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It was a glorious Friday night on the 28th of April at the Subiaco Football Club as the 1986 Premiership Team was honored at their 20 year Reunion Dinner.

It was a who's who of past Subiaco Football Club Legends with names such as Haydn Bunton Jnr., Mark Zanotti, Laurie Keene, Dwayne Lamb and Peter Featherby all present.

Tim Gossage hosted the evening and invited numerous players up on stage to quiz them on the day itself and what is was like to play for the Subiaco Football Club during the glory years of 1985 till 1988.

It was a fantastic turnout and legendary Coach Haydn Bunton even commented that "half these guys could still get a game. They haven't changed a bit."

The 1986 players stayed to enjoy the Lions 18 point win over co-tenants East Perth. At the post match awards, the 1986 players addressed the members and told some amusing stories from their playing days including 1986 Simpson Medalist Mark Zanotti

remarking how few awards he won playing in the same team as Neil Taylor, Laurie Keene and Phil Lamb.

Subiaco games record holder Neil Taylor presented Captain Marc Webb the match ball signed by his team mates for reaching 100 WAFL games. Matt Priddis received his 50 Games Certificate from 1986 Legend Warren Dean.

The boys weekend did not end there. In fact, it was just the beginning.

After nursing a few sore heads, the boys caught a bus on Saturday morning to the Ascot Race Course, courtesy of Club President Neil Randall, to place a few wagers.

No rest for the wicked, the whole team then took in the West Coast Eagles game against Brisbane at Subiaco Oval.

From all accounts, the boys thoroughly enjoyed the entire weekend as it allowed them to catch up with team mates and re-live the glory days. The Club is already looking forward to 2016 for the 30 year Reunion!











LEAGUE REPORT

It is with a touch of reservation that I write the mid-season report as we were in a similar position to last season and we all know what happened at the business end of the season last year.

What I will do is compare the differences between last season's squad with our current batch of players.

Firstly, the inclusion of recruits Dave Mapleston, Chris Hall and Brendan Rinaldi has added much more fire power in the forward line with Mapleston proving to be one of the best over head marks in the competition. Hall's versatility gives us that power and strength both

in the air and on the ground.

Both have been key goal scorers so far but it has been the surprise packet of Blake Broadhurst who has shown

the way in front of goals in recent weeks. His marking has certainly impressed many and with Sammy Larkins ready to return and also new recruit Paul Ridley waiting in the wings, then we have definitely improved our goal scoring.

The midfield has been boosted with a fit Jarrod Schofield playing the first 7 games and with Josh Wooden playing on a regular basis, it helps our midfield of Webb, Haynes, Pickett, Robbins, Hayes and Priddis get a rest during the games.

Our defence has been more settled this season with Darren Rumble and Aidan Parker holding down the key posts. Throw in Ben Randall, Greg Broughton and Ben Keevers all playing the best football of their career with first year player Cameron Heise realizing his potential then this all goes well to building a solid, attacking defence.



Shaun Hildebrandt is another who has come to the Club and after a few hiccups early with injury he should play a big part in the 2nd half of the season.

With a much younger list than last season, these younger players have injected some real enthusiasm into the experienced player group and with many of them performing well it has added much competition for many of the senior players.

It was fantastic that our very own Matt Priddis was elevated to the West Coast Eagles Senior list and with his consistent weekly performances demanded that he got his AFL call-up againts the Cat's.

Our last game against South Fremantle was a beauty and from my personal point of view that is what football is all about. You can have your flooding and chip kicking, but when both teams go out to take on the opposition with genuine, honest, hard at the ball footy, it makes for a great spectacle. Those who saw the game would agree with me. The best part was we come out on top, which was a credit to all the players concerned. However we are under no false impressions that there is some real genuine contenders that will challenge us come September.

The State team has once again had a big Subiaco influence with Caine Hayes, Allistair Pickett, Luke Newick, Darren Rumble, Marc Webb and with Aidan Parker & Ben Keevers both making their State debuts, all players deserve a congratulations and well done.

Also great to see Bill Monaghan take charge of the U/20 State side with Greg Broughton, Rob Forrest, Jordan Adamson-Holmes and Cameron Heise all performing well in the game.

9 games played and with still 17 weeks of football to be played we are still searching for the right combination that can help us get to the last game of the year so there are many more twists and turns left in the season.

We now go back to playing our games on Saturday afternoons and we are certainly looking forward to all of our supporters getting to the games and staying back for presentations. The players definitely appreciate the support after the games.

See you at the Footy Peter German Senior Coach





Photography... Scott Lilleyman

CAPTAINS CORNER

By Marc Webb

The game of football has changed some what in 20 years, but the desire and commitment needed certainly has not. Listening to Hayden Bunton Jnr speak about the unity and dedication of the 86 premiership team reassures the players that hard work and commitment is worth it. Bunton also spoke about the demands he placed on the players, their training and professionalism. This is no different to the present 2006 Subiaco side. The changes in preparation, training session and coaching has developed so much since then, and for us as a player group we recognise that we have to give more and more each year.

Some of the big changes since my time at Subiaco are the development in our weights, strength and conditioning. The focus is no longer just to put on muscle, but speed, agility and injury prevention plays a bigger part. Technology has also ensured players can also review their individual games on DVD; breaking down your involvement play by play and the time Germo and the assistants put into strategy and opposition review is massive.

I'm sure in 5 years time the same will be said again, but the important thing is that the Subiaco Football Club and its players keep being professional and striving to be at the fore front of game development.







RESERVES REPORT

Our season got off to a poor start with a huge loss to Swan Districts at Bassendean Oval and even though things improved we followed up with losses to Claremont and Perth. So we found ourselves 0 and 3 and well off the pace. We were struggling on the scoreboard but the attitude of a young and inexperienced group remained strong.

The bye came at a good time for us as it allowed us to get some extra fitness work and regain some more experienced players from injury. As a result we came out firing against East Fremantle to record our first win of the year. After another loss, this time to East Perth, we posted consecutive wins against Peel and West Perth and our season was back on track. Injuries took their toll on the whole squad leading into the match against South Fremantle and although we worked hard we couldn't post a win. After playing each side once we have a 3 and 5 record but with many positives to come out of the first 8 games.

It has been fantastic to see many of our young player's from last years Reserves Premiership – Broughton, Broadhurst, Heise, Adamson-Holmes, Forrest and Moores- having an impact at senior level. This progression and loss of several other players from our 2005 list has given an early opportunity for some young Colt graduates to get valuable ground time in the seconds. Jarryd Batt has been the standout from this group, however Stuart Bownes, Jarrod Holmes, Ben Roberts, Ben Priddis, Daniel Tincknell, Raphael Stack and Tom Moscarda have all shown improvement.

Michael Perry has been outstanding in his first year at the club, after playing country football last year, and looks like being a

long term performer at the Subiaco Football Club. Also Shaun Hildebrandt and Paul Ridley have shown that they will be valuable players as they work their way to full fitness. Clive Hayden, Trent McKenna, Sam Miles, Matt Leahy, Mark Trewhella and Leigh Meyrick have all contributed and are displaying good leadership to our youthful list.

Over the next few weeks we should see the return of several players including Ben Bizzaca, Steve Goodall, Paul Vines and Rowan McDonnell and their inclusions will strengthen our list considerably.

It will be great to get back to all 3 grades playing on Saturday and I hope to see all our members and supporters encouraging and supporting the Reserves for the remainder of the season.

Bill Monaghan



Subiaco's State contingent

MEDIBANK STADIUM OFFICIAL OPENING



On Friday April 28th Leederville Oval officially became Medibank Stadium. The 3 year deal sees the Subiaco Football Club, East Perth Football Club and Town of Vincent join with Medibank Private in a joint venture to communicate the importance of health and healthy lifestyles at a local level.

The match was attended by Mayor Nick Catania, Medibank Private's General Manager Bob Payne and the face of Medibank, Chris Judd. The launch began with Chris Judd and Bob Payne unveiling the plaque to rename the oval and was followed up with an array of spectacular fireworks.

Judd also tossed the coin before the game but he couldn't help the Royals win the game with Subiaco running out victors by 18 points.



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OUCH!!

Subiaco Property Man Barry Strack shows the "battle wound" he copped in Round 1 against Swan Districts.

What dedication!

Even our Support Staff are willing to put their body on the line for the Club.



1935 Sandover Medal On Display at Subiaco Football Club

The Daily family has loaned the original Sandover Medal won in 1935 by Lou Daily with a presentation taking place prior to the start of the Subiaco vs. Claremont game on Saturday at Medibank Stadium.

The medal and a framed photograph was presented by Lou Daily, nephew of Lou Daily with 17 members of the family present to witness the historic moment.

The Daily Medal is the first Sandover medal the Club has in its possession and will take a prominent place in the Club's Hall of Fame.

Lou Daily represented the Subiaco Football Club from 1931 till 1937, playing 92 games. Daily won the Clubs Fairest and Best three times from 1935 till 1937. He was also a State

Representative three times (1935-1937). But obviously the pinnacle of his career was his 1935 season in which he became the Clubs 3rd Sandover Medallist.

The Club would like to thank Memorabilia Manager Gerry Stokes for initiating the event and the Daily family for their co-operation.

Make sure you have a look next time your down at the Club.



Golds Player of the month





SUBIACO 2006 LEADERSHIP GROUP

The Subiaco Football Club is pleased to announce that it has retained the same leadership group for the 2006 season. Marc Webb will captain the side for his second year and will be assisted by Todd Holmes, Ben Keevers and Aidan Parker.

Coach Peter German says that all the players are well respected around the Club, have done the hard yards in previous seasons and deserve to be leaders at Subiaco. The group is well rounded, with each of the players bringing different leadership qualities to the team both on and off the field.

Nando's = YUM!

The Subiaco Football Club is lucky to have Nando's on board this year as a support sponsor. If you attended the Clubs round 2 game against Claremont, you would of no doubt tasted some of their delicious chicken samples.

Make sure you come to Subi's round

15 (East Perth) and round 21 (Claremont) games for some more tasty Nando's chicken. And if that is not enough, they are less than 100m from Medibank Stadium (cnr. of Vincent & Oxford), so there is no excuse to miss out!



KITCHEN UPDATE

After a long and very tedious process, the Subiaco Football Club had finally been granted a building licence so we can start our Alfresco Kitchen! The Kitchen is being built by long-time Subiaco member Peter Hetherington.

Don't fret, you will still be able to purchase our delicious hotdogs and hamburgers at matches while it is being built!

WHO AM I?

One of Subiaco's most outstanding Indigenous players, I achieved top-three finishes in the fairest and best award in my only two seasons at the club. I later played for Hawthorn and became a professional runner, reaching the final of a Stawell Gift.. Who am I? [Turn to page 10]

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2006 League Player Sponsors

The Subiaco Football Club would like to say thank you to the below Player Sponsors. The Club and Players are extremely fortunate that so many people are willing to dig into their own pockets and assist the Lions.

Name Chris Hood Chad Cossom

Ben Keevers **Todd Holmes**

Paul Vines **David Robbins**

Aidan Parker Chris Hall Brendan Rinaldi

Allistair Pickett Andrew Buckenara

Mark Haynes Shaun Hilderbrandt **Greg Broughton**

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2006 Colts Player Sponsors

The Subiaco Football Club is running a new initiative this year with our Colts program. We are lucky enough to have Sponsors for our Colts side and the Club would like to take this opportunity to thank the sponsors who have contributed to the Club.

Colts Name

Simon Cuthbert

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'MMM' Midfield Milestones-Congratulations

In recent weeks three of Subiaco's most influential players reached milestone games. Captain Marc Webb played his 100th WAFL game while young superstar Matt Priddis and Mark Haynes played in their 50th game for the Lions.

Marc is originally from Victoria where he played for Port Melbourne and Sandringham in the VFL. He was initially recruited by Perth and played 20 games for them. He joined the Lions midway through 2002. Since then he won the 2003 club champion award, was a 2004 premiership player, State representative and Captain since 2005.

Matt Priddis is a local boy and came to the Lions through the Sorrento-Duncraig Football Club. He made his senior debut in 2003 and since then has been a regular in the Subiaco engine room constantly racking up high possession games. He won the Simpson Medal in 2005 for his best on ground performance against Queensland and also won the club best & fairest last year. Matt is a two time state representative and his fine form in the WAFL resulted him in being rookie listed by the Eagles earlier this year.

Mark is also from Sandringham in the VFL and made his Subiaco debut in 2004 and played in a tremendous 50 consecutive games. In 2005 he won the Ted Doherty Memorial trophy for finishing 3rd in the League Best & Fairest. He is also a 2004 premiership player.

The Subiaco Football Club congratulates Marc, Matt and Mark on reaching the milestone and hope there is another 200 games between them in the future.

Ridley & Hildebrandt join Subiaco

The Subiaco Football Club has been successful in recruiting 21 year old Shaun Hildebrandt from the Peel Thunder Football Club and 31 year old Paul Ridley from the East Perth Football Club.

Shaun has played 60 league games for Peel Thunder and played under Peter German in 2002. Shaun has been a very consistent player with Peel and is eager to represent his new club this weekend against Perth

Paul has played 140 WAFL games for East Perth after originally starting his career at Subiaco. Paul was a member of the Royals three premierships from 2000-2002.

Subiaco Senior Coach Peter German stated "Shaun has been keen to join Subiaco Football Club for a number of years and his running ability and hardness will be a great asset to the football club for many years".

Shaun told the Club, "I really appreciate the opportunity Subi has provided and I'm keen to play football again. I'm very excited to finally be here.

On the subject of Ridley, German said "We see Paul as a player who can contribute in our forward line as the season progresses. His experience and goal kicking ability will complement our current forwards.′

The Subiaco Football Club is elated to acquire players of the quality of Shaun and Paul and we wish them all the best on and off the field in season 2006.





Congratulations on 100 Games **Picket**



Keevers Dominant in Subiaco Rout

Ben Keevers honoured the ANZAC's in outstanding fashion against East Fremantle, claiming his first Andrew Christie Cup. The Lions award the Andrew Christie Cup to the player who is voted as best displaying the ANZAC spirit such as leadership, comradeship and courage.

Andrew Christie played for Subiaco from 1909 to 1913 and was club captain in 1910. He was part of the 1912 and 1913 premiership squads before joining the 16th Battalion. Sadly he was killed on May 2, after landing at

Keevers dominated from the start, tallying 15 first quarter possessions off of half-back and having a hand in several of Subiaco's seven first quarter goals. It was a sign of things to come, as East Fremantle could only manage one more goal after quarter time, translating to a 112 point loss (Subiaco 19.15 129 defeated East Fremantle 2.5 17). Speaking of the score, how is this for spooky? Andrew Christie landed in Gallipoli in the year 1915, Subiaco's score for the night. He was

entire score for the night. Keevers was humbled in receiving the Andrew Christie Cup at the post match presentation, saying "It is always fantastic to tribute the ANZAC's and I feel honoured to have won this award."

Len Christie (grand-nephew of Andrew) presented the Cup to Ben after the game.





Subject Football Club Website

The Subiaco Football Club would like to take this opportunity to urge all members to frequent the Club Website, www.sfclions.com.au.

It is home to ALL Subiaco Club news, player information, photos and up-coming

You will also find at the Subi website, articles from our Coach Peter German, links to our District Website, www.lionsdistrict.com.au and you can even view Club merchandise on-line!

So log on today!



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Player Awards

It is a huge commitment playing WAFL football in this day and age. The amount of effort put into training and preparing for games is very time consuming. Players receive little financial gain so it is excellent that through the below Player Award providers, the players receive recognition and reward for all their hard work. The Subiaco Football Club would like to thank the below providers of our Player Awards for their contribution to our 2006 season.

League

- Paddington AleHouse
 - Giardini
 - Claremont Cellars
 - Marrakech Cafe
 - Retravision

Reserves

- Golds Best Player
 Donated Café Villa
- SFC PP&O Award Donated Oceanus
- Sports Specialist Award
- The Barber Shop Award

Colts

- Maslin Greenwood
 Chartered Accountants
 - Siena's Café
 - T&N Sheetmetal

Donated Terry Mason

- Subway
- Buzz Marketing Award Donated Jason Dover
 - Maroons

Mark Nicoski Football Excellence Program

In December 2005, Subiaco Football Club launched the Mark Nicoski Football Excellence Program for season 2006 with the appointment of Daine Burnett as the Senior Coach and Mark Nicoski to assist with the development of talented players within our junior district.

The squad was selected from players within our Junior District and players who represented Subiaco in the 15's Carnival in October 2005. All players attended a camp during January, where they traveled to a youth camp school and developed their leadership skills and focused on improving their teamwork.

Results aside, the squad played some great football in patches and developed parts of their game over the five month training period. There was some stand out players who were rewarded with being selected in the State 16's Squad of 30. Congratulations to Daniel Rich, Reece Blechynden, Josh Watson (Sorrento-Duncraig) and Oliver Glass for being selected in the initial squad and best of luck in making the final squad to travel to and play in the National Carnival.

Other players who performed consistently well during the carnival were Luke Champion (Carine), Cody Enders (Kingsley), Michael Gant (Sorrento-Duncraig), David Harring and Lee Boath (Kalgoorlie).

Thank you to all players for being committed to this development program and we look forward to seeing your progress over the next two years. A special thank you to those players from our country zones (Kalgoorlie and Esperance) for traveling from your country towns to be a part of the carnival. A special thank you to the parents/ guardians of the players for your commitment to the development of your son to progress to the next level of his football career.

Thank you to Daine Burnett, for his professionalism and dedication to deliver a first class program to the future of the Subiaco Football Club. Thanks to Daniel Devellerez, Shane Murray, Mark Enders, Kerrin Burnett and Brett Cassidy for coaching the players over the past five months. Thank you to Don Heise (manager) for your commitment to the football clubs talent programs. Thank you to Alby Hawkins and John Brennan for being our trainers, we are very grateful for the time you devoted to this program. Lastly, thank you to Mark Nicoski for making his time available to assist with training and coaching on match days and for embracing the vision of this program, without you it would not have been a success.

Thank you to Lester Barnes, Alistair Barnes and Dan Foley from 'Sports Specialists' for being major sponsor of our development programs.

Sports Specialists have relocated to Floreat Forum so for all of your sporting needs, head to Shop 4 (undercover carpark) or call them on 9284 1322.

Luke Sanders

Smarter Than Smoking Youth Development Officer

WHO AM I?

I was twice the leading goalkicker at Subiaco, but really made my name as a defender. I played in the 1986 and 1988 premiership teams, retiring in 1990. Who am I? [Turn to page 10]

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Life Members Dinner: 2006

At last years AGM the board decided to add 4 new names to the Subiaco Football Club life member list. The new members are:

Jack Diprose

- Played 158 games between 1909 and 1914. Played in 2 Premierships and was Captain in 1909/10 and Coach in 1910.

Daniel Metropolis

- Played 90 SFC games over 13 years between 1991 and 2003. Drafted to the West Coast Eagles in 1991 and played 114 AFL games.

Trevor Nishett

- Football Manager for 6 years from 1984 till 1989, when the club played in four grand finals and won two premierships. He was one of the most influential persons within the club in the past 25 years, having changed the culture of the club, when the club learnt how to achieve success.

Des Gaines

The Club's Honorary Treasurer from 1992 -96 and Finance Director from 1997 – 2005. Des Gaines has overseen a financial structure for 14 years where his expertise and advice has enabled the club to successfully relocate to Leederville while maintaining a strong financial position.

The Life Members were officially inducted at a special dinner that was held on the 27th of May upstairs in the function room with special guest speaker Andrew Vlahov.



"Pearl Jam"

Saturday 15th November 2006 at Subiaco Oval

The Subiaco Football Club takes pleasure in inviting you to the long anticipated Pearl Jam concert on Saturday 25th November 2006.

Seating situated on the middle of the oval Block B (one block back from the stage). Take a deep breath, sit back and prepare to be entertained by one of the world's greatest band at what will be known as one of Western Australia's most "entertaining" evenings.

The night is not over when the music stops – it's just beginning!!! We welcome all you "Pearl Jam" fans back to our Subiaco Football Club's bar area to continue to enjoy the sounds of Pearl Jam music.

We look forward to you and your friends joining us in the experience of the 2006 "PEARL JAM".

Please call Debra with any inquiries you may have 9208 9999/0419047005.

EMAIL: Do WE HAVE YOUR ADDRESS?

In the future, the Subiaco Football Club is looking to send out summarized versions of the Lions Roar via email.

Does the Subiaco Football Club have your E-mail address??





25 Years: Subiaco Football Club and Phoenix Holden

A quarter of a Century is how long Mark Lawrence and Phoenix Holden have been involved with the Subiaco Football Club. The Club would like to take this opportunity to thank Mark for his contribution at a corporate and Board level.





Proud to support Subiaco Football Club





Subi meets the Neighbours

On Tuesday the 11th April the Subiaco Football Club held a sausage sizzle at Les Lilleyman Reserve. This was a great opportunity for the Subiaco Colts to strengthen

their relationship with the community and especially the residents around Les Lilleyman as they now use the oval as a permanent training base. The sausage sizzle was attended by Club directors, staff and colts players/coaches.











State 18's

The Subiaco Football Club would like to congratulate Matt Virgo, Tyson Rudd, David Gourdis and Adam Cockie in making the State 18's squad announced earlier this month. All four boys have been playing exceptional footy in the Colts and deserve their chance to wear the Black Swan.





COLTS CORNER

By Scott Watters

With 10 rounds already completed the Subi colts have had 4 wins, 5 losses and a bye. In the last few weeks we have played the undefeated league leaders East Fremantle and also East Perth who

sit in second position on the ladder. This has given our side a great opportunity to take on the best in the competition and measure where they stand.

A narrow 4 point loss to the Sharks highlighted to the group that they can compete with any side in the competition. In fact after being 22 points up during the third quarter we showed our best is very good.

Our start against East Perth put the side under pressure and from that point we were never able to bridge the lead that East Perth set up early. Despite threatening to get back into the game East Perth were strong enough to maintain their lead and won by 5 goals.

The boys showed great resolve against the Falcons in round 8, being down by 32 points at three quarter time. Some quick goals at the start of the last quarter fed the boys confidence which allowed us to run out 6 point winners. A great first "home win."

Although not the results we would have wished for many players are showing great improvement and show great signs for the future.

Adam Cockie has progressed from a half forward flanker showing great promise, to a fitter, harder, half back flanker and finally in last weeks game he moved to the midfield where he amassed 35 possessions in a terrific performance.

Simon White is establishing himself as a strong marking athletic half forward. His development from pre-season to now is a credit to his training application and his work ethic and game day courage is admired by his teammates.

David Gourdis, despite a limited, injury interrupted pre season shows great potential as a key forward and will be worth watching in coming weeks.

Joel O'Hallaran has been a great contributor this year, but most impressively he is developing the leadership and maturity that is expected from a senior player.

Trent Denis-lane is another exciting talent who has the potential to progress. A smart footballer, he is strong in the air and clever on the ground and pleasingly shows an appetite for tackling, highlighted with 9 tackles against East Fremantle.

Without listing the whole squad the effort from all players and coaches to this point has been first class.

The only disappointment so far has been the serious shoulder injury to our Captain Michael Genovese. 'Gena' was in great form and it has been a challenge to replace his contributions. At this stage he is providing valuable assistance to the coaches during the week and on match day and we're hopeful he will become available to play later in the year.

The coaching staff and team are looking forward to the challenge!

Lion's Districts Model Begins to Roar

The Lion's District has made a significant step forward towards the full implementation of the Football Commission's District Model with the implementation of a stand alone competition up to and including the 14s age group. Subiaco will partner Claremont in a cross district competition for the 15s, 16s and 17s age groups. West Perth have been invited to join Subiaco and Claremont in the 17s Fremantle Youth League competition.

Subiaco District Football Development Council (DFDC) Chair, Wayne Morling advised that the decision to pursue stand alone and cross district arrangements in the aforementioned age groups, followed on from a decision reached by the West Perth District junior clubs. In conjunction with their Junior Competition Committee and District Football Development Council, West Perth decided to introduce stand alone arrangements up to, and including, 16s, for season 2006 and beyond.

"As with any change, the challenge is for everyone; players, club officials, parents and coaches is to embrace the change and work together to find solutions to the challenges we confront during this and future seasons, in an effort to strengthen the future of football in our district." Wayne said that he was delighted with the way competition has developed to date and thanked all involved for their participation and support.

Wayne chairs a Council of very enthusiastic and competent members who come together with a wealth of knowledge and experience and are all committed to growing the game in our District. Members of the DFDC are:

Wayne Morling - Chairman

Rob Goodin - Competition Director

Nicki Ameron - Junior Competition Council Secretary

Dave Gardiner - Treasurer

Mike Johnston - Registrar

Jason Pedulla - Secretary

Andrew Ball – Umpires Coach and Coordinator

Daniel Delleverez - Youth Coach Coordinator

Daine Burnett - Junior Coach Coordinator

Mike Lasscock - Schools Representative

Trevor Howard - Community Football Representative

Garry Peach - WAFL Representative

Luke Sanders - Smarter Than Smoking Youth Development Officer

Russell Smith – Smarter Than Smoking Junior Development Officer and Executive Officer to the DFDC

Operation of the DFDC relies on contributions from clubs within the District and sponsorship. In a first for WAFL Clubs, the Board of the SFC sponsored our DFDC to demonstrate their commitment to the District Model. This commitment permeates through the whole Club, further demonstrated by CEO Jeff Lind's attendance at all DFDC meetings. The Lion's District is also sponsored by

Medibank Private, Profile Orthodontics and Toyworld Whitfords City. Ertech sponsor the junior competition.

The Profile Orthodontics' sponsorship has provided a football for all registered nine and ten year old players in the Lion's District. The Whitfords City Toyworld sponsorship is directed towards holiday coaching clinics where all participants are given a football amongst other giveaways. This support is greatly appreciated.

The Football Commission recently announced funding of \$10,000 to all nine metropolitan districts to foster initiatives that will grow the game at the 'grass roots' level.

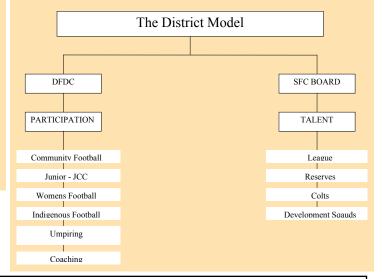
The growing the game concept is designed to increase participation at the 'grass roots' level, which includes; amateur, junior, school, women's and recreational football.

The Executive of the Subiaco DFDC will evaluate applications for funding and on an agreed basis allocate the funds according to the key premise that they are for new initiatives only. The funds are not for purchasing footballs or other resources that would normally be funded by other methods.

At the end of the funding year, a review of each District's growing the game initiative(s), with clearly defined outcomes is to be forwarded to the Football Commission. This report will also include an audited financial statement covering the allocated funds and will be jointly signed off by the DFDC Chair and WAFL Club CEO.

We are all jointly committed to ensuring that Aussie Rules remains the premier sport in the Subiaco Lion's District.

Garry Peach Director Football Development





Wayne Morling

WHO AM I?

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Answer: Who am I? Cyril Collard. Read more about my career and the era in which I played in Ken Spillman's Diehards: The Story of the Subiaco Football Club 1945-2000, available from the front office for just \$45.

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Answer: Who am I? Clinton Brown. Read more about my career and the era in which I played in Ken Spillman's Diehards: The Story of the Subiaco Football Club 1945-2000, available from the front office for just \$45.



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Subiaco District – A Leader in Game Development

Auskick is the word on everybody's lips in the Subiaco District as early numbers indicate as many as 1000 children between the ages of 5-8 will participate this season, up from 838 in 2005. School clinics, after school promotions/registrations and school based Auskick centres have attributed to the fantastic growth over the past two seasons.

In particular, the south eastern corridor of the Subiaco District (Balcatta, Tuart Hill & Osborne Park) has been an area of focus this year and over the past few years resulting in a significant increase in participation in the area.

Female participation is also gaining a lot of momentum with an all girls Auskick Centre set to commence mid year – a first for the Subiaco District and only the third in WA. 2006 aims to see 100 girls playing Auskick in our district, up from 39 in 2005 and 7 in 2004.

Another first for WA football is the introduction of the 'Subiaco District Development Team' who's primary role is the set up and running of after school promotions and Auskick Centres. This team allows Subiaco to establish a greater amount of football promotions and Auskick Centres in the district as well as maintain a high standard of coaching.

Many thanks to everybody who has embraced these new initiatives ensuring that Subiaco leads the way in football development.

Russell 'Rusty' Smith
Smarter than Smoking Junior Development Officer | Subiaco District

Subiaco Football Club 2006 Jumper Presentation

On Sunday the 19th of March at the Subiaco Football Club Members bar, the Subiaco Lions held their annual Jumper Presentation for its senior list. The day was to include a picnic type atmosphere on the oval, but due to the extreme heat (36C), the day was moved upstairs.

Continuing with the tradition of past players presenting jumpers to current day players, the Club was blessed with the presence of such Club legends as Haydn Bunton, Neil Taylor, Kevin Merifield, Mick Lee, Gerry Stokes, Ray Cornford, Bill Monaghan, David Sierakowski, Jack Dunstan, Andrew Donnelly, Arthur Bancroft, Fred Davenport, Phil Lamb, Ross Gosden, Ron Bayens, and Jeff Smith.

President Neil Randall (1976 Best and Fairest, 1973 Premiership Player) also took part in the ceremony handing on his number 5 jumper to son Ben

Also adding to the day was Colts Head Coach Scott Watters and the entire Colts squad. Scott spoke on the preparation the Colts had undertaken to improve on last years disappointing finish. Michael Genovese, the Colts Captain, spoke well on be-half of the players even though it was asked of him at literally the last minute.

The Mark Nicoski Excellence Program (16's Squad) Coach, Daine Burnett also addressed the audience about the talented group of young men he will be coaching this year.

The day concluded with a free sausage sizzle in the Alfresco area, once again cooked by resident expert chef Chick Jackman and his handy assistants Gerry Stokes, Kevin Reid and Ken Hamer.





Far Left.. Ali Pickett and Haydn Bunton

Left... Neil Taylor and

2006 April Holiday Coaching Clinic

Wednesday 26th April saw 238 boys & girls between the ages of 5 – 12 attend the Subiaco April Holiday Clinic. With a light drizzle throughout most of the day, the participant's spirits were not dampened as they received great coaching from Subiaco players as well as West Coast Eagles players.

The highlight of the day was the draw for the mountain bike won by Gregory Clarke – courtesy of Paul Vines from Toyworld Whitford City.

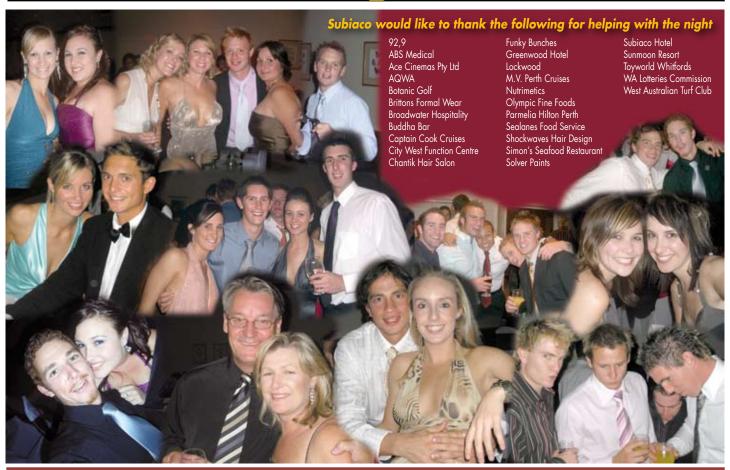
Many thanks to the Subiaco and West Coast Eagles players who assisted on the day and to sponsors Masters, Tip Top, Smiths & Toyworld Whitford City for their continued support.

The next Holiday Clinic will be held on Wednesday 19th July, 2006. Should you like to register, contact Russell Smith at the club 9208 9999.



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