

# Hawthorn Football Club

## Past Players and Officials Association Inc.

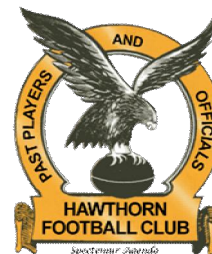
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Dear Members

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2009

We as a club head into the new year with great optimism and enthusiasm and look forward to the team again setting a standard for all to follow. As an association we have some quality events that we would like you all to consider supporting. Our first event for the year will be the 2009 Generations Lunch to be held in the Miller Room at the MCG on 18 April. The Hawks will be playing Port Adelaide. Entry and seat tickets, two course meal and drinks are all included in the package. This is sure to be an enjoyable event.

Towards the middle of the year we will be having a Trainer's Night in our Past Player's room from 6-/- 8pm for all to reminisce, with our major function for the year will be held on 21 August when we will be celebrating the achievements of the 88 and 89 teams with first ever Back – to - Back Premiership side. This will be our major fund raiser for the year and I would ask that everyone make a special effort to attend.

I would like to stress that although we are celebrating the achievement of this team, all players and officials are encouraged to be involved. The more support we have from our membership the better. So pencil in the date and invitations will follow.

Should you require any further information or would like to book ahead please email Mike Warren on [pastplayers@hawthornfc.com](mailto:pastplayers@hawthornfc.com) or phone him on 9535 3063

Finally, I would like to formally welcome David Wanless as the newly appointed Secretary of the HFCPP&O association. David has had a long and successful history with the Hawthorn Football Club and his administrative capabilities are well credentialed. We look forward to working with David in the year ahead.

Yours Sincerely

John Kennedy  
President, HFCPP & OA

### **Get On Board**

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

**Just a reminder to those that have not as yet renewed their 2009 membership**

## WE ARE A HAPPY TEAM AT HAWTHORN

A tribute to the players, coaching staff, administration and members who through their hard work and self belief since 1996 has given us our tenth Premiership.



## WAVERLEY PARK Celebrates its third Birthday

On the 16th February the Hawthorn Football Club celebrated its third birthday with a cake in club colours at its Waverley Park training and administration centre.

The Hawks moved to their state of the art training and administrative headquarters in early 2006, paving the way for a new era of professionalism for the Hawks



Final training day at Waverley before the Grand Final, 2008

## FAMILY DAY at Glenferrie



A crowd of over 7,000 attended Glenferrie Oval on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

Fans made the most of perfect weather to meet the players, secure autographs, purchase merchandise and memberships and enjoy the entertainment and other activities. One of the highlight for the day was to have their picture taken with the Premiership Cup.

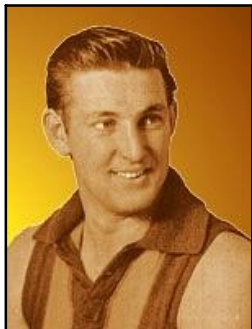
The 2009 players were presented to the fans and President Jeff Kennett and Coach Alastair Clackson spoke about the upcoming season. The Past Players ran the bar for the day.

The boys in action, Trevor Randall, Bob Calwell and Ian Paton looking after the Bar



## MEMORABLE GAMES

### Round 13 1960 Collingwood v Hawthorn at Victoria Park



Soon to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, John Peck kicked one of the most memorable goals in the club's history. It was in Round 13, 1960 that he kicked a goal after the final siren to give Hawthorn victory over Collingwood at Victoria Park by one point – the Hawks' first victory at the venue after 28 defeats. Gary Buckenara (1987) and Ben Dixon (2001) are the only other Hawthorn players to kick winning goals after the siren. Peck decided to celebrate with a drink in the Collingwood Social Club and dragged team-mate, Brian Falconer, along with him. Brian recalls that he did not think it a good idea, but his fears were put to rest when they entered the bar – as all the Collingwood supporters had gone home.

### 1989 VFL Grand Final

Hawthorn and Geelong met in what is considered one of the greatest grand finals of all time.

It was a physical game right from the start when Geelong's Mark Yeates ran through Dermott Brereton at the opening bounce, bruising Brereton's kidney, and causing him internal bleeding and broken ribs. In a courageous display, Brereton refused to leave the ground despite his injuries and was sent to the forward pocket to recover. Several minutes later he marked in a pack and provided an inspirational goal. Later heavy clashes would see John Platten concussed and Robert Di Pierdomenico suffer broken ribs and a punctured lung.



The physical examination Geelong had put Hawthorn through began to take its toll and the Hawks began to stall. The Cats were charging. In the final few minutes this game was up for grabs, and it was then that we saw the true strength of the Mighty Hawks. They held firm despite injury and fatigue to win a contest played at breakneck speed to win by six points to take back to back flags and ensure their place in football history.

## GOLF & BOWLS REPORT

### Yabby Jeans Jug and Bowls Shield

#### Golf

The annual Yabby Jeans Day was held at Phillip Island Golf Course and Philip Island Bowling Club on Friday 24 October 2008. We had twelve golfers competing against last year's winners Richmond and also St Kilda. Richmond again was victorious in taking the Yabby Jeans Jug. Thank you to all our players for making the trip, I'm sure a win isn't too far away.

#### Bowls

This year we were able to field a second four for the Yabby Shield and I'm sure we will be even stronger in 2009. A number of our more senior bowlers were unable to play because of injury and illness, but I'm sure they will return and fire up for future events. Thanks to John Chandler for driving the minibus, I'm certain everyone enjoyed the day.

Ken Beck  
Golf Captain

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW

Brendan Edwards

**Year first played** – 1956

**Nickname:** Brendo

**Games** – 109

**First Game** Round 1 1956

**Where do you live-** Main Beach Gold Coast Queensland

**Family** – Children Tim, Jane, Fiona and Campbell.

**Occupation** – Part-time Personal Trainer and  
Part time renovator

**Hobbies** – Beach, Surfing, Swimming and Golf

### How do you think you would perform in today's

**football?** Spoken as only Brendan could 'I would fit in quite well, it would suit me. I would do it easy and rack up countless positions.'



Brendan and his son and grandson with the 1961 Premiership Cup

### Notes of interest from

Mud Muscle and Blood-The Story of the 1957 Hawks by Richard Alsop & Peter Haby

Edwards was well known as a fitness fanatic and he is given much credit for establishing the circuit training that, for many years, gave Hawthorn the fitness edge on its rivals. *The Hard Way* describes how initially in 1957, as a physical education student at Melbourne University he was the sole team member doing circuit training outside normal team training sessions. John Kennedy and Graham Arthur were impressed with the results and joined Edwards in the training in 1958. When the three of them had excellent seasons; coach, Jack Hale, made circuit work a part of the whole team's training in 1959.

In 1967-68, Edwards used his physical fitness expertise to design a commando training farm at Bulleen that was instrumental in the success of the Hawthorn teams of the 1970s. He has lived in Queensland for many years.

### Upcoming Events for 2009

Please pencil in your diary immediately

- Generations Lunch Saturday 18 April at the MCG v Port Adelaide
- Players & Trainers Night –John Kennedy PP & O Room Waverley Park Thursday 24 July
- Tribute Dinner Friday 21 August

Further information regarding these events will be forwarded to you in due course

### Did you know

Tickets for seating only (not entry) for Hawthorn home games at the MCG are available by phoning Bob Moore on M 0409 366 002.

Ken Beck organises a number of Golf Days during the year. Should you wish to join him and other members on the fairways please contact the association by phone or E-Mail.

**RIP-** William Moore 1938- 49, 31 games, 11 goals No 22

Tom Ferguson 1946- 48, 38 games, 17 goals No 20

Frank Cutter 1941, 3 games, 1 goal

**We would also like to extend our condolences to those families who have been affected by the recent Bush Fires**