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President's Report 2015

Records were broken and a new strip unveiled!

We had a new look at Gannons this year and I must say what a smart look it was. All players represented the jersey with pride and with excellent sportsmanship.

What an amazing year we had. The teams that played competition this year certainly showed great skill and effort during the season. Lugarno had a record 13 teams in the semi-final series with 7 of those being minor premiers.

The list of Minor Premiers reads as follows:

Under 14B's
Under 16 GA's
Under 16 GB's
AAC (1)
AAG (2)
AAWB
AAWD

The club won 4 premierships this year –

Under 16 G A's – worth noting the ladies were undefeated

Under 16 GB's – also went through the season undefeated

Under 17B's

AAC (1)'s

Our congratulations to these teams for a fantastic year. Also our congratulations for all teams who participated during the season.

Non competition teams

It is with a big smile that I can say our juniors increased in player numbers. We had an additional under 6's team this year and the club's aim is to continue to add players in this age group.

The weather did play havoc with our schedule this year, regrettably there is no avenue to play these games later in the season. Hopefully in 2016 the weather is kinder to our young players.

I hope that all the players enjoyed the season and we look forward to having them back again in 2016.

Sponsors

Our club is always grateful to our sponsors for their support and for their very generous sponsorship of Lugarno FC. Our main sponsor is Club Grandviews who continue a long and fruitful relationship with our club. Thanks to Paul and the board for their support.

Our other major sponsor is Lugarno Deli. Rita has a great community spirit and we are very thankful for their support.

Brabond Automotive once again supported the club, thanks Mick and thanks Paul.

Lugarno Pharmacy with Warren at the helm again donated their money to our club.

Tecto Constructions were supportive and a big thanks to Chris.

Lugarno Cellars came on board and we are grateful for Tracey and Wayne's support.

Andrew and the gang at Sportsworld Indoor looked after us once more.

Thanks to Swap'n'Go for supplying us with all our gas during the season.

All of these businesses gave to our club and showed a great community spirit in supporting Lugarno FC.

The club can never operate without a host of volunteers. To all the coaches and managers who prepared teams, ran coaching sessions, organised game day and all the other tasks, thank you. The kids smile says it all.

To the committee, our club is blessed to have such a wonderful group of people who selflessly give their time up to help the club. We have achieved so much the last 4 years and I will always have happy memories of my time with the committee.

This year's Presidents Award goes to Ian Faulkner. Ian coached the Premier League sides and, on top of that, is at Gannons every Saturday for field set up. He marks fields out on a Friday, patches the holes during the week and waters the ground during summer. His contribution over the last few years has been immense and a special thanks to Ian.

The St George Association's club person of the year was won by Bev Thompson. Bev looks after our sponsors and also helps in the canteen. She will always be on hand if the committee is involved in any activity and does the work with a smile and a laugh.

This year saw us, together with Forest Rangers, host the Richo Cup. The event was organised to raise awareness of men's and women's health and to remember a great community person, Matt Richardson. We raised over \$20,000 to purchase defibrillators, we then received another \$18,000 from the St George Association and our local member David Coleman is arranging another \$14,500. This will allow us to place a defibrillator in every sporting ground in the St George area. A remarkable achievement and one the club should be very proud of.

From me it is goodbye. I have had the distinct honour of being President of the best football club in St George. It has been everything I had hoped for and then more. I leave with fond memories, lots of laughs and some great friends.

I would like to thank the committee for their incredible support over the last 4 years, no one person runs this club - it is a team of people who work together for the same goal, some clichés in that I know, but it's true.

Also stepping down this year are some good friends and excellent servants to the club, Dave Attard and Ian Falkner. Both these gentlemen have given exceptional service to Lugarno FC and will be sorely missed. It has been a delight and pleasure to be able to work with both Dave and Ian.

Lastly I would like to thank all our coaches and managers, our parents, our supporters and all their friends. The club is about you. There are no windows, no doors and no roof. Lugarno FC is you, the people who play, who coach and manager and who support our wonderful club.

Thank you for allowing me the chance to be involved in such a wonderful and community minded club.

John Taylor
President

Secretary's Report 2015

As another season comes formally to an end with the hosting of the club presentation days, it is time to reflect and report on the key highlights of season 2015 – the 53rd year since the Club's formation.

The current club executive committee held a total of 13 meetings and deliberated on 158 agenda items.

The season saw the registration window for players open in early January followed by RTO registrations in late January. Lugarno FC registration banners and the big signs went up in Lugarno and across all neighbouring suburbs. The dates for the inter-trial games against Sylvania Heights and Padstow Hornets were organised by the end of January.

Taking advantage of the online registration process, the Club scheduled only one registration support day targeting new players to the club. The majority of players and RTO's registered online without any issues, largely due to the comprehensive registration procedure that was posted up on the Lugarno FC website.

In mid-February team allocation sessions took place for those age groups requiring allocations and team sheets were submitted to the Association by end of February, highlighting once again the importance of players registering early to permit the formation of teams.

Early March saw the appointment of coaches and managers which is a critical milestone in the operation of the club. The appointment of team officials allows the commencement of formal training.

This year marked the release of the new Lugarno FC playing jerseys with its distinctive style and employing the latest jersey fabric technology – no more numbers peeling off!

It was another season of successfully run events with the under 6's night held on 29th May. The night helps to officially welcome the new players to the club. The inaugural Richo Cup, held Queen's Birthday holiday Monday 8th June, became the main club fundraiser for season 2015. A total of 14 St George Football Association affiliated clubs participated in the event helping raise funds to purchase defibrillators for each affiliated club. The Lugarno FC ladies team, the Dalby Dynamites, took out the inaugural Richo Women's Cup.

The under 8's Gala Day was held on Sunday 26th July at Gannons Park with the involvement of some 22 teams, more than 200 players from neighbouring and distant associations. Hundreds of spectators attended and supported the event. The feedback was once again positive with numerous praises for the way the Gala Day was organised and conducted. Every participating player was given a trophy and left the event with a smile.

When the registration window closed on 30th June 546 players and 106 RTO's had registered with Lugarno FC, a record number for both categories. This season saw player registrations increase by 7.8 per cent compared to last season while RTO registrations increased by 11.6 per cent.

In honour and recognition of the individuals who have given so much to Lugarno FC, the tradition of hosting Life Member day continued with the event taking place on Saturday 11th July. Old stories were recalled and memories were shared amongst friends before the Life Members made their way to Gannons 6 to watch the Premier League side game.

Sydney FC once again sent a couple of their players to visit Lugarno FC's training session on 28th July. The event has become a key feature of the season with Lugarno FC teams shifting their training sessions to coincide with the visit.

The Club's Trivia Night held on Saturday 1st August was the most successful in the history of the club with some 210 people attending the event and record funds raised for the club's activities.

On the football field it was yet another successful season with 16 Lugarno FC teams - 12G, 13A's, 13C's, 14Girls, 14B's, 16GA's, 16GB's, 16A's, 17B's, AAC1's, AAE1's, AAG1's, AAG2's, AAWB's, AAWD's and the O35C's all qualifying for the finals. Seven teams finished as minor-premiers comprising of the 14B's, 16GA's, 16GB's, AAC1's, AAG2's, AAWB's and AAWD's. The 17B's and O35C's finished as runners-up.

Eight Lugarno FC teams advanced to the grand final comprising of the AAG2's, 17B's, AAC1's, 16GA's, 16GB's, AAWD's, 13A's, and AAWB's with four going all the way to be crowned premiers; the 17B's, AAC1's, 16GA's and 16GB's. The four premierships that were secured during season 2015 bring the total number of premierships won by the club to 104.

Lugarno FC once again participated in the Lugarno Lion's Spring Fair Sports Expo which was held on Sunday 20th September at Gannons Park. The Lugarno FC football session was run by Club Coaching Director – Paul McIntyre and involved the participation of a number of Lugarno FC non-competition teams.

The planning for season 2016 is already underway football administration and management is a 12 month activity.

Lugarno FC's activities are run by a group of volunteers and it is critical for the continued success and vibrancy of the club that new volunteers step forward to serve the club. The recruitment of new volunteers also helps to invigorate the club through the introduction of new thoughts and processes.

The club's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be taking place on Thursday 5th November when a new committee for season 2016 will be elected by members. All committee positions get vacated and a number of current committee members have indicated that they will not be standing for next year. An opportunity thus exists for interested club members to join the committee.

If you want to serve in a non-committee capacity you can do so as well as there are a number of club related activities such as coaching and managing teams; carrying out field and canteen duty; assisting during club events such as gala days, trivia nights and presentations days, assisting with the club gear.

Lugarno FC just completed its biggest season in terms of player and RTO numbers. It is important to realise that without sufficient numbers of volunteers the club cannot function, let alone go from strength to strength. Please keep a lookout for new and emerging opportunities to serve your club in different capacities.

If you love the great game of football then consider joining and volunteering for Lugarno FC – the community and family club.

On behalf of the Executive Committee I thank all players, coaches and managers and RTO's for another successful football season.

Enjoy the summer break; remember to visit the club website at: www.lugarnofc.com.au on a regular basis for news, updates and developments. Player registrations will open early January and team official (RTO) registrations shortly after.

See you all back for the commencement of football season 2016.

Hagop Tchamkertenian
Secretary
Lugarno FC
30 September 2015

Social Committee Report 2015

LFC TRIVIA NIGHT

Another year and another great event. The night was a great success for the club. It keeps on getting bigger each year. We were all packed into Grandviews auditorium like sardines and, after a few hiccups with the sound system, we were away with the Trivia. Thanks to our lovely host who was with us for the first time.

The night is always full of laughter and lots of fun - from the trivia questions to the treasure hunts and, to finish, our live auctions where we raised much needed funds for the club. Everyone goes home with a smile and a prize (hopefully).

The 2015 Trivia winners were the AAE (1) Team and friends. Second place the Under 6Bee6's team and third place the Premier League players with Damian Price as Captain (special mention requested). Great work!!!!

Some highlights of the night:

The Winner of the Guess the Lollies Jar - there was lots of competition and it was very close with 352 frogs in the jar (counted by me) and Bill Krkovski taking it out with a guess of 350. Well done Bill. All those red frogs at home would have been a hit with the kids.

Then it was the Aeroplane challenge as all our competitors took to the sky of Grandviews for the chance to win the competition. There were some interesting plane creations. Some flew far and

some not so far. It is a great event and is lots of fun watching people test their aeroplane making/flying skills. We even have a prize for the worst flyer – Bill Courtney!!!!

During one of the breaks we set our sights on the Coin Toss. Using skill or luck of the coin toss we threw many gold coins at bottles of alcohol. It was an almighty competition with some very close throws. What skill!!!! The challenge was neck and neck in both the men's and women's event with Michael taking home with the men's bottle and Angela taking home the women's bottle. Both bottles were donated by Lugarno Cellars (Sponsors and Life Members of LFC).

Our 'Match the Hampers' were another great success and the prizes were amazing and I hope everyone went home happy. Thanks to Deb's Hidden Treasures at Taren Point for helping us with most of the hamper prizes.

Our Scratchie Tree was also a success with Vicky winning the \$100 worth of scratchies. Hope her arm has recovered from scratching happy!!!

Our lucky door prize is always fun and we get the club workers involved in choosing who wins the Lucky Door Prize.

The raffle has over 30 prizes. All winners were very happy with their prizes. I would like to thank all the businesses that donated to the raffle for 2015.

The treasure hunt always goes off with a bang and with people searching everywhere to win the hunt it is always lots of fun. We hunted down a paperclip, a cough lolly, a baby photo, a condom, a sugar satchel, a petrol receipt, a highlighter, a \$100 note, sunblock, an Opal card and a tissue pack.

Our live auctions on the night raised much needed funds for the Club. Many thanks to Daryl Kerry (CEO, ANZ Stadium/Life Member of LFC) for the wonderful tickets to the Bledisloe Cup, ACDC Concert, NRL Grand Final and Monster Jam. We also had a 55" LG Television donated by Harvey Norman, a Daisy Pool Blanket from Daisy Pool Covers, St George signed football and Wanderers Goal Keeper Ante Covic Jersey and Goal Keeper gloves. Great live auction items which raised over \$4,000 on the night. Hope everyone who won and attended the event had a ball!!!!

As this is my last trivia night for LFC I would like to thank all those past and present members of the Social Committee, the LFC Committee and the Coaches & Managers for all their help. I am sure the new Social Committee members will be just as passionate and willing to hold an event to raise funds for the club like we have all been for many years now. It was always a blast and I met so many people along the way. Good Luck!!!!

Cheers

Danielle Roth

Sue Dick

John Taylor

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Perpetual Trophy Winners 2015

TROPHY	CATEGORY	WINNER	TEAM
The Al Downey	Outstanding Under 6	Charlie Clay	6 Bee 6
The Peter Moynahan	Outstanding Under 7	Anika Whitten	7 Bee 1
The Bob Moss	Outstanding Under 8	Lily Jenkins	8 Bee 1
The Gall Trophy	Outstanding Under 9	Anthony Pejovski	9 Fox 1
The Allan Burt Memorial	Outstanding Under 10	Daniel Wilding	10 Bee 2
The Tom Watson	Outstanding Under 11	Jayden Robinson	11 Bee
The Bruce Cardow	Outstanding Under 12	N/A	12 B
The Roger Harradence	Outstanding Under 13	Christian Petrovski	13 A
The Phil Wilkie	Outstanding Under 14	Kane Spiteri	14 B
The Ken Straney	Outstanding Under 15	David Petancevski	15 B
The Warren Del Grande	Outstanding Under 16	Sebastian Rizzo	16 A
The Mark Booth Award	Outstanding Under 17	Dion Taylor	17 B
The Mike Chaytors	Outstanding Premier League	Jarrold Radcliffe	PL
The Bill Moore	Outstanding All Age	Jordan Djoeandy	AAC 1
The Greg Harris	Outstanding Over 35	Andrew Kladis	O35 C
The Cyril Henness	Outstanding Over 45	Tony Trajkovski	O45 A
The Mick Barber	Outstanding Under 10 Girl	N/A	
The Tom McLoughlin	Outstanding Under 12 Girl	Nadine Younes	12 Girls
The Doreen Potter	Outstanding Under 14 Girl	Olivia Margan	14 Girls
The Four Fathers	Outstanding Under 16 Girl	Klaudia Mihaljevic	16 Girls B
The Phil Stell	Outstanding Under 18 Girl	N/A	18 Girls
The Greg Monaghan Memorial	Outstanding Senior Woman	Nicola Jersek	AAW B
The Paul 'Irish' McIntyre	Outstanding Premier League Woman	Ashlea Abbott	PWL
The Charles Kent	Outstanding Junior Goalkeeper	Harrison Rys	13 A
The Chris Morgan	Outstanding Defender 16 years & under	Raffi Tchamkertenian	14 B
The Peter Dalby	Outstanding Defender 16 years & under (Girls comp)	Annabel Stojanovska	16 Girls A

The June Harker	Leading Competition Goal scorer (Saturday)	Anthony Smith (26)	AAG (1)
The Ron Benjamin	Leading Competition Goal scorer (Sunday)	Iva Nikolaeva (25)	AAW D
The John Clark	Sportsmanship Award	Octavio Montoya	11 Fox 13 C
The George Taff	Encouragement Award	Blake Cato	17 B
The Kenneth Parry Memorial	Endeavour on the Field	Sofia Kladis	14 Girls
The Marc Lakos	Outstanding RTO	Harry Woods	9 Fox 1
Supporter Award	Awarded by the Executive	Nick Christodoulou	
The President's Trophy	Awarded by the President	Ian Faulkner	PL
Around the Grounds	Awarded by the Executive	Peter Georgellis	AAG (2)
The Over 30's Trophy	Team most involved in Club activities	14 B	
The Norm Bryant	Most improved team not in Semis	O45 A	

Coach / Manager Awards - 2015

TEAM	PLAYER	TEAM	PLAYER
6 Bee 1	Ivan Hrzenjak	14B	Jonah Hopping
6 Bee 2	Emersen McNeil	15B	Cameron Bridge
6 Bee 3	Michael Nicholson	16A	Daniel Martins
6 Bee 4	Angus Graham	17B	James Redmond
6 Bee 5	Anthony Kariotis	AAC 1	Lucas Kiosidis
6 Bee 6	Victoria Vasiliou	AAC 2	Nick Assiouras
7 Bee 1	Luca Bella Solomons	AAD	Daniel Nastasi
7 Bee 2	Olivia Pasquale	AAE 1	Liam Nardo
7 Bee 3	Oska Astuy	AAE 2	Matthew Fierro
7 Bee 4	Lily Cambey	AAG 1	Patrick Day
8 Bee 1	Christian Argyropoulos	AAG 2	Vlado Mazevski
8 Bee 2	Max Cremona	Premier League 1sts	Tim Faulkner
8 Bee 3	Diana Belcheff	Premier League Res	Tim Roff
9 Bee	Willis Spindler	12 Girls	Mia Barbara
9 Fox 1	Nicholas Puckeridge	14 Girls	Taylah Mitreski
9 Fox 2	Christian Digiglio	16 Girls A	Chloe Petancevski
10 Bee 1	Jack Donati	16 Girls B	Abaigeal Brooks
10 Bee 2	Cody Lambert	AAW B	Mikaeli Kinmond
11 Bee	Zane Argent	AAW D	Georgina Dick
11 Fox	Bailey Russell	Premier WL	Courtney McLoughlin
13A	Antonio Papaleo	O35C	Scott McIlveen
13C	Peter Kladis	O45A	Theo Theodoridis

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Years of Service Awards

20 years	Katherine White	Callan Patrick (2013)	
15 years	Rohan Williams Glen Hamilton	Robert Rice	Domenic Puntoriero
10 years	Alexander Agius Julian Enriquez Ryan Lewis Nick Ivanovski Caitlin Wallace (2012)	David Petancevski Daniel Martins Max El-Debel Ivan Jersek Nicola Jersek (2014)	Declan Debono Sebastian Rizzo Annika Debono
5 years	Cameron Appleby April Beattie Nicole Birkett Daniel Crimmins Matthew Fierro Alexander Galluzzo Nicholas Giannisis Andrew Kladis Nicolas Marneros Klaudia Mihaljevic Nicholas Pericles Saul Robinson Jake Thompson Bradley Wallace	Ross Arfanis Nathan Benjamin Nicholas Borovskis Timothy Edwards Thomas Fierro Ben Galluzzo Emily Graorovski Peter Kotsis Sophie Marsano Octavio Montoya Zack Petrovski Jasmine Schillert Jordan Thompson Mitchell Woods	Anthony Azzi Rafael Berroa Thomas Cavanagh Nathan Farrugia Alexander Furka Marina Gazilas Evanna Graorovski Gerard Maestrelli Stephen Mckenzie Peter Papadonis Jayden Robinson Theo Theodoridis Marco Triani

TEAM REPORTS

6 Bee 2

Coach: Steve Huggett

Manager: Paul Wainwright

The 6Bee2 team had a really good group of kids, all of whom were playing for the first time. The team made massive improvements throughout the season as their skills developed and they became more confident both individually and as a group.

Coached by Steve Huggett, the kids learned both soccer skills and some old English songs and dances which kept both the kids and the parents amused. Whilst the cold and dark Wednesday nights didn't make for the most comfortable environment in which to learn, the lollies, stickers and weekly medals more than made up for it!

The team certainly grew throughout the year and everyone contributed in their own way with a summary of individuals and season highlights including:



Yana: The youngest, smallest and definitely happiest player whose face perpetually contained a smile. Scored a wonderful goal (an own goal, but a goal just the same!) and enjoyed it immensely. Fearless in her tackling and always close to the action, Yana did her best every week and improved a lot over the year.

Maximilian: Content both to have a chat with his mate Billy or to chase after the ball. Improved throughout the year with the highlight being his pass to Billy for a great goal in the penultimate game. Scored a number of goals and had a great time doing it!

Billy: A player that developed massively throughout the year and who stopped twice as many goals as he scored (and he scored a few!). The defensive rock at the back, Billy made it his job to stop the other team scoring and he did a great job of it.

Elouise: The early season leading goal scorer with 4 goals in one game, Elouise was a tenacious player who always played with a smile on her face. Another who improved a lot throughout the year, Elouise always gave 100% in training or in the game.

Rory: A gun at training and a little more apprehensive in the game on a weekend, really started to get more involved towards the end of the season. Very determined and really enjoyed winning the girls vs boys games at training.

Sam: A late season recruit, Sam was a star on the field. He scored goals from beyond the halfway line and from impossible angles all the while showing everyone the newest trick he had learned from his older brother. Sam loved playing and always wanted to be on the field in the action.

Emersen: A pocket rocket who was always hell bent on getting to the ball first and was not bothered who she pushed out of the way to get there. The team's number 1 cart-wheeler, Emerson scored a number of goals and improved out of sight over the course of the season.

Well done to the whole team for a great season and to Steve for putting in the effort coaching the team.

A huge thanks to all the parents that braved the cold Wednesday nights and were always willing to help out be it referring, running the subs or providing the post-game lollies.

Overall, we had a very enjoyable season and hopefully we will see all of the team back again next year!

6 Bee 3

Coach: George Devet

Manager: Nicole Devet

Congratulations to Under 6B3! George and I were extremely lucky to have such a fantastic team to coach/manage every week. Their enthusiasm was outstanding! With a mix of boys and girls, our team were all first timers, having never played soccer in a team before.

Under 6s Gala Night

Catherine: the first few games Catherine was a little unsure, but each week she grew more and more fearless, even scoring goals. She always gave 110% and by the end of the season, we couldn't get her off the field to have a rest.

Charlie: once we got that jet tape on his soccer boots, Charlie thought he was going to fly! Having never played before, Charlie tried super hard throughout the season, and I really think he enjoyed playing in the team.

Emma: I think Emma loved eating and socialising more than playing soccer! Emma had some great runs, and tried her very hardest throughout the season. When she gets going, those legs can move!

Michael: our highest goal scorer for the team, Mikey was very passionate and did not like to lose. Lucky we won or drew more games than we lost!

Miles: talk about enthusiastic! Miles scored numerous goals throughout the season, not only a future Socceroos striker, but a great defender of our goals.

Olivar: tried his very best every week. Oli wanted to be on the field all the time, and could quite often be heard saying "can I go back on now?" Oli loved being near the goals and made it his aim to keep the ball away from them.

Pip: our quiet achiever, Pip scored quite a few goals throughout the season. Pip, without a doubt, always had a smile on her face every week. ☺

Thank you to all our parents, grandparents, family members and friends who came to the games every week. The kids loved having you all there, and it was all a little sad when the end of the season came around. I promise you we will be back next year for Under 7's, how could we not?!



*Who said you can't play
soccer and with dolls??
These girls have found the
perfect balance whilst
subbing*

*Last game of the season
with Coach George*



6 Bee 4

Coach: Justin Graham

Manager: Ruza Simmons



The 2015 season marked the start of a lifelong football friendship for the young members of our U6B4's, it became quite difficult to explain to our boys that football games could not be held during the extensive periods of rain that impacted our season - they were simply itching to get together and play.

A team made up of two sets of brothers, one cousin and two new friends made for a season of highs and lows. Watching the skills of these keen young footballers develop from training to game day

week in and out was the highlight of my season as coach, with assistance on many occasions from "Irish" keeping the boys active and keen - the love of football was evident from the very start.

A breakdown of our team.

Dangerous Dion: Always aiming to get a foot to the ball

Courageous Christopher: His goal celebrations were second to none!

Alexander the Great: Simply the most improved player from start to end

Hurricane Henry: No one knew where he would end up next!

Zooming Zac: Has to be the most focused footballer LFC has ever seen

Legendary Leo: His left foot strike deadly outside the box

Angus the Avenger: Speed so fast no rival could get past.



Many thanks to our super manager Ruza who kept us all organised, family and friends for your support each week, and our number 1 fan Poppy Graham for getting to as many games as he possibly could!

Coach Uncle Justin

6 Bee 6

Coach: Damien Hennessy

Manager: Lisa Hawkes

To the kids - **Victoria, Liam, Billy, Charlie, Will, Joseph and Eamon**

This is how we will remember your season:

Sometimes you kept your kicks little
Sometimes you booted it long and ran

Sometimes you struck the ball well, and
Sometimes you missed it completely

Sometimes you kept it in and played
Sometimes you kicked it out and had a rest

Sometimes you tackled like hawks,
Sometimes you just stood in the goals
Sometimes you spread out
Lots of times you got in each other's way

Sometimes you were switched on, and
Other times you were ... distracted

When you scored you cheered, and
When you were scored against, you all
wanted to take the kick-off

You were always good sports and the
best at shaking hands.

We hope that you had as much fun as
we did this season and that you all come
back again next year. You look fantastic
in Orange!

To the grown-ups - your kids are
wonderful because you are. Thanks for
being so friendly, positive and
supportive.



7 Bee 2

Coach: Adam Shore/Sash Naumcevski



Manager: Glenn Cordingley

It is extremely satisfying when thinking and reflecting for a moment on the many great moments we have had this year. While I hope this report captures some of the things that the season has meant to each of the players from the 2015 U7 Bee 2, importantly I think it should be the acknowledgment that all of the team has participated so well at both training and at the games which makes the season so rewarding. Whether evident from the beaming smiles or a jump for joy, their exuberant pre-match excitement or their after match comments that we may listen in to, there has always been lots of effort, determination and teamwork.

It has been an outstanding effort from you all, a result from the high level of participation from all the training sessions as well as at the games. We have had many hard fought and closely matched games, however regardless of the score we have always strived to do our best and most importantly you have always been such great sports.

You have played well as a team and we have come a long way this year and you should be all so proud of your achievements.

Liani: always eager to play and always enthusiastic, you played great all over the field. Whether up front or in defence you gave it your best and we will all be watching over the coming years to see your game improve.

Olivia: your game has improved so much this year, you are amazing. For your first season we can see the potential, you were a valuable asset to the team. You always showed us how brave you are,

especially with your tackling. Towards the end of the season we were starting to see nice passing, and mid field play. Can't wait to see how well you will play next year.

Lucas: you perform so well on the field, playing either upfront or in defence. You were often seen either performing some fast tackling, scoring or setting up many goals throughout the season. Keep up the good work.

Josh: one minute we would see you in defence and then the next minute you're suddenly shooting and scoring in front of goal. You are so fast around the field, and we were always entertained by your speed and consistency around the field.

Sam: dependable, with a solid boot, you made many great tackles throughout the season. You also scored your share of goals upfront, with some great field positioning, excellent work.

Chris: we will all remember the many, many goals you scored this year. You have plenty of power in that right foot of yours, and we were always wondering on the side line where the ball would end up once a well-connected boot was made. It is great to see your skills developing in the second half of the season.

Sash and Adam, thank you for all of your time and efforts at training, thank you for the coaching and encouragement you have provided to all. Kirsty, thank you for ensuring we were all in the right place at the right time, you never missed a beat. I hope you have all enjoyed the season, and I am sure I speak for all in saying that it's been a pleasure and what a wonderful season 2015 has been.

To Liani, Olivia, Josh, Chris, Lucas and Sam you have made a fantastic team and I hope you have all enjoyed the effort, training, and weekend games. Most of all I know you are all great sports and you know how to play as a team, congratulations to you all on a great effort.

Keep up the practice over the summer and we look forward to seeing you all back again in 2016.

8 Bee 2

Coach: Shannon James

Manager: John Hoban

We had a great season, winning all 13 games bar one, where the opposition team was understrength and outside players were allowed play. But winning, while important, is not everything. All our players learnt social and team skills, good sportsmanship and improved athletic performance.

Our parents and supporters learnt that bad weather in April can cancel games, that Thursday night training can be bitterly cold and there seemed to be endless away games. But seeing the boys play well and enjoy their games proved more than worthwhile.

The downside of the season past was initial poor weather to start the season and an over allocation of players (10), which meant endless team changes throughout all games in order to give everyone a fair go. Individual player summaries follow:

Max Cremona: Dubbed the "Energiser Bunny", Max set a blistering pace every moment on the field. He was our top scorer but was also able to get back quickly and defend. Max has a natural sense of awareness of positional play, that is, he knows the pathways of least resistance to score.

Jack James: a very popular player who very much enjoys his soccer and being a part of the team. Great in attack, scoring in most games, but also great in defence. He was our go-to man for corner kicks and made some great passes and long up-the-field kicks that changed defence into attack.

Cooper James: Although only 6 years old, Cooper kept up with the best of them. He often was seen lurking up the front of play, waiting for a long ball which he then used for a quick attack on goals. He proved to be a strong competitor and a very determined player.

Patrick El Azzi: Patrick did well this year. He does his best work in attack and can run with the ball the entire length of the field. He is very quick on his feet and has developed good ball skills. It is good to see him shaking hands after the matches to show he is a good sportsman.

Alek Loncar: Alek had a great season and is developing into a very useful player with unique skills. Being a left footer, he took the left handed corner kicks and confounded defenders when he shot great goals with his left foot kicks. Alek is a good all-rounder in defence and attack.

Samuel Limberis: What better way for a novice player to end his season with a last minute goal in the last match! Samuel applied himself and gradually improved during the season, learning the rules and the skills as he went. A very solid and committed defender, he got his just reward.

Lachlan Weeks: Another novice player, Lachy tried very hard to learn the game and the necessary fitness and ball skills. Lachy proved to be very solid in defence, and very players got past him. He has the drive and the commitment to be the player he wants to be. A popular team player.

Zac Zulficar: Zac was also a new player. He was very positive and enthusiastic and he gradually improved his playing skills over the season. He has learnt a lot about the game and will realise his full potential next year. Not afraid to mix in and contest the ball, he showed good signs for the future.

Clark Van Poppel: Clark put in a consistent effort during the season. He appreciated the encouragement and support of his team mates. Always there for training and for games, he always put in his best efforts and we should all admire his determination to succeed. Well done!

Rex Collins: Rex was new to our squad and new to the game. A friend of Cooper, he was also 6 years old and playing up a grade. Rex always made his presence felt on the field, either in attack or defence. Rex's qualities however were showcased best when he was goalkeeper where he made some great saves to the delight of his parents and the crowd.

8 Bee 3

Coach: Nick Belcheff

Manager: Leonie Welstead

Becoming a player in an under 8 side meant a few changes; larger field, larger teams, a goalie, and throw-ins. The team were looking forward these new challenges, and the kids were also excited that our team from last year were still together, with the welcome addition of Linden, Emilylyn and Noah.

Nick kindly offered to be the coach again this year. Training on Thursdays was always lots of fun with skills, bull rush, and a mini game. No matter how cold the winter nights got, the kids were always keen to learn and play.

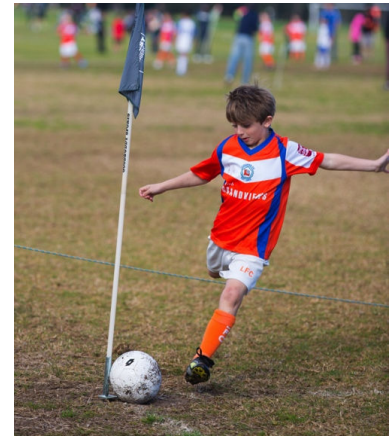
THE YEARLY ROUND UP.

Olivia Belcheff: This was Olivia's 3rd year of football with LFC. Every year she has the same determined, never give up attitude. Livvy is always where the action is. Whether she is scoring a lofty goal from the mid field, or running the length of the field to help the defenders, she never seems to tire. Well done Liv!



Diana Belcheff: Olivia's twin sister is equally as determined. An outstanding defender who rarely lets a player or a ball get past her, Di makes her presence on the field known. Diana also likes to attack, and her determination got her to the front a few times to score a goal this year. Keep it up Di!

Michael Vikatos: Michael loves football! You can see it in his face when he has the ball. He has shown himself to be a great forward, and this year, a fearless goalie when it was his turn. Michael has a natural ability and is exciting to watch as he gets hold of the ball and runs towards the goal. Good work Michael!



Vas Simmons: Vas was determined to score a goal this year. Every week Vas is in the thick of it, defending, attacking, and making a run for the goals. His determination paid off this year and he was rewarded with his first goal. Vas always gives 100% and is a great team player. Congratulations on a great year Vas!

Ryah Helou: Ryah is a fearless and determined footballer. Ryah will do anything to help her team, a great defender, a fast forward, and a tough goalie. It's pretty clear that Ryah loves training every Thursday and playing every Saturday. Well done on a great year Ryah!



Jamie Welstead: Jamie loves to play with his team every Saturday. His favourite position is mid field, but also found that he enjoyed playing goalie and did very well in this position when it was his turn. Playing in the mid field, he likes to get the ball to the forwards so that they can score. Jamie is a great team player. Keep it up Jamie!

Vinnie Welstead: Vinnie enjoys every part of the football season. He looks forward to learning new things at training and trying them out in the game. An important part of the game is passing to your team mates, and Vinnie tried to do this every week, looking for a gap and getting the ball up to the forwards. He can't wait till he is in the Under 9's. We are proud of you Vinnie!

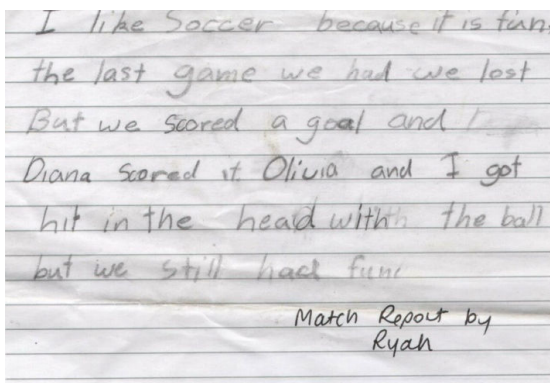


Linden Pike: This was Linden's first year at LFC, but you would never have known. One of the keenest players on the field, his determination paid off and he scored a few of our goals this season. Linden was always keen to train every week and you could see the results every Saturday. Well done Linden!



Noah Russo: This was also Noah's first year playing with LFC. Noah had a great year, scoring a few goals with his fast feet and skills picked up at training. Towards the end of the season, Noah realised that he loved to be goalie and he did really well at it. His agility meant that he was not afraid to get in the thick of it to make a great save. Congratulations Noah!

Emilyn Alamoti: Emilyn made her start at LFC with our team this year too. Emmy had a great year and found out that she was a pretty good defender. She is strong and fast, and always tried her best to make sure the ball did not reach the goals. Emmy almost scored a goal a few times this year. With her determination, I'm sure she will score a goal or two in 2016! Keep it up Emmy!



Finally, thanks to all the parents supporting on the sidelines, providing the jelly snakes when needed.

Thanks to Judith for the great action shots that she took this year, as well as our team shots. We are all so happy with them!

Thanks to Vicky for being coach while Nick was away (they all said you made them work really hard!).

And lastly, thanks to Coach Nick for training the kids

every Thursday. I know that all the parents appreciate the time you have taken every week to teach the kids new things and give them a love of the game. It is no small thing to volunteer to do this every week of the season, and we can't thank you enough.

9 Bee

Coach & Manager: Eric Plumer

The 9 Bees of 2015 had a great season and a huge amount of fun along the way.

From the first trial game it was evident we had a good squad. We had players with a variety of skills and experience who all got along fabulously. By the end of the season they had formed a formidable team with a never say die attitude who always played hard and fair.

We had a great draw, coming up against evenly matched teams who played well and made for great competition. Half of our games were either drawn or decided by 1 goal. Our biggest winning

margin was 5, our biggest losing margin was 2. Everyone played their part, whether they were playing in their favourite position or rotating through defence, attack and goalkeeper.

We will always remember Peri's post goal celebrations, Willis' dribbling, Cameron's speed with the ball, Emily's excellent position play, Bailey's last minute saves, Callum's impenetrable covering defence, Ashton's one on one midfield battles, Sebastian's energy and determination, and Anthony's booming kicks.

On behalf of the team, we would like to thank our opposing teams and the referees for making a great competition, our parents and grandparents for getting us to practice sessions and the games, and our family and friends who came to cheer us on. Thanks for all the laughs and the memories, and we hope to see you around the grounds next year!

Season Stats

Games Played **14**; Won **7**; Drew **2**; Lost **5**; Washed Out **4**

Goals For: **30**; Goals Against **18**

Goal Scorers: **Willis (11), Anthony (6), Peri (6), Cameron (5), Callum (1), Bailey (1)**

Best Defenders: **Callum; Sebastian**

Best Midfields: **Cameron, Ashton**

Best Forwards: **Peri, Anthony**

Best All-rounders: **Willis, Emily**

Best Goalkeeper: **Bailey**



8 Sebastian Matruglio



9 Anthony Arfanis



10 Peri Leftakis



11 Emily Knight



12 Bailey Plumer



15 Cameron Appleby



16 Ashton Taouk



18 Willis Spindler



19 Callum Seymour

9 Fox 1

Coach: Harry Woods

Manager: Brett Puckeridge

Following the loss of a couple of players from last year, **Daniel Preziosa, Tom Finn, Michael Elazzi** and **Emmanuel Elazzi** joined **Hunter, Anthony, Owen, Mitchell, Lucy, Nick** and **Finlay** to form the Lugarno Under 9 Fox (1) team this year.

The kids came together really well and following a close loss in their first

game, and some firm words from fill in coaches Hamish and Chris, knuckled down to train really well and work hard for each other on the field.



Daniel, Hunter, Lucy and Anthony did a great job up front.

Daniel and **Hunter** ('the Huntsman') who took his game to a whole new level this year with his tenacity and hard work, worked really hard to ensure the ball stayed down the right end and give **Lucy** and **Anthony** plenty of opportunities to score goals. And score goals they did. **Lucy** through her hard work to put herself into space to receive the ball and **Anthony** (our top goal scorer) through his silky skills. **Lucy, Daniel** and **Hunter** also filled in at goalkeeper.

Although **Finlay** was earmarked as a defensive player, by season's end his role was split between goalie and the midfield. He was again one of our main talkers and organisers and was crucial in helping players keep shape throughout the game. **Mitchell** and **Emmanuel** also worked hard in the midfield, not only helping our forwards and scoring plenty of goals themselves, but also getting back to help our defence. **Mitchell** and **Emmanuel** also did great job as goalie.

Tom and **Michael** played midfield and in defence. Although they both worked really hard, what was more impressive was their ability to read the play and be in position to bring an end to any opposition attack.

At the start of the season **Owen** wanted to play in the midfield and **Nick** forward. By the half way mark, they had formed a fantastic combination in defence. They read the play really well, but most importantly talked to each other and the rest of the team.

The kids were a credit to their parents and the club.

They played a fast, tough style of game, communicated positively with each other during games, and always just got on with the job.

It was a pleasure to coach them and watch them play each week. I can't wait to see them on the bigger field next year.

A big thanks to our manager Brett and all the parents, especially our fill in coaches Hamish and Chris Whitton.

Coach and Managers award winner: Nick Puckeridge

9 Fox 2

Coach: Atef Elassi

Manager: Margaret Midis

This year we upgraded to the Fox Level. We are now 9 Fox 2! This allowed the boys to challenge their ability on a more competitive level. The boys excelled! We scored 55 goals, conceded 8 and had 6 clean sheets in 13 games! The rest were washed out! A stellar season boys and they are:

Hugo: Our last year's coach and manager's award recipient didn't disappoint. The rock lived up to his reputation and has added to his repertoire great leadership, ball skills and direction. A future captain in the making!

Jonathan: Wow, what a year! He was coach and managers most improved player of the year! His love of the game this year has shone through into his game. He showed leadership, consistency throughout the season and passion for the game! Well done Jonathan!

Peter: played an awesome role in our defence. He improved his ball skills all-round and his ability in reading the game. Great work Peter and keep up the good work!

Christian: our 2015 Coach and Managers Award recipient! He had a season to remember! The improvement in all facets of his game was unbelievable! He had the ball on a string! A mid-fielder who also knows his way to the back of the net! His work ethic and defence were second to none! With four man of the match performances, what a year! Congratulations Christian!

Nicholas: When Nicholas is on, he's really on! He played a great part in the mid-field and when called upon played in the defence line. His competitive spirit and understanding of the game assisted the strikers when needed. Keep it up Nicholas!

Sammy: our little speedster, played in various positions this year and slotted into each seamlessly. He is a player who can play upfront and then slot into the defensive role when required. He also knows how to bang his way into the goals! Great job Sammy!

Nikolas: had another standout season this year! His ability to read the game is immeasurable to our team. He is able to play competitively in any position when required. Not only does he have a fierce right foot, but now a left one to match! He was our highest goal scorer this year! Fantastic work Nikolas!

Ali: This season Ali played more of an assist role. He provided great service to his fellow strikers with some skilful passes and scored some beauties from the dead ball position! Great teamwork Ali!

Henry: one of our new recruits to the team. With eleven goals and exceptional footwork, Henry was a delight to watch throughout the season! He blended into our team with ease! Well done Henry!

Javier: the youngest player in our team and another new recruit this season. He is a left-foot mid-fielder who scored crucial goals at crucial times for the team. He is an explosive player who had a stellar first season with our team!

Next year is a new season which will bring new challenges on a bigger pitch. A challenge the boys are more than willing and excited to accept. Bring it on! Not only are the boys now playing skillfull football, they are having fun! Well done! We are extremely proud to coach and manage such a great group of boys!



A big thankyou to the parents and families of the boys for your ongoing support.
See you all next year!

10 Bee 1

Coach: Michael Donati

Manager: Betty Dimitrakopoulos

Stand in coaches - Chris Crimmins, Frank Papaioannou, Chris Markas

This team was a pleasure to coach. Every game and every training session they gave it 100%. Every player had the desire to play, the desire to score and the desire to win. But unfortunately not too many wins this session, we had a lot of very close games. When the ref blew the end of the game, every player congratulated the other team and came off with a smile.

Thanks to the stand in coaches and to Betty for their help during the season.

Gabby: always played 100%, wherever the ball was Gabby was. In attack he was always part of the play, in defence he always made that vital tackle.

Paul: always willing to be our goalkeeper and as a coach was glad because he made some awesome saves that the A league would be proud of. When on the field he played with great determination and always finished the game with his shaggy blonde hair dripping with sweat.

Dominic: every game he played from the heart. Always played to his best ability. This year he scored his first goal. Great work.

Jack: every week he was keen as mustard to play. His ability to score and also set up goals was awesome to watch. His on field confidence and his hunger (\$) to score was the talk of the crowd.

Daniel: in defence he was our brick wall. His ability to stop the other team from scoring was impressive. He always listened to instructions and was never afraid to try new tricks.

Adrian: our back up goalkeeper. He worked hard in defence and in attack. Great all rounder. He is a player that every team needs.

Evanna: our firecracker, never afraid of the opposition big or small. Scored many goals this season. She was fearless and very determined. She possesses great skill and talent and is a star player.

Jada: this was Jada's second season and with every game we saw her confidence improve with every tackle and every kick. She was a pleasure to coach.

Meg: every game she had a great big smile on her face. She played with great determination, never giving up. From the first game to the last she improved.

Arianna: she made a comeback this year after a year off due to injury. She was a great asset to the team with her leadership and her natural ability.

We hope to see you all again in our team, next year's soccer season 2016.

Thanks to all.

10 Bee 2

Coach: Jeremy Peisley

Manager: Mark Sandilant

It only seems like yesterday our boys were gathering for their first round of pre-season training, catching up with old friends and meeting new friends in the hope to play some good soccer, score some goals and possibly win some games in the process.

Our returning coach Jeremy had a mix of his last year's group as well as a couple of new boys and in some cases it was their very first year in our game. Jeremy has a simple approach and worked

on the simple parts of the game, protecting and keeping the ball, promoting the ball for good field position with good passing and solid possession. With this focus, the boys improved all year and it was great to watch.



Our Year 2015

We covered 13 games, 26 halves, 650 minutes, 48 goals for and 27 goals against. At this level it is more about learning the game and enjoying it with your friends so it is a “non-competition” year but, based on these stats, we were a very strong side in our group. This helped the boys gain more experience and confidence and it was easy to see as the boys improved throughout the year across the park.

All our goals were spread well across the team; our highest scorers for the season were Alexander, Zack and Jonathon. It is an easy job to record goals scored but it should also be mentioned that the defensive efforts this year were outstanding and all boys should be commended.

Our Squad

Ross Arfanis: developed well in the middle to front half of the team, showed great fitness, speed and want for the ball. Was great seeking out opportunities to pitch the ball from our opponents and was always lurking around the goals for any opportunities and loose ball.

Jonathon Castle: very solid through the middle of the park, carried great strength and presence with the ball and was able to read and control the speed of most games. Also with a strong left foot was great over the spot kicks and any long range opportunities.

Nathan Farrugia: was one of our pillars of strength in our back half and defence line and showed incredible courage as he took on our opponents' attack head on. Also was a strong part of the goalkeeper rotation and made several memorable saves.

Cody Lambert: was welcomed to his first year of soccer with the team and had a wonderful impact. He played in all areas of our team and showed solid improvements in all areas of ball control. His ability to run all day and chase every ball down to the last minute of each match was quality and was the difference in many of our games.

Sean Nancarrow: was a heavy lifter in the field coverage area as he chased every tackle, loose or lost ball and contributed across the park in all areas. As the year progressed Sean had really started to anticipate well and become a solid part of our back half and one of the reasons our goal difference was so healthy.

Alexander Peisley: was a strong part of our front half to which he contributed to the score sheet in most games. Anticipating and drive to score is some of the needed attributes of a forward and Alexander has plenty of both.

Zack Petrovski: was another integral part of our front line and worked well with his partners up front - also contributed to the score sheet regularly. Zack's ability to pop up at the right time was one of his best attributes but what should be added to that is the physical work to get to these positions and be able to close the deal.

Liam Sandilant: solid in our defence line and also enjoyed a few games in goals. Liam carries the ball close to his feet on the run and on many occasions linked in well with the front two for many goal assists. Also has a great ability to read the game which is a solid part of his game.

Luke Trajkovski: integral part of our outside fringe defence with one of the best reads of the game regarding one on one tackles, Luke's ability in this area has been a great part of why we have such a positive goal difference as his stop power defused a large number of goals all year.

Daniel Wilding: another great addition to the squad this year, to the engine room of the team. Whether Daniel was on for 5 minutes or the full 50 it was always with the same intensity and carried the ball with speed and precision. Another strength was chasing the play and breaking down our opponents attack.

Sebastian Mitreski: was a solid ball carrier and had the ability to beat one and two players as needed and fed the ball through the lines. Sebastian showed skills in all areas whether in the back, middle and/or front line and could create and/or complete opportunities.

That was the line-up for 2015. What a year - we have all watched the boys develop as friends, players and most of all as a team and I can't wait to see how they develop next year – bring on 2016.

11 Bee

Coach: Antun Hrzenjak

Manager: John Thomas

The U11 Bees had an enjoyable season winning the majority of matches.

It was pleasing to witness the progressive improvement in skill, structure and team work of the players. Thanks must go to the Coaches - Antun Hrzenjak and Rob Loncar. A special mention to "Irish" Paul for his coaching expertise, enthusiasm and support! The kids enjoyed and benefitted from the experiences.

The team:

Jacob Hrzenjak: solid effort in the halves with several long range goals

Markus Loncar: great attacking efforts scoring majority of team goals

Jayden Robinson: covered the entire field with relentless energy and speed both in attack and defence. Many great crosses.

James Elazzi: regularly threatened the opposition defence with attacking raids.

Ryan Thomas: taunted opponents with his skills on the ball

Dylan Cato: solid defensive effort and great combination with halves

Dion Valis: scored a number of outstanding goals.

Eddie Commons: kept the opposition honest across the midfield

Alex Foster: solid effort in goals and covering midfield defence

Zane Argent: fearless defender who continually put his body on the line

Nelson Feng: very reliable and solid in defense

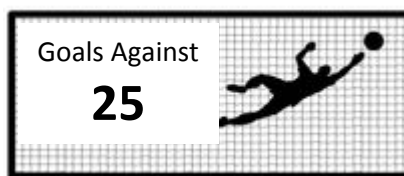
Logan Spindler: reliably covered all positions with enthusiasm

Well done to all. Looking forward to seeing your future development.

11 Fox

Coach: Octavio Montoya

Manager: Rob Marsano



Well, we complain every year about the poor weather but this year has been the worst since the boys started in the U6's. The 18 rounds were shortened to only 12 games courtesy of the rain and a bye. With weeks between games, the boys struggled to maintain steady form and definitely made the most of the disjointed season. Everyone has slowly settled into positions that will now follow them for the rest of their playing career, a great balance of skills covered the entire field.



Our goal keeper **Chris**, overwhelmed not only our team but also our opponents. His ability to read the game and drive the team from the back gave us the edge we needed; this coupled with spectacular saves gave us the perfect advantage.

In the back row; Ryan, Nicholas, Bailey and Joseph were awesome protecting our side of the field like hawks, intercepting any attack and driving it up the sideline with textbook precision.

Ryan, our left back was always working and running hard to the point where he was glowing red hot. Some really good improvement this year and was a lot more comfortable playing the ball out from our defence and finding his midfield.

Nicholas (1 goal) provided just the speed we needed to sweep and to run the ball up the field. Nicholas was the rock in our defence and we could always count on his hard working attitude.

Bailey had all the parents talking this year, stepping up his game from last year, engaging and removing the ball from his opponents like never before. Bailey was our most improved player this year and as such he well deserves the U11FOX Coaches and Manager Award this year. Well done Bailey - your effort and determination was really evident this year.

Joey used his ball skills over and over in many surprise moves to stun the other team and onlookers.

Our centres of Saul (10 goals and team golden boot) and Andrei (4 goals) did a fantastic job filling in the gaps and driving up and down the field when things were getting tough. The speed that both Saul and Andrei brought to the team meant that we were able to turn defence into attack really quickly.

Saul came home with a wet sail in the goal scoring department scoring a hat-trick in the final game and continued to provide great coverage across the park, whilst **Andrei** was again an amazing support for our defence popping up at the right moments out of nowhere.

The boys on the wing Peter (1 goal) , Andrew (2 goals) and Eric (7 goals) played hard not only receiving the ball from our backs and crossing it in for the strikers to finish but also defending attacks from the other team. **Peter** continued to develop his dribbling game and never missed a chance to take on anyone in front of him and **Andrew** was versatile in down the left hand side of the pitch whether it was playing in defence (he was absolutely unbeatable against Hurstville Zagreb) or pushing up in attack.

Eric continues to be one of our most elegant players with plenty of skill on the ball with lots of twist and turns and a great ability to release ball at the right time to our strikers.

Anthony and Josiah gave us the edge the team needed racking up the goals and keeping us in the game, spectacular shots leaving the other teams goalie wondering what hit them.

Anthony (5 goals) joined our team this year and provided some additional options both as a striker as well as a ball player in the middle of the park, whilst **Josiah** (9 goals) had another great year and continued to be the focal point of our attack as our primary striker whilst also providing options as right winger as required.

It has once again been a pleasure watching the boys develop and now starting to work as a real team. All of this thanks to our coach Ocky who has worked hard and given the team the skills and structure required to make them a worthy opposition to any team they came against. Thanks also to Rob Fonti for also helping throughout the season when required at training or on game day.

Thanks Rob Marsano for all your hard work this year a manager – I really appreciated it! (Ocky)

U12 Girls

Coach: Raf Berroa

Manager: Hagop Tchamkertenian

When the team assembled for the first time at training at Gannons Park to begin the campaign for season 2015 coach Raf and manager Hagop had to assess the team as they had seven new players who had never played the game before.

The new recruits of Capri, Zena, Angela, Jade, Mia, Alanna Cogle and Simone joined the established players from last season featuring Charlie, Nadine, Kiera, Tamar, Alanna C, Taylah, Madelen, Luci, and Alana P who made it all the way to the grand final in season 2014.

Having seven new players represented both a challenge and an opportunity for the team. The challenge was quickly overcome as the team blended exceptionally well and, with 16 players available, competition for places ensured that players put in that extra effort at both training and during the games.

With so many players playing the great game for the first time, the team did a remarkable job to play competitive football from the onset of the season. The opening game featured a narrow 1-0 loss to Oatley RSL and the final game was a 0-0 draw against the runners-up team of Sans Souci in the preliminary final.

The team thus fell just one game short of making it to back to back grand final appearances. After finishing fourth on the competition table after the end of normal season, the team took on third placed Oatley RSL in the semi-final and beat them 1-0. The following week in the preliminary final Lugarno had Sans Souci on the ropes in the opening segment of the game, scoring a goal that was subsequently disallowed for offside. The team failed to convert their dominance of field possession and ball possession into goals and had to instead settle for a draw after extra time.

While the team managed to remain undefeated in the final series, they did not progress to the grand final courtesy of the competition rule that rewards the higher placed teams with progression in the event of a draw after extra-time.

Overall it has been a great and memorable season for the players as well as coach Raf and manager Hagop who, between them, succeeded in putting together a very competitive side. The fact that the biggest loss of the season involved a margin of just two goals is a reflection of the competitive spirit the team played their football.

Now a bit about our stars:

Charlie Argent: Great defender, runner and capable dribbler, Charlie was pushed towards more advanced positions to support the attack. When the team was vying to score goals and win games to qualify for the finals, Charlie formed part of the attack. Against Banksia Tigers she scored a memorable goal by taking on the defence in a run that spanned over 40 metres.

Mia Barbara: One of the new players joining the team, she grew in the role of defender and midfielder. Full of running and enthusiasm, Mia grew in confidence and performance. She followed instructions exceptionally well and had a great attitude at training.

Luci Berroa: Playing in midfield, Luci covered a lot of ground during games. Towards the end of the season when the team had to lift their performance and intensity to win games and secure a place in the finals, Luci stepped up her effort and game play which was also reflected during the finals campaign.

Capri Bishop: Also playing for the first time, Capri loved football enjoying all aspects of the game. Capri was deployed in different positions to help determine which positions suited her best. A player possessing pace she used that attribute to great effect, constantly pressuring opposition players.

Alanna Caracoglia: A determined player full of running and energy, Alanna was mostly deployed in attacking roles. She finished the season as the second highest goal scorer and in the semi-final game against Oatley RSL scored the critical winning goal to send the team into the preliminary final.

Alanna Cogle: Playing football for the first time, Alanna possesses exceptional pace and was used as a striker scoring a number of crucial goals for the team. Given her speed and running style Alanna has the potential to develop into a great player.

Jade Cullen: Having not played football before, Jade made a quick transition and played in midfield and attacking roles. Jade benefited from training and game time and towards the latter part of the season she displayed more confidence on the field.

Madelen Giannis: An established player, Madelen also proved a versatile player having played during the season in goals, defence and midfield. Madelen plays the game with a smile and her determined running and powerful kick clearances helps to inspire her teammates.

Kiera Head: Another of the versatile players Kiera was deployed in different positions during the season playing in goals, defence and midfield. She loves playing football and brings a positive attitude to training and games. A great team player, Kiera enjoys all aspects of the game.

Zena Masri: New to the sport Zena quickly adapted to football very quickly and in the second half of the season she was an integral member of the team. Zena is full of energy and running and played mostly in defensive and midfield positions and occasionally she was deployed in attacking roles as well.

Simone Papaioannou: Also new to the team, Simone, through hard work at training, developed into a competent player. Another of the versatile team players she was deployed during different times of the season in goals, in defence, in midfield and even in attacking roles. She loves playing the game and with more games and experience has the potential to continue developing as a player.

Alana Petanceski: One of the key defenders of the team, Alana was often involved in helping turn defence into attack. She was given key responsibilities during games such as taking goal kicks, throw-ins and corner kicks and showed great maturity under pressure. Her pace and composure at the back provided the team with a degree of reassurance and balance.

Angela Piccini: Also new to the sport, Angela displayed the characteristics of a true team player putting her hand up on numerous occasions to play the position very few players volunteered for – goalkeeper. She was also used in defence and midfield. Angela demonstrated a positive and mature attitude at training and a desire to learn.

Taylah Samardzioski: One of the key defenders of the team, Taylah used her pace to neutralise emerging threats. Her powerful kicks and determined running style often helped turn defence into attack. In the second half of the season she was increasingly deployed in more advanced attacking roles which resulted in her scoring a couple of memorable goals.

Tamar Tchamkertenian: Tamar capped off another good season by finishing as the team's top goal scorer. Often playing as an attacking midfielder, Tamar used her pace and dribbling skills with great effect to take the game to the opposition. She was also instrumental in setting up a number of goal assists. Proving her versatility she also played in goals producing a number of clean sheets in the process.

Nadine Younes: This season saw the emergence of a true sweeper. Nadine, who prefers to play as an attacker, was used mostly in the sweeper role – a role she excelled in. With her great pace and determination to secure the ball, Nadine helped to neutralise many opposition attacks. Possessing powerful kicks and clearances she was instrumental in launching the team's counter attacks.



The Lugarno FC 12Girls – Season 2015

Left to right back row: Charlie Argent; Luci Berroa; Alana Petanceski; Simone Papaioannou; Jade Cullen; Taylah Samardzioski; Kiera Head and Nadine Younes.

Left to right front row: Alanna Caracoglia; Angela Piccini; Tamar Tchamkertenian; Madelen Giannisis; Alanna Cogle; Capri Bishop; Mia Barbara and Zena Masri

U13 A

Coach: Zen Younes

Manager: Tatiana Kolimackovski

What a remarkable year for the 13A boys.

Zen Younes started coaching this team last year where they were in the “B” competition. Even though they had a good year (making it to the semis) there was more to be achieved!

In their first year in the “A” comp they have impressed everyone, finishing second on the ladder and making it to the grand final. Our team won 12 of the 17 rounds, 1 draw and 4 losses. The loss in the grand final was to the minor premiers who were undefeated all season. Watch out for next year!

Each player has shown great improvement with each round played and can be proud of their performance. Coach Zen (with assistant Steve) was making sure the boys were learning and improving with each training session.

Harrison Rys: Shirt no. 1 – Harrison joined Lugarno this year and we gained a master goalie! Harrison worked hard all year to improve his skills in the goalkeeper role but the biggest surprise was to see him excel on the few occasions we saw him in the midfield. Keep up the good work.

Matthew Denson: Shirt no. 3 – Matthew moved across to Lugarno this year and was invaluable in attack. Never giving up, he was always fantastic to watch.

Sam Pezzutti: Shirt no. 4 – Sam came back to Lugarno after a year in rugby league. We were glad to have him back as he was a valuable member of our defensive line.

Mark Younes: Shirt no. 5 – The talent displayed by Mark is outstanding playing any position required by Coach Zen. He was always able to deliver!



Andrew Velovski: Shirt no. 6 – Andrew came back to Lugarno after a season at another club. Andrew has great skill and is a relentless defender. He saved us from many attacks. Great to have you back.

Ivan Kolimackovski: Shirt no. 7 – Ivan continued to improve under Coach Zen's guidance. He was solid on the wing, a great defender and a valuable asset to the team.

Jake Thompson: Shirt no. 8 – Jake has continued to build on his confidence and skill in defence and is unfazed by opponents of any size. He reads the game well and has been invaluable throughout the season.

Antonio Papaleo: Shirt no. 9 – Antonio returned for another season and we are all grateful for it. Antonio is a solid player and is both confident and skilful. A pleasure to watch on the field.

Jordan Sarkis: Shirt no. 10 – Jordan continues to develop his already superior skills under the guidance of Coach Zen. He was super-reliable in defence and in the midfield all season.

Christian Petrovski: Shirt no. 12 – Christian always plays with 100% heart and determination. He would use any and all body parts to keep the ball in possession. A pleasure to watch on the field.

Joshua Orlando: Shirt no. 13 – Joshua joined Lugarno this year. Don't let his size fool you! Joshua is a fantastic player in defence, midfield and attack. He is confident on the field and had some brilliant goals as well this year.

Matthew Messner: Shirt no. 14 – Matthew returned to Lugarno after a few seasons away at another club. He was a valuable mid-field player and became the master of the free kick with skill and accuracy. Some excellent goals were claimed. Well done Matthew.

Joseph Salameh: Shirt no. 15 – Joey joined Lugarno this year. He was fiery and passionate and once channelled properly, he was a scoring machine. Joey is highly talented and we look forward to more goals.

Amro Abdalla: Shirt no. 55 – Amro continued to improve his skills under guidance from Coach Zen. He was a valuable member in the midfield with some awesome through-balls.

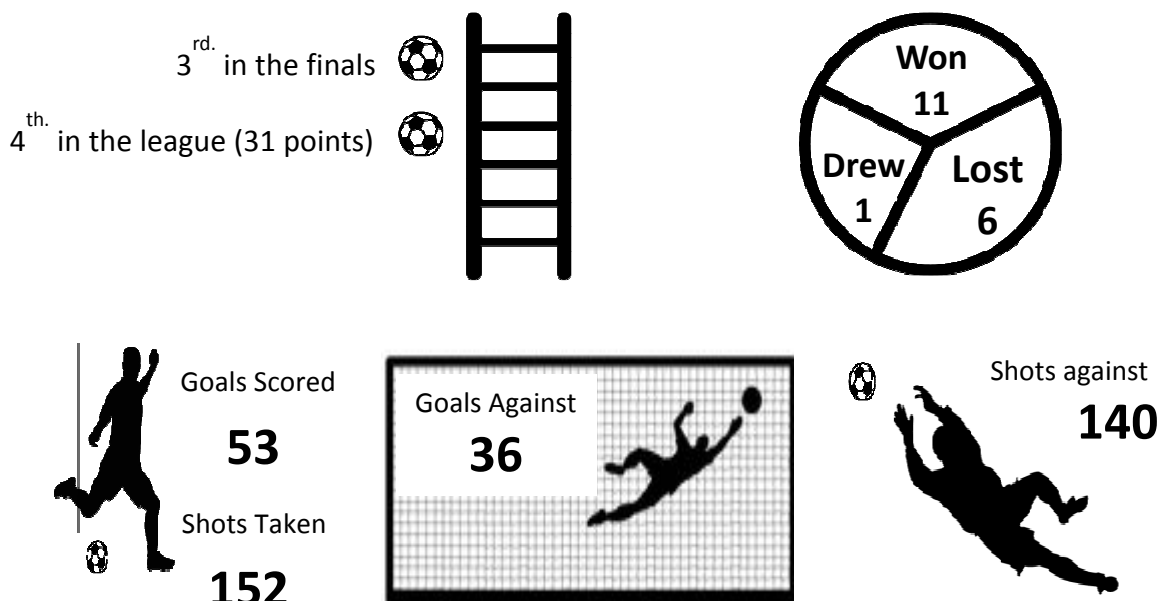
Thanks to all the parents who helped out all season with oranges, poppers, flag running, canteen duty, set up and pulldown of fields and of course cheering.

U13 C

Coach: Octavio Montoya

Manager: Adem Ametson

Summary of Statistics:



From the Manager – Adem Ametson

The U13C's had a very successful year. This year saw some new faces to the team, including players from different divisions, age groups and some who have not played for a number of years. The key was to ensure the boys gelled well together and played as a team. A big part bringing the team together was the coach, Octavio, his guidance and disciplined approach ensured the team played as one, learnt from mistakes and built upon their strengths, all within an enjoyable environment.

The boys had a big year, finishing 3rd on the ladder and narrowly missing an opportunity to play in the Grand Final after losing to Ramsgate RSL in a thrilling and tense Final that went into extra time. Looking back on the season, it's very pleasing to see the effort put in by all the boys. They played the whole season with enthusiasm and dedication, their willingness and determination is a testament in not only the position they finished on, but also the confidence they brought out of each other.

From a coach and manager perspective we are very proud of the way the boys went about their games, they followed the three golden rules of always being first to the ball, fixing mistakes and always playing in their positions. They also played in the true spirit of the game, displaying respect to the opposition and the officials, their success is also a reflection of these values.

On behalf of the team, we would like to thank the families and friends for supporting the team throughout the season. It was a tense year from the sidelines and your cheering and positive attitude spurred the boys on, your commitment was appreciated.

From the Coach – Octavio Montoya

I'm immensely proud of this bunch of young men. After a really tough season last year (last in the league, winning 2, losing 13, goal difference of -61 (18 for, 79 against), the core of last year's team gelled really well with a few new team mates and had a season to long remember. Making the 2nd last game of the season and pushing the eventual competition winners to extra time. Well done fellas, you ought to be very proud of your achievement this year and I look forward to season 2016. I'd like to thank Adem Ametson, our Manager, for maintaining meticulous stats and providing great match day support. I really appreciate all that you did. I'd also like to thank Jeremy Appleby for running the fitness sessions each week. I think it really paid off in our big games at the end of the season when our kids ran and kept on running.

One final thank you to Andrei Esdalie-Watts (2 goals), Josiah Montoya and Nicholas Kladis from my U11FOX team who also helped out when numbers were down on match day.

Below is a short reflection of our squad and their individual season:

Peter Kladis #1 Goal Keeper

Shots / Goals Scored	5 / 3	Assists	1
Shots Faced	102		

Peter was our number 1 keeper for the season and had a fantastic season this year. He saved our bacon on many occasions and after many games, the opposition coaches often made special mention of his courage in goals. Peter also contributed on the open field a number of times and scored 3 goals along the way. Peter well deserves the **U13C Coaches & Managers** award for 2015. Well done Peter.

Jordan Gonzalez #6 Centre Back

Blocks/Clearances / Intercepts 16

Jordan was new to Lugarno Football Club and did well to settle into the team this year. Jordan always put in 100% in his defensive duties and grew in confidence every week and began holding his own towards the back end of the season and was a key member of our defensive game. Well done Jordan on your journey in 2015.

Anthony Azzi #9 Left Midfield

Shots / Goals Scored	23 / 9	Assists	6
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Our quiet, smiling assassin terrorised all defenders down the left hand side of the field this year. Every time Anthony made one of his blistering runs, a buzz came over the crowd in anticipation that something was going to happen. I also noticed that there we typically had 3 or 4 players waiting for the ball inside the box because they knew Anthony would get a cross away. Anthony blew me away this year with his improvement on the ball. Keep it up next year Anthony. A fantastic year with your 9 goals and 6 assist. A Double Double next year?

Louis Crimmins #14 Left Back

Blocks/Clearances / Intercepts	22	Assists	2
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There were two things that stood out to me this year about Louis. First was the speed that he seemed to bring to his game this year and secondly, how composed he had become in defence. It was great watching him chase down opponents. This was particularly impressive in our Final against eventual winners Ramsgate where on a number of occasions he chased down and pinned their primary striker into a corner given him absolutely no options. Well done Louis, a pleasure having you in the team.

Jayden Montoya #15 Striker

Shots / Goals Scored	34 / 16	Assists	1
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Jayden had his best year of football this year so far at Lugarno. Settling in into a striker's position, Jayden was quick to take the opportunities provided to him by his hard working midfield, but also created many opportunities with his new found confidence on the ball. His two most memorable goals this year came against Kogarah in the last game of the regular season scoring a free kick, top right hand corner from about 22 yards out. His practice through the season paid off. The other was scored in the elimination final which we won 1-0. After having to work very hard to take control of a cross from Mikey, he managed to get around the goal keeper and find the back of the net. Jayden was our **Golden Boot** this year, netting just under a 1/3 of our goals. Well done mate.

Jaden Ametson #19 Right Back

Blocks/Clearances / Intercepts 16

Jaden re-joined Lugarno FC after a number of years away from the game, inspired by the 2014 World Cup. Jaden settled well back in the team at Right Back but also enjoyed a few runs in mid-field. Jaden became more and more composed through the season in his

defensive duties and in looking for his passes up front. Most pleasantly for me though, was watching him have the courage to begin taking on opponents to create space. Welcome back to the Club Jaden and looking forward to seeing you get “angry” next year😊. Well done buddy.

Cooper Appleby #20

Sweeper

Blocks/Clearances / Intercepts 23

The heart of our defence this year was Cooper – our “Johnny on the spot” when it came to defusing attacking moves from the opposition. Incredibly hard working in his primary sweeper role, he did a fantastic job in organising our defence. A great year for you Cooper.

William Finn #21

Right Midfield

Goals Scored

8

Assists

5

Billy, whom I have code named, “Nearly Billy” had a great year playing either in Right Midfield or Centre Attacking Midfield. Lots of opportunities to find the back of the net and managed to find it 8 times throughout the year. His greatest contribution however was his never-stop attitude to all the games even when I was his least favourite person when asked to help out in defence against some of quicker teams in our division. A testament to his great team attitude. Well done Billy. You are a great asset to your team.

Connor Higgs #24

Right Back / Holding Midfield

Blocks/Clearances / Intercepts 19

A really positive year for Connor this year as he developed his football this season. My main observation this year of Connor was that his reading of the game got better and better through the season and awareness of where his players were and how to use them. No better example than in an away game against Bexley North moving the play from middle of the pitch finding James on an open left bank that he was able to exploit. My other observation of Connor was his ability to just show up to a play when required – out of nowhere. A maturing footballer that will continue improve as he pursues the game. Don’t stop smiling Connor.

Kevin El-Azzi #25

Left Back

Blocks/Clearances / Intercepts 17

Kevin stepped it up this year and put in a great effort. After watching Kevin for a few years, I really saw an incredible improvement in his defensive game and his courage with contested balls, especially not shying away from the bigger kids where he stood up and was counted on many occasions. Like Louis and Jaden A, there was a lot of composure about his game this year and was tenacious in all he did. Well done Kevin.

Michael Crimmins #26

Holding Midfield

Shots / Goals Scored

29 / 7

Assists

5

Mikey had another solid year this year. Between him and Billy, I’m not sure who did the most kilometres this year. A hard working and passionate player, our General Mikey was rock solid in his Holding Midfield role this year and also converted 7 shots on goals whilst providing 5 assists along the way. Mikey’s Hat-trick against Glory was a spectacle and one of his best showings this year in attack. Good stuff Mikey.

James Kabalan #28

Centre Attacking Midfield / Left Midfield

Assists

8

Blocks / Clearances / Intercepts

21

James played further up the field this year than in previous years and always had an impact on all matches. A natural ball player with great ball skill, James came desperately close on a number of times to finding the back of the net, however not to be this yea. He was however, our top provider with 8 assists this season. A great season James.

Lachlan Martin #62

Holding Midfield

Goals Scored 1 Assists 1

When Lachlan held, Lachlan held! and there was no better demonstration than in our elimination final against Kogarah. Lachlan had a spectacular game and ensured that anything that was coming towards our defence was defused quickly and broke the hearts of the opposition during that game by sending the ball back to their half for them only to have to start all over again. I'm sure though, he would say that that the highlight of his season was scoring his maiden goal against Glory, and it was a beauty. I'm not going to say it was a toe-punt, but at the end of the day, it was a shot from about 25 yards that beat the goal keeper beautifully. A really pleasing season Lachy.

**Alexander Athanasopolous Holding Midfield / Stopper / Reserve Goal Keeper
#74**

Shots / Goals Scored 13 / 4 Assists 2

Shots Faced 19

Alexander was all over the field, but in a good way from the number of positions that he played in during the season. The Swiss Knife our team, Alex's contribution was truly across the park. Although I must admit that I think I found his strength late in the season in a stopper role with Cooper just behind him. Alex became a bit of an enforcer in our defence and really strengthened it at the right end of the season. As you can see from his stats, a strong contributor to the success of our team. Well done Alex....or should I say Derek?



Top: Jayden, Alexander, Louis, Lachlan, Michael, Jaden, Connor, Kevin, Anthony, James
Bottom: Peter, Cooper, William, Jordan. Coach: Octavio | Manager: Adem

U14 B

Coach & Manager: Hagop Tchamkertenian

The Preliminary Final against Peakhurst United turned out to be the team's final game for season 2015, as the team fell one game short of a grand final appearance. For the second consecutive season the team came so close to a grand final appearance.

Pre-season training commenced informally in early February followed with formal training in early March. This year saw three new additions join the team bringing the total number of players to 16.

The team was involved in two pre-season games, one featured a narrow 2-1 win over Sylvania Heights while the other involved a thumping 11-0 win over Sans Souci. The team commenced the official season strongly with a solid 9-3 win over Bexley North that saw Mitchell T score four goals. In the following double header weekend the team defeated Penshurst West 5-3 followed up by a convincing 6-1 win over Sans Souci.

In the fourth game the team faced Connells Point with the game ending 2-2 despite Lugarno dominating the game in terms of goal scoring chances and ball possession. This game was followed by a clash against another undefeated team in Bexley North's second side and in a tight contest the game ended in a 3-3 draw despite Lugarno opening the scoring.

Another double header weekend saw the team run out 4-0 winners over Forest Rangers before the team sustained their first loss of the season in a close 2-1 loss to Peakhurst United. With the following weekend being a long weekend the team was handed another two games - the normal Saturday game which resulted in a comfortable 4-1 win over Bexley North with Kane scoring a hat-trick, and another game on holiday Monday which saw the team edge out Sans Souci 2-1 in a frustrating game.

The team was really tested in the next game when they played a very physical Penshurst West side that had gone on an undefeated run of six games and were at the time one of the form teams of the competition. Lugarno ran out 2-1 winners with no goals being scored in a tense and tight second half.

Lugarno then faced the second placed Bexley North's second side and, despite missing four players, won the game 3-2 with Kane scoring a brace and Peter K scoring the other crucial goal. The following day the team sustained a rare loss going down 3-2 under controversial circumstances to Connells Point. It was a bit ironic that the only two losses suffered by the team during the normal season were both associated with away matches involving the participation of non-official referees.

In the next game Lugarno succeeded in redressing their earlier loss to Peakhurst United in style when they secured a crucial 2-1 win. The team's dominance during the game was so great that the final score line should have been much greater if it had not been for the outstanding performance of the opposition goal keeper.

Further wins over Forest Rangers (3-1) including a superb 4-0 win over Penshurst West which saw Mitchell opening the scoring with a cracker of a goal, was followed by a 5-1 win over Bexley North which helped to deliver the minor premiership to Lugarno, and a 2-0 win over Sans Souci in the final game of the normal competition.

The team finished the normal season in style being crowned minor premiers and going into the finals series on the back of five consecutive wins, scoring 16 goals in the process and conceding just 3 goals. During the normal season the team managed to win 13 games, drew 2 and lost 2 scoring 59 goals and conceding 25. The team finished four points ahead of their closest rivals Bexley North.

Finals football saw the team not only lose focus but they also displayed some uncharacteristic game play. Consecutive losses to Bexley North and Peakhurst United ended the teams' hopes of supplementing their Minor Premiers and Champions status with the status of Premiers.

Whether it was overconfidence going into the finals or finals series nerves, the team played in a manner that not only baffled their own supporters but also perplexed supporters and team officials of opposing teams.

Overall the team played 19 competition games during season 2015 and once again succeeded in playing finals football for the third consecutive season. The team registered 13 wins; 2 draws and 4 losses. Scoring 59 goals and conceded 31 in the process at an average of 3.1 goals scored per game and 1.6 goals conceded per game. The team managed to produce 3 clean sheets during the season, which represented a major deterioration on the previous season's outcome when 7 clean sheets were registered.

The **2015 season** statistics represented on average game basis follows.

	Lugarno Season Game Averages	Opposition team's Season Game Averages
Total shots	16.3	8.4
Shots on target	9.7	4.6
Goals	3.1	1.6
Corners	4.9	2.8
Possession	55.3	44.7

Some 10 players managed to get on the score-sheet during the season. It is always good to see the goals spread across a range of players. The top four goal scorers for season 2014 were: Kane (20 goals), Mitchell T (14 goals), Peter K (9 goals) and Mitchell (7 goals) who, between them, accounted for 84.7 per cent of the total goals scored by the team.

Summing up season 2015, on reflection this was the season that got away. The team finished minor premiers and clearly were the most consistent team over the season as reflected by the fact they finished four points ahead of their closest rivals and eventual premiers Bexley North.

The team's performances during the normal season and during the finals series were in complete contrast to one another. During the normal season the team managed to score first in every game that was played and also managed to score in every game. They also dominated both goal scoring opportunities and overall ball possession. These key game attributes did not feature during the finals series.

I have no doubt the team can and will learn from the experience of season 2015 and be wiser and more determined as a consequence. I am confident the boys will come back more focussed and determined than ever to compete and succeed during season 2016.



The LFC 14B's

Left to right: front row: Kane Spiteri; Stephen Theodoridis; Harris Kostanti; and Raffi Tchamkertenian.

Middle row left to right: Haritha Jayasekera; Alexander Pejovski; Mark Martinovic; Evander Berroa; and Omar El-Debel

Back row left to right: Hagop Tchamkertenian (coach and manager); Peter Gazilas; Mitchell Trajkovski; Peter Katsoulas; Will Simmons; Issac Cagigas; Jonah Hopping; and Mitchell Frost.

Player profiles

Alexander Pejovski: once again proved to be a versatile player taking up positions in midfield, defence and in attack. He scored one goal but was instrumental in setting up a number of others for his team mates. Alex has great pace and takes on players twice his size. He brings a competitive attitude to all facets of the game.

Evander Berroa: played mostly as central defender and in a number of games as a midfielder. While Evander loves to go forward to launch attacks he also excels in neutralising the opposition's attacks. A talented and determined defender he also possesses the vision of switching game play and direction.

Omar El-Debel: returning to the team after a year away from football, Omar proved a versatile player being deployed in defence, midfield and attack. Possessing great strength, height and an ability to hold off opposition players, Omar has the potential to develop into a great ball distributor. Possessing elusive pace his determined running style often helped him secure ball possession.

Haritha Jayasekera: Haritha, or Harry, played mostly in midfield and attack but also in defence for a number of games. After a slow start Harry lifted his game and finished the season strongly scoring 3 goals and creating a number of assists. Blessed with great pace Harry often takes the game to the opposition and never takes a backward step.

Harris Kostanti: one of the team's specialist defenders, Harris put in another steady performance during the season. He often linked up with the attack to help turn defence into attack. A very determined defender and a perfectionist he would be the first to highlight any below-par performances. Harris formed a formidable attacking formation with Peter K on the right flank.

Issac Cagigas: played mostly in defence and occasionally in midfield. In the opening game Issac was deployed in an attacking role and used the opportunity to score his maiden career goal. A great team player he provides great protection to his team mates on and off the field.

Jonah Hopping: once again proved to be the key person in defence and for the entire season put in a consistent effort. If the defence of the team is ever breached during a game, you can rely on Jonah to appear from nowhere to help neutralise the situation. A very mature player on and off the field he displays great leadership qualities.

Peter Katsoulas: one of the new additions to the team, Peter K had a massive impact on the team dynamics. A gifted player with exceptional dribbling skills, pace, and a powerful kick, Peter K played in the right midfield role which attracted the attention of the opposition defence. His penetrating runs took the game to the opposition and resulted in him scoring nine goals to finish third highest goal scorer.

Mark Martinovic: Mark, who ended last season in attack, spent most of the season in defence and occasionally in midfield. While the goals dried up as a result, Mark's contribution to the team proved enormous through goal assists and overall defensive work. Being a skilful player he also excelled whenever he played in central midfield – a position that should become his natural position.

Mitchell Frost: put in another determined and inspiring game performance during the season. Mitchell played mostly in midfield and on a number of times in defence when Lugarno was short of defenders. One area Mitchell improved on noticeably was in attack which resulted in him scoring seven goals to become the team's fourth highest goal scorer.

Mitchell Trajkovski: had a massive impact on the left side of the midfield and the team generally. Playing the game with great determination and great pace, he stepped up this season to score 14 goals to become the second highest goal scorer for the team. Mitchell T also played a leading role in goal assists with his lethal crosses and precise passes creating havoc for opposing teams and resulting in a number of goals.

Peter Gazilas: was primarily deployed as an attacking midfielder to reflect his pace and penetrating dribbling skills. While Peter did not feature too many times on the score sheet, he played an important role in goal assists with some clever crosses. In some games Peter was also deployed in defence with his speed and tenacity proving a real asset.

Raffi Tchamkertenian: was mostly used as a left back due to his ability to kick and pass with both feet. Raffi also proved a competent back-up goal keeper in a number of games. One feature of his game that improved noticeably was heading the ball which, along with his overall physical play, became key features of his defending during the season.

Stephen Theodoridis: proved to be a versatile player, being deployed in different roles and was one of the few players to play in all three zones at different stages of the season – defence, midfield and attack. Stephen is a determined player that always explores ways of improving his overall game.

Will Simmons: our regular goal keeper, Will had a consistent game performance during the season as the last person in defence. Displaying a mature attitude he was keen and determined at training and at the games. When he was rewarded with game time as an outfield player he succeeded in scoring two goals.

Kane Spiteri: another of the new players who joined the team, Kane had an instant positive impact on the team. With his pace, straight running style and great alertness, Kane was deployed as the leading striker and went on to become the top goal scorer for the team with 20 goals. Kane also displayed the qualities of a great team player dropping back to help the defence when required.

U14 Girls

Coach: Paul De Lucca

Manager: Natalie De Lucca

It's been a great year for the girls. The improvement in the way we play and the attitude at training has been great.

It's the second year running we have made the semi finals and second year running we haven't lost in a final series, only going out on the who finished higher on the ladder rule.

Sophia: Keeper. Had a great year her positional play in goals and her no fear mentality made her one of the best keepers in the competition.



Sienna: backline. Sienna has a nickname of kamakazi in the hard nose way she plays, always gives 100% and a good hard defender.

Alyssa: backline. Being the coach's daughter she had the added pressure of listening to dad on the way to games and training and back. She is a No nonsense defender win the ball and plays it out to our midfield, tough defender that from a personal note made dad very proud of her.

Monique: backline. A very gifted player, your typical sweeper playing behind the defence and cleaning up any loose balls, always in the thick of things and has an almighty throw in that led to many goals this year.

Taylah: backline. From a quiet shy girl that was very lazy at the beginning of the year to the transformation to starting 11. She worked very hard and improved and became one of our key defenders.

Sofia K: backline. A strong left back that will do what is needed to make sure she wins the ball, great year.

Ruby: backline. Plagued with illnesses and injuries this year poor Ruby missed 3/4 of our games at the start of the season. But when she did play she always gives 100% and works very hard.

Sofia V: backline / midfield. Started the season off slow being a new player to the team. But once she began attending training regularly the improvement was there to see.

Olivia R: midfield. Strong no frills midfielder has a powerful kick and great vision. Played really well.

Sarah: midfielder. Rocks or diamonds - when Sarah is on and not scared she dictates the midfield with her skills in passing and shooting, great year.

Jasmine: midfield. Hard worker never stops her pace and never say die attitude was great and was an important part of our team.

Emily: midfielder. Emily started the season off a little slow but after 5-6 games she was on song, her dribbling of players and crossing of the ball was great and scoring goals.

Giovanna: midfielder. Being her second year of playing football the improvement has been steady, also the joker in the team and always tries very hard. It was great to see her score her first ever goal this year.

Sofie M: striker. Tried hard this year and was always in the thick of things.

Victoria: midfielder. Playing her first year ever Vicky tried very hard attending training and games.

Yasmine: striker. Another girl playing her first year of football, the improvement was there; her speed and agility was great. Next year will be a bigger year for her with this year's experience behind her.

Olivia M: striker. Last but not least, as a coach you couldn't ask for more. Always attended training, always worked hard at training, played every game with the highest intensity, was leading goal scorer and a deadly striker that opposition teams had to deploy 2 defenders to mark her.

John H - Assistant Coach. Always there at training and game day helping out with the team - thank you for all your help.

In summary, it's been a great year for the girls a team that was capable of going all the way and winning the comp.

I can't wait until next year where we will be right up the top of the table and lifting the trophy as champions.

U15 B

Coach: Rob Petancevski

Manager: Lora Agius

This year the boys were presented a major challenge, moving from C grade to B grade, and they met the challenge head on. Each and every week they had to play well above their levels to compete, and they did so. It was not a successful season in terms of results, but in terms of play for your mates, facing a challenge head on and never giving up even when we lost, these boys overachieved. Other than a couple of games, they were competitive and pushed all the teams they played against, in many games only playing with 9 and 10 players with many players sustaining major injuries or on holidays. We still managed to score 12 goals which was a great effort with the following goal scorers:

Jordan Spaevski 4
Nick Giannisis 3
Brennan Head 2
Nick Marnenos 1
Cameron Bridge 1
David Petancevski 1

Jordan Spaevski: Striker 4 goals, missed 5 weeks while holidaying in Europe, but played some great football and scored most of his goals with pace, running through the middle of the field and

slotting the ball in the net. With some luck could have taken his tally into the double digits, but for great saves and the wood work.

Alexander Agius: Midfield, put every everything into every game with some great plays, he also missed 4 games with injury, setup Jordan for his first goal with defensive midfield effort and chased an attacker who passed him but didn't give up and, with that pressure, made the player make an error and won the ball.

Jack Appleby: Striker and midfield, the quite achiever never gave up each and every week, almost scored many goals with a great anticipation, so proud when in the last game when his passion showed through while playing Banksia.

Jack Bergin: Midfield, playing football for the first time, Jack was great to watch as his skill level improved each and every week. His league background really help him and he was no push over, fighting for every ball and never giving up. By the end of the year was even dribbling players.

Max Donati: Midfield and defence, plays the game whole heartedly, was great to watch and really enjoyed his competitive spirit. Stopped many an attacking raid with his defensive efforts.

Nicholas Giannis: Midfield, defender and forward – I think Nick almost played every position, scored 3 goals and was one of our most consistent and creative players. Loved running and running at training.

Nicholas Marneros: Midfield – scored 1 goal, and it was screamer, drove the ball from the middle of the park into the back of the net, it was great to watch. Played the game with great passion and his efforts in both defence and attack weres great to see.

Brennan Head: Midfield and attacker – missed about 60/70% of the games due to illness and it was great to get him back for later part of the season. It took him a couple of games to warm up and get his fitness back but played some great football and even pulled off an awesome save in goals, it was great to see him get on the field and smile.

Antony Jolevski: Defender and midfield – missed about 6 weeks while on European holidays, this year really improved his efforts in attacking the ball and getting himself in the contest. Was solid in defence and stopped many goals with his efforts.

Andrew Kennedy: Defender and midfield – he is the quite achiever, I know his twin is good at sports, but Andrew can play, and play really well. His anticipation to get to the ball you can't teach, it is natural and was great in every position he played.

Ali Mourad: Midfield and defender – he is never ever beaten, whether in defence, midfield or in goals. He pulled off some amazing stops, one to recall he just came on as a sub and the opposition was up by about 3 goals and the game was all but lost, the opposition takes a shot in the box and Ali just throws himself in front of the ball and stops a certain goal.

Adnan Softic: Midfield and defender – Adnan smiled and played his heart out, played all year with acute heel/achilles injury and missed about 5 weeks. He played well above his skill level every week and was never beaten. Together with Ali, they brought good nature and infectious spirit to each and every game.

Cameron Bridge: Scored one goal from a free kick, the leader of the team, was great and solid in defence and stopped many raids, often turning them into attack. Always producing a second effort when needed.

David Petancevski: Was the only player to play every single game, played the whole season with an Achilles injury and thus played most of the season in goals. To highlight his efforts this year we got heavily defeated in a game 15-1, we only had 9/10 players playing against the team that eventually won the comp, Bexley North. It was a comprehensive defeat but he saved at least 10 shots on goal and when he came on the field, scored our only goal, chipping the keeper from outside the box.

The spirit and the effort the boys showed this year was worthy of title, but the best part was the camaraderie they showed, always helping and supporting each and going the extra mile to help each in a tough year. They should all be proud of their efforts, as all the parents and supporters

were of them. Thank you to Lora for managing the team and to the supportive parents (Virginia we will never forget that cake). Hope to see all the boys back again in 2016.

U16 A

Coach: Claudio Rispler

Manager: David Attard

The U16As welcomed Claudio as their Coach for the first time. The team had early struggles as Andrew had a season ending injury even before the season started (good to see he recovered later and came to support the team at some games).

The struggles with injuries continued with James Burt missing several games due to a broken arm and we had players missing at many games due to overseas/ holiday trips and minor injuries. However no player missed a match due to infringements.

After a bit of a sluggish start, the team gelled together and had a very good run towards the finals, beating at least once every other team in the comp, including 2nd on the table Hurstville Minotaurs and a remarkable 3-0 win against, at that stage, unbeaten Sans Souci 1 team (that went on to become Premiers, losing only that game to our boys).

Looking back at this season, the team ended up coming 4th. The stats show that the boys won 7, drew 2 and lost 8 games, scoring 35 goals (2nd highest scoring team) and conceding 31 goals.

After my 1st year coaching this team, I believe that those boys that did put in the effort showed an improvement throughout this season, especially those that were able to attend the additional training sessions. For this I would like to thank John Martins for the time and effort he spent on many nights as well as to Dave Attard for his feedback, match day preparations, communication of training changes and canteen duties coordination. Many thanks go to Ana, for standing in for Dave when required.

This is one of the least seen tasks, but one that is essential for our team to be able to play every game. Well done!

My thanks go also to Irish for helping out with different drills and ongoing support for the Coaching staff and team.

Last but not least, I would like to recognise all the parents and extended families that supported the team by bringing the boys to training sessions (although sometimes a bit late), matches and supporting from the sideline.

Here are the boys that defended the Lugarno colours in the U16As at the 2015 season:

Daniel: He was our captain, good leader on and off the pitch. Always willing to train and leading every training session. On the pitch he played his best on the wings, never giving up and scoring some very impressive goals. His motivation lifted the team when things didn't go our way.

Sam: He was a tower of strength in midfield as well as when he dropped as a central defender to assist in that role. His marking of opposition players was top notch, although sometimes he let them get the best of himself, Sam has the skills and motivation to keep improving as a well rounded player.

Seb: What a classy player. This boy has been the heart of the team, with a never say die attitude, playing to a high quality level as a central defender, even when getting pushed and shoved by the opposition. Seb lifted the whole team with his skills and attitude. He can improve further by taking training more seriously.

Brayden: He was our superb number 1goalie. He had many top shelf quality saves that kept us in with a chance to get a result in nearly every game we played. Brayden showed a lot of dedication, even attending Club organised goalkeeping training sessions run by Irish. If he commits to a full time goalie position, he could go far.

Adeen: First season playing for the team. Started in midfield, then we found his strengths as striker, which was a position that he excelled. He created many scoring opportunities for the team, scoring some impressive goals himself. He was an asset for the team.

Jordan: He was a key midfielder, playing behind our striker, creating many scoring opportunities while scoring goals himself. His shots from outside the box allowed us to break some tight defences. If he controls his temper a bit more, his creativity and skills would improve even further.

James Burt: What a season: started playing as key defender until his arm injury prevented him from playing for several weeks, then came back stronger becoming a key team player. His ability and positive attitude were an example for the team and coach. If he continues developing, he will be a key player for many years.

Declan: He started the season as a lone striker scoring valuable and quality goals. Later in the season he played behind the striker and, with his scoring instincts, continued to score some key goals. His positive attitude carried through the team, allowing the boys to never give up.

Adam: was a late addition to the team, playing mainly as a winger. He had some very good games in which he has shown what he is capable of, even scoring his 1st goal for Lugarno. Some of his crosses created havoc for the other teams. I believe he can improve further by increasing his concentration during games.

Iavor: Had a very good season playing in the midfield but also helping as a defender. Iavor made use of his speed and skills to not only beat other players but having some very good shots on goal. Also trained hard. I believe that if he can take a bit of time before playing the ball, he will create more goal scoring chances.

Jayden: He has been a good defender, playing as right back and covering as centre back when required. He even played as a goalie when required. Had some great clearances from goal bound shots, but sometimes made rush decisions. His game may improve further by looking for all options when playing from the back.

Mateo: Has contributed to the team by playing in many positions: from defence to midfield and as winger, always with a good attitude. His skills have improved through this season. I believe he can improve further by looking for earlier options to play the ball.

James Kent: had a good season as a key player in our defence, mainly as left back. His contributions were key, especially saving a few balls off our goal line. He displayed a very good attitude at training and on the pitch. His game can improve further by aiming to assess all options when playing from the back.

Julian: He has been a player that fitted in several positions. His best contributions came playing in the wings where he showed good vision to put through balls as well as in defence where he played a key role. I believe that he can improve further by training and playing in different positions.

Fletcher: he has helped the team by playing in different positions. I believe he played his best games when playing up front, where he showed determination to keep chasing the ball, helping our strikers. While continuing training, he can further improve his skills.

U16 Girls A

Coach: Bill Krkovski

Manager: Rob Petancevski

The U16GA followed up last year's u14GA Minor Premiership and Premiership by going undefeated and winning the Minor Premiership and then becoming Premiers again – back to back!

To achieve this every week, Coach Bill set the girls challenges at training and/or during the game and it worked a charm, last year we had 8 goal scorers for a total of 41 goals for and 5 against, this year we had 11 out of 15 players score goals for a total of 64 goals and only 5 against, awesome effort and an improvement from 2014, with the following goal scorers:

Sophie Hilton	14	Gabrielle Potter	14
Chloe Petancevski	10	Staci Kotzaitis	7
Isabella Parisi	6	Krissa Dimitrakopoulos	2
Ruby O'Connor	2	Madeline Williams	2
Carla Mohamed	2	Ashley Krkovski	1
Lauren Radcliffe	1		

They started the season on fire with 7-1 and 8-0 wins, but competition soon got closer with most other teams stepping up their efforts against us, lead by Connells Point. They won the minor premiership by 17 points with 16 wins and only 1 draw. The girls then faced Connells Point in the Major Final – after a slow start, the girls turned it on with 3 goals in 10 minutes to seal their place in the grand final with 3 nil win.



The Grand Final, with the earliest start of the season at 8:30 am, the girls came to play but so did Connells. On this day, our team was led by our defensive unit, every Connells attacking raid met by a sterner and aggressive defence.

Our attack was creating chances but the ball just didn't want to go in. First half nil all. Start of the second half, Connells with what ended up being their only real chance in the game, was presented with a 2 on 1 with our keeper, and Ruby (more like the rock of Gibraltar) stopped them in their tracks. The second half was a replication of the first half - it ebbed and flowed back and forth with no team seizing the advantage. 0-0 at full time. Extra time, this was where all the hard work the girls and Bill put in during the year paid off - we kept them out until the end, the game ending in Nil all. The result was Lugarno 'winning' as we were first 1st on the ladder at the end of competition rounds. The game was hard fought - our girls overcame exhaustion, injuries and nerves but in the end it was their sheer determination to play for each other week after week that won them this title. We are so proud of them.

Ruby O'Connor: Goal Keeper and forward this year – 2 goals in one game and many more saved, but saved her best for the grand final. When the girls came out asleep in the second half, she was ready and saved the only chance Connells had on the day. Well played, never complains, just puts in each and every week. 15 clean sheets with 2 in the finals, not much more we can say about 2014 keeper of the year, just keeps getting better.

Loren Alcevski: Defender and this year midfielder, had a great year and really improved on last year's effort. Her clearances have really improved, this improvement probably not noticed by most, lead to defensive plays turning into attacking raids. Well done.

Ashley Krkovski: Central Defender, 1 goal, saved her best game of year for the grand final, her mission was to stop every attacking raid and she more than accomplished this each and every week. Joint player of the match in the grand final, with Annabel.

Lauren Radcliffe: Defender and now expert free kick taker, 1 goal. Lauren had a break out year in defence, combined really well with the midfield and, together with the rest of the defensive unit, really won the grand final for us. She also scored her first ever goal from a free kick from outside the 18 yard box, awesome theatre.

Maddy Williams: Defender – Bill trained all year to beat her in a sprint race, I think he finally got her in the end! She was awesome this year, scored 2 goals and combined well in defence but like Greg Inglis, you really don't know how fast she is, only seems to run as fast she needs to. Played the whole grand final with shin splints and held that defence together when it counted, awesome effort.

Gaby Lakos: Midfield this year Gaby was like a engine that just kept running, when the others tired Gaby didn't, she just kept going. Selfless and put in week after week, lead to her playing a fantastic grand final - she brought the energy and effort.

Gabrielle Koutsoukis: Midfield, had a wonderful season. Gaby calls herself Messi, her turns and passes are great to watch and lead to many goal assists this year.

Annabel Stojanovska: Midfield – what can I say, she plays with her heart on her sleeve, think of Rhonda Rousey, when she tackles a player you can hear it from the side line. Each and every week she comes ready play, together with Ashley, joint player of the match in the grand final.

Chloe Petancevski: Midfield and attacker. What a year – MVP for the team this year. 10 goals, many assists, but saved her best game for the qualifying final, unleashing 2 thunder bolt goals from well outside of the box and with that removed all hope the opposition had in the game. Together with Staci, terrorised with long range free kicks and in swinging corners that either went in or lead to goals for the team.

Staci Kotzaitis: Attacker and midfield 7 goals, the quiet achiever on the team. This young lady scored 5 goals in one game, her long range kicks, throw ins and runs lead to many goals for her and the team. After all these years of playing finally wins a grand final – Well done.

Gabby Potter: Midfield and attack. Missed about 6 weeks while on an overseas trip, but still managed to be equal top goal scorer with 14 goals. Her runs through the middle of the field terrorised the opposition and her speed was near impossible to catch, great effort.

Krissa Dimitrakopoulos: Midfield/Striker – scored 2 goal and really improved her all round effort, yes she can hit and play, but Krissa's movement of ball was awesome, in both attack and defence, keep up the great work.

Isabella Parisi: Midfield and striker – scored 6 goals, all quality. This girl can play, she has vision, smooth ball control and great passing and match awareness, all round player. Together with Carla, joined the team for the first time and both girls fitted like they had played with the rest of the girls for years.

Carle Mohamed: Midfield and defence – scored 2, goals and played some really tough football, brutal at times but did it with a smile on her face and found her place in the backs in the finals. Was awesome in both games and was another that had an excellent grand final.

Sophie Hilton: Last but not least, Captain, striker and joint top scorer with 14 goals – she has been our top goal scorer now for about 5 years straight. Played the final rounds and the finals on 1 leg. Lead the girls from start to finish a true captain, never stopped and was tireless and relentless in the forward line not just with her attacking but also her defensive efforts, great season.

As always thank you to the parents, the families and friends of all the girls for their support of the team, the coach and manager. The girls are a true reflection of their families (great people) and uphold the values of the club, they play hard but fair, they help each other and their fellow teams. They helped out the AA Womens teams numerous times, and many represented the club in the inaugural Richo Cup with half of them winning the Women's title in the tournament. A fantastic achievement going undefeated all season, an awesome effort. Last but never least to the coach Bill for another stellar coaching effort, he puts in so much effort and thought into how the girls should play, we all say thank you.

Most of all we would like to thank the girls, they played another outstanding season, even better than last year. Hopefully we'll see you all again next season and we can go back to back to back.



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U16 Girls B

Coach: Tony Lynch

Manager: David Hanneybel

With the return of all the girls from last year and anticipating a long hard year of football, Super Coach Tony had the girls on the training paddock in early February. They responded with the same enthusiasm as last year, putting in the hard yards to get the fitness up to get the season off to a solid start.

The Season started well with 3 wins and 1 draw in the first four games. With four evenly matched teams in the competition, this year was going to be fiercely fought.



- 1) **LFC 7 – 1 Sans Souci** (April 2, Claudia 1, Daniella 3 Stef 1)
- 2) **LFC 4 – 1 Ramsgate** (Claudia 1, Daniella 1, Klaudia 1, Stef 1)
- 3) **LFC 2 – 2 Oatley RSL** (Klaudia 1, Stef 1)
- 4) **LFC 11 – 0 Hurstville Glory** (April 2, BJ 2, Claudia 1, Daniella 2, Stef 2, Tess 2)

Games 5-10 had 5 wins and 1 draw, with the girls really starting to put their game together with a well constructed passing game using the full width of the pitch to stretch the opposition defence. Our defence in this period was now really organised, lead by **Georgia** and **Josephine**, conceding just 2 goals, one being from spot penalty.

- 5) **LFC 8 – 0 Forest Rangers** (BJ 2, Claudia 2, Daniella 2, Stef 2)
- 6) **LFC 4 – 0 Connells Point** (April 1, BJ 1, Klaudia 1, Stef 1)
- 7) **LFC 2 – 2 Sans Souci** (Tess 1, Stef 1)
- 8) **LFC 4 – 0 Ramsgate** (BJ 1, Daniella 1, Eliza 1 ☺, Klaudia 1)
- 9) **LFC 1 – 0 Oatley RSL** (Josephine 1)
- 10) **LFC 3 – 0 Hurstville Glory** (April 1, BJ 1, Stef 1)

The final 5 games of the regular seasons had 5 wins. All the teams have lifted their game with the run to the semi final on. The girls remained undefeated making them Minor Premiers, a fabulous achievement in a hard fought competition.

- 11) **LFC 3 – 1 Forest Rangers** (April 1, Daniella1, Klaudia1)
- 12) **LFC 3 – 0 Connells Point** (Lea 1 ☺, Stef 2)
- 13) **LFC 2 – 1 Sans Souci** (Claudia 1, April 1)
- 14) **LFC 3 – 2 Ramsgate** (BJ 1, Daniella 2)
- 15) **LFC 2 – 0 Oatley RSL** (BJ 1, Daniella 1)

NSW State Cup

This year we entered the FFA NSW State Cup and finished with a creditable result of “round of 16” a great result the girls can be well proud of and contributed greatly to this overall result.

Major Semi Final

Major Semi final had the team up against 2nd placed and always improving Oatley RSL, with the winner earning a place in the grand final. The match started at a fast pace. In the first half **BJ scored** what turned out to be the winning goal with a well controlled first touch, trap and turn with a left foot finish. The second half was evenly contested with the defence lead by both Georgia and Josephine and a best on ground performance in goals by Klaudia, holding Oatley at bay.

Grand Final

Played on a Friday night at Scarborough Park in front of a crowd of over 200, with the majority being LFC fans, the team was up against Oatley RSL again after they won their way through to the Grand Final defeating Sans Souci in the Grand Final qualifier.

First half played out similarly to the previous outing against Oatley with the two best teams in the competition again playing a fast and expansive game. Our first, and as it turned out, winning goal came in the 20th minute following repeated attacking raids down both the left and right hand flanks with the cross coming in to **Stefanie** who put away a memorial grand final winning goal. Oatley came back hard in the tail end of the half with keeper and Team Captain **April** pulling off a spectacular left foot save that she had no right to get.



The half time talk from Super coach Tony was simple, just keep playing for each other as you have done all year and play to the final whistle. Oatley came back hard in the 2nd half knowing that only a win would do if they wished to take the trophy. Both team had scoring opportunities but LFC's defence held strong, Klaudia now in goals and showing no fear, putting her body on the line time and time again, a grand final winning performance. The referee blows the final whistle to bring to a close an unforgettable 2015 season and the celebrations were on.

Big thanks to the parents, grandparents and friends for their support (particularly in the Grand Final), and cheering on the girls each

and every week. Every girl had a fantastic year and by season's end had improved not only their skills but also just as importantly their confidence and teamwork. I'm confident with the experience gained this year and with Super coach Tony moulding the team, 2016 will be as memorial as 2015. It was a again a pleasure to manage such a great group of young ladies and I would encourage them all to stay together and continue to play with the same fun, enthusiasm and mateship.

St George Football Association Champions 16GB

15 Wins, 2 Draws, 0 Loss, 61 goals for 10 against

Abaigeal BROOKS
BJ JOULIANOU
Eliza TORRISI
Jessica HANNEYBEL
Lea BENJAMIN
Tess RUZ

April BEATTIE
Claudia ALDINI
Eva ROSARIO
Josephine STEVENS
Meg BIANCO

Bianca TORRISI
Daniella PAVLIC
Georgia BEADON
Klaudia MIHALJEVIC
Stefanie LYNCH

U17 B

Coach: Stephen Redmond

Manager: Diane Redmond

We started the season with 10 returning players from the U16, 1 returning after a year off, 1 returning player after a few years, 2 brand new players to the club and one player from the U16 team asked to come. This gave us 16 players and we surely needed them as through the season they had injuries (broken wrist in Trial game, injured hamstrings to a number of players, dislocated knee cap in game, studs to the forehead) as well as colds and glandular fever.

Stephen Redmond took on the coaching job through the week. He knocked the boys into shape after they realised in the Trial Games that 45mins was a long time to play this year and they didn't quite have the fitness they

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thought they had. I believe he really put them through their paces and with the help of Club Coach Paul "Irish" McIntyre the team started to meld together. With different combinations each game due to injury or sickness, the work put in at training meant that each member had a chance at different positions in the games testing their abilities. John Taylor took over the coaching duties at the games as Stephen was playing goalie for the AAE1 and couldn't attend part or all of the games.

Out of the 17 played games there was 15 wins, 1 draw (dislocate knee cap took time out of game), 2 byes and one loss to Forest Rangers by only 1 goal. 12 players scored goals throughout the season with James (22), Anthony (17), Dimi (13) and Billy (9) being top scorers. Loss to Forest Rangers (0-2) in the first semi hurt but Lachlan had to rest his hamstring if we were to make the final. The second semi against Oatley RSL1 showed the team's determination to make the semis on a hot day at Carss Bush Park (3-2).



Grand Final was at the Stadium at Illinden Sports Centre which made it all the more special. John and Irish gave the team talk, which for once had all the boys silent, then out to warm up. All 16 were there and ready to play against Forest Rangers. President's son against President's son set the scene and the excitement for the start of the game. From the kick off Lugarno team seemed to have that will and desire to win. They had more shots at goals,

made more breaks, won more possession and defended with dogged determination. As players came on and off the field, the standard of play was maintained as every single player had brought their A game on that day.



0-0 full time then 0-0 after extra time. Just couldn't get that ball to cross the line. Penalty shoot out!! **4-3 to Lugarno.** A worthy win for a team that just wanted the win more on the day. The better team won and the presentation was celebrated by the team, coaches, manager and all the very hoarse spectators (family and friends) who cheered and shouted for over 140min of play and penalty time. Sorry to the AAC1 who had to wait over 45mins to start their Grand Final after them.

Bragging rights to our President. Trevor (the trophy) has been close to his side ever since it was accepted by the team. Thanks to the following throughout the year: coaches, Angelo (Andoni's dad) for doing the sidelines most games, the parents, girlfriends, mates and other relatives who cheered the team on all year. I am proud to manage these boys for a number of years but I now have to look up to each and every one of them now.

Nathan Benjamin: After missing a lot of the past season, he was determined to play his part as one of the defenders by holding up or winning the ball off the opposition forwards. Once he got his fitness up, he surprised all by chasing down the opposition on breaks saving many a goal in the process.

Christian Bonnici: Unfortunately off for half of the season when he contracted glandular fever and had to work up fitness a second time. He worked well in the midfield combining with other players.

Blake Cato: He had a steady influence on the team with his almost layback way he would defend, fight for the ball or casually work his way up through players towards the goal. Many attempts at goal were saved but finally got that allusive well deserved goal. (1 goal)

Dimitri Delimanis: With his lightning speed, he often pounced on balls sent forward for shots at goals. This year his ability to win possession and pass the ball to the other forwards for goals had improved greatly. (13 goals, 1 penalty GF)

Matthew Elchaar: Returning after year off, saw a taller and more confident player who wasn't shy in fighting for the ball. He worked well in the midfield especially with the forwards James, Anthony, Dimi and Billy in providing them great ball deliveries for setting up their goals. Scored a beautiful goal from outside the goal area (1 goal, 1 penalty GF)

Kosta Gazilas: With Matthew E, Kosta is playing a year up but you wouldn't know that. He showed great maturity as our centre back, often having to take on Lachlan's role of managing the defensive team when Lachlan was injured. He also had the ability to glide through players for shots at goal. He really loved playing in the team and put in 100%. (2 goals, 1 penalty [taken twice])

Andoni Koukounaris: We had known him as an opposition player for Kogarah Waratahs and Connells Point but he happily slotted into the team as a defending midfielder. When given the chance, he showed that he did have the ability to perform up front. (1 goal)

Mathew Lakos: Mat had great fun when on the field and was always taking shots at goals - thankfully 2 went in. He was also the team's main goalie and was very important in tight games where his miraculous saves often were the difference between a win, draw or loss. Especially in the Grand Final where he made at least 3 important saves during the game and extra time. (2 goals and many great saves)

Ryan Lewis: After breaking his wrist in one of the Trial Games, he had a late start to the season but when he came on to the field it was as if he had been playing all year. His bursts up the right wing and well timed crosses in towards the goal mouth for the forwards saw many a goal scored off them. He was happy to take a goal when it went through the goalie's legs. (1 goal)

Billy Manousiadis: This year, Billy took on a different role. Instead of playing forward mostly, the skills he learnt with his extra training were put to good use. This meant that he was more useful as a left winger controlling the ball between the defenders and forwards. When given the opportunity, he puts some beautiful goals into the back of the goal. (9 goals)

Anthony Marneros: When he made it to the games on time (sorry), he combined well with Dimi, Billy and James upfront and had a good season with the goals and assisting many of the other goals throughout the season. (17 goals)

Luca Meogrossi-Sarno: Luca hadn't played for a long while and became a good winger on either the left or right when Billy or Ryan were off the field. The unfortunate dislocation of his kneecap midway during one game meant he had some time off but surprisingly was back quickly to make a contribution in the finals. (1 disallowed goal but maybe next year)

Jayden Prior: Jayden was our backup goalie and did well for the team. He was of most use as another one of the defensive team clearing the ball away on many occasions and working well with Lachlan, Kosta, Nathan and Andoni. Was unlucky not to have scored on a number of times.

James Redmond: James started playing as a defender and goalie and has been slowly working his way up the field each year. This year you couldn't stop him kicking a ball and in the games he just didn't want the opposition to have the ball. He worked well with the forwards and midfielders to be given the ball. Over 90% of his goals were taken from outside or on the goal box. This year he had 2.5 times more goals than in any other year. (23 goals, 1 penalty GF)

Lachlan Straney: Otherwise known as the "General", as he directed the well drilled defensive players in the team. He was often running up to take headers from corners and back to defend time after time. Thankfully on 3 occasions he got the headers into the back of the net. Also appreciated were his long, long throw ins. (3 goals, headers)

Dion Taylor: One of the most tenacious players on the field who didn't like the ball getting past him and fought for control every time. The team were always happiest when he was on the field as it

allowed them to relax knowing that he would do his job. His 3 goals were well deserved after the numerous shots he made (3 goals)

AA(Women) B

Coach: Ivan Jersek

Manager: Sue Dick

Achievements:

- Minor Premiers 2015
- Grand Final Runners Up
- Lost only 2 games in normal season

This was a team that had the character and the determination to win the competition. As all football players and fans know, football can be a cruel game, as it was for the girls in the Grand Final. Imagine that the ball just will not go into the opposition net. We hit the woodwork four times and the opposition goalkeeper had her best game. They took their opportunities and scored. Congratulations to ASOW.



Pos	***** AAW / B *****	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	p_adj.	PTS
1	Lugarno	14	10	2	2	58	24	34	0	32
2	ASOW	14	9	2	3	37	24	13	6	29
3	Bexley North	14	7	5	2	36	16	20	0	26
4	Kogarah Waratah (2)	14	6	2	5	21	24	-3	0	20
5	Kogarah Waratah (1)	14	4	2	8	31	34	-3	0	14
6	Peakhurst United	14	4	2	8	19	31	-12	0	14
7	Connells Point	14	2	3	9	15	53	-38	0	9
8	Penshurst West	14	2	2	10	8	32	-24	0	8



This was a new team with new players. Joining the team were **Rebecca Radcliffe, Nicola Jersek, Calli Tspidis, Nikolina Srejc, Mikaeli Kinmond, Kate Williamson and Caitlin Dulgaro**. The players from last year, **Annika Debono, Lauren Cassar, Jessica Dick, Karlie Jersek, Jasmine Schillert, Sarah Watt and Renee Stanley** were the catalyst for the team. The training sessions were well attended resulting in a strong team spirit that gave us the minor premiership and the opportunity to play in the grand final. Well done girls.

The team was strong across the park, the forwards, midfielders and fullbacks scoring goals. The team played an attacking brand of football. Our goal difference was

+34 goals with the next best with +20 goals. Our defence was solid and our goalkeepers inspirational. Everyone on the team did her required job on the park.

Top 3 goal scorers were:

1. Rebecca Radcliffe with 26 goals
2. Nicola Jersek with 16 goals
3. Lauren Cassar with 10 goals

Girls enjoy the break and we will see you all next year.

AA(Women) D

Coach: Michael Apokourastos

Manager: Sue Dick

As it rolls around to this time of the year again when I was asked to do a write up on our team and our season, I sat and thought about one word that could encapsulate the AAWD squad for the 2015 season. It was almost impossible, with such a vibrant, composed and genuine bunch of young women, but if I really had to choose a word it would have to be, 'courageous'.

We began our season this year off the back of a wonderfully successful 2014 which saw the girls fall in the final, being knocked out of ladder position. From the get go we decided we would not be resting on our laurels, and as such decided to go one better than 2014, making a Grand Final berth a must! It was never going to be easy, but the girls took it well and truly in their stride to be the best they could possibly be, but also to see the team climb the highest we possibly could. We welcomed a few new faces into our inner sanctum this season whose maturity and outlook on things had a positive effect on our girls and allowed them to see beyond any losses – to get back up and get going! Our girls played hard and played fair on their way to claiming their maiden Minor Premiership together battling a talented All Saints Oatley West on three separate occasions (1 win, 1 draw & 1 loss) including this year's Grand Final in which we were ultimately defeated 3-1 with a late penalty killing the match.



Probably my most memorable moment from a coaching perspective was our first match with ASOW, played at Oatley Park, where our girls felt down and out and disappointed with their efforts after coming into the half time break down 2-0. However after some stirring and motivational words from many of the girls we took to the field with a renewed sense of purpose and at the end of the 90 minutes found themselves resounding victors, winning a brilliant contest 3-2. This game showed what we were all about in Lugarno and provided the

platform for the girls to push harder week in, week out en route to the Minor Premiership.

All our girls played with passion and filled an important role in our squad, from our captain **Georgina Dick**, providing the on field voice but also the centre of our defense to **Olivia Florence** (our team's engine) whose tireless efforts not only devastated and distracted oppositions but also inspired our

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team to push on even when they felt they couldn't. Special mentions also to **Mia Kinmond, Rakia el-Debel, Selena Green** and **Kristen Apokourastos** who brought their A-game to every match regardless of weather or opponent. A massive well done and thanks to our whole squad for allowing me the privilege of being your coach!

Finally, I must also thank Sue and for managing our season again with such finesse but also LFC's coaching director 'Irish' whose help and support throughout the year has allowed me to grow as a coach and I think our team owe him a huge thanks! Finally, I'd like to thank the parents, whose continuous support of the girls all season is much appreciated and they made us all proud. ☺

Premier Women League

Coach: Mick Barber

Manager: Peter Dalby

The girls welcomed several new players to the team this year, which provided cautious optimism for a successful season. Unfortunately, largely due to a bad run with long term injuries, we always seemed to be struggling for numbers on game day. Many thanks to the AAWB and AAWD players who assisted whenever the scheduling of their own games allowed. Let's look forward to better luck in 2016.

I would like to acknowledge the exceptional record of our coach Mick Barber, who has decided to stand down. After playing and coaching in the Sutherland Shire for many years, Mick came to Lugarno when his stepdaughter Amy joined the club, in the late 1990's. Then, in 2002 he began his long involvement with womens football, guiding the club's inaugural junior girls team (U14's playing eight a side on a midi field). Mick's love of the game and his commitment to his players has seen him coach ever since. In fact, for several seasons he coached two girls teams and during this period also coached a junior boys team for a couple of years so they wouldn't be left without a mentor.

After several minor premierships and numerous semi final appearances, Mick took the AAWC's to grand final victory in 2007 and, in his finest achievement at Lugarno, coached the AAWA (now known as Premier Womens League) to success in the 2013 grand final.

On behalf of your current and former players and their parents, thank you Mick for your outstanding contribution to the Lugarno Football Club.

Peter Dalby - Manager

AA G(1)

Coach: Rohan Williams

Manager: Mark Williams

After a pre-season recruitment drive, the AAG(1) team started the year with a squad of 21 players and, after a bit of trading and bartering, settled into the season with a dedicated core team. We had 10 wins and 7 losses, finishing fourth on the ladder, then winning our preliminary final and getting knocked out in the next round after drawing with the eventual winners of the comp. Not a bad effort!

It was nice to be associated with a great bunch of guys who all got on well and enjoyed each other's company. The team had a very positive attitude to the way they played and when supporting from the sidelines. We had no trouble getting numbers for field set up and canteen and put in a good social performance at the Trivia night. We had a small but dedicated bunch of supporters, which was rare in our all age comp.

We scored some great goals, let in some easy ones and generally had a good time on the field. Thanks to all who helped organise, ref, be ground officials and generally kept the team running smoothly. I look forward to seeing everyone next year again!

AA G(2)

Coach: Peter Georgellis

Manager: Sam Kartambis

After showing signs of good form towards the end of last year's F-grade comp, the boys were keen to prove a point after being relegated to G-grade. With two new additions in our squad, Sam aka 'Captain by one vote' and Frank aka 'no need to turn up to penalty training', we were confident we could give this comp a real shake. With the usual pre-season drama in full swing - including the ghost signing of an unknown superstar; and minor squabbles of player positions - we were set to play ball. It soon became apparent in training though, that there was a disconnect between our perceived capability and actual ability!

After a scrappy Rnd1 win, confidence was up and it seemed only natural to celebrate with a shopping spree to buy new boots... the brighter the better! The new boots failed to fire from the spot in Rnd 2 - as did the complex substitution matrix that was introduced by our self-appointed manager. It resulted in half our team standing around lost and bemused on the sidelines like a bunch of Hurstville Council Workers! It was time to get back to basics.

From that point on, we began to fire on all cylinders and strung a few wins together. We were challenged at times (respect to Lugarno G1s who always gave us a challenge) but we maintained our consistency throughout the season to finish top of the table with only one loss.

We progressed through to the Grand Final after surviving an extra time semi against Penshurst West. It was only fitting that we met them again in the decider. This time though, luck wasn't on our side. In a case of 'what could have been', we fell at the final hurdle in heartbreaking fashion in extra time. The "DIIIIING" of the spot kick hitting the crossbar deep into extra time still rings in our ears to this day. It wasn't our day and wasn't meant to be... but it will be a game we will recall for years to come.

Our season may have ended on a sour note, but it was an enjoyable year with great achievements: the minor premiership, GF runners-up medal, every squad member scoring, a great defensive record and of course, many laughs and great memories.

2015 AAG2 awards:

Best and Fairest (and Richest) Award: Andrew... for his performance on and off the field

Unsung Hero Award: Pete G...for being the glue that held this team together

Mark Geyer Award: Pete B

Danny Weidler Award: Vlado...for best match report of the year, Rnd13

Highlight of the Season (for the right reasons) Award: Big Frank's hat-trick in Rnd6

Highlight of the Season (for the wrong reasons) Award: Jihad...aka "Not my face", "Missile", "WD", "Goal Stealer", "Usual Positions"

Save of the Season Award: Bernie...for stopping a cracking strike during the tense Semi Final

Achievement Award: Yare... for scoring his long awaited first goal and completing his house

Best Keeper Award: Foti... with armour that would shame any of King Arthur's Knights

Complete Me Award: Nesh... for scoring his first goal of the year during the final regular season game

Fastest Award: Sam... for the speed at which he can run when it comes time to taking a penalty

Best Manager and Fire Starter Award: Eddy... enough said

Best Dance Moves and Animal Noises: Walkabout Tim

Multi-talented Award: Little Frank... for texting the ladies while refereeing a game

'Could of...Should of' Award: Jeremy... for being the best penalty taker, but never got a chance

Best Boots Award: Zok

Many thanks to the Lugarno FC Committee, association and the many other volunteers and helpers. A special thanks to Hagop for his support all year... especially during our finals campaign.

Bring on 2016!

O35 C

Coach & Manager: Tony Thompson

2015: a new year. A year filled with promise!

With the O35s on the fringe of exceeding their salary cap, preseason trade saw some dear friends with back ended contracts move into O45s. We also lost Goran to pursue his golfing dream.

In came new recruits, Jimmy, Scotty and Keith, to breathe some youthful energy into the midfield, along with a couple of South American marquee signings in James and Ricky. Also adding some starch to the defence came Mendo.

Along with a returning core group of players, on paper this presented a formidable team worthy of premiership glory. (If only premierships were won on paper!!!)

The season started in its usual hot'n'cold fashion with mixed results. There was a calling for some inspiration and they came in the words of the great Rocky Balboa. Something along the lines of life not being all about sunshine and rainbows. This, along with some encouraging words from our motivational speaker, Andrew, led to a winning streak that saw us march up the ladder to second spot. Goals were shared across the group with some notable strikes being Ricky's 30 yard volley and Nick's match winner at the death in the local derby.

The major semi final saw us narrowly defeated by Arncliffe, who were the eventual winners of the comp.

This loss had a lasting impact as we saved our worst game for last and we were bundled out of the comp in the following final. (Score and match report withheld).

At the end of the day for a team that treated training as a means to a social end, we had a lot of laughs, enjoyed each other's company, and put in a couple of good performances.

Special thanks to Nick and Thommo for managing the team, and to Morlo for keeping our fluids up. Also thanks to Marty for the ice and to Dave and Dom for unleashing the sausage.

See you all again next year boys...

Premier League

Coach: Ian Faulkner

Manager: Dana Faulkner

The 2015 season was an important year for Lugarno FC in Premier League. After finishing 8th in 1st Grade and 10th in Reserve Grade in 2014, our primary goal was to be more competitive in both grades in 2015. Specifically, the aim was to improve our position in 1st Grade and continue to rebuild for the future in Reserve Grade. The good news is that both of these goals were achieved. 1st Grade improved to equal 5th position and while Reserve Grade again came in at the foot of the competition table, this was a much more competitive Reserve Grade team in 2015.

Player numbers have been an issue in Premier League over recent years and with 12 players from 2014 not playing in 2015 (for a whole host of reasons), we again looked into our junior ranks to fill the void. In all, of the 10 new players to Premier League this year, 8 were aged 19 years or younger. While this is a very positive sign for the future, playing Premier League at such a young age can be quite daunting. It is a credit to these players that while they did find things quite tough (particularly early in the season), they continued to back up week after week and by season's end they had all proven themselves as worthy PL players. The experience gained in of 2015 can only be of great benefit for the years ahead.

Premier League 1st Grade – 5th

While we welcomed back Jarrod from injury, the 1st Grade team was largely unchanged from 2014. Having battled hard to avoid relegation in 2014, there were more than a few punters prepared to write off Lugarno's chances in 2015. However, it was evident from quite early in the year that the team was confident it could be competitive, as long as we could avoid too many injuries. The

important thing was to get off to a good start to the year, something we have failed to do in recent years.

Getting off to a good start to the season was the aim, but I don't think anyone really expected us to start with 3 wins from our first 4 games, including a 3-2 victory over title favourites, Connells Point at the "graveyard", Poulton Park. Unfortunately, a run of injuries, double-up games due to wet weather and players being away, slowed our momentum and we only managed 1 draw in the next 5 games. However, with the exception of a Sunday double-up game against Arncliffe Aurora where we were comprehensively beaten 4-0, all other games were close affairs and with a little more luck we could have picked up points from these games. At the end of the 1st competition round, we were on 10 points and a fair way off the top 4 and not far enough away from the bottom of the table.

The 2nd round started poorly, being hammered 6-1 by Sans Souci, but from then on the team showed great steel to win 3 and draw 2 of our last 8 games. And I can think of at least 2 games (a loss to Kogarah & draw against Oatley RSL), where we really deserved to win. In the end, we finished the season in a very creditable equal 5th position, 6 points away the top 4, but with as many teams below us as above.

I can only be full of praise for the way the team played all year. While the nucleus of the team stayed fairly intact for most of the year, a number of the younger guys were called up to help out at various stages during the season. These guys were warmly welcomed into the 1st Grade team and many showed themselves to be permanent 1st Grade players of the future.

Premier League Reserves – 10th

Again in 2015, we saw an influx of new, mainly young players into Reserve Grade. As mentioned above, the step up to Premier League is a big one for most young players and it takes time to adjust to the more physical aspect of the game. While we struggled for results, particularly early in the season, the effort was always there and we were far more competitive than in 2014. In many games we were right in the contest for the first hour or so before falling away in the latter stages of games.

The good news is that the effort put in all year was rewarded in the latter part of the season and we ended the year with 10 competition points from 2 wins and 4 draws. Most pleasing was the last 3 games, which saw the team end the year with a Win, Win & Draw. As important as the wins and draws was the fact that there were 7 other games during the year where the Reserves were defeated by only 1 or 2 goals. Statistically, we averaged 1 goal for and 2.6 goals against each game, which highlights that we were very competitive, despite the competition table showing that we were not too successful.

As important as playing in their own grade, the role of Reserve Grade is to also provide ongoing support to 1st Grade. This means not only helping out when the inevitable injuries/ suspensions/ absences strike, but also turning up each week to ensure that 1st Grade players are not required to double-up too frequently. In this regard, the Reserve Grade team really came to the fore and it is pleasing to report that nearly every Reserve Grade player participated in at least one 1st Grade game during the season.

As I have said on many occasions, Lugarno has a very proud history in Premier League. We are among a very small number of Clubs who have participated in every Premier League season since the competition began in 1987. However, maintaining our Premier League status is not a given and every year the 1st Grade competition is closely fought and even good teams have been relegated in recent years. As a Club, we are very fortunate to have a core group of players who played during the "golden PL years" from 2007-2011, but remain active members of the current PL squad. These players are helping to rebuild the PL squad both via their efforts on the field and by providing support to the younger players coming through the ranks. Unfortunately, many of these senior players now live outside the Lugarno area and with family/work commitments, it is not easy for them to train as much as they would like to. This is something we need to accept as a part of modern day life and support these guys as they continue to support us.

As I mentioned at the end of last season, we are in a re-building phase and it is important that all associated with the Club show patience and fully support the PL squad. As a Coach, I could not

have asked any more from our players this year and I am confident that the current squad will have many more wins in 2016 (but again, don't expect it to be easy!!).

Given that my "HIGHLIGHTS & LOWLIGHTS" section was so well received last year, I thought I had to include it again. Here are my highlights of season 2015:

HIGHLIGHTS

- The conduct of all players during the season. We did not have a player sent off in either grade all season which is something we should all be very proud of. We also received the lowest number of Yellow Cards of any Premier League squad. Given that we do lack depth in the squad, maintaining our discipline was again a key factor in the success we had.
- Beating Connells Point 3-2 at Poulton Park in 1st Grade in our 4th game of the year. Even our most senior players could not recall the last time we came away from Poulton Park with any points, let alone 3 points for a win!
- A 6-3 victory over Arncliffe Aurora in Round 16, coming from 3-1 down after 25 minutes. In a magic 10 minute period in the 2nd half, we went from 3-2 down to 6-3 up. And it could have been a few more!!
- Jarrod's 4 goals in the above game!!
- Reserve Grade recording consecutive wins late in the season against Carlton and Scots, when both of those teams were in semi-final contention.
- The tremendous team spirit and effort displayed by all players throughout the year.

LOWLIGHTS

- 1st Grade losing 1-0 to Kogarah in Round 13 after playing the best football I can recall from a Lugarno Premier League team. We outplayed them totally in the first half and should have gone to the break at least 2/3 goals up. But the football gods were against us that day as the crossbar (twice), goalpost and a missed penalty prevented what should have been a great win.
- An amazing Refereeing decision to disallow a goal for "offside" which cost Reserve Grade a result against Oatley RSL in Round 15.
- On the same day, 1st Grade conceding a last minute, highly controversial goal, against Oatley RSL which turned what would have been a great win into a 2-2 draw. That goal effectively ended our semi-final chances.
- Only recording a single draw from the 7 games (4 in 1st Grade and 3 in Reserve Grade) that were played as Sunday catch-up games. The depth in all PL squads is really tested on these double-up weekends and we simply didn't have enough hands on deck on the Sundays to get the job done.

Finally, congratulations to the award winners from Premier League. To **Jarrod Radcliffe** on being the Premier League Player of the Year, this is a great reward for all the effort you put in this year after missing virtually all of last season with injury. Congratulations also to the two Coach & Manager Award winners, **Tim Faulkner & Tim Roff**, who both played extremely well all year as well as providing great support and encouragement to our younger players.

Cheers

Ian Faulkner

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1964	Bill McAfee	1994	Colin Straney	2014	Daniel McLoughlin
	Harry Brown		Marilyn Marsh		Thomas Roth
	Cyril Heness		Kerrie Benjamin		Danielle Roth
1968	Les Richardson	1995	Stephen Potter	2015	Marge Henness
1972	Ray Jones		Peter Marsh		
1973	George Taff	1996	Steve Bowles		
1974	Ken Straney	1997	Sam McCartney		
1976	Tom Watson		Wayne Bracken		
	Syd Patterson		Sandra McCartney		
1977	Andrew Watson	1999	Roger Harradence		
1978	John Fennell	2000	Rodney Thorpe		
	Len Blaydon	2001	Daryl Kerry		
1981	Keith Bowles	2002	Phil Stell		
1986	Graham Hodgson	2003	Glen Dufty		
	John Clarke	2004	Tom McLoughlin		
	Warren Del-Grande		Saskia Nardo		
1988	Ron Benjamin		Frank Nardo		
1989	Steve Greening	2005	Rocky Robinson		
	Alan Watson		Brian Ralston		
1990	Paul Watson	2006	Phil Wilkie		
	Michael Rose		Michael Burt		
1991	Phillip Taff	2008	Stephen D'Alessandro		
	Darryl Gadd	2010	Paul Burt		
	Doreen Potter	2011	Rhys Horn		
1992	Ken Derrett	2012	Tracey Moreland		
1993	Dean Ross		Mark Booth		
	Gregory Harris		Peter Dalby		
	Geoffrey Thom		Ian Faulkner		
	Warren Straney	2013	Marcus Rayner		