dramatic. Willem always wants to be involved with the game, regardless of the score or the situation.

**William Cramp** is one of the dynamos of the team. I've never seen Will upset or disappointed because he knows that even if a game has been lost, its not due to a lack of effort. William and his family have missed a major portion of the season as his family have been exploring the rest of the country. The team in turn have missed William's endless running and ever present smile. William certainly has the biggest grin in his goal celebrations.

Rounding out our trio of Wills is **William Larsen**, joining the club and the team this season. William has very quickly made good friends and shown himself to be an incredibly valuable asset. William's only complaint this season is that the games have been too short. He could play three games in a row before starting to get tired. He has continued to show the magnificent application that has made him such a valuable member of the team.

**Jimmy Ewart** was another new member of the squad for season 2019, being a schoolmate of many of the team made it easy for him to become an important part of the playing group. Jimmy prefers to let his playing do the talking for him. This year has given Jimmy an opportunity to learn about positioning and develop his teamwork skills and he has improved by leaps and bounds this year.

**Dante Parer-Wong** is worth his weight in gold and as tough as they come, standing up in tackles against players much taller than him, and has developed his passing game with single touch play enabling quick movement of the ball and releasing fellow players on the attack. Dante's versatility has seen him prove himself in both attack and in defensive positions.

**Cameron McKeller** lives to attack defenders. Cameron's only problem here is that he is often recognised as needing several defenders to mark him, but Cameron only sees this as a challenge. This year we have worked with Cameron to vary his game to add more passing to his play giving him more space on the field. He has developed a great sense of communication with the attacking players.

**Ethan Shipp** is another of those players who seem to have no limits to their levels of energy. Constantly moving and never, ever afraid to have a shot at. Often devastating along the right wing, the new weapon in Ethan's arsenal this year has been a cross to the back post which has seen more goals than we can count or care to remember. Ethan has been selected for state level teams in other disciplines this year, I can only see more of the same in the years to come.

So there they are. Our little rag-tag team of giggles. Silly, but not too silly. Determined, but not too serious, wanting to play a good strong hard game, but not too rough, and always ready to congratulate an opposition player who has done well – even against themselves. It has been an absolute joy to work with this group. I hope that they are able to stay together for many seasons to come, and continue to develop as players and young people that we can continue to be so very proud of.

Thank you everyone for your efforts this season. I'm sure that they will be back again for more next year.

#### **ROOS** DUNCAN WILLIS

This year we have a new look Roos after several players moved up to U12's and we have welcomed 6 new players to the team. Strong performances last year and in the seeding rounds made for a move into division 2, where the team has found it far more challenging every week over a more even competition. We have had our ups and downs this season but as the season has



progressed we have started to find our mojo, with all players showing great improvement in their own skills and team play. All players have shown great versatility at being able to play in different positions all over the ground and all can be commended on outstanding sportsmanship towards the other teams. I would also like to thank Ian Hodgetts and Alexander Caie for helping out with refereeing and Natalie Grainger for organizing the canteen and fruit roster.

Angus Caie, Rory Clark. Fletcher Felmingham, Linkoln Grainger, Oliver Hodgetts, Thomas Howard, Campbell Jensen, Christopher Kingston, Isaac Martin, Darcy Richards, Aidan Thow, Imogen Watson & Sidney Willis

#### **SNOW LEOPARDS** MARIA TABAGARI

The Season 2019 the Snow Leopards team started with 12 players, and finished with 11. Five players from previous year team successfully joined ROFC Division 1 team, three strong players stayed with us getting a responsibility to lead the team in the hard 2019 season in Division 2.

Well, let's look at our team:

**Adam Shams** – played for the second year in the team. Starting last year as the youngest player, he is still one of the most stand out players the ground. He understands the game; he is as fast as a bullet and as nimble as a squirrel. Adam works frantically up and down the field and along with Cross Dean, Riley Tasker and Gregor Tabagari was recognised by top coaches of Riverside Olympic: Alex Gaetani, Chris Rademacher and Jeremy Smith as a player ready to play in the ROFC U10 squad in the Launceston Cup 2019.

This year **Bradley Hodge** joined us, and found himself as a natural defender. Bradley has a good, high kick and works hard during the game to become a better player. For his first year in football Bradley already has Division 2 level skills, and is a very talented player overall.

**Cross Dean** – another leading player of the Snowies. Cross has drastically improved his dribbling and shooting skills and has become a high level player. Cross can be a great striker and mid-fielder but should show more trust in his team mates when they are defending so that he can become a more attacking player. Using both feet, this player controls the ball and has great shooting skills.

**Freddie Strange** – is a hard working player. He tries to improve his skills every training session, showing attention to the instructions and advice given. Freddie has shown himself as a good potential striker, but he has to work on the strength of his shots. Freddie has great passion for the game. He understands the situation on the field and has great decision making.

**Gregor Tabagari** – the team goalkeeper for this season. He saved a lot of fantastic shots including penalties. He is fearless and stops the ball at all costs. He also had chances to show himself as a great midfielder. His halfway goal impressed not only our team, but also the opposition. This player loves to play fair football and gives great attention to the rules.

**Isaac Hannon** – the gentleman player of the team. Isaac just started play football with Snow Leopards this year and tries to improve his skills every training session. He shows great enthusiasm and passion for the sport, and when he listens carefully to instructions, he can work as much as is necessary to learn a new skill.

**James Watson** – keeps a smile in any situation. He has great potential as a midfielder and played out great combinations with his team mates at start of the season. He is learning the theory of football and has to keep focus on the game for high success in matches. To improve skills James has to show more serious attitude to do the best he can. James also brought a lot of scores to the team this year.

**Jaydon Rayner** – is an extremely focused and committed player. Jaydon remembers all instructions and advice that he is given. This boy is good at any positions on the ground. As a defender he protects the goal box from the most

dangerous opposition players, and as a striker he is always ready to receive and shoot the ball. Jaydon is a fantastic player, with a great potential.

Lachy Kelly – one of the youngest players of the Team. This left footed player is fantastic on the ground when he puts in the effort. To open his great potential Lachy needs to keep interest and focus on the game.

**Riley Tasker** – is a natural striker: he is fast, technical



and unpredictable during the game. During training sessions Riley works hard showing great attitude. Riley is working hard on improving his shooting and scored several great goals to the team. Riley is accurate, responsible and excellent team worker on the ground – he understands not only his tasks but also makes fast and right decisions during the games.

**Tyler Barron** – In his first year of playing soccer, Tyler had the chance to play in every position during the season. Tyler has scored several great goals in start of the season, was helpful in defence and showed good game understanding as a midfielder. Tyler needs to work on his passing and accuracy to further improve skills.

**William Beatson** – had played for the team just for half a season. Will is a very good player – with great skills and potential. Good luck to him on the Canberra Grounds!

2019 season was hard for the team and we have to say a big thank you for our supporting fans:

- to Nicolas Strange for assisting the training sessions and supporting boys on the games;
- to Jennifer Hannon for her help covering a lot of team shifts in the Churchill Park Canteen;
- to Tristan and Georg Tabagari for refereeing our games;
- to the parents who brought the fruit at half-time;
- to the fans carrying timers and watches ready to count the time of every game.

The Snow Leopards are ready to play football all year around and we are glad to meet all football lovers at the off-season training sessions.

#### TERMINATORS FARRAH WIGG

The Terminators started out as a new team this year with the merger of The Highlanders and Vikings, plus a couple of newbies added to the mix!

Our aim was to be positive, have fun and play hard and with 14 energetic and keen boys, there certainly was never a dull moment!

The boys soon got to know each other and worked really hard at working as a team, learning positions and improving their skills. Each week it was great to see them passing more, staying on their opposition players and playing as a team.

Huge thanks to Richard for kindly stepping in to coach with me and pass on his skills and knowledge at training and on game day, couldn't have done it without him!

Thank you also to Michael (and Lewis) for refereeing our games every Saturday. Greatly appreciated!

And finally, thanks to the parents for getting the boys to training and games and helping out with the canteen and orange duty!

**Ewan** – His first year – not that you'd know it! Great in any position and was always in there trying to get a steal.

**Lucas** – Our star Goal Scorer, with magical skills and super fast legs!

**Henry** – Always happy to help out in any position, with a positive attitude.



**Oliver T** – Fantastic at any position you put him, but especially a midfield dynamo, one of our hardest working players.

**Max** – Awesome in Goals and stealing the ball from the opposition

**Alex** – Great improvement through the year at getting in there and having a go for his team, great at staying on his man, a pleasure to coach.

**Hayden** – key defender with a massive kick from one end to the other and also great in attack and setting up goals, always gives his all.

**Charlie W** – Great first year Charlie, always amongst the action and giving it his best shot.

**Seth** – our main man in defence, consistently gets the ball to the attack zone, always willing to learn.

**Charlie V** – He's fast, always on the run, great contributor to the team with his attacking and scoring.

**Wiggy** – All rounder with some great skills, always ready to have a go, developing some good skills and likes to make some noise!

**Oliver H** – Fabulous as goal keeper, nothing will get past him! Another key defender with a huge kick.

Riley – Key attacker and a beautiful shooter with a great, positive ttitude.

**Tyler** – Another fantastic goal keeper, he always steps up in defence when it matters the most

Thanks for being an awesome team boys, we've had a super season.

# **UNDER 12**

### **DINOSAURS** SARAH MCROBBIE & GEOFF BOYDEN

The Dino's entered this season with a little uncertainty after losing a couple of key players. However, this gave us the opportunity to bring three fresh faces to the Dino's line up with **Liam**, **Rhys** and **Mitchell** joining the team. Last year we worked really hard on developing our team based skills and playing style and it didn't take the new boys long to fit right in. Joe's takeaway almost runs out of chips on a Tuesday night when the Dino's roll in, and if I was ever worried about team spirit I only had to watch them sitting as a group laughing and joking and sharing enormous boxes of hot chips to know they have it naturally.

They managed to take their chip munching prowess on to Saturday's at half time where they demolish large quantities of oranges while "listening" to the half time message.

Oh and they have played some pretty amazing soccer as well. After cruising for the first couple of rounds the boys became hungry for more than chips and oranges, they wanted the ball. It was like watching a switch get flicked when they realised it was up to them and if they played as a team and trusted each other they could compete with any team in the competition. What a proud coaching moment.

We have two amazing goal keepers in **Lewis** and **Liam**, and both are very handy on the field as well. **Lewis's** flexibility and second efforts have been heart stopping and Liam's cheeky goalie runs have caught more than one team off guard.

The back line that will not let you through with **Lucas B** controlling the centre and **Mitchell**, **Rhys**, **Joe** and **Archie** taking turns at harassing any player that dared to come down the outside.

The midfield, the engine room, Ollie, Isaac and Ciaran can run all day. Always battling, always striving to get the ball forward and always willing to work back and help out.

To complete the picture is a very dangerous forward line in **Lucas C, Avery, Charlie** and the ever reliable **Cooper.** 

Each player has had their own highlight moment during the season, but the biggest



highlight has been the team spirit that flows from the player and through to the parents. We are very proud of our Dino's family and the parents contribution cannot be underestimated, whether it is time keeping, organising subs, helping to coach or just cheering their lungs out for a very special group of boys.

Dino's on three.....3, 2, 1 DINO'S

Lucas Boyden, Lewis Broughton, Lucas Cooper, Oliver Geoghegan, Isaac Howe, Joe McCausland, Ciaran McRobbie, Charlie Miller, Archie Gogan, Avery Thomas, Cooper Wigg, Liam Bate, Mitchell Orr and Rhys Wilkin

#### KANGAROOS TIM WEST

2019 has been an awesome year in the Under 12 Division One competition for the Kangaroos. With a different skills training focus during the week and myself not being able to be there for training I wasn't sure what to expect with the team but what started as the unknown has turned out to be a fantastic year.

Starting the season off with a new bunch of players it took a little while to mix the five 1st year and nine 2nd year players and get them to trust each other's ability unconditionally, but a few weeks was all it took.

The first 2 games were loses by 5 and 4 goals respectively but in round 3 the Kangaroos fought out a well-deserved 3-2 victory to hit the winners list. After this our games were within 1 goal for the rest of the season with a few decent wins thrown in!

Every week I received comments about how well they play as a team and how hard they work off the ball to support their team mates. As a coach I could not ask for anything more! The skills training throughout the year that Riverside Olympic has put into place has really paid off and the proof is in the pudding with how the kids grew throughout the year. As I am writing this I can see how far they have improved so a big thank you goes out to all the coaches that are involved with this including Chris, Alan, Jarrod, Gilly etc.

**Ethan Eades** burnt up the grass this year with his impressive speed and determination to run through the defence and be one of the team's bigger goal scorers.

**Eli Grant** is another fast runner who loves stealing the ball off the opposition and pushing forward as fast as he can.

**Damon Hannes** showed early on he has mastered the little things, controls his space well with the ball at his feet and before you know it he has turned the opposition inside out and away he goes!

**George Hudson** is Mr Consistent, whether he is in defence, midfield or attack it doesn't matter. You always know he will give 100%

Max Kerrison flourishes in the midfield. He is never scared to go in hard no

matter the opposition size or ability. He has had a great first year in Under 12's and will continue to flourish next year also.

**Bob Matthews** is the team's only left footer. He is probably the shortest player on the team but always stands out and shines. He will run all day up and down the pitch and loves playing the left wing position.

**Tyler Phillips** is one of those players you can just count on! If



you need a strong defence or a goal scorer, he just gets it done. His football knowledge and understanding of the game has grown over the year and in my mind will be a future captain.

**Henry Routley** has tried a few positions this year but is a rock in the center of defence. His ability to know when to jockey his opponent, force the mistake and then strike to steal the ball is unbelievable! He has continued his strong football career. Another captain in the making for sure.

**Tyson Rusden** will be the next Jarrod Hill. He has come in as the team's goal keeper and what a fantastic job he has done! Every week he has a couple of memorable moments that just makes you glad he is on your team and not anyone else's. He should be extremely proud of his first year in under 12's.

**Bryce Sherwood** has grown immensely in skill this year but you could never doubt his endeavour. He always gives 100% effort, he is always at training and it shows with his on field behaviour and skill. He just loves playing football.

**Oscar Smith** is another first year Under 12 player but that hasn't stopped him from shining on the field. His foot skills have improved throughout the year and is quite handy as a goal keeper if needed too. No doubt he will shine in 2020 also.

**Mitchell West** has had a hampered year with feet injuries but hasn't let that stop him giving 100% before hobbling back to the car. He still has the ability of being in the right place at the right time which is great for the team. His positioning, first touch and passing are his standouts.

**Hamish Whatley** has gone to a new level this year. Another player who always wins his position and loves being on the ball. His crosses have been a prolific feature this year setting up some amazing goals!

**Sam Wozniak** is the teams import player, straight from the big island of Australia. He has been one of the most consistent contributors to the team this year with his silky skills he can play anywhere on the field and you just know the team will be better.

#### **NINJAS** BRIAN WIGHTMAN

It was a privilege to, again, coach the ROFC Ninjas. And although a number of last year's team moved to Division 1, the same culture remained with new players and parents more than adequately reshaping the line-up.

Season 2019, seeded in Under 12 Division 2, was a challenging year for such a young side.

Considering the team included four Grade 4's and an extremely young Grade 5; one of whom could still play U10's and the others one of two weeks off still playing in the age-group below, the Ninjas performed admirably.

The Ninjas started the season with a 3-3-2 format, but soon found that the older, bigger bodies bearing down was just too much pressure, so moved to a more technical NPL shape with a triangle of defenders at back, complemented by a diamond midfield (to link the lines), and one up top. This may sound confusing or difficult to coach, however, considering 2019 was a learning season for the Ninjas, the more they held shape like our senior teams the better they played.

After promoting one of the best young goalkeepers in the state, Tyson Rusden, to Division 1, we were fortunate to recruit **Alex Taylor** and **Hudson Young** who had superb seasons. Alex's shot-shopping and solo goal from a kick-off during a game at the end of the season will be difficult to forget. Hudson deserves total respect for joining our team, without a teammate from previous years, yet he didn't complain, rather he contributed through determination, resilience and tenacity.

**Connor McCabe**, **Daisy Barbour**, **Oscar Mann** and **Shaun Koesmapahlawan** formed a busy and tight defensive unit for the majority of the season.

Shaun and Oscar (playing a new position) added wing-backs to their resumes, with their attacking play along the touch lines just as important as their ability to press attackers when defending.

Connor was outstanding, rarely having a quiet game. His ability to read the play and sit off strikers to provide a deeper option was one of the highlights of the season.

Daisy, when available, was as reliable as ever. She is a natural who made huge leaps in her ability

to distribute from the back, rather than simply clearing the ball.

The Diamond Midfield Four made up from: Harry Blyth, Harry Gunn, Harvey Youngs, Isaac Hills, Jakoby Atkinson-Gunton, Lucas Healey and William Wightman were relentless in their desire and workload throughout the entire season.

Harry Blythe sought permission to play in the higher age group. He is a wonderful sportsperson who has a great eye for goal; scoring multiple times on multiple occasions.

Harry G., often also filling in at the back, is a wonderful utility player who made significant progress in adhering to any team role required of him.

Harvey Youngs started the season as a striker, however as team requirements dictated, he spent much of the year as our defensive midfielder, with excellent heading ability, distribution, skills and vision.

Isaac had never played an offical game of Association Football in his life and he is now an U/11 Black representative player. After badly injuring his ankle, he returned to the engine room and, at times, as a wingback with blistering pace and terrific ability to win in one-on-one situations.

Jakoby was the natural leader of our team. He possesses excellent skills, determination and that special ability, particularly from someone so young, to make attacking midfield runs from deep positions. Jakoby will be a star in any of our Division 1 teams in season 2020.

Lucas gave his all each and every game, often exhausted at the final whistle. He enjoyed attacking and scoring goals from wide positions, but also learned quickly the importance of defending the centre corridor to support his teammates.

William had his best year so far at ROFC. He is a typical Wightman...desperate to score goals, determined and passionate about his team's success. William benefited from the Thursday U/12 combined sessions where he worked exceptionally hard to improve basic skills and body positioning.

**Beatrix Wightman**, along with a host of others, was our lone striker for much of the season. She is the most enthusiastically supported player at ROFC, with parents and teammates cheering her every touch. A debt of gratitude is owed to Damien Griffiths and Marcia Humble who allowed her to train, play and score a goal for the U/13 girls' program.

As a player and coach, I have been involved in football approaching some 35 years. To Alan, Alex, Chris, Damien, Jarrod and Liam, I thank you all for learning more about coaching and tactical play during 2019 than I ever have.

The Ninjas are already looking forward to next year's season.

#### **SCORPIONS** JODIE MCNAB

This year was my first year as a team manager/coach for a soccer team and with help from the Club especially Jeremy and Chris I have enjoyed my role with a great group of boys. The Scorpions lost a few players this year, however we welcomed Euan, Jasper, Liam and Kaleb to the team and they fitted into the team very well. Scorpions have had a very successful season and at the time of writing we are currently on top of the Division 3 ladder and have a strong chance to win Division 3. Well done boys on a great season!

I would also like to thank all parents and families who have shown support to the boys and I, brought oranges and snakes and volunteered in the kiosk. I would especially like to thank Max for warming up the boys before the games, Emma and Ros for scoring, Mick for half time feedback chats to the boys and Carly for assisting me with this report!

Go Team Scorpions!!!

**Euan Best** – One of the new players to the Scorpions and one of the fastest wing players I have



ever seen. Not only did Euan run the ball up the wing he was also capable of scoring when needed and was never out of breath. Euan is a very respectful and polite boy who always thanked me after every game, thanks Euan and well done on a great season.

Jasper Bishop –This was Jasper's first year in Under 12's so he had to adjust to the off-side rule which he was able to adapt to easily and was one of our strikers, however was happy to play midfield also. For a little guy he turns into the 'Hulk' when he needs to pass through the opposition. Well done for your first year of Under 12's Jasper.

**Zachery Buckingham** – Zach is a great defender for the Scorpions and played his position well each week. With Zach's great ball skills, he is good at intercepting the opposition and winning the ball back. Another great season Zach, well done.

**Benjamin Filleul** – One of the most improved players this year, well done Ben. When we started Ben's preferred position was in defence however he has tried new positions throughout the season and recently had a go as goalie and did a fantastic job. Ben always has an enthusiastic attitude on game day and full of energy from his breakfast "cook-ups".

**Kaleb Flanagan** – Kaleb was one of our main goalies for the Scorpions and was fantastic in this position, Kaleb played half a game each week in goals without any complaining. Kaleb's second position was defender and again played well in this position. When Kaleb was off for sub, he always loved to have a chat about team play and come up with some great ideas the Scorpions could implement into the game. You could make a great coach one day Kaleb, well done.

**Josiah Hargrave** – Josiah mostly played on the wing and is another fast runner who never ran out of energy, maybe that was due to the "Kombucha" he drank at half time!! Josiah has great ball control whether he's using his left or right foot, a great goal scorer and is a valuable player to the team. Well done Jose on another great season.

**Liam Jones** – Another new player to the Scorpions and a great player at that. Liam enjoys, and can play, any position which is handy to have a player you can put anywhere on the field. When playing on the wing or midfield he also scored many goals for the Scorpions. Liam has a cheeky side which comes out at times and is also a very respectful polite boy who thanked me after every game. Thank you, Liam and well done on a great season.

**Andrew Kingston** – Andrew normally plays in defence however found a new position this year that he liked which was on the wing where he kicked one of his first goals and never gave up chasing the ball. Well done Andrew on a great season and playing in a new position you should be proud of yourself.

**Jack Maney** – Jack is a versatile player who enjoys playing as a striker or defender. Jack is happy to play either position which makes it handy when subbing. Jack also loves to have a chat about the game at half time and has some great ideas. Jack is one of the Scorpions high goal scorers for 2019 with many hat-tricks. Well done Jack on a great season.

**Cooper Peverell** – Cooper is the main defender for the Scorpions and he shows this as his throw ins and kick outs are the strongest in the defence line-up. Cooper also is our brick wall and sweeper when needed. Well done on great defence work Coops.

**William Slater** – William is the main striker for the Scorpions and he shows this with his goal record for 2019. He loves to celebrate his goals with fellow team mates and a funny celebration follows most goals. William has had the parents wowed with his newly skilled rainbow flick. Well done on a great season William.

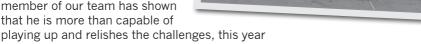
**Ryder White** – Ryder is the Scorpions second main goalie and was fantastic in this position even though he tried to get out of it most of the time! Ryder's hand eye coordination and agility to dive is excellent which makes him a great goalie. If not in goals, Ryder played striker or mid-field and "when he wants to run" he can run down the opposition. Well done Ryder on a great season.

## **SOCCEROOS**

What a great group of young men the Socceroos are. They have all grown both on and off the pitch this season which has been a pleasure to see.

Shahan Afzal a player with great foot skills that has had to play out of his comfort zone this season, he now looks more confident on a larger field.

**Issac Bezemer** the youngest member of our team has shown that he is more than capable of



he's slowed his game down showing maturity beyond his years on the field.

Jordan Bezemer a strong player that can play and hold any position needed, he has good foot skills on both sides with a great touch when trapping the ball.

Tariku Brammall another first year under12 who has shown that when put into defence against larger opposition he's risen to challenge and proven that he can match them.

Pat Brown is a player that has grown over the season both on the field and at training. He has shown that he is courageous standing up to strong opposition time and time again.

Tomas Brozek has had a great year with very little difference from his best game to his worst game, he is a very consistent and calm player and always takes time to make the right choice.

**Noah Colgrave** in his first year of under 12's playing Division 1, he is a very skilful player who is willing and capable of taking on the opposition who are 9/10 much larger than he.

Harry Costello had his first year at the club and he has been a great addition, not only as the team's main goalie but he contributes as a valued team member on game days and at training.

**Lucas Freestone** is a strong player & is known for his ability to strike the ball with his left foot but has also shown on a number of occasions this season that his right is just as good.

Zach Gourlay another versatile player that has proven that when given a challenge he can adapt, he's been asked to hold position and has done so for the team.

**Toby Harrop** is a very skilful player who has a great ability of using his body to position the ball to his or the team's advantage, he is also willing to take the ball on his head to score a number of goals this season.

**Kampbell Jarman** a very versatile player who has played in number of positions for the team this year, he has a great ability to read the play and intercept the ball.

**Christian Penney** is another first year player to the club who has fitted in extremely well, he is a strong & highly competitive player.

**Lucas Starkey** is a versatile player who in recent years has played as a forward, he has now shown that is very capable of playing in all positions. He is continuing to improve every game especially in confidence.

It has been pleasing to watch this group grow and build respect for their fellow team members as this will build bonds that can last forever. To be a part of this group this year has shown all involved what great future there is at the club.

# **WALLABIES SARAH CLARK**

What a great season the boys have had! Our team had a lot of players who had not played together before. The season started well in the seeding rounds and the team work has continued to improve week after week. A true team effort! It has been great to see all the players grow in confidence and learn more skills as the season progressed. All the boys should hold their heads high as they have played with great sportsmanship despite the same not being shown from the opposition at times.



Heath and I took on the team management role at the last minute (so the team did not forfeit!) but we have been pleasantly surprised by what a great experience it has been. It has been our pleasure to guide this team. Thanks to all the boys for a wonderful and fun season. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, carers and special supporters that have come along and encouraged the team and brought oranges each week. We appreciated it very much as I'm sure the boys did also. Hope to see you all playing next year!

**Billy Blizzard** – Billy has been an asset in the backline for the team. Billy is calm under pressure and is a solid part of the team's defense. A great team player who always gives his best. Well done, Billy!

**PJ Clark** – PJ has certainly grown this year in confidence and ball skills and gives it his all. He typically fits into our midfield well and is equally skilled to both attack and defend, and to score goals when the team needs it. Great work, PJ!

**Finn Crerar** – Finn has been a pleasure to have on the team. Finn's positive attitude is infectious. A great player in goal for us and on the field. Thanks for a great season, Finn!

**Harrison Gibson** – Harrison has grown in confidence throughout the year and can fit into any position on the field. Harrison is always a determined and fair player. An asset to the team. Well done, Harrison!

**Kade Greenwood** – Kade has found his niche as centre forward for us this year and has made it his own. Kade's ability to work with his team mates to score goals is fantastic. Kade also works hard every game often coming back to help defend. An asset to the team. Way to go, Kade!

**Lochlan Jones** – Lochlan has also been an integral part of the backline for the team this year. He has a great ability to read the play and stop attackers in their tracks. Lochlan also works well with the rest of the team and his long clearances are awesome to relieve pressure. Thanks for a great season. Great work, Lochlan!

**Fletcher Jones** – It has been a pleasure to watch Fletcher's confidence grow throughout the season and to find his feet on the field. Fletcher puts in a great effort every game and has contributed well to our team's success. Awesome effort, Fletcher!

**Samuel Powers** – Samuel has been a solid performer through the year. Samuel holds the ball, uses his skills to get around players and his passing has been excellent. A team player who has had a great season. Great job, Sam!

**Arlie Townsend** – Arlie has had a great season with the team. His confidence has grown on and off the field. Arlie works well with his team mates and in any position and always gives his best. Well done, Arlie!

**Jesse Watson** – Jesse has been awesome in goals as well as up front for the team this year. Jesse will play wherever he is put and will give it his all. A great team player who loves his oranges. Great work, Jesse!

**Lincoln Woolcock** – Lincoln has fantastic skills on the ball and has shone this year for the team. Lincoln has great ability to control, dribble, pass, shoot and create opportunities. Lincoln will go far in the game. Well done Lincoln!

**Colby Woolcock** – Last but certainly not least Colby has had an outstanding season with us. Colby typically plays in midfield and his work rate has been exceptional. Other players underestimate his size at their peril. Great work Colby!

# **UNDER 13**

#### **CATS MARCIA HUMBLE**



Firstly, I would like to thank all players and parents for allowing myself to be team manager of the girls this season, I have thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it, it was a pleasure to work with a great bunch of girls. What a great year it has been for the Cats, girls going up an age division, new players join us and some new girls who had never played soccer before joining us, but you all supported each other and could see the growth in the girls each week.

Some of our girls participated in the first Ladies Day for our Senior ladies where they ran on the field with the ladies, ball girls and cheer squad on the sideline supporting our Ladies on their special day. Katie, Imy and Maddie supported the Senior Ladies again for the Ladies first Indigenous round where they witnessed the shirt presentation, Acknowledgement to Country and an ochre ceremony.

During the school holidays some of the girls came along to a Cultural workshop at Tasmania Aboriginal Elders Council. A great day was had by all, where the girls made kelp water bowls, ochre painting, clap sticks and some dancing. On the 3rd August Cats were lucky enough to participate in their own Indigenous round.

Also, congratulations to Imy, Maddie, Skyla and Katie for making the NTJSA U12 girls rep side. Huge big thank you to the parents, grandparents and carers who brought the girls to training and games each week, volunteered for canteen and oranges, thank you to Murray who was a huge help in guiding me at the beginning of the season and Richard who has been able to warm the girls up for me thanks heaps and for all your support.

Thank you for a great year cats and hope to see you all back next season.

**Maddison Barrett** – Our little pocket rocket who never runs out of energy, may be little but never afraid to get in and fight to gain the ball back, what an incredible season you have had, Maddie, your foot skills and confidence have improved immensely and can been seen why you have been chosen for U12 rep side. Keep up the great work, Maddie.

**Sophie Brewster** – Sophie is a new comer to our team and to the game of soccer, wow the speed you have Sophie. What a great asset you are to the team,

each week you can see a huge improvement as you gain more confidence on the field, keep up the good work Sophie.

**Estella Bridle** – Who would think this was Estella's first season in playing soccer this year with her improvement and commitment on and off the field each week has been outstanding, well done Estella. A very strong defender with a big foot and not afraid to get in and fight for the ball. Hope we see you back next season Estella.

**Lulu Brown** – A dedicated player who never misses training. Lulu is another one of our strong defenders and always willing to win the ball back and with her strong boot can kick the ball back into our half. The growth and confidence in Lulu on and off the field has been remarkable this season, Lulu something to be proud of. It's a pleasure having you on the team.

**Katie Campbell** – Katie has stepped up and been the team's main goalkeeper and has done an extremely great job. When Katie isn't in as keeper, she is doing a great job as forward and has managed to score some great goals for the team. Katie is also a player that can be put anywhere on the field and is slowly having the self-discipline to stay in position. Well done on a great season Moo Moo.

**Imogen Donoghue** – Immy is one of the stronger girls on the team with her skills, is able to fit into any position on the field, but her strength shines through as a forward and has proved this with goals she has scored for the team this season. Immy is another player who can read the play well, together with your footwork and passing skills has improved each week, well done on an awesome season Immy.

**Piper Ebert** – Piper is new to the game of soccer as well this season but has picked up the game extremely well and can see huge improvements on the field each week and now knows her position and holds it well. Piper is valuable player with her speed never afraid to get in and fight for the ball. Hope you enjoyed your first season of soccer for Riverside Olympic.

**Skyla Higgins** – Skyla is a new player to the team what a great asset you are. Skyla is a very skillful player with her speed and skills and can read the game well, Skyla's ability to weave between the players is outstanding and encourages her teammates at all times. Skyla can be put in any position and holds her position well. Well done on a great season and we hope to see you back with the Cats again next year Skyla.

**Addison Isaks** – Addie is always happy to play wherever asked and has done an extremely great job at being keeper when asked to go in that position. Addie's skills have improved immensely and can see the difference and confidence and skills each week as she is learning the play of the ball well, she fits in well in the midfielder position, but I love her determination as defender when she fights for the ball. It was a pleasure to have you on the team Addie with your warm smiles and encouragement for your team.

**Ava Starrett** – Ava continues each week from strength to strength with improving her skills and confidence, even though Ava enjoys playing as a forward she does

have the ability to play other positions. Can see huge improvement with Ava's ball skills this season always comes to trainings and matches with a big smile. Well done on your goals this season Ava.

**Georgia Watson** – Has continued to make improvements this year with her positioning on the field. Georgia is another talented player and is a great contributor in a variety of positions on the filed but with her speed and skills makes an excellent winger and a great forward. Georgia has played defense and was shy to be goalie for half a game but had done an exceptional job. Well done on a great season Georgia.

Lara Willis – Our baby on the team, but don't let the size fool you one bit like Maddie. Super boot Lara who is an integral part of our back line who tackles hard and quick to push the football forward to her teammates. Never misses a game or training, you're a pleasure to have on the team Lara and look forward to having you back again next season.

# **VIXENS DAMIEN GRIFFITHS**

The Vixens have had a great year together with great team play. They support each other and are a great example of our clubs culture and sportsGIRLship!

I have enjoyed coaching them and watching their game develop each week.

We should finish in top 3 and are in MacDonald's Cup final which is a credit to the girls and their ability and team spirit.



# Kiera Gabbedy – Kiera has

mainly played in goals which is her preferred position even though she has great ball skills on the field. She gives her all when in goals and has made some outstanding saves each week most prevalent coming out of the goal square to take on a certain goal chance one on one which saw her airborne accepting her to be out cold she got up brushed herself off and back to meet the next challenger just as hard. A big future ahead, well done Kiera.

**Shelby Griffiths** – Always hard to report on your own child as a coach. Shelby loves the game and reads the play well and looks for the team mate setting up many match winning goals and scoring a few of her own. Always comes off the ground with a smile; well played DELBS.

Lola Mateos-King – Lola is a great defender and has a wonderful clearing kick,

but also has the ability to run forward although she has at times lacked a little confidence to do so. The times she has played forward has seen her score game changing goals! Keep smiling Lola and believe in yourself.

**Jade McCullagh** – Jade is a great asset to the team, where ever you need her to play she takes it on with confidence and with a grin. Our relief goal keeper who has done a great job throughout the year. Thankyou Jade for making coaching easy.

**Sarah Moore** – Sarah is a born leader and sets a great example on the field. A thumping kick and likes putting the ball in the back of the net even off the back of the keeper's head from the corners. A great year Sarah, keep loving the game.

**Emilie Munting** – Emilie has played for both the Under 16s and the Vixens this year and shows great leadership on the field, encouraging the younger players in the side and holding the back-line firm. A great future ahead for you Emmie!

**Lingitha Ponnusamy** – I have seen Lingitha develop from under 8s, she continues to enjoy the game and has become one of our most improved players scoring some great goals with long runs from the wing. Our quite achiever, well done Lingitha hope to see you back next year.

**Alella Parer-Wong** – Alella is part of our great defensive team with a ball control and ability to clear to advantage. And has also run the ball from the backline to score at times. Hope to see you next year and see the confidence in the ability you have grown.

**Charley Read** – Charley has had a great year and her ball skills have developed each week. She plays a great team game with many of her crosses creating scoring opportunities as well as putting a few in the back of the net herself. Well done Charley.

**Matilda Reilly** – Tildy has had an outstanding year and is a great example to her team mates. Scoring a lot of goals but also setting up play from the midfield for her team mates. Keep loving the game and hope to see you next year.

**Amy Vimpany** – Amy is another member of our strong defensive group, she reads the play well and also has a strong kick and ability to clear the defensive area. Always has a smile and a bit of cheek; a pleasure to coach.

**Isabella Taylor** – Issy has got to be the most improved player in the team; I was initially unsure where to play her as she seemed to get lost up forward but she has found her spot in the back line and just keeps amazing me each week on how far she has come in a season.

**Charlie Hulse** – Charlie is a less experienced player and has had a great first season and so far would easily have had 30 shots for only 1 goal. But it would have to be one of the most vital goals in a McDonalds cup round to keep our finals chances alive. Hope to see you back next year.

The Vixens have been a pleasure to coach and I hope to see you all next year.

Thank you to parents and supporters for making it a great year.

# **UNDER 14**

### **BOOMERS** COSMO COX-HAINES

Well, a tough season to say the least. The boys (and Jess), started out on the rough side of things with a 12-1 defeat to Devonport in the first week of the season. However, I was very impressed to see that this did not discourage the boys from playing the world game, as the team were ready to go and back at training the following Tuesday. Through the season I was exceptionally impressed by the team's commitment to training with 14-16 players turning up to most training sessions.



Through commitment and hard work the team were able to slowly decrease the amount of goals we conceded and increase the amount of goals we scored. With our closest (non-winning) game coming in the third round, where we only just lost 3-4, although we did manage to win the second half 3-1 (I think from memory). After that game the boys continued to work hard, week in, week out, which all paid off when we got to our 9th & 10th game of the season where we won (dominated) 4-1 against Launceston United and 3-2 against NLE devils respectively. With two tough games remaining I am very excited to see what the team can do against two of the top sides (3rd place NR eagles and 2nd place LCD Celtics).

This season our goal box has seen two goal keepers, **Joeb** as our primary goal keeper and **Reuben** as our back up. A special mention to Reuben as despite the zero minutes of practice at training, he was able to step up and take responsibility in goals when required (making some incredible saves). Joeb as the main goal keeper, has showed great leadership and on and off the pitch throughout the season, and goal keeping brilliance saving several shots from the penalty spot.

This season the backline has seen some chopping and changing, with a total of nine players (Jess, Callum, Broc, Harvey, Alexander (Al), Rylei, Reuben, Xavier and Oliver G) having to do their fair share. Over the season I have seen this back line develop as a team and work well together. With Jess, Harvey, Oliver G, Rueben and Rylei all providing great width in their full back roles when required, As well as Al, Xavier, Callum holding the centre back roles with Broc leading as captain in the heart of the defence.

Our midfield, similar to the backline has had some switching around over the season, with all players (Jimmy, Xavier, Reuben, Al, Ben, Salvador and Izayah (Ziggy)) holding their own, and doing what was required of them. It was awesome to have such a vast range of players to pick from, with Al and Reuben able to hold the midfield with their defensive ability, or choosing Ben, Jimmy, Xavier, Izayah and Salvador for their attacking forward play.

Our forward players (**Rylei**, **Salvador**, **Rupert**, **Izayah** and **Oliver B**) consistently made it hard for me to pick who was going to start on the pitch, week in, week out, and who I was going to sub. This was due to each player bringing their own unique style, and every player being as good as one another. Rylei, with his goal scoring brilliance, usually cemented his place as our solo centre forward, with Rupert, Salvador, Izayah, and Oliver B all contesting for spots on the wings.

## **GALAXY JEREMY SMITH**

Ladies and gentlemen boys and girls, players and referees; I present to you, the 2019 Under 14 Galaxy teams.

'Teams?', I hear you ask, why so?

Well there were two Galaxy teams that would often come out to play. The first one was unstoppable, could match it with the top teams (despite our ladder position) and played some fantastic football. The less said about the second team the better.

My challenge as coach was to see less of the second Galaxy team and more of the first, which I hope I've contributed to? It was also pleasing to see that 11 of the 13 players I had last year came back, with another making it into the Under 14 Division 1 team with Cosmo. We were also fortunate to gain a few experienced players who had already had a year in Under 14s and all of the players blended and gelled well together as team.

Many of the team had not played 11-aside before on the bigger grounds and took a few games to adjust to it. The other cruelling factor was that from a squad of 17 players over the season, we lost five players to season-ending injuries and the remaining dozen would include a few players every week with illness and injury niggles. Having said (written?) that, I'm extremely proud of the boys, many of whom showed their versatility and adaptability by often playing in a position they weren't so comfortable with – thanks guys!

To the parents and supporters, thanks for letting me run the team again and thanks to those that helped me with team sheets, equipment, a friendly chat and just general support. Thanks also to the handful of Under 12 players (Hamish, Kampbell, Tomas, Shahan & Zach) and Under 14 (Joeb) who helped us out when we were short; when the 'remaining dozen' dropped below eleven.

Players of the 2019 Galaxy, in no particular order, are (I even went to the trouble

of using a random list generator to select the order of players):

**Cooper Watson** – Cooper has put in another solid season, being pushed into the midfield more towards the end of the season to get him involved with the game more. He is developing some outstanding versatility being able to play forward, wing and now midfield.

**Jacob Hargrave** – a very valuable recruit to the team, with pace and skill to burn, usually in his favoured



position on the wing. A loud voice out on the field and gives great direction (which is needed at this age); also bagged himself a few nice goals.

**Tom Crack** – started the season up front but moved back into an attacking midfield role as the season wore on, to the delight of the coach. A super imposing presence in midfield, strong and powerful, Tom can turn a game on its head when he's 'on' and is developing into a ruthless striker of the football.

**Tristan Tabagari** – as well as burning around the midfield of the park, Tristan can always be counted on to lighten the mood of the team when they were struggling. Tristan seemed to enjoy the bigger size of the Under 14 field once he adjusted to it and was looking really comfortable in midfield by the end of the season.

**Sam Hugo** – sometimes the team wished it had a few Sam's, as he was needed at defensive mid-field, attacking midfield and as a forward and would dominate at any of these positions. Sam was pushed further up front as the season went on, to improve the team's goal-scoring and was rewarded with the team's 'golden boot' (if we awarded one); scoring about a third of the team's goals for the season.

**Ronan Cruse** – it was great to see Ronan with the team for back to back seasons and be around his group of friends. Ronan started the season with promise, filling in a number of positions for the team, before becoming another to succumb to the wear and tear of playing football.

**Ryan Smith** – Ryan slotted into the team nicely, after initially struggling during the pre-season Under 16 trials. Preferring to play attacking midfield or forward, the team was also grateful he could also play in the at-times undermanned backline. Despite not being super keen at playing in goals, he also ended up being the team's no. 1 keeper, spending more time there than any other player and having the best record of any of the team's players in that position.

**Taj Barbour** – the team was looking forward to another huge season from Taj, with the larger fields and space beckoning. Unfortunately Taj was struck down by an early season injury but he will always be a part of #teamgalaxy.

**Jarrod Smith** – if ever a team had a utility player who could play anywhere, the Galaxy's player would be Jarrod. He has played a number of games in goal, filled in at full back when the team was short, played both attacking and defensive midfield, wing and striker – again getting on the score sheets in 2019. Just about made through the season before being ruled out with injury with three games to go.

**Noah Whatley** – an early season recruit coming with the potential of a solid defender and another option for goalkeeper; Noah didn't disappoint. Noah honed his craft as a dependable outside defender linking with the midfield and wingers well.

Renison Wood – coaches often write 'so-and-so' has improved this season but with Renison in 2019, it's not a cliché. I believe he has genuinely taken a leap forward in his ability, getting 'in and under' more with his play and being extremely fearless. Reni's season highlight would have to be the goal he scored against the top team, a cracking volley from a corner ball to him, just a few inches above the turf.

**Jackson Gualtieri** – started off the season with a bang, picking up where he left off from the previous season. Jackson also started moving into the midfield when the opportunity presented, with encouraging results. Was sorely missed when Jackson became another to succumb to injury for the season.

**Tobey Fensom** – came to the team in seeding week one when the call was put out for help and just slotted in nicely. Formed part of a reliable back line and was pushed occasionally up the field into midfield when the chance presented. Strong and composed on the ball, Tobey could be relied upon to stop opposition wingers and then set up our own.

**Angus Morice** – Captain Gus! He was suggested to be the team captain as he has a huge presence at the centre of defence and the talent and ability to match; the team didn't hesitate to agree and nominate him as skipper. Still running down opposition attackers, clearing the lines and with Jayden, rescuing the team time and time again; I think Gus' mum got sick of washing his shorts and finding opposition forwards in his pockets! Another huge year from Angus.

**Fletcher Sherriff** – a handy pick up for the team with his 'in and under' style of play and field positioning in the midfield. The longer the season went on, the more he held his position and started to dictate terms in the middle of the park.

**Jayden Willis** – Mr. Consistent! Part of a formidable partnership with Captain Gus in the back line of the team, thwarting many an opposition attack. Jayden's strength is his read of the play and as a smart footballer, he plays to his strengths – times his tackles and loads his clearances.

**Seth Birch** – Seth was one of the more week-to-week consistent performers for the team; still doing his bullocking runs through defenders, often much bigger than him. Now that he's had a year in Under 14's, he should absolutely dominate in 2020 (if he chooses to keep playing) against the younger and smaller players.

Keep training well and enjoying your football lads, I hope to see you out on the park in years to come.

#### **GLADIATORS** MATT TOWNSEND & MARCIA HUMBLE

**Cruz Townsend** – Cruz is the left footer of the team, which has enabled him to excel in his position on the left wing. It has been great watching Cruz gain more passion and skills for the game and to see his confidence grow within his team.

**Jack Campbell** – Jacko is a versatile, strong player, who we have seen grow through the season. He is a very adaptable player willing to play different roles within the team. We've also noticed his kind nature helping take some of the newer younger players under his wing.

**Joel Buckingham** – Our quiet achiever, Joel has played a huge part in our defence making it very hard for our opposition attackers. He takes instructions well and is very fast on his feet and is a valued player to our team.

**F`Romsa Grant** – F'Romsa has been a pleasure to coach this season; he's been very willing to adapt to any position required and always giving 100%. We have seen a lot of improvement over the season and we can see this young man going a long way.

**Jake Worsley** – Jake, one of our natural goal keepers along with his twin brother. Jake we can see going a long way in this sport with his natural ability to read the game and always being supportive of his team mates. Jake you have been a pleasure to coach.

**Tyler Worsley** – Tyler, our other natural goalie! Wow what an asset you've been to our team. Always happy to be goalie or run his legs off on the right wing, what an adaptable player with a big future well done mate.

**Ryan Gibson** – Ryan is a strong attacker who holds his ground but also can defend well when asked. Ryan is a committed player, always turning up to training and willing to improve his skills and knowledge of the game.

**Jye Lockwood** – Jye is a talented defender who always tries his best with a bit of encouragement. He is quick and skilful and with a little extra training he'd be fantastic on any team.

**Dylan Russell** – This was Dylan's first season; he has come a very long way with huge improvement throughout the season, particularly in defence and with his willingness to learn. It's been great seeing him grow through the season and becoming an excellent team player.

Max Slater – Max our gentle giant whose play is great whether attacking or defending. Max has (I swear) the biggest kick in the league, always



clearing the ball when needed or cracking a curve ball into the back of the net. I found Max a leader in the team with great advice to his team mates.

**Ryan Pham** – Ryan, a great little player who we missed this season due to a knee injury. We hope we can see you next season fully recovered.

**Adam Millar** – A quiet achiever and solid defender with a can-do attitude and always wanting to win the ball. We've seen huge improvements through the season and hope you continue your skills in the future.

Fergus Simpson – Fergus is a happy young lad with amazing dribbling skills, fast on the run and a team player. Fergus has a great attitude towards the game and always looking out for his team mates.

**Harry McGovern** – Harry has been a great asset to the team with fast speed and wanting the ball. Harry played midfield most of the season but I believe if he sticks to his position, he will become an even more confident all-round player. We look forward to seeing you next year Haz; just watch those foul throws.

Last but not least we would like to thank Eli Grant, Arlie Townsend, Will Slater and Zac Buckingham for being willing to sub and fill in for us when needed throughout the season, it was great to see you all step up and appreciated by all the Gladiators so thank you very much lads!



# **UNDER 16**

# **OLYMPIC** TOM PRINCE

This year I had the joy, excitement and at times frustration of coaching the U16 Riverside Olympic "Olympic" boys. When I took over as coach at the start of the season from **Dale Colgrave**, I knew I was up for a challenge of coaching a bunch of young men in the last year of their junior football careers. After the first few weeks of taking over as coach I soon realised that this group of boys had so much talent! It was my job to



best utilise this talent on the pitch on a Friday night.

Our division one roster consisted of just three teams: RO Olympic, LU Hawks and LC Youth. Every third week we would play against a division two team to avoid having a bye. The season started off with a bang, winning our first 7 games of the season! Teams were struggling to break down our ever-reliable defensive unit, while our attackers were putting plenty in the net down the other end. We then hit a roadblock, copping a 5-0 hiding against LU Hawks (let's forget that ever happened). As a coach and playing group this was the turning point in our season. We became determined to turn this negative result into a positive. We soon realised that we weren't 'invincible' and had to keep working hard and improving for the results to swing back in our favour. As it stands, we are currently sitting first in the league and have reached the final of the McDonalds Cup.

**Thomas Reilly (Captain)** was our leader on and off the pitch. He set a great example for his team-mates with his on-field leadership. Tom was a rock in the centre of defence, rarely putting a foot wrong. His tackling and defensive efforts helped us maintain the best defensive record in the league.

William Ferrall (Vice-captain) simply had an outstanding season between the sticks. In the absence of Tom Reilly, I gave the armband to Will and he didn't disappoint! Will came up clutch in the McDonalds Cup semi final pulling off some big saves in the penalty shoot-out to send us to the final. Will's shot stopping was exceptional all season long and cemented himself as the best goalkeeper in the league.

**Nicholas Lord** I made a bold call early in the season of transforming Nicholas from a striker to a centre-back. He asserted himself in the heart of the defence and soon found his feet in the backline. His pace and strength a key, rarely losing a 1v1 battle. Nicholas never complained about his role and continued to

get the job done every week. As his career grows, he now has the ability to play multiple positions at a high level.

**Geremie Antypas** was the 'Mr Fix It' of our team. Geremie is a versatile player and played multiple positions including centre-back and midfield. While he may not be the tallest or strongest of players, Geremie played to his technical strengths and put in plenty of tackles on opposition players to help us regain possession.

**Evan Harrop** was an ever-reliable fullback with the ability to play on the right or left. A no-nonsense defender who loved to put in a big tackle. Evan produced one of the highlights of the season, chipping the keeper with a cross turned shot from well outside the box to give us a 2-1 win over LU Hawks. I turned and looked at his Dad and we both looked at each other shocked. They all count Evan!

**Matt Hill** was a fullback who had a great balance of defence and attack in his game. Rarely putting a foot wrong in defence, Matt showed his ability to push forward and produce some great crosses and assists. We focused on becoming a compact defensive unit and throughout the year Matt improved his positioning each week and became confident in his role for the team.

**Oscar Jones** like Matt, Oscar was a great attacking weapon from left fullback. Oscar's raking left foot produced some great crosses throughout the season. Oscar's ability to play out from the back under pressure was a key asset to his game. He was always composed and played the simple option.

**Samuel Jones** had a great season playing as a defensive midfielder. Sam's ability to read the play and break up opposition attacks was outstanding. His composure and passing in the middle of the park was brilliant. Sam always had a great attitude at training and on game-day.

**Toby Simeoni** was a great box-to-box midfielder for us this season. Toby often positioned himself in the right place at the right time. A great balance of defence and attack, Toby found himself making key tackles in our defensive half and scoring goals from outside the box. Toby was rewarded for his strong performances in U16s, making his U18 debut in the back half of the year.

**William Milner** was the work horse of our midfield. His gut running, including second and third efforts was a key asset to the balance of our midfield. Will's precise through balls resulted in countless assists for the team. Will's distance shooting didn't go unnoticed either finding himself on the score sheet on multiple occasions.

Jalen Priest showed great improvement throughout the year. I was often in Jalen's ear telling him to play 'simple' and I think the message started to process towards the end of the season. Jalen used his physical presence in the midfield, I also gave Jalen some game time on the wing where he was able to use his skills to take defenders on 1v1. Jalen was always willing to learn, and I look forward to watching him develop in future years.

**Georg Tabagari** was always a threat playing as an attacking midfielder. Sitting in behind the striker, Georg would often pull the strings and feed nice balls through to the front three. Georg is a great technical player and got himself some nice goals and assist this season.

**William Prince** played multiple positions throughout the year but did his best work on the wing. Will produced some great crosses and was often our deadball specialist from corners. Will scored multiple goals this season but also did a job in defence if we needed some extra reinforcements back there.

**Thomas Lake** was our little 'pocket rocket' on the wing. Tom used his pace and skill to get in behind defenders. Tom's left foot produced many assists across the year, while he always seemed to be in the right place at the right time for a tap in at the back post! Tom's work rate was first class, whenever he lost the ball he worked twice as hard to win it back for the team.

**Elijah Basalto** was very much a confidence player who played as a number 9 or on the wing. When his confidence was up, he was unstoppable! As he matures further Elijah will keep learning that it's not all about scoring but playing his role for the team. Elijah used his pace and strength on multiple occasions to find himself the score sheet. Great season, Elijah!

**James Ferguson** last but certainly not least! James was a scary sight for any defender, his pace and height made him a powerhouse upfront. James scored countless goals all season, while often becoming frustrated with himself, he will learn to keep a positive mindset during games. James is a very talented young man who has a great knack of scoring goals.

Thank you to Chris Harrop for braving the cold Friday nights and being team manager for the season. Thankyou to Tiki, Jason and Luca for taking training sessions when I've been unavailable to be there, greatly appreciate it.

Overall, it's been a great year. I hope the boys have learnt a thing or two whilst having fun along the way. I look forward to seeing the boys push themselves and play U18s next season. So much talent within the squad and the future looks bright for ROFC!

## **OLYROOS** JASON JONES

The Olyroos have had a successful season, securing second in the competition and booked our spot in the final for the MacDonald's Cup. Well done boys.

As the season draws to a close, the boys are beginning to understand the importance of on field communication. It's only taken all season, but now there's a noticeable change from the on field silence that would have impressed seasoned submariners, to whispers of communication in their last few games. They still have much improving to do in this area, but they now understand the difference on field communication makes to the way the team plays. As a

coach there is nothing better than seeing the boys realise for themselves, the importance of techniques learned at training and watching them put it to the test during a game.

In goals, the saves of team captain and Keeper, **Brady Colgrave** and our one time fill in **Luke Chadwick** were outstanding. Brady's keeping ability improved throughout the season as he gained confidence to come off his line as play progressed into our oppositions half.

During the season we adjusted our formation from a 1-4-4-2 to a 1-3-5-2. Our defence consisted of **Ben Daly, Luke Chadwick** and **Campbell Young**. The boys showed



an eagerness to learn at training and implemented

the techniques shown by NPL stars Michael Monticchio and Luca Vigilante. Combining well meant the team could safely move to a 1-3-5-2 formation, improving our scoring opportunities and creating a more offensive style of play.

The midfield of Fletcher Young, Will Hugo, Floyd Jones, Henry Davis, Will Bates, Max Jordan and Riley Parker were able to use their technical skill to move the ball around and effectively work together to control the centre of the field. With the 1-3-5-2 formation, the boys played to their strengths which involved nice close proximity ball control. Their composure when they had the ball under pressure is something that will help their game as they continue to learn and move into their second season of U16.

Our wingers on the left were **Charlie Taylor** and **Arden Parer-Wong** and on the right, **Devesh Mohan** and **Cooper Gourlay**. They provided strong support for the defence, dropping when required and working hard to deliver the ball back up to our forwards and provided great scoring opportunities.

Our resident forward, **Tom O'Byrne** who was a late edition to the team was assisted each week by players from our midfield. Tom's pace and relentless running at speed made him a hard player for our opposition to mark and when supported by the midfield combined to create exciting opportunities up front.

Reflecting back on a successful season with the Olyroos, a special mention needs to be made of the following players for their commitment at training, their eagerness to learn and their performance on the field and each of these boys have the ability to play in Division 1. **Ben Daly** used the training techniques he learnt in text book fashion on the field, holding up and reversing our opposition's attack. **Luke Chadwick**, a quiet achiever who is one of our most improved players and **Tom O'Byrne** for his energy, effort to win back the ball and selfless attitude on the field.

A BIG thank you to the players from the U14's Jess and Riley and the U16 girls Meg and Chelsea, who filled in for our team seamlessly when we were short of players.

Thank you to **Michael Monticchio** and assistant coach **Luca Vigilante** for their mentoring and coaching assistance each week. Their knowledge of the game and how to impart that knowledge is a cornerstone that the players have to build off.

Thank you to all parents who helped staff the canteen and provide half-time oranges.

To **Ben Daly, Cooper Gourlay** and **Devesh Mohan** who are graduating this year. I wish you all the best for next season as you embark on your next chapter in Under 18's and good luck in the coaches v's graduates game today... you will need it!

Lastly I encourage you all to continue to work during the off season, to increase your strength and speed in preparation for a bumper season next year!

## MATILDAS GEORGIA WING

This year, the Matildas started off the season as a team of 13 players, all with varying skill and experience levels. The support the girls have for their team mates and the great sportsmanship they demonstrated each week, both on and off the field was admirable. The team's success throughout the season is a well-deserved result of the 100% effort they gave each week and their ability to work as a team.



Due to some unfortunate injuries, the girls finished off the season with a team of only 10 yet continued to stay positive and competitive with every game.

**Meg Connolly** – One half of the 'Dynamic Duo', very rarely does anyone make it past Meg and her reliable defensive talent. Her pace and outstanding ball control make her unstoppable when making one of her famous runs from centre back, taking on an entire field of players and finishing off with a goal. Meg also took on the role of the team's motivational speaker.

**Erin Cooper** – Always the first to help out with equipment or lend a hand at training, Erin's positive and team player attitude makes her a pleasure to coach both on and off the field. Her cool, calm and collected manner alongside her talent allows her to be a great asset to the team regardless of her position on the field.

Chloe Deans – New to both the team and the sport, when Chloe kicked seven goals

in only her second game, she quickly became every defender's worst nightmare. Unfortunately, due to injury, Chloe was unable to play the second half of the season. We hope to see Chloe's natural talent back on the field next year!

**Maggie Fearn** – Continuously giving 100% and turning up to every game with a smile, Maggie always made her presence known on the field. Shutting many players down with her defensive talent before they even get the opportunity to make it into their attacking half.

**Stella Folo** – Fierce attack on the ball and positive attitude makes Stella a well-respected player in our team. Often showing her talent and courage in the midfield, Stella played a key role in keeping the team in line. Her enthusiasm towards every training and game makes Stella a joy to coach.

**Maggie Folo** – The team's confident and reliable goal keeper. Maggie's encouraging words, that can be heard from anywhere at Churchill park, always keep the girls motivated and on track. Maggie showed her competitiveness with strong tackles in the defence line when given the opportunity to take off the gloves.

**Jasmine Leonard** – Showing persistence, determination and commitment, Jas has shown great improvement over the season. With continuously growing confidence, Jas plays as one of the team's hard-working midfielders and creates some excellent plays through to our forward line.

**Jalyssa O'Byrne** – Another new player who quickly settled into the team. Quiet but determined, Jalyssa creates many great goal opportunities for her team mates and also managed to send a few into the back of the net herself. She continued to improve her skills and knowledge of the game every week.

**Ella Tedeschi** – Consistently improving throughout the season, it was a pleasure to watch Ella's confidence and ability grow with each game. Ella's pace and strong tackles made her hard to beat. Never backing away from any opponent, Ella's talent was particularly valued in our defensive line.

**Abby Whitmore** – Excellent ball skills mixed with the ability to make the perfect cross into the box, made Abby a great asset to our forward line. Masked by her calm approach to the game, Abby's determination and talent to create great results for her team should not be underestimated.

**Amelia Wing** – The ability to play any position confidently and with skill, Milly consistently showed off her talented left and right foot throughout the season. The courage to challenge any opposition with a strong tackle and shoot from any position on the park demonstrates Amelia's fierce approach to every game.

**Chelsea Wing** – The second half of the 'Dynamic Duo', Chelsea played the role of one of our forever reliable defenders. The occasional run as centre striker saw Chelsea scaring many defensive players with her powerful left and right boot. Chelsea's leadership in the team kept the girls focused and positive.

A huge thank you to all parents and supporters who came along to games each week, or throughout the season, to encourage the girls. Also, a big thank you to the U13 girls that helped out when the Matildas were low on players.

#### PHOENIX GEORGIA WING AND OLIVIA FLETCHER

Phoenix began the year as a newly formed team with a mix of old and new players. Although the confidence level from some players wasn't very high to start with, the team developed their confidence as young footballers as the season went on. The girls showed their skills and determination during the first few games, battling it out against tough opponents. During the season the girls had the opportunity to play in many different positions across the field. Midseason the natural leaders of the team began to come clear and



kept the team in shape and on track. Overall the girls have had a fantastic year putting all their all into every game. We hope the girls continue to follow their passion of soccer whether that be moving up to the Senior Women's team next year or continuing in the Under 16 girls' team.

The team consisted of Maddie Crerar, Breanna Griffiths, Ella Howe, Elysha Jones, Isabelle Lord, Ella Matson, Cindy Pham, Zoe Lanham, Brandy Ho, Mackenzie Roberts, Jessica Shaw, Angelina Von Stieglitz, Emily Wood, Emilie Munting and Maddie Munting.

A huge thank to all the parents and supporters for coming down every week including members from the other under 16 teams and the senior teams. A big thank you to Rob Shaw for assisting the team throughout the season.

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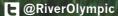




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