



Greensborough Junior Football Club
2022 Annual Report



Affiliated NORTHERN FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE

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1. Notice of 2022 AGM Annual General Meeting & Agenda

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The GJFC 2022 AGM will be held in the Club rooms on

Tuesday 6th September 2022 @ 7.30pm

The agenda for the meeting will include;

1	Welcome / Apologies
2	Confirmation of the 2021 AGM Minutes – N/A
3	Presentation and adoption of 2022 Financial Statements
4	Presentation and adoption of 2022 Annual Report
5	General Business
6	President to declare all committee positions vacant
7	Secretary to advise all committee nominations
8	2023 Committee appointments / elections conducted
9	2023 Non-Committee roles filled
10	Welcome 2023 GJFC Committee
11	Close meeting

The process for nominations of candidates for election as members of the Committee –

- a. Shall be made in writing, signed by two members of the club and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the form of nomination); and
- b. Shall be delivered to the secretary of the club not less than 7 days before the date fixed for the holding of the annual general meeting.

If you want to access a nomination form, [click here](#).

An outline of the various committee and non-committee roles can be accessed here; [role descriptions](#)

Nominations are to be forwarded to the Secretary; secretary@gjfc.org.au by close of business, **Friday 2nd September 2022**.

2. Minutes of 2021 AGM 2021

Meeting details	
Meeting no.	AGM
Date and time	10 November 2021
Venue	Virtual by Zoom

Attendees

Invitees	
Executive	
President	Andrew Cleary
Vice President	Jacinta Elliott
Treasurer	Dean Eldridge
Assistant Treasurer	Mel Halley
Football Director	Scott Bennett
Secretary	Jodie Fuller
Committee	
General Member	Jaime Pollard-Edwards
General Member	Stuart Lavendar
General Member	Lyndahl Adonis
General Member	Kon Dalianis
General Member	Peta Hill
General Member	Les Hill

Apologies

Name	
Comms Coordinator	Sara Flottl
Assistant Secretary	Katherine Gibbons
General Member	Marc Vangelista

Agenda items

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8	<p>2022 Committee appointments / elections conducted No Nominations for Committee roles received from the floor</p>																																

9 **2022 non-committee roles filled**

Nominations from the floor;

- Jaime Pollard Edwards – Historical Coordinator
- Stuart Lavender - Promo Coordinator
- Jacinta Elliott - Strategic Coordinator
- Kon Dalianis – Buildings & Council Liaison
- Lyndahl -= Merch & Fundraising Coordinator
- Peta Hill – Bar Coordinator
- Marc Vangelista – GFC Seniors Liaison Officer

10 **2022 GJFC Committee**

Meeting resolved to schedule a Special General Meeting in 21 days to full outstanding roles.

11 **Close meeting**

Meeting closed at 8.10pm.

3. 2022 Executive, Committee and Non-Committee Roles

Executive Committee

President	Andrew Cleary
Vice President	Marc Vangelista
Secretary	Carly Walsh – appointed post 2021 AGM
Treasurer	Dean Eldridge
Football Director	Kerriann Sigley

Committee and Non-Committee Roles

Assistant Secretary	Jacinta Elliott
Assistant Treasurer	Melissa Halley
Registration Secretary	Kerriann Sigley
Coaches Coordinator	Paul Sigley
Team Managers Coordinator	Scott Devers
Auskick Coordinator/Liaison	Emma Anderson/Scott Devers
Communication/Media Manager	Sara Flottl
Merchandise Manager	Lyndahl Adonis
Fundraising Manager	Lyndahl Adonis
Sponsorship Management	Stuart Lavender
Canteen Manager	Nicola Harwood (paid position)
Social Secretary	<i>Vacant</i>
Bar Manager	Kon Dalianis
Council Liaison	Kon Dalianis
Building and Maintenance	Lyndahl Adonis/Kon Dalianis
Ground Manager	Craig Dimech
Player Welfare Manager	Greg Shambrook
First Aid Coordinator	Shane & Cath Denton
Grants	Sue Verdini – appointed post AGM 2021
Awards/Trophies	Melinda Munroe – appointed post AGM 2021
Property Steward	<i>Vacant</i>
Cleaning	Jodie Hogg (Paid position)
Senior Club Liaison	Marc Vangelista
RSL Liaison	John Waugh
BBQ Manager	<i>Vacant</i>
NFNL Advocate (Tribunal)	Andrew Tenni

4. 2022 Coaches

Team	Coach
Under 9 Black	Damien Toomey
Under 9 Green	Damian Jacombs
Under 9 White	Jeremy Bennett
Under 10 Green	Simon Jones
Under 10 White	Anthony Gasparini
Under 11	Wayne Walsh
Under 12 Green	Paul Sigley
Under 12 White	Paul Hattenfels
Under 13	Marc Vangelista
Under 14	Matt Bell
Under 16	Daniel Tramontana
Under 17	Scott Bennett

Thank you for your efforts this year.

5. Achievements & Objectives

Our grants position was vacant until May of this year. Thank you to Sue Verdini who took on this position.

The following grants have been applied for;

- Community Shade Grants Program (for portable shade - marquee/gazebo).
- Sporting Club Grants Program (wheelchairs and crutches).
- TAC Club Rewards Grant.

Currently haven't heard back from anyone yet, applications can go beyond the football calendar year and we don't hear back until the New Year. We thank Sue for all efforts made in applying for these grants.

We also signed up for the "Good for footy" raffle. Proceeds from this raffle are going toward the installation of CCTV cameras .

6. GJFC Origins & History

GREENSBOROUGH JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB INCORPORATED. Founded 1964
Affiliated Northern Football Netball League.

The origins of the Greensborough Junior Football Club are closely linked to the origins of junior football in the Diamond Valley area.

In 1966, Greensborough Football Club President and All-Australian footballer Joe Murphy, initiated the introduction of junior football to the Diamond Valley area. Two Greensborough under 15 teams, the Colts and the Rovers, played in the now disbanded Preston/Reservoir Junior Sunday Football League. Four Greensborough under 13 sides, known as the Blues, the Blacks, the Golds and the Maroons, together with two Watsonia teams and one Montmorency team formed the Greensborough Midget League.

In 1968, the administration of Junior Football was handed over to the DVFL, and the competition commenced as we know it today, with senior teams fielding Under 13 and Under 15 sides.

In 2001, Greensborough Junior Football Club with 11 teams in Under 10's through to Under 17's relocated to Anthony Beale Reserve with 2 grounds and a state of the art pavilion – the Premier Facility for the Diamond Valley League.

Girl's football was introduced to Greensborough Junior Football Club in 2015. In the first year there were 3 teams; Under 12, Under 15 and Under 18. A successful start with the Under 15's winning the Premiership.

7. Joe Murphy Trophy

Joe Murphy came to Greensborough from Fitzroy in 1954 as Captain-Coach and won the first of 2 DVFL Best & Fairest awards in that year.

From 1955-1958, he was Captain-Coach of the LaTrobe Football Club in the NWFU in Tasmania. He represented Tasmania in the State Carnivals and won the All Australian selection. Returning to Greensborough in 1959 to set up his legal business, he was Captain-Coach of the 1960 and 1961 premiership sides, and won his second DVFL Best and Fairest award in 1961. Many observers regard Joe Murphy as the best player ever to play DVFL football. Following various positions on the Greensborough committee, Joe was Club President from 1966-1968 and was the instigator of Junior Football in the area.

Everybody connected with the DVFL was saddened by the passing of Joe at a comparatively young age on June 7, 1985 from a terminal illness. In 1986, as a tribute to the vision of Joe Murphy, the Greensborough Junior Football Club created a perpetual award known as the Joe Murphy Trophy. It is awarded annually to the junior footballer that the committee considers the most outstanding for that year. A shield is displayed in the clubrooms, and the awarded player is presented with a trophy on Presentation day.

The trophy reads *“Awarded to the player who embraces & represents the Club’s values and the spirit of Club founder Joe Murphy”*

7.1 Previous Winners

1986	Jason Keogh	2000	Jared Ritchie Andrew Evens	2014	Tom Phelan
1987	Damien Johnson	2001	Simon Buchanan Brett Millsom	2015	Luke Hogg
1988	Adam McWatters	2002	Luke Gration	2016	Lachlan Hill
1989	Steven Ellis	2003	Nick Carnell	2017	Lachlan Agnew
1990	Scott Butterworth	2004	Brett Millsom	2018	Ethan Lamb
1991	Scott Drummond	2005	Chris Walker	2019	Toby Brown
1992	Ryan Cameron	2006	Ryan Scarce	2020	N/A Due to Covid-19
1993	Glen Hatfield	2007	Brendan Dowse	2021	Emmison Zealley
1994	Kade Smith	2008	Travis Miller	2022	Josh Vangelista Tom Walker
1995	Kris Watson	2010	Jordan Cisek		
1996	Lucas Fleming Ryan Cameron	2011	Jarrold Barnes Stephen Schmidt		
1998	Trent Lawrence	2012	Daniel Schmidt		
1999	Conlan Gunn	2013	Joel Quinn		

8. Ray Dickson Award

The Ray Dickson award was started in season 2018 in respect to one of the founders of our great club. Ray was a very passionate coach who dedicated his time to helping develop all of his players to be better players and better people. Ray coached to give every player the opportunity to play at the highest level that they could and gave positive feedback to all. He taught his players about respecting the community and the people that helped our club grow.

This is awarded annually to the Junior Football Coach that the executive considers the most outstanding for that year. A shield is displayed in the Clubrooms and the awarded Coach is presented with a trophy on Presentation day.

8.1 Previous Winners

Year	Awarded to:
2018	Rob Lamb
2019	Marc Vangelista
2020	N/A due to Covid-19
2021	Les Hill
2022	Paul Hattenfels

9. Stephen Hatfield Award (U17 B & F)

Stephen Hatfield was a long standing club member and a dedicated club volunteer during the 1990's. In speaking with previous members of the club, they mentioned the variety of contributions and hands on roles he performed around the club as a parent volunteer, and described him in the highest terms of his grassroots involvement.

Stephen was the Team Trainer for the 1996 GJFC U15 Premiership team, for which the flag and team photo hang proudly in the clubrooms.

Tragically just a year later in August 1997, Stephen was killed in a light plane crash in the Northern Territory. The Cessna with 5 people onboard was on a chartered sightseeing flight from Darwin to Katherine. However due to pilot miscalculation, the plane ran out of fuel and crashed just 6km short of Katherine airport, killing all onboard.

Stephen left behind a wife and children, including son Steve who I have kept in touch with in recent years (Real estate agent). In his memory, the GJFC created the Stephen Hatfield Memorial Trophy, and since 1997 this has been awarded to the U17 Boys B&F player. The 2022 B&F winner will also be inscribed on this trophy and help to maintain Stephen's legacy.

1997	Troy Pedder/Daniel Baldwin	2006	Ashley Neville	2017	Jordan Smith
1998	Leigh Orton	2007	Brent Brigham	2018	Campbell Walsh
1999	Brendan Morrison	2008	Tyler Scarce	2020	N/A Due to Covid-19
2000	Shane Gilbert	2009	Scott Conte	2022	David Tomaino
2001	Joel Buckley	2010	James Love		
2002	Luke Gration	2011	Stephen Schmidt/Konrad Brauhn		
2003	Travis Knight	2013	Jacob Pickett		
2004	Brett Millsom	2015	Alex Hughan		
2005	Jason Rogers	2016	Lachlan Hill		

10. Premierships

Greensborough Junior Football Club has a proud history in the Diamond Valley Football League & Northern Football Netball League with the following list of Premierships:

Team	Year of Premiership
Under 11	1974, 1975, 1994, 1996, 2005, 2006, 2011, 2013, 2016, 2022
Under 12	1976, 2006, 2009, 2016, 2017, 2021*
Under 13	1970, 1975, 1996, 2005, 2015, 2022
Under 14	1977, 1978, 1985, 2001, 2018
Under 14 Girls	2018
Under 15	1968, 1969, 1970, 1973, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2002, 2017
Under 15 Girls	2015
Under 16	1980, 1983
Under 17	1969, 1970, 1972, 1974, 1988, 1989, 2008, 2009, 2022

* 2021 Under 12 Premiers – No finals played due to Covid-19 Finished on top of the ladder

11. Life Members

1988	Rex Smith Wayne Zealley	2009	George Vale Steve Allen
1989	Lew Hall * Norm Gibson	2010	Lisa Haber
1993	Glen Harris	2011	Jayne Barnes Geoff Schmidt
1994	Alan Cameron Stephen Hatfield * Peter McCullouch	2012	Sam Fiorini Philip Grice
1998	Gererd Wilson Jim Lawrence Rob Lincoln	2013	Rod Cann Rod Haber Chris Hogg Philip Grice
1999	Neil McKinnon Len Ritchie Keith Evans *	2014	Les Hill Rod Hughan
2000	Shane Gration Dawn Ritchie Janine Lunny	2015	Kathy Buckley Chris Buckley
2001	John Rayner	2017	Glenn Seivers Melanie Phelan
2002	Lindsay Knox Jeff Buchanan	2018	Rob Lamb Brett Luke Bruce Ramsay Matt Phelan
2003	Greg Sullivan	2019	Bridget Raemakers Richard Pocock Mark Ryan Jason Thompson
2004	Graham Millson	2020	N/A – Due to Covid-19
2005	Con Xanthos Graham Walker	2021	Scott Bennett Sara Flottl Marc Vangelista
2006	Ian Parke	2022	Kon Dalianis
2007	Peter Miller		
2008	Wayne Darrington John Cisek		

* Deceased - RIP

12. Club Awards 2022

Award Name	Awarded to:
Ray Dickson Award	Paul Hattenfels
Joe Murphy Trophy	Josh Vangelista & Tom Walker
Little Lion Award	Ryder Edmonds
Life Member	Kon Dalianis

13. Sponsors

Gold Sponsors	SF Building Services – Matt Fleming Grahams Body Works – Matt Coe Harcourt’s – Andrew Dal Santo CAM Printing – Cameron Hendry Shambrook Family Chiropractic – Joel Shambrook Darren Jones Real Estate – Darren Jones/Lynn Seven Star Pizzeria – Mohit Kukreja Diamond Valley Auto Care – Jeff Buchanan/Ash Garraway Finwell Group – Adam Carmody Bikes.com.au – Bridget & Clint Raemakers Jellis Craig Real Estate – Brett Sparks Crawford Tree Services – Mathew Crawford Kate Thwaits – Anna Gay Star Drilling - Simon
Bronze Sponsors	BGL Group – Daniel Tramontana All weather Blinds – Steve Middleton
Family/ Family Business	Beam Logistics – Scott Devers Diamond Driver – Katrina Mouldon Mike Does It – Michael Goulimis Sigley Roofing – Kerriann & Paul Sigley Dreadlocks By Design – Cassandra Sheridan Turco – Trish & Adam Turco
Donations	Mouth Guard - Wendy Dynamic Footy Skills – Michael Talbot Harrington Coffee Love – Lyndall Harrington (10% of sales kickback to club)

Thank you to our valuable Sponsors in 2022

14. Presidents Report

2022 was a very busy year for the GJFC, both on and off the field. A November online AGM due to the Covid-19 pandemic meant there was less time than usual for the incoming committee to plan the upcoming season.

The committee had to plan for all kinds of scenarios to get the 2022 season off the ground. The January-March pre-season period was hectic. We fielded 12 teams this season and it was a logistical headache for Scott Bennett and Kerriann Sigley to find times to train and satisfy all.

The NFNL began the season at the start of April, which meant there was only one round of practice matches wedged between the cricket and football season. After the first two rounds the Club settled into a regular momentum and the weeks ticked by.

It was a successful season on the field with six of our seven competitive teams reaching the finals and this resulted in premierships to the Under 11s, 13s and 17s, the 12s White and Green teams were both runners up and the Under 14s finished third. Congratulations go to all of our trophy winners. Well done on a terrific season. This was a tremendous effort by all and sundry. The players behaviour was impeccable with no red cards handed out. Well done to every player who represented the Club this season, we are an envy to many Clubs.

Thanks, must go to all of our coaches and team officials who give up their time willingly to give our kids a great environment to play football.

A power of work was done by the committee to ensure we had a successful year off the field as well. At the end of our 2022 season we have a healthy bank balance and our short to medium term future has been secured.

Sometimes the executive committee will receive a request to make a ruling from one team and has to make decisions that guide the entire Club, not just one team, as to the direction that we would like to take. Sometimes our decisions aren't popular and I will wear that if I believe that they have been made with the best interests of the Club at hand.

We have a big Club with few helpers and that way of thinking must change. All of the committee will move on in the next few years and we need representation from the younger age groups to take over. We must never forget why we all devote our time to the Club - it's not about politics or the parents, it's about our kids. If we are doing this for ego and not the kids then we are doing it for the wrong reason.

Appreciation -

The Executive Committee devotes many hours of their personal time to ensure the running of the Club remains as smooth as possible. My sidekick Marc "Barney" Vangelista has been terrific support for me, especially during some trying times earlier in the season. Marc is a good sounding board and at times offers an alternate view on Club matters. I respect his opinion and strong work ethic.

Carly Walsh took over a shambles in April as Secretary. It was a big ask of me and it only took a few weeks for Carly to get on top of everything. Carly was able to juggle work, family, sport, her Team Manager and Secretary roles to get the Club back on track and I appreciate everything that Carly has done for this Club. It must be her working-class roots that keeps Carly grounded, calling a spade a spade and has no pretensions about her. Thanks Puddles from the bottom of my heart.

Dean Eldridge has been our Treasurer for the past two seasons and has overseen our finances heading in a northerly direction. As you may appreciate this can be stressful at times and I thank Dean for working through everything and getting the job done.

Scott Bennett began the year as Football Director and vacated the role to focus on his coaching. Scott handed over to Kerriann Sigley who handled the role with aplomb. Kerriann also oversaw registrations prior to the season so had plenty on her plate. Kerriann received unnecessary criticism about her Football Director role and stuck to her beliefs whilst fulfilling the role. Kerriann is a much valued member of the Executive who wants nothing but the best experience for all of our players.

Jacinta Elliott was a big help at committee meetings, compiling agendas, taking minutes, updating action items and helping to keep our lengthy meetings on track. Jacinta was a great support for Carly and put her skill set to good use. Jacinta is a worker and on game day often helped with set up, pack up and everything in between.

Melissa Halley carried out multiple roles, notably Assistant Treasurer supporting Dean and as usual was thorough and efficient whilst performing this role. Mel also assisted in the Canteen, organised the teams and oversaw the On The Couch evenings and was a major factor in the working bee in March. Mel dedicates many hours of her time for this Club and has great support from her family, who can often be seen cooking barbecues and helping out in many ways to offer her support.

Paul Sigley was our Coaches Co-Ordinator and with a number of first-time senior coaches this season needed to be clear, concise and easy to work with, which he was. There was plenty to do in the pre-season and things settled down once the home and away fixtures began.

Scott Devers came into the GJFC fold this season from Auskick and took on the Team Manager Co-Ordinator role, which requires clear communication to deliver the correct information that needs to be passed on from the committee to the teams. Scott carried out this role with no fuss.

Emma Anderson ran the Glen Katherine Auskick program at Anthony Beale on Friday nights. It was a big job, overseeing 180 participants, parents and volunteer coaches. Emma liaised with Scott Devers to keep all and sundry up to speed with what was happening with Auskick.

Sara Flottl has been our Communications Manager for a number of years now and this is critical to the running of the Club. We have a weekly newsletter and various social media platforms that need to be updated regularly. Our parents rely on this to keep up to speed with club information and events. Sara has a very busy schedule but still manages to fit everything in. I don't know how, but the job always gets done!

Lyndahl Adonis decided that she didn't have much to do in her spare time so decided to fill it up with both Merchandise and Fundraising roles! Merchandise proved problematic with poor service and supply chain issues due to Covid-19. Lyndahl made the recommendation to move to a more reliable, local supplier. This was supported by the committee and they were far better to deal with. This supplier is on board for next season. Fundraising covered the Good For Footy raffle, which raised in excess of \$3000 for the Club. Proceeds will go towards covering much needed items for the Club, such as security cameras.

Mackenzie Lavender deserves a special mention, helping out with fundraising at On The Couch, selling raffle tickets each night with a smile on her face. I was often approached to buy tickets the moment that I entered the social rooms and needless to say there were not too many missed opportunities for people to buy tickets. I get the feeling a future in marketing or sales beckons!

Stuart Lavender likes a challenge so took on the hot potato role of Sponsorship. Stuart was able to more than triple our level of Sponsorship from 2021 and we now have valuable partnerships with a number of local businesses. This played a major role in our increased bottom line.

Sue Verdini took on the Grants role, which can be time consuming. It is usually done in family time and the entire process from application to approval is a slow burn. Sue applied for quite a few grants and we will see the majority of her work bear fruit in 2023.

Nicola Harwood was our players favourite person. Our new Canteen Manager cooked loads of delicious food on game day and always appeared calm in an environment that can be quite frenzied at times. Nicola oversaw many young girls and boys helping out in the canteen and they were all happy and easy to deal with. This reflects well on how Nicola runs the canteen.

Kon Dalianis was our parents favourite person. Our Bar Manager was his usual efficient and professional self, running a tight ship whilst ensuring that everyone was happy. Kon has been great support for me in my time at the Club and would know more about how the place operates than anybody. Kon's services to the Club were officially recognised this year with the highest honour that a Club can bestow - Life Membership - an honour well and truly deserved.

Craig Dimech marked our grounds, which was mainly done on Fridays or Saturdays so Craig was rarely seen but we certainly knew when he had been at the Club!

Greg Shambrook was again our Player Welfare Manager. It was comforting to know that Greg was always available to lend an ear and offer sage advice to those who needed it.

Shane & Cath Denton looked after our first aid kits and supplies, which require topping up over the duration of the season.

Melinda Munro organised our awards and trophies to be engraved with no fuss.

Jodie Hogg again cleaned our rooms. This is an often thank-less task, especially during the bleaker months when plenty of mud from the ovals ends up in our change rooms.

Marc Vangelista was our Senior Club Liaison. This role is vital in keeping the lines of communication open. The Clubs try to work with each other, such as our Under 17s having a couple of training sessions run by the Senior Coach and senior players attending our On The Couch evenings.

John Waugh stayed on as our RSL Liaison. Part of John's responsibilities is to help organise the annual Andrew Jones Cup versus St Mary's, however due to a lack of dates available this season the day didn't eventuate. John keeps the lines of communication with the RSL open to keep them up to date with the goings on at the GJFC.

Andrew Tenni was our NFNL Advocate and thankfully didn't have much to do, with only one case for the season.

Last but by no way least, my wife Lauren and my boys Liam and Darcy who are okay with me fulfilling the President's role. It can be rewarding, time consuming and at times challenging and when faced with those times I always reinforce to myself that "I'm doing this for the kids". I will never sway from that. I took the role on to ensure that my boys have the best possible environment to play their footy and be part of the Boro family. I will continue as long as the members would like me to.

#allmylife

Andrew Cleary

President

15. Football Director/Operations Report

To all our Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Team Managers, and officials, I would like to say a big thank you for all the time and effort you have dedicated to the club and your teams in 2022.

A successful season finishing off the whole season with 14 rounds plus U11, U12 Green, U12 White, U13, U14 and U17 qualifying for finals and all except U14's finishing their season in the Grand Final.

Well done to all our teams for their efforts and well done to U11's, U13's and U17s who finished the season with a premiership.

Sporting Achievements

Finals:

- U11 - Premiers against Eltham
- U12 Green – Grand Final runners up against Mernda
- U12 White – Grand Final runners up against Yarrambat
- U13 - Premiers against West Ivanhoe
- U14 - Second Final loss against Wallan
- U17 - Premiers against West Preston

Under 14 NFNL Representative players

Jamison Leeson
Banjo Walsh
Ashton Flottl
James Harding

15.1 Player Registrations Season 2022 – Total 269

AGE GROUP	No. of Players & Teams
Under 9	55 and 3 teams
Under 10	44 and 2 teams
Under 11	26
Under 12	46 and 2 teams
Under 13	23
Under 14	24
Under 15	<i>No under 15 for 2022</i>
Under 16	26
Under 17	25

Kerriann Sigley – Football Director

16. Treasurer Report

To the 2022 GJFC players, parents, committee & members.

On behalf of the 2022 GJFC Treasurer, I wish to formally close the 2022 season with the following statement.

With a year following the closure of sport for many clubs and families it is pleasing to report a nett profit for the club of \$29,028.84 after expenses and all outgoings.

This is a fantastic result which has seen significant contributions from the following areas within our club.

This year has seen one of the biggest onboarding of new sponsorship we have seen in many years, with \$21,700 generated alone from sponsorship income.

Below is a snapshot of where our financials sit including some highlights of the year of where we generated significant income plus some of the important areas this income is spent. This can be reviewed in further detail via the Profit and Loss & Balance sheets that accompany this report.

Total cash on hand at bank. \$86,532.03, this will see the club with a very prosperous year head

Income

- 1) Total trading income \$186,478.73
- 2) Total merchandise sales \$27,610
- 3) Canteen sales \$42,534
- 4) Registration income \$66,299

Expenses

- 1) Total cost of sales \$99,221.07
- 2) Total operating expenses \$58,228.82
- 3) Training & Guest speakers (including SALT programmes) \$4,890
- 4) Club photos \$5,360
- 5) Medic & medic supplies \$6,629.55

This year has seen us take on a further responsibility in keeping not just our own players safe during game day but all players that play ANY NFNL match at Anthony Beale Reserve during the home and away season by having fully qualified medics present from the first game to last, whether it be u9 to u17, we want to make sure all players are kept as safe as possible.

The club also initiated the services from external bodies such as (SALT) Sport And Life Training for our youth from 12 years old and above, these at club seminars are another area the club is committed in helping our Juniors create better decisions with education.

Dean Eldridge – Treasurer

16.1 Profit and Loss Season 2022

Profit and Loss

Greensborough Junior Football Club Inc
For the period 1 October 2021 to 24 August 2022
Cash Basis

1 OCT 2021-24 AUG
2022

Trading Income

Bar sales	13,560.54
Canteen sales	42,534.60
Fundraising Sales	4,743.50
Merchandise sales	27,610.09
On the Couch Sales	6,760.00
Other Revenue	500.00
Registrations 2022 no team allocated	8,600.00
Sponsorship income	21,740.00
U17 Player Sponsorship 2022	2,550.00
Under 10 rego	10,700.00
Under 11 rego	6,825.00
Under 12 Rego	11,787.50
Under 13 Rego	5,025.00
Under 14 rego	4,612.50
Under 16 rego	3,950.00
Under 17 rego	5,125.00
Under 18 Girls	575.00
Under 9 rego	9,100.00
Uniform sales	180.00
Total Trading Income	186,478.73

Cost of Sales

Bar Cost of Goods Sold	6,957.61
Canteen Cost of Goods Sold	27,393.56
Merchandise Cost of Goods Sold	24,525.60
NFNL Expenses	34,896.42
U14 Associated cost	100.00
U17 Associated cost	5,347.88
Total Cost of Sales	99,221.07

Gross Profit

87,257.66

Operating Expenses

Awards	3,083.13
Bank Fees	193.20
Cleaning	4,328.25
Entertainment	1,760.00
Fraud Transactions	2,035.00
Freight & Courier	57.00
Fundraising Expenses	1,515.15

General Expenses	1,185.00
Insurance	1,251.45
Light, Power, Heating	1,363.62
Medic and Medical Supplies	6,629.55
Merchant Fees	2,176.83
Office Expenses	300.28
Photos	5,360.00
Printing & Stationery	635.20
Repairs and Maintenance	5,060.09
Subscriptions & Registration Fees	1,820.93
Team Manager Expense	8,799.14
Telephone & Internet	150.00
Training & Guest Speakers	4,890.00
Wages and Salaries	5,635.00
Total Operating Expenses	58,228.82
Net Profit	29,028.84

15.2 Balance Sheet 2022

Balance Sheet

Greensborough Junior Football Club Inc
As at 24 August 2022
Cash Basis

24 AUG 2022

Assets

Bank

Club statement account	85,502.77
Statement account	1,029.26
Total Bank	86,532.03

Fixed Assets

Canteen Equipment	2,400.40
Football Equipment	329.85
Gym Equipment	10,000.00
Medical Equipment	700.90
Plant And Equipment	9,452.17
Total Fixed Assets	22,883.32

Total Assets **109,415.35**

Net Assets **109,415.35**

Equity

Current Year Earnings	29,028.84
Retained Earnings	80,386.51
Total Equity	109,415.35

17. Coaches Reports 2022

Under 9 Black. Orange Division – Coach Damien Toomey

Under 9 black had a great year. We were a mixture of ages and sizes. From kids who had just turned 7 to kids that were already 9.

We also had a big range of skill. The great thing about our team was that they listened to their coaches, took on advice and improved each week.

We were put in an even group of teams that was suited to the kid's ability. If we scored we would have won more games than lost.

An awesome group of parents were always happy to help and I thank them for that. Looking forward to seeing all the kids back playing for the mighty Boro next year

Under 9 Green. Brown Division – Coach Damian Jacombs

Wow what a season.

I firstly just want to say a big thank you to all the parents. A footy team only works well due to the hard work of all dedicated mums and dads helping out week in week out at training and at the games.

A big thanks to the assistant coaches Ben, Richard and Leigh for yet another great season. Thanks!

A massive shout out to the McPherson Family, Lorinda the best team manager in the comp. An amazing effort and absolutely nailed the role. Always on top of everything and was able to organize anything we needed. Brent aka Jiggers always willing to help out. Every week always filling in some job from head coach, assistant coach, first aid, goal umpire or even team manager. A great job mate - thanks guys.

Also, a big shout out to Damien Toomey for all of his help and support throughout the season.

Our team was made up of top age players and we had a great season. We worked on the same things most of the season. Moving the ball quickly, first option, hitting a target. Tackling, protecting your players. Support of your team mates through good and bad, and manners are free so use them all the time. We had a great group of kids, they never got bogged down or caught up in rough play or arguing a point with the umpire. They all just got on with playing their best footy.

The boys ended up 13 wins and 1 loss for the season. A great result proving that all these boys always gave 100 percent and listened to their coaches. I believe all players had scored a goal by round 6 or 7. We were also treated to a night game against Yarrambat.

During most games, the opposition coaches often made comments about how well the Greensborough boys worked well as a team and their high skill level.

I am really proud of everything the boys have learned and accomplished this season. They have been an amazing group of kids to coach and watch grow this season.

I wish all of the kids all the best for next season in under 10's.

Thanks, Under 9 Green. Go Boro!

Damian Jacombs – Coach

Under 9 White. Yellow Division – Jeremy Bennett

What a year we had in under 9s white.

The playing group were a pleasure to work with, taking in everything the coaches tried to teach them throughout the season. The improvement not only as individuals but as a group was second to none.

We started the season with 16 players and after a few weeks we had some more boys join our team to finish with 19.

Each week the message to the playing group was simple. We concentrated on a defend first mentality, to hunt the ball and the ball carry. Our ball movement was slow and steady wins the race, be on the move to receive the ball and kick on angles not over the man on the mark.

We never focused on winning or the score throughout any stage of the year and my number 1 rule which was said to the boys before every quarter was “HAVE FUN”

A big thank you to everybody that helped throughout the season. Parents for giving up their sleep ins to being the boys and to also help with game day roles and a big shout out to Amanda our team manager and my 3 assistant coaches Marcus, Jace and Paul

Thanks for such a great year

Jeremy Bennett – Coach

Under 10 Green. Purple Division – Anthony Gasparini

Thanks to the club, sponsors, committee, game day staff, volunteers that make a local club tick. Thanks to all the parents / care givers for committing to the season, and helping out with game day roles. The mum & dad assistant coaches and medics – Brad, Michael, Glyn, Paul, and Melanie – thank you. The Team Manager for keeping us up to date with games, training, and club news, thanks Kaine. Thank you very much to the training extraordinaire and fill in coach (for 1 week), Damo (Tooms). I know the kids enjoyed all your training sessions and hopefully learnt a lot too.

Lastly to the U10 Green team – thank you! I had an absolute ball with you all this year. You are a skillful, funny (at times), tight bunch and it was an absolute pleasure coaching you this year. I hope you all had an enjoyable year and developed as a player, and a person.

I’ll start off by saying it isn’t all about the win-loss ratio. It is about getting something out of a team environment, learning about commitment, developing as a player and a person, socializing, making friends, and having fun. Some of the kids show real competitiveness though, as do I at times.... So...we played 13 games and finished with a record of 7 wins, 6 losses. We managed to beat every side in the competition except for Eltham Red. I will use the Eltham Red side as an example as to why I am proud of this team, and why I think they developed as the year progressed. We lost to them by 46 points in round 3. The kids were pretty down and we saw some areas where we could improve our game.

I spoke with Damo and the assistants, and we worked on those areas at training. We identified the need to be switched on for every game, putting in effort all day and at every contest, and backing our teammates up at contests (numbers around the ball). We also worked on some specific structures for game day; two in front and two behind at ruck contests, manning up in the backline, how to get the ball out of the backline in different situations (not kicking across goal), how to play in the wind, and

switching the play. To see the kids naturally do some of these things during games without prompting them is where I am most pleased. Their footy brains were clearly developing and they started using these skills in the right situations. Even if it didn't work, I encouraged it and was happy to see them trying.

Going back to Eltham Red.... We played them on two more occasions during the season, only losing by 6 and 9 points (in rounds 7 & 13). Now this is what I look at as the take away for the season – not the wins, but the improvement against sides like this. We could have beaten them in those two games too! It is the improvement against sides like Eltham Red that I am most proud of.

Another notable performance to highlight the improvement of the team includes our games against Montmorency. In round 1 we lost to them by 5 points. We didn't play them again until round 8, where we beat them 9.7.61 to 0.1.1 in one of our most dominant performances all season. This again shows their development and maturity as a team.

Our greatest winning margin was against South Morang when we were absolutely on fire! We won by 92 points, 16.9.105 to 2.1.13. We had 8 different goal scorers for the game. We also beat Epping in round 6 by 76 points with only 17 players!

Goal Kickers

We had 22 players for the season, and everyone kicked a goal except for 6 players, which is a really good / balanced effort. We had a few players kick their first goal ever, and some their first goal for the team, which was very exciting! We didn't rely on too few to score, and with the rotation of players in the zones everyone had a decent chance at kicking one. The goal kicking tally for the season was: 10-Archie, 9- Lachie 'The Bull', 8- George

Opposition Medal

Here are the players that received an opposition award during the season:

3-Archie, 2-Luca, Flynn & Ryder, 1- Reo, 'The Bull', Azza & Ari

Like Boro, the award is given based on; skill and impact on the game, and playing in the right spirit / being fair.

Commitment

A special mention needs go to all the players that played every game during the season, and they are: Azza, Ari, Nate, Reo, Ryder, George (started in round 2), Ben (started in round 4)

We had some injuries and illness that hit our team at various stages of the year, hence why a few couldn't play every game. There was one game in particular at home (Round 9 against Eltham Black) where we had 3 players from the U9's back up after their own game and play for us because we were short. A huge thank you to Toby, Harper and Will who helped us get the win on the day (by 11 points). This is where Boro is a great club. These U9's boys train with us, and Jonesy's U10 White team, straight after their own training session. It is a real squad / club feel with all the kids and the parents that stay around. These boys fit in well, played well and our players made them feel very welcome. I am sure they loved singing the song after the game too!

In conclusion, I think a great season was had by all the kids. I am very impressed with their development, willingness to listen and learn, and then the way they put it into practice during games. I had a ball as coach. Thank you everyone and hope to see you all on the couch next year!

Up the Boro!!!! *Anthony Gasparini – Coach*

Under 10 White – Simon Jones

I'd like to start off by saying thanks to Trav (Team Manager), Dave (Assistant) and Jeff (Assistant) for the great support throughout the season. On many occasions I could not make the game and they all jumped in.

Also, thanks to the parents this year, we always had help week in and week out.

Lastly, thanks to the committee.

Our season started with a mixed group of players. Some had played together previously, some new to the team and some new to the game.

It only took a couple of weeks for the whole group the bond and start playing as a team.

This year we focused on making sure the kids enjoyed their footy as well as learn new skills and understanding of the game.

Focus was not on umpire's decisions or how the other team played, or even how our team played but more on how the individual contributed to the team. We wanted to be accountable for the things we controlled, individual contribution in both skills and attitude.

I can honestly say that as the rounds ticked over, every single player improved on both focus points and more.

Each of the boys brought their best self to each game and together performed at high levels on the field. They really seemed to understand the message that we can't influence every part of the game and we can influence how we contribute to it.

Results wise, the season was fairly split with wins and losses. The losses were always close and we never let the game get away from us.

I think if this team moves up next year as a group and has the right coaching, they will be quite successful.

Simon Jones – Coach

Under 11 Red Division – Wayne Walsh PREMIERS 2022

We entered preseason training with a level of hope and expectation we would be playing a full season of football. With the interruptions of the previous two years, you could sense a need for community sport to be return. Our main message for season 2022 was to be focussed on the importance of “team “and what we can achieve together.

Pre-season provided us with the opportunity to understand where our skills where at and what we needed to work on. Improvement comes from continuing to practise and we had 26 eager and willing players. Football players want to learn and get better, and I often refer to them as sponges, so us coaches needed to provide an environment where training was specific to areas needed to improve whilst being enjoyable.

Leading into the season I wasn't sure how we would progress. Our first couple of games were tough but we remained confident with our team. After the conclusion of grading, we landed in “Red “division which I believe was appropriate for this group. A couple of wins to start the regular season and then a sudden reality check at home saw our first loss. Round 5 saw us travel to Wallan and I believe the turning point in our season. Being 4 goals down at quarter time with the usual Wallan wind blowing, we urged the boys to gradually peg back the lead quarter by quarter. We hit the lead with a couple of minutes remaining and this experience of coming from well back I believe instilled a great amount of confidence within the team.

We managed to win all our remaining games to finish minor premiers thus ensuring a double chance in the finals. Many lessons have been learnt this season and the finals series provided another platform to learn. Our team took on board the learnings of mountain climbers at the famous “Hillary Step” on the way to the summit at Mt Everest, learning that we need to remain focussed on what was in front of us, don't look to far ahead and never look back. As I'm sure many coaches stress, if we play close to our best and give 100% effort the scoreboard will look after itself.

So, with all our learnings throughout the season, 100% effort from all players and a “team “first attitude we managed to win our semi-final against Research by 5 points and ultimately going on the win the grand final against Eltham by 7 points. To see the joy and elation on the players faces is something that will be etched in my memory for ever. This team deserve all the accolades and credit that comes as they worked extremely hard to make the necessary improvements to become a premiership “team “in season 2022.

This season has been a great team effort by everyone involved. Thank you to our team manger Carly for being the backbone of our group, your commitment to this role allows us to focus on our team. Also, Jacinta Middleton stepped in on various occasions to assist with the team manger role, thank you Jacinta. My assistant coach Adrian, you are a great support to me and your engagement with forming relationships with all players shows the care you have. Our runner Aaron was a great voice to be delivering messages and was a great help out on the training track who also forged great relationships with our players. When I agreed to take on the role as coach, I knew I needed a great team around me, thank you all for your support.

To all our parents, thank you for allowing us to coach your children. You should all be proud of their efforts this year. I know speaking on behalf of the coaching group we appreciate the respect they show towards us, we have had 26 individuals that have come together to form a team, a premiership team.

Thank you to Teddy, Executive and committee for providing our children the platform to play our great game, we are blessed to be involved with the best club in the NFNL.

All Me Life

Wombat – Coach

Under 12 Green Blue Division – Paul Sigley RUNNERS UP 2022

After finishing the 2021 season in such a promising way, the boys started off the year looking keen to improve and grow their skills. With the result of 2021 plus the obvious improvement in all the boys we were graded up from Green to Red.

The boys started off the season with some new additions to the team, Max, Campbell, Charlie and Archer this brought our team up to 25.

We continued on with our coaching team, Coach Paul Sigley, Assistant coach John Naish and Team Manager Ben Graham.

We lost the first grading game to Laurimar which was the result of not having some players available.

After the first game the team really clicked together and enjoyed playing together and enjoyed wins for the next 10 games. The next two games were lost by small margins and a win in the final round to finish on top of the ladder.

The first final was played against South Morang and was won convincingly, and every player put in a tremendous effort to get this win, straight into the Grand Final.

The Grand Final was played against Mernda at Hurstbridge which we knew would be a hard-fought contest and they did a fantastic effort but the slow start in the first qtr resulting in Mernda getting three goals ended being too hard to match, and we went down by 5 points.

An absolute highlight of 2022 was the team travelling into Etihad Stadium to play at half time against Kilmore.

Best player in the Grand Final		Noah Lanyon
Best and Fairest	1 st	Taj Sigley
	2 nd	Noah Lanyon
	3 rd	William Naish
Most improved		Charlie Nagy
Most determined		Henry Brett
Coaches award		Ben Mason
		James Georgeson

Thank-you, to all the boys and their families for making coaching such a great experience.

Paul Sigley – Coach

Under 12 White Red Division – Paul Hattenfels RUNNERS UP 2022

We were hampered a little bit early, with lack of access to the grounds for training, preventing training from commencing until well into 2022. Once we started we worked hard on fitness, along with skill development and building on our previously embedded game plans.

After registration day we had 20 confirmed players, with a further 2 joining as the season commenced. Of the 22 listed players, 17 had previously played with us in the Covid interrupted Under 10 and 11 teams.

Unfortunately, we were only afforded the opportunity to play one practice match however, based on previous learnings we knew where the boys played their best footy and those with greater ability to play several positions.

At the start of the season we reinforced our standards with an emphasis placed on always providing effort. The season started well with some impressive games and wins and this trend continued for the whole season. There was only one game during the season that was disappointing leading to a loss. On reflection, this performance was attributed to injuries and illness.

By about the half way mark of the season most of the players were settled in positions, with the backline being a highlight, regularly preventing the opposition from having any impact on the scoreboard.

We finished the season in 2nd position, only missing out on top spot by percentage.

Once the finals commenced the boys continued to give great effort, battling their way to the grand final.

On the big day the boys worked really hard but unfortunately, just couldn't get the score on the board, although they had much more of the play than the opposition.

I would assess the season as being successful. We ticked the boxes of development, discipline, leadership, effort and fun. As the year progressed it was clearly evident that ball movement and game sense led to game on game improvement.

Thanks to;

Team Manager, Kylie Campbell, for all the hard work and time she has put in over the past 3 years. We don't get on the park without her.

Assistant coach Daniel Keenan (Bomber) who has provided significant assistance with all aspects of coaching.

Line coaches Ross Campbell (defence) and Matt Pascoe (forward / runner).

Grant Bonazza for assisting with individual players during training and all parents who assisted in the many roles required to allow the boys to play.

Dean Barber for keeping James Campbell entertained during each training run.

I hope everyone is looking forward to 2023 and further development.

Thanks,

PH – Coach

Under 13 Green Division – Marc Vangelista PREMIERS 2022

Wow, what a season! Coming in with a philosophy built around ‘team’, I wanted to give the group ownership of themselves and each other. Our Leadership group in the form of a Captain (Tyler) and Vice-Captain (Matt) was formed, set positions were structured and set, and generally some new roles and rules were laid down. We wanted this year to still be about development, but also start to set and create a game style of our own.

A few losses throughout the grading period saw us remain in Green division, the same as the previous year. We believed that we could have been competitive in Red, although for the development of the team, we believe that slower progression up through the divisions was beneficial as well.

We had a few new inclusions into the team this year as well - Marcus T, Zach and Henry all taller players with great skills.

We had new opposition sides to contest, some have been moved from Red division, and with a game style the team was trying to grasp we knew that we would have to work hard. Week after week we were winning games. Our positioning across the ground, albeit for a few changes here and there was working well, and the boys were holding each other accountable. Our confidence grew, we were humble winners and it was nice to have so much positive feedback from opposition coaches about how well drilled and skilled our team was.

Minor mishaps late in the season (due to last quarter fade outs – and maybe a touch of arrogance) had us win a couple of games by the smallest of margins. It may or may not have been what we needed, but we took a lot away from those games and made us even hungrier for the remainder of the season.

The semi-final against our most competitive opposition side in Hurstbridge, had us blow them away. We played a complete team game and they couldn’t get close to us. It was now down to either Hurstbridge or West Ivanhoe to face us in the Grand Final.

We ended up playing West Ivanhoe. We really stepped it up a notch or two, not giving West Ivanhoe a sniff and got the ultimate reward with a Premiership.

This season couldn’t have run without the help of many people. My two Assistant Coaches, Dean Eldridge and Stuart Lavender. We had started planning the season not long after my appointment in late 2021. We had a clear goal from the beginning and had a really great understanding of what we wanted to achieve. I couldn’t have done it without the support and backing of them both and it was very much appreciated. Jarrod Halley, our runner and ultimately our 4th Coach has brought lots of football knowledge to the team and has done great work with the mid field group. Our wonderful Team Manager, Jacinta Elliot. The team couldn’t have done it without her holding it all together and keeping us in line. The amount of work behind the scenes Jacinta did, didn’t go unnoticed and will always be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all the other parents who assisted with game day roles, help and support at training, team functions and general support of the team, it was great to have them on board this season.

Although we have done a fantastic job this year it is important to remember that we will need to be every bit as good next year, and we have learned some valuable lessons along the way. One of the great things about this game is that there is always room for improvement, we can all do something a little better. When we all do that, the results can be amazing and if there is one thing I know about each and every one of the boys, is that there isn’t anyone who wouldn’t give his all for the team.

There is a saying 'it matters not if you win or lose, it's how you play the game', and it has been an honour and a privilege to be associated with a group of people who play the game so well.

Marc Vangelista – Coach

All My Life

Under 14 Red Division – Matt Bell

Season 2022 delivered our group their first taste of finals footy. Delivering the elation of winning an elimination final, before the disappointment of being knocked out the preliminary final. We got so close!

It was fantastic to have an uninterrupted season after the previous 2 seasons being write-offs. Over the preseason, the Under 14 we're lucky to have welcomed new players (& families) in Jordan Long, Tom Raymond, Lacho Zinga, Jamo Bowen, Cian Doherty, Judd Denman & Sammual Illingworth.

The season was a roller coaster, with our team building momentum through the first half of the season before suffering 4 consecutive losses. Credit to the group who climbed out of the rut and found form again heading into finals.

Whilst disappointed to be knocked out in the preliminary final, we can only view this season as a success. The individual and group improvement was amazing through the season, I hope this continues on into season 2023!

It was fantastic to see league recognition for some of the group. Congratulations to the players who made the U14 NFNL Rep Teams:

- Jamison Leeson
- Banjo Walsh
- Ashton Flottl
- James Harding

Congratulations must also go to Banjo Walsh (2nd) and Jamison Leeson (4th) for their results in the League Best & Fairest.

Thank-you to Team Manager Jade Cameron, and Assistant Coaches Brett Cook & Matt Munding.

Matt Bell – Coach

Under 16 Red Division – Coach: Daniel Tramontana

Coaching the Greensborough under 16s was a great privilege for me personally. The season was indeed an interesting one.

The start of the year saw the team working really hard to find their feet. To better understand each other. Their strengths. Their weaknesses. Really impressive was the player's commitment to learning and bettering themselves. Some players were placed in positions that were new to them. Others had the opportunity to further own the positions they played for many years.

It was amazing to see the progress of the team from the beginning of the season to the end of the season. The last 3 games displayed not only our progress but the level of depth and potential within the group. Teams that early on beat us by significant margins by year-end just made it over the line. We were able to do this by working better as a team and following structured plays that proved to make a significant difference.

Personally, while the players did develop their football skills, it was their personal development that for me was the highlight. At the start of the year, a mandate was put before them. To become better men before better footballers. They were to do this by showing respect, being responsible and by keeping things real. The boys did this to the best of their ability and I have seen a marked difference in many facets of their individual lives and also in their football. Well done to all involved. I am super proud of you.

The boys have an amazing future to look forward to. One that I believe includes significant success both on the field and off the field.

Finally, the season would not have been possible without the tremendous support of Kon (Assistant Coach) and Helen (Team Manager). Their sacrifice and commitment to the club and the boys is outstanding. Thank you.

Under 17 Red Division – Coach: Scott Bennett PREMIERS 2022

Our 2022 campaign began late last year with a great preseason with a focus on getting the boys fitness to a stage where they could run out 4 quarters. After a very successful preseason we saw ourselves getting ready for our first grading game against Laurimar which saw us defeated by a large margin, this game helped us identify the holes in our game and gave us the opportunity to get better. Our second grading game was against Montmorency, a side that had been middle of the pack in red division in the previous season. As expected, we walked away comfortable 62-point winners. Grading game three saw us play Eltham, a team that had been up the top of red division in the previous season and it was a great sign for the team when we walked away 66-point winners. Our fourth and final grading game was against Diamond Creek with the expectation that whoever won was going into blue division. Unfortunately, our boys couldn't get the job done at Diamond Creek's massive oval and we left as 19-point losers.

The season had then taken an unexpected change as we were placed in red division. There was a lot of discussion around what division we truly deserved to be in but at the end of the day red division is where we would call home for the 2022 season.

The boys went through the regular season enjoying their footy and playing with dominance winning 8 of their 10 games with both losses coming at the hands of West Preston-Lakeside. We knew we were in for a battle when it came to finals time.

Our first final was against our rival for the year in West Preston-Lakeside. Although we lost our last game of the season against this team, we identified their key players and used the loss to strategize and game plan for the first round of finals. The boys dug deep, and we earned ourselves a week off with a 23-point win.

The day had arrived, our season came down to one last game against West Preston-Lakeside. This was our third time playing them in the four weeks and we had a really good understanding of their game plan and the players who could hurt us most. To the credit of the boys, they fought hard the entire game and put together the 4-quarter effort that we made a point of emphasis all year. To the delight of the boys, the fans, the parents and the coaching staff we ran away to win the Grand Final by 20 points. What a fantastic effort by the boys and it was amazing see the elation on the boys faces when the siren sounded and our year of hard work had finally paid off.

What a great season! I am sure that everyone who watched/was involved will never forget this magnificent season.

Thank you for an amazing season, it has been a pleasure.

Scott Bennett – Coach



17. Club Theme Song

All my life I wanted to be a Boro Boy / Girl

A Boro boy I always wanted to be.

We are the premiers of the

Northern Football League,

The best team,

The top team,

We really are the side.

We do our best to show the rest ability,

We make the ball the object every time,

And if you want to mix it,

We've got the boys / Girls to fix it.

We are the mighty Boro every time.

UP THE BORO!