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MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CLUB, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT - SEASON 2022

(Incorporating Financial Report for the Year ended 31st October, 2022)



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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 2022.

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
Patrick Barry – President, Blacks
Timothy Rourke – President, Blues
John Carmody (Immediate Past President)
Simon Costello
Nicholas Carah
Christopher Reid
Rob Hanna
Terri O'Reilly
Ruby Hoole
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 from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to \$8,227 (2021: \$55,043).

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

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Andrew Donald

President

Dated this 29th day of May 2023



PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2022

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.

In March 2022, the University played Monash University in the "Big Blue" winning both our women's and men's matches. I thank our intervarsity coaches, Bob Girdwood and Maddy Noack

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 23rd April 2022, University Blacks hosted St Bede's Mentone Tigers in an Anzac commemorative match at the University Oval.

On 14th May, 2022 University Women's played a "Pride Match" against St Mary's Salesian. A most successful and well-attended luncheon organised jointly by the MUWFC was held in the Pavilion before the match and a panel engaged in thoughtful discussion.

During the season, University Women's and University Blacks each held matches in recognition of First Nations' peoples.

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.



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 2022, University Blues fielded Senior, Reserve Grade, Under 23 and Under 19 grade teams, University Women’s fielded Senior, Reserve and Third XVIII Grade teams and University Blacks fielded Senior, Reserve, Third XVIII (known as “the Phoenix”) and Under 19 Grade teams.

MUFC teams performed as follows:

Blues	VAFA	Premier	8 th of 10
MUWFC	VAFA	Premier	4 th of 10
Blacks	VAFA	Premier B	1 st (Runners Up) of 10
Blues	VAFA	Premier Reserves	10 th of 10
MUWFC	VAFA	Premier Reserves	5 th of 10
Blacks	VAFA	Premier B Reserves	2 nd (Runners Up) of 10
Blacks	VAFA	Premier Third XVIII	6 th of 6
MUWFC	VAFA	Premier Third XVIII	3 rd of 3
Blues	VAFA	Premier Under 23	4 th of 8
Blacks	VAFA	Division 2 Under 19	8 th of 8
Blues	VAFA	Premier Under 19	9 th of 10

I congratulate all of our teams who made the finals.

The finals’ performance of the MUFC was as follows:

- (a) University Women’s:
 - Seniors defeated West Brunswick in an Elimination Final but were defeated by Caulfield Grammarians in another Elimination Final;
 - Reserves were defeated by Kew in an Elimination Final;
 - Third XVIII were defeated by West Brunswick in an Elimination Final.
- (b) University Blacks:
 - Seniors defeated Beaumaris in a Second Semi Final but were defeated by Old Haileybury in the Grand Final (in atrocious weather conditions which is not intended to diminish Old Haileybury’s premiership);
 - Reserves defeated Fitzroy in the Second Semi Final but were defeated by De La Salle in the Grand Final.
- (c) University Blues:
 - Under 23s defeated St Bernard’s Old Collegians in an Elimination Final but were defeated by Old Xaverians’ Red in another Elimination Final.



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, Daniel 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 Martin (Marty) Gleeson and Sam Grimley upon their selection in the VAFA Men's Premier Team of the Year; Josh Steadman, Campbell Moorfield, James Sansom, and Hugh Curnow upon their selection in VAFA Men's Premier B Team of the Year and Frances Walsh upon her selection in the VAFA Women's Team of the Year.

I thank the senior captains, Emma Delaney (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 Emma, Ayce, Josh and Jordan.

The MUFC congratulates all award winners for 2022 (whose awards were richly deserved) the major of which were:

Blacks:	Cordner Medal (Best & Fairest) Brendan Keilar Medal	Campbell Moorfield Henry Bennett
Blues:	McLeod Trophy (Best & Fairest) Chris Brown Trophy	Martin Gleeson Andrew Lowcock
MUWFC:	Michelle Dench Medal Mary Cenacchi Award	Frances Walsh Terri O'Reilly

I thank the committees of the MUWFC, Blues and Blacks for their 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), Patrick Barry (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 and Maddy Noack), Blues (David Phefley) and Blacks (Zach Harris & Jeremy Hua) whose significant and tireless efforts keep the wheels of football at the University turning.

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 2022 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 2022

	Notes	2022	2021
		\$	\$
Income	2	635,913	426,349
Employee Expenses		297,099	196,436
Sporting Equipment		29,021	12,501
Merchandise		17,110	20,655
Affiliation Fees		76,807	55,521
Canteen, Bar & Functions		96,513	20,269
Health Expenses		18,889	12,379
Administration Expenses		36,838	20,622
Other expenses from continuing activities		55,408	32,924
		<u>627,686</u>	<u>371,306</u>
Net Profit		<u>8,227</u>	<u>55,043</u>

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



BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 October 2022

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	165,113	209,445
Debtors	4	500	1,700
Receivable from ATO	4	44,229	7,192
Other current assets	5	120,132	105,993
Total current assets		329,973	324,329
Total Assets		329,973	324,329
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Creditors	6	8,885	11,468
Payable to ATO	6	-	-
Total Current Liabilities		8,885	11,466
Total Liabilities		8,885	11,468
Net Assets		321,088	312,861
MEMBERS FUNDS			
Opening Retained Profits		312,861	262,418
Current Year Profit/(Loss)		8,227	55,043
Historical balancing		0	(4,600)
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS		321,088	312,861

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 2022

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year		312,861	262,418
Profit/(Loss) for the year		8,227	55,043
Historical balancing		0	(4,600)
Total equity at the end of the financial year		321,088	312,861

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 2022

	<i>Notes</i>	2022	2021
		\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		600,978	430,350
Payments to suppliers and employees (incl GST)		(667,305)	(366,473)
Other Income received		36,134	14,364
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activitie	7	(30,192)	78,241
Cash flows from investing activities			
Transfers to Blues Foundation		(14,140)	(105,993)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activitie:		(14,140)	(105,993)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activitie		-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		(44,332)	(27,752)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		209,445	237,197
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	3	165,113	209,445

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 2022

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
For the year ended 31 October 2021

(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 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
2. REVENUE		
From Continuing Activities:		
Sale/(Loss) on Merchandise	14,181	18,153
Donations and Fundraisers	225,342	121,721
Bar, Canteen and Functions	75,846	43,276
Sponsorships & Memberships	217,021	175,847
Affiliation Fees and Membership	67,389	63,653
Other Revenue	36,134	3,699
Total Revenue	<u>635,913</u>	<u>426,349</u>
3. CURRENT ASSETS – Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank and on hand	165,113	209,445
4. CURRENT ASSETS – Debtors		
Accounts Receivables	500	1,700
PAYG Withholding Receivable	44,229	7,192
	<u>44,729</u>	<u>8,891</u>
5. CURRENT ASSETS – Other financial assets		
Blues Foundation	120,132	105,993



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 October 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
6. CURRENT LIABILITIES – Payables		
Creditors	8,885	11,468
GST Payable	-	-
	<u>8,885</u>	<u>11,468</u>
7. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX TO NET CASH IN FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating profit/(loss) after income tax	8,227	65,808
Non-cash items	-	(6,458)
Increase/(Decrease) in Receivables	1,200	13,300
Increase/(Decrease) in Accruals and payables	(2,583)	7,183
Increase/(Decrease) in GST payable	(37,037)	(1,592)
	<u>(30,192)</u>	<u>78,241</u>
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(30,192)	78,241



COMMITTEE'S DECLARATION

31 October 2022

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 2022 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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Donald'.

Andrew Donald
President

29 May 2023

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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 2022, 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 2022, 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 2022, 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

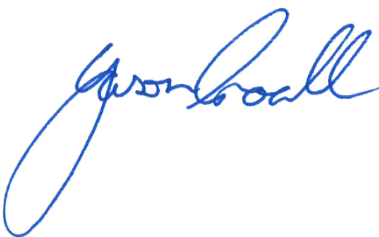
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that 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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RSM Australia Pty Ltd

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jason Croall'.

Jason Croall
Director

Melbourne, Victoria
29 May 2023



MUWFC PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We finally made it, our first full season in three years. I am so proud of everyone involved in the club, and always impressed with the commitment and dedication shown by everyone involved.

At our Presentation Night, we were lucky enough to host our 2022 players, coaches, staff, and also a cohort of past players, coaches and supporters. It was a wonderful celebration of the season, and a night made extra special thanks to the induction of our two new life members, Erini (Reens) Gianokopoulos and Leah (Lou) Caluzzi. The work they have put into the club over their many years of service has led to where we are today, and those who know both of these people, know they do everything for the love of the club. It was a fantastic year on field, with 109 players taking the field in the Black and Blue, some for their first time and others for their 50th.

We congratulated the nine players who reached their 50 game milestone in 2022; Alysia Turnbull, Bridie Murphy, Tori Hamilton, Emma Delaney, Femke Russell, Hannah Smith, Yve Clerehan Tyndall, Jess Kay and Ebony Clark.

We also recognised Cat O'Bryan's 150th senior game, and acknowledged the massive contribution she has made to the club and to women's football more broadly. We thank the coaches; Reens, Bronte Ryan, Jason Brown, John Watkin, Emily Fox, Colleen Gwynne, Chris Spindler, Nicola Worsley, Neil Barker, Jessica Aldrige and Aaron King. Each of you dedicate so much of your time and energy to the club each week, and we can't thank you enough. We also thank your families and loved ones, who we know miss out on time with you as a result of your involvement with the club. We say farewell to a few of our coaches; Reens, Chris, Nic, Neil and Nan, who will not be continuing on, but know they will always be part of the MUWFC family.

Thank you to Michelle Andrews and Motus Life, including all the trainers and S&C coaches that kept fit and moving across the season. We are incredibly lucky to work with a business and people within that share our high performance and community focuses. What we have done this season would have not been possible without the support of all our sponsors and partners.

To our Principal Sponsors; Partners Wealth Group and Australian Manufacturing Workers Union, our Major Sponsors; Australian Venue Co. and The Clyde, and to our Partners; Motus Life, ReWine, Nelson Alexander and White Knight Catering. Each of you have enabled our club to grow and develop across the season, and we appreciate your support immensely. Thank you to our wonderful donors and Halo Club members, we have loved the support from you across the year, and look forward to growing the Halo Club in the future!



I would like to acknowledge the work of the MUFC board, with thanks to President Andrew Donald and General Secretary Lou Caluzzi. We thank the Uni Blues and Blacks for their collaboration across the year. This year, we placed a focus on ensuring that we continue to lead the way as a club, and this would not have been done without the leadership and vision of our Vice President, Terri O'Rielly, and the MUWFC Advisory Committee, Em Collard, Katy McVicar, Emma Delaney, Bridie Murphy, Lizzie Ennever, Daisy Nitsch, Jessica Jones, Elise

Nolan and Bek Street. This cohort supported the club to publish and begin delivering on key documents, a Mental Health Strategy, a Pride Strategy and a First Nations Celebration, Education and Action Plan, each of which are available for the public to view on our websites.

These documents are more than just words on paper, and through the accompanying work of Nicola Worsley, and the Advisory Committee, the club was able to appoint three Mental Health Support Officers, Nicola Worsley, Bronte Ryan and Caitlin Rea. Each of these people were supported with resources and available to players throughout the year to address and direct any concerns with Mental Health.

Thank you to our Team Managers, Isi Slavin, Bridget Shenton, Caitlin Rea and Blake Nolan - your efforts each week do not go unnoticed, thank you. You each do your roles with attention and care that enables the club to function.

We also thank Steve Mallia, Cheyenne Mallia and Daisy Nistch, our in house photographers and videographers. This year has been the first year in many that we have had such extensive coverage of all three teams. To our committee, Terri O'Reilly, Marinella Salafia, Donald Salhstrom, Jenny Gome, Vanessa Antas, Tori Hamilton, Ruby Hoole and Jacinta Bowler, supported by their sub committee members, Maddy, Yve, Daisy, Lizzie, Fem, Izzy, Vic and many other generous hands, have worked tirelessly across the past three years to reach this point. What an incredible effort from each of you, thank you for jumping in, taking the lead, and keeping everything moving. You each do this for the love of the club, and we are so lucky to have each of you. 2023 is set to be a big year, and we can't wait to get back out on the field together. We hope to see continued on field success, and know this can only occur with the many hands and hearts that make up this great club.

Madeleine Sheedy
President



2022 Coaches & Staff

Head of Coaching / Seniors Coach: Erini Gianakopoulos

Interim Head Coach/Senior Coach: Bronwyn Gwynne

Seniors Assistant Coach: Bronte Ryan (Stepped in as acting Senior Coach mid season), Jason Brown

Seniors Skill Development Coach: John Watkin, Emily Fox

Reserves Coach: Nicola Worsley

Reserves Assistant Coach: Chris Spindler

Thirds Co-Coaches: Neil Barker Thirds Assistant Coach: Jessica Aldridge

Thirds Developing Coach: Aaron King

Mental Health Support Officers: Caitlin Rea, Nicola Worsley, Bronte Ryan

2022 Motus Life Staff Head of High Performance: Michelle Andrews

Trainers: Ellie, Steph

Lead Strength and Conditioning Coach: Abbey Watts

Thank you to all Motus Life Staff that supported MUWFC in 2022! 2022 Team Managers

Seniors: Isabelle Slavin Reserves: Brigitte Shenton, Caitlin Rea Thirds: Blake Nolan 2022

Committee President: Maddie Sheedy (MUFC Board Member) Vice President: Terri O'Reilly (MUFC Board Member) Secretary: Marinella Salafia Treasurer: Donald Sahlstrom (MUFC Board Member)

Communications Coordinator: Vanessa Antas

Events Coordinator: Jacinta Bowler (resigned July 2022) and Lizzie Ennever

Merchandise Coordinators: Tori Hamilton

MUFC Coordinator: Ruby Hoole (MUFC Board Member)

Football Operations Coordinator: Marinella Salafia, Vanessa Lewicki (resigned May 2022)

Sponsorship Coordinator: Jennifer Gome



Club Awards

Mary Cenacchi Best Club Person Award – Terri O'Reilly

Penelope Green Volunteer Excellence Award – Maddy Noack

Senior Grade

Michelle Dench Medal – Frances Walsh

Runner Up Best & Fairest – Marli Klaumanns-Moller

Leading Goal Kicker – Asha Price

Player of the Finals – Meg Pritchard and Marli Klaumanns-Moller

Most Improved Player – Meg Pritchard

Coaches' Award – Lucy Dunne

Reserve Grade

Best & Fairest – Nell Washington

Runner Up Best & Fairest – Cheyenne Mallia

Leading Goal Kicker – Cheyenne Mallia

Player of the Finals – Vic Shi

Most Improved Player – Isabelle Raines

Coaches' Award – Rebecca Brooker

Third XVIII Grade

Best & Fairest – Maxyn Dorz

Runner Up Best & Fairest – Lizzie Ennever

Leading Goal Kicker – Tammy Gloster

Player of the Finals – Claire Gaunt

Most Improved Player – Claire Gaunt

Coaches' Award – Beth Jacksin



Sub-Committee Reports

Communications Report (Vanessa Antas)

As was the case in 2021, the club communications are broken into three main categories - social media (Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn), the newly automated newsletter; and the club website. Social media was used in a fairly routine and way this year, with the posting schedule structured around the weekly games. At the start of each week, a summary of the previous week's results would be posted. During the week, there would be game day photos, a social responsibility focussed post or event wrap up post. Later in the week, one post would look at the following weekend's fixture and special round info. Game day activity would be posted to Instagram stories, including quarter break score updates, and other game day updates. This was a key focus for special rounds such as Pride and First Nations and was also completed for most other rounds. Social media was also used to highlight our events (PWG Networking night, pub drinks and dinners at The Clyde as well as AVC venues), the Fun Run, MUWFC Ball, Presentation Night as well as the sponsor shout outs at the conclusion of the season.

There were less game day photos posted across socials this year, however a good amount of photos were taken throughout the year by volunteer photographers including Daisy Nitsch and Steven Mallia. Locking in volunteer photographers throughout the season and creating a photography schedule and sharing schedule will allow for good distribution of images captured across each of the teams. This year there was a greater focus on commemorating key days from a social responsibility perspective, particularly days relevant to the key pillars of the Advisory Committee: First Nations, LGBTQI+ and Mental Health. Whilst there were a number of days commemorated, there were a few days missed so it will be important to have a list of days to commemorate submitted from the Advisory Committee before the start of the 2023 year to ensure all important days are covered.

The introduction of a few Mental Health Mondays posts was a great start and was an important addition - however the producers of this content were unable to continue with this work due to the time commitment so locking in varied contributors for the content prior to the season will allow for consistent posting. NAIDOC week saw a number of First Nations Businesses Spotlighted, as well as further educational resources posted. The MUWFC newsletter returned - and was migrated to an eDM automation platform MailChimp. Each instalment included a wrap-up of the previous week's games, and an article (or two) about something exciting or special involving the club, whether that be a feature on one of our events, a milestone game, a Rising Star nomination or releasing of a new policy or strategy from the Advisory Committee (e.g. gender inclusion policy). This year the club website hosted a few articles, including coach introductions, grant/funding announcements such as Nicola Worsley's Australian Institute of Sport grant.



The website also housed key strategies which were made available at the link in our instagram bio - including the “More Than Footy” Mental Health strategy, the Pride Strategy, the First Nations Reconciliation, Education and Action plan. It was also used successfully for most finances, including player registration, uniforms and merchandise, and event tickets. The website and social media also became important platforms for our recently confirmed 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 should be agreed upon before the season and ensure branding is professional, uniform and recognisable across both social media and the website.

For smooth running of the newsletter, a plan should be put in place to confirm the content for each addition and volunteer post for each game could be utilised to select a player from the team each week to send over dot points after their games, which can then be written up as a match report. The off-season will be a good chance to clean up the website architecture (i.e. Menu pathways), as well as ensuring all pages are optimised across desktop and mobile. 10

Events Report (Jacinta Bowler & Lizzie Ennever)

It was a year full of events, catering for both formal and more casual events as determined by the survey that went out to the playing cohort in late 2021. The first event of the season was Lawn Bowls. The theme was “Dad’s on Holidays”, which worked really well. We originally had the event planned at the Flemington and Kensington Bowls Club but accidentally booked the wrong day, however the Fitzroy Bowls Club was able to accommodate us instead. Tickets were just the cost of the bowls section and some snacks. This is an event we would highly recommend doing again.

Next was the Fun Run. This had the addition of a BBQ breakfast, thanks to help from Chris Spindler, Ness Lewicki and Maddy Noack. We had t-shirts designed through an internal competition and medals for those who finished. Next year we suggest not providing medals and have a cheaper pack for the fun run and breakfast. The t-shirts worked well and we suggest keeping them the same price, but perhaps limit the number printed so it’s exclusive. We also need to keep checking in with City Of Melbourne to ensure we can host events like this in Princes Park.

Season Launch was the formal commencement of the year. Hosted at the Clyde, this was well attended and tickets included a drink and canapés. Lizzie and Immy were the MCs, all players were given small keyring of the MUWFC jumper with their number on it. Unfortunately the jumpers did not arrive on time. Next year we recommend ordering more canapés and doing ‘early bird pricing’ as that was incredibly effective this year.

Over the Easter long weekend, we held the Easter 500kms on Strava. This was a fun way to get people involved but not have to have them in a physical spot. It was a good engagement activity during lockdown, and something we may look to hold annual at this time of year.



We hosted a Pub Crawl & Activity Night which aimed to create more interaction across all teams and support our sponsor venues, Australian Venue Co. and The Clyde Hotel. This event was well attended but could be done differently in 2023 to ensure that our spend was more effectively tracked at AVC venues, which is part of our sponsorship agreement. In June we held a joint networking event with Partners Wealth Group, one of our principle sponsors. As this was the first time we had run such an event, this was a good first step.

Future networking events should be advertised further in advance and have a stronger focus on engaging the current university students in the player cohort. After multiple requests from players over the past few years, we hosted our first Ball in July. This was a fabulous night, hosted at The Imperial on Bourke Street, an AVC venue. The organisation of the event ran smoothly although there were challenges with providing a good experience without out-pricing our community. Decorations, photographer and DJ were other costs that should have been considered earlier in the budgeting phase.

We recommend hosting the ball every second year and having a larger ball committee. Alternatively it could be part of the Pride or First Nations celebrations, or the Presentation Night.

Silly Sunday was smaller than previous years and was done in individual teams at the conclusion of each team's season. This worked quite effectively and the Clyde was super accommodating. Depending on season lengths and player feedback, this may be a good way to do this event in future years. Our final event of the year, our Presentation Night, ran well overall. This timed with Jacinta departing Melbourne, and Lizzie taking over the lead. The night was hosted at Rivers Edge Events in Docklands, a stunning venue, and guests were treated to a two course meal across the evening. There were some miscommunications around pricing at the venue, which led to the tickets being under priced, but attendee numbers were excellent. The venue manager was very helpful and the venue would be better suited to a ball event. It would be beneficial to start organising sooner, start earlier and allow more mingling time for guests or longer at the end of the event for people to hang around as they had to leave quite fast. Speeches were well received but did take up the entire evening, this could be better managed in future events.

Generally the team ran smoothly this year. There was some fatigue within the team by the end of the season, and this made the final few events more challenging to manage. Looking to 2023, it would be good to either allocate events to specific people or allow people who are very keen to help out with events to jump in to give a hand. The lead would maintain oversight from but this would allow others to help more!

Merchandise Report (Tori Hamilton)

Thanks to a mammoth effort by lots of people, all players across all three teams ran onto the field in uniform every game this year. In addition to the stock of Pride jumpers for Pride round, the club acquired a set of jumpers for our inaugural First Nations round designed by our own Madena and Loraine Jaffer. Twenty-one of these jumpers were purchased by players, staff and supporters' post-game. This design will hopefully be used for our training tees next season. The merch team also designed and created a bumper sticker which was widely purchased.



The continuance of our club store on Swivs was a success, although timeframes for delivery were longer than anticipated, this issue was seen across all products as a result of COVID-19 affecting freight, postage and workplace shortages. The Swivs store will be continued going forward as it saves the club from ordering excess unused stock. With most stock being sold, a new order for scarves (with the updated pride progress flag), beanies, stubby holders and long sleeve tees have been placed in preparation for next year. The second-hand uniform will be amended to only include jumpers and will be again rolled out towards the end of the year. Recommendations for next year include purchasing training tees and setting up the Swivs store prior to the December break (if decisions on sponsors have been finalised), only ordering long sleeve playing jumpers after they have been paid for; having a dedicated merchandise volunteer at home games to set up and sell merchandise and taking stock of summer items to pre-season trainings to sell (ie. old singlets and caps)

MUFC Report (Ruby Hoole)

In 2022, all three MUFC clubs got back into a full season of footy for the first time since 2019. From a football operations perspective, we had some success in securing half of a third oval on Tuesday and Thursday nights during the season. This meant that MUWFC were mostly able to train on Tuesday/Thursday nights instead of Wednesday/Friday - something that has been requested by our players and coaching staff for some years. We thank the Uni Blacks and Uni Blues for their help and cooperation in making our training ground allocations more equitable this year. Socially, we were able to host a joint training session and barbecue with the Uni Blacks on Uni Main oval during the preseason, with positive feedback from players and coaches from both clubs alike. However, as the season got underway, each club recognised the impact that long lockdowns had on the social aspect of our clubs internally.

Therefore, we decided to keep our social events separate for the year, and did not hold any official joint events. We hope that as we acclimatise to the new COVID-normal, we will be able to increase our social connection with our brother clubs. We also look forward to continuing to work together with the Blacks and Blues around equitable access to facilities in years to come.

Sponsorship Report (Jennifer Gome)

MUWFC has enjoyed a solid season of sponsorship support with a combination of returning and new sponsors and partners. Principal Sponsors Australian Venue Company (AVC) worked with the club throughout the year, hosting successful events such as The Ball, Presentation Night, and Careers Night, providing discounted food and beverages throughout to MUWFC members, friends and families across the year.

Further financial benefits flow back to the club beyond the season through a 365-day contractual arrangement. Partners Wealth Group also returned as a principal sponsor and in conjunction with the club, presented a Careers Night for MUWFC players and members, providing opportunities for players to learn about careers in financial services, and internships.



We were delighted to welcome the Australian Manufacturer's Workers Union (AMWU) as our third principal sponsor, who are keen to welcome all genders to careers in the automotive, food, metals, engineering, printing and kindred industries, whom they represent.

The Clyde Hotel has been a valued major sponsor for almost 5 years, hosting our Jumper Presentation night at the season's commencement, and a range of other functions and dinners for the club. Our continued partnership with Motus Life enabled the club to continue its strength and conditioning program and fitness support for players. Nelson Alexander has also supported the club for some years with a buyer incentive program, offering a cash benefit back to the club.

ReWine also partnered with us for a second year, offering substantially discounted wine and their sustainable refill model to the club and club community, and will continue working with us in Season 23. Sponsorship income for 2022 was \$33,391, a 59% increase on \$20,948 in Season 2021. In September, 2022, the TAC also awarded MUWFC with a further \$10,000 grant, recognising the consistent messaging by the club about road safety.

MUWFC is very grateful for the contributions and financial support from sponsors and partners, and we look forward to continuing these relationships, as well as sourcing new opportunities and funds to increase club revenue for the 2023 season.

2022 Match Results

Senior Grade

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	3 Apr	H	Def Old Xaverians	3.8.26 - 3.2.20
2	9 Apr	A	Def West Brunswick	3.8.26 - 2.6.18
3	23 Apr	A	Def by Kew	2.8.20 - 7.8.50
4	1 May	H	Def by Caul Grammarians	4.1.25 - 10.7.67
5	7 May	A	Def by St Kevin's	0.3.3 - 12.6.78
6	14 May	H	Def St Mary's Salesian	14.12.96 - 0.1.1
7	21 May	A	Def Marcellin	6.5.41 - 4.5.29
8	28 May	A	Def Old Xaverians	5.8.38 - 4.7.31
9	4 Jun	A	Def by Kew	3.3.21 - 6.4.40
10	18 Jun	A	Def Caul Grammarians	7.3.45 - 3.4.22
11	26 Jun	H	Def Marcellin	3.11.29 - 2.4.16
12	2 Jul	H	Def West Brunswick	3.1.19 - 1.7.13
13	16 Jul	A	Def St Mary's Salesian	9.11.65 - 1.4.10
14	24 Jul	H	Def by St Kevin's	2.2.14 - 4.5.29
15	30 Jul	A	Def Old Xaverians	7.6.48 - 2.8.20
16	7 Aug	H	Def St Mary's Salesians	11.11.77 - 0.0.00
EF	14 Aug		Def West Brunswick	1.4.10 - 0.4.04
EF	20 Aug		Def by Caul Grammarians	2.7.19 - 3.8.26



Reserve Grade

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	3 Apr	H	Def Old Xaverians	10.6.66 -0.5.5
2	9 Apr	A	Def by West Brunswick	1.9.15– 5.5.35
3	23 Apr	A	Def Kew	4.11.35 – 4.4.28
4	1 May	H	Def Caul Grammarians	6.5.41 – 2.3.15
5	7 May	A	Def by St Kevin's	1.1.7 – 11.11.77
6	14 May	H	Def St Mary's Salesian	26.11.167 – 0.0.0
7	21 May	A	Def by Marcellin	1.1.7 – 1.4.10
8	28 May	A	Def Old Xaverians	13.13.91 – 0.1.0
9	4 Jun	A	Def by Kew	4.2.26 – 5.8.38
10	18 Jun	A	Def by Caul Grammarians	5.5.35 – 1.9.15
11	26 Jun	H	Def Marcellin	3.2.20 – 1.0.6
12	2 Jul	H	Def by West Brunswick	0,2,02 – 5.2.32
13	16 Jul	A	Def St Mary's Salesian	19.1.3.127– 0.1.1
14	24 Jul	H	Def by St Kevin's	1.2.08 – 7.10.52
15	30 Jul	A	Def Old Xaverians	3.6.24 – 0.3.3
16	7 Aug	H	Def St Mary's Salesians	10.1.4.74 – 0.0.0
EF	14 Aug		Def by West Brunswick	0.2.2 – 0.4.4

Third XVIII Grade

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	3 Apr	H	Def by Monash Blues	4.2.26 – 6.5.41
2	9 Apr	A	Def by West Brunswick	5.5.35 – 1.4.10
3	23 Apr	H	Def St Kevin's	9.13.67 – 2.2.14
4	30 Apr		Bye	
5	7 May	A	Def by St Kevin's	0.0.00 – 11.13.79
6	14 May	H	Def West Brunswick	1.3.9 – 1.2.8
7	21 May		Bye	
8	29 May	H	Def by St Kevin's	1.1.7 – 10.16.76
9	5 Jun	H	Def by West Brunswick	2.1.13 – 5.9.39
10	18 Jun	A	Def by St Kevin's	0.2.2 – 4.7.31
11	25 Jun	A	Def by West Brunswick	1.1.7 – 3.3.21
12	2 Jul	H	Def by St Kevin's	0,0,0 – 2,5,17
13	16 Jul	A	Def West Brunswick	4.8.32 – 2.1.13
14	23 Jul		Bye	
EF	30 Jul		Def by West Brunswick	0.2.2 – 7.10.52



BLACKS PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In Season 2022 the Blacks accomplished what we had set ourselves to achieve, being promoted to Premier A. This promotion helped erase some of the pain and disappointment of the abandoned season of 2021 (when we were on top of the ladder sitting on 10 wins and 1 loss.), and the completely cancelled season of 2020; both seasons of which the Blacks had high levels of confidence in the talent of our playing list. We finished the season on top of the Premier B ladder with 15 wins and 1 loss (2 rounds were 'bye' rounds owing to an uneven number of teams in Premier B). Our team unfortunately lost the Grand Final to Old Haileybury in what were very trying conditions at Elsternwick Park.

The promotion to the Premier A division was a fantastic reward to the players, football officials, volunteers and football department who battled through the 2020 & 2021 Covid years where they did everything they could, in very challenging times to keep the team together and players fit. This hard work and dedication contributed to the success of season 2022.

This year was my first year as President of the Blacks. I took the position on with a sense of pride and honour and touch of apprehension given I had not been in an official role at the Club for many years. I want to acknowledge and thank my predecessor Nick Carah who did a fantastic job for a long period of time. Under his leadership, the Club built a strong foundation on and off the field, based on community values and inclusion. I was handed a very strong platform to operate on.

Being back at the Blacks has allowed me again to be part of and experience the unique culture based on community participation. The Blacks community plays a crucial role in building a sense of belonging amongst its participants, player & supporters. The Blacks community provides a safe and inclusive environment for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds to come together and connect through a shared love of the Blacks. The association with the University Blacks for our players not only offers numerous benefits including improved physical and mental health, as well as enhanced social skills and self confidence in the development of important life skills, such as teamwork and leadership. We see examples of this everyday with the leadership roles our players take on in the community now and when they retire from the game.

The success of the University Blacks Football Club would not be complete without the support of its loyal supporters. To that end I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the fans who came out to support the team whether at home or away throughout the. Your unwavering support has been greatly appreciated and has played a crucial role in the team success. The continued support of the broader Blacks community has seen generous donations and contributions made that have facilitated and allowed the Club to invest in an expanded & better resourced football department in 2022/23. I want to acknowledge and thank these members of our community.

Additionally, our commercial partners have again been very generous in providing financial support and resourcing in season 2022.



Thank you to the below organisations for their support & enthusiastic embracing of the Blacks.

- 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

We recognised this year Bede Mahon's contribution to our great Club, both on and off the field with Life Membership. Thank you, Bede, for everything you have contributed to the Blacks.

The efforts put in by our Football Department & coaching staff during season 2022 was fantastic. All community sporting programs post Covid have seen a reduction in volunteers and people taking on roles within clubs. The Blacks were not immune from this. Our Senior Coach Dale Bower took on extra responsibilities to ensure the Football Department was adequately resourced to allow all of our teams to have sufficient & adequate coaching support. Congratulations to Dale on a successful 2022 season and promotion to Premier A.

I want to acknowledge and recognise the exceptional leadership our Co-Captains Josh Steadman, and Jordan Quaile showed during the season. We are in the business of producing leaders and we have an exceptional one in Josh. Jordan decided to retire at the end of the 2022 season and is going to spend 2023 traveling in Europe with his beautiful partner, Laura. The Club owes Jordan a debt of gratitude that will be impossible to repay, for his years of loyal and unwavering service. Good luck for the future Jordan and Laura!

Rob Paterson, our Reserves Coach, had a great year and provided continued support to our Senior team by nurturing and developing players. The Reserves finished second on the ladder and unfortunately lost the grand final to De La Salle.

Our Under 19's competed in Division One. Our program was coached and led by Murray Schneider who also assisted our Senior coaching team. Thank you, Murray, for stepping up to take on this role. This program is so important for the Blacks as it is where we harvest many of our future club champions from. The Under 19's showed plenty of fight during the year and many of these new faces assimilated well into our Club – (you never know when the next Jordan Quaile will come along in the Under 19s!).



Our Phoenix team competed in the Premier Thirds Division. The 'Clubbies' didn't manage to win a game but fought valiantly in all their games – the competition in 2022 consisted of only 5 sides, reflecting the lack of resources all VAFA clubs has experienced since the Covid drop off. Nevertheless, the Phoenix are a big part of the culture at the Blacks with many of our past champions enjoying a run, an avenue for new players to commence their careers at the Club and a huge support for the senior teams and Club come middle of the year when the depth of the playing list can be stretched. Thank you to Rob Borg who took on the coaching role of the Clubbies.

The success of our Club is underpinned by so many people who carry out roles every day and week, many of those go unrecognised. Our great Club would not be here today if it wasn't for these unsung heroes who give a considerable amount of time to our Club.

The Committee – being a University Club we don't have the resources of other school based or suburban clubs. Our Committee is made up of mostly present and past players. I want to thank the following committee members Zach 'Hack' Harris – Club Secretary, Andrew Torney – Treasurer, Michael Commadeur, Nick Carah, Lachlan Knight & Sam McKenzie for their contribution and support in season 2022. I also want to acknowledge and thank the following consultants to the committee; Campbell Moorfield, Simon Hogan & Peter Bertoncini. At the end of the 2022 season, Andrew has stepped down from the role of Treasurer, after more than 10 years in the role since he ceased playing in 2014. Andrew has spent countless hours working away in the background, silently going about his business keeping the Blacks financially sound and in great shape, and I thank him for the sacrifices he has made dedicating his own time to the Club. Enjoy your 'second retirement' with Jen and Angus!

Medical and Physio Team - Our players and Club were greatly supported this year by the team of physiotherapists and trainers from Keiser. A big thank you to Koki Oka and his team for your attendance at every training session and game. Your support of the players during pre-season to introduce programs to minimise injuries and your general care and attendance was superb. Your professionalism and management of the players played a huge part in our on field success. I would also like to thank and acknowledge our Club Doctor Dan Costello who provided great support whilst juggling further studies and family commitments.

A big congratulations to the players who won awards in season 2022 for their performance on field and off field. You are all deserved winners.

We look forward to season 2023 with a sense of excitement knowing that we are back in Premier A division. We will continue to work extremely hard on and off the field to give our great Club every chance of success.

Patrick Barry
President



Club Awards:

Brendan Keilar Medal:	Henry Bennett
AM Smith Trophy for Best Clubman:	Zachary Harris
MUFC Life Member Nominee:	Bede Mahon
Cordner Medal: (Best & Fairest)	Campbell Moorfield

Senior Grade Awards:

Runner Up Best & Fairest:	Joshua Steadman
Coaches Award:	Samuel McKenzie
Rising Star Award:	Nicholas Caris
Leading Goalkicker:	Nicholas Hey
Finals Most Valuable Player:	Joshua Steadman

Reserve Grade Awards

Austin Edwards Perpetual Trophy: (Best & Fairest Player)	Thomas Cousins
Runner up Best & Fairest:	Jordan Tunbridge
Coaches Award:	Henry Robertson
Most Improved Player:	Samuel Robertson
Leading Goalkicker:	Thomas St Clair
Finals MVP:	Harry Broderick

The Phoenix Awards:

Best & Fairest:	Rohan Cleary
Runner Up Best & Fairest	Joshua Leviston
Coaches Award:	Nicholas Powell
Rising Phoenix Award:	Hamish McManus



Under 19 Grade Awards:

Best & Fairest Player:	Thomas Harris
Runner Up Best & Fairest:	James Connelly
Coaches Award:	Oliver Bouchez
Rising Star:	Baxter Aurisch

Milestones:

2022 Match Results

Senior Grade

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	2 Apr	H	Def Ajax	15.11.101 – 4.3.27
2	9 Apr	A	Def De La Salle	13.8. 86 – 6.9.45
3	23 Apr	H	Def St Bede's/MT	14.13.97 – 8.7.55
4	30 Apr	H	Def Beaumaris	14.16.100 – 3.8.26
5	7 May	A	Def Fitzroy	11.9.75 – 4.6.30
6	14 May		Bye	
7	21 May	A	Def Old Haileybury	11.16.82 – 7.14.56
8	28 May	A	Def Old Carey	19.16.130 – 2.1.2 24
9	4 Jun	H	Def Williamstown CYMS	18.14.122 – 4.6.30
10	18 Jun	A	Def St Bede's/MT	18.9.117 – 4.8.32
11	25 Jun	H	Def by Old Haileybury	4.10.34 – 12.8.80
12	16 Jul	A	Def Beaumaris	13.17.95 – 8.9.57
13	23 Jul	H	Def Fitzroy	8.15.63 – 5.5. 35
14	30 Jul	A	Def Ajax	9.12.66 - 6.7.43
15	6 Aug	A	Def Williamstown CYMS	10.16.76 - 4.6.30
16	13 Aug	H	Def Old Carey	15.21.111 – 6.11.47
17	20 Aug		Bye	
18	27 Aug	H	Def De La Salle	13.11.89 – 9.8.62
SSF	3 Sep		Def Beaumaris	10.11.71 – 5.9.39
GF	17 Sep		Def by Old Haileybury	2.10.22 – 2.5.17



Reserve Grade

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	2 Apr	H	Def Ajax	10.16.136 - 3.3.20
2	9 Apr	A	Def by De La Salle	10.12.72 – 13.4.82
3	23 Apr	H	Def St Bede's/MT	15.11.101– 4.4.28
4	30 Apr	H	Def Beaumaris	24.9.153 – 1.0.6
5	7 May	A	Def Fitzroy	10.14.74 – 8.10.58
6	14 May		Bye	
7	21 May	A	Def Old Haileybury	11.18.84 – 6.10.46
8	28 May	A	Def Old Carey	15.7.97 – 13.7.85
9	4 Jun	H	Def Williamstown CYMS	9.10.64 – 6.5.41
10	18 Jun	A	Def St Bede's/MT	9.1.3.67 – 5.7.37
11	25 Jun	H	Def Old Haileybury	14.10.94 – 7.4.46
12	16 Jul	A	Def Beaumaris	9.13.67 – 8.9.57
13	23 Jul	H	Def by Fitzroy	6.3.39 – 8.7.55
14	30 Jul	A	Def Ajax	12.13.85 – 1.2.8
15	6 Aug	A	Def Williamstown CYMS	17.14.116 - 4.6.30
16	13 Aug	H	Def Old Carey	14.23.107 – 4.7.31
17	20 Aug		Bye	
18	27 Aug	H	Def by De La Salle	5.7.37 – 8.5.53
SSF	3 Sep		Def Fitzroy	10.7.67 – 5.9.39
GF	17 Sep		Def by De La Salle	2.9.21– 7.9.51

The Phoenix

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	2 Apr	H	Def by Old Melburnians	6.6.42 – 8.15.63
2	9 Apr	A	Def by Old Scotch	6.7.43– 16.14.110
3	23 Apr	H	Def by St Kevin's	8.8.56 – 10.8.68
4	30 Apr		Bye	
5	7 May	A	Def by Old Xaverians	11.7.73 – 14.16.100
6	14 May	A	Def by Old Melburnians	6.8.44 – 11.8.74
7	21 May	H	Def by Old Scotch	6.14.50 – 10.14.74
8	28 May	H	Def by St Kevin's	2.6.18 – 14.11.95
9	4 Jun	H	Def by Old Xaverians	3.1.19 – 19.18.132
10	18 Jun	A	Def by St Kevin's	7.8.50 – 10.5.65
11	25 Jun	A	Def by Fitzroy	5.4.34 – 14.17.101
12	16 Jul	A	Def by Old Melburnians	6.9.44 – 8.14.62
13	23 Jul	H	Def by Old Xaverians	0.3.3 – 23.19.157
14	30 Jul	A	Def by Old Scotch	4.5.29 – 18,19.127



Under 19 Grade

Round	Date	H/A	Result	Score
1	2 Apr	H	Def by Old Trinity	4.5.29 – 15.17.107
2	9 Apr	A	Def by Old Xaverians	6.12.48 – 14.10.94
3	23 Apr	H	Def by Hampton Rovers	2.6.18 – 20.13.133
4	30 Apr	H	Def by St Bede's/MT	2.1.13 – 24.20.164
5	7 May	A	Def by Old Haileybury	6.8.44 – 11.8.74
6	14 May	H	Def by Beaumaris	2.4.16 – 6.16.52
7	21 May	A	Def by Mazenod	6.6.42 – 12.11.83
8	28 May	A	Def by Old Xaverians	5.8.38 – 11.12.78
9	4 Jun	H	Def Old Haileybury	14.14.98 – 4.4.28
10	18 Jun	A	Def Old Trinity	10.7.67 – 6.12.48
11	25 Jun	H	Def by Beaumaris	5.4.34 – 17.15.117
12	2 Jul	H	Def by Mazenod	6.8.44 – 8.15.63
13	16 Jul	A	Def by St Bede's/MT	3.3.21 – 16.15.111
14	23 Jul	H	Def Old Trinity	12.8.80 – 7.8.50
15	30 Jul	A	Def by Old Haileybury	7.11.53 – 9.9.63
16	6 Aug	A	Def by Beaumaris	6.6.42 – 19.19.133
17	13 Aug	H	Def by Old Xaverians	3.8.26 – 15.13.103
18	20 Aug	A	Def by Hampton Rovers	0.4.4 - 25.21.171



BLUES PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is a tough report to write as we all had looked forward to 2022 with huge excitement. We had great new senior coaches, completed a solid pre-season and had what we know was a good list of senior players complimented with some really exciting young home-grown talent. Unfortunately for our senior side 2022 was a year to forget, due to administrative errors on the club's behalf, but having said this a lot was learnt and achieved by everyone involved in getting through the year and importantly staying in A Grade.

Like every year the 2022 season saw an enormous amount of time, effort and commitment made by many on and off the field and regardless of what actually transpired it will always be these efforts that enable the ongoing development of our club and our players that reaches well beyond the football field.

On reflection the year highlighted what can be achieved in times of adversity and how important it is that people stick together through tough times – I personally could not be prouder of the way our players responded to the situation they were faced with and for all the support the club received from so many throughout the year - I know we all look forward to 2023 with a refreshed mindset and a thirst for victory!

The 2022 season 'on field' results were mixed but were certainly highlighted by the performance of our U23 team that completed the season in 4th position on the ladder but went on to get within a single goal of making the grand final (losing to Old Xavierians in the preliminary final) – an amazing effort by all involved.

All our teams were well prepared, coached and developed throughout the year. Led by our senior coaches, Guy Martin and Dan Currie (assisted by Tim Wilson), our seconds coach John Kanis (assisted by Joseph Sturrock), our U19's coach Steve Boakes and his assistant Daniel McDonald and our U23's coach Bob Girdwood and their assistants - I wish to thank everyone for their leadership, time and effort.

To our players – I know 2022 was at times a very frustrating season but thank you for your commitment and dedication during the 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 2023 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 – certainly in my 5 years more than any other year. The engagement of the Committee this season was so solid – 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. You all played your role in getting through 2022 and you should be proud of what was achieved.

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, Bernie Angel, Jim Hayes, Justin Quill and Ray Scanlon (Sugar).

Medical Team - your commitment and expertise again in 2022 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 who oversees the whole program from a medical support perspective and to Will Arnel, Josh Boehm and Dr. Indi Cooper for their specific roles in assisting our teams from a medical and fitness perspective.

To all the other Blues' helpers:

- John Carmody
- Gerry Westmore
- Jim Hayes
- Bernie Angel
- Frank Benjamin
- Luke Gaetani
- 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 2022. You are very deserving of your respective awards, 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 2023. We are incredibly excited about our younger brigade, and we have some exciting new additions to our senior team for 2023.



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. 2023 represents an exciting opportunity for the Blues and I look forward to everyone's continued support next year.

This is my last year as President of the Blues and while I have loved the challenge over the past five years, I look forward to supporting our new President Andrew Lowock in 2023 and well beyond!

Go Blues - together we are strong on and off the field.

Tim Rourke
President



University Blues Office Bearers and Personnel 2022

President	Tim Rourke
Vice President	Adam Lennen
General Committee:	Andrew Batarilo; Quinton Gleeson; Tom Hutchins; David Phefley; Scott Russell; Hugh Vickers-Willis; Andrew Wilson; Bob Girdwood;
Major Sponsors	
Sugar by Half	Bastion Collective
I&D Group	Next Generation Electrical
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The Aviary Bar	
Donors	
Peter Brukner & Diana Tapsell	John & Diane Carmody
The Rourke Family	Danny Hayter
Andrew Wilson	John & Sue North
Bruce Wilson	Helen & David Phefley
Tom Hutchins	
Coaching Staff	
Seniors	Guy Martyn, Dan Currie and Tim Wilson
Reserves	John Kanis and Joseph Sturrock
Thirds	Bob Girdwood
Under 19s	Steve Boakes and 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	Gerry Westmore (Senior); Derek Lee (Reserves); Tilly Secomb (U23); Bernie Angel/Luke Gaetani (U19).
Support Staff	John Carmody; Frank Benjamin; Jim Hayes; Ian Sweet; Neil Turner; Julian Mitchell plus many other volunteers
Field / Boundary Umpires	Andrew Lowcock; Charlie Sutherland; Tom Girdwood, Luke Gaetani.
Medical Staff	
Head of Sports Medicine	Peter Brukner
High Performance Manager	Will Arnel
Doctor	Indi Cooper; Emma Buckthorpe; Francesca Sasanelli
Osteopath	Damien Guengerich
Physiotherapists	Josh Boehm; Michael Girdwood; Vivien Cadd; Dan Zambon; Hayden Davis
Physio Assistants (Trainers)	Richard Chun Po; Pauline Lai; Kao Chong; Rachel Curwen; Lydia Soo; Lily Aitken; Ming Bourne; Susan Samuel; Jesse White
Trainer	Ray Scanlon
General Club Awards	
Chris Brown Trophy	Andrew Lowcock
Ted McNamara Award	Meyrick Buchanan
MUFC Life Member	
Nominations	Tim Rourke Matthew Torney Ray Scanlon Frank Benjamin



Senior Grade

Captain	Ayce Cordy
Best & Fairest	Marty Gleeson
Runner-up Best & Fairest	Jeremy Goddard
Best Young Player	Jeremy Goddard
Runner	Justin Quill

Reserve Grade

Captain	David Morgan
Best & Fairest	James Curran
Runner Up Best & Fairest	Nick Vallance
Runner	Tom Girdwood

Under 23 Grade

Captain	Jools Bond
Best & Fairest	Ethan Guida; Seb Francis
Runner Up Best & Fairest	Jools Bond

Under 19 Grade

Captain	Ned Evans; Joey Nagle
Best & Fairest	Ned Evans
Runner Up Best & Fairest	Tom O'Brien

Games Milestones – 2022

200 Games:	Paddy Hayes
150 Games:	Marc James
100 Games	Tom Quinn
50 Games:	Joe Macula; Scott McCarney Ayce Cordy Harry Atkins; Ben Capra



2022 Senior Best & Fairest

Votes		Player	Games Played
108	1.	Marty Gleeson	18
67	2.	Jeremy Goddard	18
56	3.	Cam O'Shea	17
51	4.	Sam Grimley	15
50	5.	Eddie Ziebarth	18
46	Eq 6.	Ayce Cordy	12
46	Eq 6.	Matt Crocker	17
31	Eq 8.	Will Carrington	17
31	Eq 8.	Meyrick Buchanan	12
29	10.	James Fulton	18

2022 Reserves Best & Fairest

Votes		Player	Games Played
49	1.	James Curran	12
31	2.	Nick Vallance	17
30	3.	Senan McNaulty	14
25	4.	Trent Cossar	13
20	Eq 5.	Lachie Gee	12
20	Eq 5.	Matt Muller	10
20	Eq 5.	Will Page	12
18	Eq 8.	Luke Yeates	9
18	Eq 8.	Bill Lee	10
16	10.	Alex Ingleton	5

2022 Under 23 Best & Fairest

Votes		Player	Games Played
24	Eq 1	Ethan Guida	12
24	Eq 1.	Sebastian Francis	14
20	3.	Jools Bond	1
18	4.	Liam Warmington	7
16	5.	Sterling Shier	11
15	Eq 6.	Jackson McMahon	10
15	Eq 6.	Leo Hatzoglou	11
14	8.	Reuben Murphy	11
12	Eq 9.	Archie Lord	10
12	Eq 9.	Max Grodski	9

2022 Under 19 Best & Fairest

Votes		Player	Games Played
75	1	Ned Evans	12
73	2	Tom O'Brien	17
58	3	Geordie LaCava	10
40	4	Tom McShane	11
37	5	Tom Ingram	14
34	6	Joey Ryan	16
27	Eq 7.	Tom Gleeson	15
27	Eq 7.	Alec Ritchie	10
25	9.	Charlie Fleming	12



2022 VAFA Woodrow Medal

Votes	Player
12	Martin Gleeson
12	Sam Grimley
10	Cam O'Shea
6	Ayce Cordy
3	Hugh Goddard
3	Matthew Crocker
3	Rhys Hultgren

Votes	Player
2	Eddy Ziebarth
2	Marc James
2	Joe Macula
2	Jeremy Goddard
1	Charlie Furphy
1	Meyrick Buchanan



University Blues Players 2022

	Sen	Res	U19	U23
Akoch, Mojwok	2	2	6	0
Allen, Jack	0	0	0	13
Artz, Alistair	0	0	0	14
Atkins, Harry	0	14	0	2
Barker, Thomas	0	10	0	1
Barker, Daniel	0	2	2	9
Barry, Hugo	3	3	0	0
Batarilo, Andrew	0	1	0	0
Bird, Michael	0	0	3	11
Bond, Jools	0	0	10	11
Bouffler, Jamieson	9	9	0	0
Bouffler, Henry	0	12	0	0
Buchanan, Meyrick	12	0	0	0
Buchanan, Riley	0	1	0	1
Burns, William Theo	0	0	0	7
Caldow, Josh	0	2	0	0
Capra, Benjamin	12	4	0	0
Carr, Sean	0	0	0	1
Carr, Timothy	0	0	0	1
Carr, James	16	0	0	0
Carrington, William	17	1	0	0
Christakis, Thomas	0	0	1	11
Clatworthy, Hugo	0	0	15	0
Cleary, Spencer	0	0	0	4
Clements, Hugo	0	0	0	7

	Sen	Res	U19	U23
Clifford, Oliver	0	0	18	0
Coleman, Benjamin	0	0	15	1
Cordy, Ayce	12	0	0	0
Cossar, Trent	5	13	0	0
Cozens, Sam	0	0	10	0
Crocker, Matthew	17	0	0	0
Crosthwaite, Sam	0	0	0	12
Curran, James	5	12	0	0
Davies, Alex	0	0	8	1
Davison, Joshua	0	0	0	1
De Santis, Joseph	0	14	0	2
De Steiger, Jack	0	0	10	8
Duffell, Max	0	0	15	0
Elliot, Fraser	5	1	0	0
Evans, Ned	4	0	12	0
Evans, Angus	0	0	0	1
Farrell, Ned	0	0	1	10
Fasolo, Alexander	4	0	0	0
Foale, Nathan	0	16	0	0
Foster, Angus	0	0	4	4
Francis, Sebastian	0	0	0	14
Freeman, Tex	0	0	2	3
Fulton, James	18	0	0	0
Furphy, Charlie	17	0	0	1
Furphy, Billy	0	4	0	3



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	Sen	Res	U19	U23
Gee, Lachlan	3	12	0	0
Girdwood, Thomas	0	3	0	0
Gleeson, Tommy	0	0	15	0
Gleeson, Martin	18	0	0	0
Goddard, Jeremy	18	0	0	0
Goddard, Hugh	7	0	0	0
Grimley, Sam	15	0	0	0
Grodski, Max	0	0	9	9
Guest, Chester	0	0	17	0
Guida, Ethan	0	1	6	12
Guiney, Sean	0	0	0	1
Handy, Sunny	0	1	0	16
Hardman, Jude	0	0	0	11
Harper, Kieran	4	0	0	0
Harper, Timothy	0	2	0	0
Hatzoglou, Leo	0	0	3	11
Hayes, Patrick	16	0	0	0
Hayter, Diarmid	0	1	0	0
Hayter, James	0	1	0	0
Height, Marcus	0	17	0	0
Heinrich, Jock	0	0	0	1
Holten, Fionn	0	4	0	0
Hultgren, Rhys	15	0	0	0
Humphrey, Jack	9	3	0	0
Hutchings, Josh	0	1	0	0

	Sen	Res	U19	U23
Ingleton, Alex	10	5	0	0
Ingram, Thomas	0	0	14	2
Jacoby, Fergus	0	0	7	7
Jain, Udbhav	0	0	0	1
James, Marc	15	0	0	0
Johnston, Richard	0	10	0	0
Johnston, Charlie	0	0	5	10
Kays, Camblar	0	0	0	5
Kearns, John	0	0	13	0
Kennedy-Harris, Jay	0	1	0	0
Kerr, James	0	0	0	1
Kervin, Jack	0	0	17	1
Kutadzaushe, Panashe	0	0	0	1
LaCava, Geordie	4	0	10	0
Laurie, George	0	15	0	0
Lee, Bill	1	10	0	1
Lord, Archie	0	0	10	10
Lovel, Alexander	0	0	0	3
Lukies, Kurt	0	0	0	9
Macinnes, Hamish	0	0	0	1
Macula, Joseph	13	1	0	0
Macula, Joseph	0	0	1	5
Makin, Lachlan	0	5	0	0
Matherson, Alexander	0	0	2	17
McCarney, Scott	0	17	0	0



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	Sen	Res	U19	U23
Mcculloch, Will	0	0	13	1
McCurdy, Lachlan	0	0	0	5
McDonald, Oscar	0	0	0	7
McDonald, Hamish	0	13	0	1
McDonald, William	0	1	0	14
McEvoy, Tadhg	0	0	0	5
McIvor, Fletcher	4	5	0	0
McKinnis, Thomas	0	0	15	3
McMahon, Jackson	0	2	1	10
McMenamin, Sean	0	16	0	0
McNulty, Senan	2	14	0	0
McShane, Tom	0	0	11	0
Morgan, David	0	6	0	0
Muller, Matthew	0	10	0	0
Murphy, Reuben	0	0	0	11
Musster, Solomon	0	0	0	8
Nagle, Joseph	14	2	0	0
Newman, Thomas	0	0	0	7
Nosiara, Maks	0	0	0	2
O Nuallain, Tom	0	0	0	1
O'Brien, Thomas	0	0	17	1
O'Brien, Lucas	0	1	0	4
O'Shea, Cameron	17	0	0	0
Page, Will	0	12	0	0
Pleming, Charlie	0	0	12	0

	Sen	Res	U19	U23
Preston, William	0	0	10	2
Quinn, Tom	13	0	0	0
Ritchie, Alec	0	0	10	6
Rojo, Oliver	0	1	12	2
Ross, William	0	1	0	2
Ryan, Joseph	0	0	16	0
Salinger, Thomas	0	12	0	2
Searle, Benjamin	0	1	0	2
Shier, Stirling	0	0	3	11
Sibly, William	0	1	12	0
Sorensen, Will	0	0	0	8
Stephens, Jack	6	0	0	0
Stone, Charlton	0	0	0	1
Swaney, Lachlan	9	0	0	0
Sweet, Patrick	0	17	0	0
Tobin, Will	0	11	0	2
Vallance, Nicholas	0	17	0	0
Wagstaff, Sam	0	0	2	15
Walker, Ryan	0	0	0	1
Warmington, Liam	0	0	8	7
Williams, Hugo	0	0	12	7
Wylie, Liam	0	0	12	1
Yeates, Luke	0	9	0	0
Young, Tom	7	0	0	0
Ziebarth, Eddy	18	0	0	0

	Sen	Res	U19	U23	Total
Players used	39	57	46	79	150