

Hawthorn Football Club

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Newsletter, July 2013

Dear Members

Welcome to the June Newsletter.

As we head towards the second half of the year we take this opportunity to look back over the past 6 months and also look forward to the next period of the year.

Certainly the sudden passing of Former Player and friend too many of us David "Rubber" O'Halloran was a very sad . What a champion person and player he was, the esteem with which he was held was evidenced by the number of people who attended his send off. Our sympathies go out to Karen, Tom & Georgia who will miss this great man, now, and in the years ahead.

David was a great warrior for our Football Club and will be remembered fondly by all that were lucky enough to have been associated with him. Rest in Peace Rub.

On a positive note your Association's website is on the verge of launching and you will be advised via email when that time arrives. We are very excited by this initiative, which we hope will give our members more up to date access on everything "Past Players & Officials ".

Congratulations to Scotty Maginness and Shane Murphy for their tireless work in collating all the relative information and working with our website designer to bring as much information to the site as possible. This website will be a work in progress at all times with updates and changes made on a regular basis with member also being able to comment and make contributions to the site via our interactive blog and associated forums. We look forward to its launch .

Once again we celebrated our Generations Lunch at the "G" on the 26th May. It was a terrific day enjoyed by all those who attended. There was a great cross section of eras of players, including representatives of our one and only Under 19 Premiership Team of 1972. Those boys certainly know how to have a good time!!

Congratulations to Peter Russo and the O'Halloran Family on behalf of Rubber, on the recognition by our Association of their contribution to the Hawthorn Football Club over many years. A full report later in this edition. A big thanks to all those who made the effort to attend and we look forward to another big bash in the future.

Go Hawks

Yours Sincerely

John Kennedy Jnr

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP 308
TARGET 360

SUPPORT YOUR ASSOCIATION

If you would like to join the HFCPP&O please contact David Wanless on 0417 072 215 / 0499 191 377 or by E-Mail dwanless@wanjoangus.com.au and we will send out a Membership Application Full member \$40.00 Concession \$30.00

Generations Lunch – MCG , Miller Room ,May 26th 2013

The 2013 Generations lunch was celebrated in grand style with 118 guests. Past Players Peter Russo and David O'Halloran were honored as players that had made a significant contribution to our Football Club during their time as a player and beyond. Former Captain Don Scott spoke about his memories of Rubber O'Halloran and Dave Parkin spoke on the career of Pete. They told some wonderful stories that brought back memories to those who played in their respective era's. It was then time for the "Big Dipper" to grace the Lectern. He was in career best form with stories from his early days with Rubber, how Peter Russo helped him win the Brownlow Medal and his encounter with Il Papa (The Pope). He did a fantastic job and on behalf of the association I thank him, Scotty and Parko for their efforts in making the day a tremendous success. Well done boys!!



Dave Parkin & John Kennedy



Daniel, Peter & Brendan Russo



Don Scott speaking on Rubber O'Halloran



Bob Keddie, Richard Loveridge, Norm Bussell



John Kennedy and The Dipper



Rob Dipper and Ian Dunne



Tom , Georgia and Karen O'Halloran accepting "Rubbers" Jumper

Parko,s big Ride

The 2013 Australia Post Male Bag Ride.

About 18 months back. 26 riders and 7 support crew decided to organize a Prostate cancer fundraiser, riding from Perth to Melbourne on posties motor Cycles. In 2010 a similar event occurred with \$32,000 being raised.

I was invited to be their patron during 2012 and when one of the riders fell off and smashed his leg, I was stupid enough to take his place. Eleven days of 8-9 hours (500+ kms) of riding, plus breakfast sessions with the posties, and evenings of men's health events, raised \$400,000+ for the cause of prostate cancer awareness, support and research .Despite a couple of falls

(one necessitating a reconstruction in the past month of my right thumb), a very sore backside, and a significant mental and physical challenge, it was a journey to remember. A great bunch of blokes who came together as a well-oiled machine/team to achieve meaningful outcomes.

If you can support this worthy cause please go to the ride's website:
www.themalebagride.org.au to donate.



David Parkin

WELL DONE PARKO FROM US ALL AT THE HFCPP&O !

WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Vin Crowe

Years played – 1967,1968

Nickname – Crowie

Games – 14

First Game- Round 1, 1967

Where do you live- Croydon Hills

Family – Married to Susie for 38 years.
3 children, Sonya (35) married to Mick, Allison (33) and Ben (30)

Occupation – Public Accountant,
Self-employed for 37years

Hobbies – Time with 2 Grand Children
and Family . Golf, Fishing, Reading and
the Hawks.



How do you think you would perform in today's football?

If picked forward of Cyril Rioli,I would go very well...otherwise if left to myself I would like to be a reliable team player.

Any memorable moments –

In 1964 I played one game with Richmond FC ,I took one mark, had one kick, and got one goal!
Otherwise, sport has been very kind to me and I have had a great deal of pleasure and met some wonderful people along the way.

AFLPA MEMBERSHIP JOIN NOW !! THIS IS A MUST DO !!!!

The one off \$50 membership fee (\$25 for concession card holders) for all players who have played one senior game has valuable benefits. These include:

Access to AFL Medical Officers Association members who will bulk bill for consultations

- Discount offers for car and health insurance
- Reimbursement of health insurance fund excess payments
- Free Drake Training Courses
- Health and Welfare financial support through the Geoff Pryor Hardship Fund.

If membership is of interest contact Brad Fisher (E) BFisher@aflplayers.com.au (T) 03 8651 4366. If you would like more information on the Geoff Pryor Hardship Fund contact HFC PP&O committee members David Wanless (M) 0417 072 215 or Shane Murphy (M) 0419 597 748 or (E) pastplayers@hawthornfc.com.au

GOLF AND BOWLS DAYS

If you are interested in playing or being part of these days, please contact Golf Ken Beck 9803 1462 and Bowls John Chandler 9704 7440. New players are most welcome. If you are interested in attending please contact Ken or John.

**Vale. Players - Kelvin Lippiatt, David O'Halloran, Wally Bristow
Officials – Raymond Vidor, John Braybon, Peter Cumming**