

## 2014..... changes for the future

The committee has been working on a new Club Constitution over the past 12 months. Guidelines on the project were provided by the Department of Recreation and Sport, assisting to provide an up-to-date document that should suffice for many years to come.

New Senior coaching team.....The committee has appointed Brendan Kilpatrick as the Senior A's coach and he will be ably assisted by Jason MacKenzie and Simon Gale for the coming season. Brendan has a great Club philosophy and much knowledge of the game. Please get your support behind him and all of the senior group.

Senior women at Hahndorf.....in the past, the Club has continually lost 18 year old girls to either other clubs or the sport altogether. Finally we feel that sufficient support has been shown to nominate a Senior Womens team in the FFSA competition for the first time in Club history!

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### ANNUAL REPORT 2013

The Hahndorf Soccer Club had a very satisfying 2013 season, with a re-building of the senior teams and junior teams nominated in every age group, players of all ages participated in the game of soccer.

In the lead up to the 2014 World Cup, being played in Brazil, we hope for an influx of people interested playing and watching our wonderful game.



# Annual Report 2013

## Committee

The Committee had a rough start with several long term members resigning. Fortunately, new members Pam Eldridge (AHJSA Delegate), Andrew Craig (Senior Delegate), Stephanie Francis, Tim Staniford and David Grant joined with Graham Phillips, Anita Kerr, Donna Thomas and Jill Millhouse for another season. This allowed the club to successfully field teams in the SAASL and the AHJSA, plus develop the facilities at Pine Avenue, however, the club is always on the lookout for more volunteers for other roles, such as grounds, canteen management and events.

- Registered Players - we had 37 senior members registered with the SAASL. This gave us two teams in the Saturday Division 3 competition (A's and B's). 136 children registered with the Club, allowing us to nominate teams in every age group of the AHJSA. We also had 9 players participating in our Development Squad program that ran on a weekly basis.
- Facilities - A new kitchen was installed to the canteen area. This provided a much more enjoyable space to work in. Further work is planned to complete the plumbing in all areas, providing showers and toilets close to the pitch. Allowance has been made for a referees room and storage areas. Other minor earth works have been completed around the shed area, ready for more paving and storage of equipment.
- Canteen - The Club continued to employ someone in the canteen for Senior home games, so that we complied with liquor license requirements and lifted the burden of staffing responsibilities from players. We relied on volunteers for junior games, asking most parents to work on a roster basis. Overall takings were down due to lower spectator numbers at senior games.
- Equipment - All teams were provided with "kit" bags that included sets of shirts, balls for training and matches, bibs, first aid kits. The committee investigated designs and costs for new shirts for the coming season. New balls and storage bins were also purchased.

- Grounds/training facilities - With limited space at Pine Avenue, the club must rely on other training facilities. Fortunately the Club has the nearby Mylor oval available for hire. One draw back is that the club does not have overall control of the ground and struggles to maintain suitable lighting and drainage. Thanks should be given to the Hahndorf Football Club for allowing us to utilize the oval on occasions as a backup. The Club was very fortunate that our pitch held up to the harsh Hills winter and only a few games were affected due to back weather.

- Social - As mentioned previously, the Club unfortunately has not had volunteers to take on the extra responsibilities of organizing social functions at the Club. One highlight however, was the "Past v Present" senior players game held in July as a fundraiser for an injured player. With hard work and lots of commitment by several senior players the event was well received and looks like being an annual date on the calendar.



Past v Present teams

- Communications - The Facebook page is a useful tool for the senior players to keep informed and the website is constantly updated allowing for members to be kept up-to-date. Junior Team Managers remain an essential part of distributing information to players and parents. Also, for the first time this season we had a Child Safety Officer and encouraged the junior players at the club to "have a voice" and comment on different aspects of the Club.
- Grants and Sponsorship - The Club is always looking to obtain more funding. This season we tried a "chocolate" fundraiser where players were asked to sell a box of chocolates. We understand that this may go against our "healthy" sporting profile, however, the support was fantastic and the Club made \$2,100. The local Lions group gave the Club some money, asking that it be spent on a new junior strip (for 2014). Sponsorship also came from long term supporters the Hahndorf Inn

and new contact, APC (Australian Paving Company). The IGA and Noske also gave generous discounts when we purchased stock locally.

- Merchandise - Small amounts of stock has been available through Team Managers. This is an area that can be expanded to give the club a higher profile in the community.

## Coaches

Bob McIntyre, long time Hahndorf member, took charge of the Senior teams. Andy Craig (a senior player) was seriously injured in a pre-season match; this meant he wasn't able to continue playing, however, he took on the role of "B" Team coach. James Kerr coached the U16 and U17G teams; Graham Phillips had the U14s, assisted with the U12s and U8W, plus several non-competitive team trainings, while Ron Smith and Jim Kell had the U14G and U12G teams respectively. James Kerr, Graham Phillips, Tim Staniford (U12), Ben Baker (U9B), Claudia Kerr(U8) and Piers Lewis (U8) all obtained higher coaching levels, while Tony Cafarella stepped into the U10 coaching role at the last minute. Finally, Life member and long term Club supporter Rob Kilpatrick took the Development Squad training program on Wednesday evenings.

## Senior Teams

The Top side finished in 8th spot, avoiding relegation and the Bs finished 6th. Solomon Scopazzi came 4th in the SAASL Div 3 Best & Fairest awards. Several Under 16 aged players were encouraged to train and play in the senior teams - offering opportunities and experience for the future.

## Junior Teams

The return of an U17G team proved successful with the girls finishing runners up. Both the U16 and U14 boys won their leagues, while the U12s finished mid table, Hahndorf, like most other Hills and metropolitan clubs, struggled to field girls teams with the number of younger females not taking up the sport.

U14 player, Piers Lewis, was awarded the competitions Best and Fairest runners up at the AHJSA awards night. Hahndorf also had many players selected in the Adelaide Hills Representative teams for the State and Country championships and State Talent Identification Championship squads.