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2017**

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Northern Football League is that we will organise, develop and grow a quality Australian Rules Football competition for the enjoyment and benefit of participants and communities through the northern region of Melbourne.

We will create and sustain an environment in which all clubs and individuals can aspire and reach their full potential in a healthy and safe manner.

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Chairman

On behalf of the directors of the Northern Football League, I present the League's Annual Report for the 2017 season.



It was our 11th season of competition under the NFL banner and as we move into 2018 we will undergo a name change and rebrand to the Northern Football Netball League (NFNL) to ensure our name is reflective of our entire organisation.

Season 2017 saw Laurimar enter our senior football competition, while Kilmore juniors transferred from the Riddell District Football League, joining their seniors who entered our league in the 2016 season. Meanwhile, Reservoir returned to our senior football competition after one season in recess.

The 2017 season saw a very important first for the NFL with the introduction of the Northpark NFLW – where 20 teams competed in two divisions of our senior women's football competition. Congratulations to Bendigo in Division 1 and VU Western Spurs in Division 2 who took out the premierships in the inaugural season of our senior women's football competition.

After a positive start to this year's home and away season, our senior representative team, led by Garry Ramsay as coach, had an easy victory over the Western Region Football League in the 2017 AFL Victoria Community Championships. The victory at Preston City Oval ensured we set-up a re-match with

the Mornington Peninsula Nepean Football League in 2018 season – where a win will see us play for the No. 1 ranking in 2019.

While the senior representative side had a big win, the under-19 NFL football team fell short by three points after holding a lead for most of the day. Meanwhile, both the open and under-19 netball teams recorded comfortable wins against their opposition in the Eastern Football League to remain unbeaten at representative level.

After exciting home and away competitions in each of our senior football divisions, there was great anticipation for the finals series. Bundoora claimed the Meadows Greyhounds Division 1 premiership – its first since 2013 – with a thrilling three-point win over Macleod, who was also runner-up last year. A Plus Labour Solutions Division 2 saw a grand final triumph for North Heidelberg, who made up for last year's loss to Hurstbridge with a big win over Diamond Creek. Meanwhile, Banyule won the Heidelberg Golf Club Division 3 flag after downing South Morang. The premiership was Banyule's first senior premiership since entering our league in 2015.

Junior football again continues to grow and all our clubs are doing a tremendous job providing an enjoyable environment for

youngsters to participate in football. The NFL will continue to work with clubs and umpires to ensure junior football remains at a level in which it is both enjoyable for all to play and watch. This season saw our girls football competitions again expand, with female football the fastest growing sector of our sport. Our 258 junior football teams included 47 girls teams, which included the introduction of an under-10 girls competition for the very first time.

Our netball competition is continuing to expand, with our winter competition played across a league-record 10 sections again this year. A total of 81 teams competed in the winter competition, an increase of four teams from last year. It is a great achievement to still be recording growth on the netball court. We also had 12 teams compete in the 2016/17 summer competition. Our netball competition is now one of the largest open-age competitions in Melbourne.

From an administration perspective, season 2017 was again a steady year for our league under the leadership of Peter McDougall – who has worked tirelessly to improve our brand within our community. Simon Devine had his first full year in the role of Football Operations Manager after joining midway through 2016. Delwyn Berry continues



to produce outstanding results with her management of the netball competition and administration work, while Samuel Zito had another brilliant year with our media operations. Among the highlights this year was live streaming all senior grand finals and the representative match – with all games receiving large viewership. His media team again provided great coverage of the all competitions within the league. Richard Dureau was again a great support to Simon and Delwyn in football and netball operations before he left mid-season. Brendan Ellwood has since fitted in nicely to fill Richard's role, while Tim Johns' replacement Greg Hurvitz has been a welcome addition as our Business Development Manager. Thank you to the other part-time NFL staff and La Trobe University students who assisted with the league's administration, as well as AFL Victoria staff Phiv Demetriou and Andrew Lozanovski who again provided great support to the NFL and its clubs.

To the Northern Umpires Association – thank you for your continued support of the NFL and its member clubs. The umpiring talent continues to grow within our league, as demonstrated by the large number of umpires who have been invited to trial with the VFL for 2018. Our number of registered umpires remains the envy of many grassroots football leagues around the country. In 2017 we had a record 460 registered umpires. Thank you to all the umpire coaches, including Director of Umpiring Martin Ellis who put in as many hours as anyone, with umpire training, development, and appointments. It is a large job keeping so many happy and engaged within our competition, so thank you Martin on a job well done.

I wish to thank all those people who worked either in a club committee position or in a role as one of many just helping out each week. Every year it seems more is required to be done by club volunteers, with costs and time associated with running local sporting clubs increasing. Without the hard work of volunteers, many clubs would struggle to provide the on and off-field support needed to successfully operate a grassroots club.

The ability to provide all the resources required to run our competition is very dependent on the quality of partners that can be attracted to the NFL. The contribution of our partners towards the NFL ensures all participants get the best support possible in their individual pursuits on and off the sporting field. We sincerely thank all our partners, who include:

AFL Victoria, Yarra Valley Water, The Meadows, Winning Edge Presentations, A Plus Labour Solutions, Heidelberg Golf Club, Buffalo Sports, Game Day Apparel, Grashan Sportswear, Northpark Private Hospital, WaterMarc Banyule, Zagame's, SEN 1116, Cool As, Flannagan Peressini & Shaw, Alphington Sports Medicine, Patties Foods, SEDA, Wine In A Glass, Couta Group, KMR Safety First, Midas Greensborough, Schweppes, Sherrin, Sporting Fine Art, Carlton Football Club, Northern Blues Football Club, Northern Knights Football Club, Netball Victoria, Club Warehouse, Victor, Coachsmart, Digiscan, La Trobe University,



Sportscast Australia, Local Legends Team and Sport Photography, Luckman Catering, 88.6 Plenty Valley FM, SALT, Supa Turf and 2XU.

Thank you to my fellow board directors Nicolina Lademann, Michael McLellan, Jeff Parkes, Diana Pettie, Stella Pruscino, Scott Walker and Bronwyn Neeson for your support throughout 2017. As with the majority of volunteers involved in our competition, you find time to support the NFL and its goals and that is very much appreciated. I thank you for

your personal support of me as Chairman.

I again would like to acknowledge that there are many who contribute to the success of the NFL, directly or indirectly, and their support of our community is very much appreciated. Without your time and effort the league would not be able to maintain its reputation as one of leading community sporting leagues in the country.

Dean Philpots
Chairman

NFL Board



Top Row (L-R): Dean Philpots, Diana Pettie, Bronwyn Neeson.

Middle Row (L-R): Scott Walker, Jeff Parkes, Nicolina Lademann.

Bottom Row (L-R): Michael McLellan, Stella Pruscino.

Chief Executive Officer

2017 was a year of unprecedented growth across the Northern Football League.



FEMALE FOOTBALL

The establishment of the senior women's competitions has been a huge success. In the inaugural year of the Northpark NFLW competitions, 20 teams played across two divisions. The NFL welcomed clubs from outside the league as part of a transition from the AFL Victoria-managed former VWFL competitions, along with NFL clubs creating a new women's team.

The season was extremely successful on all levels and this was largely due to the tremendous support from all clubs and NFL umpires. I would like to thank the Rochester & Echuca Football Umpires Association for providing the umpires for all Bendigo home matches. Their support was greatly appreciated.

Our junior female competitions continued to grow. For the first time we conducted an under-10 girls competition and a second under-14 girls competition. By conducting the under-10 competition the NFL can now provide girls with the opportunity play with the one club from Auskick through to open-age football.

PARTICIPATION CENSUS

Women's Football – 20 new teams

Seniors Men's Football – 4 new teams

Junior Football – 32 new teams
(16 girls teams and 16 boys teams)

Netball – 5 new teams

More than 60 new teams were established across all NFL competitions in 2017. This was our greatest increase of new teams ever in a single year. This brought our total number of teams for football and netball to a record 441 teams.

This is fantastic growth and reflective of the great work of everyone involved within the region.

SENIOR FOOTBALL (MEN'S)

Meadows Greyhounds Division 1 was a very even competition throughout the year and the season provided an exciting finish at both ends of the ladder. Congratulations to the Bundoora Football Club on winning the premiership in a thrilling grand final battle with the Macleod Football Club. Both teams should be very proud of the way they played the game and represented themselves.

The A Plus Labour Solutions Division 2 senior competition produced a competitive top end of the ladder, with five teams battling it out for the top-four positions. Congratulations to the North Heidelberg Football Club for winning the premiership and they now prepare to make the big step back into Division 1 in 2018.

Heidelberg Golf Club Division 3 became a nine-team competition as we welcomed back the Reservoir Football Club, while Laurimar Football Club fielded senior teams for the first time. The finals series produced some very exciting matches and congratulations to the Banyule Football Club for winning the flag in only their third season in the NFL.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

As I mentioned earlier, our junior team numbers continued to grow in 2017. The extensive focus on grading during the first four rounds enabled more competitive competitions, culminating in many close finals matches. The Kilmore Football Club fielded junior teams in the NFL for the first time this year. Congratulations to everyone at the club, in particular to the junior committee, for a fantastic first season.

As always one of our biggest challenges is managing the behaviour of adult spectators. This issue determines the environment that our matches are played in, and this will always be a key focus of the NFL. Thank you to all parents and spectators who did behave appropriately, and I look forward to you making a continued positive impact at NFL games.

Junior finals crowds were once again very healthy, in particular all grand finals. Congratulations to all teams who participated in the Watermarc NFL Finals Series, in particular to the teams who were fortunate enough to win the premiership.

CLUBS OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to the Greensborough Football Club for winning the 2017 NFL Senior Club of the Year and to the Diamond Creek Junior Football Club for winning the 2017 NFL Junior Club of the Year. Both clubs displayed an outstanding level of governance, administration, league compliance and a high level of match day conduct. They were both very deserving recipients of their award. Well done to both clubs for an outstanding year. Thank you to the Carlton Football Club for its support in sponsoring these two awards.

CLUB SUSTAINABILITY

The AFL Victoria Club Sustainability Program commenced last year with the introduction of the Player Points System in all senior football competitions. This year the salary cap component of the program was implemented and considering this was the first year, all clubs managed the process extremely well. Now that we all have been through the process, next year will be a lot easier for everyone.

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

For the first time this year we implemented

live streaming of the senior representative match, and all senior grand finals, as well as the Season Launch and Senior Presentation Night and all proved to be very successful. The matches and events were streamed via the league's Facebook page and the number of live views and audience reach was extraordinary. Well done to Andrew McLeish from Sportscast Australia for delivering such a first-class product. The NFL website and social media streams continue to grow, with the NFL launching a new website in late March, which was well received. The new website included a modern-look and a variety of new tools and functions. It also gave the league greater commercial opportunities, with more control over advertising space. The TeamApp mobile application continued to generate additional members and the NFL was again ranked No. 1 of all football leagues and clubs in the country for the total number of members.

NETBALL

For the last time I refer to the Northern Netball League, who experienced additional growth again this year. Team numbers in our winter season grew by four teams this year, a small but still significant margin, and took our total number of teams to 81. The summer competitions again remained at two divisions this year, with 12 teams competing. Thank you to everyone involved in our netball programs.

Identifying additional facilities for netball matches to be played at as our team numbers continue to grow is always a challenge. We will continue to work with each council to assist with them to utilise existing and new facilities.

The crowds during the final series, and in particular, the grand finals, were a great reflection of the health of the netball code and the standard of all competitions.

Our representative teams continued to represent us with distinction against the Eastern Football League. Both the senior and under-19 netball teams won their respective matches to keep the undefeated representative status intact.

AFL VICTORIA

The NFL works very closely with AFL Victoria and with two of their staff located within the NFL office, this allows for a strong working relationship aimed at growing participation within the northern region of Melbourne. Phiv Demetriou and Andrew Lozanovski continue to provide great support to the NFL.

AFL Victoria also provided additional funding to assist the NFL to conduct our Girls Football Development Program and to also complete the C.T Barling Park coaches boxes project. Without AFL Victoria's support these

programs would not have been possible.

As an affiliate of AFL Victoria, I would also like to acknowledge the support and assistance of Steven Reaper, Brett Connell, Michael Daniher, Daryl Collings, Shayne Ward and Gerard Ryan throughout the past year.

FINANCES

As always the finance portfolio is a very tough department of the league. To have financially healthy clubs is critical to the health and wellbeing of the NFL. Thank you to all clubs for your diligent efforts to manage your NFL account.

As a league it is a tough climate to generate external revenue streams, and 2017 has been a difficult year to secure new partners. This is an ongoing challenge and we will continue to grow the NFL brand to ensure the demands on clubs are in line with the needs of the league. The need to continue to build our financial base to minimise our financial vulnerability is paramount.

I am pleased to report a positive financial result for 2017.

NFL PARTNERS

Our partners bring much-needed funds into our organisation and long-term partnerships are extremely valuable. Yarra Valley Water, as the NFL's naming rights partner, has been wonderful since joining with us in 2011.

We welcomed first-year partners Northpark Private Hospital, A Plus Labour Solutions, Wine In A Glass, Cool As Cool Room Hire, Sportscast Australia and Local Legends Team and Sport Photography. I look forward to our relationship continuing for many years.

A big thank you to our existing partners AFL Victoria, SEN, The Meadows, Winning Edge Presentations, 2XU, Heidelberg Golf Club, WaterMarc, Zagames Reservoir, SEDA Group, Digiscan, Flannagan Peressini & Shaw, Carlton Football Club, Northern Blues Football Club, Netball Victoria, Victor Sports, Club Warehouse, Sherrin, Buffalo Sports, Game Day Apparel, Grashan Sportswear, Alphington Sports Medicine Centre, Midas Greensborough, Couta Group, Sporting Fine Art, Patties Foods, Supaturf, La

Trobe University, SALT, KMR Safety First, Coachsmart Systems, Plenty Valley FM, Schweppes Australia, Pat Cronin Foundation and White Ribbon Foundation.

The NFL continued to work closely with our Local Government Authorities throughout the year. Regular meetings are conducted and it is extremely beneficial for us to work side by side with all councils on club and league matters. Thank you to all the council chief executives and their staff that I have worked with this year, and I look forward to your continued support in 2018.

NFL ADMINISTRATION

The NFL is fortunate to have a fantastic administration team who are totally committed to their role, all clubs and the NFL.

To Simon Devine (Football Operations Manager), Delwyn Berry (Netball and Administration Manager), Samuel Zito (Media Manager) and Brendan Ellwood (Football and Netball Operations Officer) a big thank you for the outstanding dedication to your role and to the NFL and NNL. Brendan joined the team in July after the departure of Richard Dureau and I would like to also acknowledge Richard for his contribution during the past year.

I also would like to thank our part-time staff members Byron Smith (Finance Manager), Martin Ellis (Director of Umpiring) and Greg Hurvitz (Business Development Manager) who have all made a tremendous contribution to the NFL.

NFL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The NFL is indeed fortunate to have a committed team of directors, who are dedicated to the growth and development of our league. Scott Walker and Bronwyn Neeson became the newest board members this year. Everyone on the board has been a tremendous support to me throughout the year. I thank you all for your continued support and commitment to the NFL.

I would like to make a special acknowledgement to NFL Chairman Dean Philpots. Dean is stepping down from the NFL Board after 11 years in a voluntary position. Dean has provided a significant contribution to the NFL and he also been a great support

to me. Thank you Dean and congratulations on making a great contribution to the NFL.

NFL JUDICIARY

Thank you to NFL Tribunal Chairman Sam Cusumano and NFL Appeals Panel Chairman Iain Findley for their great level of professionalism and leadership in their respective roles. Both provide terrific support to the NFL. Also, a big thank you to every member of the NFL tribunal, appeals panel, grievance committee and all NFL investigators, conciliators and tribunal advocates. These roles are very difficult to fill and they are much needed, so therefore the commitment from everyone is greatly appreciated.

BRANDING

We enter a new branding phase in the life of the NFL. With support from La Trobe University and the graphic design students at the Bendigo campus, the NFL Board has selected, from many submissions, a new logo to represent our name change to the Northern Football Netball League (NFNL). Congratulations to Maddison Curtin for designing our new logo. This change now formally recognises both football and netball to reflect the inclusiveness of our clubs and the league. It is critical that our brand represents our membership and stakeholders.



In closing, I'd like to wish the entire NFL and NNL family an enjoyable festive season and I look forward to working with you all as the NFNL in 2018.

Peter McDougall
Chief Executive Officer

NFL Staff



Top Row (L-R):
Peter McDougall,
Simon Devine,
Delwyn Berry,
Brendan Ellwood

Bottom Row (L-R):
Samuel Zito,
Martin Ellis
Byron Smith
Greg Hurvitz.

Football Operations

The 2017 season was like no other in the Northern Football League, with substantial growth across the league a major positive.



From a junior perspective we had 36 football competitions from Under-9s through to Under-18 Girls – with over 250 teams and more than 6,400 participants taking the field. The growth of female participation in our junior ranks was quite large, with an increase of over 45% in our junior female teams. Whilst part of this growth can be attributed to the introduction of the AFLW competition, our clubs have been at the forefront in female football for over 10 years and this growth wouldn't be attainable without them.

The inaugural Northpark NFLW campaign kicked off in season 2017, with 14 clubs and 20 teams taking part. Eleven existing teams from the former Victorian Women's Football League (VWFL) joined the league and we had nine new teams assist in forming our two divisions, which included three NFL clubs being able to create brand new teams from scratch – which was a great effort on their part.

The senior men's competitions this year started phase two of AFL Victoria's Community Club Sustainability Program

(CCSP), with the introduction of the player payments policy working alongside the player points system. The CCSP online portal enabled clubs to accurately track their payment progress and to manage contracts in a secure location. The NFL audited three clubs in season 2017 in an effort to educate them on correct process and also ensure the integrity of information provided. The three clubs passed with flying colours. Thanks to all clubs for their support and feedback in relation to this program. The league will continue to work with clubs around the CCSP to ensure the sustainability of all senior clubs for many years to come.

Season 2017 saw a brand new senior team in Laurimar join the senior competition – fielding both seniors and reserves teams in Heidelberg Golf Club Division 3. There was also the reintroduction of the Reservoir Football Club after a one-year recess, taking our number of senior clubs to 27.

The 2017 WaterMarc NFL Junior Finals Series saw 26 out of the 27 junior clubs fortunate enough to battle it out for finals glory. The spirit in which all games were played during the finals was fantastic, with players leading the way in good sportsmanship. The quality of football being played was at a very high standard, as it had been throughout the year, with some amazing team play and, as always, some outstanding individual performances.

Feedback from hosting clubs and NFL staff who attended all venues said crowds throughout the finals series were even bigger and better than season 2016, with all spectators again having the ability to watch any game of football free of charge. We had 16 venues hosting NFL junior finals in week one, with four venues in Bundoora Park, Greensborough, Mill Park and South Morang hosting finals for the first time ever. The NFL is continuing to look at ways it can share the opportunities around for all clubs to host finals.

On behalf of everyone within the football operations department, a big thank you to all those clubs who hosted finals matches at their ground. We know how much hard work it takes to run a finals series and how many people and volunteers you need to make it a success. Feedback we received from a lot of stakeholders was that all host clubs did a fantastic job.

The 2017 WaterMarc Senior Finals Series kicked off with the Northpark NFLW Division 1 and 2 competitions. The first week of finals was held at Bill Lawry Oval, with the remaining three weeks played at Preston City



Oval. Finals for our senior men's competitions were held at three venues across the region, with the Meadows Greyhounds Division 1 finals at Preston City Oval, A Plus Labour Solutions Division 2 at Epping Recreation Reserve, with the grand final at Preston, and the Heidelberg Golf Club Division 3 finals played at Whittlesea Showgrounds. All venues had good attendance throughout the finals series, culminating with all grand finals days being blockbuster events.

We had four clubs vying to bring home the premiership in our two Northpark NFLW grand finals. In Heidelberg Golf Club Division 3 we had three different clubs playing off in the reserves and seniors grand finals, in A Plus Labour Solutions Division 2 we had three clubs vying for silverware in the three grades, while in Meadows Greyhounds Division 1 we had five clubs battling it out in the three grand finals. The opportunity for so many clubs to win a premiership goes to the success of each of the competitions and competing clubs, with several other clubs also competing in the finals series.

Once again, our finals wouldn't have been a success without the support of Phil and Sue Aston. The work they do behind the scenes, especially at Preston City Oval, is much appreciated by everyone within the NFL.

The senior representative program this year was about redemption after falling short in season 2016. The program was designed to ensure we had our best team at our disposal and to also send all players back to their clubs fit and healthy. The team we were to face was the Western Region Football League on our home turf at Preston City Oval. A win here would get us back to the 3 vs 4 game in 2018 and an opportunity to potentially have a crack at the number 1 spot in 2019.

The under-19s kicked off the day in what was a tight tussle from the first bounce. We had a cracking start but inaccurate kicking hurt us and we ended up falling by three points, with Bundoora's Mark Pavlovski best on ground. The seniors were coming up against a strong opposition and after a tight first quarter blew them away. A nine-goal second quarter helped set up a huge win by 125 points. Montmorency's Steve McCallum won the medal as the NFL's best player in the big triumph.

I want to say thanks to Garry Ramsey, Rod Cann and their assistant coaches for their time and commitment to the representative program. To the volunteer support staff of trainers, water carriers, runners, and everyone else who assisted with the program, thanks very much. Without your efforts none of the players would have been able to do what they do. A big thanks to the players who took the field to represent this great league. You all did the NFL and your clubs proud. Lastly, I want to say thanks to the clubs. We understand the time and effort you put in to these players and allowing them the opportunity to represent and showcase the standard of this great league is a testament to them and yourselves.

The NFL Junior Representative Program moved up into Division 1 of the AFL Victoria Metro Junior Championships, with our



Under-14A, Under-14B, Under-15A and Under-15B boys teams coming up against tough opposition. Our Under-14A scored a win over the Eastern Football League and we will remain in the Division 1 competition for season 2018. The ultimate success story came in the form of our Under-15 Girls team. Led by Chylloe Kudas, the girls reached the Division 1 grand final for the second-consecutive year. Despite losing their Round 1 game to the might of the Yarra Junior Football League, the girls responded with consecutive wins and entered the grand final with confidence. They then reversed the result against the YJFL in a stunning upset to give the NFL its first ever trophy from the AFL Victoria Metro Junior Championships.

A huge thank you to our junior representative co-ordinator Brett Potter for the mountain of work he has done for our program. The amount of hours Brett puts in to ensure the success of this program is amazing and the success of this shows not only in the results, but also in the way the program is delivered. Thanks to all the coaches and assistants. Your continued support of this program is very much appreciated and you all do a great job. Also a huge thanks to all the parents who helped out as team managers, trainers, water carriers or runners. It is impossible to have these programs without your support and assistance. Congratulations to all the players who represented the NFL in these Championships.

To NFL Head of Umpiring Martin Ellis and all of his support staff, a well deserved thank you for facilitating all competitions within the NFL each and every weekend. The growth across all competitions this year was a challenge for the umpiring group, but through a sustained recruitment and retention program they led the way across all Victorian metropolitan leagues in producing great umpire numbers. To all the NFL umpires, the feedback we receive from clubs is you do a great job in a sometimes impossible situation and we appreciate your efforts throughout the

season.

Thank you also to all members of the NFL judiciary – be it tribunal members, investigation officers or tribunal advocates. This is once again a thankless job but you all play a significant role in the direction we want the Northern Football League heading. Thank you for volunteering your time throughout the football season for the better operation of the league.

To the NFL Board, including chairman Dean Philpots, deputy chairman Michael McLellan, Nicolina Lademann, Jeff Parkes, Diana Pettie, Stella Pruscino, Bronwyn Neeson and Scott Walker, thanks for the support I have received over the first full year in the role. The guidance that you all are able to provide has been invaluable to me.

I personally have appreciated the support I have received from my fellow NFL staff members Peter McDougall, Delwyn Berry, Samuel Zito, Richard Dureau, Martin Ellis, Byron Smith, Greg Hurvitz and, more recently, Brendan Ellwood due to Richards's departure. I also want to say a big thanks to our La Trobe University placement students whose assistance has made my job easier.

A huge thanks to all club volunteers for your efforts throughout season 2017. Without the hours put in by each and every one of you, there is no game. The passion our volunteers have for the game and their clubs make our jobs here even more enjoyable.

The work never stops and season 2018 will be here quicker than we know it, with growth in several areas already being flagged by clubs. I'm looking forward to working with all our stakeholders to ensure our league continues to be a market-leader within our industry.

Simon Devine
Football Operations Manager

Umpiring

The NFL continues to develop better coaching, recruitment and retention strategies to ensure we provide career umpires and establish a solid group of umpires to our football competitions and community.

We continue to have the highest ratio of umpires to teams playing, with a record number of 460 umpire registrations. We were able to appoint a team of field, boundary and goal umpires in all our Saturday competitions and appoint field umpires to all our junior competitions on Sundays. The introduction of the NFLW senior competitions, along with an increase in the number of female participants in our junior competition, saw an increase of about 30 more games in 2017 and 100 more umpiring appointments.

Umpire numbers increased across all disciplines with boundary and goal umpires showing the best growth. Female participation increased in line with the growth of female footballers participating. I believe we are the only league in Victoria that is able to appoint the full complement of umpires of every discipline to all our senior and junior competitions during the finals and this is credited to how hard our umpiring support staff work and the commitment of our umpires.

Dan Henery continued his presidency of the Northern Umpires Association (NUA) and has been wonderful to work with. We continue to build a strong relationship and the energy amongst the umpiring group is terrific.

Tuesday and Thursday night training sessions continue to be popular with most umpires and this year we introduced a new 5pm session for all new umpires. This was extremely successful and will continue in 2018, with targeted coaching, training and skills.

Coaching material continues to be edited from NFL senior and junior matches, ensuring our material is relevant to our umpiring group. Umpires enjoy, appreciate and value coaching from their own league and performance. This year we were also able to give one-on-one coaching to individual umpires using vision downloaded from the NFL website.

In 2017, umpiring support staff included boundary coach Lachlan Bayliss, goals coach Craig Herman, field coach Steve Hanley (retired AFL) and juniors coach Michael O'Keefe. They were well supported by Brian Moore, Darren Agnew, Neville Coutts, Shane Herbert, Wayne Fyffe, David Kuchmar and Adam Young. Special thanks to Peter James, Tim Enkelmann, Simon Hubber and Joel Clamp who also helped out. Jason Williamson was fitness coach, whilst Simone Illiaretto continued as umpires' trainer.

The Junior and Senior Presentation Nights were once again terrific nights. We were able

to acknowledge our grand final umpires and recognise our most promising. The events were well supported by umpires and their parents and continue to grow in attendance. Young umpires continue to develop strong friendship groups and new umpires enjoy their time at training and umpiring games. This is very good for the NFL long term and for the retention of umpires joining our league.

Umpiring standards in the under 9 and 10 modified rules competition were our best to date. The NFL-produced Modified Rules Interpretations DVD and coaches adopting a better understanding of what modified rules is all about saw fewer complaints and umpiring improve. We will continue to work closely with all coaches in this area to ensure players and umpires enjoy the match day experience. There are no finals, no ladders, no scores recorded and no premiership points in modified rules football. It's all about players and umpires learning their craft in a safe, enjoyable environment and it is our responsibility to ensure this occurs.

The Green Shirt program for first-year umpires continues to be our best resource when it comes to recruiting umpires. Parade College joined the academy program this year, along with St Helena Secondary College and Our Lady of Mercy College in Heidelberg. The academies allow the NFL to give targeted and more productive coaching on a smaller scale. It is a lot easier to coach, implement skills and give direct feedback to participants. Their attention span is greater and they are able to absorb the information a lot easier. They love earning the money but, more importantly, enjoy their umpiring. The academies continue to be well supported by schools and will continue in 2018.

Umpiring in our senior and junior finals saw some outstanding games and strong umpiring performances. The message delivered to umpires this season was "hold your vision", especially after disposal. If the players want to play football, let them play football and the free kicks will pick themselves. Credit must go to all clubs and coaches on the manner in which they went about coaching their players and their attack on the football. This makes umpiring so much easier and ensures the NFL continues to grow and be one of the strongest brands of football in Victoria. As stakeholders, we continue to improve NFL structures and match day experiences, creating a better football environment.

The three-umpire system in senior football continues to be very successful and beneficial



to both umpires and clubs. Fewer incidents and melees were recorded in these matches and they provided valuable experience to our umpires. It also gave opportunity and experience to our young umpires coming through and helped retain more of our senior umpires. It is important we continue this next year and we keep in touch with what is happening at the highest level. The three-umpire system was also adopted during our junior finals in all under 15, 16 and 17 competitions.

During the junior finals the NFL once again was able to provide and appoint a full complement of field, boundary and goal umpires to all matches. This is logistically tough considering how many finals are played but once again our umpires dug deep and were able to fill all spots. We are the only league in Victoria who is able to consistently achieve this.

Nick Scott (field), Emmet Brasier, Greta Miller, Harrison Hasouras, Lachlan Higgs (boundary) and Zac Brown-Close all achieved nominations to trial for the VFL next season and we wish them every success in furthering their careers. Nick Scott was awarded our Best Senior Umpire for 2016 and Tom Downs our Most Improved Senior Umpire. NFL umpires continue to be involved in career programs which include the VFL Rookie List, Female Umpire Program, Auskick and the AFL Mates program.

Adam Walker and Dan Henery stepped up this year to field umpire the Division 1 Grand Final, along with Nick Scott. Harrison Hasouras, Emmet Brasier and Jeff Miller all ran the boundary, whilst Stephen Kocjancic and Vic Filipou took top honours in the goals. All achieved outstanding seasons and thoroughly deserved their selection. They performed their responsibilities and executed their skills to the highest level on a consistent basis and met coaching expectations.

NFL CEO Peter McDougall and Football Operations Manager Simon Devine continued to strongly support umpiring. Staff members Delwyn Berry, Samuel Zito, Brendan Ellwood, Greg Hurvitz and Byron Smith help make up a wonderful team here at the NFL. We have a strong and dedicated group of employees who continually strive to improve the organisation. Their professional approach, knowledge and skills ensure the success of the NFL.

Finally, I would like to give a big thank you to all umpires who officiated games of football this year. Your contribution has been most valuable and your support has been very much appreciated. Thanks also to the NUA, all volunteers and parents.

Martin Ellis
Head of Umpiring

Netball

The Northern Netball League enjoyed another outstanding year in 2017, with team numbers again reaching record numbers in the winter competition, while the summer competition entered its fourth season.



The summer season commenced in November 2016 and we were once again able to conduct two sections. A total of 12 teams competed in the summer season, which was an increase on the 2015/2016 season.

The summer season concluded with Bundoora 1 winning the Section 1 premiership with a three-goal win against North Heidelberg 1 in the grand final. The Section 2 grand final between St Mary's 1 and Thomastown 1 was just as close, with St Mary's prevailing by two goals in a see-sawing battle.

The 2017 winter competition achieved its highest number of teams registering, with 81 teams competing over 10 sections. This topped the previous best of 77 teams, which was recorded in the 2016 season.

Competition was once again strong across all ten sections in the winter season, with places in the finals not determined until the very last round in most sections. After 18 rounds we moved into the finals – where we staggered the final series across three weeks.

Congratulations to all the 2017 winter season premiership winners, namely: Diamond Creek 1 (Section 1) –Diamond Creek 2 (Section 2); Mernda 1 (Section 3); North Heidelberg 3 (Section 4); Thomastown 1 (Section 5); Hurstbridge 1 (Section 6); Macleod 2 (Section 7); West Ivanhoe 3 (Section 8); Northcote Park 3 (Section 9) and Montmorency 2 (Section 10).

Representative netball was again a big success in 2017 and we were again able to assemble two playing squads for the league's representative netball program, with an open team and an under-19 team taking to the court.

Our representative teams continued to represent the league with distinction, this time getting the better of the Eastern Football League. Both the senior and under-19 netball teams won their respective matches at Parade College on May 12 to keep our undefeated representative status intact.

The 2017 winter competition achieved its highest number of teams, with 81 teams competing over 10 sections.

The under-19 side got the night off to a positive start with a 43-38 win, before the open side held on for a 48-44 victory. The wins extended the netballers' unbeaten streak at representative level to eight matches, following triumphs over the MPNFL and SFNL over the past two years.

Goal shooter Tayla Hardiman was in fine form in a best on court performance for the under-19s, while young defender Georgia Bowkett was adjudged best on court in her debut performance in the open representative team.

Our teams were under the guidance of head coach Brooke George, open coach Jacinta Tonkin and under-19 coach Sharon Ashworth. Our representative umpires were Jane Baring (open) –and Amy Perry (under-19).

The open representative team also competed at the Netball Victoria Association Championships on June 23. The Championships pitted 16 leagues and associations from around Victoria against each other at the State Netball and Hockey Centre.

In shortened matches, the NNL ended the round robin stage with a 5-2 record to finish in third place in its pool – unfortunately missing out on a place in the open semi finals on percentage.

Earlier in the year Diamond Creek competed in the Netball Victoria League Club Challenge, which was held at the State Netball and Hockey Centre over the Labour Day long weekend in March.

Diamond Creek recorded six wins, two draws and a loss in the round robin stages, before losing a close match to Drouin Hawks in the semi finals. It proved to be a great pre-season warm up for the Creekers – who in September claimed their eighth-consecutive Section 1 title.

I would like to personally thank all players, coaches, clubs and umpires for the support that was shown towards representative netball in 2017 and we look forward to your ongoing support as we continue to expand our representative netball program in the future.

I would also like to pass on my sincere thanks to Louise Novak as our umpire supervisor and Lachlan Bayliss, Sue Owen, Tracey Matthews and Jess Williams for their roles as venue managers, in which they have had all matches completed on time and in an efficient manner.

Thanks also to our venue assistants Julie Lempriere, Kim Draper, Michelle Tanzillo and Shannon Anderson who defied the cold temperatures during the winter nights and manned the door at our venues. Thank you for your administration assistance and ensuring the needs of all teams, players and spectators were attended to.

To my fellow colleagues in the office, thank you for your support throughout the season. We may only be a small team, but we are a strong one.

Delwyn Berry
'Choose Tap' Netball Manager



Media

A year of innovation ensured Northern Football League supporters were provided improved coverage of our football and netball competitions across all mediums.

The league website underwent an overhaul during the off-season. After months of collaboration with SportsTG, the new website went live on the eve of the season and provided users with greater features and an enhanced experience for mobile users. The new website received four million views in the opening seven months. This number is not inclusive of views on our fixtures, results and ladders hub – demonstrating the interest in league and club news, match reviews and features.

One of the biggest areas of improvement this season was to the league's match-day filming program. The league undertook a new partnership with Sportscast Australia, with the new arrangement offering many enhancements for our senior clubs and coaches. All matches were filmed in full HD, with clubs provided the footage directly after each game. All clubs were also provided their own online cloud – with key edits from every game, including every stoppage and goal, uploaded to their own private platform for analysis.

From a brand and fan engagement perspective, one of the exciting elements of our partnership with Sportscast Australia was the ability to live stream key matches and league events. Every senior grand final and the NFL v WRFL representative game were streamed live on the NFL Facebook page, along with the senior Best and Fairest Awards and Season Launch. More than 16,000 viewed the Division 1 Grand Final between Macleod and Bundoora, with the total people reached across the three senior men's grand finals, Division 1 NFLW grand final and senior representative match eclipsing 1.3 million people.

The high quality of production for each stream was extremely pleasing and I look forward to again working with Andrew McLeish and his team at Sportscast Australia in 2018 and beyond as we look to continually improve the quality and quantity of digital content the league provides to its supporters.

We also produced a greater volume of video highlights to our website and social media platforms to ensure the best bits of the senior football action were seen by a greater audience. The highlights began each Saturday evening and continued right throughout the week, culminating with the NFL Top 5 Plays of the Week.

The increased volume of video content published on our social media platforms translated into more fans following our page. As of November, the league's Facebook page had 12,370 followers – a 21 percent increase in the last calendar year. To outline the popularity of our Facebook page, only one of the state's other five metropolitan leagues has more than 10,000 followers.

Our number of Twitter followers has ticked over 3,360 – up 10 percent on 2016, while 1,850 follow the league's Instagram account – representing a 35 percent increase from the same time last year. The number of subscribers to our TeamApp mobile application jumped beyond 2,850 – ensuring we remain the most followed football association on the TeamApp platform.

In December 2016 our radio broadcast was crowned the Best Radio Coverage – Match Day at the AFL Victoria 2016 Community Media Awards. It was deserving recognition for the radio team, who have consistently delivered a professional and entertaining call of the NFL Match of the Day.

Tom Flanagan and Jordan Kounelis were again our two play-by-play commentators in 2017 – ensuring the award-winning coverage continued at an exceptionally high level this year. Jarrad Gardner joined as boundary rider – replacing Daniel Cencic, who was appointed the Eastern Football League's media manager after two years of fantastic service to the NFL's media team.

The radio team covered a total of 30 matches

during the 2017 season, with highlights being Laurimar's inaugural senior game, Brent Harvey's debut for North Heidelberg, the annual Greensborough vs Eltham Good Friday match, the NFL vs WRFL clash in the AFL Victoria Community Championships, both NFLW grand finals and coverage on both Saturday and Sunday during the senior men's finals series.

I'd like to thank Jordan, Tom and Jarrad for their dedication and commitment right throughout the season, along with Doug Long, Josh Schonafinger and Chyloe Kurdas who also contributed during the year. Our radio team generously volunteers its time each weekend of the football season, not to mention the hours spent researching and preparing for each game. Their efforts go a long way towards the outstanding coverage the league can deliver. I'd also like to thank 88.6 Plenty Valley FM program manager Roly Sims and panel operator Luke Forsyth for their assistance with the Match of the Day coverage throughout the year.

The league was again fortunate to have a dedicated team of writers contribute articles to the website and football record and I thank all those who wrote for the league this year. Christopher Chrysostomou and Doug Long continued as our Division 2 and Division 3 scribes and provided informative previews and reviews on their respective competitions. Jacinta Frazzetto joined as our NFLW reporter and wrote weekly reviews on our two senior women's competitions, while Marisa Sopoc joined as our netball reporter and covered multiple matches from the courts each Friday night.

La Trobe University journalism students Jarryd Barca and Michael Mattingly completed an internship with the NFL during the football season and provided weekly feature stories and match reports. Both worked diligently in the NFL office and doubled up on Saturdays to cover senior matches. Meanwhile, Nicholas Sacco, Jarrad Gardner and Michael Thompson were valued contributors to our media team by reporting on senior matches.

Local Legends Sports and Team Photography provided outstanding photographic coverage of our football and netball competitions, as well as league events. Thanks to Darrell Jones for the many hours spent behind the lens, and to Nathan McNeil for his tireless contribution and for allowing the league to use his action images.

I'd also like to acknowledge my fellow staff members in the NFL office for their assistance and friendship, as well as our clubs for the support provided to our media team throughout the year.

Samuel Zito
Media Manager



A full-page photograph of a male football player, Matthew Dennis, in action. He is running towards the left, holding a red football with both hands. He is wearing a white sleeveless jersey with dark blue horizontal stripes, white shorts with dark blue stripes, and white socks with dark blue stripes. He is wearing bright yellow and blue football boots. The background is a blurred stadium with spectators. A large, faint, vertical text 'Division 1' is visible on the right side of the image.

Division 1

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HISTORY MAKER

Matthew Dennis became just the second three-time winner of the NFL Division 1 best and fairest.

Division 1 Review

Bundoora staked its claim as the most dominant club of the decade by snaring its third premiership in seven years.

This flag may have been the sweetest of the them all, with the Bulls producing a stunning upset in the grand final – beating Macleod by three points in the closest Division 1 premiership decider since 1957.

Under first-year coach Ricky Dyson, Bundoora finished the regular season in second spot – three games behind the Roos. The Bulls suffered an agonising two-point defeat to Northcote Park in the qualifying final – where they hit the post twice in the final five minutes – but bounced back with three successive finals wins to claim their sixth senior premiership.

Matthew Dennis achieved the NFL's equivalent of Dustin Martin's AFL trifecta – winning the league best and fairest, a premiership medal and the grand final best on ground medal. In winning the Frank Rosbrook medal he became just the second player, behind Diamond Creek's John Elliot, to win the league's Division 1 best and fairest three times.

Josh Grabowski enjoyed his best season since joining the club in 2015 and was runner-up behind Dennis in the Bulls' best and fairest count. He played all 22 matches and kicked 36 goals, as well as three in the NFL's massive representative win over the Western Region Football League.

Gary Moorcroft continued to kick bags of goals and finished the season with 56 majors. There were none more important than his clutch effort at the 28-minute mark of the fourth quarter in the grand final to hand Bundoora the lead, and, ultimately, the premiership.

The aforementioned trio were all named in the Division 1 Team of the Year, along with playing-assistant Nathan Thomas. Meanwhile, Danny Younan was a livewire in 15 appearances between VFL duties with Essendon.

Macleod did just about everything right throughout the year, but came up empty-handed after a second-consecutive grand final defeat. To illustrate Macleod's dominance this campaign, its four losses came by a combined total of just 22 points.

The Roos went into the grand final with an eight-game winning streak, which included a 106-point second semi final win over Northcote Park – the biggest margin in a Division 1 final since 1997. While the Roos weren't quite at their best in the big dance, they were certainly far from disgraced in the best grand final played in recent times.

Shane Doherty produced a breakout season to claim Macleod's best and fairest. The excitement machine spent more time through the midfield in 2017, but still kicked 21 majors in 18 games. His improvement helped offset the loss of Liam Brandt, who missed much of

the second half of the year with a quad injury, before returning for the grand final.

Ned McKeown finished one vote behind Doherty in the Roos' best and fairest after a massive second season at De Winton Park. He was equal-third in the league vote count and was one of four Roos named in the Team of the Year, along with Lucas Hobbs, Brad Leggett and Justin White. All four also represented the NFL in its representative game against the WRFL, along with Hamish Paynter.

Reid Brandt topped the club's goal kicking and enjoyed a massive finish to the season with 20 goals in his final four games, including eight in the second semi final.

Matt McLennan's first season as coach saw Northcote Park produce its best home and away campaign in over a decade – securing a double chance in the finals for the first time under the top-five system.

The Cougars were the side to catch in the opening two-thirds of the regular season and topped the ladder at Round 12 with a 9-3 record – which included six wins by margins of greater than seven goals.

After averaging only 75 points a game throughout the 2016 home and away season, the combination of Ash Close and Jackson Starceвич made Northcote Park a far greater attacking force this year – kicking 100 points or more in nine of the opening 11 rounds.

Injuries and a form drop had the Cougars looking vulnerable entering the finals series. But they responded with a thrilling two-point win over Bundoora in the qualifying final to keep a double chance heading into the semis. They were no match for Macleod in the second semi, before falling agonisingly short in the preliminary final – losing to Bundoora by 10 points after conceding three late goals.

Jordan Perry backed up his outstanding debut season at Bill Lawry Oval with an even better year in 2017. Perry was the clear winner of the Coaches Player of the Year and claimed his second-successive club best and fairest.

Bronik Davies was again the general in the middle, Brock McLennan returned to his best form, Gerard Sutton enjoyed a career-best year, while Starceвич led the competition best and fairest until injuring his knee in Round 14.

Greensborough produced one of the great turnarounds to compete in its fourth-successive finals series. The Boro started the year with five-straight losses, before going on to win 11 of their next 12 games.

The red-hot run meant the Boro remained a top-three chance heading into the final round of the season, before losing a shootout

to Bundoora in Round 18. They kept West Preston-Lakeside to just three goals in a 31-point elimination win before bowing out of the premiership race in the first semi final.

Robert Hyde returned to the coaching fold after two years away and worked closely with Mick Harford in the first half of the season. Hyde headed overseas mid-year and handed over the reins to Harford – with the smooth transition ensuring no momentum was broken heading into the run to September.

Greensborough's backline was again resolute and conceded an average of just 72 points per game. That average was down to 65 points a game from Round 6 onward. The effort was rewarded, with defenders Jack Johnston, Nick Riddle and Dan McLinden all named in the Team of the Year.

The future still looks very bright with the club's under-19s playing in their ninth-successive grand final this season, while the reserves won the flag in their fifth-straight grand final appearance.

West Preston-Lakeside returned to the finals for the first time since 2012, aided by the inclusion of former AFL contingent Andrew Walker, Ahmed Saad and Mathew Stokes.

The Roosters started the season in style by taking down reigning premier Heidelberg, before coming from seven goals down to beat Northcote Park by 10 points. However, after winning the opening three games the Roosters couldn't string together long winning streaks – eventually ending the year with a 3-6 record against their fellow finalists.

Saad was the competition's most damaging forward – winning the goal kicking award by 24 majors, despite missing two games. Walker was equally dominant in his first season out of the AFL, featuring among the Roosters' best players in 10 of his 15 matches.

Jackson Clarke entered the club with less hype than the AFL trio, but proved to be just as valuable after crossing from Coburg. The 20-year-old defender became one of the best intercept marks in the league and went on to claim the club's best and fairest.

Heidelberg had an unsuccessful premiership defence and became the first defending premier to miss the finals since West Preston-Lakeside in 2003. The Tigers lost their opening three games and were consigned to the bottom-half of the ladder for the entire season.

Premiership quartet Dan Connors, Nick Miller and Jarrod and Luke Hodgkin didn't continue with the club in 2017, while star ruckman Sam Gilmore (10 games), Adam Symes (7), Callum Lewis (7), Josh Gribben (4) and Mathew Pianto (2) didn't feature heavily.

Tom Sullivan continued his stunning form to earn selection in the Team of the Year. Sullivan edged out captain Michael Brunelli and Ryan Stone for the Tigers' best and fairest, with Brunelli also finishing runner-up to Matthew Dennis for the Frank Rosbrook Medal.

With so many senior players sidelined, Will Goss, Lewis Beers and Oliver Stapleton grabbed their opportunities when presented. Goss was particularly impressive in 11 appearances, while



Will Knight played 17 games and finished fourth in the best and fairest.

Montmorency was unable to keep its best players on the park which culminated in a bottom-five finish for the third-straight year. A knee injury sidelined Ben Fennell for the entire season, Luke Collins, Ben Walton and James Brooker all played fewer than 10 matches, while Stephen McCallum and boom recruit Mark Deaves missed chunks of the year.

Deaves starred in 11 appearances – booting 33 goals, which included 25 in his first six games, while McCallum was best afield in the NFL's representative win, but played just six club games thereafter.

The Magpies won their opening three games to sit second on the ladder. But a close loss to Bundoora in Round 4 started a downhill slide, as the Magpies went on to win just two of their next 13 games, before ending the year with a 34-point victory over Heidelberg.

Patrick Fitzgerald claimed the best and fairest with a 47-goal season. He edged out Billy Jenkin for the club champion award, while Jesse Donaldson was the club's sole representative in the Team of the Year and was again co-captain of the NFL rep team.

Hurstbridge was winless the last time it played in Division 1, back in 2004. This time the Bridges – under first-year coach Trevor Little – were certainly up to the grade, although their 5-13 record didn't do them justice, with four losses recorded by margins of 10 points or less.

Their first win came in Round 4 when they stunned Heidelberg by 27 points – making history as the first Division 2 premier to beat the reigning Division 1 premier in their first meeting. The Bridges showed the win was no

fluke, going on to win three of their next six games, which included coming from five goals down to upset Macleod at De Winton Park.

Jack Grimes was outstanding in his return to his junior club following a 100-game AFL career. The former Melbourne skipper's leadership was valuable – with youngsters Tom Simpson, Lachlan East, Tieren Barbera, Aidan Clarke and Cooper Perrin all showing they are more than up to the demands of Division 1 football.

Despite its ladder position and win-loss record remaining the same as 2016, Whittlesea made history by securing a club-record third-straight year in Division 1.

The Eagles made a positive start to the year by scoring upset away wins at Bundoora and West Preston-Lakeside in the opening month. However, they couldn't replicate that form after the representative bye – losing their next seven matches. The drought was broken with a 35-point triumph over Hurstbridge in Round 12, before a nine-goal to two second half secured their first-ever win at Montmorency the following week.

The Eagles looked to have staved off relegation following a stunning 27-point upset of Bundoora in Round 17 – meaning they could only be demoted by losing to Eltham by more than 15 goals in the final round. The unthinkable became possible when they trailed by 50 points prior to half-time, before steady and reducing the final losing margin to 32 points.

Jai Robinson was again a standout and went back-to-back for the best and fairest despite missing the opening three games, while the retiring Justin Sherman went out on top and was named in the Team of the Year for the second-straight season.

Eltham's 15-year stint in Division 1 came to an end after finishing of the bottom of the ladder, just two seasons after playing off in the preliminary final.

The Panthers' season started with a gripping four-point win over Greensborough on Good Friday – clinched by a Josh Merkel goal in the final minute. However, their next month was poor – including a 99-point loss to Bundoora in Round 5 when they conceded 15 unanswered goals in the last quarter.

They reversed that defeat the next week by kicking six goals to one in the final quarter to upset Macleod, before making it two wins on the trot with a victory at Whittlesea. Unfortunately, the Queen's Birthday weekend break halted the club's momentum, as they managed just two wins in their final 11 matches.

The loss of Billy Glasgow was profound, with the star utility sidelined for the entire campaign after injuring his ankle in pre-season. Anton Woods was outstanding in Glasgow's absence, winning the best and fairest and finishing runner-up for the Coaches Player of the Year.

The Panthers enjoyed a positive finish to the year with their under-19s coming from fourth place to win the premiership – giving the club its first Division 1 flag since 2007.

2017 Club Best and Fairest Winners

Bundoora – Matthew Dennis; **Eltham** – Anton Woods; **Greensborough** – Jack Johnston; **Heidelberg** – Tom Sullivan; **Hurstbridge** – Jack Grimes; **Macleod** – Shane Doherty; **Montmorency** – Patrick Fitzgerald; **Northcote Park** – Jordan Perry; **West Preston-Lakeside** – Jackson Clarke; **Whittlesea** – Jai Robinson

Division 1 Ladders

MEADOWS GREYHOUNDS DIVISION 1 SENIORS

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Macleod | 18 | 15 | 3 | 0 | 1834 | 1220 | 150.33 | 60 |
| Bundoora | 18 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 1737 | 1383 | 125.60 | 48 |
| Northcote Park | 18 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 1646 | 1405 | 117.15 | 48 |
| West Preston-Lakeside | 18 | 11 | 7 | 0 | 1617 | 1350 | 119.78 | 44 |
| Greensborough | 18 | 11 | 7 | 0 | 1448 | 1300 | 111.38 | 44 |
| Heidelberg | 18 | 8 | 10 | 0 | 1339 | 1423 | 94.10 | 32 |
| Montmorency | 18 | 6 | 12 | 0 | 1335 | 1685 | 79.23 | 24 |
| Hurstbridge | 18 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 1564 | 1787 | 87.52 | 20 |
| Whittlesea | 18 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 1270 | 1731 | 73.37 | 20 |
| Eltham | 18 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 1070 | 1576 | 67.89 | 20 |

MEADOWS GREYHOUNDS DIVISION 1 RESERVES

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Greensborough | 18 | 15 | 2 | 1 | 1514 | 787 | 192.38 | 62 |
| Macleod | 18 | 15 | 3 | 0 | 1596 | 805 | 198.26 | 60 |
| Northcote Park | 18 | 13 | 5 | 0 | 1723 | 858 | 200.82 | 52 |
| West Preston-Lakeside | 18 | 13 | 5 | 0 | 1563 | 984 | 158.84 | 52 |
| Bundoora | 18 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 1557 | 1062 | 146.61 | 46 |
| Eltham | 18 | 7 | 10 | 1 | 948 | 1189 | 79.73 | 30 |
| Heidelberg | 18 | 6 | 12 | 0 | 958 | 1320 | 72.58 | 24 |
| Whittlesea | 18 | 3 | 14 | 1 | 907 | 1922 | 47.19 | 14 |
| Hurstbridge | 18 | 3 | 15 | 0 | 960 | 1663 | 57.73 | 12 |
| Montmorency | 18 | 2 | 16 | 0 | 766 | 1902 | 40.27 | 8 |

DIVISION 1 UNDER-19

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|------------|---------------|-----------|
| Macleod | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 1288 | 755 | 170.60 | 48 |
| Bundoora | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 1247 | 558 | 223.48 | 40 |
| Greensborough | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 1104 | 782 | 141.18 | 40 |
| Eltham | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 1070 | 829 | 129.07 | 40 |
| Northcote Park | 14 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 954 | 982 | 97.15 | 22 |
| Whittlesea | 14 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 717 | 1010 | 70.99 | 22 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 626 | 1132 | 55.30 | 8 |
| West Preston-Lakeside | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 456 | 1414 | 32.25 | 4 |



Division 1 Finals Results

MEADOWS GREYHOUNDS DIVISION 1 SENIORS

Qualifying Final

Bundoora 8.14 (62) def by **Northcote Park 9.10 (64)**

Elimination Final

West Preston-Lakeside 3.13 (31) def by **Greensborough 9.8 (62)**

First Semi Final

Bundoora 16.12 (108) def Greensborough 8.7 (55)

Second Semi Final

Macleod 23.15 (153) def Northcote Park 6.11 (47)

Preliminary Final

Northcote Park 8.9 (57) def by **Bundoora 9.13 (67)**

Grand Final

Macleod 10.13 (73) def by **Bundoora 10.16 (76)**

Macleod

Best: L. Hobbs, H. Paynter, N. Lynch, J. Bianchin, A. Doherty, D. O'Brien

Goals: N. Lynch 3, H. Paynter 2, R. Brandt, J. Langford, P. Martin, C. Corr, M. Clark

Bundoora

Best: M. Dennis, D. Mitchell, S. Dowell, J. Palazzolo, L. Byrne, G. Moorcroft

Goals: G. Moorcroft 3, I. Muller 3, D. Younan, T. Hughes, J. Grabowski, N. Grabowski

Best on ground: Matthew Dennis (Bundoora)



MEADOWS GREYHOUNDS DIVISION 1 RESERVES

Qualifying Final

Macleod 5.3 (33) def by **Northcote Park 11.15 (81)**

Elimination Final

West Preston-Lakeside 10.11 (71) def Bundoora 4.9 (33)

First Semi Final

Macleod 8.6 (54) def by **West Preston-Lakeside 10.7 (67)**

Second Semi Final

Greensborough 10.6 (66) def by **Northcote Park 15.8 (98)**

Preliminary Final

Greensborough 6.9 (45) def West Preston-Lakeside 3.12 (30)

Grand Final

Northcote Park 5.11 (41) def by **Greensborough 6.14 (50)**

Northcote Park

Best: M. O'Connell, J. Askew, P. O'Connell, H. Reid, C. Simpson, S. Dezan

Goals: J. Waldron, C. Simpson, T. Fallon, M. O'Connell, T. Jackson

Greensborough

Best: J. Pickett, M. Bosco, J. Tucker, D. Wilson, C. Walker, R. Boyden

Goals: D. Shaw 3, C. Walker, J. Money, D. Wilson

Best on ground: Jacob Pickett (Greensborough)



DIVISION 1 UNDER-19

Qualifying Final

Bundoora 7.3 (45) def by **Greensborough 9.9 (63)**

Elimination Final

Eltham 7.13 (55) def Northcote Park 7.11 (53)

First Semi Final

Bundoora 3.7 (25) def by **Eltham 7.9 (51)**

Second Semi Final

Macleod 5.9 (39) def by **Greensborough 9.9 (63)**

Preliminary Final

Macleod 4.7 (31) def by **Eltham 12.11 (83)**

Grand Final

Greensborough 7.10 (52) def by **Eltham 7.14 (56)**

Greensborough

Best: M. Hill, L. Trudgeon, T. Brindley, B. Psarakos, N. Beames, R. Sanelli

Goals: M. Hill 2, B. Psarakos, T. Phelan, B. Laschko, K. Lyne, J. Presser

Eltham

Best: B. Glasgow, J. Dean, B. Montanaro, H. Furlong, T. Ellis, L. Sinclair

Goals: R. Hunt 2, D. Jarvis 2, M. McLellan, M. Jones, A. Currie, B. Montanaro

Best on ground: Bronson Glasgow (Eltham)



Division 1 Awards

Matthew Dennis etched his name into Northern Football League folklore by becoming just the second player in the league's history to win three Division 1 best and fairest awards.

The Bundoora ruckman joined Diamond Creek's John Elliot as the only three-time winner, after claiming his second-successive Frank Rosbrook Medal. He also shared the award with Bronik Davies in 2012.

It was a season to savour for Dennis. In May he was co-captain of the NFL's representative team and helped steer the side to a 125-point win over the WRFL in the AFL Victoria Community Championships.

After polling just five votes in the opening half of the season, Dennis put together a dominant run to the finals to help Bundoora to a second-place finish on the ladder. He produced five best on ground performances in six weeks from rounds 11 to 16, before polling two votes in the Round 18 win over Greensborough that secured the Bulls a double-chance in September.

Dennis was then among the Bulls' best players in each of their four finals as they claimed their first flag since 2013 – saving his best performance of the season for grand final day.

He dominated the ruck battle to give his on-ball unit great service in the upset win over Macleod. He racked up plenty of the football and took a number of telling marks – including two towering grabs at half back and on centre wing in the dying stages of the game when Bundoora still trailed.

Heidelberg skipper Michael Brunelli finished runner-up to Dennis in the Frank Rosbrook Medal voting, despite his side missing the finals. Brunelli polled 18 votes, while Ned McKeown, Jackson Starceвич and Tristan Stead tied for third place with 15 votes.

Jordan Perry became the first Northcote Park player to win the Coaches Player of the Year award, after leading the count for much of the season. The Cougars midfielder polled 74 votes, to finish ahead of Eltham's Anton Woods (60) and Hurstbridge's Jack Grimes (56).

Perry managed to take his game to yet another level in 2017, after winning the Cougars' best and fairest in his debut season at Bill Lawry Oval last year. He featured in the coaches votes in 13 of his 16 games and was among the NFL's best players in the rep win over the WRFL.

Ahmed Saad led the competition goal kicking in a dazzling debut season for West Preston-Lakeside. The former St Kilda forward kicked 73 majors in 16 home and away games and became an instant crowd favourite with his ability to kick freakish goals on a regular basis.

He started the year with seven goals against Heidelberg in the season-opener – which included two outrageous goals late in the match to seal a 13-point win – before adding six goals in a come-from-behind win over Northcote Park in Round 2.

His season-best haul came in Round 18 when he kicked nine goals upon returning from a hamstring injury to help the Roosters to a 10-point win against Hurstbridge at Ben Frilay Oval.

BEST AND FAIREST

| SENIORS – Frank Rosbrook Medal | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Matthew Dennis | Bundoora | 22 |
| Michael Brunelli | Heidelberg | 18 |
| Ned McKeown | Macleod | 15 |
| Jackson Starceвич | Northcote Park | 15 |
| Tristan Stead | Greensborough | 15 |

| RESERVES | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Jake Chiminello | Macleod | 17 |
| Brett Millsom | Greensborough | 16 |
| Brad Sanderson | West Preston-Lakeside | 15 |

| UNDER-19 | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Beau Moorcroft | Bundoora | 15 |
| Milad Almatrah | Bundoora | 13 |
| Nick Beames | Greensborough | 13 |
| Matthew Perazzola | Northcote Park | 13 |

LEADING GOAL KICKERS

| SENIORS | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Ahmed Saad | West Preston-Lakeside | 73 |
| Gary Moorcroft | Bundoora | 49 |
| Patrick Fitzgerald | Montmorency | 47 |
| Jackson Starceвич | Northcote Park | 38 |
| Matthew Clark | Macleod | 37 |

Home and away games only

| RESERVES | | |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Luke Vincitorio | West Preston-Lakeside | 46 |
| Brett Wilding | Macleod | 38 |
| Julian Maloni | West Preston-Lakeside | 36 |

| UNDER-19 | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Milad Almatrah | Bundoora | 59 |
| Tyler Peirce | Macleod | 51 |
| Thomas Phelan | Greensborough | 29 |

COACHES PLAYER OF THE YEAR

| Player | Club | Votes |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Jordan Perry | Northcote Park | 74 |
| Anton Woods | Eltham | 60 |
| Jack Grimes | Hurstbridge | 56 |
| Jack Johnston | Greensborough | 53 |
| Ned McKeown | Macleod | 53 |

TEAM OF THE YEAR

| | |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| B | Justin White (Mac), Nick Riddle (Gre), Brad Leggett (Mac) |
| HB | Jack Johnston (Gre), Ned McKeown (Mac), Andrew Walker (WPL) |
| C | Tom Sullivan (Hei), Jordan Perry (NP), Jack Grimes (Hur) |
| HF | Josh Grabowski (Bun), Ash Close (NP), Justin Sherman (Whi) |
| F | Ahmed Saad (WPL), Jackson Starceвич (NP), Gary Moorcroft (Bun) |
| R | Matthew Dennis (Bun), Lucas Hobbs (Mac), Anton Woods (Elt) |
| Int | Nathan Thomas (Bun), Michael Brunelli (Hei), Jesse Donaldson (Mon), Dan McLinden (Gre) |
| Coach | Ricky Dyson (Bun) |

Division 2



Division 2

BOOM TIME

AFL games record holder
Brent Harvey was the star
player in A Plus Labour
Solutions Division 2 in 2017.

Division 2 Review

Prior to the season commencing, North Heidelberg coach Stephen Saddington said "anything less than the ultimate is probably going to be a disappointing year from our behalf."

The raging favourite heading into the 2017 campaign, his side certainly delivered on its pre-season ambition – putting together a dominant campaign to claim its second Division 2 flag in four seasons.

The Bulldogs had an early slip-up, when they lost to the Fitzroy Stars in Round 2, however the defeat proved only to be a blip on the radar as they charged through the remainder of the year undefeated.

Despite a 6-1-1 start, North sat atop the ladder for only one week in the opening two months of the season. However, their true dominance was asserted in the back half of the year. They returned to first with a tight win over Lower Plenty in Round 9 and did not relinquish top spot again.

The Bulldogs recorded seven wins by more than 100 points, and rounded out their campaign with three consecutive 70+ point wins over Diamond Creek – including the 77-point grand final victory.

AFL games record holder Brent Harvey proved

to be unstoppable throughout the year. The star rover took out the competition best and fairest award and kicked 55 goals from the midfield.

His brother Shane was equally dominant and finished runner-up in the best and fairest voting. Shane topped the goal kicking table with 115 majors despite missing three matches. His tally included 17 and 13-goal hauls in consecutive weeks in rounds 11 and 12.

The Harveys weren't the only standout siblings in the Bulldogs' side, with Jesse and Brody Tardio both producing massive campaigns.

Jesse finished inside the top-four in both the competition best and fairest and Coaches Player of the Year voting and capped his season by winning the best on ground medal in the grand final win – the second time he has done so, after also claiming the honour in 2014.

At just 19 years of age, Brody was a revelation and featured in North Heidelberg's best players on 11 occasions. He was one of seven Bulldog players picked in the Team of the Year,

of which Steve Saddington was named coach.

Despite ultimately being no match for North Heidelberg, season 2017 was certainly still very much of a success for Diamond Creek.

A host of youngsters guided the club through to its first senior grand final since 2005, continuing the club's climb under Craig Hayes.

A testament to Diamond Creek's consistency was the fact that its record stood at 15-1 in matches against opponents other than North Heidelberg.

Just reaching the grand final was a remarkable achievement given the club's long injury run, which saw players such as Hugh Kavanagh, Jess Cosaitis, Jai Norman and Jack Prosser all play fewer than 10 games.

Instead it was the likes of best and fairest winner Jacob Booth, Oliver Parks, Tyler Barnes and Ty Franks who all produced outstanding campaigns to help keep their side inside the top-two from Round 3 onwards.

Josh Marchbank was influential in his first year



at the club and was one of the competition's premier ruckmen. Bryce Adams enjoyed a strong second half of the year and provided a strong marking target after Jess Cosaitis succumbed to a shoulder injury, while Brad Perry and Chris Moloney's efforts were rewarded with selection in the Team of the Year.

After five years in the top flight, Lower Plenty produced a solid return to Division 2. The Bears played finals football for the first time since 2011 and produced one of their best performances for the year in a 53-point first semi final win over the Fitzroy Stars.

At their best, the Bears looked a genuine threat for the flag. However, in the end their third-place finish was an accurate representation of where they sat in the pecking order – unable to beat North Heidelberg or Diamond Creek in seven attempts, while finishing with a 3-1 record over fourth-placed Fitzroy Stars.

Patrick Flynn reaffirmed his status as one of the competition's best ruckmen, producing another dominant season. Flynn was named in Lower Plenty's best players in all but four games and claimed his second-straight Coaches Player of the Year title, after also winning the award in Division 1 last year.

Skipper Darcy Barden kicked 63 majors, which included six bags of five goals or more, while Tom Keys remained a consistent performer. Ben Paterson was a revelation in his first complete season of senior football, kicking 35 goals and earning selection in the Team of the Year.

The Fitzroy Stars failed to progress past the opening week of the finals for the third-successive year, despite looking the side most capable of challenging North Heidelberg.

The Stars were the only side to beat the Bulldogs, finishing with a win and a draw in their three contests against the eventual premier.

Despite matching up well against the Bulldogs, a number of disappointing losses – most notably a Round 9 upset against Watsonia and a Round 12 drubbing from Lower Plenty – denied the Stars a double chance in the finals.

The often-unheralded Allan Norris took his game to another level in 2017 and claimed his first best and fairest award. Clinton Benjamin was a model of consistency in his second year with the club and was again named in the Team of the Year, along with Peter Hood and Kain Proctor.

Clinton Edwards returned after a year away and had a strong year in the ruck, while Malcolm Dow was outstanding at ground level. The surprise packet was Vaasili Tuifao, who joined the club late in the pre-season and proved to be an ideal replacement for 2016 leading goal kicker Daniel Francis, finishing with 52 majors.

Ben Chapman's first season at the helm brought significant improvement at Thomastown. The Bears finished in fifth place for the third-consecutive year, but managed four more wins than in 2016.

Despite a number of key players missing

much of the season, Thomastown sat just percentage outside the top-four with two rounds remaining – with its season-best performance recorded in Round 9 when it ended Diamond Creek's seven-game winning streak in a 12-point upset at Coventry Oval.

Matthew Vasilevski had a profound influence in his first season at Main Street Reserve after crossing from Greenvale. The two-time Frank Rosbrook medallist won the Bears' best and fairest and was named in the centre in the Team of the Year, edging out a host of star midfielders for the honour.

Matthew Dirkx showed huge improvement and finished second for the club champion award, ahead of Adrian Natoli and Josh Beare. Jacob Osei-Duro overcame injury to kick 33 goals – kicking three goals or more in eight of his 14 matches.

Daniel Chadwick made a welcome return from Northcote Park before injury ended his season at Round 9. The midfielder was sitting second in the competition best and fairest prior to being sidelined.

2017 was a successful campaign for Watsonia, despite its win-loss record. The Saints held their own in their first season back in Division 2 following last year's Division 3 premiership success.

A 27-point win over Panton Hill in Round 1 was the perfect beginning to the year and after a 2-2 start, the Saints never looked in threat of relegation.

The 6-12 record could easily have been as good as 9-9 – given the Saints were the only side to lose to Panton Hill and lost three matches to Thomastown after being in a winning position each time.

The club's best result came in Round 9, when it stunned Fitzroy Stars by six points at A.K. Lines Reserve in arguably the upset of the season. Just six rounds earlier the Saints had lost to the Stars by 94 points at the same venue.

After taking out the 2016 Division 3 best and fairest, Matthew Crompton was again a standout in 2017. He was named in Watsonia's best players in 15 of 18 games and won the club champion award.

Ben Anderson returned from Lancefield and finished runner-up to Crompton for the best and fairest. Ben Sutherland and Kyle Kemp both had solid campaigns, while Adrian Alfonsi (31 goals), Allan Young (26) and Jeremy Bennett (23) provided strong targets inside 50.

Lalor endured another tough campaign in what proved to be Jarrod King's sole season as coach. For the second-straight year the club won just three games – with its record now 6-28 since losing the 2015 grand final to Whittlesea by three points.

In a major blow, Todd Hughes and Scott Dowell transferred to Bundoora late in the pre-season and the Bloods were unable to replace the key duo – who both went on to play important roles in the Bulls' Division 1 premiership.

Lalor's season began with a competitive defeat to Thomastown, before being held goalless by Diamond Creek in a 115-point drubbing on

ANZAC Day. However, the Bloods showed great spirit and rebounded from the heavy loss with a vital away win at Panton Hill the following week.

Round 6 ended in heartache when the Bloods conceded eight unanswered goals in the last quarter to let slip a 38-point lead against Thomastown. They did manage to atone for that result in Round 9, when they kicked five of the final six goals to down Panton Hill by six points.

Jhye Baddeley-Kelly had a breakthrough season, winning the club's best and fairest and earning selection on the half back flank in the Team of the Year.

Panton Hill's four-year stint in Division 2 came to an end following a one-win campaign. A host of injuries exposed a lack of depth, as the Redbacks battled to keep pace in a strong field in Division 2 – conceding an average of 136 points per game.

Despite being on the receiving end of many heavy defeats, Joffa Byron's side showed great resilience to keep fronting up and were finally rewarded with a breakthrough win in Round 13, when they downed Watsonia by 35 points.

The result gave the Redbacks hope of avoiding relegation, however their fate was sealed by a 14-point loss to Lalor a fortnight later.

Matthew Fowler joined the club one month into the season and was a standout. The Greensborough premiership midfielder claimed the Redbacks best and fairest, despite playing just 13 games.

He received strong support from Mitch Anderson, Scott Conte and Tom Blake – all of who backed up their good form from 2016. Anderson was the club's sole representative in the Team of the Year.

2017 Club Best and Fairest Winners

Diamond Creek – Jacob Booth; **Fitzroy Stars** – Allan Norris; **Lalor** – Jhye Baddeley-Kelly; **Lower Plenty** – Patrick Flynn; **North Heidelberg** – Brent Harvey; **Panton Hill** – Matthew Fowler; **Thomastown** – Matthew Vasilevski; **Watsonia** – Matthew Crompton

North Heidelberg recorded seven wins by more than 100 points, and rounded out its campaign with three consecutive 70+ point wins over Diamond Creek – including the 77-point grand final victory.

Division 2 Ladders

A PLUS LABOUR SOLUTIONS DIVISION 2 SENIORS

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|------------------|----|----|----|---|------|------|--------|-----|
| North Heidelberg | 18 | 16 | 1 | 1 | 2400 | 1053 | 227.92 | 66 |
| Diamond Creek | 18 | 14 | 4 | 0 | 1874 | 1053 | 177.97 | 56 |
| Fitzroy Stars | 18 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 2045 | 1560 | 131.09 | 46 |
| Lower Plenty | 18 | 11 | 7 | 0 | 1915 | 1184 | 161.74 | 44 |
| Thomastown | 18 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 1344 | 1643 | 81.80 | 36 |
| Watsonia | 18 | 6 | 12 | 0 | 1327 | 1897 | 69.95 | 24 |
| Lalor | 18 | 3 | 15 | 0 | 992 | 2098 | 47.28 | 12 |
| Panton Hill | 18 | 1 | 17 | 0 | 1039 | 2448 | 42.44 | 4 |

DIVISION 2 RESERVES

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|------------------|----|----|----|---|------|------|--------|-----|
| North Heidelberg | 18 | 16 | 2 | 0 | 2176 | 872 | 249.54 | 64 |
| Diamond Creek | 18 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 2045 | 663 | 308.45 | 58 |
| Thomastown | 18 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 1545 | 1145 | 134.93 | 48 |
| Lower Plenty | 18 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 1642 | 998 | 164.53 | 46 |
| Watsonia | 18 | 11 | 7 | 0 | 1286 | 1147 | 112.12 | 44 |
| Fitzroy Stars | 18 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 1066 | 2053 | 51.92 | 16 |
| Lalor | 18 | 2 | 16 | 0 | 643 | 2149 | 29.92 | 8 |
| Panton Hill | 18 | 1 | 17 | 0 | 621 | 1997 | 31.10 | 4 |

DIVISION 2 UNDER-19

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | FF | FA | F | A | % | PTS |
|------------------|----|----|----|---|----|----|------|------|--------|-----|
| Lower Plenty | 18 | 16 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1392 | 940 | 148.09 | 66 |
| South Morang | 18 | 15 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1515 | 792 | 191.29 | 62 |
| St Mary's | 18 | 14 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1453 | 1125 | 129.16 | 56 |
| Diamond Creek | 18 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1642 | 825 | 199.03 | 48 |
| Mill Park | 18 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 946 | 1296 | 72.99 | 20 |
| North Heidelberg | 18 | 5 | 13 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 955 | 1465 | 65.19 | 20 |
| Banyule | 18 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 974 | 1490 | 65.37 | 16 |
| Epping | 18 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 650 | 1568 | 41.45 | 0 |



Division 2 Finals Results

A PLUS LABOUR SOLUTIONS DIVISION 2 SENIORS

First Semi Final

Fitzroy Stars 8.11 (59) def by **Lower Plenty 17.10 (112)**

Second Semi Final

North Heidelberg 19.12 (126) def Diamond Creek 9.2 (56)

Preliminary Final

Diamond Creek 10.11 (71) def Lower Plenty 9.10 (64)

Grand Final

North Heidelberg 19.15 (129) def Diamond Creek 7.10 (52)

North Heidelberg

Best: J. Tardio, B. Tardio, M. Dillon, L. Gilbert, M. Florance, L. Taggart

Goals: M. Dillon 5, S. Harvey 5, B. Harvey 2, J. Jones 2, L. Hill, B. Harvey, K. Green, L. Gilbert, M. Lonergan

Diamond Creek

Best: J. McQueen, C. Moloney, R. Burrell, T. Barnes, N. Searl, D. Kambouris

Goals: R. Pingree 3, T. Barnes, B. Perry, B. Adams, K. Tenace

Best on ground: Jesse Tardio (North Heidelberg)



DIVISION 2 RESERVES

First Semi Final

Thomastown 7.8 (50) def Lower Plenty 7.6 (48)

Second Semi Final

North Heidelberg 7.11 (53) def Diamond Creek 8.4 (52)

Preliminary Final

Diamond Creek 10.9 (69) def Thomastown 10.6 (66)

Grand Final

North Heidelberg 6.9 (45) def by **Diamond Creek 8.11 (59)**

North Heidelberg

Best: J. Doherty, R. Storey, L. Villanti, M. Mahony, J. Wright, M. Hill

Goals: S. Chaseling 2, M. Mahony, D. Saccuzzo, L. McLeod, J. Wright

Diamond Creek

Best: J. Smith, L. Padget, M. Smith, A. De Giorgio, J. Wuelfert, J. Battye

Goals: J. Wuelfert 3, J. Prosser, C. Libertino, A. De Giorgio, T. Owen, J. Barnes

Best on ground: Josh Smith (Diamond Creek)



DIVISION 2 UNDER-19

First Semi Final

St Mary's 8.14 (62) def by **Diamond Creek 11.10 (76)**

Second Semi Final

Lower Plenty 10.6 (66) def South Morang 3.10 (28)

Preliminary Final

South Morang 9.10 (64) def by **Diamond Creek 13.10 (88)**

Grand Final

Lower Plenty 7.6 (48) def Diamond Creek 1.3 (9)

Lower Plenty

Best: K. Keenan, L. Jepsen, P. Papatheodorou, A. Alderton, N. Waters, K. Horman

Goals: N. Waters 3, L. McLeod 2, W. Reddrop, P. Warton

Diamond Creek

Best: K. Brick, R. Donaldson, M. Elzink, N. Parks, C. Whalley, L. Davine

Goals: M. Elzink

Best on ground: Kyle Keenan (Lower Plenty)



Division 2 Awards

When Brent Harvey joined North Heidelberg in October last year, it was touted as being one of the biggest signings in local football history.

The 39-year-old showed he still has plenty left in the tank after putting together a breath-taking first season for the Bulldogs, which culminated in both a best and fairest and premiership win.

Fans flocked to North Heidelberg games throughout the year to get a glimpse of the AFL games-record holder and he put on a show in one of the most dominant individual seasons produced in recent years.

By his lofty standards, Harvey was somewhat subdued in his first official game for the Bulldogs, despite kicking three goals in the win over Diamond Creek. However, from then on, he was simply unstoppable.

After sitting out the Round 2 loss to the Fitzroy Stars, Harvey featured in the umpires' votes in his next 10 games in succession – amassing 26 of a possible 30 votes to assume a near unassailable lead in the best and fairest count.

Despite playing predominantly as a midfielder, he kicked 55 goals in the regular season. That included 21 goals in three matches between rounds 5 to 7, with a season-best bag of nine goals against Panton Hill in Round 6.

Injury sidelined the champ in rounds 15 and 16 and despite not polling upon his return in the final two rounds, he had still done enough to win the competition best and fairest, before guiding the Bulldogs to the flag with six goals in his two finals appearances.

Not to be outdone, brother Shane was runner-up for the second-year in a row – finishing on 23 votes, just three behind Brent. Lower Plenty ruckman Patrick Flynn denied a North Heidelberg trifecta, finishing third on 22 votes, with Bulldog midfielder Jesse Tardio fourth on 18 votes.

Despite missing out on the best and fairest, Shane Harvey was still able to take home his sixth NFL competition leading goal kicker award, after taking out the Division 2 title for the fourth time in six years.

Harvey kicked 106 majors in 15 matches during the home and away season at an average of better than seven per game. He then added another nine in the finals – including six in the grand final win.

Premiership win aside, his season highlight was snagging 30 goals in two weeks. He kicked a career-best 17 goals in the Bulldogs' 109-point win over Watsonia in Round 11, before backing it up with another 13 against Panton Hill the following week.

Patrick Flynn took the honours in the Coaches Player of the Year, finishing six votes ahead of Brent Harvey. He sealed the award with a perfect 10-vote game in the final round of the home and away season.

It was the second year in succession the Lower Plenty ruckman has won a Coaches Player of the Year award, after claiming the Division 1 title in 2016, despite the Bears' bottom-place finish.

BEST AND FAIREST

| SENIORS | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Brent Harvey | North Heidelberg | 26 |
| Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 23 |
| Patrick Flynn | Lower Plenty | 22 |
| Jesse Tardio | North Heidelberg | 18 |
| Kain Proctor | Fitzroy Stars | 14 |

| RESERVES | | |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Andrew Gray | Diamond Creek | 18 |
| Wade Lowrie | Diamond Creek | 14 |
| Aaron De Giorgio | Diamond Creek | 11 |

| UNDER-19 | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Cory Giannone | South Morang | 17 |
| Kye Agosta | Diamond Creek | 12 |
| Lochlan Brannelly | Diamond Creek | 11 |
| Connor Gedge | St Mary's | 11 |
| Aaron Lazaric | South Morang | 11 |
| Liam McLeod | North Heidelberg | 11 |
| Ned Waters | Lower Plenty | 11 |
| Jacob Yeomans | St Mary's | 11 |

LEADING GOAL KICKERS

| SENIORS | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 106 |
| Darcy Barden | Lower Plenty | 59 |
| Brent Harvey | North Heidelberg | 55 |

Home and away games only

| RESERVES | | |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Andrew Gray | Diamond Creek | 53 |
| Shaun Chaseling | North Heidelberg | 48 |
| Mitchell Dillon | North Heidelberg | 46 |

| UNDER-19 | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Benjamin Peterson | South Morang | 38 |
| Dominic Tropea | South Morang | 33 |
| Jacob Yeomans | St Mary's | 26 |

COACHES PLAYER OF THE YEAR

| Player | Club | Votes |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Patrick Flynn | Lower Plenty | 92 |
| Brent Harvey | North Heidelberg | 86 |
| Jesse Tardio | North Heidelberg | 82 |
| Darcy Barden | Lower Plenty | 73 |
| Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 66 |

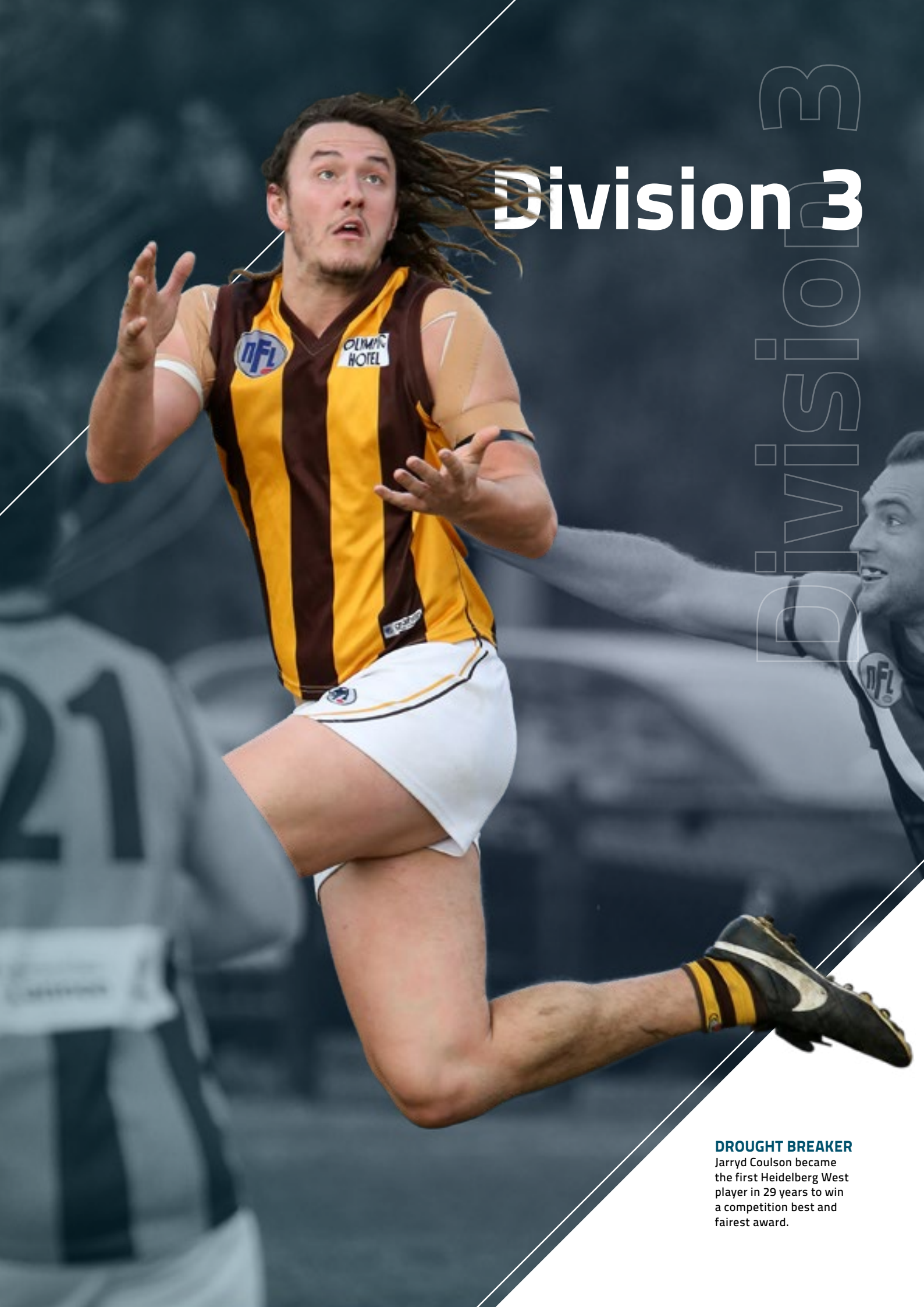
TEAM OF THE YEAR

| | |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| B | Jake Brown (NH), Mitch Anderson (PH), Chris Moloney (DC) |
| HB | Jhye Baddeley-Kelly (Lal), Marc Lonergan (NH), Peter Hood (FS) |
| C | Brody Tardio (NH), Matthew Vasilevski (Tho), Jesse Tardio (NH) |
| HF | Brad Perry (DC), Darcy Barden (LP), Kain Proctor (FS) |
| F | Jacob Osei-Duro (Tho), Shane Harvey (NH), Ben Paterson (LP) |
| R | Patrick Flynn (LP), Tom Keys (LP), Brent Harvey (NH) |
| Int | Clinton Benjamin (FS), Josh Marchbank (DC), Leigh Gilbert (NH), Tyler Barnes (DC) |
| Coach | Stephen Saddington (NH) |

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Division 3

Division 3



DROUGHT BREAKER

Jarryd Coulson became the first Heidelberg West player in 29 years to win a competition best and fairest award.

Division 3 Review

The 2017 Heidelberg Golf Club Division 3 campaign featured a record-high nine teams, with Laurimar entering the senior competition for the first time, while Reservoir returned after spending 2016 in recess.

Banyule and South Morang occupied the top-two places on the ladder for much of the season, however the race for a finals place extended long into the campaign, with seven sides still in finals contention heading into the final month of the regular season.

The top-four places were eventually filled by three 2016 finalists, with Banyule the only side to emerge from outside of last year's top-four. The Bears capped their best season since joining the NFL in 2015 by taking out the premiership – led superbly by returning skipper Scott Gumbleton and recruits James Kroussoratis, Kieran Malone, Riley Keath and Matt Yarwood.

The Bears made their intentions known very early in the piece in Pete Davey's first season as coach. They won their opening seven games and had equalled their best wins tally in an NFL season prior to the halfway point of the 2017 campaign.

Despite finishing the home and away season in second spot, one win behind South Morang,

Banyule saved its best for the finals.

It booked the first place in the grand final with a commanding 36-point second semi final win over the Lions, before backing up that performance in the premiership decider. The Bears led for much of grand final and held off a fightback by South Morang early in the last term, before stretching out to a 25-point win.

Scott Gumbleton was dominant in his return to the field and won the club's best and fairest, as well as the best on ground medal in the grand final. James Kroussoratis proved to be the division's recruit of the season and slotted 78 goals in 15 appearances. He also kicked five majors in the NFL's huge representative win over the WRFL in May. Fellow recruits Riley Keath and Kieran Malone enjoyed strong debut seasons for the Bears and, importantly, made big contributions in the grand final.

Despite breaking its three-year preliminary final curse, South Morang was again forced to endure finals heartache in 2017. Despite the

disappointing result in the grand final, it was still very much a positive season on-field for the Lions.

They entered the finals series as the premiership favourite on the back of a 12-game winning streak, before failing to produce their best in September – despite reaching their first grand final since 2011. The Lions' finals bid was derailed with injuries and illness striking several key players at the worst possible time.

The club parted ways with coach Dean Grainger and a host of experienced players following a loss to Banyule in Round 4. It didn't prove to be a hinderance at all, with the faith shown in replacement Gary Hall and the club's youngsters justified as the Lions went on their longest winning streak in recent history.

Despite being 20 years or younger, the likes of Tye Hall, Daniel Caruso, Jordan Steele, Anthony Capeci and James Hewson emerged as star players of the division. Jake Potter was again the competition's best tall defender, while Mitch Buckley's move to defence paid dividends.

South Morang's versatile forward line was lively throughout the year, with Alex Colaidis, Capeci and Raafat Rachache giving the club multiple avenues to goal and combining for 100 majors.

Epping failed to make the grand final for the first time since joining Division 3 in 2015, but still made plenty of inroads throughout the year to reach the preliminary final.

The Blues looked at risk of missing the finals



at Round 8 when they sat in sixth place on the ladder with just three wins to their name. However, their form improved steadily after the Queen's Birthday weekend break, despite injuries to a number of key players – including luckless Adrian Totino just as he looked to be reaching peak form.

Epping was the first team to beat Banyule in a Round 9 upset, before going on to win all but one game in the back half of the year – with the only loss a one-point defeat to St Mary's. The Blues atoned for that defeat by coming from behind to beat the Burra by six points in the first semi final, before losing another thriller to South Morang in the preliminary final.

Thomas Hughes and Leigh Judd again had outstanding seasons and were named in the Team of the Year, along with Aaron Willitts – who finished the campaign with 60 goals. Daniel Moore came out of retirement to play 11 games in the back end of the year and was a welcome inclusion, while the emergence of youngsters Corey Middleton, Dallyce Taylor and Jake Perry as established players was a major positive.

St Mary's finished inside the top-four for the second-straight year, but was unable to break through for its first finals win at senior level as Con Borg called an end to his four-year coaching tenure at season's end.

The Burra had a slow start to their campaign, losing their opening two games, before kick-starting their charge with a gripping four-point win at Mernda in Round 4. They went on to win seven of their next eight games and remained in top-two contention until an upset one-point loss at Kilmore in Round 13.

After a fourth-place finish on the ladder, the Burra made a strong start to the first semi final and led Epping by 13 points at quarter time. However, for the second year in succession they were unable to hold onto a lead in the semi and fell to a six-point defeat – with Myles Guldons' long-range set shot after the final siren falling short into a strong wind.

Captain Dillan Ronalds was again a star performer, kicking 24 goals in 17 games. He took out the Division 3 Coaches Player of the Year award and was runner-up in the competition best and fairest voting. Daniel Castagnini and James Boarotto were big improvers and both were named in the Team of the Year for the first time.

Despite finishing the home and away season in second spot, Banyule saved its best for the finals.

2017 was a season of marked improvement for Kilmore. In Nathan Phillips' first full season as coach, the Blues recorded eight wins – a great effort after winning only four games in the previous four years.

The year began on a positive note, with the club scoring its first away win in the NFL with an 11-point victory over Laurimar, before a 53-point triumph over Mernda in Round 3 showed how far the club had improved over the summer.

After winning seven of its opening 13 matches, only percentage kept Kilmore outside the top-four at Round 13. In the end the Blues had to be content with a fifth-place finish.

Playing-assistant Leigh Irons enjoyed a wonderful season, claiming the club's best and fairest and earning selection in the Team of the Year – along with defender Peter De Sousa. Adam Milne, Jaxson Kinnear and Michael Marrett also produced solid campaigns, while Daniel Matthew's progression was encouraging.

Heidelberg West also enjoyed a year of big improvement after a long period stuck at the bottom end of the table. Led by a host of recruits, the Hawks looked a finals contender for much of the season before injuries cruelly crippled the club in the back end of the campaign.

The Hawks sat inside the top-four at the halfway point of the season. Their 5-3 record included arguably their best win in years when they came from behind to beat Epping by four points in Round 7. They also pushed then unbeaten Banyule in a 25-point defeat the following week.

The strong form continued until Round 13, before injuries decimated the club and led to a very difficult final month – where the Hawks were trounced by each of the eventual four finalists.

Jarryd Coulson sealed an outstanding debut season at Heidelberg Park by winning the Division 3 best and fairest. In doing so, he became the first Hawk to win a competition best and fairest since 1988.

Masaki Miki trumped Coulson for the club best and fairest, with the duo both selected in the Team of the Year, alongside co-captain Justin Bentley. Kane Moore and Ben Kennan were consistent performers, while Kyl Ewart returned late in the year and kicked 26 goals in five appearances, including an equal season-high bag of 12 against Reservoir in Round 13.

Mernda started the season with two consecutive wins but then endured a tough campaign, eventually finishing the year in a three-way battle with Laurimar and Reservoir to avoid the wooden spoon – which it managed to do with consecutive wins in the final two rounds.

The Demons adopted a youth policy and used as many as 46 players through the senior side, with only four players playing every game. With finals never truly in consideration, many of the club's under-17s were given a taste of senior football during the year.

Despite his side's struggles, Matthew Campbell enjoyed a strong season on an individual level and claimed the best and fairest in his second year after crossing from South Morang. Josh Delaney and Anthony Bradford were also consistent performers, while David Hutchinson kicked 36 goals in his final season – finishing with a bang with a 10-goal haul in the second-last game against Reservoir.

Laurimar managed to avoid the wooden spoon in its inaugural season in the Northern Football League senior competition. The Power scored two wins in their debut campaign and made massive inroads as the season progressed. A true indication of the club's improvement came in Round 17, when they finished within six goals of premier Banyule.

Their maiden win came in Round 6, when a five-goal to two third quarter helped set up a 20-point triumph over Mernda at Laurimar Reserve. The second victory was recorded in Round 9 when the Power stormed to a 64-point home win over Reservoir.

Wayne Sharkie's side certainly played its best football at home, finishing the season with a 2-6 record at Laurimar Reserve, with its average losing margin also significantly greater on the road.

Skipper Adam Dennis led superbly and capped his year by winning the club's inaugural best and fairest award, ahead of Leigh Murphy and Jackson Lewis. Lance Whitnall provided a focal point in attack and kicked a team-high 29 goals, which included three goals or more on five occasions.

A mountain of work by the club's committee ensured Reservoir returned to the playing field this year after spending the 2016 season in recess.

The 2017 season was never going to be about the win-loss record, and the Mustangs showed great resilience despite regularly being on the receiving end of heavy defeats. As many as 54 players represented the club in the senior side, with only best and fairest winner Lachlan Shaw playing every game.

Shaw, along with Emrys Black, Reece Miller and Josh Alexander provided plenty of encouragement for Mustangs supporters, while David McGregor and Kent Beaumont were goal-scoring options.

The highlight of the club's season came in Round 15, when it claimed its sole win of the year over Laurimar. The Mustangs looked in trouble when they trailed by 20 points at half time, but kicked nine goals to two in the second half to break through for a long-awaited victory – their first since winning the 2015 Division 3 grand final.

2017 Club Best and Fairest Winners

Banyule – Scott Gumbleton; **Epping** – Thomas Hughes; **Heidelberg West** – Masaki Miki; **Kilmore** – Leigh Irons; **Laurimar** – Adam Dennis; **Mernda** – Matthew Campbell; **Reservoir** – Lachlan Shaw; **South Morang** – Luke Shelton; **St Mary's** – Dillan Ronalds

Division 3 Ladders

HEIDELBERG GOLF CLUB DIVISION 3 SENIORS

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|-----------------|----|----|----|---|------|------|--------|-----|
| South Morang | 16 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 1872 | 870 | 215.17 | 60 |
| Banyule | 16 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 1935 | 980 | 197.45 | 56 |
| Epping | 16 | 11 | 5 | 0 | 1599 | 927 | 172.49 | 44 |
| St Mary's | 16 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 1626 | 936 | 173.72 | 40 |
| Kilmore | 16 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 1041 | 1328 | 78.39 | 32 |
| Heidelberg West | 16 | 7 | 9 | 0 | 1277 | 1497 | 85.30 | 28 |
| Mernda | 16 | 4 | 12 | 0 | 1091 | 1509 | 72.30 | 16 |
| Laurimar | 16 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 899 | 1809 | 49.70 | 8 |
| Reservoir | 16 | 1 | 15 | 0 | 718 | 2202 | 32.61 | 4 |

DIVISION 3 RESERVES

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|-----------------|----|----|----|---|------|------|--------|-----|
| St Mary's | 16 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 1605 | 586 | 273.89 | 54 |
| South Morang | 16 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 1771 | 728 | 243.27 | 54 |
| Epping | 16 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 1652 | 718 | 230.08 | 52 |
| Banyule | 16 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 1775 | 633 | 280.41 | 48 |
| Heidelberg West | 16 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 1037 | 1129 | 91.85 | 32 |
| Mernda | 16 | 5 | 11 | 0 | 821 | 1295 | 63.40 | 20 |
| Reservoir | 16 | 3 | 13 | 0 | 573 | 1593 | 35.97 | 12 |
| Kilmore | 16 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 564 | 1769 | 31.88 | 8 |
| Laurimar | 16 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 581 | 1928 | 30.13 | 8 |

Division 3 Finals Results

HEIDELBERG GOLF CLUB DIVISION 3 SENIORS

First Semi Final

Epping 7.10 (52) def St Mary's 6.10 (46)

Second Semi Final

South Morang 12.8 (80) def by Banyule 17.14 (116)

Preliminary Final

South Morang 8.14 (62) def Epping 8.6 (54)

Grand Final

Banyule 13.17 (95) def South Morang 10.10 (70)

Banyule

Best: S. Gumbleton, R. Keath, M. Italia, A. Barclay, D. McDonald, A. Cabdi
Goals: M. Italia 4, D. McDonald 2, J. Kroussoratis 2, S. Gumbleton 2, R. Keath 2, S. Downes

South Morang

Best: J. Potter, D. Caruso, H. Whybrow, B. Power, B. Marinkovic, N. Tassell
Goals: A. Capezi 2, N. Johnston 2, N. Tassell, J. Steele, A. Colaidis, L. Buckley, R. Rachrache, D. Watson
Best on ground: Scott Gumbleton (Banyule)



DIVISION 3 RESERVES

First Semi Final

Epping 5.10 (40) def by Banyule 7.11 (53)

Second Semi Final

St Mary's 9.18 (72) def South Morang 6.3 (39)

Preliminary Final

South Morang 9.5 (59) def by Banyule 10.9 (69)

Grand Final

St Mary's 8.6 (54) def Banyule 7.5 (47)

St Mary's

Best: J. Bunker, B. Jones, J. Girolami, M. Gializzo, S. Mitrovski, J. Buckley
Goals: J. Girolami 3, J. Buckley 2, P. Waldron, R. Tate, J. Sorani

South Morang

Best: S. Tanudtanud, J. Stevens, B. Nethercote, M. Post, J. Harris, T. Cowey
Goals: M. Post 2, M. Smith 2, B. Nethercote, S. McKenzie, M. Centofanti
Best on ground: Jarrod Bunker (St Mary's)



Division 3 Awards

Jarryd Coulson became the first Heidelberg West player to win a senior competition best and fairest in nearly three decades by taking out this year's Division 3 award.

In his first season with the club after crossing from Heidelberg, Coulson enjoyed a stellar campaign to become the first Hawk to claim a competition best and fairest since Brad Dunbar won the Division 1 award in 1988.

Having previously spent time with the Northern Blues in the VFL, Coulson was the competition's dominant ruckman in his first year at Heidelberg Park.

Despite missing three games through injury late in the year, he polled 22 votes to finish six clear of Dillan Ronalds.

Coulson received votes in 10 matches, which included polling in every game from Round 7 to Round 13, as he helped Heidelberg West to its best season in a decade.

On six occasions he collected the umpires' three votes, achieving the feat in four of six games between Round 8 to Round 13 as the Hawks made a charge towards the finals.

St Mary's skipper Dillan Ronalds finished runner-up for the second-successive year. He didn't poll a vote in the opening month, but went on to feature in the votes in nine of his final 13 games – which included a streak of six consecutive games from Round 5 to Round 11

Banyule midfielder Devin McDonald finished third on 14 votes in his side's premiership campaign, despite missing the final two rounds of the season through suspension. It was McDonald's second top-five finish, after finishing equal-fourth in 2015.

Despite just missing out on the best and fairest for the second year in a row, Ronalds did take home some silverware this season by winning the Division 3 Coaches Player of the Year for the second time. He previously claimed the award in 2013.

Ronalds polled 62 votes to just edge out Heidelberg West's Masaki Miki by two votes. Justin Bentley was third in his first season at Heidelberg Park after crossing from North Heidelberg.

Ronalds received votes in 14 of his 16 home and away games – the most of any player in the competition. His four-vote effort in Round 18 allowed him to overtake Miki and claim the award for the second time.

In his first season at Banyule, James Kroussoratis led the goal kicking with 74 home and away goals. It was the second time he has won a league goal kicking award, after topping the Division 1 table with 65 majors in 2015.

Kroussoratis' best effort was a bag of 12 against Reservoir in Round 7 to equal the record for the most goals kicked in a senior game at R.J Brockwell Oval.

He also booted five goals in the NFL's thrashing of the WRFL in the AFL Victoria Community Championships at Preston City Oval in May.

BEST AND FAIREST

| SENIORS | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Jarryd Coulson | Heidelberg West | 22 |
| Dillan Ronalds | St Mary's | 16 |
| Devin McDonald | Banyule | 14 |
| Daniel Caruso | South Morang | 12 |
| Jacob Smith | Banyule | 12 |
| Jordan Steele | South Morang | 12 |

| RESERVES | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Matthew Smith | South Morang | 16 |
| Thomas Emmins | Epping | 13 |
| Tom Kimpton | Heidelberg West | 13 |
| Matthew McMahon | Epping | 12 |
| Daniel Delromano | South Morang | 9 |
| Joel Buckley | St Mary's | 9 |
| Matthew Gializzo | St Mary's | 9 |

LEADING GOAL KICKERS

| SENIORS | | |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| James Kroussoratis | Banyule | 74 |
| Aaron Willitts | Epping | 54 |
| Alex Colaidis | South Morang | 37 |
| David Hutchinson | Mernda | 36 |
| Raafat Rachache | South Morang | 35 |

Home and away games only

| RESERVES | | |
|----------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Thomas Emmins | Epping | 55 |
| Jesse McKinnon | St Mary's | 42 |
| Shaun McKenzie | Banyule | 36 |
| John Colaidis | South Morang | 34 |
| Robert Tinsley | Epping | 33 |

COACHES PLAYER OF THE YEAR

| Player | Club | Votes |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Dillan Ronalds | St Mary's | 62 |
| Masaki Miki | Heidelberg West | 60 |
| Justin Bentley | Heidelberg West | 55 |
| Kieran Malone | Banyule | 51 |
| Leigh Irons | Kilmore | 48 |
| Leigh Judd | Epping | 48 |

TEAM OF THE YEAR

| | |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| B | Jacob Smith (Ban), Peter De Sousa (Kil), Daniel Castagnini (St M) |
| HB | Tye Hall (So M), Jake Potter (So M), Leigh Judd (Epp) |
| C | Devin McDonald (Ban), Dillan Ronalds (St M), Jordan Steele (So M) |
| HF | Luke Shelton (So M), Scott Gumbleton (Ban), Anthony Capecci (So M) |
| F | Alex Colaidis (So M), James Kroussoratis (Ban), Aaron Willitts (Epp) |
| R | Jarryd Coulson (HW), Masaki Miki (HW), Thomas Hughes (Epp) |
| Int | Kieran Malone (Ban), Leigh Irons (Kil), Justin Bentley (HW), James Boarotto (St M) |
| Coach | Pete Davey (Ban) |

NFLW Review

The 2017 season produced an historic first for the Northern Football League with the introduction of senior women's football for the first time in the league's history.

The NFLW competition saw 20 teams compete across two divisions, with the NFL welcoming clubs from outside the league as part of a transition from the AFL Victoria-managed Victoria Women's Football League, along with NFL clubs creating a new women's team.

Division 1 consisted of 10 teams from the former VWFL, with Bendigo, Darebin, Deer Park, Diamond Creek Women's, Kew, La Trobe Uni, Melbourne Uni, Pascoe Vale, VU Western Spurs and Whitehorse competing in the top flight.

The Division 2 competition included Darebin 2, Diamond Creek Women's 2, Kew 2, La Trobe Uni 2, Laurimar, Montmorency, South Morang, VU Western Spurs 2, West Preston-Lakeside and Whitehorse 2.

With the season set to kick-off over the weekend of April 22-23, West Preston-Lakeside and Whitehorse 2 agreed on an early launch. The inaugural game was played on April 1 at J.E Moore Park, following the senior men's match between West Preston-Lakeside and Heidelberg. The Colts claimed an 8.10 (58) to 5.2 (32) win in front of a large crowd.

Bendigo proved to be the standout side in the Division 1 competition, winning its opening 13 games in succession, before being upset by Darebin in the final round of the regular season.

Led by a host of stars including Kerryn Harrington, Tiahna Cochrane, Jacinta Louttit and competition leading goal kicker Andrea Walsh, the Thunder claimed the minor premiership – finishing two games clear of their closest rival.

VU Western Spurs and Diamond Creek Women's finished second and third respectively to secure a double chance in the finals. The Spurs won seven of their opening eight games and finished the season 11-3, while the Creekers (10-4) finished with the second-best percentage.

Melbourne University and Kew rounded out the finalists, each finishing the year with a 9-5 record to sit two-games clear of sixth-placed Darebin.

The finals series threw up several incredible matches, beginning with VU Western Spurs and Diamond Creek Women's finishing level at the end of regular time in the qualifying final.

Emma Fraser kicked the only goal in extra time to hand the Creekers a six-point win and they carried that momentum into the second semi final to stun Bendigo by 11 points at Preston City Oval.

Bendigo ended its two-game losing run in the preliminary final, kicking away in the last quarter to beat VU Western Spurs to set up a

premiership decider against Diamond Creek Women's.

The grand final was an epic. Bendigo got off to a flyer and kicked the opening three goals to race to a 21-point advantage at quarter time. The Creekers gradually pegged their way back and closed within four points at the 10-minute mark of the last quarter.

Enter Andrea Walsh. The competition's leading goal kicker stepped up when her side most needed her – finding separation on her opponent to mark unopposed at the 15-minute mark of the last term before coolly slotting the goal to seal the premiership.

Jacinta Louttit won the best on ground medallion following a strong game in the midfield, edging out teammates Kodi Jacques and Tiahna Cochrane, along with Diamond Creek Women's pair Clara Fitzpatrick and Jessica Provan.

VU Western Spurs were the dominant side of the Division 2 competition – finishing the regular season two games clear atop the ladder, before scoring comfortable wins over West Preston-Lakeside in the second semi and grand final to win the flag.

The Spurs lost just one game for the entire season – when they kicked a wayward 2.11 in a four-point loss to Darebin in Round 5. Jessica Heath, Kerrie Clarke, Hayley Stanford and Danielle Mazzocca all produced wonderful seasons to ensure their side was the benchmark throughout the year.

Despite many of its players playing football for the first time, West Preston-Lakeside exceeded expectations to finish the season in second place, before going on for a grand final appearance.

Natarsha Bamblett had a sensational year in the ruck and shared the competition best and fairest with Montmorency's Nicole Blythe and South Morang's Rechelle McSwain, while on-baller Monique DeMatteo was outstanding and won the Coaches Player of the Year award.

Darebin finished third on the ladder with a 10-4 record and fell just shy of reaching the grand final – losing the preliminary final to West Preston-Lakeside by just five points. The Falcons were the only side to beat VU Western Spurs and would have rated their chances of an upset in the grand final.

Montmorency and Kew finished in fourth and fifth place respectively, with the Magpies winning 9 of 14 games, while the Bears secured a finals place with a one-point win over La Trobe University in the final round – before upsetting the Magpies in the first week of the finals.

Of the five sides to miss the finals, South Morang was the best performed – finishing with a 7-7 record. The Lions sat inside the top-five for much of the year, before succumbing to two-point losses to both Montmorency and Kew in the final month to slip to sixth place.

After a wonderfully successful opening season of senior women's football, there is great anticipation for what is to come in 2018 and beyond.



NFLW Ladders

NORTH PARK NFLW DIVISION 1

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|---|------|------|--------|-----|
| Bendigo | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 1118 | 251 | 445.42 | 52 |
| VU Western Spurs | 14 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 747 | 347 | 215.27 | 44 |
| Diamond Creek Women's | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 843 | 306 | 275.49 | 40 |
| Melbourne University | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 758 | 359 | 211.14 | 36 |
| Kew | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 607 | 513 | 118.32 | 36 |
| Darebin | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 713 | 498 | 143.17 | 28 |
| Whitehorse | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 509 | 811 | 62.76 | 20 |
| Deer Park | 14 | 2 | 11 | 1 | 256 | 888 | 28.83 | 10 |
| Pascoe Vale | 14 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 249 | 994 | 25.05 | 8 |
| La Trobe University | 14 | 1 | 12 | 1 | 223 | 1056 | 21.12 | 6 |

NORTH PARK NFLW DIVISION 2

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | F | A | % | PTS |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|---|-----|-----|--------|-----|
| VU Western Spurs | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 797 | 147 | 542.18 | 52 |
| West Preston-Lakeside | 14 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 661 | 180 | 367.22 | 44 |
| Darebin | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 532 | 263 | 202.28 | 40 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 510 | 350 | 145.71 | 36 |
| Kew | 14 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 258 | 401 | 64.34 | 30 |
| South Morang | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 455 | 263 | 173.00 | 28 |
| Diamond Creek Women's | 14 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 271 | 423 | 64.07 | 20 |
| Laurimar | 14 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 137 | 430 | 31.86 | 16 |
| Whitehorse | 14 | 3 | 10 | 1 | 227 | 773 | 29.37 | 14 |
| La Trobe University | 14 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 58 | 676 | 8.58 | 0 |

NFLW Finals Results

NORTH PARK NFLW DIVISION 1

Qualifying Final

VU Western Spurs 4.3 (27) def by Diamond Creek Women's 4.9 (33)

Elimination Final

Melbourne University 8.8 (56) def Kew 2.3 (15)

First Semi Final

VU Western Spurs 8.8 (56) def Melbourne University 4.7 (31)

Second Semi Final

Bendigo 2.1 (13) def by Diamond Creek Women's 3.6 (24)

Preliminary Final

Bendigo 4.8 (32) def VU Western Spurs 2.1 (13)

Grand Final

Diamond Creek Women's 4.1 (25) def by Bendigo 5.5 (35)

Diamond Creek Women's

Best: C. Fitzpatrick, J. Provan, H. Bullas, N. Bire, N. O'Connor, K. Smith

Goals: A. Runnalls 2, J. Provan, E. Fraser

Bendigo

Best: J. Louttit, K. Jacques, T. Cochrane, K. Harrington, M. Barkla, L. French

Goals: L. Flanagan 2, A. Bailey-McClanahan, A. Walsh, L. French

Best on ground: Jacinta Louttit (Bendigo)

NORTH PARK NFLW DIVISION 2

Qualifying Final

West Preston-Lakeside 4.3 (27) def Darebin 2.5 (17)

Elimination Final

Montmorency 2.3 (15) def by Kew 3.7 (25)

First Semi Final

Darebin 2.7 (19) def Kew 1.2 (8)

Second Semi Final

VU Western Spurs 3.10 (28) def West Preston-Lakeside 1.2 (8)

Preliminary Final

West Preston-Lakeside 2.1 (13) def Darebin 1.2 (8)

Grand Final

VU Western Spurs 4.2 (26) def West Preston-Lakeside 1.2 (8)

VU Western Spurs

Best: N. Lampard, A. Stonehouse, G. Smith, K. Clarke, B. Huynh, D. Mazzocca

Goals: K. Clarke, S. Smith, S. Rigon, N. Lampard

West Preston-Lakeside

Best: N. Bamblett, C. King, M. DeMatteo, C. Oakley, J. Bamblett, T. Spiteri

Goals: N. Bamblett

Best on ground: Nadine Lampard (VU Western Spurs)



NFLW Awards

Darebin's Shannon Egan won the inaugural Northpark NFLW Division 1 best and fairest award despite playing only seven matches.

Egan featured in the umpires' votes on six occasions and four times polled the maximum three votes.

Her strong form in the NFLW Division 1 competition saw her return to Darebin's VFLW side, where she went on to play a role in the Falcons eight-point VFLW grand final win over Diamond Creek.

There was a three-way tie for third place in the NFLW Division 1 best and fairest with Deer Park's Belinda Hateley, Bendigo midfielder Jacinta Louttit and Jessica Provan from Diamond Creek Women's all finishing tied on 13 votes, one behind Egan.

The Northpark NFLW Division 2 best and fairest award was shared by West Preston-Lakeside's Natarsha Bamblett, Montmorency's Nicole Blythe and South Morang's Rechelle McSwain.

McSwain polled votes in nine matches – the most of any player in the competition. She polled votes in eight consecutive games between Round 7 to Round 13 and took a two-vote lead into the final round, where she didn't feature in the umpire's voting.

Bamblett and Blythe each polled two votes in the final round to tie with McSwain on 21 votes. They both polled votes in eight games during the year and each received the maximum three votes on five occasions.

The NFLW Coaches Player of the Year awards were won by Bendigo's Tiahna Cochrane (Division 1) and West Preston-Lakeside's Monique DeMatteo (Division 2).

19-year-old Cochrane was a standout for the Thunder and helped steer her side to the inaugural NFLW Division 1 premiership.

She polled votes in 12 of 14 home and away matches, including in each of the final seven rounds to finish on 69 votes – three ahead of Darebin's Tamara Olcorn.

Cochrane's red-hot form put her on the draft radar, with the outside midfielder eventually selected by Carlton with pick No.5 in the 2017 AFL Women's rookie draft.

Monique DeMatteo's triumph for the Division 2 Coaches Player of the Year award capped a remarkable debut season, having never played football prior to the NFLW.

The West Preston-Lakeside midfielder received votes in all 14 home and away games as she helped steer the Roosters into the grand final.

DeMatteo polled 80 votes to edge out joint competition best and fairest winner Nicole Blythe by nine votes.

BEST AND FAIREST

| DIVISION 1 | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Shannon Egan | Darebin | 14 |
| Belinda Hateley | Deer Park | 13 |
| Jacinta Louttit | Bendigo | 13 |
| Jessica Provan | Diamond Creek Women's | 13 |
| Kerryn Harrington | Bendigo | 12 |

| DIVISION 2 | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Natarsha Bamblett | West Preston-Lakeside | 21 |
| Nicole Blythe | Montmorency | 21 |
| Rechelle McSwain | South Morang | 21 |
| Monique DeMatteo | West Preston-Lakeside | 18 |
| Lauren Dow | Montmorency | 17 |

LEADING GOAL KICKERS

| DIVISION 1 | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Andrea Walsh | Bendigo | 50 |
| Ayrlea Bailey-McClanahan | Bendigo | 24 |
| Nikita Magriplis | Darebin | 16 |
| Natalie Gills | Kew | 15 |
| Kerryn Harrington | Bendigo | 14 |

Home and away games only

| DIVISION 2 | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Goals |
| Nadine Rabah | VU Western Spurs | 22 |
| Jessica Heath | VU Western Spurs | 17 |
| Stacy Rigon | VU Western Spurs | 17 |
| Sian Capito | Montmorency | 15 |
| Monique DeMatteo | West Preston-Lakeside | 12 |

COACHES PLAYER OF THE YEAR

| DIVISION 1 | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Tiahna Cochrane | Bendigo | 69 |
| Tamara Olcorn | Darebin | 66 |
| Olivia Storer | VU Western Spurs | 62 |
| Belinda Hateley | Deer Park | 58 |
| Natalie Bire | Diamond Creek Women's | 40 |

| DIVISION 2 | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Player | Club | Votes |
| Monique DeMatteo | West Preston-Lakeside | 80 |
| Nicole Blythe | Montmorency | 71 |
| Natarsha Bamblett | West Preston-Lakeside | 55 |
| Ellie Koiker | Laurimar | 53 |
| Toni Alexandrow | Darebin | 44 |



Senior Representative

The Northern Football League's senior representative program enjoyed a successful 2017 campaign, recording three wins from its four football and netball matches.

The senior representative football team emphatically scored its first win since 2014 when it smashed the Western Region Football League by 125 points at Preston City Oval in May.

The result propelled the NFL up to fourth place in the AFL Victoria Community Championships rankings, setting up another tilt against the Mornington Peninsula Nepean Football League in 2018.

The NFL succumbed to a five-goal loss to the MPNFL at Ry'e's R.J. Rowley Reserve last year, and will be looking to atone in 2018, with the winner to then face off for the No.1 ranking in 2019.

Garry Ramsay took the reins as senior representative coach this season and assembled a strong playing list for the clash against the WRFL, with Matthew Dennis and Jesse Donaldson continuing as co-captains for a third-successive season.

After a tight opening quarter, the NFL took complete control of the contest – kicking 23 goals to five after the first break. James Kroussoratis and Ash Close were a deadly combination in attack and shared 10 goals.

Montmorency on-baller Stephen McCallum won the medal as the player adjudged best afield. McCallum provided a key link between defence and attack through the middle of the ground for the NFL, finding a good balance of inside and outside ball.

McCallum had plenty of support through midfield, with fellow ball winners Jordan Perry, Lucas Hobbs, Jesse Donaldson and Anton Woods also among the better players in the massive win.

The NFL's under-19 side was let down by poor conversion in front of goal as it slumped to a three-point defeat to the WRFL. The NFL kicked just five goals from 23 scoring shots, which included a wayward 3.14 after quarter time.

The NFL led for the opening three quarters, but then slipped 16 points behind midway through the last quarter. The NFL fought back late, but it wasn't enough as the side slipped to defeat, despite the best efforts of Mark Pavlovski, Clancy Bland and Wyatt Le Gassick.

Our netball representative teams continued to represent the league with distinction, this time getting the better of the Eastern Football League. Both the senior and under-19 netball teams won their respective matches at Parade College on May 12 to keep our undefeated representative status intact.

The under-19 side got the night off to a great start with a 43-38 win, before the open side held on for a 48-44 victory. The wins extended the netballers' unbeaten streak at representative level to eight matches, following triumphs over the MPNFL and SFNL over the past two years.

Goal shooter Tayla Hardiman was in fine form in a best on court performance for the under-19s, while young defender Georgia Bowkett was adjudged best on court in her debut performance in the open representative team.

2017 AFL VICTORIA COMMUNITY CHAMPIONSHIPS – SENIORS

| | | | | |
|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|
| NFL | 1.3 | 10.7 | 16.11 | 24.17 (161) |
| WRFL | 0.5 | 2.6 | 4.6 | 5.6 (36) |

NFL

Best: S. McCallum, J. Perry, L. Hobbs, J. Donaldson, A. Woods, B. Marshall

Goals: J. Kroussoratis 5, A. Close 5, J. Grabowski 3, L. Byrne 2, L. Hobbs 2, T. Simpson 2, J. White, I. Muller, A. Woods, A. Symes, N. McKeown

WRFL

Best: L. Cavanagh, B. Ferrari, N. Hamad, B. Kolang, J. Linton, R. Miles

Goals: R. Miles 2, J. Staley 2, B. Christodoulou

NFL squad: Matthew Dennis – captain (Bundoora), Jesse Donaldson – captain (Montmorency), Liam Byrne (Bundoora), Ash Close (Northcote Park), Lachlan East (Hurstbridge), Josh Grabowski (Bundoora), Lucas Hobbs (Macleod), Jack Johnston (Greensborough), James Kroussoratis (Banyule), Brad Leggett (Macleod), Brent Marshall (Bundoora), Stephen McCallum (Montmorency), Isaac Muller (Bundoora), Ned McKeown (Macleod), Hamish Paynter (Macleod), Jordan Perry (Northcote Park), Nick Riddle (Greensborough), Jai Robinson (Whittlesea), Tom Simpson (Hurstbridge), Ryan Stone (Heidelberg), Gerard Sutton (Northcote Park), Adam Symes (Heidelberg), Justin White (Macleod), Anton Woods (Eltham); Garry Ramsay – Coach

2017 AFL VICTORIA COMMUNITY CHAMPIONSHIPS – UNDER-19

| | | | | |
|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| NFL | 2.4 | 2.10 | 3.13 | 5.18 (48) |
| WRFL | 0.3 | 1.8 | 3.13 | 6.15 (51) |

NFL

Best: M. Pavlovski, C. Bland, W. Le Gassick, N. Beames, K. Green, T. Brindley

Goals: K. Green 3, M. Pavlovski, J. Steele

WRFL

Best: J. Tessari, Z. Busuttill, M. Wright, J. Reynolds, M. Galea, J. Harris

Goals: J. Dimkovski 2, M. Nicholls, K. Blake, J. Reynolds, J. Lambley

NFL squad: Clancy Bland – captain (Whittlesea), Nick Beames (Greensborough), Tom Brindley (Greensborough), Matt Coen (Whittlesea), James Condello (Macleod), Mickey Edwards (Banyule), Ty Franks (Diamond Creek), Kyle Green (North Heidelberg), Mitch Green (St Mary's), James Hewson (South Morang), Bill Hughes (Epping), Mitchell Hymus (Hurstbridge), Jackson Jones (Montmorency), Danyon Kambouris (Diamond Creek), Wyatt Le Gassick (Montmorency), Tristan Mancuso (Bundoora), Ben Montanaro (Eltham), Beau Moorcroft (Bundoora), Ben Paterson (Lower Plenty), Sam Paterson (Lower Plenty), Mark Pavlovski (Bundoora), Tom Phelan (Greensborough), Corey Sleep (Lower Plenty), Jordan Steele (South Morang); Rod Cann – Coach

OPEN NETBALL

NNL (48) def EFL (44)

NNL squad: Stacey Gannon – captain (Diamond Creek), Casey Barnes (North Heidelberg), Georgia Bowkett (Diamond Creek), Bec Colwell (Diamond Creek), Isabelle Conroy (Greensborough), Jessica Dao (North Heidelberg), Chelsea Kemp (Mernda), Chloe Mullenmeesters (North Heidelberg), Verhonda Smith (Diamond Creek), Bronwyn Taylor (Diamond Creek); Jacinta Tonkin – Open Coach, Brooke George (Head Coach)

UNDER-19 NETBALL

NNL (43) def EFL (38)

NNL squad: Kourtnee Baird – captain (Diamond Creek), Courtney Bailey (Diamond Creek), Olivia Ellis (Greensborough), Chloe Gray (Diamond Creek), Claire Hardi (Heidelberg), Tayla Hardiman (South Morang), Claire Henderson (Heidelberg), Chloe Lambert (Diamond Creek), Ella Shannon (Ivanhoe), Emily Williams (Bundoora); Sharon Ashworth – Coach, Brooke George (Head Coach)



Junior Ladders

UNDER-11 BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|--------|
| Eltham Black | 14 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 382.35 | 100.00 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 285.79 | 78.57 |
| Wallan | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 95.25 | 61.54 |
| Laurimar | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 83.81 | 50.00 |
| South Morang | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 53.00 | 35.71 |
| Diamond Creek | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 22.13 | 7.14 |

UNDER-11 RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|----------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Yarrambat | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 227.05 | 85.71 |
| Epping | 13 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 174.58 | 84.62 |
| Northcote Blue | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 136.74 | 61.54 |
| Hurstbridge | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 109.35 | 50.00 |
| WP-Lakeside | 14 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 58.76 | 28.57 |
| Whittlesea | 14 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 15.32 | 0.00 |

UNDER-11 GREEN

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|----------------|----|---|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Mill Park | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 205.12 | 75.00 |
| Northcote Gold | 13 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 109.39 | 69.23 |
| Laurimar | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 296.39 | 66.67 |
| Research | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 125.10 | 61.54 |
| Mernda | 12 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 82.67 | 41.67 |
| Kilmore Blue | 12 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 55.18 | 8.33 |
| South Morang | 12 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 13.42 | 8.33 |

UNDER-11 SILVER

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| West Ivanhoe | 12 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 441.76 | 91.67 |
| Montmorency | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 179.35 | 75.00 |
| Greensborough | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 178.44 | 66.67 |
| Bundoora Park | 12 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 137.22 | 50.00 |
| Eltham Red | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 70.91 | 25.00 |
| Kilmore White | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 51.72 | 23.08 |
| Lalor | 12 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 9.47 | 8.33 |

UNDER-12 BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|--------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| Eltham Black | 14 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 218.01 | 50 |
| Laurimar | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 114.53 | 40 |
| Yarrambat | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 133.54 | 28 |
| South Morang | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 99.35 | 28 |
| Whittlesea | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 89.26 | 20 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 0 | 13 | 1 | 32.79 | 2 |

UNDER-12 RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|----------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| Mill Park | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 178.08 | 48 |
| South Morang | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 136.27 | 36 |
| Kilmore | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 88.77 | 32 |
| Research | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 129.84 | 28 |
| Bundoora Park | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 97.42 | 28 |
| Northcote Blue | 14 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 38.20 | 16 |

UNDER-12 GREEN

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Greensborough | 13 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 251.89 | 92.31 |
| Eltham Red | 12 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 126.63 | 58.33 |
| Thomastown | 12 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 112.31 | 50.00 |
| Mernda | 12 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 102.51 | 50.00 |
| Wallan | 12 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 64.16 | 50.00 |
| Epping | 13 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 105.84 | 38.46 |
| Diamond Creek | 13 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 83.86 | 38.46 |
| Laurimar | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 54.59 | 25.00 |
| WP-Lakeside | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 72.68 | 23.08 |

UNDER-12 SILVER

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|----------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| Keon Park | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 370.21 | 52 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 382.39 | 40 |
| Northcote Gold | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 129.46 | 32 |
| Lalor | 14 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 80.68 | 24 |
| Panton Hill | 14 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 33.10 | 8 |
| Kinglake | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 18.79 | 4 |

UNDER-12 GIRLS

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|------------------|----|----|----|---|---------|-----|
| D. Creek Women's | 14 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 1238.71 | 56 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 794.00 | 48 |
| Eltham | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 93.87 | 36 |
| Whittlesea | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 126.50 | 32 |
| Laurimar | 14 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 110.24 | 24 |
| Yarrambat | 14 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 64.42 | 16 |
| Research | 14 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 34.21 | 8 |
| Northcote | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 11.71 | 4 |

UNDER-13 BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| South Morang | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 367.70 | 52 |
| Eltham | 14 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 169.97 | 44 |
| Laurimar | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 140.83 | 36 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 82.66 | 20 |
| Diamond Creek | 14 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 55.25 | 16 |
| Whittlesea | 14 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 26.00 | 0 |

UNDER-13 RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|----------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Research | 12 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 241.45 | 91.67 |
| Mernda | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 285.71 | 75.00 |
| Yarrambat | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 131.05 | 75.00 |
| Wallan | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 99.38 | 61.54 |
| Northcote Blue | 13 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 50.36 | 30.77 |
| Kilmore | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 61.52 | 25.00 |
| Greensborough | 12 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 43.85 | 16.67 |

UNDER-13 GREEN

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|----------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|--------|
| WP-Lakeside | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 576.74 | 100.00 |
| Mill Park | 12 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 253.25 | 83.33 |
| Reservoir | 12 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 76.18 | 41.67 |
| West Ivanhoe | 12 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 98.35 | 33.33 |
| Hurstbridge | 12 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 61.31 | 33.33 |
| South Morang | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 66.04 | 25.00 |
| Northcote Gold | 12 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 37.55 | 8.33 |

UNDER-14 BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| South Morang | 14 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 299.02 | 56 |
| Laurimar | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 211.59 | 48 |
| Yarrambat | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 100.21 | 28 |
| Montmorency | 14 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 101.25 | 24 |
| Kilmore | 14 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 43.19 | 18 |
| Greensborough | 14 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 40.47 | 8 |

UNDER-14 RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| WP-Lakeside | 13 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 280.68 | 88.46 |
| Mernda | 13 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 242.49 | 76.92 |
| Northcote | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 109.15 | 66.67 |
| Wallan | 12 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 72.63 | 41.67 |
| Research | 12 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 52.92 | 37.50 |
| Diamond Creek | 13 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 63.44 | 26.92 |
| Eltham | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 62.78 | 23.08 |

UNDER-14 GREEN

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Mill Park | 12 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 326.67 | 83.33 |
| Bundoora Park | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 151.75 | 66.67 |
| Whittlesea | 13 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 302.45 | 53.85 |
| Kinglake | 12 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 82.10 | 50.00 |
| Hurstbridge | 13 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 111.04 | 38.46 |
| Montmorency | 13 | 2 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 26.83 | 15.38 |
| Keon Park | 13 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 28.03 | 7.69 |

UNDER-14 GIRLS BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|------------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Montmorency | 13 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 291.24 | 96.15 |
| Northcote | 13 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 144.86 | 80.77 |
| Eltham | 12 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 90.31 | 58.33 |
| Yarrambat | 12 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 79.52 | 50.00 |
| Research | 13 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 94.16 | 46.15 |
| Wallan | 12 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 69.58 | 33.33 |
| D. Creek Women's | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 41.69 | 23.08 |

UNDER-14 GIRLS RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|------------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Kilmore | 13 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 370.48 | 84.62 |
| D. Creek Women's | 13 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 284.38 | 76.92 |
| Eltham | 13 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 120.21 | 69.23 |
| Greensborough | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 182.50 | 61.54 |
| Panton Hill | 12 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 102.27 | 41.67 |
| Whittlesea | 13 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 61.95 | 30.77 |
| Darebin | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 36.19 | 23.08 |
| Bundoora Park | 13 | 2 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 38.32 | 15.38 |
| South Morang | 13 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 18.57 | 7.69 |

UNDER-15 BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| Research | 14 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 276.49 | 56 |
| Mill Park | 14 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 116.48 | 44 |
| Diamond Creek | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 115.24 | 28 |
| Eltham Black | 14 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 74.23 | 24 |
| Laurimar | 14 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 55.58 | 16 |
| West Preston-Lakeside | 14 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 67.72 | 12 |

UNDER-15 RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Mernda | 13 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 182.95 | 76.92 |
| Montmorency | 13 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 125.40 | 69.23 |
| Kilmore | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 132.39 | 66.67 |
| Greensborough | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 179.82 | 61.54 |
| Yarrambat | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 139.46 | 61.54 |
| Bundoora Park | 12 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 88.58 | 50.00 |
| Hurstbridge | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 68.28 | 23.08 |
| South Morang | 13 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 56.93 | 7.69 |
| Thomastown | 12 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 28.82 | 0.00 |

UNDER-16 BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| Montmorency | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 196.65 | 48 |
| Mill Park | 14 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 144.66 | 44 |
| South Morang | 14 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 116.24 | 34 |
| Greensborough | 14 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 107.43 | 30 |
| Yarrambat | 14 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 57.88 | 8 |
| Mernda | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 44.10 | 4 |

UNDER-16 RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|--------|
| Diamond Creek | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 212.67 | 100.00 |
| Eltham | 12 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 161.64 | 83.33 |
| Research | 12 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 99.82 | 41.67 |
| Wallan | 12 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 55.47 | 33.33 |
| Whittlesea | 12 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 56.84 | 8.33 |

UNDER-16 GIRLS

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|------------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|--------|
| Montmorency | 13 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 763.49 | 100.00 |
| WP-Lakeside | 13 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 292.37 | 76.92 |
| Yarrambat | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 131.74 | 75.00 |
| Laurimar | 13 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 263.64 | 69.23 |
| Research | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 224.05 | 66.67 |
| South Morang | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 275.34 | 61.54 |
| Whittlesea | 13 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 59.74 | 46.15 |
| D. Creek Women's | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 56.71 | 25.00 |
| Wallan | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 27.75 | 23.08 |
| Kilmore | 13 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 32.20 | 7.69 |
| Mill Park | 13 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 4.84 | 0.00 |

UNDER-17 BLUE

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|---------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|--------|
| Montmorency | 14 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 231.95 | 100.00 |
| South Morang | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 98.44 | 61.54 |
| Eltham Black | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 131.67 | 57.14 |
| Whittlesea | 13 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 91.60 | 46.15 |
| Laurimar | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 66.29 | 23.08 |
| Greensborough | 14 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 57.59 | 21.43 |

UNDER-17 RED

| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|-------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Kilmore | 13 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 235.02 | 84.62 |
| WP-Lakeside | 13 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 162.92 | 84.62 |
| Research | 12 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 174.71 | 75.00 |
| Hurstbridge | 13 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 104.64 | 38.46 |
| Eltham Red | 12 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 58.67 | 33.33 |
| Mernda | 12 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 70.76 | 16.67 |
| Mill Park | 12 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 32.42 | 0.00 |

UNDER-18 GIRLS

| Team | P | W | L | D | % | PTS |
|-----------------|----|----|----|---|--------|-----|
| Montmorency | 14 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 759.30 | 56 |
| Darebin | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 136.52 | 36 |
| Yarrambat | 14 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 121.43 | 34 |
| Greensborough | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 155.66 | 32 |
| South Morang | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 112.29 | 32 |
| Hurstbridge | 14 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 70.91 | 22 |
| Eltham Creekers | 14 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 41.84 | 12 |
| Wallan | 14 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 22.50 | 0 |

Junior Finals Results

UNDER-11 BLUE

First Semi Final

Wallan 0.2 (2) def by Laurimar 15.6 (96)

Second Semi Final

Eltham Black 2.4 (16) def by Montmorency 1.11 (17)

Preliminary Final

Eltham Black 16.11 (107) def Laurimar 2.0 (12)

Grand Final

Montmorency 2.2 (14) def by Eltham Black 4.6 (30)

UNDER-11 RED

First Semi Final

Northcote Blue 4.5 (29) def Hurstbridge 3.3 (21)

Second Semi Final

Yarrambat 2.3 (15) def by Epping 3.6 (24)

Preliminary Final

Yarrambat 4.11 (35) def Northcote Blue 3.2 (20)

Grand Final

Epping 2.8 (20) def by Yarrambat 6.6 (42)

UNDER-11 GREEN

First Semi Final

Laurimar 2.1 (13) def Research 0.2 (2)

Second Semi Final

Mill Park 5.6 (36) def Northcote Gold 4.7 (31)

Preliminary Final

Northcote Gold 6.3 (39) def by Laurimar 8.11 (59)

Grand Final

Mill Park 3.2 (20) def by Laurimar 3.6 (24)

UNDER-11 SILVER

First Semi Final

Greensborough 2.6 (18) def by Bundoora Park 8.6 (54)

Second Semi Final

West Ivanhoe 1.3 (9) def Montmorency 0.3 (3)

Preliminary Final

Montmorency 2.7 (19) def Bundoora Park 1.7 (13)

Grand Final

West Ivanhoe 3.6 (24) def Montmorency 1.0 (6)

UNDER-12 BLUE

First Semi Final

Yarrambat 2.3 (15) def by South Morang 5.2 (32)

Second Semi Final

Eltham Black 6.7 (43) def Laurimar 5.4 (34)

Preliminary Final

Laurimar 2.4 (16) def by South Morang 3.1 (19)

Grand Final

Eltham Black 7.9 (51) def South Morang 3.1 (19)

UNDER-12 RED

First Semi Final

Kilmore 2.2 (14) def by Research 3.12 (30)

Second Semi Final

Mill Park 4.6 (30) def South Morang 2.2 (14)

Preliminary Final

South Morang 0.1 (1) def by Research 6.4 (40)

Grand Final

Mill Park 4.4 (28) def Research 2.1 (13)

UNDER-12 GREEN

First Semi Final

Thomastown 4.9 (33) def by Mernda 6.6 (42)

Second Semi Final

Greensborough 4.3 (27) def Eltham Red 2.3 (15)

Preliminary Final

Eltham Red 5.2 (32) def Mernda 4.2 (26)

Grand Final

Greensborough 4.10 (34) def Eltham Red 0.4 (4)

UNDER-12 SILVER

First Semi Final

Northcote Gold 6.6 (42) def Lalor 5.2 (32)

Second Semi Final

Keon Park 8.13 (61) def Montmorency 1.1 (7)

Preliminary Final

Montmorency 2.3 (15) def by Northcote Gold 4.5 (29)

Grand Final

Keon Park 10.7 (67) def Northcote Gold 3.3 (21)

UNDER-12 GIRLS

First Semi Final

Eltham 3.2 (20) def Whittlesea 2.1 (13)

Second Semi Final

D. Creek Women's 4.3 (27) def Montmorency 0.1 (1)

Preliminary Final

Montmorency 2.3 (15) def Eltham 1.1 (7)

Grand Final

D. Creek Women's 4.5 (29) def Montmorency 0.0 (0)

UNDER-13 BLUE

First Semi Final

Laurimar 5.7 (37) def Montmorency 2.2 (14)

Second Semi Final

South Morang 6.9 (45) def Eltham 6.8 (44)

Preliminary Final

Eltham 13.5 (83) def Laurimar 3.4 (22)

Grand Final

South Morang 3.5 (23) def by Eltham 7.5 (47)

UNDER-13 RED

First Semi Final

Yarrambat 5.5 (35) def Wallan 3.2 (20)

Second Semi Final

Research 5.2 (32) def by Mernda 7.7 (49)

Preliminary Final

Research 4.5 (29) def by Yarrambat 6.2 (38)

Grand Final

Mernda 3.5 (23) def Yarrambat 2.8 (20)

UNDER-13 GREEN

First Semi Final

Reservoir 7.6 (48) def West Ivanhoe 3.5 (23)

Second Semi Final

WP-Lakeside 6.4 (40) def by Mill Park 8.4 (52)

Preliminary Final

WP-Lakeside 8.9 (57) def Reservoir 2.6 (18)

Grand Final

Mill Park 3.4 (22) def by WP-Lakeside 7.7 (49)





UNDER-14 BLUE

First Semi Final

Yarrambat 6.7 (43) def Montmorency 2.2 (14)

Second Semi Final

South Morang 6.4 (40) def by Laurimar 7.0 (42)

Preliminary Final

South Morang 7.9 (51) def Yarrambat 4.4 (28)

Grand Final

Laurimar 6.6 (42) def by South Morang 10.9 (69)

UNDER-14 RED

First Semi Final

Northcote 9.11 (65) def Wallan 3.3 (21)

Second Semi Final

WP-Lakeside 9.11 (65) def Mernda 4.7 (31)

Preliminary Final

Mernda 9.7 (61) def Northcote 4.8 (32)

Grand Final

WP-Lakeside 12.8 (80) def Mernda 5.5 (35)

UNDER-14 GREEN

First Semi Final

Whittlesea 1.2 (8) def by Kinglake 3.4 (22)

Second Semi Final

Mill Park 3.10 (28) def by Bundoora Park 7.3 (45)

Preliminary Final

Mill Park 7.8 (50) def Kinglake 2.5 (17)

Grand Final

Bundoora Park 1.11 (17) def by Mill Park 3.11 (29)

UNDER-14 GIRLS BLUE

First Semi Final

Eltham 2.6 (18) def by Yarrambat 5.2 (32)

Second Semi Final

Montmorency 2.6 (18) def Northcote 2.3 (15)

Preliminary Final

Northcote 2.2 (14) def by Yarrambat 5.6 (36)

Grand Final

Montmorency 5.3 (33) def by Yarrambat 6.3 (39)

UNDER-14 GIRLS RED

First Semi Final

Eltham 5.2 (32) def Greensborough 3.5 (23)

Second Semi Final

Kilmore 3.5 (23) def D. Creek Women's 1.5 (11)

Preliminary Final

D. Creek Women's 5.17 (47) def Eltham 3.1 (19)

Grand Final

Kilmore 2.8 (20) def by D. Creek Women's 4.4 (28)

UNDER-15 BLUE

First Semi Final

Diamond Creek 13.15 (93) def Eltham Black 10.4 (64)

Second Semi Final

Research 7.14 (56) def Mill Park 6.12 (48)

Preliminary Final

Mill Park 4.6 (30) def by Diamond Creek 10.9 (69)

Grand Final

Research 7.7 (49) def Diamond Creek 6.4 (40)

UNDER-15 RED

First Semi Final

Kilmore 3.8 (26) def by Greensborough 4.4 (28)

Second Semi Final

Mernda 8.9 (57) def Montmorency 3.6 (24)

Preliminary Final

Montmorency 6.2 (38) def by Greensborough 6.4 (40)

Grand Final

Mernda 9.9 (63) def by Greensborough 10.9 (69)

UNDER-16 BLUE

First Semi Final

South Morang 11.15 (81) def Greensborough 6.3 (39)

Second Semi Final

Montmorency 11.8 (74) def Mill Park 4.4 (28)

Preliminary Final

Mill Park 4.6 (30) def by South Morang 9.7 (61)

Grand Final

Montmorency 16.10 (106) def South Morang 9.4 (58)

UNDER-16 RED

First Semi Final

Research 10.16 (76) def Wallan 6.7 (43)

Second Semi Final

Diamond Creek 3.9 (27) def by Eltham 5.9 (39)

Preliminary Final

Diamond Creek 7.13 (55) def Research 3.4 (22)

Grand Final

Eltham 3.7 (25) def by Diamond Creek 10.10 (70)

UNDER-16 GIRLS

First Semi Final

Yarrambat 5.2 (32) def Laurimar 4.5 (29)

Second Semi Final

Montmorency 7.12 (54) def WP-Lakeside 1.0 (6)

Preliminary Final

WP-Lakeside 5.6 (36) def Yarrambat 1.4 (10)

Grand Final

Montmorency 7.4 (46) def WP-Lakeside 3.3 (21)

UNDER-17 BLUE

First Semi Final

Eltham Black 4.5 (29) def by Whittlesea 5.8 (38)

Second Semi Final

Montmorency 12.11 (83) def South Morang 3.6 (24)

Preliminary Final

South Morang 13.11 (89) def Whittlesea 7.3 (45)

Grand Final

Montmorency 10.12 (72) def by South Morang 12.6 (78)

UNDER-17 RED

First Semi Final

Research 11.9 (75) def Hurstbridge 3.2 (20)

Second Semi Final

Kilmore 8.10 (58) def by WP-Lakeside 10.10 (70)

Preliminary Final

Kilmore 16.7 (103) def Research 4.2 (26)

Grand Final

WP-Lakeside 8.4 (52) def by Kilmore 8.16 (64)

UNDER-18 GIRLS

First Semi Final

Yarrambat 3.5 (23) def by Greensborough 8.4 (52)

Second Semi Final

Montmorency 8.10 (58) def Darebin 1.6 (12)

Preliminary Final

Darebin 3.6 (24) def Greensborough 3.5 (23)

Grand Final

Montmorency 9.10 (64) def Darebin 3.4 (22)

Junior Awards



Lew Hall Award winner Ruby Panozzo

UNDER-18 GIRLS

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Bayley Campbell (Greensborough) | 27 votes |
| 2nd – Stephanie Yoannidis (Montmorency) | 26 votes |
| 3rd – Bailey Schultz (Montmorency) | 21 votes |
| 3rd – Mika Suzuki (Yarrambat) | 21 votes |

UNDER-17 BLUE

| | |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Blake Murphy (Montmorency) | 21 votes |
| 2nd – Rory McGougan (Montmorency) | 13 votes |
| 2nd – Cameron Sullivan (Eltham) | 13 votes |
| 3rd – Caelan Anderson (Laurimar) | 12 votes |

UNDER-17 RED

| | |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Kyle Sharp (Research) | 16 votes |
| 2nd – Jeremy Topham (Kilmore) | 15 votes |
| 3rd – Mitchell Crapper (West Preston-Lakeside) | 13 votes |
| 3rd – Jack Snow (West Preston-Lakeside) | 13 votes |

UNDER-16 BLUE

| | |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Ostinn Bellingham (Greensborough) | 24 votes |
| 2nd – Lawrence Lopiccolo (Mill Park) | 21 votes |
| 3rd – Ryan Gardner (Montmorency) | 20 votes |

UNDER-16 RED

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Angus Love (Wallan) | 22 votes |
| 2nd – Andrew White (Research) | 13 votes |
| 3rd – Ethan Taylor (Diamond Creek) | 12 votes |

UNDER-16 GIRLS

| | |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Jasmine Nazir (Yarrambat) | 27 votes |
| 2nd – Britney Gutknecht (Laurimar) | 18 votes |
| 2nd – Bianca Keogh (Montmorency) | 18 votes |
| 3rd – Guilia Ceravolo (South Morang) | 17 votes |
| 3rd – Laila Zayat (Diamond Creek Women's) | 17 votes |

UNDER-15 BLUE

| | |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Giacomo Thomas (Research) | 33 votes |
| 2nd – Ewan Macpherson (Diamond Creek) | 18 votes |
| 3rd – Nathan Barry (Eltham) | 17 votes |

UNDER-15 RED

| | |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Nikolas Cox (Montmorency) | 25 votes |
| 2nd – Connor Miller (Mernda) | 23 votes |
| 3rd – Aidan Roberts (Kilmore) | 19 votes |

UNDER-14 BLUE

| | |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Benjamin Fisher (South Morang) | 26 votes |
| 2nd – Darcy Stewart (Laurimar) | 25 votes |
| 3rd – Noah Dalmou (South Morang) | 18 votes |

UNDER-14 RED

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Jack Harper (Northcote) | 22 votes |
| 2nd – Patrick Dozzi (Research) | 20 votes |
| 2nd – Laurence Nardella (West Preston-Lakeside) | 20 votes |
| 3rd – Gurnaz Khatra (Mernda) | 19 votes |

UNDER-14 GREEN

| | |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Cody Bunworth (Whittlesea) | 25 votes |
| 2nd – Jon Magriplis (Keon Park) | 21 votes |
| 3rd – Daniel Gikovski (Bundoora Park) | 20 votes |

UNDER-14 GIRLS BLUE

| | |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Chloe Williams (Northcote) | 31 votes |
| 2nd – Ellouise Bishop (Northcote) | 20 votes |
| 3rd – Marlo Gardam (Montmorency) | 16 votes |

UNDER-14 GIRLS RED

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Heidi Woodley (Kilmore) | 30 votes |
| 2nd – Olivia Bandera (Eltham) | 20 votes |
| 3rd – Rhianna Kirwen (Diamond Creek Women's) | 19 votes |
| 3rd – Scarlett Ormandy (Darebin) | 19 votes |

UNDER-13 BLUE

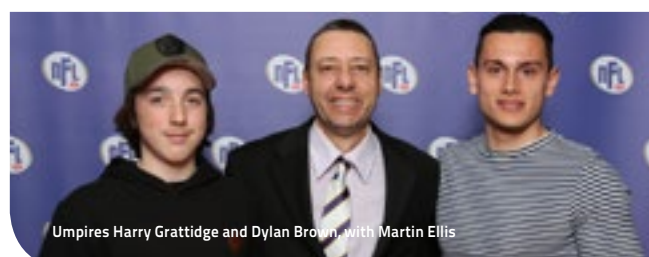
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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Brody Glenn (Laurimar) | 24 votes |
| 2nd – Henry Way (Eltham) | 21 votes |
| 3rd – Jason McCormick (Eltham) | 19 votes |

UNDER-13 RED

| | |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Benjamin Ham (Research) | 23 votes |
| 2nd – Cooper Harvey (Yarrambat) | 16 votes |
| 2nd – William O'Dwyer-Richards (Kilmore) | 16 votes |
| 2nd – Lachlan Watson (Research) | 16 votes |
| 3rd – Noah Barnes (Yarrambat) | 13 votes |
| 3rd – Raff Reichert (Yarrambat) | 13 votes |
| 3rd – Reuben Rode (Wallan) | 13 votes |

UNDER-13 GREEN

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Hayden Delos (West Preston-Lakeside) | 21 votes |
| 2nd – Trent Stavrou (West Preston-Lakeside) | 20 votes |
| 2nd – Nicholas Younes (Mill Park) | 20 votes |
| 3rd – Oliver Davey (Reservoir) | 12 votes |
| 3rd – Lachlan Prewett (South Morang) | 12 votes |
| 3rd – Paul Vavlitis (Mill Park) | 12 votes |



Umpires Harry Grattidge and Dylan Brown, with Martin Ellis

Junior Club of the Year

Diamond Creek Junior Football Club

Lew Hall Award

Ruby Panozzo (Montmorency)

Northern Knights U15 Rookie of the Year

Zac Reichert (Laurimar)

Most Consistent Representative Player (Under 14A)

Benjamin Fisher (South Morang)

Most Consistent Representative Player (Under 14B)

Riley Mudge (Montmorency)

Most Consistent Representative Player (Under 15A)

Joel Trudgeon (Research)

Most Consistent Representative Player (Under 15B)

Riki Kusaka (Research)

Most Consistent Representative Player (Under 15 Girls)

Ashleigh Snow (WP-Lakeside)

Junior Umpire of the Year

Dylan Brown

Most Promising Junior Umpire

Harry Grattidge



Kyle Sharp



Blake Murphy



Bayley Campbell

Junior Representative

UNDER-14 DIVISION 1 POOL A

Round 1

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-------|------------|
| NFL | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.3 (9) |
| YJFL | 2.5 | 6.9 | 11.12 | 14.13 (97) |

Best: NFL – A. Biddle, B. Fisher, J. Hanel, J. Ladewig, D. Stewart, Z. Williams

YJFL – Not supplied **Goals: NFL** – C. Scott **YJFL** – Not supplied

Round 2

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|------|-----------|
| NFL | 0.1 | 4.1 | 7.3 | 11.6 (72) |
| EFL | 3.4 | 6.7 | 7.11 | 9.14 (68) |

Best: NFL – J. Harper, B. Fisher, D. Stewart, F. Parkinson, K. Kankaanpaa, A. Biddle

EFL – T. Sonsie, J. Clarke, C. Joseph, B. Leonard, T. Naughtin, L. Cox

Goals: NFL – L. Doherty 3, N. Dalmau 2, D. Wilmot, K. Kankaanpaa, J. Hanel, J. Fitzgerald, B. Fisher, O. Manterfield

EFL – T. Naughtin 3, J. Clarke 3, J. Hansen 2, T. Sonsie

Round 3

| | | | | |
|-------|-----|------|------|-------------|
| NFL | 0.2 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 4.6 (30) |
| SMJFL | 8.0 | 13.5 | 21.5 | 27.11 (173) |

Best: NFL – F. Parkinson, N. Dalmau, T. Pollard-Edwards, L. Doherty, B. Fisher, D. Whelan

SMJFL – M. Sullivan, N. Dear, L. Gaudion, L. Castle, L. Benton, R. Kilburn

Goals: NFL – N. Dalmau 2, J. Fitzgerald, T. Pollard-Edwards

SMJFL – N. Dear 5, M. Sullivan 5, L. Castle 3, D. Visentini 2, H. Andronaco 2, L. Gaudion 2, J. Sinn 2, J. Ellwood 2, B. Pace, L. Brooks, J. Davies, E. Wright

UNDER-14 DIVISION 1 POOL B

Round 1

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-------|-------------|
| NFL | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 (8) |
| YJFL | 2.2 | 8.8 | 14.13 | 19.17 (131) |

Best: NFL – R. Mudge, J. Butterfield, S. Ludlow, L. Sonza, O. Lam, C. Cusinato

YJFL – C. Lester, I. Dammersmith, H. Bromell, A. Browne, L. Rankin, D. Jones-Hughes

Goals: NFL – E. Robertson

YJFL – I. Dammersmith 5, A. Browne 4, H. Bromell 2, L. McKain, H.

Robenstone, J. Woods, J. Rule, H. Bourke, J. Rossimel, C. Lester, C. Harris

Round 2

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|------|------|-------------|
| NFL | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 (1) |
| EFL | 4.5 | 6.11 | 9.18 | 14.24 (108) |

Best: NFL – J. Butterfield, A. Elward, O. Lam, R. Mudge, B. Paterson, A. Seivers

EFL – J. Danopoulos, O. Stainthorpe, J. Spencer, D. Naranpanawa, M. Sruk, A. Foulis

Goals: NFL – N/A

EFL – J. Spencer 4, J. Kempson 2, C. Barker, B. Spieth, P. Marks, J. Briginshaw, M. Sruk, J. Jones, J. Danopoulos

Round 3

| | | | | |
|-------|-----|------|-------|-------------|
| NFL | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.1 (13) |
| SMJFL | 6.6 | 14.9 | 19.14 | 22.19 (151) |

Best: NFL – L. Jackson, J. Butterfield, L. Nardella, I. Soliman, R. Mudge, B. Harris

SMJFL – M. Harms, B. Andrews, B. Boscacci, A. Loughnan, C. McLeod, M. Owens

Goals: NFL – A. Seivers, L. Jackson

SMJFL – B. Boscacci 6, A. Loughnan 3, L. Read 2, J. Soligo 2, B. Andrews 2, S. Hatley-Fenton 2, F. Sullivan, G. Boyd, M. Harms, M. Owens, D. McComb

UNDER-15 DIVISION 1 POOL A

Round 1

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-------|-------------|
| NFL | 2.2 | 2.4 | 3.4 | 4.6 (30) |
| YJFL | 4.2 | 7.5 | 10.10 | 15.16 (106) |

Best: NFL – J. Trudgeon, N. Barry, L. McMahon, C. Barbera, E. Frawley, J. Potter

YJFL – L. Kelvie, W. Phillips, J. Teal, C. Spiteri, B. Laurie, S. Tucker

Goals: NFL – H. El haoui, L. McMahon, N. Barry, T. Allin

YJFL – J. Teal 3, M. Razums 2, E. Kennedy 2, F. Macrae 2, R. Valentine 2, B.

Laurie, G. Varagiannis, J. Moylan, L. Godden

Round 2

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-------|------------|
| NFL | 0.4 | 4.7 | 5.8 | 5.10 (40) |
| EFL | 4.2 | 7.6 | 12.10 | 14.14 (98) |

Best: NFL – M. Skipper, A. Page, M. Jovcevski, M. Hogg, E. Macpherson, B. Spriggs

EFL – L. Acosta-Harvey, C. Foulis, S. Feagaimalii, J. Vail, B. Horsley, J. McDonald

Goals: NFL – H. El haoui, B. Major, E. Macpherson, E. Frawley, N. Cox

EFL – C. Foulis 3, B. Atkins 3, L. Acosta-Harvey 2, C. Christians 2, S. Feagaimalii 2, W. Parker, B. Horsley

Round 3

| | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|------|-----------|
| NFL | 1.0 | 4.3 | 5.3 | 8.4 (52) |
| SMJFL | 2.5 | 6.5 | 8.10 | 9.13 (67) |

Best: NFL – J. Potter, D. Ayres, M. Skipper, E. Macpherson, J. Trudgeon, B. Major

SMJFL – L. Jenkins, S. Seach, L. Segar, W. Skinner, H. Manton, C. Stone

Goals: NFL – E. Macpherson 4, M. Jovcevski, T. Allin, J. Culph, S. House

SMJFL – W. Skinner 3, R. Pietsch 2, L. Jenkins 2, C. Stone, S. Seach

UNDER-15 DIVISION 1 POOL B

Round 1

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-------|-------|-------------|
| NFL | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 2.3 (15) |
| YJFL | 7.6 | 12.11 | 17.15 | 25.16 (166) |

Best: NFL – R. Kusaka, L. Tsourou, M. Bevilacqua, T. Brown, J. Collins, D. Charles

YJFL – D. Xenos, G. Kelly, D. Papadas, H. Ramshaw, D. Smart, J. Fraser-McGurk

Goals: NFL – K. Adam, A. Pearse

YJFL – J. Fraser-McGurk 5, D. Papadas 3, T. Sellers 2, J. Sekulovski 2, J.

Townsend 2, B. Cococcia 2, C. Bohanna, M. Moran, J. Tsiavas, L. Keogh, J. Gangi,

C. Woolsey, W. Podmore, D. Xenos, D. Maurice

Round 2

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|------|------|-------------|
| NFL | 0.2 | 2.4 | 3.8 | 6.12 (48) |
| EFL | 7.2 | 10.4 | 14.8 | 16.13 (109) |

Best: NFL – J. Collins, D. Charles, J. Rizzo, J. Dang-lynn, W. Jacovou, D. Reid

EFL – J. Weatherill, T. Gasparroni, J. Dacre, B. Voogd, A. Begg, D. Burr

Goals: NFL – K. Adam 2, B. De Bolfo, L. Mardini, J. Dang-lynn, R. Kusaka

EFL – J. Weatherill 5, J. Dacre 2, J. McDonnell, D. Nguyen, A. Begg, S. Cimino, T.

Bourke, J. Hatch, L. Jackson, M. Barkas, C. O'Connell

Round 3

| | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|------|-------------|
| NFL | 0.0 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 3.1 (19) |
| SMJFL | 6.2 | 8.4 | 12.8 | 16.10 (106) |

Best: NFL – W. Jacovou, D. Charles, D. Reid, Z. McCormack, C. Ballard, R. Kusaka

SMJFL – D. Caruso, F. McKinnon, W. Straford, L. Lappas, O. Lowe, L. Hayes

Goals: NFL – J. Dang-lynn, A. Maghnie, Z. McCormack

SMJFL – O. Lowe 2, J. Bowey 2, E. Soylemez 2, D. Goodman 2, L. Hanson, T.

Blamires, L. Hayes, N. Taranto, F. McKinnon, Z. Buckley, C. Barden, E. McKenzie

UNDER-15 GIRLS DIVISION 1 POOL A

Round 1

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| NFL | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.2 (14) |
| YJFL | 3.5 | 5.5 | 6.9 | 8.10 (58) |

Best: NFL – A. Bannan, A. Snow, M. Chaplin, K. Lennox, T. Delgado, M. Gardam

YJFL – E. McNamara, M. Di Cosmo, K. Hunter-Scott, A. James

Goals: NFL – C. Williams 2

YJFL – E. Jackson 2, M. Kolednik 2, M. Di Cosmo, M. Papachristos, A. Williams,

E. McNamara

Round 2

| | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|----------|
| NFL | 0.0 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 4.4 (28) |
| SMJFL | 1.2 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.7 (25) |

Best: NFL – M. Gardam, L. Zayat, P. Schmiedel, A. Bennett, C. Williams, K. Lennox

SMJFL – S. Hurley, S. Hartwig, N. Borg, S. Morley, J. Boribon, S. Ryan

Goals: NFL – C. Williams 2, P. Bell, A. Bannan

SMJFL – C. Saultry, L. Enders, C. Ryan

Round 3

| | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|-------|-----------|
| NFL | 3.3 | 7.5 | 10.10 | 14.3 (97) |
| SEJFL | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 (7) |

Best: NFL – A. Bennett, G. Wake, E. Gray, P. Schmiedel, T. Pulcino, T. Braddock

SEJFL – G. Malkoun, A. Clarke, A. Hancock, M. Layfield, C. Downey, T. Cataldo

Goals: NFL – C. Williams 4, T. Pulcino 2, G. Wake 2, A. Snow, K. Lennox, T. Shell,

T. Mahony, P. Schmiedel, A. Bannan

SEJFL – A. Liddle

Grand Final

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|----------|
| NFL | 1.1 | 2.3 | 4.4 | 6.4 (40) |
| YJFL | 1.2 | 2.3 | 4.4 | 4.6 (30) |

Best: NFL – A. Snow, M. Chaplin, A. Bannan, C. Williams, G. Ceravolo

YJFL – A. James, E. McNamara, E. McKenzie, L. Harris, T. Mills

Goals: NFL – C. Williams 3, J. Hope, K. Reid, G. Ceravolo

YJFL – M. Kolednik 2, A. Mayne, A. Oloughlin



Northern AFCA Coach of the Year Awards

Macleod coach Garry Ramsay was named the Senior Coach of the Year at the 2017 Northern AFCA Coach of the Year Awards.

It was the second time Ramsay has saluted for the award after also being crowned Senior Coach of the Year back in 2004, when he guided Panton Hill to its first and only Division 2 finals appearance.

Ramsay claimed the Senior Coach of the Year from first-year Northcote Park coach Matt McLennan, two-time North Heidelberg premiership coach Stephen Saddington, Diamond Creek's Craig Hayes and Heidelberg West's Gary Cutler.

Ramsay this year guided Macleod to a first-place finish on the Division 1 ladder, before steering the club to its third-successive grand final appearance – where it was beaten by Bundoora in a three-point thriller.

He was also coach of the Northern Football League senior representative side this year and helped the league to a thumping 125-point win over the Western Region Football League in the AFL Victoria Community Championships.

The Northern AFCA selection committee said Ramsay's winning attributes included:

- A holistic approach to football and coaching. All involved at the club buy in to the values the coach and his team have created. The team mantra focus has delivered great results.
- Able to build great relationships with players and assist players with on-field and off-field issues they are experiencing.
- Excellent communication skills, and ability to deliver clear and concise messages.
- Players are provided with individual and regular feedback on their performance.
- Provides weekly opposition analysis and weekend forecast for players to be in the best possible position to perform well.

Ramsay was also one of four finalists for the Gerard FitzGerald Senior Coach of the Year – awarded by AFL Victoria to the state's senior coach of the year.

Wallan under-12 coach Leigh Senior claimed the Northern AFCA Junior Coach of the Year award.

Senior was recognised for being a calm, composed and encouraging figure for his young team.

He also demonstrated fantastic commitment to the junior development programs at Wallan, which included taking on the role

of coaching one of the Magpies' girls teams mid-season.

South Morang's John Warburton and Darebin's Marti Fooks each claimed Auskick Coach of the Year awards.

Meanwhile, Darebin Falcons VFLW coach Jane Lange claimed the Female Coach of the Year award, before going on to win AFL Victoria's Peta Searle Female Coach of the Year award.

The Falcons this year celebrated their fifth-consecutive premiership when they downed Diamond Creek in the VFLW grand final.

The club also fielded two sides in the inaugural NFLW season – competing in both the Division 1 and Division 2 competitions.

Tom Barca and Jackie Aquilina were also recognised on the night, with each receiving the Contribution to Football Award.

Barca has been the Auskick coordinator at Macleod since 2001 and has assisted in various roles such as match official, coaching and assistant coaching.

Working with the junior club, he has developed new and innovative ideas to further engage families in the program.



This has resulted in additional growth for both the Auskick program and the junior football club.

Aquilina's roles have included president of Mill Park Junior Football Club and secretary of Epping Football Club. She has also been a team manager and council liaison officer at both clubs.

She has assisted AFL Victoria with the development and delivery of the Fair Game Respect Matters program and assisted her clubs with grant applications.

Below is a list of all the award winners and nominees from the 2017 Northern AFCA Coach of the Year Awards.

SENIOR

Garry Ramsay – Macleod (Winner)

Gary Cutler – Heidelberg West
Craig Hayes – Diamond Creek
Matt McLennan – Northcote Park
Stephen Saddington – North Heidelberg

YOUTH

Craig Hayes – Heidelberg (Winner)

Rod Cann – Greensborough
Dean Harrington – Macleod
Michael Heyfron – Whittlesea
Jaimie Miller – Wallan
Nick Papagianis – Heidelberg
Troy Perichon – North Heidelberg
Adam Plant – Montmorency
Leigh Picioane – St Mary's
Stuart Watt – Bundoora

JUNIOR

Leigh Senior – Wallan (Winner)

George Cotsonis – Preston Bullants
Daniel Brundell – Wallan
Jeremy Guard – Heidelberg
Justin Hall – Heidelberg
Andy Martin – Heidelberg
Stewart McCallum – Eltham
Ryan Williams – Eltham

FEMALE

Jane Lange – Darebin (Winner)

Elise Casamento – Darebin

AUSKICK MALE

John Warburton – South Morang (Winner)

Brett Croft – Fitzroy Carlton
Ben Dixon – Fitzroy Carlton
George Katsaros – Mill Park
Toby Jones – Carlton
Stuart Lavender – Apollo
Jamie Lyngcoln – Eltham
Damien Toomey – Glen Katherine
Thai Trinh – Carlton
Michael Yates – Mill Park

AUSKICK FEMALE

Marti Fooks – Darebin

Rizza De Leon – Carlton
Amy Lampard – Fitzroy Carlton

MALE CONTRIBUTION TO FOOTBALL

Tom Barca – Macleod

FEMALE CONTRIBUTION TO FOOTBALL

Jackie Aquilina – Epping

Netball Awards

SECTION 1

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Emma Farrant | (WP-Lakeside 1) | 16 votes |
| 2nd – Casey Barnes | (North Heidelberg 1) | 13 votes |
| 2nd – Stacey Gannon | (Diamond Creek 1) | 13 votes |
| 3rd – Kate Butler | (North Heidelberg 1) | 12 votes |
| 3rd – Olivia Ellis | (Greensborough 1) | 12 votes |
| 3rd – Brooke George | (Diamond Creek 1) | 12 votes |

SECTION 2

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Melissa Whitten | (Diamond Creek 2) | 19 votes |
| 2nd – Lauren Henderson | (Ivanhoe 1) | 18 votes |
| 3rd – Jessica Dao | (North Heidelberg 2) | 17 votes |

SECTION 3

| | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Cassie Wilcox | (Heat 1) | 26 votes |
| 2nd – Hayley Birch | (Mernda 1) | 19 votes |
| 3rd – Crystal Phillips | (Heat 1) | 18 votes |

SECTION 4

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Samantha George | (Kilmore 1) | 22 votes |
| 2nd – Carina Mills | (North Heidelberg 3) | 14 votes |
| 3rd – Alice Barnes | (Northcote Park 2) | 13 votes |
| 3rd – Caitlyn Mefflin | (Greensborough 3) | 13 votes |

SECTION 5

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Stephanie Oakford | (Epping 1) | 20 votes |
| 2nd – Annie Bugden | (Macleod 1) | 19 votes |
| 2nd – Brooke Chadwick | (Thomastown 1) | 19 votes |
| 2nd – Natalie Montanari | (Epping 1) | 19 votes |
| 3rd – Angela Sanderson | (Heat 2) | 16 votes |
| 3rd – Kylie Walker | (WP-Lakeside 2) | 16 votes |

SECTION 6

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Carissa Grant | (Whittlesea) | 19 votes |
| 2nd – Janine Hyndes | (Thomastown 2) | 16 votes |
| 3rd – Eleanor Cakra | (South Morang 3) | 14 votes |
| 3rd – Cheryl Caruso | (West Ivanhoe 1) | 14 votes |
| 3rd – Kendra Vann | (Hurstbridge 1) | 14 votes |

SECTION 7

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Tenille Webb | (Macleod 2) | 28 votes |
| 2nd – Casey Woodward | (Epping 2) | 26 votes |
| 3rd – Natasha Ravalli | (Watsonia 4) | 19 votes |

SECTION 8

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Madeleine Kreutzer | (Montmorency 1) | 19 votes |
| 1st – Georgina Smith | (Kilmore 2) | 19 votes |
| 2nd – Natasha Atkinson Brown | (Fitzroy Stars 3) | 18 votes |
| 3rd – Kaitlin Muscat | (Montmorency 1) | 14 votes |

SECTION 9

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Charlotte Maher | (St Martins) | 25 votes |
| 2nd – Alanah Moore | (Heidelberg West 1) | 18 votes |
| 3rd – Jessica Taylor | (Heidelberg West 1) | 15 votes |

SECTION 10

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Holly Ditchfield | (Montmorency 2) | 23 votes |
| 2nd – Tahlia McLeish | (Montmorency 2) | 18 votes |
| 3rd – Ellen Bruno | (Bundoora 6) | 16 votes |

2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 1

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Kristy Crockett | (Heat 1) | 11 votes |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|

2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 2

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1st – Lauren O'Rourke | (Thomastown 1) | 14 votes |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|

2017 STAR SHOOTERS

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| SECTION 1: | Kelly Sadowy | (Diamond Creek 1) | 498 goals |
| SECTION 2: | Leanna Sartori | (Ivanhoe 1) | 289 goals |
| SECTION 3: | Crystal Phillips | (Heat 1) | 276 goals |
| SECTION 4: | Cassandra Leech | (North Heidelberg 3) | 301 goals |
| SECTION 5: | Annie Bugden | (Macleod 1) | 275 goals |
| SECTION 6: | Jessica Sexton | (South Morang 3) | 269 goals |
| SECTION 7: | Ashlee Moate | (Epping 2) | 332 goals |
| SECTION 8: | Sharlin Potae | (West Ivanhoe 3) | 322 goals |
| SECTION 9: | Montana Powell | (Heidelberg West 1) | 256 goals |
| SECTION 10 | Andrea Chorolovska | (Mernda 3) | 238 goals |

2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 1

| | | |
|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| Emily Duggan | (Bundoora 1) | 142 goals |
|--------------|--------------|-----------|

2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 2

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|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| Kim Crawford | (Bundoora 3) | 119 goals |
|--------------|--------------|-----------|



Melissa Whitten



Cassie Wilcox



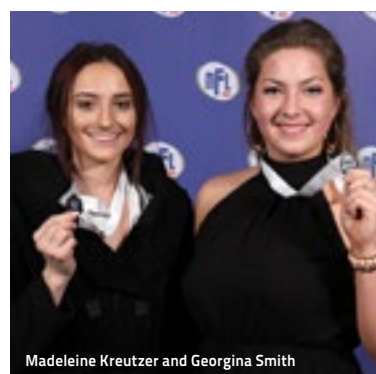
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Stephanie Oakford



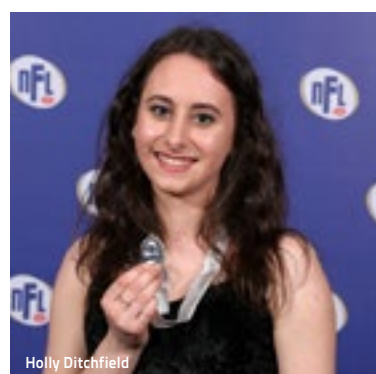
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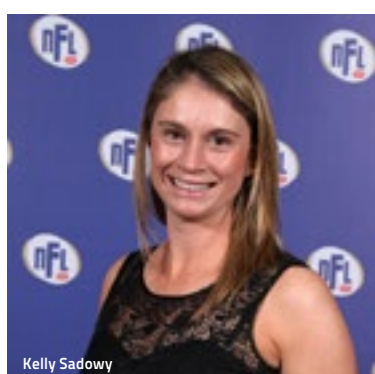
Madeleine Kreutzer and Georgina Smith



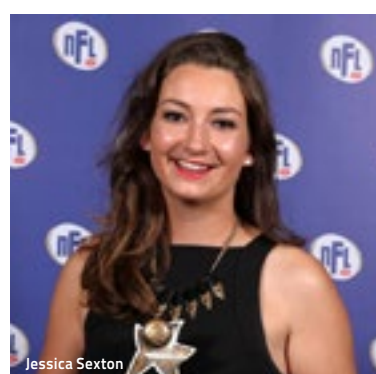
Charlotte Maher



Holly Ditchfield



Kelly Sadowy



Jessica Sexton

Netball Finals Results & Ladders

SECTION 1

First Semi Final

Greensborough 1 (51) def Fitzroy Stars 1 (32)

Second Semi Final

Diamond Creek 1 (73) def North Heidelberg 1 (37)

Preliminary Final

North Heidelberg 1 (40) def by **Greensborough 1 (41)**

Grand Final

Diamond Creek 1 (64) def Greensborough 1 (35)

Best on court: Olivia Ellis (Greensborough 1)

SECTION 2

First Semi Final

North Heidelberg 2 (21) def by **Greensborough 2 (41)**

Second Semi Final

Diamond Creek 2 (30) def by **Ivanhoe 1 (31)**

Preliminary Final

Diamond Creek 2 (32) def Greensborough 2 (24)

Grand Final

Ivanhoe 1 (23) def by **Diamond Creek 2 (29)**

Best on court: Melissa Whitten (Diamond Creek 2)

SECTION 3

First Semi Final

Heat 1 (19) def by **Diamond Creek 3 (26)**

Second Semi Final

Mernda 1 (41) def Watsonia 1 (35)

Preliminary Final

Watsonia 1 (29) def Diamond Creek 3 (27)

Grand Final

Mernda 1 (34) def Watsonia 1 (32)

Best on court: Georgia Cornell (Watsonia)

SECTION 4

First Semi Final

North Heidelberg 3 (26) def Kilmore 1 (25)

Second Semi Final

Greensborough 3 (36) def Heidelberg 4 (22)

Preliminary Final

Heidelberg 4 (37) def by **North Heidelberg 3 (39)**

Grand Final

Greensborough 3 (36) def by **North Heidelberg 3 (37)**

Best on court: Gabriella Menabue (North Heidelberg 3)

SECTION 5

First Semi Final

Epping 1 (20) def by **Heat 2 (35)**

Second Semi Final

Thomastown 1 (24) def North Heidelberg 4 (19)

Preliminary Final

North Heidelberg 4 (29) def Heat 2 (26)

Grand Final

Thomastown 1 (23) def North Heidelberg 4 (18)

Best on court: Lauren O'Rourke (Thomastown 1)

SECTION 6

First Semi Final

West Ivanhoe 1 (36) def Bundoora 3 (34)

Second Semi Final

Thomastown 2 (25) def by **Hurstbridge 1 (30)**

Preliminary Final

Thomastown 2 (40) def West Ivanhoe 1 (22)

Grand Final

Hurstbridge 1 (35) def Thomastown 2 (20)

Best on court: Sarah Gilbert (Hurstbridge 1)

| SECTION 1 | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|
| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
| Diamond Creek 1 | 16 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 163.01 | 93.75 |
| North Heidelberg 1 | 16 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 115.72 | 75.00 |
| Greensborough 1 | 17 | 11 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 117.81 | 64.71 |
| Fitzroy Stars 1 | 16 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 97.74 | 56.25 |
| Heidelberg 1 | 17 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 100.70 | 52.94 |
| West Preston-Lakeside 1 | 16 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 91.95 | 46.88 |
| South Morang 1 | 17 | 6 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 88.04 | 38.24 |
| Bundoora 1 | 16 | 2 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 78.18 | 15.62 |
| Northcote Park 1 | 16 | 2 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 67.97 | 15.62 |

| SECTION 2 | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|
| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
| Diamond Creek 2 | 18 | 16 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 155.86 | 88.89 |
| Ivanhoe 1 | 16 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 120.66 | 62.50 |
| North Heidelberg 2 | 18 | 10 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 99.77 | 55.56 |
| Greensborough 2 | 17 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 102.09 | 52.94 |
| Heidelberg 2 | 18 | 4 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 83.84 | 25.00 |
| St Mary's 1 | 17 | 3 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 67.23 | 20.59 |

| SECTION 3 | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|
| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
| Mernda 1 | 17 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 133.33 | 82.35 |
| Watsonia 1 | 16 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 123.23 | 71.88 |
| Heat 1 | 17 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 142.12 | 70.59 |
| Diamond Creek 3 | 16 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 128.83 | 65.62 |
| Bundoora 2 | 17 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 109.76 | 52.94 |
| Diamond Creek 4 | 16 | 7 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 102.42 | 43.75 |
| Heidelberg 7 | 13 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 94.96 | 42.31 |
| St Mary's 2 | 16 | 6 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 75.93 | 37.5 |
| Ivanhoe 2 | 16 | 4 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 69.27 | 28.12 |
| Heidelberg 3 | 17 | 4 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 80.47 | 23.53 |
| South Morang 2 | 17 | 4 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 73.82 | 23.53 |

| SECTION 4 | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|
| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
| Greensborough 3 | 16 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 140.14 | 81.25 |
| Heidelberg 4 | 15 | 11 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 122.11 | 73.33 |
| North Heidelberg 3 | 16 | 11 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 110.83 | 68.75 |
| Kilmore 1 | 15 | 6 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 98.68 | 40.00 |
| Watsonia 2 | 15 | 5 | 10 | 0 | 3 | 86.56 | 33.33 |
| Northcote Park 2 | 15 | 4 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 78.87 | 26.67 |
| Diamond Creek 5 | 16 | 4 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 74.43 | 25.00 |

| SECTION 5 | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|
| Team | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
| Thomastown 1 | 17 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 150.55 | 79.41 |
| North Heidelberg 4 | 18 | 13 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 118.69 | 72.22 |
| Epping 1 | 18 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 124.83 | 61.11 |
| Heat 2 | 18 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 115.13 | 58.33 |
| Heidelberg 5 | 18 | 7 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 94.15 | 41.67 |
| Macleod 1 | 18 | 6 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 87.67 | 33.33 |
| West Preston-Lakeside 2 | 18 | 6 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 68.84 | 33.33 |
| Fitzroy Stars 2 | 18 | 3 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 70.02 | 25.00 |

| SECTION 6 | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|
| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
| Thomastown 2 | 16 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 143.80 | 81.25 |
| Hurstbridge 1 | 16 | 10 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 150.00 | 65.62 |
| West Ivanhoe 1 | 17 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 92.39 | 64.71 |
| Bundoora 3 | 16 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 106.33 | 62.50 |
| Watsonia 3 | 17 | 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 99.17 | 55.88 |
| Heat 3 | 16 | 6 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 80.76 | 43.75 |
| Whittlesea | 16 | 5 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 96.02 | 34.38 |
| South Morang 3 | 16 | 5 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 77.93 | 34.38 |
| St Mary's 3 | 16 | 3 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 80.74 | 25.00 |

SECTION 7**First Semi Final**

South Morang 4 (35) def Watsonia 4 (23)

Second Semi Final

Macleod 2 (20) def Epping 2 (19)

Preliminary Final

Epping 2 (24) def by South Morang 4 (37)

Grand Final

Macleod 2 (29) def South Morang 4 (13)

Best on court: Jessica Bartlett (Macleod 2)**SECTION 8****First Semi Final**

Montmorency 1 (26) def by Fitzroy Stars 3 (36)

Second Semi Final

West Ivanhoe 3 (34) def Kilmore 2 (28)

Preliminary Final

Kilmore 2 (21) def by Fitzroy Stars 3 (26)

Grand Final

West Ivanhoe 3 (52) def Fitzroy Stars 3 (27)

Best on court: Sharlin Potao (West Ivanhoe 3)**SECTION 9****First Semi Final**

Heat 4 (23) def by Heidelberg West 1 (33)

Second Semi Final

Northcote Park 3 (38) def St Martins (20)

Preliminary Final

St Martins (18) def by Heidelberg West 1 (26)

Grand Final

Northcote Park 3 (38) def Heidelberg West 1 (26)

Best on court: Montana Powell (Heidelberg West)**SECTION 10****First Semi Final**

Thomastown 4 (23) def by Mernda 3 (27)

Second Semi Final

Montmorency 2 (26) def Bundoora 6 (12)

Preliminary Final

Bundoora 6 (20) def Mernda 3 (14)

Grand Final

Montmorency 2 (25) def Bundoora 6 (19)

Best on court: Tahlia McLeish (Montmorency 2)**2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 1****First Semi Final**

North Heidelberg 2 (34) def Heat 1 (33)

Second Semi Final

North Heidelberg 1 (28) def by Bundoora 1 (33)

Preliminary Final

North Heidelberg 1 (35) def North Heidelberg 2 (27)

Grand Final

Bundoora 1 (29) def North Heidelberg 1 (26)

Best on court: Jacinta Tonkin (Bundoora 1)**2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 2****First Semi Final**

Thomastown 2 (28) def Heat 2 (25)

Second Semi Final

St Mary's (18) def by Thomastown 1 (28)

Preliminary Final

St Mary's (36) def Thomastown 2 (18)

Grand Final

Thomastown 1 (25) def by St Mary's (27)

Best on court: Jessica Jackman (St Mary's)**SECTION 7**

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|-----------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Macleod 2 | 17 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 158.78 | 85.29 |
| Epping 2 | 18 | 12 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 117.44 | 69.44 |
| South Morang 4 | 18 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 99.28 | 55.56 |
| Watsonia 4 | 17 | 7 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 97.33 | 47.06 |
| Thomastown 3 | 17 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 88.75 | 44.12 |
| West Ivanhoe 2 | 18 | 7 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 80.95 | 38.89 |
| Lalor | 17 | 6 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 82.05 | 35.29 |
| Greensborough 4 | 17 | 5 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 99.67 | 32.35 |

SECTION 8

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|--------------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|--------|
| West Ivanhoe 3 | 18 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 175.53 | 100.00 |
| Kilmore 2 | 18 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 105.83 | 63.89 |
| Montmorency 1 | 17 | 10 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 101.63 | 61.76 |
| Fitzroy Stars 3 | 17 | 10 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 103.29 | 58.82 |
| Heidelberg 6 | 17 | 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 115.85 | 55.88 |
| Keon Park | 18 | 7 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 83.29 | 41.67 |
| Bundoora 5 | 18 | 7 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 85.15 | 38.89 |
| Hurstbridge 2 | 17 | 6 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 89.67 | 35.29 |
| Mernda 2 | 18 | 5 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 81.44 | 30.56 |
| North Heidelberg 5 | 18 | 4 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 70.94 | 25.00 |

SECTION 9

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|-------------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Northcote Park 3 | 15 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 175.91 | 90.00 |
| St Martins | 14 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 115.29 | 64.29 |
| Heat 4 | 16 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 133.60 | 62.50 |
| Heidelberg West 1 | 15 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 102.52 | 40.00 |
| Watsonia 5 | 15 | 5 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 86.72 | 33.33 |
| Bundoora 4 | 14 | 3 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 61.95 | 25.00 |
| Kilmore 3 | 15 | 3 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 57.78 | 20.00 |

SECTION 10

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|-------------------|----|----|----|---|---|--------|-------|
| Montmorency 2 | 17 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 168.81 | 85.29 |
| Bundoora 6 | 16 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 87.75 | 50.00 |
| Thomastown 4 | 17 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 115.23 | 47.06 |
| Mernda 3 | 16 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 124.58 | 46.88 |
| Hurstbridge 3 | 17 | 3 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 78.29 | 20.59 |
| Heidelberg West 2 | 16 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 65.92 | 9.38 |

2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 1

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|--------------------|----|---|---|---|---|--------|-------|
| North Heidelberg 1 | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 128.25 | 85.00 |
| Bundoora 1 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 193.02 | 80.00 |
| North Heidelberg 2 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 98.23 | 60.00 |
| Heat 1 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 92.61 | 50.00 |
| Bundoora 2 | 10 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 79.93 | 25.00 |
| Hurstbridge | 10 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 56.23 | 10.00 |

2016/2017 SUMMER SECTION 2

| TEAM | P | W | L | D | B | % | % WON |
|--------------|----|---|---|---|---|--------|-------|
| St Mary's | 10 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 143.30 | 70.00 |
| Thomastown 1 | 10 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 139.04 | 70.00 |
| Thomastown 2 | 10 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 121.32 | 70.00 |
| Heat 2 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 116.97 | 50.00 |
| Bundoora 3 | 10 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 70.48 | 20.00 |
| Bundoora 4 | 10 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 50.79 | 10.00 |

Best and Fairest

DIVISION 1

Frank Rosbrook Medal

| 2017 | Matthew Dennis | Bundoora |
|------|--------------------|------------------|
| 2016 | Matthew Dennis | Bundoora |
| 2015 | Matthew Vasilevski | Lower Plenty |
| 2014 | Bronik Davies | Northcote Park |
| | Matthew Vasilevski | Lower Plenty |
| 2013 | Cameron Cloke | Bundoora |
| 2012 | Bronik Davies | Northcote Park |
| | Matthew Dennis | Bundoora |
| 2011 | Michael Finn | Heidelberg |
| 2010 | Nick Meese | WP-Lakeside |
| 2009 | Daniel Keenan | Montmorency |
| 2008 | Daniel Keenan | Montmorency |
| | Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg |
| | David Mitchell | Bundoora |
| 2007 | Daniel McFerran | WP-Lakeside |

DVFL - Frank Smith Medal

| | | |
|------|-------------------|------------------|
| 2006 | Brett Jeffrey | Northcote Park |
| 2005 | Daniel King | Epping |
| 2004 | Daniel King | Epping |
| 2003 | Fabian Carelli | WP-Lakeside |
| 2002 | Mario Bandera | North Heidelberg |
| 2001 | Dean Haydock | Heidelberg |
| 2000 | Paul King | Bundoora |
| 1999 | Leigh Gray | North Heidelberg |
| 1998 | Ryan Smith | Heidelberg |
| 1997 | Barry Mitchell | Northcote Park |
| 1996 | John Origlasso | Northcote Park |
| 1995 | Adrian Cameron | Bundoora |
| 1994 | Renato Marinelli | Diamond Creek |
| 1993 | Kevin Brown | Bundoora |
| 1992 | Chris Keating | Bundoora |
| 1991 | Peter Woodward | Montmorency |
| | Neil Brindley | Greensborough |
| | Peter Mastin | Greensborough |
| 1990 | Chris Keating | Bundoora |
| 1989 | Richard Guldon | Heidelberg |
| 1988 | Brad Dunbar | Heidelberg West |
| 1987 | Wayne Dobson | Greensborough |
| 1986 | Mark Perkins | Heidelberg West |
| 1985 | Darryl Harries | Lalor |
| 1984 | Kelvin Wood | Heidelberg West |
| 1983 | Wayne Dobson | Greensborough |
| 1982 | Wayne Headlam | Diamond Creek |
| 1981 | Wayne Headlam | Diamond Creek |
| 1980 | Elias Demestichas | South Morang |
| 1979 | John Ellis | Watsonia |
| 1978 | Mario Cipolla | North Heidelberg |
| 1977 | Jeff Edwards | North Heidelberg |
| 1976 | John Horton | Diamond Creek |
| 1975 | John Clancy | Heidelberg |
| 1974 | Mario Cipolla | North Heidelberg |

| | | |
|------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1973 | Stephen Thorpe | Templestowe |
| 1972 | Robin Perkins | Heidelberg |
| 1971 | Jim Christou | Heidelberg |
| 1970 | Frank Natoli | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1969 | Geoff Noble | Macleod-Rosanna |
| 1968 | Dennis Aspinall | Eltham |
| 1967 | Geoff Condie | Diamond Creek |
| 1966 | Ken Jones | Diamond Creek |
| | Graham Campbell | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1965 | Graham Campbell | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1964 | Pat Foley | Heidelberg West |
| 1963 | Pat Foley | Heidelberg West |
| 1962 | Ken Jones | Montmorency |
| 1961 | Joe Murphy | Greensborough |
| 1960 | Clem Cooper | Epping |
| 1959 | John Elliot | Diamond Creek |
| 1958 | John Elliot | Diamond Creek |
| | Don McDowell | Greensborough |
| 1957 | John Elliot | Diamond Creek |
| 1956 | Jack Davies | Epping |
| 1955 | Kevin Hart | Macleod |
| 1954 | Joe Murphy | Greensborough |
| | Doug King | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1953 | Jack Tucker | Heidelberg West |
| 1952 | Kevin Hart | Macleod |
| 1951 | Joe Adams | Epping |
| 1950 | Geoff Heddle | Diamond Creek |
| 1949 | Geoff Heddle | Diamond Creek |
| 1948 | Jack Dempster | Templestowe |
| 1947 | Reg Milburn | Epping |
| 1946 | Joe Delaney | Heidelberg |

DIVISION 2

2017 Brent Harvey

| 2017 | Brent Harvey | North Heidelberg |
|------|----------------|------------------|
| 2016 | Tyron Loader | Hurstbridge |
| 2015 | Shane Jacobs | Lalor |
| 2014 | Tyler Scarce | Panton Hill |
| 2013 | Rohan Davies | Mernda |
| 2012 | Lionel Proctor | Fitzroy Stars |
| 2011 | Darcy Barden | Lower Plenty |
| 2010 | Luke Jackson | Diamond Creek |
| 2009 | Daniel Moore | Epping |
| 2008 | Lionel Proctor | Fitzroy Stars |
| 2007 | Andrew Bennett | Macleod |

DVFL

| | | |
|------|------------------|--------------|
| 2006 | Daniel Eifermann | Whittlesea |
| 2005 | Ryan Bongetti | South Morang |
| 2004 | William Box | Panton Hill |
| 2003 | Jai Audley | Hurstbridge |
| 2002 | Heath Ayres | Wallan |
| 2001 | Tony Callea | Fawkner Park |
| 2000 | Paul Eccles | Watsonia |
| 1999 | Mark Spiteri | Kinglake |
| 1998 | Dean Harrington | Whittlesea |

| | | |
|------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1997 | Ray Buttigieg | South Morang |
| | Tony Maraschiello | Mernda |
| 1996 | Rocky Iacopino | Macleod |
| 1995 | Dale Carmody | West Preston |
| 1994 | Billy Colosimo | Reservoir |
| 1993 | Adam Bruni | West Preston |
| 1992 | Paul Tilley | West Preston |
| 1991 | Robert Mietus | Hurstbridge |
| 1990 | Malcolm Griffiths | Watsonia |
| | John Hassell | Mernda |
| 1989 | Brett Johnstone | South Morang |
| | Glenn Whittenbury | Templestowe |
| 1988 | Steve Easton | Research |
| 1987 | Greg Fyffe | West Preston |
| 1986 | Stan Apostola | Epping |
| 1985 | Les Pugh | Thornbury |
| 1984 | Adrian Sullivan | West Preston |
| 1983 | Bernie Nicholson | Macleod-Rosanna |
| 1982 | Anthony McFarlane | Eltham |
| | Glenn Irving | Eltham |
| 1981 | Mark Slater | Bundoora |

DIVISION 3

2017 Jarryd Coulson

| 2017 | Jarryd Coulson | Heidelberg West |
|------|------------------|-----------------|
| 2016 | Matthew Crompton | Watsonia |
| 2015 | Daniel Moore | Epping |
| 2014 | Matthew Cupo | Thomastown |
| | Danny O'Sullivan | Reservoir |
| 2013 | Lochie Dornauf | Watsonia |
| 2012 | Rohan Davies | Mernda |
| 2011 | Brad Hockey | Parkside |
| 2010 | Ryan Docherty | Reservoir |
| 2009 | Robbie Wise | Parkside |

NFLW DIVISION 1

2017 Shannon Egan

| | | |
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| | | Darebin |
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NFLW DIVISION 2

2017 Natarsha Bamblett

| | | |
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| | | WP-Lakeside |
| | Nicole Blythe | Montmorency |
| | Rechelle McSwain | South Morang |

Leading Goal Kickers

DIVISION 1

NFL Leading Goal Kicker Club Goals

| 2017 | Ahmed Saad | WP-Lakeside | 73 |
|------|---------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 2016 | Gary Moorcroft | Bundoora | 64 |
| 2015 | James Kroussoratis | Eltham | 65 |
| 2014 | Patrick Fitzgerald | Montmorency | 66 |
| 2013 | Cameron Cloke | Bundoora | 83 |
| 2012 | Gary Moorcroft | Bundoora | 70 |
| 2011 | Dean Limbach | Montmorency | 83 |
| 2010 | Saul Caddy | Heidelberg | 82 |
| 2009 | Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 102 |
| 2008 | Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 108 |
| 2007 | Chris Hall | Heidelberg | 72 |
| | Shaun Ryan | North Heidelberg | 72 |
| DVFL | Leading Goal Kicker | Club | Goals |
| 2006 | Adrian Baker | W Preston-Lakeside | 73 |

| | | | |
|------|-----------------------|------------------|-----|
| 2005 | Chris Hall | Heidelberg | 102 |
| 2004 | Cristian Brandt | North Heidelberg | 78 |
| 2003 | Peter Van Blomnestein | Heidelberg | 87 |
| 2002 | Steve Bawden | Epping | 87 |
| 2001 | Jason Heatley | North Heidelberg | 110 |
| 2000 | Damien Yze | Northcote Park | 99 |
| 1999 | Jamie Shaw | North Heidelberg | 134 |
| 1998 | Athas Hrysoulakis | Lalor | 88 |
| 1997 | Jamie Shaw | North Heidelberg | 114 |
| 1996 | Jamie Shaw | North Heidelberg | 88 |
| 1995 | Jamie Shaw | North Heidelberg | 113 |
| 1994 | Jamie Shaw | North Heidelberg | 161 |
| 1993 | Brett Hancock | North Heidelberg | 97 |
| 1992 | Jason Heatley | North Heidelberg | 118 |
| 1991 | Jamie Solyom | Lalor | 73 |
| 1990 | David Miller | Heidelberg | 95 |

| | | | |
|------|----------------|------------------|-----|
| 1989 | Steve Webster | Montmorency | 62 |
| 1988 | Steve Webster | Montmorency | 57 |
| 1987 | Steve Webster | Montmorency | 83 |
| 1986 | Mark Johnson | North Heidelberg | 59 |
| 1985 | Glenn Townsend | Greensborough | 103 |
| 1984 | Russell Jessop | Lalor | 103 |
| 1983 | Bill Seiler | Diamond Creek | 82 |
| 1982 | Bill Seiler | Diamond Creek | 86 |
| 1981 | Bill Seiler | Diamond Creek | 82 |
| 1980 | Keith Robins | Lalor | 90 |
| 1979 | Robert Downie | Watsonia | 64 |
| 1978 | Kevin Grose | North Heidelberg | 80 |
| | Graeme Fraser | Montmorency | 80 |
| 1977 | Ron Wilson | South Morang | 83 |
| 1976 | Bruce McDowell | Greensborough | 97 |
| 1975 | Bruce McDowell | Greensborough | 86 |

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|------|-----------------|--------------------|-----|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| 1974 | Lindsay Hopkins | Templestowe | 66 | 1933 | J West | Eltham | 128 | 1992 | Cristian Brandt | West Preston | 68 |
| 1973 | Ivan Bromley | Reservoir-Lakeside | 87 | DIVISION 2 | | | | 1991 | Greg Withers | Heidelberg West | 80 |
| 1972 | Ivan Bromley | Reservoir-Lakeside | | NFL | Leading Goal Kicker | Club | Goals | 1990 | Steve Webster | Epping | 96 |
| 115 | | | | 2017 | Shane Harvey | Nth Heidelberg | 106 | 1989 | Malcolm Niddrie | Templestowe | 92 |
| 1971 | John Horton | Diamond Creek | 78 | 2016 | Daniel Francis | Fitzroy Stars | 68 | 1988 | Darren Scott | Epping | 80 |
| 1970 | John Vadjia | Macleod-Rosanna | 81 | 2015 | Todd Hughes | Lalor | 76 | 1987 | Ron Wilson | Eltham | 83 |
| 1969 | Ted Wallace | Templestowe | 94 | 2014 | Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 91 | 1986 | Darren Scott | Epping | 97 |
| 1968 | Bill Chapman | Macleod-Rosanna | 73 | 2013 | Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 120 | 1985 | Warren Jarman | Eltham | 72 |
| 1967 | Bernie Drury | Montmorency | 69 | 2012 | Shane Harvey | North Heidelberg | 83 | 1984 | Steve Banbury | West Preston | 56 |
| 1966 | Max Condie | Diamond Creek | 81 | 2011 | Peter Shepherd | Lalor | 93 | 1983 | Peter McNiece | Northcote Park | 83 |
| 1965 | Doug Hayes | Reservoir-Lakeside | 85 | 2010 | Benjamin Gill | Lower Plenty | 59 | 1982 | Peter Lowe | Macleod-Rosanna | 85 |
| 1964 | Claude Howard | Heidelberg | 74 | 2009 | John Hayes | Fitzroy Stars | 89 | 1981 | Rob Michaelangeli | Northcote Park | 76 |
| 1963 | Gerald Walsh | Epping | 96 | 2008 | Aaron Willitts | Epping | 78 | DIVISION 3 | | | |
| 1962 | Gerald Walsh | Epping | 70 | DVFL | Leading Goal Kicker | Club | Goals | NFL | Leading Goal Kicker | Club | Goals |
| 1961 | Les Cann | Reservoir-Lakeside | 68 | 2007 | Cristian Brandt | Macleod | 109 | 2017 | James Kroussoratis | Banyule | 74 |
| 1960 | Ivan Francis | Heidelberg West | 67 | 2006 | Nick Lynch | Macleod | 102 | 2016 | Aaron Willitts | Epping | 67 |
| 1959 | Ed Crawley | Heidelberg West | 70 | 2005 | Tom Felle | Mernda | 104 | 2015 | Kyl Ewart | Heidelberg West | 62 |
| 1958 | Gerald Walsh | Epping | 81 | 2004 | Aaron James | Lalor | 114 | 2014 | Jacob Osei-Duro | Thomastown | 71 |
| 1957 | Ray Skals | Greensborough | 96 | 2003 | Toby O'Meara | Reservoir | 73 | 2013 | Ben Finnin | Panton Hill | 56 |
| 1956 | Les Cann | Montmorency | 85 | 2002 | Adam Bruni | Reservoir | 82 | 2012 | Jonathon Byron | Panton Hill | 96 |
| 1955 | Ron Denmead | Montmorency | 65 | 2001 | Paul Baker | Whittlesea | 107 | 2011 | Dallas King | Parkside | 60 |
| 1954 | Ron Denmead | Montmorency | 126 | 2000 | Gavin Tapner | Watsonia | 90 | 2010 | Johnathon Garrard | Panton Hill | 88 |
| 1953 | Roy Kelly | Eltham | 64 | 1999 | Ron McKeown | Whittlesea | 114 | 2009 | Benjamin Gill | Panton Hill | 63 |
| 1952 | Wally Dingle | Montmorency | 71 | 1998 | Jamie Bown | Whittlesea | 79 | NFLW DIVISION 1 | | | |
| 1951 | Brian Gillberg | Montmorency | 74 | 1997 | Paul Baker | Kinglake | 102 | NFLW | Leading Goal Kicker | Club | Goals |
| 1950 | Bill Harvey | Heidelberg | 102 | 1996 | Paul Baker | Hurstbridge | 93 | 2017 | Andrea Walsh | Bendigo | 50 |
| 1949 | Jack Dempster | Templestowe | 97 | 1995 | Paul Baker | Hurstbridge | 85 | NFLW DIVISION 2 | | | |
| 1948 | Gordon Hastings | Reservoir | 68 | | David Miller | West Preston | 85 | NFLW | Leading Goal Kicker | Club | Goals |
| 1947 | Gordon Hastings | Reservoir | 112 | 1994 | Paul Baker | Hurstbridge | 139 | 2017 | Nadine Rabah | VU Western Spurs | 22 |
| 1946 | Gordon Hastings | Reservoir | 73 | 1993 | Paul Baker | Hurstbridge | 116 | | | | |

Premiership Teams

DIVISION 1

NFL Seniors

2017 Bundoora

| | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| 2016 | Heidelberg |
| 2015 | Macleod |
| 2014 | Greensborough |
| 2013 | Bundoora |
| 2012 | Northcote Park |
| 2011 | Bundoora |
| 2010 | WP-Lakeside |
| 2009 | Heidelberg |
| 2008 | Heidelberg |
| 2007 | Heidelberg |
| DVFL Seniors | |
| 2006 | Heidelberg |
| 2005 | North Heidelberg |
| 2004 | Heidelberg |
| 2003 | WP-Lakeside |
| 2002 | Northcote Park |
| 2001 | Northcote Park |
| 2000 | Northcote Park |
| 1999 | Northcote Park |
| 1998 | Lalor |
| 1997 | Northcote Park |
| 1996 | Bundoora |
| 1995 | Bundoora |
| 1994 | North Heidelberg |
| 1993 | Lalor |
| 1992 | Lalor |
| 1991 | Lalor |
| 1990 | Heidelberg |
| 1989 | Greensborough |
| 1988 | Greensborough |
| 1987 | North Heidelberg |
| 1986 | Heidelberg |
| 1985 | North Heidelberg |
| 1984 | Greensborough |
| 1983 | Greensborough |
| 1982 | Diamond Creek |
| 1981 | Diamond Creek |
| 1980 | Lalor |
| 1979 | Montmorency |
| 1978 | North Heidelberg |

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|------|--------------------|
| 1977 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1976 | Montmorency |
| 1975 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1974 | Eltham |
| 1973 | Templestowe |
| 1972 | Eltham |
| 1971 | Macleod-Rosanna |
| 1970 | Eltham |
| 1969 | Eltham |
| 1968 | Templestowe |
| 1967 | Greensborough |
| 1966 | Greensborough |
| 1965 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1964 | Heidelberg |
| 1963 | Epping |
| 1962 | North Heidelberg |
| 1961 | Greensborough |
| 1960 | Greensborough |
| 1959 | Heidelberg |
| 1958 | Greensborough |
| 1957 | Heidelberg |
| 1956 | Heidelberg |
| 1955 | Greensborough |
| 1954 | Montmorency |
| 1953 | Eltham |
| 1952 | Greensborough |
| 1951 | Montmorency |
| 1950 | Heidelberg |
| 1949 | Eltham |
| 1948 | Heidelberg |
| 1947 | Reservoir |
| 1946 | Reservoir |

1941 - 1945 Competition suspended due to World War II

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| 1941 | Heidelberg West |
| 1940 | Epping |
| 1939 | Epping |
| 1938 | Heidelberg |
| 1937 | Heidelberg |
| 1936 | Epping |
| 1935 | Epping |
| 1934 | Greensborough |
| 1933 | Epping |
| 1932 | Eltham |

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|------|--------------------|
| 1931 | Greensborough |
| 1930 | Eltham |
| 1929 | Heidelberg Juniors |
| 1928 | Heidelberg Juniors |
| 1927 | Greensborough |
| 1926 | Diamond Creek |
| 1925 | Greensborough |
| 1924 | Diamond Creek |
| 1923 | Heidelberg |
| 1922 | Greensborough |

DIVISION 1

NFL Reserves

2017 Greensborough

| | |
|----------------------|------------------|
| 2016 | Heidelberg |
| 2015 | Greensborough |
| 2014 | WP-Lakeside |
| 2013 | Heidelberg |
| 2012 | WP-Lakeside |
| 2011 | Montmorency |
| 2010 | Bundoora |
| 2009 | Bundoora |
| 2008 | Heidelberg |
| 2007 | Heidelberg |
| DVFL Reserves | |
| 2006 | Bundoora |
| 2005 | Montmorency |
| 2004 | Heidelberg |
| 2003 | Bundoora |
| 2002 | Montmorency |
| 2001 | Heidelberg |
| 2000 | Heidelberg |
| 1999 | Bundoora |
| 1998 | Lalor |
| 1997 | Bundoora |
| 1996 | Bundoora |
| 1995 | Montmorency |
| 1994 | North Heidelberg |
| 1993 | Bundoora |
| 1992 | North Heidelberg |
| 1991 | Bundoora |
| 1990 | North Heidelberg |
| 1989 | North Heidelberg |
| 1988 | North Heidelberg |

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|------|--------------------|
| 1987 | North Heidelberg |
| 1986 | North Heidelberg |
| 1985 | North Heidelberg |
| 1984 | Greensborough |
| 1983 | Bundoora |
| 1982 | Montmorency |
| 1981 | Lalor |
| 1980 | Lalor |
| 1979 | Montmorency |
| 1978 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1977 | North Heidelberg |
| 1976 | North Heidelberg |
| 1975 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1974 | Eltham |
| 1973 | Macleod-Rosanna |
| 1972 | Greensborough |
| 1971 | Eltham |
| 1970 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1969 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1968 | South Morang |
| 1967 | Heidelberg |
| 1966 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1965 | Reservoir-Lakeside |
| 1964 | North Heidelberg |
| 1963 | Heidelberg |
| 1962 | Greensborough |
| 1961 | Greensborough |
| 1960 | Heidelberg |
| 1959 | Macleod |
| 1958 | Macleod |
| 1957 | Macleod |
| 1956 | Heidelberg |
| 1955 | Heidelberg West |
| 1954 | Greensborough |
| 1953 | Heidelberg |
| 1952 | Epping |
| 1951 | Heidelberg |
| 1950 | Heidelberg |
| 1949 | Diamond Creek |
| 1948 | Macleod |
| 1947 | Eltham |

Premiership Teams (continued)

DIVISION 1

NFL Under-19s

2017 Eltham

2016 Greensborough
2015 Greensborough
2014 Greensborough
2013 WP-Lakeside
2012 N'cote Prk
2011 Greensborough
2010 Greensborough
2009 Greensborough
2008 WP-Lakeside
2007 Eltham

DVFL Thirds

2006 WP-Lakeside
2005 N'cote Prk/Alphington
2004 N'cote Prk/Alphington
2003 N'cote Prk/Alphington
2002 Bundoora
2001 Montmorency
2000 Bundoora
1999 N'cote Prk/Alphington
1998 N'cote Prk/Alphington
1997 Epping
1996 North Heidelberg

1995 Lalor
1994 Montmorency
1993 Epping
1992 Reservoir-Lakeside
1991 Montmorency
1990 Greensborough
1989 North Heidelberg
1988 Bundoora
1987 Lalor
1986 Bundoora
1985 Lalor
1984 North Heidelberg

1983 Lalor
1982 Templestowe
1981 Montmorency
1980 Heidelberg
1979 Greensborough
1978 Reservoir-Lakeside
1977 Watsonia
1976 Reservoir-Lakeside
1975 Reservoir-Lakeside
1974 Greensborough
1973 Reservoir-Lakeside
1972 Greensborough

1971 Reservoir-Lakeside
1970 Greensborough
1969 Greensborough
1968 Reservoir-Lakeside
1967 Montmorency
1966 Heidelberg West
1965 Macleod-Rosanna
1964 Macleod-Rosanna
1963 North Heidelberg
1962 North Heidelberg

DIVISION 2

NFL Seniors

2017 North Heidelberg

2016 Hurstbridge
2015 Whittlesea
2014 North Heidelberg
2013 Whittlesea
2012 Epping
2011 Lower Plenty
2010 Whittlesea
2009 Macleod
2008 Thomastown
2007 Lalor

DVFL Seniors

2006 Greensborough
2005 Diamond Creek
2004 Lalor
2003 Hurstbridge
2002 Eltham
2001 Lalor
2000 Eltham
1999 Lower Plenty
1998 Diamond Creek
1997 Eltham

1996 West Preston
1995 Eltham
1994 Northcote Park
1993 West Preston
1992 Diamond Creek
1991 Mernda
1990 Epping
1989 Eltham
1988 West Preston
1987 Watsonia
1986 Epping
1985 Northcote Park
1984 Reservoir

1983 Heidelberg

1982 Eltham
1981 Bundoora

DIVISION 2

NFL Reserves

2017 Diamond Creek

2016 Thomastown
2015 Thomastown
2014 North Heidelberg
2013 Diamond Creek

2012 Diamond Creek
2011 Lower Plenty
2010 Mernda
2009 Diamond Creek
2008 Mernda
2007 Thomastown
2006 Greensborough
2005 Greensborough
2004 Lalor
2003 Lalor
2002 South Morang
2001 Lalor

2000 Eltham
1999 Whittlesea
1998 Diamond Creek
1997 Diamond Creek
1996 West Preston
1995 West Preston
1994 Northcote Park
1993 West Preston
1992 West Preston
1992 West Preston

1991 West Preston
1990 Epping
1989 Epping
1988 Research
1987 Reservoir-Lakeside
1986 Reservoir-Lakeside
1985 West Preston
1984 Reservoir
1983 Northcote Park
1982 Reservoir
1981 Heidelberg

DIVISION 2

NFL Under-19s

2017 Lower Plenty

2016 Diamond Creek
2015 Whittlesea
2014 St Mary's
2013 Whittlesea
2012 Thomastown
2011 Lower Plenty
2010 Diamond Creek
2009 Whittlesea
2008 Macleod

2007 Mernda

DVFL Thirds

2006 Greensborough
2005 Macleod
2004 Greensborough
2003 Lalor
2002 Wallan
2001 Lalor
2000 Bundoora
1999 Lower Plenty
1998 Reservoir
1997 Lower Plenty
1996 Research
1995 Hurstbridge
1993 Macleod Juniors
1992 West Lalor
1991 Thornbury
1986 West Preston
1985 Reservoir-Lakeside
1984 Reservoir
1983 Reservoir
1982 Northcote Park
1981 Northcote Park

DIVISION 3

NFL Seniors

2017 Banyule

2016 Watsonia
2015 Reservoir
2014 Thomastown

2013 Pantom Hill
2012 Mernda
2011 South Morang
2010 Hurstbridge
2009 Parkside

DIVISION 3

NFL Reserves

2017 St Mary's

2016 St Mary's
2015 Banyule
2014 Reservoir

2013 Watsonia
2012 Mernda
2011 Pantom Hill
2010 South Morang
2009 Hurstbridge

NFLW DIVISION 1

2017 Bendigo

NFLW DIVISION 2

2017 VU Western Spurs

NNL

Section 1

2017 Diamond Creek 1

2016 Diamond Creek 1
2015 Diamond Creek 1
2014 Diamond Creek 1
2013 Diamond Creek Red
2012 Diamond Creek
2011 Diamond Creek
2010 Diamond Creek Blue
2009 Macleod
2008 Diamond Creek

Section 2

2017 Diamond Creek 2

2016 Whittlesea 1

2015 Watsonia 1
2014 Greensborough 2
2013 Whittlesea A
2012 North Heidelberg
2011 Mernda
2010 Mernda A
2009 Lalor

Section 3

2017 Mernda 1

2016 Ivanhoe
2015 Whittlesea 2
2014 South Morang 2
2013 St Mary's A
2012 Mernda Red

2011 Mernda Red
2010 North Heidelberg B

Section 4

2017 North Heidelberg 3

2016 Watsonia 2
2015 Greensborough 3
2014 Lakeside 2
2013 Lakeside B
2012 Lakeside B
2011 Montmorency

Section 5

2017 Thomastown 1

2016 Kilmore 1
2015 Hurstbridge 1

2014 Epping
2013 St Mary's B
2012 St Mary's B

Section 6

2017 Hurstbridge 1

2016 Whittlesea 5
2015 Thomastown 2
2014 Hurstbridge 1
2013 Fitzroy Stars C

Section 7

2017 Macleod 2

2016 Whittlesea 6
2015 St Martin's
2014 North Heidelberg 4

Section 8

2017 West Ivanhoe 3

2016 Epping 2
2015 West Ivanhoe
2014 Whittlesea 4

Section 9

2017 Northcote Park 3

2016 Bundoora 5
2015 Bundoora Comets 4

Section 10

2017 Montmorency 2

2016 Heidelberg West

Life Members

Allan Stickland*
Andrew Hamer
Bernie Smead
Bill McKenna
Brian Tooth
Chris Keating

Darryl Holt
Darryl Sinclair
David Kuchmar
Don Casey
Don Stanley
Eric Marsh

Ernie Ward
Francis Mellerick
Graeme Dunne
Graham Norman
Grant Turnbull
Ivan Sheahan*

John Garlick
Ken Andrew
Ken Wing Jan
Kenneth Salter
Leonard Warren
Les Robinson















































































































































































































































































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