



ANNUAL REPORT 2021



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DARCY LOUND



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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
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COMMITTEE MEMBER
GREG WYER



COMMITTEE MEMBER
FIONA ARANDA



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COMMITTEE MEMBER, GAIL HOHBERG

COMMITTEE MEMBER, WAYNE LEWIS

COMMITTEE MEMBER, GORDON NORMAN

COMMITTEE MEMBER, PETER HEAD

COMMITTEE MEMBER, PHIL MCKNEIGHT

COMMITTEE MEMBER, TRAVIS MADDICK

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CHAIRPERSON, IAN KELLY

COMMITTEE MEMBER, MICHAEL MCKNIGHT

COMMITTEE MEMBER, NOEL BALDOCK

COMMITTEE MEMBER, RALPH MARTIN

SPECIAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON, ROD DUNCOMBE

DEPUTY CHAIR, STEPHANIE STIVALA

COMMITTEE MEMBER, ALISON MUSCAT

COMMITTEE MEMBER, JOHN BROWNLEE

COMMITTEE MEMBER, JAY WINLEY

COMMITTEE MEMBER, RICHARD WHICKER

LIFE MEMBERS

1988 - ROSS ANDREWS

1990 - COL SMITH

1990 - TERRY ARDOUIN

1993 - PHIL PEARSON⁺

1993 - DAVID AHERN

2000 - JOHN MUNDT

2002 - KERRIE GALE (BROWN)

2003 - JOHN GALE

2003 - ROB LAWS

2005 - ALAN DUDLEY

2006 - STEVE GOODWIN

2007 - RALPH MARTIN

2011 - JENNY MAZURAN

2014 - GLENN ARMSTRONG

2016 - RICHARD WHICKER

2017 - GREG WYER

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



DARCY LOUND
MFA Chairman

THE 2021 SEASON HAS COME TO AN END AND UNLIKE ANY OTHER SEASON OF FOOTBALL WE HAVE HAD IN MACARTHUR WE WERE FORCED INTO AN EARLY FINISH DUE TO THE SUSPENSION OF COMMUNITY SPORT AS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HIT NSW AGAIN. IT HAS BEEN DISAPPOINTING FOR US ALL TO MISS OUT ON A LOT OF GAMES, EVENTS AND OUR FANTASTIC FINALS SERIES, BUT I KNOW MOVING FORWARD INTO 2022 WE WILL BE BACK BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER.

Although the 2021 season did come to an early end for us, I would like to thank and acknowledge the fantastic ongoing support from our partners this year: Wests Group Macarthur, Ottimo House, McDonald's in Macarthur, Marsdens Law Group, Guzman Y Gomez, Sam Miguel Yamamura Australasia, Strata Plus, Deploy Football, Stanno and Extract Espresso. We thank them for their great support and sticking with us through difficult times and look forward to the continued relationship in 2022.

Despite the early end, we still managed to have some great events this season, including our season launch nights and a fantastic City v Country charity dinner. I want to thank all of

our staff and member clubs for their support in bringing all of that together.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic we missed out on our annual M-League gala dinner again and couldn't award champions or premiers this season either, which was disappointing for us all.

As a result of the premature end to the season, the Board was pleased to deliver refunds and fee relief back to our member clubs.

Some major highlights for the MFA and our member clubs this season included the launch of our first ever M-SAP competition which started with the under 8's and was a big success to identify and support our talented young players and coaches. Congratulations to all involved and we can't wait for the League to evolve.

Also, two big milestones have been reached this year with Camden Tigers celebrating 60 years and Picton Rangers celebrating 50 years of football in the region and we congratulate both clubs on those anniversary's and thank them for their service to the Macarthur Football community.

As Chairman, it was also great to be able to attend the Gregory Hills FC official club opening, as well as two fundraising events held by Eschol Park and Harrington United.

We witnessed the first and very successful season of our regions new A-League club Macarthur FC and it was great we could support them at each home game in the MFA corporate box as our way of thanking our volunteers and sponsors.

We also kicked-off Walking Football earlier in the year and look forward to growing this initiative in the future.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, Football NSW had no choice but to abandon the NPL and Association representative competitions as well which, for us, includes MFA SAP, AYL, Macarthur Rams Men's/Boy's and Women's/Girls, as well as Camden Tigers NPL programmes. I would like to acknowledge outgoing Chairman Gordon Sneddon of

the Macarthur Rams Men's/Boy's and thank him for his years of service to the Rams. Also, a big thanks to Rams Women's/ Girl's Chairman Rob Laws and the committees of both clubs for running the programmes on behalf of the MFA. I would also like to welcome new Rams Men's/Boy's Chairman Michael Giusti and new Financial Controller Lisa Shell and we look forward to working with them both.

In some other good news for the region, the Camden Tigers will now be in the Women's NPL competition from 2022, and the club has also established an indigenous football programme. We congratulate Tigers President Rod Ciantar and the club on these announcements this season.

During the shortened season we still got some great photos and video in and I would like to acknowledge and thank our MFA media team including James and Mandy Cassel from Jum Media, and our photographers John Humphreys and Jill Bennett and we really look forward to seeing them in action again next season.

We always appreciate the quality and coverage we receive from our fantastic Macarthur referees and thank Derek Meechan and all his committee as well as all the committed Referees that turn up each weekend to officiate matches for us.

Thank you also to our three great and supportive Mayors and their Council's being Campbelltown, Camden, and Wollondilly Shire, as well as our local, State, and Federal MPs for all the support they give the MFA and Member Clubs.

To our hardworking MFA staff who again have faced a very challenging year, and I want to thank and acknowledge their efforts and commitment to the MFA. Our General Manager, Salv Carmusciano, has worked tirelessly through this difficult year with our members, our governing bodies, and our Councils to still drive the MFA forward - thanks Salv. Our Competitions Manager, Steve Carroll, who once again had delivered all our competitions and had done a lot of work to have us ready for a possible return to play late in the season - thanks Steve. Our Office Manager, Michelle Fulcher, thank you for all of your support this

year and working behind the scenes a lot ensuring we can deliver our objectives - thanks Michelle. It was great to welcome Kevin Guardado Amaya to the MFA team as our new Community Football Manager this year and he has started to implement some great programmes for us and will continue to do so - thanks Kevin. Lastly, we unfortunately did say goodbye to Josh Tungcab, who has moved onto a new challenge after two years with the MFA. We thank Josh for his efforts at the MFA and we wish him all the best for all his future endeavours.

In what has been a season that we had to end early and hopefully we never face again I want to thank and acknowledge on behalf of myself and MFA Board of Directors all of our MFA Club Presidents, their Committees and all the volunteers for your time and effort this season. Thank you to our Players, Coaches, Managers, Families and Supporters for being part of the MFA. Thank you to our volunteer committees:

- Jenny Mazuran and the Competition Management Committee members,
- Peter Ellington and the Judiciary Committee members,
- Rod Duncombe and the Special Purpose Committee members,
- Ian Kelly and the Appeals Committee members.

Thank you for all your time and effort this season.

Lastly, and on a personal note, I want to thank the hardworking and committed Macarthur Football Association Board of Directors who volunteer their time to ensure the MFA is run very efficiently and always moving forward. Thank you to Rob Milne, Colin Campbell, Jenny Mazuran, Rahul Lachman, Peter Kovacsics, Steve Holzer, Nathan Cameron and our first Appointed Director, Hayley Todd. I would finally like to thank everyone once again for supporting the Macarthur Football Association and wish you all the best over the break and we look forward to seeing you all back for season 2022.

Yours in Sport.



2021 AGM AGENDA

Macarthur Football Association Inc (MFA)

held at Ottimo House, 205 Campbelltown Road, Denham Court, NSW
on Wednesday, 25 November 2020 at 7:30pm

AGENDA

1. Opening
2. Apologies
3. Confirm the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting
4. Receive the 2021 Annual Report
5. Receive the Association's financial statements for the previous financial year
6. Receive the Auditor's Report
 - a) motion to sign and send the annual statements to the Office of Fair Trading
7. Appointment of the Association Auditor
8. Appreciation Awards – Club Members
9. Appointment of Patrons (if any)
10. Elections
 - a) Appoint Returning Officer and 2 x vote counters
 - b) Appoint 2 x Scrutineers
 - c) Elect the following Director Positions:
 - c i) Chair (two-year term)
 - c ii) Financial Controller (two-year term)
 - c iii) Two (2) x Association Directors (two-year term)
 - d) Elect the Following Committee Positions:
 - d i) A maximum of eight (8) Competition Management Committee Positions
 - d ii) A maximum of seven (7) Appeals Committee Positions
11. Recommendations for Life Membership (if any), which requires approval by 75% or more of the members
12. General Business (not relating to financial matters)
13. Close

MINUTES OF 2020 AGM

Minutes of Meeting Macarthur Football Association Inc. Annual General Meeting Ottimo House Wednesday, 25 November 2020

OPENING

Call to Order

The Chairperson (Darcy Lound) opened the meeting at 7.30 p.m. and welcomed all Life Members, Directors, CMC Members, Clubs, General Manager, Salv Carmusciano and staff.

Attendance

As per Attendance Register. 50 eligible voting members present.

Apologies

David Ahern, Life Member

Steve Goodwin, Life Member

Michael Winter, ING

Darcy noted Items 3 and 4 on the Agenda will be moved to after 10.

Moved NAR, seconded CUC

Carried

1. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MOTION: The Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting be received and adopted as printed in the 2020 Annual Report.

Moved Ralph Martin (Life Member), seconded Kerrie Gale (Life Member) Carried.

2. RECEIVE THE 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

MOTION: The 2020 Annual Report be received and adopted.

Moved OPR, seconded BRA

Carried

Chairman's Report – Darcy Lound

Darcy thanked everyone for their patience and support

during a testing year. Thanks to Salv and staff. Salv worked tirelessly with FFA, Football NSW and Councils. Thanks to Steve Carroll for scheduling competition games at short notice. MFA enjoyed a fantastic Grand Final weekend. Thank you to clubs for hosting Finals. Thanks to Jenny and the CMC, Appeals and SPC. Thanks also to the referees.

Thanks to the MFA Board and Directors, in particular Michael Winter. John Gale is retiring from the Board this year. Thanks also to Kerrie Gale as Kerrie is stepping down from the CMC. Paul Neaves is celebrating 40 years' refereeing.

Thanks also to Rob Milne and Rob Laws. And the Media team.

General Manager's Report – Salv Carmusciano

Salv recognised staff, volunteers and the Board for working towards the delivery of a competition this season. Our community needed the game more than ever this season and we are so glad we could deliver one.

3. RECEIVE THE ASSOCIATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEAR

Audit complete and no material differences. Turnover and costs were down and finished the year with a small surplus of \$16,000. Cash reserves maintained. The Association is in a strong position. \$100,000 with Jobkeeper and other subsidy programs. Thanks to Rob Laws for bookkeeping and accounting.

MOTION: Receive the Association's Financial Statements for the previous financial year.

Moved OPR, seconded RUS

Carried

4. RECEIVE THE AUDITOR'S REPORT

MOTION: Receive the Auditor's Report.

Moved GRH, seconded Greg Wyer (Life Member)

Carried

5. APPOINTMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION AUDITOR

MOTION: Accountcorp be appointed as the Association Auditor.

Moved Kerrie Gale (Life Member), seconded GRH

Carried

6. APPOINTMENT OF PATRONS

Darcy Lound confirmed the following patrons for 2021:

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| • Mayor George Brticevic | Campbelltown City Council |
| • Mayor Theresa Fedeli | Camden Council |
| • Mayor Robert Khan | Wollondilly Shire Council |
| • Greg Warren MP | Campbelltown |
| • Anoulack Chanthivong | Macquarie Fields |
| • Peter Sidgreaves | Camden |
| • Nathaniel Smith | Wollondilly |
| • Dr Mike Freeland MP | Macarthur |
| • Anne Stanley | Werriwa |
| • Angus Taylor | Hume |

MOTION: The above patrons be accepted for 2021.

Moved OPR, seconded RUS

Carried

7. APPRECIATION AWARDS – CLUB MEMBERS

Darcy Lound presented Appreciation Awards to the following club members:

Elisha Connor	APP
Rebecca Jones	COB
Ralf Bzdega	ESC
Peter Peeters	ESC

8. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

Darcy Lound presented the following awards to the winners of each category:

Senior	OPR
Junior	TIG
Overall	TIG

9. FAIR PLAY AWARDS (M-LEAGUE CLUBS)

U21 Colts	ESC
Men's Reserve Grade	ESC
Women's M-League	HAR
Men's First Grade	OPR

10. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY), WHICH REQUIRES APPROVAL BY 75 PER CENT OR MORE OF THE MEMBERS

No nomination/s this year.

11. ELECT THE FOLLOWING DIRECTOR POSITIONS:

The scrutineers were Steve Carroll, Josh Tungcab and Kim Clark (RUS). Two votes per club.

- a) Director – Competition Management Committee (two-year term)

Jenny Mazuran declined to speak on behalf of her nomination.

Salv declared majority votes (44 votes) and Jenny Mazuran was re-elected as CMC Director.

- d) Three (3) x Association Directors (two-year term)

Kylie Burfield, Nathan Cameron, Steve Holzer, Peter Kovacsics, Ralph Martin and Michael McKnight spoke on behalf of their nominations.

Salv declared the three elected Directors were Peter Kovacsics (41 votes), Steve Holzer (40 votes) and a Casual Vacancy with Nathan Cameron, Michael McKnight, Ralph Martin and Kylie Burfield failing to secure a majority of member votes for election.

12. ELECT THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE POSITIONS:

- a) Up to a maximum of eight (8) Competition Management Committee Positions

Jenny Mazuran out of contention. Nominees need at least 26 votes.

Fiona Aranda spoke on behalf of her nomination.

Andrew Bennet was absent. Kylie Burfield, Lauren Donovan, Lorna Graham and Greg Wyer declined to speak on their behalf.

Salv declared majority votes for all nominations.

Fiona Aranda (44 votes), Andrew Bennett (40 votes), Kylie Burfield (30 votes), Lauren Donovan (45 votes), Lorna Graham (39 votes) and Greg Wyer (43 votes).

Two casual vacancies.

- b) Up to a maximum of seven (7) Appeals Committee Positions

Steve Holzer out of contention.

Paul Ellis declined to speak on behalf of his nomination.

Salv declared majority votes for Paul Ellis.

Nominations from the floor.

Ralph Martin	Accepted
Michael McKnight	Accepted
Noel Baldock	Accepted
Iain Kelly	Accepted

All received majority votes and were elected to the committee.

Darcy Lound thanked and congratulated everyone who was elected for a position for MFA.

13. TRIBUTE TO JOHN AND KERRIE GALE

Darcy declared the MFA Boardroom will be known as the "John and Kerrie Gale Boardroom" in their honour.

14. GENERAL BUSINESS

MOTION: Destroy all voting papers.

Moved STM, seconded COB

Carried

MFA Christmas party Friday, 11 December 2020,
Ottimo House

MFA Office closes

Friday, 18 December 2020

MFA Office reopens

Monday, 11 January 2021

Summer Football

Friday, 29 January 2021

First clubs' meeting

Monday, 1 February 2021

Darcy thanked everyone for their support.

Meeting closed 9.20 p.m.



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT



SALV CARMUSCIANO
General Manager

IT WAS A RECORD-BREAKING YEAR FOR FOOTBALL IN MACARTHUR, WITH 10,801 PLAYERS ACROSS 917 TEAMS TAKING THE FIELD IN 2021 – THE MOST IN THE HISTORY OF THE MACARTHUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

Despite facing the challenges of a global health pandemic over the past two seasons, Football in Macarthur is in great shape. Much of this should be credited to the member clubs and the thousands of volunteers that serve the football community. Macarthur is lucky to be home to more quality clubs than any other region across NSW, with eleven clubs scoring three or more stars after completing the National Club Development Program.

We cannot thank the driving force behind our clubs enough for the countless hours they give to our game and our community. The game is lucky to have you and is nothing without you.

Whilst the 2021 season was interrupted, there was still plenty to celebrate in the region.

1. THE GIRLS GAME CONTINUES ITS TRAJECTORY

A record 2,264 female players across 119 teams enjoyed the World Game in 2021. Pleasingly, much of the growth in female

participation is coming in the MiniRoos, with 50 Girls-only teams competing this season, an increase of almost 50% on 2020.

The acquisition of respected football administrator Hayley Todd to the Board of the MFA this year should not be underestimated. As General Manager, I welcome Hayley's appointment and am excited to have her 'onside' as the MFA strives to improve the game for women and girls and grow the game.

2. LAUNCH OF THE MACARTHUR 'SAP' LEAGUE

Born out of the 2020 review into Representative Football and Coach Development, the simple goal of the new Macarthur SAP League is to improve development opportunities for more players and coaches within the local clubs of Macarthur. This initiative aligns to the following MFA Strategic Objectives:

- Enhance the Participation Experience
- Raise Standards of Youth Football
- Provide a quality youth development environment

Ten clubs took part in the inaugural development League in 2021, which commenced as a pilot for the U8 and will expand to the U9 in 2022. The 'M-SAP League' acts as the top tier of local football for the key development age groups and aims to give the region's most promising young players the best opportunity to transition into the NPL environment and enhance their chances of a potential professional career.



3. MACARTHUR FC JOIN THE A-LEAGUE

2021 saw new A-League franchise Macarthur FC not only join the professional competition but fall just one win short of a Grand Final debut.

Community engagement is an important value for the Bulls and the MFA enjoys a fantastic working relationship with the club as together we aim to add value to the Football Family and build a passionate supporter base for Macarthur FC. Highlights of our first season together include:

- Players attending MFA events, including inaugural Captain and former Socceroo Mark Milligan. 'Millsy' was kind enough to find time in the middle of the A-League season to attend the 2021 M-League Season launch and speak about his playing career.
- Collaboration in the planning and delivery of School Holiday Programs.
- Coach development sessions delivered by Bulls coaching staff.
- School programs delivered by Macarthur FC through the Bulls in School Program.
- Access to a corporate box for all thirteen home games, which was enjoyed by volunteers and sponsors from all member clubs.
- Match day opportunities for local players and coaches, including participation in the half-time hero's program and a march past initiative which saw over 1,000 players and coaches from MFA member clubs welcomed onto Campbelltown Stadium during halftime of the round 23 fixture.

The MFA extends our congratulations to the Bulls on a successful first season in the A-League and looks forward to a strong relationship with the professional club in the future.

The MFA is in the beginning of a very clear five-year plan with some ambitious targets on the agenda and whilst we have experienced a couple of interrupted community football seasons, we continue to make strides towards improving our game. People and partnerships are the keys

to our future success as a code, and to that end, we would like to extend our appreciation to the following:

- The local Councils of Wollondilly, Camden, and Campbelltown. Thank you for recognising the love your communities have for our game and continuing the investment in our local facilities.
- The Association and local club sponsors. In what has been a very challenging period for businesses, we cannot thank you enough for your continued support of our game.
- To the Macarthur District Football Referees Association and all the referees that service the game. Thank you for always giving your best with the whistle in hand.
- To the staff at the MFA. You're a great group of people to work with. Your commitment to the game and those that serve it shouldn't be underestimated. Thank you for delivering such exceptional customer service.
- To the many volunteers that support the running of the MFA on various committees. There are no words that can really express the gratitude and respect we have for you. Thank you for giving so much of yourselves to the game.
- Lastly, to all the Directors of the MFA Board. No one can ever question your passion for the game and for the Football Family. Every decision is always with what is best for the Football Community at the forefront. Simply a great group of people and an honour to serve with.

On a personal note, I genuinely feel for the Football Family following the premature end to the 2021 season. We witnessed some breathtaking football early on and it is such a shame we could not conclude the year. More importantly though, we must acknowledge the seriousness of the pandemic, which brought NSW to a standstill and saw many lives lost. The MFA extends its best wishes to the Football Family and hope that everyone continues to keep safe during these unprecedented times. We look forward to 2022 with optimism.





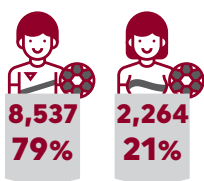
2021 PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

TOTAL PARTICIPATION

25,609

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

10,801
PARTICIPANTS



NEW RECORD PARTICIPATION!

Camden
5,381

Campbelltown
4,148

Wollondilly
1,272



22 CLUBS



917 TOTAL TEAMS
119 FEMALE TEAMS

MINIROOS

4,730

PARTICIPANTS



80%



20%

YOUTH

2,796

PARTICIPANTS



75%



25%

SENIOR

3,275

PARTICIPANTS



81%



19%

2020 COMPARISON (ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL)



+12% ASSOCIATION
FOOTBALL PLAYERS

+13% TEAMS

1,722

REGISTERED COACHES,
MANAGERS AND VOLUNTEERS

353

REGISTERED
REFEREES



81%



19%

88

MINIROOS REFEREES

152

YOUTH REFEREES

113

SENIOR REFEREES

**MATCH
COVERAGE**

80% MINIROOS **95%** YOUTH FOOTBALL
96% SENIOR FOOTBALL

3,662

SUMMER FOOTBALL
MALE **76%** FEMALE **24%**



REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAMS



MFA SAP AND AYL
142



RAMS MEN'S
195



RAMS WOMEN
123



MEN & BOYS
114



GIRLS YOUTH
46

TOP 5

PARTICIPATION CLUBS

Narellan Rangers 1099
Camden Tigers 1081
Oran Park Rovers 949
Eschol Park Wolves 897
Harrington United 882

TOP 5 FEMALE

PARTICIPATION CLUBS

Camden Tigers 270
Narellan Rangers 192
Eschol Park Wolves 192
Harrington United 159
Oran Park Rovers 149

PARTICIPATION PROGRAMS

MACARTHUR MAGIC SPECIAL NEEDS FC: 108

MFA ASSOCIATION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM: 189

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS: 138

WALKING FOOTBALL: 16

BULLS IN SCHOOLS: 8,000



COMPETITION MANAGER'S REPORT



STEVE CARROLL
Competitions Manager

THE 2021 SEASON PROMISED SO MUCH BUT ULTIMATELY DID NOT GET PAST THE MID-WAY POINT DUE TO THE COVID-19 SHUT DOWN.

With only half a season of matches played, and no final series being held, we can only speculate on what may have been.

What we do know is that we had a total of nine teams through to the quarter finals of the State Cup and all had a great chance to progress further, but that was not to be with the remaining rounds of the State Cup cancelled.

We also know that we had our greatest participation numbers with over 10,800 player registrations for 2021. This was a significant outcome given the disrupted 2020 season which brought with it the concern that people might walk away from the sport. But when you have a great product, run by great clubs, a threat to player numbers can and was overcome. The test will be holding and growing these numbers as we advance into season 2022, which I'm sure, for the same reason numbers were up this year, we can anticipate another strong support of football in Macarthur.

Whilst a full summary of player numbers and other salient analysis can be seen elsewhere in this report, we do highlight the following:

Overall player numbers increased approximately 11% to 10,801 (from 9,679) and across the three categories of football we saw:

MiniRoos:	4,730 (+478) registrations
Juniors:	2,796 (+243) registrations
Seniors:	3,275 (+493) registrations
Female Players:	2,264 (+377), being 21% of total registered players. This percentage against overall numbers was pleasingly up on the 19% 2020 figure.

Total number of teams: 917, up a staggering 107 teams on 2020 team numbers.

Female Teams: 119 teams or over 19% of total team numbers.

2021 saw the introduction of the 'M-SAP League' for players in the Under 8 age group. The League was offered through 10 Clubs providing a solid foundation for this new MFA initiative. Players and parents were very supportive of this initiative and the improving skill set of all children involved was evident. Congratulations to all in providing a positive football experience for all involved.

As a result of the success of the U8 M-SAP in 2021, the program has been extended to both U8 and U9 age groups in 2022 and we look forward to witnessing further growth and development of the players involved.

A big shout out to all Clubs, their volunteers, players and coaches, and the referees for all their support in 2021, and we look forward to a fresh start in 2022 which will hopefully see a full season of football played.



COMMUNITY FOOTBALL MANAGER'S REPORT



KEVIN GUARDADO AMAYA
Community Football Manager

AFTER A NOT-SO-NORMAL SEASON OF FOOTBALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE ENTIRE MFA COMMUNITY FOR MAKING MY FIRST YEAR IN THE ROLE AN EXTREMELY ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE WITH PLENTY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND SUPPORT FROM EVERYONE INVOLVED IN COACH AND PLAYER DEVELOPMENT.

COACH DEVELOPMENT

Coaching Courses

Although the 2021 Macarthur Football Association season was heavily affected by the NSW lockdown, coach education and development showed no signs of slowing down with course engagement hitting a new record.

Over the 2021 season, Macarthur Football Association hosted various coaching education opportunities which included MiniRoos Certificates, Skill Training Certificates, Game Training Certificates, and Club Coach Coordinator workshops.

With more than 170 individuals successfully completing their training through one or more of these educational opportunities, the MFA are confident that community

coaches are being supported with the relevant tools to help develop the next generation of footballers across the association.

MiniRoos Certificates

The MiniRoos Certificate was the most sought-after coaching course throughout the 2021 season with 105 participants completing the certificate, which is designed for new and inexperienced coaches looking for ideas and support when it comes to coaching.

The course helps coaches develop sessions with a structure based around FUN for our U6-U8 footballers.

From a total of 7 courses held, a special mention should go out to Camden Falcons, Eschol Park FC, Picton Rangers and St Marys FC for hosting MiniRoos Certificates and providing valuable upskilling opportunities for their MiniRoos coaches. Tahmoor Soccer Club also deserves special mention as Club Coach Coordinator Alex Sargent continues to deliver in-house MiniRoos Certificates for Tahmoor coaches.

Another point of particular success was the first Female Only MiniRoos Certificate that was held at Lynwood Park in March of 2021. 20 young ladies from the MFA and the Macarthur Rams Women FC completed their first step towards a coaching pathway under the guidance and support of Macarthur Rams Women Youth coach Samantha McGowan.

Skill & Game Training Certificates

The 2021 season saw 48 coaches complete their Skill Training Certificate and 16 coaches complete their Game Training Certificate in the region.

The introduction of the M-SAP League helped this increase in participation as coaches involved in the program were required to have a minimum Skill Training qualification and were supported by MFA through a subsidised registration cost.

Once again, special mention goes out to Mt Annan, Picton Rangers and Camden Tigers who hosted Skill Training Certificates at their home grounds. Special mention should also be given to Camden Tigers who hosted the first ever Female Only Skill Training Certificate at Ron Dine Memorial Reserve with 8 female coaches continuing their development through the coach education ranks.

In collaboration with Picton Rangers FC Club Coach Coordinator Andrew Merchant, MFA was also able to deliver a combined Skill & Game Training Certificate that was well received by the attendees who walked away with even more knowledge than usual due to the combined nature of the course.

Club Coach Coordinator Program

Building on from the foundation under Norm Boardman's tenure, 2021 saw the Club Coach Coordinator (CCC) program continue to build a network of support for grassroots coaches at the local club level.

3 CCC Workshops were held during the season, including one that was held online. It is evident through this program that there are numerous dedicated and passionate people in the MFA community who are ready to support and mentor others through their own experience and knowledge and by sharing the resources and opportunities that MFA provide.

As we move into the 2022 season, the MFA will be looking for clubs to continue to buy into the Coach Development philosophy and continue building the network of support for all coaches in the community and ultimately improve the experience of all players.

The Coach Education Team & Sport Session Planner

The 2021 season saw courses presented by a team of coaches with the likes of Rod Henderson (MFA SAP Technical Director), Troy Spink (2021 Rams Women Technical Director), Pete Nowakowski (Rams Women Reserve Grade Coach), Sam McGowan (Rams Women Youth Coach) and Justin Mickan (Rams Men Youth Coach) delivering and assisting with coach education courses and club visits throughout the year.

This list of Coach Developers will continue to grow as Paul Bertolissio (Rams Men Head of Football) and Julia Chernoukha (Camden Tigers Girls/Women Technical Director) join the team and begin their journey as coach educators and share their valuable knowledge and experience with the MFA community.

Sport Session Planner (SSP) is a digital coaching platform that MFA has invested in, with the aim of providing further development tools to coaches within the region.

The MFA has invested in 85 coach subscriptions with key influencers being identified within the representative environments of MFA SAP & AYL, Macarthur Rams Men

and Women, and Camden Tigers. This initiative aims to further support all coaches across the region and bridge the gap between grassroots and representative football practises.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

Holiday Clinics

The MFA partnered with A-League newcomers Macarthur FC to deliver Holiday Clinics prior to the COVID lockdown.

Clinics were held at Wayne Gardner Oval and Lynwood Park and saw a total of 339 participants register to the Autumn and Winter holiday clinics, with 138 kids signing up to the first clinics in April.

Unfortunately, the NSW lockdown prohibited the Winter holiday clinics from going ahead, however the registration numbers were extremely promising. We were particularly excited to have 55 girls registered to the first ever Girls Only Holiday Clinic and are positive that we can achieve this engagement again in 2022.

The benefits of collaborating with Macarthur FC Bulls was evident with all participants receiving a Macarthur FC training kit, Macarthur FC posters and the unique opportunity to meet Macarthur FC players like Lachie Rose and Michael Ruhs.

Association Development Program (ADP)

The ADP this year continued its long term success with 189 participants registering to the program that was delivered across 4 locations in the MFA.

The coaching team were spread out around Lynwood Park (St Helens Park), Belgenny Reserve (Camden), Blinman Oval (Glenfield) and Nugget Beames Reserve (Narellan Vale) on Monday and Friday nights to provide flexibility in the options for children to access our structured program delivered by qualified coaches.

Although the season was cut short, we were able to provide 11 weeks of training that included 2 Games Nights that brought all the participants together to play small-sided matches against each other in a gala-day format, and mid-program development reports for the players which provided information about their strengths and opportunities for improvement. We hope that the program and the unique opportunities for development will continue to aid the transition of grassroots players into the local M-SAP League and SAP teams.

At the time of writing this report, the MFA are planning the return to play for the ADP to finish off the program in 2021.

MARKETING SNAPSHOT

THE MACARTHUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION AIMS TO PROMOTE AND CELEBRATE OUR GAME TO ENGAGE MORE PEOPLE THAN ANY OTHER CODE.

Growing the Girls Game is a primary focus for the Association, and in 2021 we saw more female players than ever before. The Girls-only MiniRoos Leagues, introduced in 2019 as a key strategy to attracting and retaining young girls, grew from 28 teams in 2020 to 50 teams in 2021.

Football NSW again supported Associations via the annual 'Play Football' marketing campaign, with a focus on promoting via digital and social platforms. The campaign was primarily targeted at encouraging existing members to return for season 2021.

Once the season began the focus shifted to creating engaging content that celebrated the weekly participation of the Macarthur community in our game. The Association continued to focus on MiniRoos with our 'Showreel' and 'Team Talk' segments again proving to be popular content on Facebook and Instagram.

The Ottimo House M-League again took centre stage as Macarthur's premier competitions. Professional film crew Jum Media returned in 2021 to continue its exceptional coverage of both the Men's and Women's First Grade, with two matches per week live streamed.



2021 MAJOR EVENTS

SUMMER FOOTBALL

Lynwood Park was buzzing on Friday nights during the pre-season, with the return of Summer Football to the synthetic pitch.

LAUNCH OF WALKING FOOTBALL

The new synthetic pitch at Nott Oval was home to Macarthur's pilot Walking Football program in February.



OTTIMO HOUSE M-LEAGUE SEASON LAUNCH

The 2021 M-League Season was launched with a formal reception at Campbelltown's premier events venue and the League's naming rights partner, Ottimo House.

Representatives from all M-League clubs attended the event which included an interview with former Socceroo and inaugural Macarthur FC Bulls Captain Mark Milligan.



COMMUNITY SEASON LAUNCH, FRIDAY 19 MARCH 2021, OTTIMO HOUSE



FEMALE FOOTBALL WEEK 1 – 9 MAY 2021

The MFA and Macarthur Rams Women's FC welcomed several Girls Youth teams onto Lynwood Park to join the Rams for special high performance training sessions.



2021 CITY V COUNTRY CHARITY CUP

It was great to deliver the Charity Cup again, bigger and better than ever before. The U18 Girls and U21 Boys were introduced to the schedule for the first time and played some scintillating Football.

To honour the players selected to represent their respective regions, a shirt presentation was conducted during the Charity Dinner, which raised \$4,000 for our charity partners, the Kids of Macarthur Health Foundation.

U18 Girls Country 6 (Barnard 29', 57' 90', OG 35', Constance 49', 63') U18 Girls City 0

Player of the Match

Jade Constance (Camden Tigers FC)



U21 Boys City 1 (Cummins 59') U21 Boys Country 0

Player of the Match

Brad Cummins (Eschol Park FC)



OVERALL RESULT

Country 2 wins and 10 goals. City 2 wins and 6 goals.

Country retain the Charity Cup on goal difference.

Women's Country 3 (Sapsed 6', 59', Pereria 85')
Women's City 2 (Katti 25', Poetsch 27')

Player of the Match

Mel Walsh (Camden Tigers FC)



Men's City 3 (Pearson 31', Martino 65', Hawwa 70')
Men's Country 1 (Orfali 64')

Player of the Match

Alex Ristovski (Ingleburn Eagles SC)



MACARTHUR REFEREES REPORT



DEREK MEECHAN

President
MDFRA

ON BEHALF OF THE MACARTHUR REFEREES ASSOCIATION (MDFRA) I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MFA AND ALL CLUBS FOR THEIR GREAT SUPPORT THROUGHOUT ANOTHER UNUSUAL & SHORTENED SEASON, I WOULD ESPECIALLY LIKE TO THANK SALV & DARCY FOR THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE REFEREES.

I would like to give a special mention to our appointments officer Stephen Whicker who has, once again, done a fantastic job along with MFA's Steve Carroll in obtaining a continued high coverage of games which would be the envy of any association. With coverage of 95% in juniors, 97% in seniors and 100% in M-League games.

This year some of our members have continued to achieve great heights in their refereeing career with. Bradley Wright once again being appointed to the A-League Assistant Referees Panel for the 2022. Chloe Gray has being appointed to a coaching position on the RDP and FNSW Referees Academy.

The Association would also like to thank MFA for its grant which was used in the recruitment of new senior referees as well as the purchase of some communications equipment

that was used in the M-League with great success. We hope this initiative can continue into the future.

As per usual there will be some changes in the Laws of the Game in the coming season. We will endeavour to inform MFA and clubs of these changes when we become aware of exactly what they are.

To all Clubs, Committees, coaches, managers and players I would like to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a great new year.



MFA SKILL ACQUISITION PROGRAM REPORT



ROD HENDERSON
MFA SAP Technical Director

SEASON 2021 HAS BEEN ANOTHER CHALLENGING YEAR FOR EVERYONE AS WE CONTINUED TO BE IMPACTED BY COVID-19. IN THESE UNUSUAL TIMES FOOTBALL CAN TAKE A BACK SEAT TO ADAPTING TO A NEW WAY OF LIFE.

We started the year with a few washouts which didn't help the coaches and players put into practice what they'd been working on during training and trial games.

In the MFA SAP we tried to move players around in different positions to give them an opportunity to learn about the game. I would like to thank the coaches for sharing my football vision for the MFA. Together we have given players more opportunity to be technically sound and creative players, but more importantly make good decisions on the pitch.

Then along came COVID again which put a halt to our season.

Despite this, we tried to keep the players motivated and engaged with football and continue their development through the 'at home' programs during lockdown. While at home, players were encouraged to keep honing their skills and be ready for a resumption of play.

Thank you to all the players for your hard work and commitment to the 2021 season. To our parents I would like to thank you for your continued support of our players. Thank you for bringing your commitment to training, setting up the fields and your flexibility with the number of changes we have encountered this year.

All of us working together will help these young players enjoy their experience with MFA and also give them the opportunity to go further on their football journey.

Across the program this season from Under 9 – Under 12 we have seen over 15 players move into NPL programs. We would like to wish those players all the very best on their moves into those programs.

Finally, I want to thank our sponsors, the MFA Board, the coaches, assistants, managers, the players and all the parents for a terrific (interrupted) season and can't wait to see what the future holds for these young and aspiring footballers.

Rod Henderson, MFA SAP Technical Director.

MFA SAP U9 COACH REPORT

As we know the season was cut just a little short due to the issues with Covid-19. Despite that, I am pretty happy with how things went this year. Kids learnt a lot and enjoyed the year they had. I know I learnt quite a lot in my first time ever coaching at SAP level.

As the Head Coach of the U9, I really had two main goals: Development, and Enjoyment. I tried to make sure that through the whole season the kids would learn something to help improve their football skills and knowledge. While I was trying to teach the kids all these things, I wanted to keep the environment a safe, happy, and enjoyable place they liked to come to each week to train and play on the weekends.

I believe that I achieved my goals to the best of my ability with the short year I had with the U9. I could clearly see the development in all players both individually and as a team.

We got better each week and the kids were enjoying themselves. Everyone was always happy to train and play. I can say that both the Assistant (Nathan) and the Manager of the team (Natalie) were pretty happy with where we have brought this team and how well they have improved and developed through the program MFA provided.

Throughout this year coaching with MFA, I have learnt many things. I have learnt the importance of structure, organisation, communication, decision making, critical thinking, and that's just to name a few. Throughout this year I have learnt more about coaching than I have anywhere else with the support I had around me. I'm glad I decided to take on such a big role early on in my coaching career as I have learnt more than I could have imagined in such a short period of time. I developed a better understanding of what is needed from a coach in a team and now I hope that I can better myself and my future teams from this.

The 2021 U9 team was formed with kids mainly coming from the Association Development Program. We had kids as young as seven, and kids that hadn't been at the MFA before. We believe the kids have benefited from their first year in the program and hope to continue to nurture their love of the game.

Anthony Luna, Coach, MFA U9 SAP

U9 Coaches Award: Harrison Brown

U9 Player's Player: Clinton Kaandorp

MFA SAP U10 COACH REPORT

Firstly, I would like to thank MFA for the coaching opportunity given to me this year.

The U10 MFA SAP team were a pleasure to coach and mentor through another disjointed season and I look forward to future opportunities.

The team was committed to learning and developing new skills from the get-go and it was fantastic to see their enhanced repertoire of skills, the growing confidence and decision making ability flourish as the season progressed. It was clear that players were working hard as their game play escalated week after week, which clearly demonstrates the saying "The greatest indication of your success is what you do when no one is watching".

Players were rotated through new positions and formations and the players are to be commended on their approach and execution to solve football problems with their teammates. They learnt valuable football and life lessons along the way. The bumps, the bruises, the wins, the losses, what it takes to be a competitor, and more importantly, what type of player they want to be in future seasons.

It was clear to see the possession-based football model being demonstrated by the players each week. Their football intelligence was on show every game as I challenged the players to be more consistent and efficient with every touch. The players are to be commended on being technically sound and creative as the team frequently achieved the goals set out before each game.

Thank you to all the players for your hard work and professionalism. Ability alone is never enough. But when it's combined with hard work and a willingness to learn, you will then reach your full potential.

A massive thank you to all the parents and families for their continued support throughout the season. Having to hand over your players for three training sessions and a game while you stand on the sideline and watch them learn, develop and demonstrate skills can be time consuming and sometimes frustrating, but hopefully worthwhile in the end.

And lastly, I'd like to thank our MFA SAP Convenor Sia, our Technical Director Rod Henderson, our Assistant Coach Robo and Manager Jean for their efforts and support throughout the year.

Finally, congratulations to all involved in making 2021 a huge success and I look forward to seeing what we can achieve in 2022.

Jamie Cook, Coach MFA SAP U10

Coaches Award: Samuel Collison

Player's Player: Koby Davies

MFA SAP U11 COACH REPORT

The U11 MFA SAP squad consisted of 21 players made up of 12 existing MFA players and nine new players with the opportunity to improve their football skills. Within the nine new players was a train-on player which is a good initiative set by the MFA to allow a player to play for their club but also train with the MFA SAP squad to enhance their development through three training sessions a week.

From day one we wanted to achieve a close group team mentality in which the players were on board without hesitation, and they gelled as a squad through pre-season well. In team sport it is imperative for them to want to play for each other and they sure did.

The players started the season well showing good maturity for their age, controlling possession which was a great starting base to work on them with, not only the four core skills but also teaching them tactical play and how to execute this through cues they would notice unfold during a game. Due to the age of the players, they already had the four core skills relatively well crafted, so whilst still working on these we also began to promote

increasing their speed of play and quick decision-making skills which in turn really started to show on the field and their confidence grew along with this, which was great to see. We worked hard on combination play and the boys really showed effective use of these across all thirds of the field. The team created themselves a 'never-say-die' mentality, which will only help them build resilience as they progress into youth level football.

Five players from the 2021 squad have been signed to NPL clubs with others also trialling which shows the pathway and structure of the MFA SAP space is working well.

For my first-year head coaching in representative football, I certainly learned a lot in relation to player management and building sessions for children. My main objective was ensuring the players were enjoying their football as like anything you

are more focused on the task at hand when you enjoy what you're doing.

I'd like to thank all the parents for their support and trust, Rod the Technical Director for all his advice and Sia for her tireless efforts organising the club. Thanks to Ash the assistant coach and Margarita the manager and to Salv and the Board of directors for giving me the chance to coach through 2021.

Finally, a massive thanks to the team - you were just a great bunch of kids that really made my time enjoyable. You guys improved out of sight, and you should be proud of what you achieved this year. I wish you all the best for the 2022 season.

Mitchell Smith, Coach, U11 MFA SAP

Coaches Award: Zachery Pierce

Player's Player: Lachlan Malcolm



MFA SAP 12 COACH REPORT

The MFA SAP U12 team had thirteen players from last season and seven new players from local clubs in the area. The initial aim was to get the new players to understand the Macarthur FA philosophy on and off the pitch. It was challenging for some but once they understood, the team started to grow in confidence and were playing some exciting football.

The main aim for the program was to fine tune each players technical ability as it was their last year as a SAP player. So large parts of training sessions were focused on dribbling, passing and shooting. This led to the players gaining confidence in possession both individually and as a team. The second aim was to start to introduce game understanding in

small groups at different moments of the game. For example, how the defenders work together to stop the opponent or how the attackers work together to score goals.

With every week and every game, the concepts worked on in training were developing well and the players really began to grow as a team. Team possession was improving which led to the players creating more chances than their opponents. Also, the players worked hard defensively as individuals and as a unit. The signs are very positive for this team to be a force to be reckoned with in the coming years in the AYL.

Peter Pullicino, Coach, MFA SAP U12

Coaches Award: Ryder Stewart-Hall

Player's Player: Calvin Nyamekye



ASSOCIATION YOUTH LEAGUE REPORT



ALLAN MARTIN
MFA AYL Technical Director

IT WAS MY FIRST SEASON AS TECHNICAL DIRECTOR AT THE MACARTHUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION. IT'S BEEN A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO SEE PLAYERS DEVELOP AND IMPROVE THEIR FOOTBALL OVER SUCH A SHORT PERIOD. I WAS EXCITED TO BE INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAM, AS I HAD SPENT A FEW YEARS COACHING AT THIS LEVEL WHEN IT WAS FIRST INTRODUCED. I WENT TO NPL FOR A FEW YEARS, SO I WAS HAPPY TO RETURN TO MACARTHUR. I KNOW THERE'S SOME GREAT TALENT WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION. I'M PASSIONATE ABOUT FOOTBALL IN THIS AREA.

When we started the season, we had some good numbers for trials. The players all looked very keen and ready to give their best, to get into the teams under their respective age group. The coaches based their assessments on the boys' technical abilities and fitness to adapt to their playing styles. As we had new coaches to the program, we wanted all boys to trial and show us what they could do.

Once the teams were selected, we trained two nights a week until just before Christmas and returned to football late January 2021. We entered the Bathurst Cup as a club. This is a good preseason hit out for the players and it also allows



them to bond as a team on a weekend away. It's also a good opportunity for parents to get to know each other. The teams learnt a lot from this, and it was a good workout before the season commenced.

We hit the ground running when the season commenced and team performances were better than expected. We had a good mix of ability and teams were eager to show opposition teams how hard they had worked in the preseason.

We base our culture around a good learning environment. It's okay to make mistakes at training, as we learn from that. We also foster a good work ethic. We want our players to attend all training sessions and work hard at training. I've always believed that you play like you train. You need to develop good habits at training, so they become natural in a playing environment. Finally, respect. Respect your coach, your team, the officials, the opposition, and the parents.

We wear this badge with pride, and we represent the Macarthur Football Association. We have great facilities, and we have great qualified coaches that help the kids understand the game and learn about football and what it means to play at a semi-professional environment.

We were proud this season to have had over 10 boys from our program be promoted to the NPL level. We have always said that AYL is a pathway to NPL. This is the elite level of football for the youth within the state.

I want to thank all the sponsors, the committee, the coaching staff, the assistants, the managers, the players and the parents on a wonderful season and we look forward to seeing the future talent develop and grow with the new season ahead.



MACARTHUR RAMS MEN'S REPORT

WELL, THAT'S ANOTHER INTERRUPTED SEASON THAT WE'VE HAD TO ENDURE AND ARE SADDENED IT HAS ENDED WITH NSW CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH THE DELTA PANDEMIC.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone from the Rams family for welcoming me since I was appointed Chairman of the club.

What I found was a wonderful bunch of Players, Coaches, Managers and parents that share a common passion for Football as me.

The Rams Board are already working on the 2022 season which will see some very positive changes to the club moving forward.

It has been a very challenging year but as a family we will get through this together and come out stronger.

Last but not least, I thank all volunteers for your hard work on match day and also our Sponsors for your continued support of our wonderful club. #strongertogether

MICHAEL GIUSTI

Chairman

MACARTHUR RAMS 2021 SAP PROGRAM

Season 2021 has been another challenging year for everyone as we continued to be impacted by COVID-19.

I can appreciate that during these difficult times, football may have taken a lesser priority in people's lives. In spite of this we were able to keep the players motivated and engaged with football and continue their development through our Home Training Program.

In SAP at Macarthur Rams, we reflect on the saying that "The greatest indication of your success is what you do when no one is watching". This was again evident throughout our playing group this season.

Our players continued to demonstrate their personal commitment to develop their skills and understanding of the game. This enabled us to implement a style of play that was consistent throughout the entire SAP program. All RAMS teams now play a possession-based game which is not only attractive but effective.

I would like to thank my fellow coaches for sharing my football vision for the club. Together we have created technically sound and creative players, but more importantly intelligent footballers who make good decisions on the pitch. It is through their commitment and love for the game, that we have seen the continued development of our players during the 2021 season.

Thank you to all the players for your hard work and professionalism. Ability alone is never enough. But when it's combined with hard work and a willingness to learn, you will then reach your full potential.

To our parents I would like to thank you for your continued support of our players and the club. Thank you for bringing your children to training, helping in the canteen, setting up the fields, filming the games and your flexibility with the amount of changes we have experienced this year. This does not go unnoticed and contributes to the success of Macarthur Rams Football Club on and off the pitch.

And lastly, I'd like to thank our SAP Convenor Aimee and all our Team Managers Margarita, Dale, Sarah, Brett and Kelly for doing such a great job keeping our families well informed during a challenging year.

Finally, congratulations to all involved in making 2021 a huge success and I look forward to seeing what we can achieve in 2022.

BRETT EMERTON

Technical Director

Head Coach: Glen Smith

Assistant Coach: Cameron Jones

Manager: Margarita Harding

MACARTHUR RAMS UNDER 9'S

WOW what a year. To say coach Cam and I are proud of this playing group would be an understatement.

It all started with over 100 players trialing for a spot to represent our great club and the Macarthur area in the top flight of football, that being the 2021 SAP Program.

It has been a pleasure to watch this team not only develop skills throughout the season, but more importantly, become more intelligent footballers who make good decisions on the pitch.

The Stats, 28 games, 22 wins, 5 losses and 1 draw, with 142 goals scored and 46 against. Given the squad lost the first 4 games of the season I really want to make note of the hard work this squad has put in to become a powerhouse in the 9's competition. The SAP program is about development, however, I couldn't leave out the incredible efforts of this playing group to achieve such stats against the best players in the state.

Our Parents, without your continued support none of this would have been possible. We thank you for the commitment you have shown the playing group, coaches and club.

Lastly a massive thanks goes to Coach Cameron who is a wealth of knowledge and loved within the playing group. The bond you have formed with the players has helped push them to the next level. To our Manager Margarita, thanks for keeping our parents up to date and providing support both on and off the pitch to players and parents.

Finally, congratulations to all involved in making 2021 such a successful year. It was my privilege and absolute pleasure coaching this incredible bunch.

GLEN SMITH

Head Coach: Alan Golledge

Assistant Coach: Paul Wilson

Manager: Dale Hillard

MACARTHUR RAMS U10'S

This year the U10's has been a pleasure to watch on and off the field. A credit to the playing group to the commitment they have shown in such challenging times. As Coaches, we say "off the pitch is where it counts the most". They continued to feed their love of the game through weekly tasks and home training programs. Players could have easily given up, but every single player showed improvements with ball mastery elements and achieved new personal best results.

Prior to lockdown, 30 matches were completed with 4 loses, 3 draws, 181 goals for and 60 against. If there was one match that had it all, it was against South Coast, both matches were tough fought games, very tight but the footballing lessons from start to finish were the highlights of the campaign for me. The style of football we executed was extremely pleasing to watch, with quick decisions, smarter more intelligent options than opponents, passing combination using limited touches, never giving up when we were down and fighting to the end. To see how far this group has developed this season is encouraging for our program and club.

From the boys and coaching staff, thank you to all the parents for your commitment in getting to and from multiple training venues, to all the games and more importantly ensuring kit bags are complete on match days. Your game day support has always been encouraging, enthusiastic and reassuring to enhance the players' experience.

A massive thank you to Dale Hillard and Paul Wilson, your assistance this season has been exceptional. The continued support from our local businesses and major sponsor, Majestic Kitchens & Joinery, we cant do it without your generosity, again thank you.

Finally, to the players, you guys are a fantastic group not only as footballers but as individuals. I couldn't have asked for a better bunch of lads to spend 4 days a week with. Knowing that I had a small part to play in your journey as footballers, is truly exciting.

Yours in football

ALAN GOLLEDGE

Head Coach U10's RAMS

Head Coach: Brett Emerton

Assistant Coach: Cooper Tomlin

Manager: Sarah Emerton

RAMS 11'S

Season 2021 has been an amazing experience for Cooper and myself to work with a group of players whose commitment to their football education is outstanding. They are a group of talented individuals but their greatest strength is their ability to work as a team. Their willingness to learn and challenge each other has resulted in the team achieving some brilliant results.

The stats, 28 games, 24 wins, 3 losses, 1 draw resulting in 155 goals scored and 41 against. These results have also been achieved through playing an attractive style of football whilst always showing the utmost respect for the opposition players, coaches and referees.

I would like to say thank you to all the players for their hard work and professionalism throughout the season.

I have enjoyed watching you continue to develop your individual techniques but more importantly your transition into intelligent footballers.

To our parents I would like to say a huge thank you for your commitment and continued support of our players and the club. Thank you for your flexibility in regards to changes in training times and venues throughout the season. Also your help in the canteen, setting up of fields etc. and filming of games but most of all you trusting in the process of allowing us coaches to develop your children's games.

A special thanks to Sarah and Aimee and for the endless amounts of communication sent to parents to keep them well informed. Without your help the club would not exist. Thank you to Lisa Markwell for videoing our games and providing our players with a valuable tool to analyse and learn from. And lastly, thank you to my assistant Cooper for his contribution of knowledge and support both on and off the field. The strong relationship you have built with our playing group has been a major contributing factor to the teams success.

Finally congratulations to all coaches, staff, players and parents for your contribution to making 2021 such a successful season and I look forward to seeing what we can achieve in 2022. Kind regards,

BRETT EMERTON

Head Coach: Oz Plaatjies

Assistant Coach: Kash Boonzaier

Manager/s: Kelly & Brett Colbert

5yr Service Award: Ryan Gollledge

MACARTHUR RAMS U12'S

Congratulations to the Under 12's squad for 2022 on their final season in SAP.

Thank you to the parent group for ensuring our players were ready to train and play each week and for the commitment shown towards your child's football development and our program over the years.

Thank you to Coach Oz, Assistant Coach Kash and Team Managers Kelly and Brett for their hard work throughout the season.

We wish all of our players moving into our Rams Youth Program a successful transition and 2022 season and wish any player departing the club all the best in their footballing journey.

Regards,

Brett Emerton

SAP Technical Director

Unfortunately, another year interrupted by the Pandemic which is always challenging for players, coaches, and parents.

So firstly, I would like to thank the parents for their commitment to ensure that the players were supported in the good times and the bad.

This year we started the year with one of the most competitive schedules we have ever organised. I purposely went out to organise this to ensure we got great insight in to where each team was with their technical capability. The results were a mixed bag across all age groups, but the encouraging signs were there as we were competitive in all age groups.

I was confident we had a playing group that could improve on last year when we finished down the bottom of 2.2 and the race was on to make changes to the playing style to ensure that we were playing to highlight our strengths and minimise our weaknesses. We had an overarching playing style that we then amended for each age group as they all had different strengths and weaknesses, and we needed to ensure that we exposed the best version of themselves by allowing these teams to be expressive and get the best results they could whilst sticking to the philosophy I put in place.

As per our trial results the first half of the season was a mixed bag, and we were extremely unlucky in a lot of games. The thing that I was excited about was our playing style, possession and structure was far better than our opposition in 90% of games. I knew it was only a matter of time before the tide would turn and the coaches and I stuck true to our beliefs to ensure there was no confusion in the playing group.

It took us around 8 to 10 rounds to get the results that reflected the games, and as a club we went on a run that is unheard of in NPL football winning 28 games out of 30. Unfortunately, with us being mid table in every age group wasn't enough to get us in to 2.1 but I was still confident that we had the best club in NPL2 as we were consistent across the board and only getting better, where other clubs had 2 good teams that may have had one team pulling the rest of the club through to 2.1.

My thoughts and beliefs were evident when the competition was stopped having us substantially leading the club championship. The player group and coaches should be extremely proud of themselves finishing where they finished, and I would like to thank you all for buying in to my philosophy and playing style. The improvements were evident when we played the same clubs in round 2 that we lost or drew to in round 1, then got a comfortable result against them in round 2.

The biggest success for me this season though isn't about the wins and competitiveness of this playing group, it was the inclusive culture that was built in the club and was exciting to see players from older age groups supporting and helping the younger players out. The interaction between our first grade and youth players coming to watch the team, and then coming in for the team song at the end of the game was great to see. The coaches collectively discussing different options to improve as a club and challenging each other to ensure no

stone was left unturned to get the best result possible for the club.

Lastly, I would like to say thank you to a club that I am extremely proud of for trusting me to take this youth program. I have made great lifelong relationships with players and coaches and look forward to seeing you all around the grounds.

JIMMY MAIR

Youth Technical Director

Head Coach: Joe Curtale

Assistant Coach: Ben Condon

Manager: Adrian Buttigieg

MACARTHUR RAMS U13'S

Congratulations

Coaches Award: Sebastian Francois

Players Player: Aaron Kearney

5yr Service Award: Aaron Kearney

5yr Service Award: Lucas Catana

2021 has to be a season like no other !!! Preseason started well with pretty much all NPL 1 teams in our trial phase. Before the Xmas break, we played Apia and Spartans, both games we competed well in the first half and fitness let us down in the second. After we came back from the break all the players worked extremely hard to make sure we improved in our second halves. The remainder of the trials we saw a vast improvement concluding with a great come from behind win against St George in our last trial game.

The first half of the season saw us dominate most teams in play and possession but not get the results whether it was not scoring or conceding soft goals, this became incredibly frustrating for all involved players and coaching staff. Ben, Adrian and myself were constantly hearing from other coaches how they couldn't believe they beat us, all the coaching staff were confident we were going to turn this around and to their credit none of the boys gave up.

In the second half of the season the boys turned playing good football into winning games, when the season was suspended due to Covid we had played 6 games for 6 wins. For me personally I could not be prouder to see this team come full circle, our last game in the local derby wasn't pleasant to watch – if that game was played earlier in the season, I'm sure we would have found a way to lose it but we dug deep to get the win.

This group of young men have shown this season that they refuse to give in and this will hold them all in good stead in all aspects of their lives. I have worked with some of these players for 3 years now and to see the improvement and growth in them makes me a proud coach. I'm sure all the players and coaching staff will never forget this season for

the roller coaster ride that it was, if we don't get the chance to play again this season it will be disappointing but deep down everyone involved in this team has learned something about digging in and not giving up that will strengthen them for seasons to come.

This season would not be possible without Ben and Adrian, I can't thank you two enough for supporting the team in every way this season. Even when results weren't going our way, I had your support 100% and personally I can't thank you enough. I'd also like to thank Jamie Mair our Youth TD for the guidance and support this season.

I would like to thank every player in this squad, as a first season on the full field I'm sure its one you won't forget in a hurry. The one thing that I will hold on to is sitting back watching you all sing the team song for the first time at Lynwood Park - the look in every players eyes was priceless, also Ben and I standing in the middle of Hawkesbury's field hearing the boys chanting out the song.

Finally, id like to thank all involved at Rams starting with Jamie Mair our TD, Kate the Youth Convener, Gordon and anyone else I have forgotten.

Best wishes,

JOE CURTALE

U13s Head Coach

Head Coach: Sash Drijovski

Assistant Coach: Chris DeJong

Manager: Kritika Singh

MACARTHUR RAMS U14'S

Congratulations

Coaches Award: Adam Natter

Players Player: Tristan McIntosh

5yr Service Award: Mervyn Stone

5yr Service Award: Jet Jeffress

Season 2021 started with renewed optimism and excitement following a turbulent stop-start and makeshift 2020 season.

Although 2021 has come to a slight hiatus from my own perspective with the u14s it can be viewed as a successful one.

It was my first season at the Rams and I am extremely happy with my decision to join such a historic club. I am grateful for the opportunity the Rams Board, Club officials and Technical Director have given me with this head coaching role and the continued support from them throughout the season. It has been one of the key factors to our success.

I inherited a group of young men with raw talent and a passion for football which made it easy to hit the ground running. The players took to my possession based philosophy and mixed with their technical ability and our joint passion for the game and desire to win we had the recipe for success.

We were extremely competitive all year in this competition and the players have been rewarded for their efforts and persistence of playing a good brand of football by sitting equal first as it currently stands. Players and their parents should be extremely proud of their efforts and be excited for what is to come at Macarthur Rams Football Club.

A huge thank you to the players, the parents, the coaching staff and manager and also club officials for this season.
Regards,

COACH SASH

Under 14s Head Coach

MACARTHUR RAMS U15'S

Head Coach: Lewie Dellis

Assistant Coach: Brevis Ashton

Manager: Anthony Dellis

Congratulations

Coaches Award: Saahil Karki

Players Player: Daniel Gurgess

The year started off ok but would have been better if the team was able to work on their cardio fitness. This being the case we struggled with injuries at the start of the season and had to request players from the 14's for game days. The 15s are tremendously grateful to the 14s for their support.

Once we had all our players back and ran as a full squad we were hard to beat. The boys played a beautiful game of football with a never give up attitude. Then we came across the same challenges as last year the dreaded COVID, a big round of applause to the team for sticking to the 3 days a week training schedule on ZOOM also doing extra sessions that were given to them by the coaching staff.

Just wanted to let the whole team know that on behalf of Brevis, Anthony and myself a big thank you to all players and parents for this year.

Regards,

COACH LEWIE

Under 15s Head Coach

MACARTHUR RAMS U16'S

Head Coach: Rod Henderson

Assistant Coach: Bryce Dolinscak

Manager: Les Cox

Congratulations

Coaches Award: Oliver Cox & Andrew Salian

Players Player: Oliver Cox

Firstly, I would like to thank Jamie Mair for giving me the chance to return to Macarthur Rams in 2021, a club I never

wanted to leave in the first place and a club with such great history.

Secondly, I would like to thank all the parents for accepting me and entrusting me with your sons.

We had a lot to learn in such a short amount of time. Throughout the year we played some excellent football and really showed what this playing group can achieve. We did lose games early in the piece due to lack of understanding around game awareness which takes time to build in players. Once we got through some tough times there was always going to be the reward and that came with us finally winning our last 6 games in a row.

Thirdly, I would like to thank the players. You have been awesome to work with and the way you adapted to my coaching style is a testament to not only your character but a reflection on how much you wanted to learn.

Team culture is what we build everything on. At our team meetings we had open and honest discussions, sharing our thoughts, ideas, and opinions. Creating this sort of culture is one of the fundamental foundations of a successful team.

This group has bucket loads of character and the willingness to adapt to different situations at training and in games. We made sure that all individuals brought something to the group, and I can see the bond these players have off the field lasting a lifetime.

Special mention goes to our assistant coach Bryce, who is not only a very smart footballer, but he also has a very smart football brain, and I am glad the players got to listen to his knowledge firsthand.

Our manager Les, he was an absolute rock all year and had everything prepared for me whether it be training or on game day. The communication to the parents all year was all because of Les.

I would also like to thank;

- Our sponsor, C & S All Trades, for their great support for 2021, you guys have been amazing.
- Kate McLaren, the youth convenor, for all her help in the beginning of the year.
- Lisa Carter for filming our games.

A huge thank you to my wife who encouraged me to coach this team in 2021 and all her support not only in 2021 but throughout my coaching career. Thank you

ROD HENDERSON

Under 16s Head Coach

MACARTHUR RAMS U18'S

Head Coach: Justin Mikan

Assistant Coach: Jamie Cook

Manager: Glenn Parkin

Congratulations

Coaches Award: Jayden Cook

Players Player: Samuel Sisounon

5yr Service Award: Domonic Rajacic

5yr Service Award: Joshua Mickan

5yr Service Award: Samuel Sisounon

Where do I start.....

It only feels like yesterday that we started this season. But like last season COVID-19 has taken the season away from us.

I remember at one of our first sessions that I promised that we would push you all to your limit and improve you all as footballers and as young men.

Well, I can say that we (The coaching staff) have achieved this. We are immensely proud of you all. Let me talk about the first 11 rounds, the draws killed us.

I still cannot work out why we had so much trouble putting the ball in the net. We have so much quality going forward. I can honestly say the only game we deserved to lose was against Parramatta. We were robbed of the chance to play them over 90 minutes. We played well that night, but they just wanted it more. We can, and must always, learn from our experiences.

Now for the second round. Yet to be completed and were undefeated thus far. Like in round 1, no team can come close

to us when we turn up. I am confident when we return, we will win this competition.

As a coaching group we are privileged to have worked with such a talented group of young men. You have done the front and back of the jersey proud. We cannot ask for more than that.

Wherever your football journey takes you; I encourage you to keep moving forwards and learn regardless of where you end up. You will learn from every coach you have and will continue to learn into the future. So, embrace it.

Cookie and I would like to personally thank you for all your efforts and we are only ever a phone call away if needed. Lads like we always say, play what you see. Back yourself. Back your team mate and most of all be a good team mate. Love you all,

JUSTIN MICKAN

Under 18s Head Coach

MACARTHUR RAMS U20'S

Head Coach: Tom Bazdaric

Assistant Coach: Chris De Jong

Manager: Jason Hillman

2021 saw myself and Chris DeJong teaming up again for the Rams in the Under 20's competition.



Also coaching in the senior space we had Jason Breton at the helm of first grade and assisting Jason, was Jamie Mair and goalkeeping legend from Columbia, Rafael.

Season 2021 kicked off with some very difficult preseason fixtures, against quality teams, from NPL 1 & 2. There were some very encouraging results and performances. During the preseason matches, many of our 20's players participated in first-grade games, gaining valuable experience. The 20's preseason games had some positive performances as well, most notably being the 1-1 draw with Sydney United.

The season proper commenced with a come-from-behind draw against the 2020 Grand Final winners Dunbar Rovers. It was a tale of two halves where the boys turned on the football in the second half, to show some positive signs for weeks to come. The following four weeks produced some exciting games, with some dominant performances by individuals, with the squad going undefeated for the first five games of the season. Four of these games ended in a draw which did frustrate the boys, as they were conceded from a winning position on three occasions. The season continued in the same vein as the boys would control the games for long periods followed by some lapses in concentration in later parts of the game. Most notably the 2-0 lead that was surrendered to the top of the table Dulwich Hill, ending in a draw. A highlight of the season was the team performance against Inner West

Hawks where the quality and speed of football played out for the entire 90 minutes, ending in a goal feast for the boys and a welcome return to the score sheet for Ryan Kidd, after a long spell between goals due to injury.

Culminating when the entire bench running on the pitch to celebrate Ryans' hattrick.

The later part of the season saw the departure of Jason Breton and the arrival of Brett Hewit as the new first-grade coach. His arrival heralded call-ups for many of the 20's players in training sessions as well as the matchday program. It was clear to see the evolution and development of those players with every minute they spent with the first-grade squad.

Congratulations to our players that made their first-grade call ups and debuts this year, in full competition.

- Joshua Mazuerkewics
- Ryan Kidd
- Huss Arudareb
- Alexander Mangion
- Conner Gilbert
- Adam Hillman
- Sasan Najibi





Thank you to Jason, Jim, Rafael, and Brett for making this possible and giving opportunities to these young Macarthur talents.

Many thanks to the hard-working 20's squad that made this year an enjoyable one and also to Chris, Jason Hillman, Brodie, Justin, Cookie, Brevis, and the Board. Thank you, and see you in 2022!

MACARTHUR RAMS FIRST GRADE

Head Coach: Brett Hewit

Manager: Richard Scurr

The 2021 season began with high expectations and coming into the back-end of the season the senior men's program was on-track for promotion when yet again we have all had to ensure a COVID interrupted season.

Following the ongoing delays FNSW then made the announcement of the cancellation of all competitions and noting the extraordinary circumstances have deferred the promotion and relegation structure to the 2022 season.

We would like to acknowledge the ongoing support from the Board and the Association during this period and also the resilience of the playing group and their respective families under these extremely trying circumstances.

We are already well into planning for the 2022 season and are very much looking forward to the opportunity to

gain promotion back into Football NSW League 2 Men's competition.

Kind regards,

BRETT HEWIT

1st Grade Coach

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Nathan Garriock Award is proudly presented to:

Harrison Ashton

Congratulations

On behalf of Macarthur Rams FC we would like to wish Ryan all the very best for the next chapter in his footballing career.

Ryan Buttigieg Under 13s (2021) has signed with Sydney FC.

The Macarthur Rams Board and Program Conveners would like to thank all our coaches and players for their professionalism, passion and commitment and the parents for their flexibility.

The game would not simply exist if it wasn't for these passionate and dedicated people.

The sacrifices that you all make doesn't go unnoticed.

As the 2021 concludes and whatever lies ahead for you in 2022, we wish you all the very best.

MACARTHUR RAMS WOMEN'S REPORT



ROB LAWS
Chairman

ONCE AGAIN WE REFLECT ON A PANDEMIC AFFECTED SEASON AFTER WE HOPED 2020 WOULD SEE THE END OF A SHORTENED COMPETITION. LIKE ALL FOOTBALL FOLLOWERS, WE WERE LOOKING FORWARD TO A COMPLETE AND SUCCESSFUL 2021 FOLLOWING A DISAPPOINTING 2020 YEAR, BUT UNFORTUNATELY THAT WAS NOT TO BE.

Putting all that aside, Rams Women were able to consolidate their programs and make some advances planned from the previous season. Our GSAP teams once again were sourced from local clubs with a near 100% representation from Macarthur based young players, who in this structured development league showed themselves to be quality footballers and more than up to the task. Congratulations to the GSAP coaching staff, players and families on your commitment. Many of our GSAP players will transition to the youth league ranks next year and the preparation and experience received in prior years will be of tremendous assistance to them.

Our Youth teams (U14, 15 and 17) were all in tremendously strong competitions with every week bringing on field challenges. While some of the league ladders may not show the level of dedication and work put in by players

and coaches, behind the scenes it was evident that much planning, program tweaking and development work was in progress. The shortened season did not assist us at all as the squads were only mid way through implementing the plans that were being worked on. A positive is this will not be lost on the players and they can all take the experience of this year into the upcoming season. Thank you to all the coaching staff, players and supporters who continue to promote Rams throughout the football community.

The 1st and Reserve grade squads have a long history of being very competitive and well respected in the National Premier League competitions. The 2021 campaign brought us right back to where we belong on the competition ladders after implementing plans and changes required following the 2020 season. Experienced young coaches in Stephen Peters and Peter Nowakowski were recruited to ensure Rams were thoroughly prepared and ready to deliver in the NPL. Congratulations and thanks to the coaches as they understood exactly what was expected and they professionally went about ensuring all players were on board and "bought in" to the program. The combination of returning players with newly recruited ones was handled in a first class manner and largely contributed to the on field success we posted up until the early closure of the season.

It is evident that both the coaching staff and players have unfinished business with Stephen, Peter and the large majority of players already signed on and committed for the 2022 season. There is no doubt Rams are more than ready to take up where they left off and next season cannot come early enough for them.

No club can function and operate effectively without the support of dedicated volunteers and Macarthur Rams Womens FC is no exception. We are so fortunate to have volunteers who are first class and keen to assist the club in any manner requested of them and even more again.

I must acknowledge a standout contributor and leader of our volunteer group in Claire Mc Fadden. In a first class and enthusiastic manner, Claire has been the force behind

the scenes and ties together the contribution of all volunteers and supporters to ensure nothing remains behind in the delivery of quality services to the club. Congratulations and thank you again Claire and your team for yet another year of making Rams a priority.

From its inception, the club has had very close ties with Macarthur Football Association Inc to ensure a planned pathway is operational and available for the female players of Macarthur. The 2021 season saw the continuation of our close relationship and we thank MFA for the ongoing support and facilities you provide Macarthur Rams to ensure we continue delivering a top quality program for our area.

GSAP UNDER 10

Coach	Graham Watton
Assistant	Ky Watton
Manager	Amanda Marks

Squad

Shayla Fairley	Camden Tigers
Bella Thomas	Camden Tigers
Sierra East	Camden Falcons
Ruby Grant	Mount Annan Mustangs
Megan Forester	Bradbury Ambarvale
Holly Nightscales	Camden Tigers
Jazlyn Jones	Narellan Rangers
Lily Finlay	Harrington United
Emily Marks	Appin United
Katie Lowe	Camden Falcons
Indiana Vial	Oran Park Rovers
Michaela Togias	Macarthur Rams

GSAP – UNDER 11

Coach	Grant Toole
Assistant	Ben Baxter
Manager	Jo Walmsley

Squad

Ellie Harris	Camden Tigers
Ella Brady	Macarthur Rams
Laila Walmsley	Macarthur Rams
Chloe Forester	Bradbury Ambarvale
Claudia Blunden	Macarthur Rams
Mia Kapczuk-May	Macarthur Rams
Mia Brooks	Macarthur Rams
Lakeisha Schwarze	Campbelltown Cobras
Holly Neilson	St Marys Eaglevale
Tahlia Safadi	St Marys Eaglevale
Tyrone Pearson	Campbelltown United
Olivia Amador	Macarthur Rams

A year, yet again, decimated and shortened by the pandemic. However, this great group of young girls illustrated the RAMS's core values once again in showing high development in growth, attitude, resilience, flexibility and a desire to achieve results. And results they showed;

the team achieved an amazing 15 wins in a row, an achievement that won't be forgotten for a long, long time. Without the high attendance and commitment to training, the special bond the girls have with each other, and the focus to turn up on match days with a passion to deliver results for the club and themselves, none of this would have happened.

The future of Macarthur Rams WNPL squads, and potentially further beyond with state sides and young Matildas squads, are in safe hands. The dedication and devotion displayed by these young girls that pull on the Macarthur Rams jersey in the GSAP program will provide the platform for the girls to flourish in their future footballing endeavours. Congratulations for such a highly successful season U11 girls, you deserve every bit of credit and exposure handed to you. Lastly, a testament to all the GSAP coaches and managers that have been involved in this program for 2021 - our results speak for themselves across the four age groups. Well done!

PROUD TO BE A RAM.

Coach's Award: Ella Brady

Player's Player: Mia Brooks

GSAP – UNDER 12

Coach	Liam McDonagh
Manager	Gail Hohberg

Squad

Emily Denford	Macarthur Rams
Erin Komarek	Oran Park Rovers
Jorja Hohberg	Macarthur Rams
Amelia Taylor	Bradbury Ambarvale
Eva Gawel	Gunners SC
Bree Hill	Macarthur Rams
Isabella Minici	Macarthur Rams
Leila Tulich	Macarthur Rams
Hannah Spannenberg	Bradbury Ambarvale
Erin Watton	Macarthur Rams
Sian Goodall	Macarthur Rams
Ruby Marks	Macarthur Rams

GSAP – UNDER 13

Coach	Dwayne Pearson
Assistant	Ben Baxter
Manager	Kelly Thompson

Squad

Eliza Brady	Macarthur Rams
Estella Sen	Campbelltown Cobras
Cara Sims	Macarthur Rams
Taylor-Jay Thompson	Macarthur Rams
Mia Smith	Macarthur Rams
Maya Miller	Macarthur Rams
Jiselle Petrovski	Appin United
Jasmine Eason	Macarthur Rams

Bridget Malone	Macarthur Rams
Elaine Panayotopoulos	Macarthur Rams
Chelsea Hidalgo	Macarthur Rams
Lara Underwood	Ruse FC
Ava Abi-Khattar	Campbelltown Cobras

Firstly, I'd like to say what a great bunch of girls in the under 13s for 2021. We set out some team targets as well as individual targets at our initial meet and greet. Each girl delivered in areas well out of the comfort zone. It was also great to have players from the 13's squad step up into the WNPL system throughout the year playing for U14s, as it showed that the GSAP is a crucial program in more ways than one. Even though the results don't count, the girls still had the drive to improve each week with the girls only suffering two defeats in the season. At times it can be difficult transitioning from primary school to high school, as well as the heavy workload of training but they all stood up to the challenges.

Special thank you to the other GSAP squads and Staff, as this assisted the 13's throughout the years. I feel fortunate to have a great bunch to have worked with, and I am looking forward to the next chapter of their footballing careers.

This Year's Coach's award went to Jasmine Eason. Jasmine really stepped up this year and displayed tremendous leadership both on and off the field. Her ability to take instructions and execute them was of a high standard. Well done

Coach's Award: Jasmine Eason

Player's Player: Taylor-Jay Thompson AND Chelsea Hidalgo

YOUTH NPL1 – UNDER 14

Coach	Darren Surjan
Assistant	Cooper Tomlin
Managers	Gail Tomlin, Katrina Ha

Squad

Mia Dixon
Joy Salama
Charli Tomlin
Jessica Forde
Laila Melo
Elizabeth Ha
Darcy Eddie
Hannah Gore
Ariana Ivastanin
Issabella Coelho
Pyper Pearson
Hayley Johnson
Arddun Surjan
Mia Murialdo
Harriet Gunn
Jiselle Petrovski

Challenging season by all accounts due to covid though the girls first year of youth football has been a great success. Our goals this year were to play positive attractive football, for all

players to improve technically and to enhance their football knowledge. The girls always showed competitiveness, showing that will to win while always demonstrating sportsmanship. There was always self-belief and a special bond with this team. This was a team that was always committed, committed in putting in maximum effort. The team always strived to achieve excellence. The girls also displayed great character and maturity on and off the pitch. Attitude and work ethic at training and on game day has been nothing short of amazing.

The under 14's included 5 girls playing above their age, and every player in the 14's squad played up for the 15's at some stage which is an achievement in itself. 5 girls were also selected by the TD to attend 2021 FNSW Girls Talent Support Program.

Coach's award: Isabella Coelho

YOUTH NPL1 – UNDER 15

Coach	Sam McGowan
Managers	Claire McFadden, Gordon Norman

Squad

Jade Hughes
Mikaela Molina
Tayla Hooker
Rose North
Amelia Beacroft
Charlotte Sisounon
Mackenzie Gallagher
Olivia Burke
Alessandra Gerace
Rebecca Norman
Chloe Hanrahan
Shae Paananen

Whilst 2021 was another year shortened by Covid-19, the focus of the season for the U15's team was player development both physically and mentally. Technically and tactically, the players were challenged and whilst the beginning of the season was tough, by the end the girls had well and truly found their feet and were extremely competitive against teams in the top 4.

Off the field, the players dealt with another shortened season with maturity and class. The players worked hard, set high standards for themselves and the team and proved their resilience in the face of challenges. Overall, the season was an extremely enjoyable one and the development in players from beginning to end was great.

Coach's Award: Rose North

Player's Player: Olivia Burke and Rebecca Norman

YOUTH NPL1 – UNDER 17

Coach	Troy Spink
Managers	Claire McFadden, Sandra Santos

Squad

Alyse McCutcheon

Mia Fuller
 Gabrielle McFadden
 Cerys Maddox
 Emelia Dell
 Erika Halim
 Camille Falshaw
 Alice Bishop
 Jorgi Webb
 Hayley Santos
 Halle Callow
 Sophie Alchin
 Courtney Dollin
 Zarli Lakeman
 Charlotte Wilson
 Eve Wilson

Our 17's like many were a good mix of old Rams faces that were joined by a few new faces for 2021. It was a pleasure to watch how hard the young ladies worked in every minute of training, in all conditioning, passing and positioning routines. It was also great to see how they supported and lifted each other along the way through every challenge they faced.

It is no secret that results did not fall the 17's way this season and this was not down to the effort from the players, as this was admired by many. As their coach I loved seeing how brave they were every week, with and without the ball on the field. I truly believe that this attitude, resilience and self-belief, mixed together with the lessons the players would have learned in regard to the individual core skills components that they can each work on, will put the team in a positive position in regards to preparation for 2022.

It has been a pleasure to be a part of all the ladies journey at Macarthur Rams and I wish them all the best moving forward.

Coch's Award: Gabrielle McFadden and Halle Callow

Player's Player: Halle Callow

YOUTH MAJOR AWARDS

Youth Golden Boot

Gabrielle McFadden

Youth Player of the Year

Isabella Coelho

1st and Reserve Grade

Leena Khamis
 Shamiran Khamis
 Kylie Ledbrook
 Renee Rollason
 Patricia Charalambous
 Rachael Goldstein
 Bethany Gordon
 Olivia Sloan
 Leila Braimah
 Mia Diacorgorgis
 Chrystal Duggan
 Laura Murtagh
 Elisha Williams
 Katherine Hanley-Sadgrove
 Lara Dipple
 Jemica Artillaga
 Claire Gilligan
 Chloe Gordon
 Jasmine Limon
 Sophie Macalpine
 Madeline Malone
 Alanah Nicholas
 Lily Smith
 Holly Williams
 Charmaine Marquinez
 Mel Caceres
 Lauren Keir
 Hayley Taylor-Young
 Kya Stewart
 Danielle Bishop
 Abbey Lemon
 Isabella Foletta

Coaches Player Award 1st Grade

Sham Khamis

Coaches Player Award Reserve Grade

Claire Gilligan

1st Grade Golden Boot

Leena Khamis

Reserve Grade Golden Boot

Elisha Williams

Players Player Award 1st Grade

Sham Khamis

Players Player Award Reserve Grade

Claire Gilligan

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Macarthur Football Association Inc ABN 82 138 352 399

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Income	1,737,979	1,421,249
Operating profit before income tax	(1,713,785)	(1,404,708)
Income tax (credit) attributable to operating profit (loss)	-	-
Operating profit after income tax	24,194	16,541
Retained profits at the beginning of the financial year	1,248,331	1,231,790
Total available for appropriation	1,272,525	1,248,331
Retained profits at the end of the financial year	1,272,525	1,248,331

BALANCE SHEET**For the year ended 30 June 2021**

	Note	2021	2020
		\$	\$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash assets	2	1,249,092	975,895
Receivables	3	311,413	582,626
Other	4	57,055	64,189
Total Current Assets		1,617,560	1,622,710
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	5	290,073	304,958
Total Non-Current Assets		290,073	304,958
Total Assets		1,907,633	1,927,668
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	6	494,047	528,734
Current tax liabilities	7	67,554	82,778
Provisions	8	28,049	11,350
Other	9	40,432	41,163
Total Current Liabilities		630,082	664,025
Non-Current Liabilities			
Provisions	8	-	11,286
Other	9	5,026	4,026
Total Non-Current Liabilities		5,026	15,312
Total Liabilities		635,108	679,337
Net Assets		1,272,525	1,248,331
Members' Funds			
Retained profits		1,272,525	1,248,331
Total Members' Funds		1,272,525	1,248,331

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2021

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act of New South Wales and Class Order 11/01. In the opinion of the Management Group the association is not a reporting entity because it is not reasonable to expect the existence of users who rely on the association's general purpose financial statements for information useful to them for making and evaluating decisions about the allocation of resources. The association has not assessed whether these special purpose financial statements comply with all the recognition and measurement requirements in Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(a) Accounts Receivables and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members and customers for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of operations. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

(b) Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

PPE are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

(c) Income Tax

The Management Group are of the opinion that the Association is exempt from Income Tax under the provisions of Section 50.45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 and consequently no provision for taxation has been raised in the financial statements.

(d) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

(e) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less."

(f) Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed.

Interest revenue is recognised when received.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the Association obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt. Where the terms of the Grant or donation prescribe specific performance obligations, income is recognised when the performance obligations are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(g) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable.

(h) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Association that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability and is subject to normal credit terms (30-60 days). The balance is not interest-bearing."

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Note 2: Cash assets		
Bank accounts:		
Westpac Bank	948,355	675,500
ME Bank Term Deposit:	300,000	300,000
Other cash items:		
Cash on hand	737	395
	1,249,092	975,895

Note 3: Receivables

Current		
Trade debtors	295,413	566,626
Amounts receivable from:		
Club development loan - Gregory Hills FC	16,000	16,000
	311,413	582,626

Note 4: Other Assets

Current		
Other debtors and prepayments	57,055	64,189
	57,055	64,189

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**For the year ended 30 June 2021**

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Note 5: Property, Plant and Equipment		
Leasehold improvements:		
- At cost	593,529	589,052
- Less: Accumulated depreciation	(342,355)	(325,592)
	251,174	263,460
Plant and equipment:		
- At cost	79,615	68,614
- Less: Accumulated depreciation	(46,313)	(34,577)
	33,302	34,037
Motor vehicles:		
- At cost	25,000	25,000
- Less: Accumulated depreciation	(19,403)	(17,538)
	5,597	7,462
	290,073	304,958

Note 6: Payables**Unsecured:**

- Trade creditors and accruals	494,047	528,734
	494,047	528,734
	494,047	528,734

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Note 7: Tax Liabilities		
Current		
GST payable control account	26,626	51,511
Input tax credit control account	(355)	(6,060)
GST clearing	33,718	28,203
Amounts withheld from salary & wages	7,565	9,124
	67,554	82,778

Note 8: Provisions		
Current		
Employee entitlements*	28,049	11,350
	28,049	11,350
Non-Current		
Employee entitlements*	-	11,286
	-	11,286

* Aggregate employee entitlements liability 28,049 22,636

There were 5 employees at the end of the year

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Note 9: Other Liabilities		
Current		
Income received in advance	40,432	41,163
	40,432	41,163
Non-Current		
Other payables - Club bonds	5,026	4,026
	5,026	4,026

Note 10: Related Parties

Transactions with related parties

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other persons.

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

Peter Kovacsics provided gardening, maintenance and line marking services through his business 'Jims Mowing Leumeah'. Peter was elected as a director on 14 November 2018.	51,065	47,214
	51,065	47,214
Rahul Lachman, a director, is a partner of Marsdens Law Group. Marsdens Law Group provided sponsorship income to the Association.	5,000	5,000
	5,000	5,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2021

Note 11: Events Subsequent to Reporting Date

There has been no matter or circumstance, other than that referred to in the financial statements or notes thereto, that has arisen since the end of the financial year, that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the entity in future years.

The Management Group has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Management Group the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Macarthur Football Association Inc as at 30 June 2021 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

The Management Group is responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the accounting records and the disclosure of all material and relevant information.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Management Group and is signed for and on behalf of the Management Group by:

Chairman - Darcy Lound

Financial Controller - Rob Milne

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The signature on the left is 'D. Lound' and the signature on the right is 'Rob Milne'.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MACARTHUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION INC

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Macarthur Football Association Inc., which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2021, the profit and loss statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by Members of the Management Group.

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial report of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined necessary had the limitation on our audit procedures referred to in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report not existed, the financial report of Macarthur Football Association Inc:

- i. gives a true and fair view of Macarthur Football Association Inc.'s financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. complies with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Due to the nature of the organisation, controls over the collection of revenue prior to their entry into the financial records is limited. Our audit procedures with respect to revenue were restricted to amounts recorded in the association's financial records. As a result, we are unable to express an opinion as to whether revenue is complete.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Macarthur Football Association Inc. to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the constitution and Associations Incorporation Act. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.



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Management Group's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Management Group of the association are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the constitution, Associations Incorporation Act and the needs of members. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

In preparing the financial report, the Management Group is responsible for assessing the association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Management Group either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level assurance, it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Management Group.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Management Group's uses of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation



We communicate with the Management Group regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during the audit.

ACCOUNTCORP GROUP SERVICES

Craig J Odewahn CPA
Partner
Campbelltown

13 October 2021

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Income		
Administration fee - Clubs	1,100	1,100
Canteen & bar sales	9,141	4,725
Coaching clinic income	27,025	13,349
Association Development Program	87,964	-
Fines - Clubs	2,491	737
- Grand Final series	-	4,909
- M-League presentation	-	3,897
Fundraising and sponsorship income	107,439	86,805
Ground hire income	2,000	2,667
Grant income	16,000	13,690
Interest received	3,684	6,596
Licence course fees	4,301	2,360
Match fees - Clubs	264,001	87,643
Pre-season camp	-	5,650
Association SAP	101,791	110,218
Association Youth League	84,183	94,988
Registration fees - local competition	884,851	823,358
Registration fees - talent ID program	-	3,373
Registration fees - summer football	13,794	6,395
Govt.Subsidy - Cash Flow Boost	35,543	59,237
Govt Subsidy - JobKeeper	52,500	45,000
Sundry income	227	-
Team nomination fees	39,944	44,552
Total income	1,737,979	1,421,249

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Expenses		
Advertising & promotion	11,964	9,163
Amortisation expense	16,763	16,665
Audit fees	6,000	6,000
Bank fees & charges	612	407
Bookkeeping expenses	9,909	9,709
Canteen & bar purchases	4,072	4,405
Capitation and insurance	533,029	422,050
Coaching expenses	104,245	37,210
Physiotherapist fees	6,241	416
Convenor fees	2,212	2,286
Depreciation - Plant	13,601	11,729
Donations	1,405	-
Electricity	14,171	11,765
Equipment and uniforms	74,766	93,731
Filing fees	252	249
Fringe benefits tax	570	570
- City v country	33,577	-
Grand Final series	3,507	12,887
- Local competition	-	4,724
- M-League	13,375	16,684
- Other functions and events	14,215	15,133
- Season launch	6,363	14,718
- Macarthur FC	46,130	-
- MFA Christmas party	7,118	-
Fundraising and sponsorship expenses	-	316
Grants to Rams Men	45,000	25,000
Grants to Rams Women	35,000	23,000
Ground hire	10,435	9,252
Insurance	5,501	6,143
Motor vehicle expenses	11,436	11,751
Postage, printing, stationery & phone	20,144	27,263

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

Presentation trophies & expenses	23,749	37,432
Pre-season camp	-	12,495
Prizemoney	25,500	25,800
Provision for annual leave	9,504	(7,849)
Provision for long service leave	(4,091)	2,834
Referees fees	18,006	16,054
Repairs & maintenance	79,092	69,984
Security	3,066	3,423
Special project - referee subsidy program	9,091	1,227
Subscriptions	5,482	3,272
Sundry expenses	2,741	-
Superannuation	35,202	38,272
Team photography	84,123	4,963
Wages	370,542	402,859
Website hosting	165	716
Total expenses	1,713,785	1,404,708
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax	24,194	16,541
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities	-	-
Net profit attributable to the association	24,194	16,541
Total changes in equity of the association	24,194	16,541
Opening retained profits	1,248,331	1,231,790
Net profit attributable to the association	24,194	16,541
Closing retained profits	1,272,525	1,248,331

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

FOOTBALL NSW AWARD WINNERS

YEAR	AWARD	RECIPIENT
1998	State Award	Jan Beard
2005	State Award	Rob Laws
2006	Life Membership	Rob Laws
2007	State Award	Deborah Plumb
2007	Charles Valentine Medal	Rob Laws
2008	State Award	Margret Bell
2009	State Award	Kerrie Gale
2010	State Award	Peter Head
2011	State Award	Steve Goodwin
2012	State Award	Narelle Steck
2013	State Award	Cheryl Wright
2014	State Award	Jenny Mazuran
2015	State Award	Iain Kelly
2016	State Award	John Gale
2019	Fair Play Award	Tamara Robbins
2019	State Award	Paul Ellis



AROUND THE GROUNDS

APPIN UNITED

This year Appin United was excited to give the club a new look with the launch of their new club logo.

In terms of player registrations this year, the club had close to 150 registered players. For the first time in quite a few years the club had not one, but two senior men's teams registered. Together with the ladies team, that meant a total of 3 senior teams that would be playing in the 2021 season.

Appin United ran a season long fund-raiser raffle. The prize was a Yamaha TTR50 motorbike and a \$500 voucher for motorbike safety gear, all generously donated by Paul at BMI Contracting. Despite COVID interruptions, the club managed to sell a total of 4770 raffle tickets, raising a grand total of \$4770.00!!

Congratulations to The Harrisons, a young Appin family who were the winners of the motorbike!

Appin United are looking forward to getting back onto the field next year for an awesome 2022 season!

BRADBURY AMBARVALE



One of the good news stories for the annual report of the MFA that we had from Bradbury this year that was the success of the Bradbury Bears female All Stars team took on the Macarthur Magic female team for our women in football week.

This game was using modified rules for the first time ever in Australia where the game was evened up by putting restrictions on the Bradbury Bear team. Allowing the Macarthur Magic team more opportunities in the game.

From all accounts it was a very good success we had very good feedback from Macarthur Magic and also Football New South Wales. We hope to make this an annual event. Football New South Wales had an article on their website about the game.

In the end it was a very narrow victory to Macarthur Magic.

BURRAGORANG DISTRICT SOCCER CLUB

The club grew to 163 registered players, which is an increase of 27 players from the previous season. This is a fantastic achievement for the small country club.

The club fielded teams from U6 to All Age.

The club were successful in the application of obtaining a licence for the inaugural M-SAP season, being the only club within Wollondilly Council to do so. The U8 SAP team had a fantastic year. They were competitive in their competition and the team represented the club with pride and fantastic sportsmanship.

The U13/4 & U17/2 were sitting in a fantastic place to make the final series, with a good chance of obtaining the Premiers or Champions titles. Disappointing that the season ended as it did for these two fantastic teams.

In November 2020, we successfully received a grant for \$15,000 from the Community Building Partnership Grant. This funding was used to fence the U6 & U7 fields down the bottom of the hill.

In May 2021, the club were successful in obtaining a grant for \$8,000 from the Stronger Communities Programme-Hume. The U8/9 & U10/11 goal posts were in desperate need of replacement. This funding was allocated to replacing the goal posts and the purchase of nets for these fields.

A working bee over the Easter long weekend saw the install of the posts.

The committee used the lockdown to get busy with the National Club Development Program application. The club initially held a 2-star rating. Using the feedback received from MFA, the club managed to work up to an outstanding 4-star rating.

CAMDEN FALCONS



Falcons secured a NSW Government Premiers Grant with the support of Peter Sidgreaves MP – State Member for Camden. The grant funded the building of a new awning to improve outdoor shelter for our players and spectators. During COVID lockdown, we took advantage of the down time to complete the project. The awning will be an advantage during both our winter and summer football seasons. The club ran a summer football competition and shared the facility with cricket during the summer. Greg Little, Secretary from Camden Cricket Club said they will also benefit from the awning extension in the summer months.

Another community project co-ordinated by Falcons!

CAMDEN TIGERS FC



Camden Tigers Football Club is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year and has provided organised football for Camden's youth since 1961. Camden Tigers 60th Anniversary celebration will be held on Friday 10th of December at Ottimo House.

New LED Flood Lighting

Ron Dine Reserve benefited from a \$101,000 NSW Government Infrastructure Grant which contributed to the installation of new LED lights on Fields 3 and 4. Camden Council matched the funding to complete the project.

Camden Tigers vs Gunners M-League Reserves were the first teams to experience a night game on our South field (field 3) at Ron Dine Memorial Reserve with the new LED Light Towers lighting up the field on Tuesday 4 May 2021.

Play in Purple Campaign – supporting the Australian Pancreatic Cancer Foundation



Camden Tigers supported the Play in Purple Campaign to raise much needed funds for the Australian Pancreatic Cancer Foundation.

Girls Free Clinic



Camden Tigers ran two Girls only free clinics this year. This was open to girls from any Club and girls new to football.

It was exciting to see so many new youngsters who have never played football before trying our game for the first time. The girls enjoyed a mixture of skill training, from Running with the Ball, 1 v 1, Passing and awareness, and a Goal Keeping circuit which was very popular.

Camden Tigers Form Partnership with Indigenous Football Program

Camden Tigers have created a pathway for talented Indigenous footballers in the region. The program is designed to bridge the gap between football and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in our community. The partnership will allow us to identify talented indigenous kids and give them the opportunity to play football in the elite NPL level.

Camden Tigers enter Football NSW Senior Women's competition

For the first time in its 60-year history, the Camden Tigers will field 1st Grade and U20's teams in the 2022 Football NSW Women's League One competition. This brings another pathway for women to the Macarthur region.

CAMPBELLTOWN COLLEGIANS FC



Mayor George Bricevic officially opened the new clubhouse at Rosemeadow Sports Complex on Saturday alongside players and committee members from Campbelltown Collegians Football Club. The \$1.2 million upgrade completes a series of projects at the fields over the past few years which also included a \$75,000 lighting upgrade to 100 lux lighting and \$120,000 for irrigation. The club provides a great place for kids to play and these upgrades will help cater for our growing community in the future.

NARELLAN RANGERS SC

Narellan Rangers Soccer Club continued to grow with player participation just shy of 1,100 players making the club the largest community club in the MFA again this season. As with all clubs, Covid played its part in shortening the season, but all the players, coaches, managers, members, family and friends have been understanding and supportive throughout the lockdown period.

On the field, the club's first grade team progressed to the quarter finals of the State Cup and were looking good to continue the great run, but unfortunately the lockdown cancelled the competition. There were a number of teams performing well prior to lockdown, but I think the most exciting aspect of being involved in the club is seeing players from all ages enjoy their soccer, regardless if they were an u6's player or senior player.

Off the field, the club's home ground at Nott Oval received a significant upgrade with a new Synthetic field, carpark, fencing & landscaping being completed prior to the 2021 season kick off which is a great asset to the club, association and community. The club would like to thank Camden Council for their continued support of all soccer clubs and sports within the Camden LGA.

A big thanks goes out to all the club sponsors who continue to support the club as well as the committee that volunteer their time to run the club.

Regards

Steve Holzer

President

Narellan Rangers Soccer Club

GREGORY HILLS STALLIONS FC

Gregory Hills Football Club finally celebrated its launch on 24th April 2021 at the Gregory Hills FC Community Clubhouse located at the impressive Cunningham Park. The club had the Major club sponsors, Macarthur Bulls, MFA Chairman and reps, Macarthur radio, Players, parents and friends in attendance.

- The club grew from 130 to 300 registrations. Which represented 31 teams, of which 16 of these teams were under 6 and under 7 teams.
- The club had a total of 6 girls teams made up of 2 under 6, 2 under 7, 2 under 10. Mixed teams as well.
- The club's first O35 team were outright leaders until the season was suspended.
- The club also secured a state government grant to support the club's growth.

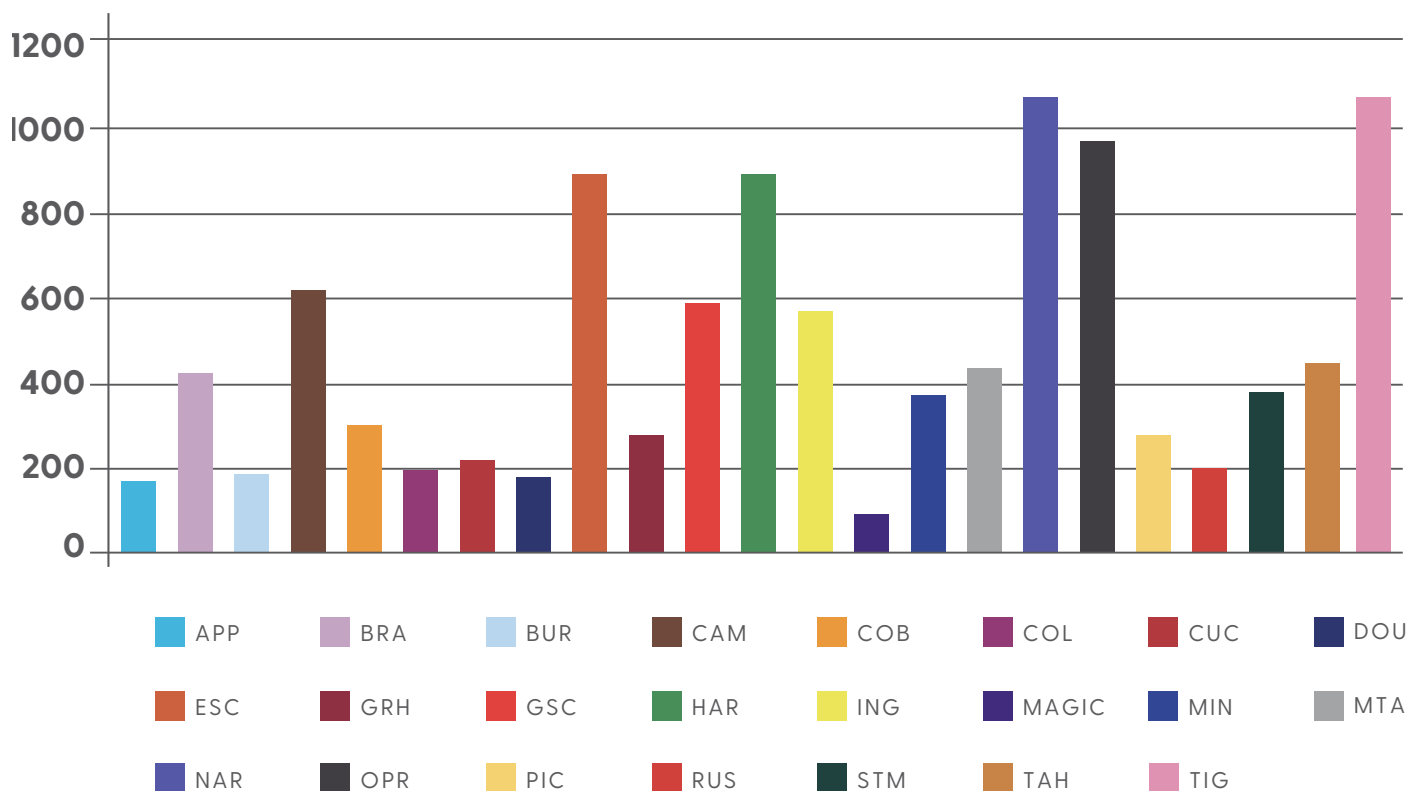


2021 CLUB DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM HONOUR BOARD

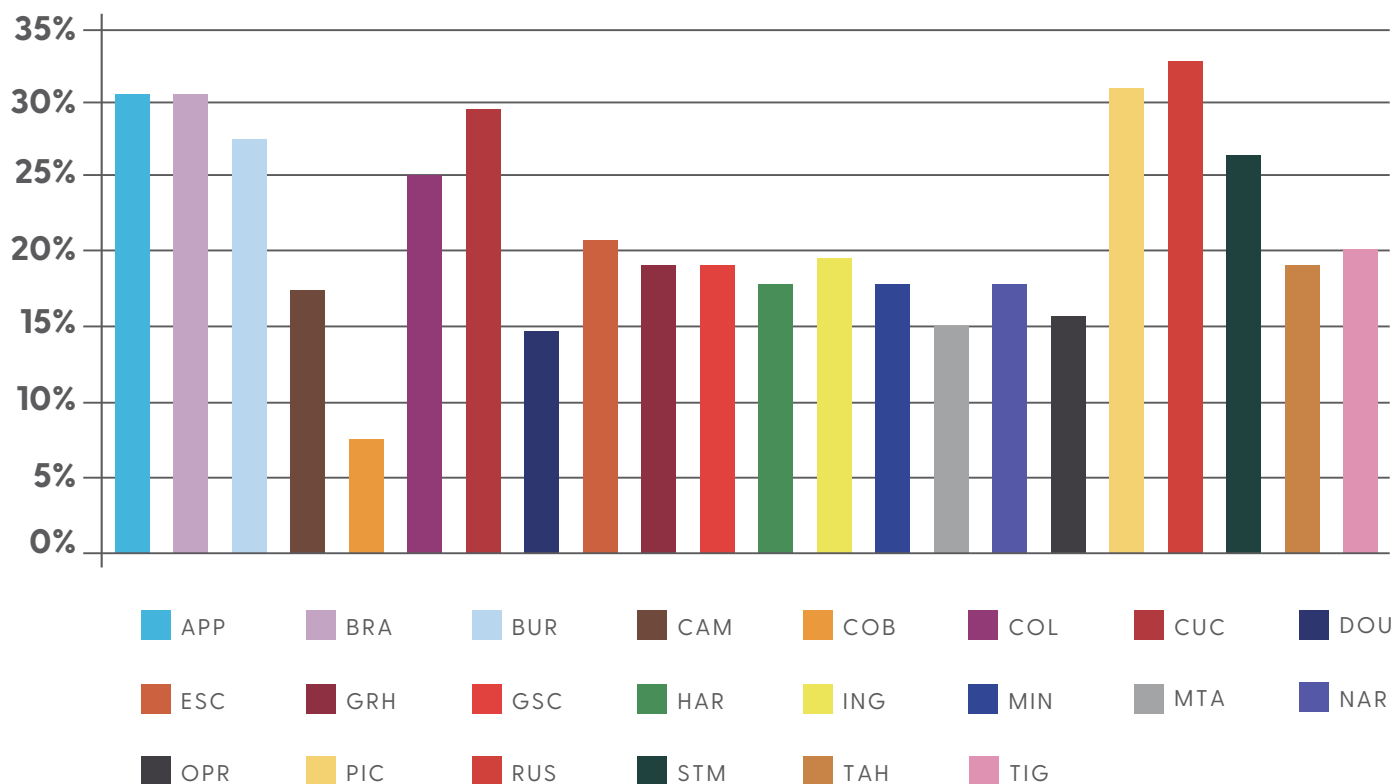


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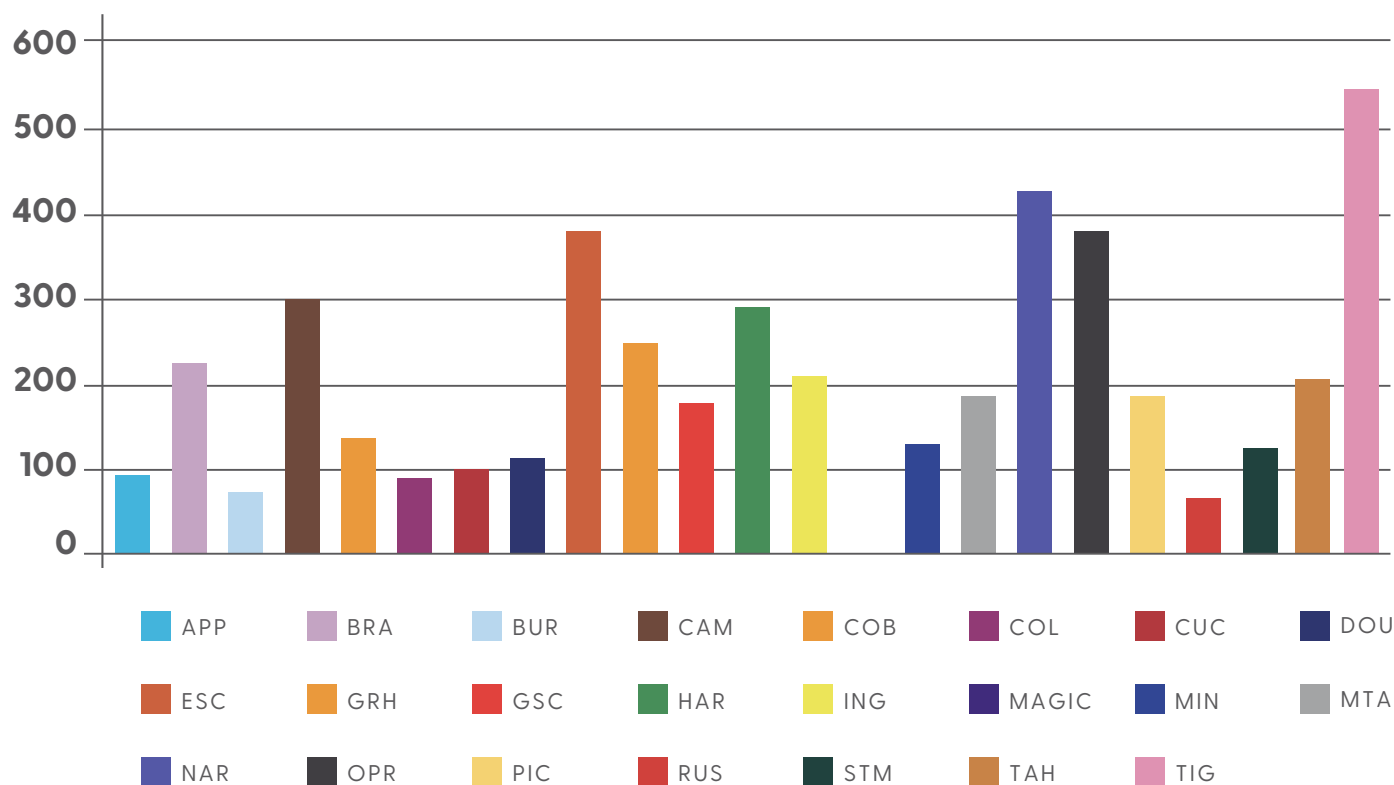
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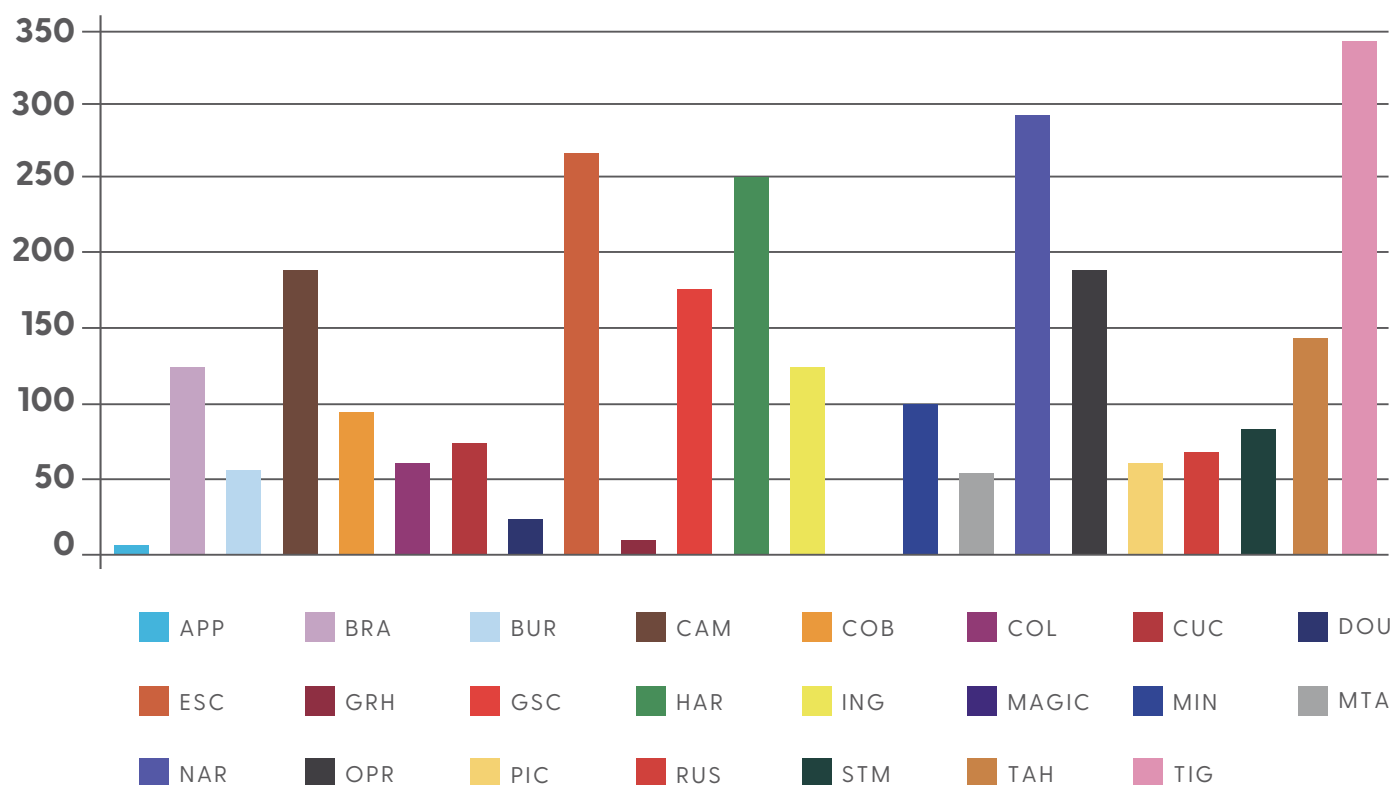
Female Registrations to Overall Player Registrations - 2021



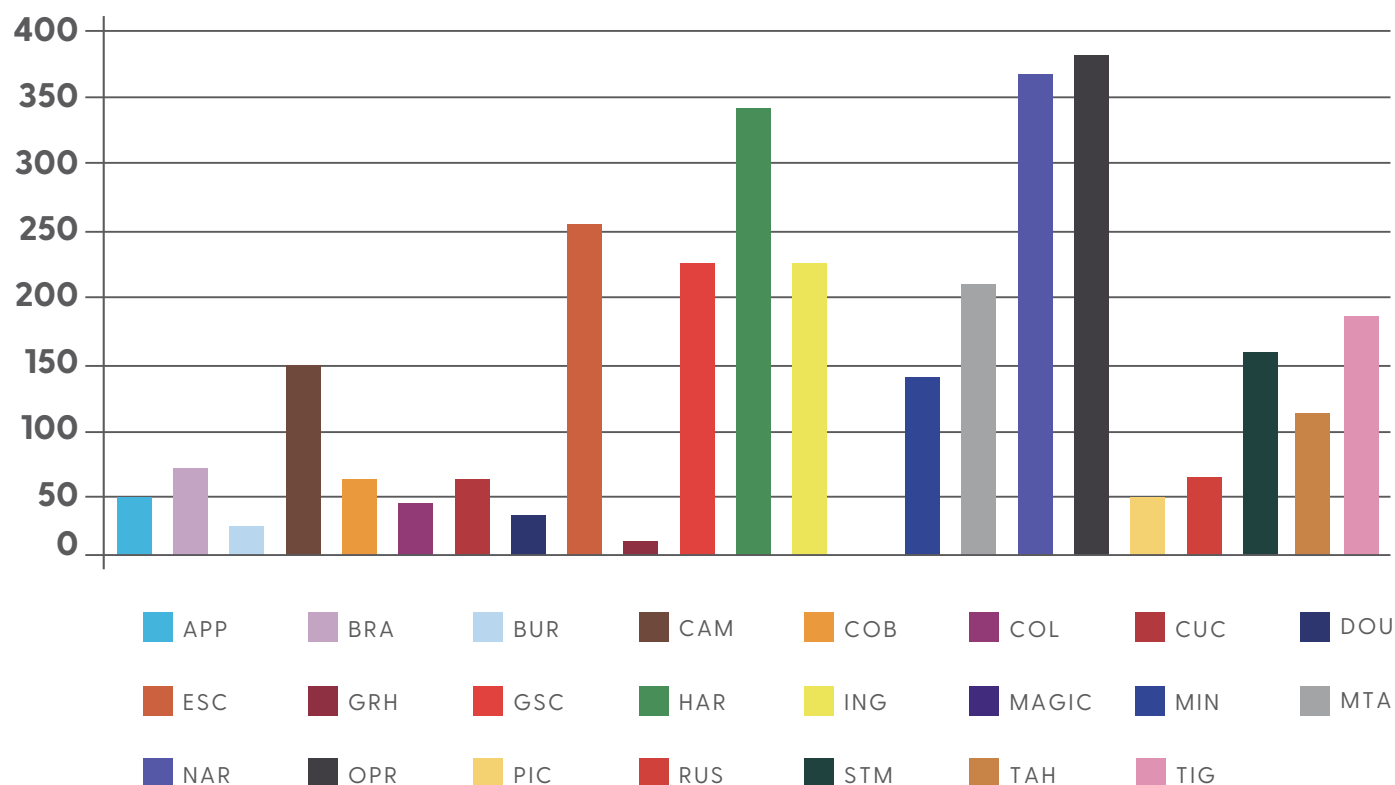
Total MiniRoos Players By Club - 2021

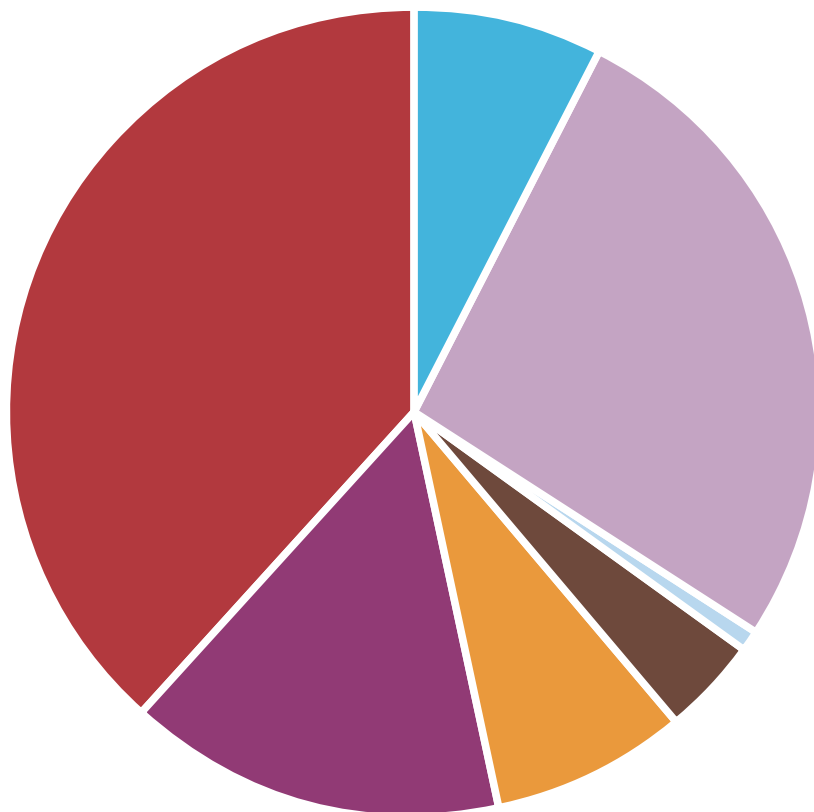


Total Youth Players By Club - 2021



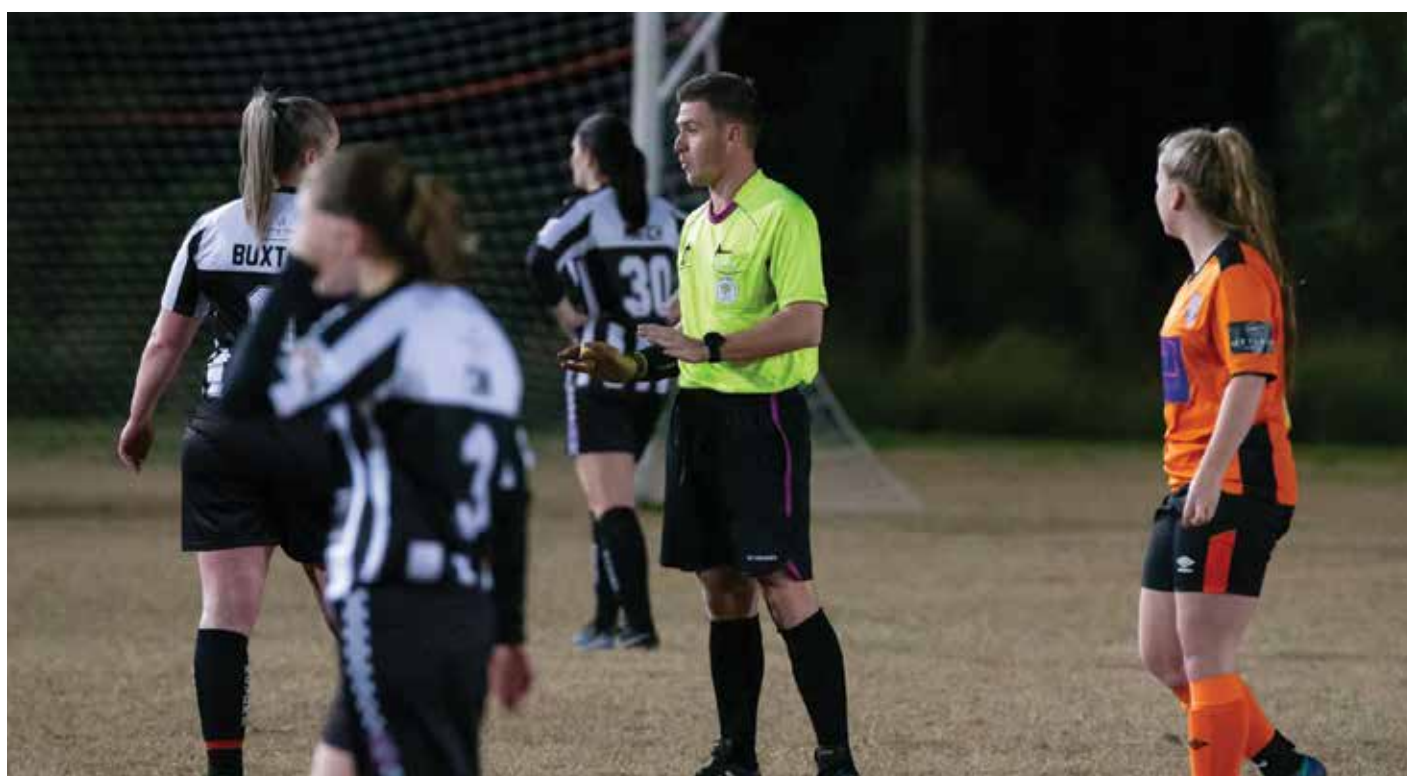
Total Senior Players By Club - 2021





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West's Leagues Club Campbelltown supports junior players by subsidising player insurance to make football affordable for the greater community.



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The official match ball partner of the Ottimo House M-League.



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The official partners of the Macarthur Football Association Junior Representative Teams (SAP & AYL).



The official front of shirt partner of the Macarthur Football Association Skill Acquisition Program.



The official sleeve partner of the Macarthur Football Association Skill Acquisition Program.



The official back of shirt partner of the Macarthur Football Association Skill Acquisition Program.



The official back of shirt partner of the Association Youth League teams (U13 - U16).



McDonald's in Macarthur are the official partner of the Association Development Program.



The official charity partner of the Macarthur Football Association.



The Macarthur Football Association Inc. acknowledges the important role our local councils play in supporting our game and community.



The Macarthur Football Association Inc. recognises and thanks the Western Sydney Wanderers FC and Macarthur FC Bulls for their support of grassroots football.





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