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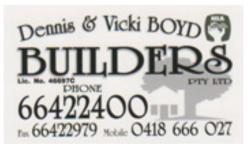
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# **PRESIDENT's REPORT**

Our club has had another successful season both on and off the field during 2012.

I must congratulate all the teams on their sportsmanship throughout the season. The club has had a great deal of success with seven teams in semi finals reckoning at the time of writing. All our junior teams are most likely to be playing in the semi finals with the 13's, 14's, 15's and 16's minor premiers of their divisions. They will also represent the Clarence area in the championship against minor premiers of the southern area.

We also have the Panthers and our Ladies teams finishing runners up in the  $2^{nd}$  division competitions. The  $2^{nd}$  division grand finalists have already been decided and unfortunately the Panthers lost a penalty shootout to Coutts in the major semi and were then beaten by the City side in the final. Their season is not over yet as the top two from the northern competition play the top two from the southern competition to decide the premier 2nd division team of NCF. Good luck to all of our teams competing in the final series and let's hope that we have success in the grand finals.

Congratulations to Rob Usher and the senior team on their performance throughout the season. We proved that we are competitive in the competition, having wins over two of the four likely semi finalists but results against some of our weaker competition cost us a chance of a place in the semis. We were also successful in the first round of the Northern Cup over Taree United. Our Youth team struggled as they are very young with the majority being only 16 or 17. They showed steady improvement resulting in their only win of the season in the final round. Hopefully this is a great launching pad for season 2013.

It has been very pleasing to see the success of the women's team following the disaster of last season. I congratulate Lesley on the work she has put in to firstly get the team up and running and the success that has come their way on the field. As a club we want to continue to offer all the opportunity to play in the highest competitions available for them and see women's football as a key element of our club going forward.

Our junior playing numbers continue to grow with nearly 50 under 6's registered this year. Our overall registration of 319 players is well up on last year and makes us one of the largest clubs in the NCF. To ease some of the pressure that exists on our home field, we are developing a second large field inside the athletics field. This will help our main field as this season we have had in excess of 100 games plus all the training.

There are several people who I must thank for their assistance throughout the season. Anita Jackson has organised our canteen all season and is often working in it as well. This is a huge time commitment for a working mum. Jenny Cotton has no one playing in the club but continues to do the senior canteen roster for us.

Thanks also to my executive, treasurer James, secretary Sharon, vice presidents Tammy and Liz, registrar Kylie, gear steward Jenny, SSG coordinator Liz, ground controller John and the rest of the committee for their advice and support throughout the season. We certainly have the best committee. Finally the coaches and team managers for the important roles they play. Without good coaching the players skills cannot be developed which in turn brings success on the playing field. We encourage all interested in coaching to get accreditation as FFA is heading down the path of mandatory coaching qualifications.

Our major fundraising this year was the directory deliveries, the junior carnival, the girls night in and the Calcutta. To all those who assisted us to make these a success, thanks.

It would be remiss if I did not thank my wife Heather and Adam and Lauren for their support during the year.

To all our sponsors, especially the major one in the Crown Hotel, thanks for your support. Without you it would be very difficult to run a successful club. Go the Tigers in 2013.

Dick Pryor President

# 2012 WESTLAWN TIGERS FOOTBALL CLUB COMMITTEE

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#### **Registrar Report**

The 2012 soccer season consisted of a total of **319 players** – 257 Juniors and 62 Seniors.

Each year we are going from strength to strength with our numbers increasing. This year we boast a record number in under 6 being 52 players. WOW...that is just awesome.

This again is credit to the multitude of fantastic committee members, volunteers and families that help make our club such a friendly environment every week and promote our club in such a positive way.

This year saw the introduction of an online registration system. It appeared to work relatively well with minimal hitches so hopefully next year it will be the same, if not better, and people can register online to make things easier in our increasingly busy lives. We introduced online payments which was also very successful.

Special thanks again this year to my family, Adrian, Thomas and Charlie for all your support and patience.

Thanks to the committee and all the coaches and managers. Your assistance in taking on these roles is greatly appreciated by all.

Kylee Baker. 2012 Registrar

#### Westlawn Tigers Website

Special thanks must go to our website sponsor for 2012 – JLS Plastering. Without their generous support the website would not be possible.

The Website is the hub of the club ensuring all players; managers and coaches know what is happening within our club.

Thank you to all people who have contributed to the website this year and I look forward to more contributions next year.

The off-season is the time when we can make major changes to the website so if you have any ideas of improvements you would like to see please email the club.

Once again thanks to JLS plastering for your support.

Sharon Powell (Website Administrator)

#### Under 6 Tigers

What a great time we have all had, the kids have learnt lots of football skills, along with reinforcing some important social skills.

I have asked the children what have been some of the highlights from their first season of soccer as it is their team and therefore their team report.

Shayla Boorman has been a fantastic member of the team, always reliable and ready to play, she has really enjoyed having fun with her friends and winning player of the day.

Jett Barrett was a little apprehensive at the start of the season but soon became a strong team player who has said his favourite thing about playing soccer is kicking the ball around and scoring goals.

Ava Byrnes, although quiet, is not at all shy to get in amongst the game and give it her best, Ava has enjoyed playing with her friends and really loves it when her team mate Charlie passes her the ball.

Logan Gough missed the first couple of games due to a broken arm, but was not put off by his set back, he has been a great team player every week who has said his highlights of the season have been scoring goals and having fun with his friends.

Zoe Penfold has shown great sportsmanship all season; Zoe is always happy to play and gets right in the middle of the game without hesitation. Zoe has loved scoring goals and getting player of the day.

Marty Gray has come a long way from being unwilling to train or play in the first week of the season to now loving his Saturday morning games; Marty has enjoyed learning how to pass the ball to his friends and scoring goals.

Axel Hargans has had a fantastic season, the excitement on his face when he scores a goal and the little victory jig says it all! Therefore it is no surprise that Axel's favourite thing about the season has been scoring goals and having fun.

Jaxon Rediger is another strong member of the team who has had a great season and been eager to be on the field every week; Jaxon's highlights have been kicking goals and winning games.

Bailey McIntosh has had a great season; Bailey is always on the field never letting his team down, happy to play each and every game from start to finish. Bailey has loved scoring goals and getting to see his friends at soccer.

Charlie Nilon is a player to watch out for. We have heard plenty of talk from the sidelines from other teams considering trying to poach him! Charlie has had a great season and has been a great team player; highlights for Charlie have included playing games at training, taking part in carnival days and kicking off at the start of games.

In conclusion to our report I would like to thank Luke Gough our coach and all of the player's parents for their commitment to our team. As well as a big thankyou to the Westlawn officials who have helped us get through our first year of soccer.

Although the children are only at the beginning of what will hopefully be a long sporting journey I hope we have been able to help guide them to having an overall positive attitude towards sport and their community. Sheree Gray.

#### **Under 6 Panthers**

It has been a great season for Under 6 Westlawn Panthers.

It was the first season for most of our players and our coach.

The experience of Jimmy Ford and Heath Revell lead our new players, with Xaviar Elward's big kicks, Hannah Weate and Teleah Woods' attacking skills, Callie Weate and Cooper Pereira's chase, Robert Benfield and Rick Skinner's defence, Lucas Law drive and Ethan Ashbrooke's endless running. It didn't take long to become a great little team.

We enjoyed three gala days, found plenty of puddles at Coutts in the rain, made some new friends and had a lot of fun.

We are all looking forward to next year.

Tracy Benfield

# Under 6 Lions

Our team was made up of Benji Pereira, Isaiah Wright, Blake Norrie, Lochlan Barnier, Thomas Austin, Harry Webb, Maddie Hebblewhite, Lachlan Edye-Jones, Koby Holland, Alf Wallace and Neve Sharpe. Coach Scott Pereira and Manager Jodi Austin.

The Lions Under 6's were lucky enough to have a team of 11 which came in very handy over the season because Koby had a broken arm and Lachie Edye-Jones had the misfortune to brake his leg a few weeks into the season. About half way through the season we welcomed Koby back, but unfortunately Lachie wasn't able to complete the season.

It was so great to see all the players improve during the soccer season, all of them had a great time and you could see a few who really stood out and helped the others improve. Many of the players had their ups and downs, sometimes wishing they were still in bed and the enthusiasm lacking near the end, however one or two really loved the game and always tried their hardest no matter how tired they were.

As manager of the Lions team, I really enjoyed getting to know the parents of the players and enjoyed their enthusiasm and support they showed for the team. If it wasn't for their support, their children wouldn't have been able to enjoy the season as much as they did.

#### Under 6 Jaguars

What a great year the kids have had! Congratulations to all the kids on an awesome first season of soccer and a huge thank you to our coach Brennan Farrell for all your time and effort this year, it was much appreciated.

Our team was made up of the following outstanding players- **Sonny Kilduff, Koopah Walters, Jensen Haynes, Riley Dawson, Jack Raven, Ashton Pullen, Beau Hambly, Andrew Hughes, Harry Oxenbridge and Zane Farrell**. The Kids gave their all and tried so hard each week, it has been fantastic to see them all improve so much as the season went on.

Thanks to all the kid's parents, grandparents and friends who came along to cheer the kids on each week, it was very encouraging to have you all there and of course we all got a few laughs out of watching the kids too.

Well done to all the players, you played very well and had great fun with your friends and we hope to see you all again next year.

Chani Farrell

#### Under 6 Pumas

This was the first season of soccer for our team, we had a some kids that started Kindergarten this year and some still in pre-school. The team all progressed well throughout the year, improving week after week and attending training and games each week. We participated in two carnivals this year, the kids had a great fun and always showed enthusiasm and great sportsmanship. They especially enjoyed the medal presentations! Thank you to the parents who assisted throughout the year at training and on game and carnival days. On behalf of Sarah and myself I would like to say how very proud we are of our team and how much we enjoyed being a part of the Westlawn Pumas. We hope all the kids sign up again next year! Matt Rasborsek - Coach.

Team Players - Sophie Hinterhozl, Lilly Palmer, Maison Cavanagh, Luka Cheetham, Keira Rasborsek, Jaiden Moran, Ted Hill, Zane Maddock, Brock Green-Robinson Sarah Warren

#### **Under 7 Tigers White**

The Tigers White team mate's are Austin Gallagher, Bailey Wall, Oliver Sharpe, Caleb Killduff and Billy Killduff, our boys had a great year this year, they showed huge improvement, doing well playing as a team, using the whole field and putting away many goals.

Thank you to Todd Heyman and Damien O'Mahony for taking the time to coach our team, Neve Sharpe and Sonny Killduff for making up numbers on Saturday's(Great work guys) and to our dad's for running on the field to guide the boy's.

Our boy's enjoyed soccer this year and will definitely be back next year full of energy to do it all over again. Lookout.

## Under 7 Tigers Black

It has once again been a delight to manage a great group of kids through the football season. The later starts were much appreciated by both team and parents, and the weather not so cold for the boys and supporters alike. Our team consisted of Hugh Heyman, Blake Hayne, Daniel Lavender, Ryan Hyatt and Caleb Berrick. Everyone showed great improvement with good passing and team work being the main focus. Plenty of goals were scored, followed by huge team hugs. They are all looking a little too big for the fields now and are super excited about progressing to the bigger fields next season. A huge thank you to our coach Todd Heyman and assistant coach Damien O'Mahoney. Without them our three Tigers teams would have been lost. Vanessa Berrick - Team Manager

#### Under 7 Tigers Gold

The Tigers Gold team consisted of Byron Kratz, Toby Makings, Sean Rogers, Taj O'Mahony and Ben Walters. The boys had a wonderful time this season and showed great improvement from last year. The boys had learnt some new skills, were able to dribble and pass the ball to their team mates quite accurately and score a fair few goals this year too. They were **ALWAYS** full of energy and keen to play each Saturday. Thanks to the parents for their commitment in taking the boys to training and to the games each week. A big thank you to Todd Heyman and Damien O'Mahony for giving up their time to train and coach the boys and for showing great patience with them. A thank you also to Neve Sharpe and Sonny Kilduff for filling in on Saturdays while Ben was away on his big adventure holiday, and to the committee for all their time, effort and organization too, it is greatly appreciated. I am sure the boys will all be back to do it all again next year.

#### **Under 7 Panthers Gold**

Thank you to our coach Chris Skinner and manger Lauren Kembrey for our 2012 season. Thank you to parents, carers and friends who came along to support us at our games during the season. Thank you to the hardworking committee. Our team members include: Brody Marshall, Corey Chaffer, Jadzia Payne, Annabelle McIntosh, Brock Skinner and Oliver Tully.

## **Under 7 Panthers Black**

A fantastic first year of soccer has been had by the boys from Year 1 at St Marys Primary School. The team consisting of Levi Vereyken, Aaron Kay, Joshua Hunter, Alex Salvestro and Sam Platt was inevitable seeing that each lunch break is spent playing soccer together.

From the start it was easy to see that these boys certainly have a great time together and all get along famously. The beginning of the season was a bit of a kick and a giggle, with the most important job on the field being taking that "free kick". I only hope that the boys raise their arms in the classroom just as quick as they do on the soccer field, in an attempt to be picked as the next "kicker".

As the season progressed their individual skills, teamwork and sportsmanship grew and matured. You could see them starting to "think" about what they were doing on the field, taking their time before a kick to see where their players were, and finally trying to find some clear space on the field before passing to a player. Although those famous words "kick it to me" were always pretty quick to come out regardless of whether the opposition had someone completely surrounded.

While we never practised "positions" as such during training, it was amazing to see the boys just "slot" into positions on the field, and as a whole it just all seemed to work. Playing soccer each and every day during lunchbreak with your mates definitely has its benefits.

One thing that the boys all were aware of was that we were there to have fun and it didn't matter which team won the game, it was just about doing our best. But listening to them after the game discussing how many goals they had and how many games they won was quite amusing. The parents sometimes had no idea where the game was up to, but the boys always set us straight.

And as parents we get so much enjoyment out of watching our kids play their chosen sport. It always brings a smile to your face when someone scores a goal regardless of which team it is. One of my most favourite moments was the second last week of soccer when one of the little girls whom had been so tentative all season when she played, scored a goal against our boys. It was a priceless moment, and I think I could rival her parents in how excited I was for her. I think even our boys were a little impressed.

But what I love most about watching the boys play soccer (and I think most parents would agree) is not always the perfect goal or manoeuvre. It's the little things......the dancing they do on the field when the ball is not near them and they think no one is watching, it's watching that aeroplane practice its 7<sup>th</sup> attempt at landing, it's needing another drink break, discussing with your mate which Skylander is the greatest and when you do score that perfect goal.....waiting to see the latest post "goal score" dance. Now that's what makes soccer exciting and fun and it's these moments that we should treasure.

Kellie Vereyken

# Under 8 Tigers

What a fantastic Season!!

Thanks to the Westlawn tigers soccer club, committee and volunteers, for a fun and exciting season!

A big thank you to all the Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles and siblings who supported the kids from the sidelines.

We have such a friendly and willing team of parents that enjoy watching their kids. I really do appreciate your continued support!!!!

Many thanks to our 2 super coaches, Wayne and Matt for their expertise and fun training sessions. Wayne gives up his lunch hour every Thursday to get to training, and Matt is always there to assist.

Wayne and Matt make a great team together. The kids have learnt so much this year.

Thanks Wayne for your dedication every Saturday to guide our mighty little tigers from the side lines. Your Awesome, the kids love you!

Thanks to Katrina for managing the team for me at times when I was away, and thanks to Lisa for washing shirts for me and providing the kids with some treats and being my official photographer.

Thanks most of all to our little tigers who are all such great sports and play well together as a team.

<u>Alyssa Appleby</u>- This is Alyssa's first year of playing soccer and our only girl power on the team. Alyssa always try's her hardest and has great team spirit. <u>Charlie Baker-Daniels</u>- Great in defence, goes in hard every game, always puts in 100%.

<u>Mason Beadman</u> (Maso) - Our little energiser bunny. Size is not an issue with Mason, he utilises the field in every game. No matter where the ball is he will go after it. Mason will take on any player big or small. He is all heart.

<u>Nicholas Godwin (Nicko)</u> - Nick had a great start to the season, scoring the first goal for the tigers, with another in his second game, to then break his elbow, he was out for 15 weeks. He then became assistant coach and Team Mascot. He came back to play the last 2 games of the season. Bring on next year!

<u>Sam Marshall</u> (Sam the man) - Sam goes in strong week after week. Our highest goal scorer (must be those lucky shorts). Sam kicks with both feet. Great sportsmanship, Sam is always there to help out someone who is down whether it is a team mate or the opposition.

<u>Joseph Nilon</u> (Joey) - Awesome left foot!! Our little pocket rocket! When Joey gets the ball and makes a run up the field, something kicks in and you can almost see the smoke behind him. Joey can read the game and always get himself in a better position to support his team mates.

<u>*William Pope*</u>-(Will) - Will always turns up with great enthusiasm and puts in 100% effort! Will plays well in any position. He always listens, and talks well on the field.

<u>Taylor Powell</u> (T.J) - Taylor has a great boot. He <u>can</u> kick a ball. Good in defence. Taylor loves being in goals. Has the potential to be a great goal Keeper.

<u>Toby Revell</u> (Tobstar) - Toby has a great kick with both feet. Goes in hard, with 100% effort in every game. Listen's well at training. Toby always shows great sportsmanship!

<u>Keaton Roe</u> (Koo) - Keaton is a great all-rounder, great in defence. Always puts his body on the line. Keaton is Fantastic in Goals!!!
I asked each player what their favourite thing was, about playing soccer this season<u>Charlie</u>-"Scoring Goals"
<u>Alyssa</u>- "I like how we all pass the ball and we are a great team."
<u>Maso</u>- "Kicking just Kicking". "Kicking the ball and having lots and lots of games".
<u>Keaton, Taylor, Joey and Sam</u>- "Being Goalie"
<u>Will</u>- "I loved running around and getting fit".
<u>Tobstar</u>- "Trying my best at training so I can be captain"
<u>Nicko-</u> "Scoring the first goal of the season".
I am very proud to be a part of this team!!!
Let's do it all again next year.
Leanne Godwin-Manager

# Under 8 Panthers

Well another season draws to a close and the Panthers hang up their boots.

Firstly I would like to thank the fan club. The Mums and Dads have been very supportive washing shirts, car pooling, helping with canteen, attending training, games and carnivals but most all cheering the players on every week. Our team has also been very fortunate to have many grandparents helping out and supporting the team too.

Secondly, a huge thanks to Jack Nelson. What a great role model for our young players. Every week Jack committed to training and coaching games, even with a broken arm! I'm sure his parents are very proud of him. As a manager I had the privilege of working with Jack. He is a dedicated coach adored by the team. We hope he returns to coach next season.

Finally, the players. They played exceptionally well all year. Will, Harry, Zoe, Riley, Jack, Lee, Mason, Mikey, Kane and Alex have all improved with their skills and showed great sportsmanship and respect throughout the season. We always had a full team. I hope they all come back next year as they all did exceptionally well as a team.

Di Luxton Manager

#### Under 9 Jaguars

Season 2012 for the Westlawn U/9 Jaguars was a fantastic year with many milestone achievements and an excellent improvement in skills across the whole team combined with a better understanding of how to play as a team. The addition of two new players to our team was a further strengthening of the Jaguars, Jacob showed himself as a solid defensive player with great commitment as was Tylah who had boundless stores of energy and determination on the field. Jack was a strong force in the forwards who also defended with the same passion. Blake was a great all-round player for us this year who relished the midfield where he could work his magic. Bodhi's enthusiasm for the game was matched by his energy as a defender who could also turn it to attack. Georgia demonstrated excellent determination whether trying to attack or defend but also knew the importance of position. Jarrah showed the great form he has in defense could be moved up field and turned to offense. Oliver was an all-rounder, a smart player in the forwards but was also willing to give it all in defense. Jed was one of our key keepers determined and able turn that focus to attack when at the other end of the field. Last but not least Keegan who as keeper was fearless and rock solid and showed the same determined attitude on the field. This year was about improving on the basics, playing smarter and playing position I think all the team took these ideas into every game and our results throughout the year demonstrated this.

Also a big thank-you to all the Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Significant Others who provided the support all year whether we were playing locally during the normal season or away at carnivals I understand and appreciate the effort so the kids can enjoy there sport. Lastly a big thank you to Katrina who as manager did all the jobs that made my role as coach easier.

Wayne Reardon Coach U/9 Jaguars WTFC

#### **Under 9 Panthers**

This year we started with just three players from last year's team all the rest were new players.

#### The Team

Owain Cooper Simms, Myles Hambly, Ryan Hutchinson, Jakson Kippax, Ayden Langford, Emily Nissen, Kane McPherson, Eli Dawson, Ronan Payne, Mark Fuller.

Eli, Jakson, Ryan, Owain, Ayden & Ronan were all great defenders/Attacker and Myles, Emily were awesome as strikers, with all of them scoring individual goals and team goals.

Kane is an excellent goalie stopping numerous goals and is a great team player. Mark Fuller joined us later into the season but has come along great as a soccer player as well as been a good goalie. A lot of energy was burned on the soccer fields and we would like to say, You Kids should be proud of your efforts, win lose or draw it's all about having fun.

Well done Girls & Boys.

Shorn and I would like to say thank you to all the parents who helped us throughout this year.

Special Thanks to Warren Hutchinson who helped out with coaching this year. A Big Thankyou to Westlawn Tigers Football Club and Volunteers, We would like to say thanks for their tireless efforts throughout the year, without them we wouldn't have a club.

Coach: Shorn Kippax Manager: Tammy Kippax

# Under 9 Tigers

Firstly, I would like to thank for an awesome team this year. What a fantastic group of kids and their families for their support. These guys always smiling and they never gave up, always giving 110%. Excellent sportsmanship and they came together at the end working very well as a team.

The ROARING Tigers team was – Charlie Baker, Jed Byrnes, Jaz Busch, Tom Connors, Cody Hinterholzl, Jake Hyatt, Jacob Kratz, Byron Maddock, Kieren Palmer, Takara Smith.

A big thank you to our fantastic coach, Adrian Baker for his dedication, patience, encourgement and expertise. Also, a special thanks to Craig Hinterholzl for assisting when Adrian couldn't be there. Also, thank you to the other dads who helped out in training. The team improved greatly in showing their skills and knowledge in all areas.

Special thanks to all the parents, grandparents who helped out this year getting their kids to training, games, canteen and at the carnivals. Adrian and I appreciated your enthusiasm in helping us this season.

I had a very enjoyable year and loads of laughs. Thank you to everyone for your patience, I have learnt a lot! I hope everyone had fun too! Hope to see you all next season of fantastic soccer.

Mel Hyatt – Manager

# Under 10 Tigers

What a busy year! And what a great bunch of kids we had.

The Tigers played some beautiful football throughout the season with a beautiful passing game the team's trademark, as well as their wonderful team spirit.

The Tigers have been trying to get in as many carnivals as they could. We travelled to Casino where we had to play in a combined 10/11 competition. We even had to play against the HULK in that carnival.

The Tigers also had fun delivering phonebooks for the club. Our team consisted of:

1. Ethan - A dependable striker who will produce the goals, however a he has the makings for a great defender much to his dismay. - Aka The Rock.

2. Ella - Has found her voice this year and has injected herself into the game in a decisive manner both physically and vocally. Aka Yella.

3. Khoi - Has become a solid player this year and the oposition who have bounced off him have seen just how solid. Aka The Wall.

4. Matthew - Has come of age as a keeper this year, I think his kamikaze approach to the game has assisted him in his agility in goals. Aka Kamikaze.
5. Cate - Started the season off timidly and has certainly come to realize and show us all that size is no barrier. She has certainly sat her fair share of opposition on their butts, a young Fysh will atest to it. She also gives her phone number out to opposition players on during a game. Aka The Punisher.
6. Rhys - Has flourished as an all round player this year being able to easily adapt to any position I have asked him to play. Aka The Chameleon.

7. Quinn - Rock solid as ever she continues to dominate her opposition with her power packed kicks and lightning speed. Aka Superwoman.

8. Josh - Took his time to settle in but he has certainly found his form at the end of the season and become both an attacking and defensive force to be reckoned with. Aka Mr Smooth.

9. Eilish - Has become quite a force to be reckoned with after mastering the ability to kick with her left and right foot. When she will stick to her allotted position she delivers the ball from anywhere on the field. Aka The Postman. 10. Mason - Has found his feet and head for the game. Mason is able to read play and deliver a pass with pinpoint accuracy. Aka Mr Cool (And as always Captain Kill)

11. Alissa - Has proven herself to be a formidable foe to the opposition. She is always in space and is relentless when chasing down her opposition. Aka My Spaceman

12. Gabby - Has developed great ball skills throughout the season, it's almost like the ball is on a string. Her greatest asset though has been her scoring. Aka the Finisher.

13. Jo Powell – Jo's ability to get the best from her players is a highlight of the Tigers and every parent appreciates how she can get her kids to perform. Don't mess with any of her kids or she will get your number. One of the highlights for the Tigers this year was being taught the "Dead Ant". Aka Supa Coach.

The Tigers would like to thank the committee for all their hard work this year. Players/Player- Joshua Godwin

Best and Fairest – Mason Roe

Coaches Award – Caitlin Bell.

Joanne and Sharon Powell

### Under 10 Jaguars

I have had the pleasure of coaching and watching Harry Ashenden, James Broomfield, Lachlan Davey, Ayden Elward, Lochlan Elward, Joshua Gilbert, Cooper Johnson, Andrei Labao, Colby Mitchell, Chloe Rankin, Bowen Taylor, Brock Warren and Emma Waterhouse improve at every training and each and every game. Their passes have become more structured, communication and sportsmanship skills have improved and let's not forget the push ups, they have kept us busy and amused.

You could always tell when the Jaguars were playing mainly due to the fantastic support of our very eager and vocal family members (my wife being one of the worst). The kids and I thank you, without your driving, cheering and encouragement we wouldn't be the great team we are.

This season's awards go to

Player's player goes to James Broomfield

Best and fairest goes to Lochlan Elward

And the hardest of all the coaches' award goes to Chloe Rankin for her continued effort, improvement and love for the game.

Lastly but by no means least on behalf of the kids, parents, Lana our manager and myself I would like to thank each and every volunteer, the committee members, mother nature, families and opposing teams for making this season possible.

Lana and I hope to see each and every one of you next year for another awesome season of soccer and friendship. Hint, Hint this gives you all 8 months to re-choose the Westlawn Tigers.

Many thanks to you all

Crunch/Anthony/Coach

# Under 10 Panthers

Firstly, I would like to thank the committee for another great year, for there efforts behind the scenes to keep our kids on the football pitch. I would also like to thank the parents for their support this year and a big thank you to my wife Luci for managing our side and special mention to Simon Trivett for his help with training and game days.

I had the pleasure of coaching a talented young side made up of 12 very different personalities. My aim this year was to take the skills these kids have already developed and use them in a team environment. The job was at times testing but very rewarding, when on game days without the kids even knowing it they were putting together plays that I drilled into them at training. The side was regarded by our U10 Tigers manager Sharon Powell the side to beat this year and I can honestly say, "when these kids clicked they played some exceptional football that even one of our senior coaches was very impressed with." I have had much fun coaching this young side and I am very proud of what all of the players have achieved this year.

The U10 Panthers Side

Natasha Clausen, Nash Cooper, Rhys Cropper, Ethan Fysh, Ronan Fysh, Tyler Gaddes, Jackson Nilon, Riley Power, Flynn Shacklady, Logan Trivett, Kurt Webb, Reuben Litchfield.

Players Player Rhys Cropper

Best and Fairest Tyler Gaddes

Coaches Award Natasha Clausen.

Regards, Peter Fysh

# Under 11 Jaguars

The Jaguars should be very proud of themselves this season because they have done really well considering its their first time they have ever played together.

Like any team taking the field it takes a while to find their own mesh BUT not these Jaguars. They had a win right from the first game with many following through the season. They also took the good with the bad and in my book thats good sportsmanship.

Congratulations to the team for an outstanding effort on the field. However I'm a big believer that the team is only as good as their support network. And part of that network would be the Jaguars Coach Reece Amos. A BIG thank you to Reece for volunteering his time to the training sessions and being there Saturday mornings on the sidelines, especially when he then had to travel and prepare for his own match later that day.

The support network is also made up of the parents. Thanks for the cheering on the sidelines, car pooling and bringing the kids to the carnivals. Thanks also for supporting the club with volunteering your time in the canteen when necessary. Thank you to my husband Rodney who took over the duties when I could not be there.

Now I would like to introduce the Jaguar team.....

ADAM BOWLES COOPER KRATZ JARRAD McPHERSON WILL POLLOCK HARRY WARREN CONNOR WICKS JASON DURRINGTON BEN LUXTON JONOTHAN POLLOCK JAYDEN REEVES JOSHUA WEATHERSTONE DEAN RUTHERFORD

These kids have had a cracker of a season. It has been enjoyable to watch them play and I hope the Jaguars themselves have also had fun playing the game.

Its been a pleasure to manage the team as they have an enthusiasm that can be hard to contain but when re-directed onto the field can make for a great game to watch.

Thank you to the team as a whole for welcoming all new and old players and parents into the team fold and making it work.

Looking forward to next time. Regards,

Liz Weatherstone Jnr VP & Manager

# Under 11 Tigers

Well another soccer season is coming to an end, all too quickly for us as it has been, once again, an enjoyable year together. As most of the team have been together since U'6s, we have appreciated the chance to stay together as team spirit and mateship is so important to us all. They have moulded together over the years and know each others moves and it is a pleasure to watch them play as a team.

Our Team:-

<u>Jesse Bell</u> – new to our team, a quiet achiever with many outbursts of talent. <u>Brodie Gough</u> – "Just cause I'm a girl, don't think you can take the ball off me". Go girl.

<u>Isaac Huxley</u> – A terrific all rounder, determined with great sportsmanship. <u>Nick Lavender</u> – He is forward - then in seconds he is at the back, covering all positions when needed. A fast and dedicated player.

<u>Josh Marsh</u> – Known for his great left foot "what a weapon", whether across the field on a corner or from one end to another or straight in the goal with no stopping.

<u>Nick Masters</u> – Look out when he gets going – improving week by week. <u>Jordan Nash</u> – Dedicated all rounder – a confident and strong player in all positions.

Zac Oxenbridge – A strong and determined player - a great reliable mid fielder.

<u>Jye Robertson</u> – "The entertainer" – a strong player but always keeping the crowd amused whether on the ground or fancy dance moves.

<u>Khion Rose</u> – The most improved player in all positions with the ability to strip the ball from the opposition.

<u>Tom Westman</u> – Determination always with a passion for his soccer dedication from the first whistle of play, to the final minute of the game. <u>Eden Woodley</u> – She maybe small, but a surprisingly big kick when it counts a strong great little winger.

Thanks to Brad Masters who stepped up to the position of Coach. We really appreciate you giving your time every week at training and support at our games. Also a big thanks to our Fitness Coach, Jodie Oxenbridge, for her ever so much enthusiasm always in training, warm ups before the games, encouraging pep talks and participating in fun training games together with Sonia Bell and Caitlin Bell. Thanks to Jodie for being a crazy mad lovable Tiger Mascot at our Westlawn Soccer Carnival.

Once again, it has been my privilege being Manager of this awesome team who I proudly call my kids. They bring joy to us as parents and families every Saturday watching their skills as a team and having fun together.

Bring on 2013. Cheers from Jenny Marsh - Manager

### Under 12 Tigers

It's been a spectacular season for Westlawn Tigers Under 12's. The players played extremely well and showed their commitment to the club by performing to the expectations of the coaching staff.

Matt Haines and Jack Morrissey took the helm at the club this season with high expectations of finishing the season in the finals battling for the grand final. With a new squad and a club backing the inexperienced management team, the stage was set for a season for the ages. Training was very fastpaced and well thought out; the team was showing a lot of optimism and skill.

It was a great start season, the team played fairly consistent scoring sensational goals and playing like the well-drilled team that Haines and Morrissey wanted to produce.

We had a lot of close games this season which made for compelling viewing for the massive crowds that packed Barnier Park, everyone in full voice to support the Tigers. The boys and girls were really tested against the likes of Majos, Yamba Hotspurs and Maclean Bobcats. There were the fair amounts of hick-ups for the club with injuries, other commitments and slight problems within the squad, but with the guiding hands of Haines and Morrissey the team ascended from the darkness and focused on the football.

Many thanks go to manager Mick Bowels for helping out the coaching staff and giving the occasional word of advice for the players and coaching staff.

Also thanks to Dick Pryor for being the knowledge man who was always willing to make conversation, lend a helping hand and mark out the pitch.

All the players received a massive applaud for their effort and enthusiasm this season, well done to all of you: Dominic Bowles, Kaden Chaffey, Montana (Chardy) Chard, Lillian Doyle, Travis Eichmann, Mitchell Ellem, Ryan Rutherford, Shannon James, Jacob Thompson, Toby Power, Sebastian Roe, Billy Warren, Georgia and Isaiah

To conclude, the season's achievements were reached and it was very successful and an honour to work with such a good group of players and a club of Westlawn's stature.

Thank you Westlawn FC for this opportunity.

Written by Jack Morrissey

## Under 13 Tigers

Well it's that time of the year again where the coach and manager have to write an item about their team. Ask us to talk about them and we can... but there is so much to say...it is really hard to get it all out and onto paper.

Our soccer family (team) consists of Liam Rodgers, Nick Marsh, Reece Gaddes, Phillip Clausen, Clifford Stephenson, Jacob Weatherstone, Tom Baker, Tristan O'Loughlin, Trent Roberts, Bai Phelps, Daniel Wall, Adam Kliendeinst, Max Van Haren and Charlie Steele.

This team is the talk of the town...and Yes, they deserve to be. The stats speak for themselves....the boys have put 85 balls in the back of the net and have only let 8 past them. What a FANTASTIC effort. The team have played together for a few years now whether it be at carnivals, Saturdays or school and you can tell by the way they play ball together as to how much they get along and have progressed together. We are, along with all the parents, very proud of them and they are an absolute pleasure to watch. They have gained great ball control and possession skills and have a great concept of positioning on the field.

Thanks to all the boys for making it such an enjoyable season. You should be very proud of your achievements; you have all individually progressed in your skill and ability and also really bonded together as a team which is evident on the field in how you play the game. We hope that you all come back again next year for another great season.

Thanks to all the players families for your support and assistance throughout the season. It makes our jobs much easier and pleasurable when we have such a great group of people to work with. Thanks to Liz for boot camp (I think...) and Adrian for filling in for us when we could not be there.

Yours in soccer, Craig and Kylee.

#### Under 14 Panthers

Under 14 Tigers were forced into a combined 14/15 competition by North Coast Football this year which also resulted in a name change to the Panthers. At the start of the season this combined comp was quite daunting for the Under 14 players as the growth differences between 14 year old boys and 15 year old men was quite noticeable. The new girls to the team were wondering what have we signed up for! There were two teams that were clear leaders in the competition but all the other teams were able to have a little healthy competition.

At the end of the season the competition was split and the Panthers were Minor Premiers for the Under 14 Competition.

This year the team consisted of the original Tigers from Under 6s Jesse Powell, Callum Barnier, Alex Creasey, Beau Eichmann, Dane Gleeson and Jasmine Nash. As well as other devoted Tigers Tiya Jenkins, Keiren Ellem, Joel Bartrim and Harry Vidler; with the new additions of Lily Porra, Courtney Moore and Rielly Baker.

The team worked well together and as always our dependable backline always kept us in the competition. The kids played in Great Spirit the entire season and should be very proud of themselves for never putting their heads down.

Special Thanks to Dick Pryor for putting the nets up for the Panthers most weeks and Anita Jackson for having the canteen ready to go for us.

Thanks to all the parents for getting their kids to training and for helping Chris and I out when we asked. Thank you to the Tigers committee for their hard work this season. Thank you to the parents and kids who helped delivered phonebooks during 2012.

Finally Chris and I would like to make special mention to Alex Creasey. Not only did Alex have an awesome season with us this year he has also reached a very special club milestone – 10 years of service to the Tigers. Congratulations Alex a well deserved honor.

Players Player – Joel Bartrim Best and Fairest – Alex Creasey Coaches Award – Lily Porra

Chris and Sharon Powell (Coach and Manager Under 14 Panthers)

# **Under 15 Tigers**

We cast our minds back 12 months and relive the then U14's side who tasted finals football for the first time. Time travel forward to present day and the U15's claim the Minor Premiership in the regular 2012 season for another huge first......great effort from a continually improving team.

The 15's welcomed back the return of James 'the gentle giant' Hughes, a former Westlawn Junior. All in all the team line up was the most consistent it had been for a number of years.

At times we struggled for numbers at training but a big thanks to the core regulars who turned up week in week out. The players results from the first class, John Nelson training drills were evident come game day (however I must add that during Johns occasional absence's the hour long 'soccer volley ball' games, although not technically correct/challenging were a bit of fun). The mix of Friday night/ Saturday morning games and the usual season ups and downs made it difficult to field the full team card at times. But a giant thanks to the U/13's who stepped up during the year to fill the gap, extend their big game experience and compete at the higher level. Thanks to Tristan O'Loughlin, Adam Kliendeinst, Tom Baker, Nick Marsh, Max Van Haren, Liam Rodgers and Trent Roberts. These younger Tigers should be very proud of their effort, well done.

A number of the 15's also stepped up into the senior ranks and U/16's to fill in and gain valuable experience. The following players should be commended for their season efforts;

Sheldon O'Loughlin played and scored a goal in Premier League (!!! At 15 what an achievement), played regular Youth Grade, filled in for 2<sup>nd</sup> Division where he also scored a goal; Noah Reardon, played Youth Grade and scored a goal when filling in for 2<sup>nd</sup> Division; Sam Powell filled in for Youth Grade and scored goals filling in regularly for 2<sup>nd</sup> Division; Adam Pryor, filled in for Youth Grade, 2<sup>nd</sup> Division and U/16; Jack Nelson filled in for U/16's (Jacks return from a broken arm mid-season was nothing short of gutsy), Zack Benfield filled in regularly for U/16's, Ben Zietsch filled in for U/16's. This is a huge effort from these lads as stepping up to U/16's and senior football is very challenging on both body and mind.

Well done to all the U/15's for your continued effort and improvements during the 2012 season. From my perspective it is a pleasure to be involved with you all. Thanks to Coach Nelson who, without his dedication week in week out none of the teams success would be possible.

2012 Awards Sheldon O'Loughlin - Best and Fairest

Noah Reardon	- Players Player	
Zack Benfield	- Coaches Av	

- Coaches Award

A big thanks to the team players, supporters/parents/relatives/grandparents. Looking forward as always to seeing you all in 2013.

Tony Powell, U15 Manager

# Under 16 Tigers

Tigers Under 16 team this year are Minor Premiers. Congratulations to all players and Zac Hayes (Coach).

This season we welcomed 4 new players to Westlawn which gave us 14 players however we have at times struggled to have a full team, so thank you to those players who have filled in for us. Special Thank You goes to Adam Pryor and Jesse Powell who not only filled lots but were contacted at the last minute.

Thank you to Zac Hayes for coaching again this year and also Thank You to Jim Zuill for filling in as Coach went Zac was away.

This is my last year of managing and would like to say Thanks to all the team for being a pleasure to look after. All your parents should be very proud of way you have conducted yourselves this season.

Lastly a Big Thanks to Tigers committee and helpers without such people our club would not be as successful as it is today.

Thanks

Very Proud Manager and Tiger Fan Di Hayes

# Womens 2<sup>nd</sup> division

Our team was lucky to have a variety of players this year, from those who haven't stopped playing competition soccer, to those who hadn't played competitive soccer before and those who were coming back after a long break.

At the beginning of the year we decided as team to just have fun and enjoy ourselves.

We finished the competition round in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with the highest goals for and the lowest amount of goals scored against us, which was a great effort considering it was our first year playing with each other and also with the variety of skills we had on the team.

Throughout the year it was great to watch the women come together as team. Everyone gave 100%, also watching skills developing and watching skills and confidence coming back to some players.

By the end of the competition rounds our team still hadn't reached its full potential.

The way the women supported each other on the field and off the field made it a great team to play in.

I'd like to thank the women for a great season. Lesley Taylor

# Youth/Reserve Grade

The 2012 season has been a difficult one for this side. Although overall numbers were good at the start of the season a few of the team really wanted to play locally in second or third division, but as our second division side was full they had to play up in this league, and this was a big ask for some. We are a very young side with only one or two players being over eighteen (youth grade being restricted to four players over twenty one). The lack of a few experienced players really hurt us.

To their credit the players stuck it out to the end, continuing to turn up to training and travelling to games. Their football skills have developed greatly and they were rewarded with a win in the last game.

A lot of the players development can be attributed to Rob Usher's training sessions which are always first class.

Congratulations to all those U/15's and U/16's who stepped up so admirably. I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the team to thank the following;

-Andrew Collins team manager and bus driver,

-Rob Usher First grade coach,

-Martin Nessa First grade manager

-Dick Pryor and his hard working committee,

-Dick Pryor for marking, mowing and always presenting our home ground in the best possible condition.

-Kylee Baker registrar and fee collector,

-Anita Jackson, Jenny Cotton and all the ladies that worked in the canteen.

-Geoff Martin for driving the bus when ever asked.

The individual awards for 2012 are:-

Players Player- Jack Morrissey

Best and Fairest- Anthony Wall

Coaches Award- Sean Buttsss

John Nelson – Coach

# Second Division North: Crown Hotel Westlawn Panthers



2012 saw the Panthers recognized for their consistent form over recent years to be promoted to Second Division despite nominating for thirds. Whilst expectations weren't high early on, the Panthers soon found themselves sitting in second place and were able to maintain that for the home and away season, making the finals for yet another year. The Panthers finished with 43 goals (25 against), the same goal difference as the previous year. Until the last round, the Panthers were the only team to have beaten the minor premiers, unfortunately, the Panthers narrowly missed out on winning the major semi through a penalty shoot-out and then were knocked out in the final. The team will get another finals appearance when the top two teams from second division north take on second division south for the zone finals.

This year the Panthers maintained the majority of last seasons squad in Sam Barnier, Tim Blackadder, Michael Bowles, Bryce Gleeson, Andy Fitzpatrick, David Groth, Zac Hayes, Shorn Kippax, Lindsay Nash, Chris Pierse, Michael Salvestro, Stuart Tait, and Paul Winmill. They were added to with John Ford. Aaron Godwin and the return of former Panther, Tony Powell whilst still having room to blood the up and coming junior talent of Nathan Butterick, Sam Powell, Billy Hayes, Sheldon O'Loughlin, Adam Pryor and Noah Reardon. The team also had some cameos from the Youth League talent of Adam Sanders, Blake Yardy, Marty Boyd and Mitch Henwood.

Players Player and golden boot went to Stuart Tait in a closely fought competition, missing several games towards the end through injury but just outscoring the Best & Fairest, Michael Bowles who made huge contributions to our defensive line and carving the opposition up in attack when allowed up front. The Coaches Award went to Paul Winmill for a huge season, constantly harassing defences up the right flank and never short of 100% commitment on the paddock.

Thanks to Shorn and Tammy Kippax for organizing the team, coaching, training, managing, looking after the equipment and even washing the shirts when Tim forgot them. Thanks for a great season.

Lindsay Nash Token Panthers Manager



# **Division One Coach Report Westlawn Crown Hotel Tigers**

The 2012 season may be seen to be one where we marked time so to speak. Last year we were a team that had been promoted and we were able to hold our own in the league and not suffer the yo-yo effect of the promotion and relegation system.

This year we were very inconsistent beating teams that are in the top four but losing twice to Boambee who only accumulated six points all against us.

I know the players involved in 2011 were looking forward to finishing further up the table and being involved in semi final football.

It is easy to see with hindsight but the mid season period that was affected by postponements, free weekends, a bye and subsequent player unavailability and we played one game in five weeks did not help momentum.

It was difficult for the coaching staff to keep everyone motivated and training numbers dropped, attitudes changed and it was difficult to recapture early season enthusiasm and form.

Consistency was the most used word when talking about our performance this year. This is the one thing that we must come to grips with.

The positives we can take away is the knowledge that this team and club belong in this league, we have the experienced of another year in this league and even though we have finished mid table there is the basis for improvement if the players are willing to commit that little bit extra.

Our youth team had a difficult year winning only once in their last game of the season. This is basically an under 18 team playing in an under 21 competition.

I must give credit to John Nelson and Andrew Collen who persevered throughout the year and kept the emphasis on development and all of these players will be better for the experience.

Another positive is that towards the end of the year both Sheldon O'Loughlin and Sean Butts both under 15's scored goals on their first team starting debut and will be pushing for regular starting positions next year.

This has been a good year. I have particularly enjoyed the company of all the players, supporters, coaches and managers. Martin Nesa once again has done a terrific job as manager of the first team with a tremendous commitment to not only the games but training as well.

Thanks from the players, coaches and managers to Dick Pryor and the entire Westlawn Committee, canteen workers and game day helpers and of course our major sponsor the Crown Hotel. Robert Usher

#### 2012 AWARD WINNERS

TEAMS	COACH AWARD	<b>BEST &amp; FAIREST</b>	PLAYERS PLAYER
U10 Tigers	Caitlin Bell	Mason Roe	Joshua Godwin
U10 Panthers	Natasha Clausen	Tyler Gaddes	Rhys Cropper
U10 Jaguars	Chloe Rankin	Lochlan Elward	James Broomfield
U11 Tigers	Jordan Nash	Khion Rose	Nick Lavender
U11 Jaguars	Connor Wicks	Jarrad McPherson	Joshua Weatherstone
U12 Tigers	Toby Power	Billy Warren	Ryan Rutherford
U13 Tigers	Jacob Weatherstone	Trent Roberts	Nicholas Marsh
U14 Panthers	Lily Porra	Alex Creasey	Joel Bartrim
U15 Tigers	Zack Benfield	Sheldon O'Loughlin	Noah Reardon
U16 Tigers	Alick O'Dell/Braydon Shannon	-	Jack Chard

# CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR

LIZ WEATHERSTONE

# COACH OF THE YEAR

JOANNE POWELL

# MANAGER OF THE YEAR

LEANNE GODWIN

# **10 Year Loyalty Award**

Zack Benfield Jayden Clements Jack Nelson Adam Pryor Benjamin Zietsch Alexander Creasey Sam Powell Nathan Butterick Jack Chard