

# Hawthorn Football Club

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Dear Members

Welcome to our first edition of our newsletter for 2012. It seems that we are starting the year in pretty good shape with our membership numbers up from the same time last year.

This is particularly pleasing given that membership subs are the lifeblood of this organisation's ability to provide services to our membership. However, even though we are in a good position at the moment we must, as a committee, and you as members, continue to encourage all that are eligible to get on board and become paid up. We hit a total of 342 paid up members last year and will be looking to build on that this year to hopefully around the 360 - 370 mark. So if you are not paid up please do so now!

This year your committee will again work towards providing enjoyment and benefits to our members. We will be undertaking the Generations Lunch later in the year and we will continue to provide members with seats at all home games at the MCG except when we play Collingwood. We are also in the preliminary stages of setting up a Welfare Fund to assist those members that find themselves in need of a helping hand. There will be more on this issue in our next addition.

This year will see the introduction of our own HFCPP&O web site. We will be building this website over the next 2 months and will advise you via this newsletter and email once it is up and running. Stay tuned . We are also currently undertaking some cosmetic works in our Past Players Room to reflect the people we represent. All premiership teams will be highlighted and there will be various action pictures of players and officials through different eras. Once completed we will upload photos of the room onto the website for all members to view.

The HFCPP&O Race Day was held at Caulfield on the 24<sup>th</sup> of March. This was a terrific event enjoyed by many of our members. We thank our Members from Aquanita Racing in Particular Bluey Oliver & Peter Howell for their generous support in allowing us to use this facility on the day.

Finally we wish Alastair and the team the best of luck this year and hope that they can take that extra step and reach the ultimate goal.

So until next time

Go Hawks

Yours Sincerely

John Kennedy Jnr

## MEMBERSHIP TARGET 370

### Current 310

#### **SUPPORT YOUR ASSOCIATION**

If you would like to join the HFCPP&O please contact Mike Warren at the Hawthorn Football Club, on 03 9535 3063 or by E-Mail [mikew@hawthornfc.com.au](mailto:mikew@hawthornfc.com.au) and we will send out a Membership Application  
Full member \$40.00 Concession \$30.00

## PAST PLAYERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Association held its Annual General Meeting on Sunday the 27th November 2011 in the David Parkin Lecture Theatre at Waverley Park.

Five positions on the Committee became vacant because of the expiration of the terms of Messrs J Chandler, G Chiron, T Duggan, D Hall and R Matthews.

Messrs J Chandler, G Chiron and R Matthews advised of their retirement from the Committee and did not seek re-election and T Duggan and D Hall offered themselves for a further term. A nomination from Mark Graham was received and accepted

Your Committee for 2012 is President John Kennedy Jnr, Vice President Ian Paton, Secretary David Wanless, Treasurer Bob Calwell and Committee Members Terry Duggan, Mark Graham, David Hall, Scott Maginness, Bob Moore, Shane Murphy, Len Petch and Leon Rice.

Last year the Committee awarded two Outstanding Achievement Awards to Sam Mitchell the 2011 Peter Crimmins Medallist, Runner Up in the 2011 Brownlow Medal and Philips Sports Dad of the Year and Lance Franklin the 2011 Coleman Medallist.



John Kennedy Jnr with Lance Franklin and Sam Mitchell

## RACE DAY AT CAULFIELD RACE COURSE

The HFCPP&O Race day was held at the Aquanita Racing Bar at Caulfield Race Course on Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of March. The Aquanita boys provided us with a terrific venue to enjoy the day with plenty of food and drink to keep the spirits up.

Ian "Rimo" Rimington looked after the Punter's Club for us but unfortunately the result was one which didn't warrant boasting about. Needless to say Rimo didn't have too many announcements at the end of proceedings. Great to see Ian "Liberty" Law and wife Barbara attend together with our staunchest supporters from Bendigo in Peter Gallagher and his fellow Hawkers.

On behalf of the Association I would like to formally thank Peter Oliver, Peter Howell and the Aquanita team for allowing us to use this wonderful facility. A special thanks to Champion Trainer Robert Smerdon and TV personality and former Jockey Sam Hyland for giving up their time to come and give us some inside knowledge of the internal workings of the racing industry.

A great day was had by all those who attended and we look forward to hopefully enhancing this event into the future.



Ian Paton, David Carmichael and Ian Dunn



Ian Rimmington, Peter "Bluey" Oliver and Peter Howell



David Wanless and Robert Peers



Michael Cook and Ian "Liberty" Law



Bob Calwell, Robert Smerdon and John Kennedy

## Milestones in April

### Sam Mitchell 200 Games

After being overlooked in the 2000 AFL National draft Mitchell joined Hawthorn's VFL affiliate, Box Hill Hawks and after impressing Hawks recruiters, was selected by Hawthorn at pick 36 the following year. The tenacious midfielder made his AFL debut in 2002 and won the AFL Rising Star award the following year.

In 2004, Mitchell was given Club Legend Peter Crimmins 'iconic No 5 guernsey and since then, the hardened centreman has won the Peter Crimmins Medal on three occasions (2006, 2009 and 2011) captained the club to a premiership in 2008 and earned himself All-Australian selection in 2011

### Shaun Burgoyne 200 Games

Recruited from Port Adelaide Magpies, Burgoyne was selected by Port Adelaide at pick 12 in the 2000 AFL National Draft. Having gained a NAB Rising Star nomination in his debut year (2002), he went on to play 157 games for The Power and was a member of their inaugural AFL premiership side in 2004. Burgoyne was named in the All-Australian team in 2006 and also finished second in Port Adelaide's best and fairest that year.

In 2010, he was traded to Hawthorn for picks 9 and 16, where he was handed Club champion Shane Crawford's No 9 guernsey.

### Jordan Lewis

Originally from Warnambool, Lewis was selected by the Hawks with pick number seven in the 2004 AFL National Draft. The tough midfielder made his AFL debut in 2005, and earned a NAB Rising Star nomination that year. A member of the Hawks 2008 Premiership side, Lewis was named co-captain (along with Jarryd Roughead) in 2011.

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Ray Wilson

**Years played** – 1966 - 1972

**Nickname** –

**Games** – 105

**First Game-** Round 1 v Collingwood 1966

**Where do you live-** East Melbourne 300 metres from the MCG

I jog past Leigh Matthews's statue every week

**Family** – Wife Margaret, 4 children, 10<sup>th</sup> grand child due in April

**Occupation** – Retired after sale of own superannuation/investment business 10 years ago. Sit on several business sporting and non-profit boards, including the Victorian Institute of Sport and the Advisory Board of the AFLPA.



**Hobbies** –Golf, jogging, grand parenting. Heavily involved with my old amateur club, University Blacks, as past president. In the last 10 years I have been lucky to travel with some mates to some major sporting events (Lords cricket, US Masters, two Soccer World Cups).

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

I'd be OK for the stamina and ball handling skills required but speed of foot would see me floundering. I assume the kicking skills of the 1970's would be brought up to current standard with full time training.

**Any memorable moments** – Obviously the 1971 premiership is the big one as to a 'moment' a week hardly goes by without somebody mentioning my running into Carl Ditterich in the Grand Final. He hit the turf and I stayed upright. It's like one second of action defined my whole career.

## COMING EVENTS

- **All Home games at the MCG. For seating tickets contact Bob Moore on [rmoore07@bigpond.com](mailto:rmoore07@bigpond.com) or phone 0409 366 002, 9890 0271**
- **Generations Lunch August 19 MCG**

## AFLPA MEMBERSHIP

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 Jo Rafferty (E) [joanne@aflpa.com.au](mailto:joanne@aflpa.com.au) (T) 03 9926 1344. 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](mailto: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.

RIP Cyril Collard 1957-58 13 Games