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MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CLUB, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT - SEASON 2021

(Incorporating Financial Report for the Year ended 31st October, 2021)



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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your committee members submit the financial report of Melbourne University Football Club Inc. for the financial year ended 31 October 2021.

Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

M.U.F.C.

Andrew Donald - President
Leah Caluzzi - General Secretary
Stephen Longley – Treasurer and Public Officer
Madeleine Sheedy – President, MUWFC
Nicholas Carah – President, Blacks
Timothy Rourke – President, Blues
John Carmody (Immediate Past President)
Simon Costello
Robert Hanna
Peter Huntington
Laura Kane
Claudia Nguyen
Christopher Reid
David Phefley
Donald Sahlstrom

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were the provision of sporting and recreational services, including the trading of club merchandise.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The profit/(loss) from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to \$55,043 (FY21 \$96,830).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Donald', written over a dotted line.

Andrew Donald

President

Dated this 22nd day of May 2022



PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2021

The MUFC is an incorporated association, is an affiliated club of the Melbourne University Sports Association, operates under the auspices of Melbourne University Sport within the University of Melbourne and proudly wears the colours of the University's sporting teams, black and royal blue. The activities of the MUFC are founded upon meticulous planning, thorough preparation and the ethos of hard work.

The Club (which was formed in 1859 and only six years after the establishment of the University) is an Australian Rules football club engaged in competitive sport, has participated in the Victorian Football League (now the Australian Football League), and, in 2021, participated in the Victorian Amateur Football Association. The affairs of the Club are regulated by the Rules of the MUFC. A Board of Management (of fifteen and, by convention, five from each of the MUWFC, Blues and Blacks) is responsible for the management of the affairs of the Club.

For one hundred years, the Club has been represented in men's football by University Blacks and University Blues, sometimes quarrelling but always brothers in the Pavilion one standing to the equal of the other regardless of the grade or division in which they play. For twenty-five years, the University has been represented in women's football by the Melbourne University Women's Football Club (formed in 1996) which now exists as a standing committee of the Club. For almost forty years, the Club was represented with distinction by University Reds now Fitzroy. The MUFC has a long tradition of providing most of the players who represent the University in inter-varsity football.

As with the 2020 season, history will record that the COVID-19 worldwide pandemic compromised the 2021 VAFA football season with the full season not being played. No finals were played in men's football with the season cancelled and one round of finals were played in women's football. Despite that the MUWFC Senior Grade team won their second-semi final by forty points and will play in Premier Women's Division in 2022, they were not actually promoted but will form part of an expanded Premier Women's Division in 2022. Despite that after fourteen rounds (eleven matches played with three rounds cancelled), Blacks were on top of the Premier B ladder a game and percentage clear, they were not promoted and will play in Premier B Division in 2022.

On 31st March 2021, the University played Monash University in the "Big Blue" winning comfortably with our men winning 5.6.36 to 1.5.11 and our women winning 10.10.70 to 1.5.11. We look forward to more intervarsity matches during 2022.

For the purpose of remembrance and in appreciation of all the men and women of the University who served Australia in wartime and as a whole of football club event, on Anzac Day, 2021, the MUWFC hosted Beaumaris in an Anzac Commemorative Match at the University Oval (especially commemorating the contribution of women) with Blues hosting the Old Melburnians the day before.

On 2nd May, 2021 the MUWFC played a "Pride Match" against Fitzroy. A most successful and well-attended luncheon organised jointly by the MUWFC and Fitzroy was held in the Pavilion before the match and a panel engaged in thoughtful discussion convened by life member, Chyloe Kurdas.



The MUFC has a long history of engaging players from the city, the country, interstate students, graduates and the occasional international student seeking to experience our unique game. We provide an important opportunity for students from the country or city to integrate into the life of the University of Melbourne. The MUFC provides an opportunity for all levels of skills and enthusiasm to combine athletic endeavour with study or post-university work. The connections players make at MUFC extend into career advancement well past her or his playing days.

In 2021, the MUWFC fielded three senior teams in the Association. I congratulate the Senior, Reserve and Third XVIII Grades on finishing the season as minor premiers collectively winning twenty-six games from twenty-nine attempts and winning second semi-finals in the Senior and Reserve Grades.

Whilst Blues and Blacks are fierce rivals, recent years have seen co-operation and co-ordination between the two “tribes” over ground and asset management together with scheduling of games. This has been greatly assisted by the MUWFC who continue to develop strong relations with each of Blacks and Blues.

In 2021, Blues fielded Senior, Reserve Grade, Under 23 and Under 19 grade teams. No finals were played.

In 2021, Blacks fielded Senior, Reserve, Third XVIII (known as “the Phoenix”) and Under 19 Grade teams. No finals were played.

MUFC teams performed as follows:

Blues	VAFA	Premier A	5 th
MUWFC	VAFA	Premier B	1 st
Blacks	VAFA	Premier B	1 st
Blues	VAFA	Premier A Reserves	8 th
MUWFC	VAFA	Premier B Reserves	1 st
Blacks	VAFA	Premier B Reserves	2 nd
Blacks	VAFA	Premier Third XVIII	5 th
MUWFC	VAFA	Premier B Third XVIII	1 st
Blues	VAFA	Premier Under 23	7 th
Blacks	VAFA	Division 2 Under 19	7 th
Blues	VAFA	Division 2 Under 19	2 nd

The MUFC has a constant source of young talented footballers from its Under 19’s teams. Thanks to (life members) Kate Francis and Neil Barker (MUWFC, the thirds, in a developmental sense having many first time and developing players), (Blacks) Steve Boakes, Danile McDonald and (life member) Bob Girdwood (Blues, the Under 23’s also being, in part, a de facto developmental team) for their management, coaching and guidance of the Under 19 players who represented the MUFC. The role of coach junior University teams is arduous and time-consuming and our younger players have been the fortunate beneficiaries the hard work, mentoring and leadership of our coaches.



I congratulate Jack Stephens and Kieran Harper upon their selection in the men's VAFA Premier Team of the Year.

I congratulate Eve Sheehan, Frances Walsh, Asha Price, Lucy Watkin and Millie Shone upon their selection in the women's VAFA Premier B Team of the Year. I congratulate Erini Gianakopoulos and Martha Cantwell upon their appointment as coaches of the women's VAFA Premier B Team of the Year.

I congratulate Josh Steadman (Vice-Captain) Jack Charleston, Matt Dea, Campbell Moorfield and James Sansom upon their selection in the men's VAFA Premier B Team of the Year. I congratulate Dale Bower on his appointment as coach of the men's VAFA Premier B Team of the Year. I thank the senior captains, Stephanie Comelli (MUWFC), Ayce Cordy (Blues) and Joshua Steadman & Jordan Quaile (Blacks) for their strong on and off-field leadership. The MUFC is indeed fortunate to have leaders of the calibre of Steph, Ayce, Josh and Jordan.

The MUFC congratulates all award winners for 2021 (whose awards were richly deserved) the major of which were:

Blacks:	Cordner Medal (Best & Fairest)	Jack Charleston
	Brendan Keilar Medal	Jordan Quaile
Blues:	McLeod Trophy (Best & Fairest)	Jack Stephens
	Chris Brown Trophy	Jim Hayes
MUWFC:	Michelle Dench Medal (Best & Fairest)	Eve Sheehan
	Mary Cenacchi Award	Vanessa Lewicki

I thank the committees of the MUWFC, Blues and Blacks for their hard work during the year. The day-to-day operations of the respective teams require much effort, hard work and dedication. The respective committees have performed their tasks very well. In particular I thank Maddie Sheedy (MUWFC president), Nick Carah (Blacks' president) and Tim Rourke (Blues' president) for their active participation in co-operative co-ordination to achieve the best for Blues, the MUWFC and Blacks I also thank the operations managers at the MUWFC (Vanessa Lewicki), Blues (David Phefley) and Blacks (Jeremy Hua) whose significant and tireless efforts keep the wheels of football at the University turning.

An especial shout-out to Nick Carah who is stepping down as Blacks' president after a number of years of outstanding service (which is not the first time such service has been given). It is not overstating the matter to say that Nick (who is a life member of the MUFC and a personal friend) is held in the highest esteem not only at Blacks but across all three clubs of the MUFC and in the VAFA generally. I welcome new president, Patrick Barry, to the rôle and wish him well.

The numerous contributors to the life, times and prosperity of the MUFC reflect our core beliefs of leadership, responsibility, contribution, cohesion and teamwork whilst making the MUFC a happy and supportive place in which to be involved with football.



I thank Melbourne University Sport with whom the MUFC works in close collaboration in setting the agenda and implementing our programmes for the advancement of Australian Rules football at the University without whose considerable efforts we would simply not function. Likewise, I thank the City of Melbourne and the Victorian Amateur Football Association.

I thank Peter Selleck for continuing to maintain the MUFC website which in the 2021 calendar year received 5,551 unique visits. The Annual Report of the MUFC is published on our website and forms the historical record of the affairs of the MUFC and our three constituent clubs for the year in question.

The fact that MUFC life members Gillon McLachlan, Stephen Meade, Laura Kane and Grant Williams hold senior positions within the Australian Football League is good evidence of the significant contribution the MUFC makes to Australian Rules football throughout the nation.

Finally, I thank the members of the Board for their work, advice and wisdom over the last year. In particular I express my gratitude to Leah Caluzzi and Stephen Longley for their unheralded, thorough and responsible work as General Secretary and Treasurer/Public Officer respectively.

The Board regards it as a privilege to be charged with the responsibility for the overall management and operation of the Melbourne University Football Club.

Andrew Donald
President – Melbourne University Football Club



INCOME STATEMENT

For the year ended 31 October 2021

	Notes	2021	2020
		\$	\$
Income	2	426,349	247,729
Employee Expenses		196,436	51,872
Sporting Equipment		12,501	11,365
Merchandise		20,655	20,356
Affiliation Fees		55,521	26,973
Canteen, Bar & Functions		20,269	16,261
Health Expenses		12,379	5,355
Administration Expenses		20,622	7,700
Other expenses from continuing activities		32,924	11,019
		371,306	150,889
Net Profit/(Loss)		55,043	96,830

The above Income Statement should be read in
conjunction with the accompanying notes.



BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 October 2021

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	315,438	247,862
Debtors	4	1,700	15,000
Receivable from ATO	4	7,192	4,721
Total current assets		324,329	267,583
Total Assets		324,329	267,583
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Creditors	5	11,468	4,285
Payable to ATO	5	-	879
Total Current Liabilities		11,468	5,164
Total Liabilities		11,468	5,164
Net Assets		312,861	262,418
MEMBERS FUNDS			
Opening Retained Profits		262,418	161,898
Current Year Profit/(Loss)		55,043	96,830
Historical balancing		4,600	3,690
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS		312,861	262,418

The above Balance Sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



STATEMENT OF RECOGNISED INCOME AND EXPENSE
For the year ended 31 October 2021

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year		262,418	161,898
Profit/(Loss) for the year		55,043	96,830
Historical balancing		4,600	3,690
Total equity at the end of the financial year		312,861	262,418

The above Statement of Recognised Income and Expenditure should be read in
conjunction with the accompanying notes.



CASH FLOW STATEMENT
For the year ended 31 October 2021

	<i>Notes</i>	2021	2020
		\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		430,350	206,260
Payments to suppliers and employees (incl GST)		(366,473)	(141,703)
Other Income received		3,699	26,145
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	6	67,576	90,701
Cash flows from investing activities			
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		-	-
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		247,862	157,161
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	3	315,438	247,862

The above cash flow statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 31 October 2021

1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Victoria. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Victoria and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements

AASB 107: Cash Flow Statements

AASB 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors

AASB 1048: Interpretation of Standards

AASB 1054: Australian Additional Disclosures

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The incorporated association has adopted all the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(a) Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Amounts disclosed as trade revenue are net of any returns or trade allowances.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(b) Inventory

Inventories purchased for sale in the current year, including merchandise and sporting equipment, are expensed as acquired. Inventories expected to be carried and sold over future years, such as books, are capitalised as acquired.

(c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash includes cash on hand, money market deposits which have a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition, which are readily convertible to cash on hand and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(d) GST

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included with other receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

(e) Basis of the Audit

The Football Clubs that are included in the Financial Report are:

University Blues Football Club
University Blacks Football Club
Melbourne University Women's Football Club



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 October 2021

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
2. REVENUE		
From Continuing Activities:		
Sale/(Loss) on Merchandise	18,153	7,282
Donations and Fundraisers	121,721	29,901
Bar, Canteen and Functions	43,276	13,312
Sponsorships & Memberships	175,847	74,035
Affiliation Fees and Membership	63,653	96,181
Other Revenue	3,699	27,019
Total Revenue	<u>426,349</u>	<u>247,729</u>
3. CURRENT ASSETS – Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank and on hand	315,438	247,862
	<u>315,438</u>	<u>247,862</u>
4. CURRENT ASSETS – Debtors		
Accounts Receivables	1,700	15,000
PAYG Withholding Receivable	7,192	4,721
	<u>8,891</u>	<u>19,721</u>



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 October 2021

5. CURRENT LIABILITIES – Payables

Creditors	11,468	4,285
GST Payable	-	879
Total Other Payables	<u>11,468</u>	<u>5,164</u>

6. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX TO NET CASH IN FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Operating profit/(loss) after income tax	65,808	96,830
Non-cash items	(6,458)	-
Increase/(Decrease) in Receivables	13,300	(5,325)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accruals and payables	7,183	(2,695)
Increase/(Decrease) in GST payable	(1,592)	1891
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	<u>67,576</u>	<u>90,700</u>



COMMITTEE'S DECLARATION

In accordance with a resolution of the Committee of the Melbourne University Football Club Inc, we state that in the opinion of the Committee:

- The Association is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. Accordingly, as described in note 1 to the financial statements, that attached special purpose financial statements have been prepared for the purposes of complying with financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Victoria requirements to prepare and distribute financial statements to members;
- The attached financial statements comply with financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Victoria and the Accounting Standards as described in note 1 to the financial statements;
- The attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the Company's financial position at 31 October 2021 and of their performance for the financial year on that date; and
- There are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become payable and due.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of Members of the Committee.

On behalf of the Members of the Committee

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Stephen Longley
Treasurer

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Andrew Donald
President

20 May 2022

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT To the Members of Melbourne University Football Club

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Melbourne University Football Club, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 October 2021, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of Melbourne University Football Club as at 31 October 2021, and its performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Committee Member's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Committee Members of the entity are responsible for the preparation of the financial report and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act Victoria* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members.

The Committee Member's responsibility also includes such internal control as the Committee Members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Cash donations, fundraising events and social functions and are a significant source of revenue for the Melbourne University Football Club. The Melbourne University Football Club has determined that it is impracticable to establish control over the collection of these sources of revenue prior to entry into its financial records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to identified sources of voluntary revenue had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. We therefore are unable to express an opinion whether these sources of voluntary revenue the Melbourne University Football Club obtained are complete.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects on the financial report of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Melbourne University Football Club, as of 31 October 2021, and its financial performance, and its cash flows, for the year then ended, in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the directors financial reporting responsibilities. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Committee members, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

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JASON CROALL
Director

Melbourne, VIC
Dated: 1 June 2022



MUWFC PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What a year it has been! Lockdowns, challenges and hiccups aside, we could not be more proud of each and every contributor to the club this year. Although an unfinished season due to COVID-19, it is an incredible achievement to finish with three minor premierships and looking back, we have had many wonderful moments along the way.

We've supported charities and initiatives, including Queerspace, the Breast Cancer Network Australia, Tackle Your Feelings and Thick & Thin. We won 28 out of 32 games across our three teams at the club. We welcomed Dr Sarah Maskell as our Patron and have had support from many members of the broader University of Melbourne community. We held an incredible Pride Celebration with the Fitzroy Football Club, a 25th Anniversary Fun Run, a joint event with each of the University Blues and University Blacks, and casual pub dinners at our sponsor venues along the way. We have seen many returning faces, many new faces, some wonderful milestones, and various individual and team achievements.

All of this would not be possible without the many people and organisations that create our club community:

Thanks to the MUFC Board, led by Andrew Donald, whose advocacy has supported us in some of the most challenging moments of the year. We are thrilled to be on a path to strengthening our bond with the University Blues and University Blacks, and particularly thank the work and guidance of David Phefley, Zach Harris, Nick Carah, Tim Rourke and Leah Caluzzi. I would also like to thank departing MUWFC Board Representative, Laura Kane for her ongoing support of the club, and make special mention to outgoing University Blacks President, Nick Carah, for his guidance.

Our thanks to Melbourne University Sport; we are incredibly privileged to have access to such high quality facilities and support through the University, and are looking forward to more chances for MUWFC to support intervarsity and college based competition in 2022.

To our lovely Halo Club members and generous donors through various fundraisers and initiatives, thank you for your incredible support in what we know was another challenging year. Thank you to our Life Members, many of whom joined us for the few 25th Anniversary events we were able to have this year. Although we had intended for a few more, it was wonderful for our current club members to gain a great appreciation of who came before them and what has been achieved since 1996.



To our wonderful sponsors and partners, The Clyde, Australian Venue Company, Partners Wealth Group, Nelson Alexander, ReWine and Moon Dog. It is with your support that we can continue to provide such excellent opportunities for women and gender diverse individuals who are part of our club.

A great deal of thanks goes to the cogs behind the scenes, the committee. Thank you for all your efforts in what was another challenging year. Only you each know the amount of work that went into what was achieved this year, and you should be so proud.

To the coaches, we are so grateful for your commitment, guidance and wisdom. To our High Performance Partner Motus Life, how lucky are we to have such a skilled team to work with! Thank you for your ongoing support. To our many game day volunteers, including our Team Managers, thank you for the many hours you give for us to be able to take to the field.

Finally, thank you to our players. It is a privilege to play alongside such a wonderful group of individuals. Each player wears the Black and Blue with pride and brings so much to the club, whether that's checking in with a mate, running water for another team, or picking a teammate up on the field. We can't wait to see you all back out there in 2022.

Madeleine Sheedy
President – Melbourne University Women's Football Club



MUFC Life Members

2005 Lucinda Puls

2006 Bronwyn McGorlick, Penelope Green

2007 Chyloe Kurdas

2010 Jess Egan

2014 Kate Francis

2016 Neil Barker

2017 Laura Kane, Bridget Barker

2021 Match Results (All MUWFC results noted first)

	Seniors	Reserves	Opposition	Thirds	Opposition
Round 1	W: 4.10.34 to 4.3.27	W: 3.7.25 to 3.0.18	Monash Blues	BYE	
Round 2	L: 3.6.24 to 7.5.47	W: 8.8.56 to 2.5.17	Old Geelong	W: 10.11.71 to 0.0.0	St Mary's Salesian
Round 3	W: 6.10.46 to 4.1.25	W: 8.15.63 to 1.0.6	Beaumaris	L: 2.3.15 to 5.8.38	St Kevin's
Round 4	W: 8.5.53 to 2.2.14	W: 7.15.56 to 0.1.1	Fitzroy	W: 10.12.75 to 0.0.0	Monash Blues
Round 5	W: 5.6.36 to 0.6.6	W: 5.7.37 to 1.4.10	Collegians	W: 8.10.58 to 0.0.0	West Brunswick
Round 6	W: 7.10.52 to 0.0.0	W: 10.17.77 to 0.0.0	Yarra Old Grammarians	L: 0.0.0 to 6.5.41	Old Scotch
Round 7	W: 6.8.44 to 0.3.3	W: 3.8.26 to 0.0.0	Old Camberwell	W: 13.15.93 to 0.1.1	St Mary's Salesian



Round 8	ROUND CANCELLED (COVID-19 LOCKDOWN)				
Round 9	ROUND CANCELLED (COVID-19 LOCKDOWN)				
Round 10	W: 4.11.35 to 1.6.12	W: 5.5.35 to 4.3.27	Collegians	W: 4.9.33 to 2.2.14	Monash Blues
Round 11	W: 5.4.34 to 3.3.21	W: 6.9.45 to 3.0.18	Monash Blues	W: 8.10.58 to 0.0.0	St Mary's Salesian
Round 12	W: 6.4.40 to 3.2.20	W: 4.9.33 to 0.2.2	Old Camberwell	W: 2.3.15 to 0.1.1	West Brunswick
Round 13	ROUND CANCELLED (COVID-19 LOCKDOWN)				
Round 14	ROUND CANCELLED (COVID-19 LOCKDOWN)				
Semi Finals	W: 8.1.49 to 1.3.9	W: 3.4.22 to 1.2.8	Old Geelong	L: 1.1.7 to 2.2.4	St Kevin's
Preliminary Finals	ROUND CANCELLED (COVID-19 LOCKDOWN)				
Grand Final	ROUND CANCELLED (COVID-19 LOCKDOWN)				



Secretary Report - Claudia Nguyen

The committee met a total of nine times (roughly every month starting in November 2020). We thank our players, community members, and committee members for staying connected to the Club through our online events and social media platforms. Fingers crossed that 2022 kicks off with good news with our teams being back on the field!

2021 Club Captain

Steph Comelli

2021 Coaches & Staff

Head of Coaching / Seniors Co-Coach:	Erini Gianakopoulos
Seniors Co-Coach:	Martha Cantwell
Reserves Coach:	Chris Spindler
Reserves Assistant Coach:	Alistair Hardie
Thirds Co-Coaches:	Kate Francis and Neil Barker
Thirds Assistant Coach:	Alysia Turnbull
Thirds Developing Coach:	Aaron King
Club Support Officer:	Caitlin Rea

2021 Motus Life Staff

Head of High Performance:	Michelle Andrews
Lead Trainer:	Teghan Kerr
Trainer:	Jordon Smith
Trainer:	Liam Heilberg
Lead Strength and Conditioning Coach:	Abbey Watts
Strength and Conditioning Coach:	Nathan Smarrelli

2021 Team Managers

Seniors:	Isabelle Slavin
Reserves:	Jessica Aldridge
Thirds:	Steffi Tan



2021 Committee

President:	Maddie Sheedy	(MUFC Board Member)
Secretary:	Claudia Nguyen	(MUFC Board Member)
Treasurer:	Donald Sahlstrom	(MUFC Board Member)
Immediate Past President:	Laura Kane	(MUFC Board Member)
Immediate Past Secretary:	Leah Caluzzi	(MUFC Board Member – General Secretary)
Communications Coordinators:	Yve Clerehan Tyndall, Daisy Nitsch	
Events Coordinators:	Femke Russell, Jacinta Bowler	
Merchandise Coordinators:	Terri O'Reilly, Tori Hamilton and Vanessa Antas	
MUFC Coordinator:	Ruby Hoole	
Football Operations Coordinator:	Vanessa Lewicki	
Match Day Operations:	Maddy Noack	
Sponsorship Coordinator:	Jennifer Gome and Samantha Marshall (resigned Feb 2021)	
Welcome Coordinator:	Samantha Bayley	
COVID-19 Safety Officer:	Jess Kay	
General Committee:	Alysia Turnbull and Aaron King (resigned: appt to coaching panel)	

Committee Reports

Communications Report - Yve Clerehan Tyndall and Daisy Nitsch

External club communications this year could be broken into three main categories - social media (Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn, which was a new addition to the club's profiles in 2021); the newly created and distributed newsletter; and the club website.

Social media was able to be utilised in a more structured way this year, as there were (generally) weekly games that posts could be planned and posted around each week. Early each week, this included a look at the following weekend's games, while the day or two after games focused on results and photos from that weekend. Social media was also used to highlight our sponsors, both during and at the conclusion of the season, our events throughout the year including our 25th Year Fun Run, Season Launch and Pride Round, and simply to keep us all connected each time lockdown reared its unwanted head. We also added Reels to our Instagram repertoire this year, beginning with a reminder to be COVID-safe when training resumed back in January.



The MUWFC newsletter was re-introduced this year after a few years' hiatus - to great reception according to the end-of-season survey. Each instalment included a wrap-up of the week's games, photos from that round, and an article (or two) about something exciting or special involving the club, whether that be a feature on one of our events or a Rising Star nomination to celebrate.

This year the club website hosted many articles, notably coach introductions, general club announcements, sponsor features, and player, volunteer and committee profiles. We also published a series of profiles on our female coaches in honour of the inaugural Women's Coaching Month in July. It was also used successfully for most, if not all, finances, including player registration, uniforms and merchandise, and event tickets.

The website and social media also became important platforms for our eventually successful bid for a TAC grant, for which we were able to show our club's commitment to road safety in various ways.

Looking to next year, graphics styles and parameters should be agreed upon to ensure branding is professional, uniform and recognisable across both social media and the website. For smooth running of the newsletter, team managers could be utilised to select a player from their team each week to send over dot points after their games, to then be written up as a match report. The use of a newsletter builder could also be considered. With the website receiving a revamp at the start of 2020, it could be a good chance to have a little clean up again in the off-season, make sure all pages are optimal and also test all pages of the mobile website.

Events Report - Femke Russell and Jacinta Bowler

Coming out of COVID-19 restrictions, we started the preseason with small events that could be done outdoors, such as a picnic, lawn bowls and a fun run. The first two events had small crowds but the events were quite enjoyable (and low effort). The fun run however was a highly successful day and required quite a bit more coordination to organise. This was also part of our 25th year strategy, and many of the past players came out to run or watch on the day, which was a fabulous outcome.

The season launch was held at The Clyde, and the event was packed to the gills. For the ticket price (\$25) each person was given a drink token and food provided. For next year, we recommend that we cater for the masses (and get the food out earlier) and provide both cash and card payment options on the night. It was a really lovely night - certificates and jumpers were given out to each player with much anticipation brewing for the season ahead, and everyone had a good time.

Throughout the season we had the Pride Game with Fitzroy, the MUFC Festival of Football and a number of smaller events such as the Moon Dog Catch Up and the virtual fun run as a way of connecting while in lockdown. All of those were highly successful - however it is recommended that we do more joint initiatives between MUFC to allow the players to mingle.

We faced some challenges throughout the season with organising events, as Friday night wasn't usually an option with training, and Saturday nights were frequently the night before a game for at least one team. The virtual fun run, which was coordinated in response to



lockdown, was an incredible success - a large number of players got involved and really pushed themselves. If more lockdowns occur next year, this is highly recommended. The Strava group is still going on long past the event, and even during lockdown it's been an easy way to bring the community together.

As this was the 25th year of the club, we really wanted to help bring back some of those past players into the fold as halo club members, or general supporters of MUWFC. This was partially achieved, however our Past Player Training Night and Past Players Day were not as successful as we would have liked. Although there was some real interest on the past players page, lockdown had only just lifted and we had quite bad weather on the day of the training night. However, the 25th year Fun Run had many past players, and was a good day out. Including the past players in a few events each year could help them feel a bit more connected to the current players and the club more generally, and should be considered going forward.

Finally, we were incredibly excited to host our Silly Sunday and Presentation Night event in person to celebrate the year, but unfortunately neither were meant to be. Our Club Presentation Night went ahead virtually via Zoom on October 22nd, the day of the end of the 6th lockdown in Melbourne. Although the club could not be altogether in person, it was wonderful to see that many members took the opportunity to gather in small groups in line with restrictions.

We congratulate all award winners:

Club Honours

- Mary Cenacchi Best Club Person Award – Vanessa Lewicki
- Penelope Green Volunteer Excellence Award – Jessica Aldridge

Milestone Games

- 50 Senior Games – Lucy Watkin
- 50 Senior Games – Prudence Cordes

Seniors

- Michelle Dench Medal – Eve Sheehan
- Runner Up Best & Fairest – Tarryn Love
- Leading Goal Kicker – Asha Price
- Player of the Finals – Zoe Allen
- Most Improved – Em Collard
- Coaches Award – Catherine O'Bryan

Reserves

- Best & Fairest – Ruby Woods
- Runner Up Best & Fairest – Hannah Dawes
- Leading Goal Kicker – Jess Kay
- Player of the Finals – Sarah Pearson
- Most Improved – Charmaine Landells
- Coaches Award – Terri O'Reilly



Thirds

- Best & Fairest – Mahalah Mullins
- Runner Up Best & Fairest – Nell Washington
- Leading Goal Kicker – Jazmine Smith
- Player of the Finals – Nell Washington
- Most Improved – Victoria Shi
- Coaches Award – Kate Pannifex

All in all, the events team had a successful year, particularly during the preseason and early in the season. Next year, we should focus on continuing to provide more non-drinking related events, events that are within the budget of university students, and continuing to develop the club culture of 'three teams, one club'.

Merchandise Report - Vanessa Antas, Tori Hamilton and Terri O'Reilly

Although the end of the 2021 season was cut short due to COVID-19, the Merchandise team were able to achieve several key tasks this year. The online sales system continued through the website with the added delivery option for \$12. With the season going ahead, we had the option to hold in person "merch sales days" at home games for events such as Pride Round, where we set up a stall.

New merchandise items included Long Sleeve Tees, Pride Scarves and Socks. In 2021, the club provided each player with a pride jumper for our annual pride round. There was the option to either pay \$70 to keep the jumper or it was to be returned to the club at the end of the match for use and purchase next year. As part of the 25th year celebrations, training tees with a special design and personalised names were included with registration again. A uniform exchange is also being established for players who aren't returning in 2022 to sell their uniforms at a discounted price or full donation to new players.

Recommendations for 2022 include acquiring sample sizes for uniforms to reduce the pressure in getting new players fitted on one training night, keeping all merchandise in one location and establishing a regular night for collection from buyers, set a date to track inventory and deliveries each month, review the cost/environmental impact of including training tees in registration, introduce more items and review pricing/affordability of all products.

MUFC Report - Ruby Hoole

Despite ever-changing COVID-19 restrictions, we were able to hold successful joint events with each of the Uni Blacks and Uni Blues in 2021.

Our first ever event with the Uni Blues was in May, with all Uni Blues and MUWFC teams hosting home games across the Uni Main and Crawford Ovals on the same day. The successful day of football was followed by an iPod shuffle night at the Pavilion, with raffle proceeds going to Breast Cancer Network Australia for their annual Pink Sports Day.

In June, we had our first joint event with the Uni Blacks at our shared sponsor pub, The Clyde. The clubs were split into mixed groups to play some mini games and get to know each other. The night was a great success with many players from both clubs staying past midnight.

We look forward to continuing to grow our social connection with our brother clubs in the years to come. Recommendation for 2022 and beyond is to continue to build our relationships with both clubs by continuing to host joint events and working together around football operations.



Football Operations Report - Vanessa Lewicki, Maddy Noack and Jess Kay

Operating in a COVID-19 environment while aiming to deliver quality football experiences for our community was challenging at times, however it's a testament to the hard work behind the scenes by many that we can reflect on and celebrate the 2021 season.

Our registration numbers soared to over 100 players with around 20 coaches and support staff, including strength and conditioning coaches and sports trainers from our High Performance Partner, Motus Life, on board. We fielded three senior women's teams in the VAFA, including one in the newly formed VAFA Women's Thirds competition.

Much preparation and thought went into navigating the COVID-19 pandemic and what that looked like from a football sense while putting the safety of our community first. From keeping up to date with state government health advice, to check-in points and hand sanitiser, contingency planning and everything in between... thanks to Jess Kay for her work in keeping everyone safe and compliant with the rules. A further thanks to David Phefley and Andrew Donald from MUFC who established the clubs COVID-19 protocols and continued to update these as health advice changed.

We couldn't be any more proud and thankful of our coaches and staff who, across varying stops and restarts, remained flexible in their approach and communications as they delivered a mix of both in person and online training sessions across the year on top of their match day support of all teams.

A huge thanks to all game day volunteers, including our passionate and dedicated trio of Team Managers (Isi Slavin, Steffi Tan and Jessica 'Nana' Aldridge), who have tirelessly supported us to make match days run smoothly with community safety front of mind. The work of Maddy Noack in coordinating these efforts behind the scenes cannot go unnoticed – thank you for giving your time and passion to the role of Match Day Operations. Additional thanks goes to ever-reliable Aaron King, for his presence and unwavering commitment to the club, regularly opening and closing facilities and maintaining our equipment needs alongside his coaching commitments.

We outsourced our home game canteen operations as MUFC collectively to 8 Ounce who were a delight to work with! They even updated their menu based on requests from our supporters and adjusted their stock levels efficiently for our celebrations rounds throughout the season.

Although the COVID-19 pandemic put a halt on our finals campaign, we achieved overwhelming on-field success having finished on top of the ladder across all three teams and were awarded three minor premierships.

Behind the scenes, our relationships went from strength to strength with our fellow MUFC counterparts – thank you to David Phefley (Uni Blues), Zach Harris (Uni Blacks) and Andrew Donald (MUFC President) for passing on their knowledge and expertise in the football operations space and for their collaboration on a number of key items throughout the season.

Planning has already commenced to set ourselves up for a fantastic 2022 campaign!



There continues to be a focus on securing high quality venues, providing opportunities for cross-club connections and celebrations across MUFC, building on our learnings from a COVID-19 perspective, and improving processes to ensure matches run smoothly while delivering the best quality experience for all. We can't wait for what's ahead!

Sponsorship Report - Jennifer Gome

MUWFC is grateful for the contributions and financial support from sponsors, partners, and members of our community in a challenging time for all.

Major sponsors Clyde Hotel, Australian Venue Company (AVC) worked with us throughout the year, hosting functions, and providing discounted food and beverages. We also welcomed the support of Partners Wealth Group as the third major sponsor. We look forward to continuing these partnerships next season.

An increase in Halo Club memberships enabled us to engage with many current, past players, parents and supporters through newsletters and planned functions.

Other 'in-kind' partnerships benefitting the club's cash position included substantially discounted wines from ReWine, beverages and vouchers from Moon Dog, training, discounted services and triage services at Motus Life and food and drink vouchers from AVC. Nelson Alexander has also supported the club for some years with a buyer incentive program, offering a cash benefit back to the club.

Our thanks and appreciation to all of these businesses, and the MUWFC community for investing in our future.

Along with secured grants of \$13,418 of which \$7,000 was granted by the TAC, Sponsorship funds for 2021 were \$20,948. The team will continue to source new opportunities and funds to increase club revenue and partnerships for the 2022 season.

Welcome Coordinator - Samantha Bayley

The 2021 season saw the rolling out of a mentor program. The intention of the program was to pair new club members with returning peer mentors. Mentors were nominated by the coaches with new players opting in as mentees. Unfortunately not all mentors nominated by the coaches were interested in participating and very few players opted into the program. It is the opinion of the welcome coordinator that the program was too formal and this led to players being unwilling to participate.

Player feedback this year and those previous do suggest the need for a welcome program, however the outcome of this year's mentor program suggests that it needs to take a different form. Developing a new program should be a priority of the Communications team moving into 2022.

The other main piece of work undertaken in the Welcome Program in 2021 was the ongoing updating of the player information pack. This pack has been successful in the years since its relaunch and should continue to be updated as required.



BLACKS PRESIDENT'S REPORT

For the Blacks, it was a case of so near yet so far in season 2021. Sitting at 10:1 and a game clear on top of the ladder, the Seniors were poised to give Premier B a genuine shake, when the season went into recess in July and was unfortunately not able to be resumed.

The VAFA determined that a Minor Premiership would be awarded to University Blacks as a result of finishing on top of the home and away season. Whilst certainly not the same as the real thing, Senior Coach, Dale Bower and Captains Josh Steadman and Jordan Quaile are to be congratulated for doing the Club proud and for getting the most we could out of the season.

The VAFA determined that there will be no promotion or relegation following the 2021 season unless either of the bottom two clubs in the grade above request to be relegated. As this was not the case with Premier A Division, the Blacks will be reloading in Premier B in 2022.

The support of the Blacks' community throughout these two incredibly challenging years has been phenomenal. Our valued donors who underwrote the club at a time when no club functions, match day events, afternoons teas and many post matches were held was greatly appreciated.

Our commercial partners and sponsors have been incredibly loyal and supportive to the Blacks often at times when their own businesses have been impacted by the pandemic.

- Bendigo Private Banking Services
- Partners Wealth Group
- Kieser Training
- The Clyde Hotel
- AMA Projects
- PMY Group
- Pac Partners
- Paul Money Partners
- Moama Bowling Club
- ADP Consulting
- Jetty Road Brewers

It would be remiss of me not to highlight the extraordinary efforts put in by our coaches across the 2021 season from the groundhog days of preseason to the depths of winter on a muddy and dimly lit Crawford.

Senior Coach Dale Bower finally had his chance to show what he has capable of on game-day, and did not disappoint. His calm demeanour and trust in his players led the team to a Premier B leading 10-1 record, surely destined for greater things had finals been played. The Seniors were the benchmark in Premier B and will have no other goal in 2022 other than winning the Premiership in B Grade and winning the undisputed right to promotion to A Grade in 2023.

In the VAFA season awards night, the Blacks had 4 players finish in the top 10 for the GT Moore Medal (Premier B League B&F). New recruit Jack Charleston finished equal 10th, whilst



Louis Vescio Matt Dea and co-captain Josh Steadman all finished equal 6th. Congratulations to these lads.

In the Reserves, veteran Blacker Rob Paterson was as dedicated as ever, constantly pushing his troops to aim higher, and under his guidance the team flourished. Dale and Rob received consistent support from assistants Murray Schneider, Nathan Moon.

The Phoenix was a genuine surprise packet in 2021. Going with a 'less is more' structure of coaching, Cal Farrell, Rohan Cleary, Josh Leviston, and a couple of other veteran players took charge when it mattered, making sure the team was super competitive in each game they played. Toby Lee joined team manager superstar Rachele Maitre in helping steer the ship, which saw well over 60 players turn out for the Phoenix who finished the year singing the team song an impressive 5 times for a 5th placed finish.

Finally, the Under 19s in 2021 were a magnificent crop. Justin Gray certainly does know what he is doing as Under 19 mentor and co-ordinator. Time after time, year after year, "Damage" enthusiastically brings together a keen and rich bunch of young men, who come to the Blacks a bit raw and unsure of what the club can be for them. Despite their rollercoaster season filled with dizzying highs and to be expected lows, a majority of players have signalled their return for 2022. The Under 19's were an enthusiastic and, at times, competitive team. The aim is to create a positive and engaging environment for our young players which we intend to build on in 2022. The team had a proper steal of a coach in former Western Jets' talent manager, Shane Sexton at the helm, who stood by our boys at every stage, willing them to improve with his "never say die" attitude in any situation. The Round 10 win against Old Xaverians on the Main was a club-wide highlight for those who were lucky enough to see it.

Acknowledgements

There are a many people that make significant contributions to the Blacks and I would like to acknowledge the following people:

- I'd like to acknowledge all of the people who drove the operations of the club through, Governance, Finance, Engagement, Communications and Football.
- To the Blacks' Committee for their ongoing commitment to the cause.
- A massive thanks to our office bearers.
 - Jeremy Hua – Football Operations Manager
 - Andrew Torney – Treasurer
 - Zach Harris – Secretary
- To the MUFC President, Andrew Donald we are indebted for the work you do on behalf of the three Clubs under the MUFC banner. Andrew has spent countless hours this year working tirelessly with the VAFA & the University, and I'd like to acknowledge and thank him on behalf of everyone at the Uni Blacks.
- The support of our sponsors is greatly appreciated, and we continue to take great strides forward in building our broader business network. We also acknowledge and thank the generous donors to Club without whose support we would not be able to function.



- Thank you to our Football Department and their legion of match day and training volunteers, including Nick Burke, Mick Commadeur, Steve Commadeur, Peter Bertoncini, Peter Keough, Mick Farrell, and the numerous others who make regular contributions during the season.
- Josh Whitford and the team from Kieser Medical ensured the Blacks medical and physio services remained the envy of the competition. Koki Oka, Drew Barrett, Kieran Endean, all were fantastic in their care and treatment of all of our players injuries and niggles, as were all the trainers who joined us as part of their finals years of study with Melb Uni.
- A final thank you to the MUFC and thank our colleagues at the Blues and the MUWFC for your support and friendship during the season and all the best for season 2022.

Our players deserve special acknowledgement for a committed season of effort on the field and a season of personal growth and maturity off the field. We have been fortunate to have co-captains of the calibre of Josh Steadman and Jordan Quaille step into leadership positions this season, supported by Campbell Moorfield.

Finally, I would like to thank our dedicated playing group for their unwavering commitment to training, even when there was no certainty as to when the season would be postponed or even eventually cancelled. Players kept up their training programs on their own when required and always rocked up ready to go and pick up where they left off from when the restrictions allowed. The appetite for hard work was genuinely remarkable and the playing group now carry with them the unique distinction of being the playing group that 'kept the Blacks strong throughout covid', one that no doubt will be looked back on in years to come with respect and admiration.

Thank you to our hard-working committee and band of loyal volunteers. The year started on a sombre note with the very sad passing of Tim Thomas and everyone who played a role with the Blacks this year did so with knowing they were walking in the shoes of TT and doing their utmost to do him proud.

As we head into another off season, thank you again to everyone who has played a role with the Blacks over the past 12 months. Our resolve as a club remains strong to compete and be the best versions of ourselves on and off the field and we look forward to season 2022 with optimism and hope for a full and engaging season with the Blacks family

Seniors:

Cordner Medal – Jack Charleston

Runner-up – James Sanson

Coaches Award – Cam Moorfield

Rising Star – Morgan Fawcett

Leading Goalkicker – Nicholas Hey



Brendan Keilar Medal – Jordan Quaile

Reserves:

Best & Fairest – Cam Turner

Runner-up – Henry Robertson

Coaches Award – Max Gray

Most Improved – John Perks

Leading Goalkicker – Nicholas Hey

Phoenix:

Best & Fairest – Rohan Cleary

Runner-up – Braden Poole

Rising Phoenix – Chris Canny

Coaches Award – Joseph Smith

Under 19s:

Best & Fairest – Sam Ackland-Evans

Runner-up – James Connelly

Coaches Award – Tom Stimson

Leading Goalkicker – Thomas St Clair

Best Clubman:

Callum Farrell

100 Games

Isaac Anderson, Harrie Lahy, Jordan Quaile, Samuel McKenzie



Match Scores - Seniors

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	10 Apr	A	Def Fitzroy	12.7.79 – 5.9.30
2	17 Apr	H	Def St Bede's/MT	13.12.90 – 10.8.68
3	24 Apr	A	Def De La Salle	14.7.91 – 6.10.46
4	1 May	H	Def Beaumaris	7.10.52 – 6.11.47
5	8 May	A	Def Parkdale Vultures	15.20.105-7.3.45
6	15 May	H	Def by Old Haileybury	10.13.73 – 11.12.78
7	22 May	A	Def Ajax	10.18.78 – 5.4.34
8	29 May		Match v Old Carey cancelled due to COVID-19	
9	5 Jun		Match v Williamstown CYMS cancelled due to COVID-19	
10	19 Jun	H	Def Fitzroy	19.17.131-8.4.52
11	26 Jun	A	Def St Bedes.MT	16.19.115-9.5.59
12	3 Jul	H	Def Parkdale Vultures	19.13.127-3.6.24
13	24 Jul		Match v Old Carey cancelled due to COVID-19	
14	31 Jul	H	Williamstown CYMS	15.6.96-7.7.49
15	7 Aug		Match v Old Haileybury cancelled due to COVID-19	
16	14 Aug		Match v Ajax cancelled due to COVID-19	
17	21 Aug		Match v Beaumaris cancelled due to COVID-19	
18	28 Aug		Match v De La Salle cancelled due to COVID-19	

Match Scores - Reserves

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	10 Apr	A	Def Fitzroy	9.13.67-3.9.27
2	17 Apr	H	Def St Bedes/MT	12.15.87-5.7.37
3	24 Apr	A	Def by De La Salle	6.7.43 – 10.10.70
4	1 May	H	Def Beaumaris	9.13.67-5.6.36
5	8 May	A	Def Parkdale Vultures	Forfeit
6	15 May	H	Def Old Haileybury	16.18.114-3.0.18
7	22 May	A	Def Ajax	17.15.117-3.3.21
8	29 May		Match v Old Carey cancelled due to COVID-19	
9	5 Jun		Match v Williamstown CYMS cancelled due to COVID-19	
10	19 Jun	H	Def Fitzroy	15.5.95-5.6.36
11	26 Jun	A	Def St Bedes.MT	11.12.78-5.5.35
12	3 Jul	H	Def Parkdale Vultures	Forfeit
13	24 Jul		Match v Old Carey cancelled due to COVID-19	
14	31 Jul	H	Williamstown CYMS	18.21.129-1.5.11
15	7 Aug		Match v Old Haileybury cancelled due to COVID-19	
16	14 Aug		Match v Ajax cancelled due to COVID-19	
17	21 Aug		Match v Beaumaris cancelled due to COVID-19	
18	28 Aug		Match v De La Salle cancelled due to COVID-19	



Match Scores – Under 19

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	10 Apr	A	Def by Fitzroy	10.5.65-10.6.66
2	17 Apr	H	Def by Old Trinity	3.8.26-7.14.56
3	24 Apr	A	Def by Uni Blues	4.5.29 – 16.7.103
4	1 May	H	Def by St Bedes MT	11.7.73-15.5.95
5	8 May	A	Def Old Carey	11.14.80-6.6.42
6	15 May	H	Def by Uni Blues	6.4.40-8.11.59
7	22 May	A	Def by Mazenod	16.19.115-6.8.44
8	29 May		Match v Fitzroy cancelled due to COVID-19	
9	5 Jun		Match v Old Trinity cancelled due to COVID-19	
10	19 Jun	H	Def by Mazenod	4.8.32-17.15.117
11	26 Jun	A	Def by St Bedes/MT	27.10.72-0.2.02
12	3 Jul	H	Def Old Xaverians	8.4.52-5.8.38
13	17 Jul		Match v Fitzroy cancelled due to COVID-19	
14	24 Jul		Match v Mazenod cancelled due to COVID-19	
15	31 Jul		Bye	
16	7 Aug		Match v St Bedes/MT cancelled due to COVID-19	
17	14 Aug		Match v Old Xaverians cancelled due to COVID-19	
18	21 Aug		Match v Old Xaverians cancelled due to COVID-19	

Match Scores – The Phoenix

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	10 Apr	A	Def by Old Scotch	9.6.60-12.15.87
2	17 Apr	H	Def by Old Melburnians	10.7.67-10.8.68
3	24 Apr	A	Def by St Kevins	3.2.20-18.15 123
4	1 May	H	Def Caulfield Grammarians	14.12.97-13.6.84
5	8 May	A	Def by Old Xaverians	1.4.10-17.18.120
6	15 May	H	Def Hawthorn	11.15.81-5.5.35
7	22 May	A	Def Caulfield Grammarians	14.15.99 -4.7.31
8	29 May		Match v Old Scotch cancelled due to COVID-19	
9	5 Jun		Match v Old Melburnians cancelled due to COVID-19	
10	19 Jun	H	Def by Old Xaverians	6.8.44 – 13.7.85
11	26 Jun	A	Def by St Bernards	6.4.40-10.11.71
12	3 Jul	H	Def Hawthorn	15.26.116 – 2.4.16
13	24 Jul		Match v St Kevins cancelled due to COVID-19	
14	31 Jul	H	Def St Bernards	9.19.73-4.1.25



BLUES PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with mixed emotions that I present Blues' President's report for the 2021 season. We all had looked forward to 2021 after last year and were disappointed that our pre-season was interrupted as was the regular season and that the year was eventually cut short completing only 11 rounds in our senior teams.

Like every year an enormous amount of time, effort and commitment on field and off field has been contributed to the club again this year and regardless of what actually transpired due to COVID it is these efforts that enable the ongoing development of our club and our players that reaches well beyond the football field.

For many different reasons this year the 'on field' results were mixed but were certainly highlighted by the performance of our U19 team that completed the season in 2nd position on the Division 1 ladder and have been promoted to U19 Premier Division for the 2022 season. All our teams were well prepared, coached and developed throughout the year. Led by our senior coaches, Jarred Moore and Campbell Heath (assisted by Luke Fulton), our seconds coach John Kanis (assisted by Joseph Sturrock) and our U23's coach Bob Girdwood and their assistants - I wish to thank everyone for their leadership, time and effort.

A special thanks needs go to Steve Boakes and his assistant Daniel McDonald who coached the U19 brilliantly during the year playing some excellent football, and in addition to finishing second on the ladder also saw 5 players making our senior side during the 2021 season.

To our players – I know it was at times a very frustrating season but thank you for your commitment and dedication during the 2021 season. All of our sides did many things right and while we aspire to win at every level we need to be very proud of our efforts in simply competing in what was a very challenging year on and off the field. We are all really looking forward to seeing you take on the 2022 season and having the chance to be the best you can be as a group.

The success of a football club is underpinned by the hard work and support by so many people - thank-you to everyone that contributes in any and every way. Uni Blues would not be the great club that it is without all our helpers and with this there are several groups that I would like to acknowledge:

The Committee - for your efforts and dedication throughout the year. The engagement of the Committee this season was excellent – again in very challenging times. Your efforts in attracting and retaining our players, encouraging our younger players and supporting the club in all social/financial and sponsorship activities was terrific.

Sponsors - Major sponsors Deloitte, Blood Motor Group, Sugar by Half, I&D Group, Bastion, NGE, The Aviary, the Wilson, Rourke and Hutchins families and all our other sponsors, donors and Blues 25 Members.



Football Operations Department and Match Day Staff - John Carmody, Gerry Westmore, Mick Robin, Bernie Angel, Jim Hayes, Justin Quill and Ray Scanlon (Sugar).

David Phefley - for the enormous amount of work contributed again this year (particularly with the challenges we faced with COVID and all the complications it caused from a logistics point of view) - we are incredibly grateful of the time and effort you dedicate to the club.

Medical Team - your commitment and expertise again allowed our players to maximise their time on the field throughout the season. To all our doctors, osteopaths, physios and trainers we thank you for your commitment and the understanding you afford our players – they appreciate you enormously as we do as a club. A special thanks to Dr. Peter Brukner and Alister MacInnes who oversee the whole program from a medical support perspective.

To all the other Blues helpers:

- John Carmody
- Gerry Westmore
- Jim Hayes
- Michael Robin
- Bernie Angel
- Frank Benjamin
- Luke Gaetani
- Neil Turner
- Julian Mitchell plus many other volunteers

A huge thanks to all of you – without your help we simply couldn't get our teams on the park.

Thanks again to all the above-mentioned people and to all the many others that help out. It is a huge effort to keep the club running from an operational perspective – we couldn't survive without you and appreciate everything you do for our club.

Congratulations to all our club award winners in 2021. You are very deserving of your respective awards regardless of the makeup of the season and they reflect the effort and commitment that you have shown both on and off the field.

As we have seen the VAFA A grade competition continues to improve and we again well positioned for on field success in 2022. We are incredibly excited about our younger brigade and their promotion to the Premier U19 competition – we have so many great young players that are the future of our club. As always, we are committed to developing our players at every level both on and off the field and want to be a club of choice for young people. 2022 represents an exciting opportunity for the Blues and I look forward to everyone's continued support next year.

Enjoy the short break and see you in 2022 - together we are strong on and off the field.

Tim Rourke
President - Melbourne University Blues Football Club



University Blues Office Bearers and Personnel 2021

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Coaching Staff

Seniors	Jarred Moore; Campbell Heath
Reserves	John Kanis; Joseph Sturrock
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Under 19s	Steve Boakes; Daniel McDonald

Club Support Staff:



Social Functions	Andy Batarilo (Social Lead and Bar Manager); Sally Mills (Ball)
Player Recruiting/Welfare	Justin Quill; Tim Rourke; Quinton Gleeson.
Football Operations	David Phefley; Luke Gaetani.
Team Managers	Michael Robin (Senior); Gerry Westmore (Reserves); Luke Gaetani (U23); Bernie Angel (U19).
Support Staff	John Carmody; Bernie Angel; Frank Benjamin; Jim Hayes; Luke Fulton-Tindal; Neil Turner; Julian Mitchell plus many other volunteers
Field / Boundary Umpires	Andrew Lowcock; Ed Vickers-Willis; Damien Barton; Tom Girdwood, Luke Gaetani; Chris Pyke

Medical Staff

Head of Sports Medicine	Peter Brukner
High Performance Manager	Alistair MacInnes
Doctor	Indi Cooper, Daniel Friedman
Osteopath	Damien Guengerich
Physiotherapists	Richard Johnston, Donal A'Hearn; Michael Girdwood; Will Arnel; Vivien Cadd; Brandan Smith; Wendy Doan; Elizabeth McKeown
Physio Assistants (Trainers)	Hayden Davis; Ryan Sheridan; Jesse White; Richard Chun Po; Kae Choeng; Pauline Lai; Julia Kim
Trainer	Ray Scanlon

University Blues Club Awards 2021

Seniors

Senior Captain	Ayce Cordy
Senior Best & Fairest	Jack Stephens
Senior Runner-up Best & Fairest	Cam O'Shea
Best Young Player	Lachie Swaney
Runner	Justin Quill



Reserves

Reserves Captain	Andy Batarilo; Jamie Mugavin
Reserves Best & Fairest	Scott Wylie
Reserves Runner Up Best & Fairest	MacKenzie Mayne
Reserves Runner	Tom Girdwood

Under 23s

Under 23s Captain	Sam Gill
Under 23s Best & Fairest	Paddy Sweet
Under 23s Runner Up Best & Fairest	Lucas O'Brien; Geordie Whittakers

Under 19's

U19 Captain	George Laurie
U19 Best & Fairest	Geordie LaCava
U19 Runner Up Best & Fairest	Hugo Clatworthy; Joey Nagle

Club Awards

Chris Brown Trophy – Best Clubman	Jim Hayes
Ted McNamara Trophy – Best Team Player	Andy Batarilo

Games Milestones – 2021

100 Games:	James Carr
50 Games:	Kieran Harper; Thomas Batarilo



2021 Senior Best & Fairest

Votes	Player	Games Played
41	1. Jack Stephens	
29	2. Cam O'Shea	
21	Eq 3. Ayce Cordy	
21	Eq 3. Dan Batarilo	
18	Eq 5. Kieran Harper	
18	Eq 5. Meyrick Buchanan	
14	7. Alex Fasolo	
13	8. Tom Batarilo	
10	9. Hugh Goddard	

2021 Under 23 Best & Fairest

Votes	Player	Games Played
12	1. Paddy Sweet	
11	Eq 2. Lucas O'Brien	
11	Eq 2. Geordie Whittakers	
10	Eq 4. Will Tobin	
10	Eq 4. Sam Scrimshaw	
9	Eq 6. Tom Salinger	
9	Eq 6. Tom Gleeson	
9	Eq 6. Ben Coleman	
8	Eq 9. Joe De Santis	
8	Eq 9. Harry Bahr	

2021 Reserves Best & Fairest

Votes	Player	Games Played
35	1. Scott Wylie	
18	2. Mackenzie Mayne	
17	3. James Fulton	
16	4. Rhys Hultgren	
15	Eq 5. Jamie Mugavin	
15	Eq 5. Rob Corden-McKinley	
12	7. Fletcher McIvor	
10	8. Luke Yeates	
10	9. David Morgan	

2021 Under 19 Best & Fairest

Votes	Player	Games Played
77	1. Geordie LaCava	
70	Eq 2. Hugo Clatworthy	
70	Eq 2. Joey Nagle	
68	4. Charlie Gill	
67	5. Nick Vallance	
65	6. Senan McNulty	
64	7. Chester Guest	
63	8. Nick Livingstone	
61	9. Charlie Fleming	
60	10. George Laurie	



2021 VAFA Woodrow Medal

Votes	Player
6	Cam O'Shea
6	Daniel Batarilo
3	Kieran Harper
3	Tom Young
3	Marshall Rippon
2	Alex Fasolo

Votes	Player
2	Ben Capra
2	Jay Kennedy-Harris
1	Jack Stephens
1	Ayce Cordy
1	Sam Grimley

University Blues Players 2021

	Sen	Res	U23	U19	Total
Players used	35	59	64	37	137

	Sen	Res	U23	U19
Acevski, Ethan	1	3	0	0
Atkins, Harry	0	6	3	0
Bahr, Harry	0	0	5	0
Baker, Tom	0	3	0	0
Barker, Tom	0	11	0	0
Batarilo, Andy	0	9	0	0
Batarilo, Daniel	9	0	0	0
Batarilo, Tom	10	0	0	0
Beattie, William	0	0	4	0
Blakey, Will	0	1	0	0
Bond, Jools	0	2	5	0
Bouffler, Henry	0	2	2	6
Bouffler, Jamieson	0	9	0	0
Buchanan, Meyrick	11	0	0	0
Buchanan, Riley	0	0	8	0
Capra, Ben	11	0	0	0
Carr, James	10	0	0	0
Carr, Tim	0	6	0	0
Clatworthy, Hugo	0	0	0	10
Coffey, Daniel	0	4	3	0
Coleman, Ben	0	0	4	4
Coltish, Jack	0	0	2	0
Cooney-O'Donoghue, Diarmuid	0	0	1	0
Corden-McKinley, Rob	0	4	0	0
Cordy, Ayce	9	0	0	0
Cordy, Sam	0	0	3	0

	Sen	Res	U23	U19
Cossar, Trent	0	11	0	0
Cumming, David	0	1	0	0
Curran, James	0	1	0	6
Davidson, Jackson	0	4	0	6
De Santis, Joe	0	0	3	0
Derksen, Luke	0	0	5	0
Dripps, Finn	0	0	3	0
Elliot, Fraser	1	0	0	1
Evans, Hugh	0	5	0	0
Evans, Ned	2	1	0	8
Fasolo, Alex	8	0	0	0
Forshaw, Tom	0	0	3	0
Fulton, James	4	7	0	0
Furphy, Charlie	9	1	0	0
Galloway, Gus	0	0	1	3
Gee, Lachlan	5	5	0	0
Gill, Charlie	0	0	0	10
Gill, Samuel	0	2	8	0
Girdwood, Thomas	0	2	0	0
Gleeson, Tommy	0	0	4	3
Goddard, Hugh	10	0	0	0
Grimley, Sam	11	0	0	0
Guest, Chester	0	0	0	10
Guiney, Sean	0	8	1	0
Harbrow, Harrison	0	2	3	0
Harper, Kieran	10	0	0	0
Harper, Timothy	0	1	0	0

	Sen	Res	U23	U19
Hayes, Patrick	11	0	0	0
Height, Marcus	0	0	1	10
Heinz, Dirk	0	1	0	0
Hitchen, Campbell	0	9	0	0
Hope, Jack	0	0	3	3
Hultgren, Rhys	2	7	0	0
Humphrey, Jack	0	2	0	0
Hurst, Charlie	0	0	0	7
Hutchins, Paul	0	0	5	0
Ingleton, Alex	3	3	0	4
Jacoby, Fergus	0	0	3	5
James, Marc	8	1	0	0
Johnston, Ben	0	5	0	0
Keane, Daniel	0	0	3	0
Kennedy-Harris, Jay	5	0	0	0
Kenny, Joseph	0	0	4	1
Kerr, James	0	0	2	0
Kerr, Logan	0	0	1	5
Kervin, Jack	0	0	1	8
Knox, James	0	6	2	0
Koroneos, Nicholas	0	0	4	4
Kutadzaushe, Panashe	0	0	1	0
LaCava, Geordie	0	1	0	10
Lappin, Connor	0	1	0	0
Laurie, George	0	0	0	9
Livingstone, Nicholas	0	0	0	10
Lovel, Alexander	0	0	1	0
Macula, Joseph	3	1	0	0
Makin, Lachlan	0	0	0	8
Masters, Toby	0	0	3	0
Mayne, Mackenzie	0	9	0	0
McCarney, Scott	0	9	2	0

	Sen	Res	U23	U19
Mcculloch, Will	0	0	2	0
McDonald, Hamish	0	0	0	9
McDonald, William	0	0	5	0
McIvor, Fletcher	5	4	0	0
McIvor-Clark, Jordan	5	3	0	0
McKay, Tom	0	3	2	0
McKendrick, Thomas	0	0	1	0
McKern, Adam	0	0	2	0
McMenamin, Sean	0	10	1	0
McNulty, Senan	0	0	1	10
Mitter, Harris	0	0	0	1
Morgan, David	0	7	0	0
Mugavin, Jamie	1	8	0	0
Mugavin, Jeremy	11	0	0	0
Nagle, Joseph	0	1	0	10
Neate, Jackson	0	1	3	5
O'Brien, Lucas	0	0	2	0
O'Shea, Cameron	11	0	0	0
Osti, George	0	6	0	0
Page, Will	0	1	0	9
Perkins, Ben	0	0	1	0
Phillips, Fraser	4	0	0	0
Pleming, Charlie	0	0	1	10
Quinn, Tom	11	0	0	0
Riordan, Edward	0	0	3	4
Rippon, Marshall	8	0	0	0
Rocca, Phillip	0	0	1	0
Ross, William	0	0	7	0
Salinger, Thomas	0	0	5	6
Scrimshaw, Samuel	0	1	6	0
Searle, Benjamin	0	0	3	0
Sorensen, Will	0	0	4	0

	Sen	Res	U23	U19
Steedman, Hugo	0	0	6	0
Stephens, Jack	11	0	0	0
Swaney, Lachlan	9	0	0	0
Sweet, Patrick	0	0	6	5
Taylor, Jeremy	0	1	0	0
Tesoriero, Dominic	0	0	1	0
Tobin, Will	0	0	6	4
Townley, Jack	0	1	0	0
Trotter, Jonty	0	0	2	0
Vallance, Nicholas	0	0	0	10
Walker, Ryan	0	1	3	0
Whittakers, Geordie	0	0	5	0
Williams, Curtis	0	0	2	0
Williams, Tom	0	2	0	0
Wilson, Harry	0	0	7	0
Wylie, Angus	0	8	0	0
Wylie, Scotty	2	9	0	0
Yeates, Luke	0	6	1	0
Young, Tom	7	1	0	0
Ziebarth, Eddy	4	0	0	6
Ziemkiewicz, Nick	0	1	2	0

