



SAWTELL FOOTBALL CLUB

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October 2022

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thank you to all the committee members, volunteers, coaches, managers and players who have made this season possible. It has again been a challenging year with weather delaying the start of the season and extending the season into late October.

The rescheduling of training and matches has made everyone's roles as volunteers more challenging over the season. The cost of hiring the synthetic pitches for training as well as ACE as a wet weather option has also been a significant cost to the club.

2022 Developments

Inaugural Football Development Program - around 20 players took part in the FDP run by Sean Hone. Feedback was very positive and we plan to continue this in 2023.

Female change rooms and new storage was opened and used throughout the season.

Inaugural Kick on For Women started and ran through 2 terms - firstly by Claire Grundy and then by Rachael Oberleuter and Kim Grech. Feedback from the program was very positive and we plan to run this again in 2023 with a permanent coordinator that can run the program throughout the whole year.

Our CPL men made the finals. This has been a major progression from previous seasons to winning over half of their games in 2022.

Our senior female player numbers doubled from 14 in 2021 to 32 players in 2022. We had a team in the first div which was challenging but great for team development.

2022 Setbacks

While T1 has been in very good condition throughout 2022, T4 has had springs in several areas forcing us to reduce the field size substantially.

Cost of hiring training facilities for seniors in wet weather has been significant and NCF reimbursed some of these costs (see treasurers report).

Some teams had very low numbers throughout the season while others had too many. Refining the team selection process at the start of the season needs to be looked into.



Club Performance

We had two teams, the U14 girls and U15 boys, win Minor Premierships this year. We had 6 teams make the Semi Finals with a few teams narrowly missing out. Out of these semi finalists - two teams made the Grand Finals. Both the U12 Spirits and 035 Spirit lost their Grand Final matches.

While this has been a great result, it would be good to look into ways we can continue to build our team competitiveness in 2023.

The Champions of Champions tournament was a great experience for those teams involved and I would encourage all teams to take part in this tournament next season. I also think it's worth looking into other tournaments to take part in next season - possibly earlier in the season.

Coaching

A big thanks to all of our coaches and Managers who have worked so hard throughout the season. At this stage Joe Skrtic, our CPL Head Coach is not looking like returning in 2023. We are currently looking for a replacement coach.

We had some feedback from parents about players not getting game time throughout finals which is disappointing. We developed the Sawtell FC Team Selection Policy last year for this very reason and it seems some coaches didn't read this - or chose not to follow the recommended playing times.

Due to the stop/ start nature of the beginning of season we didn't have a formal Coach Orientation Day. I think this is an important part of getting coaches on the same page and should be prioritised in 2023 pre-season. A thank you drinks night should also be arranged at Toormina Hotel in between now and Xmas.

Coach training occurred this year but not as many courses were run and we should look into focusing on training again next season so that all coaches are up to date.

Where possible, I would recommend pushing for Assistant Coaches for every senior team in 2023. This will allow Head Coaches to focus on more specific training and also spread the load.

Committee Members

Thank you to everyone on the Committee for 2022. Numbers have been lower than some years, especially with those helping out on game days at Toormina. Also, not having a Canteen Coordinator has made 2022 particularly challenging.

Having specified rostered volunteers/ committee members on game days could help alleviate some of this pressure.



Sponsorship

A massive thank you to all of our sponsors. All of major and supporting sponsors will be back for 2023 and we have had several new sponsors approach us. Our fitness sponsor may change but this is currently being negotiated.

In 2022 we had around \$22,000 in sponsorship. In 2023 we are looking to reach \$30,000.

Off Season

Over the rest of 2022 and the coming 2023 season we will:

- Be applying for grants to improve lighting on the training fields.
- Fields will be cored in December. Sand needs to be applied but this needs to be negotiated with council.
- We are changing our kit provider from Paladin to KPI Sports.

Thank you!

After 4 years as President, I will be stepping down this year. I will remain on the committee and continue coaching. Thanks to everyone who has supported me in the role. It's been a particularly challenging three years since the start of Covid but I've really enjoyed being able to contribute towards Sawtell FC and look forward to being involved in the future.

Regards

Simon Portus

Sawtell FC President



25 October 2022

TREASURER'S REPORT

We started the year on 1 Oct 2021 with an opening balance of \$75,364.99

With both 2021 and 2022 seasons being extended it is not easy to compare year to year as income and expenditure creeps over from previous seasons.

On 1st Oct 2022, we have ended the season with a closing balance of \$65,660.57 this will bring us to a total loss in Xero of \$12,834.42. The figure in Xero is different to the BCU bank balance difference due to money being paid and processed on different dates in the bank and accounting software.

We have ended on a loss due to many reasons. Firstly, we have purchased new equipment for our junior teams such as much needed new goals and training supplies totalling around \$6000 and new line marking machine totalling \$2500.

Secondly, our coach payments were up with Rachael Oberleuter being paid \$7000 (same as 2021) and Graham Shanahan being paid \$4000. We also paid for coaching development such as aiding Sean Hone to obtain his C licence.

The canteen costs were higher than normal this year due to not having the position canteen co-ordination filled and not being able to stay open.

Thirdly, due to our wet season we have spent \$7461.25 on synthetic field hire and \$1930.50 in venue hire for wet weather training. NCF gave us a financial relief package to help cover these costs of \$5,746.54. This left us with a cost of \$3645.21 for predominantly senior training which may not be sustainable into the future, especially if we can't rely of NCF relief package.

The loss of \$12,834.42 should also take into account that the costs of the goals, line marker and equipment should really be spread over three seasons.

On a positive note, the canteen and merchandise sales have made a huge \$16,056.39, which was boosted by the introduction of eftpos.

Other sources of income this year was Sponsorship reaching a total of \$22,000 with Toormina Hotel being our major sponsor. Increasing sponsorship could help to cover these additional costs but we should also look for ways to reduce costs - especially in seniors.

Kim Grech
Sawtell FC Treasurer



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Mick	Kyle	Groundsperson	
Nick	Pulver	Committee Member	
Joe	Skrtic	Committee Member	



CLUB MEMBERSHIP

5-7 year olds	80
8-11 year olds	126
12-18 year olds	178
Senior players	101
Total	485

Plus Kick on for Women



SUMMARY OF 2022 COMPETITION RESULTS

Division	Placing
U12 Div 1 – Scorpions	Finished 8 th in a division of 9 teams
U12 Div 1 – Spirit	Finished 4 th in a division of 9 teams Lost in the Grand Final
U12 Div 2 – Stingers	Finished 3 rd in a division of 8 teams Lost in the Semi Finals
U12 Girls	Finished 6 th in a division of 8 teams
U13 Div 1	Finished 3 rd in a division of 5 teams Lost in the Semi Finals
U14	Finished 4 th in a division of 4 teams Lost in the Semi Finals
U14 Girls - Scorpions	Finished 9 th in a division of 9 teams
U14 Girls – Spirit	Finished Minor Premiers in a division of 9 teams Lost in the Semi Finals
U15	Finished Minor Premiers in a division of 6 teams Lost in the Semi Finals
U16 Girls	Finished 5 th in a division of 6 teams
U17	Finished 4 th in a division of 5 teams Lost in the Semi Finals
Div 3 South Men's	Finished 7 th in a division of 8 teams
Div 2 South Women's	Finished 5 th in a division of 9 teams
O30 Women	Finished 6 th in a division of 7 teams
O35 Men – Scorpions	Finished 11 th in a division of 11 teams
O35 Men - Spirit	Finished 2 nd in a division of 11 teams Lost in the Grand Final
CLO Women's	Finished 5 th in a division of 5 teams
CPL Men's Reserves	Finished 9 th in a division of 12 teams
CPL Men's	Finished 6 th in a division of 12 teams Lost in the Semi Finals