



HAMPTON ROVERS FOOTBALL CLUB

2019 INTERIM REPORTS

Please note: The following reports are interim only, including financial figures which are pre-audited, provided to members ahead of the AGM as per the club's constitution. Final reports will be available in the 2019 Hampton Rovers Annual Report - available on the club website (www.hamptonrovers.com.au) following the AGM and limited hard copies available to members in attendance at the AGM on Monday November 25, 2019.



Senior Presidents Report

What a year 2019 turned out to be!

We celebrated our 90th anniversary with a sold-out event at the Brighton Town Hall with special guests Ross Smith, Angus Brayshaw & Andrew Brayshaw.

After promotion to Premier C, our senior side maintained its place for 2020 and the reserves were semi finalists.

The under 19s were simply magnificent in the Grand Final against Glen Eira/McKinnon and thoroughly deserved the Division 2 premiership.

Our Senior Women's team had a brilliant season and just fell short in the Grand Final, well done ladies.

The thirds finished middle of the road and provided great back-up for the reserves when we had so many players unavailable.

I have so many people to thank and to do so individually is not possible.

So a huge thank you to the following: committee, coaches, players, trainers, canteen & bar staff, team managers, time keepers, goal umpires, boundary umpires and any volunteers who assisted us in so many ways.

Lachlan Robertson is stepping down after three years as treasurer, as well as Anton Duddy as reserves coach and also Paul Curry as our Women's coach - thank you all for your commitment to the club.

Buxton Real Estate Sandringham once again were our major sponsors and have been magnificent contributors to our club over a long period of time, THANK YOU.

To all sponsors and club members, we are very appreciative of your support and sincerely hope we can have you on board in 2020.

Thank you to the Roverians - your support is crucial and is much appreciated.

Gary Nash



Junior Presidents Report

This report is different to my last couple as its also my last one as the Hampton Rovers Junior President. Whilst I am a little sad about not being part of such an amazing bunch on dedicate volunteers, I'm also incredibly proud of all we have achieved in 5 years. 2019 was our best yet with over 600 kids for the first time ever and in our 40th year as a Junior element of our beloved Club.

When looking back at 2019 is start with reflecting on the pathway we created 5 years ago for kids to easily transition from Auskick, to Juniors, and then to Seniors sharing the same Inclusive Club, Club Culture and Club Values. Our very strong alignment to Auskick continued to strengthen exiting the 2018 season for Auskick with nearly 2 whole teams registered for season 2019 again. We involved our Auskick group throughout the year again in 2019 and the pathway from Auskick to Seniors has never been stronger. Increased numbers of girls at Auskick again in 2019 is also a foundation for our massive increase in girls at Hampton Rovers.

First Year Green and Gold - Under 8's – Once again we fielded more than one team in 2019 and welcomed many new kids to our youngest age group. Having so many kids join the green and gold is a very proud achievement for our committee as it really does show promising signs for the future of the club and signals further expansion.

Castlefield in full flight. We had the absolute pleasure of a full year on our beloved Castlefield this year. Well albeit apart from a couple of really muddy weeks. What a difference the new facilities have made to our club. As a training and playing location (especially for our younger ages) it's one of the best in the league. We will continue to work closely with the council to improve our facilities with Boss James next on the list for the club to focus on with the council.

Girls Footy - One of my favourite subjects in recent years. With the help of the first lady Emma Nicholl, Girls Footy expanded again in 2019 with more teams than ever before. For the first time in the club's history we had over 100 registered girls play both in dedicated girls teams but also as part of our mixed junior teams. Our alliance with East Sandy continued to ensure we could get as many kids playing footy as possible.

Fun and Flags - There were plenty of smiles in 2019 and lots of signing our Club song. From our youngest kids to our oldest season 2019 was a great success on and off the field. We started with another massive launch event, celebrated all things Rovers in the middle of the year, and celebrated some silverware and lightning cup wins at the end of the season. Our boys and girls has an amazing home and away season with plenty of #passion #teamwork #fun #respect. On the silverware front we managed to get an U11 D3 and U14 D5 premiership. Special mention to our Rovers girls in the U16 D1 East Sandy premiership too.

90/40 Celebration – 2019 marked the 40th year of the Juniors and the 90th as a club. From past players to current it was a great celebration all things Rovers and raised valuable funds for the club to continue its great path. The highlight for me on the night was the banter between two of the Brayshaw boys who had both rush from playing each other on the MCG to speak for us on stage. Reliving their junior days at Rovers the boys still have Green and Gold memories in their top football experiences. It reminds me how important team sport is in the development of these young humans.

To the **coaches, assistants, and team managers**; your roles and most importantly, responsibilities go beyond the weekend work. You all give up your time and get involved directly shaping the kids of the future for our boys and girls. You have helped create confidence in individuals, fostered friendships and created memories that will last a lifetime. I have watched many of you this year play amazing roles in our Rovers Village helping teach out kids our values through a game we all love. Thank you on behalf of the club, parents and the kids for your help in 2019. Please consider helping again in 2020.

Volunteers - I actually sat down this year and thought about it again a few times this year. On any given Sunday we need 280 volunteers in order for us to have teams simply start the game safely when we have 26 teams. From Coach to Water Carriers all are essential. If you volunteered for us I thank you on behalf of our kids. If you haven't, please can you help Rovers in 2020. Any little assistance helps the club. Having been a volunteer and part of the



committee for many years I can say with confidence the smiles and thanks will give you more in return than you ever imagined. Please let Rovers know if you can help in any form.

Sponsors - From our equipment, uniforms, awards and clubrooms - all have significant investment from our sponsors. The club doesn't run without your ongoing generosity. Thank you and I help us again in 2019. To our major sponsors again in Brighton Mazda, Buxton Sandringham, Bendigo Sandringham and Hotel Brighton - thanks for being the major sponsors of our club again. I also thank all of our very loyal sponsors of the club big and small.

Finally - **the committee**, I really do love you all and thank you for what you do for our club and more importantly our kids. Our Rovers Tribe is a much better place thanks to your tireless dedication and commitment to make our combined club better and better. I know how hard you work and share and also share in the amazing achievement you all feel knowing you have helped over 600 kids play the game they love in a happy and safe environment. For those going around again - that is awesome. For those finishing up - you will be sadly missed but thank you sooooo much for your contribution.

I'm looking forward my transition from President to Goal Umpiring Dad in 2020. I know we will be in excellent hands with ongoing committee. I love Rovers. Always will.

#GoRovers

Finally – live it and love it green and gold #Passion #Teamwork #Fun #Respect

Kind Regards
Jason Nicholl



Treasurers Report

It has been a privilege for me to work with so many people who volunteer and contribute to the Football club to ensure it's on field success. I would like to thank Kate Robb for all her help and contribution as Junior Treasurer and Board Member her advice and support throughout the year has been superb. The co-operation and unity with the Junior club operating together strengthens the club and overall makes it more successful.

In 2019 after expenses of \$290K the club has reported a profit of \$53K. This represents a profit of 18% on the turnover, after a couple of years of small losses it is good to be back in the black.

Summary of the financial results for the year.

- Junior and Senior memberships all exceeded 2018 results reflecting increased membership and collections by \$27,571.
- Revenue raised from Fundraising was stronger than in 2018 with a successful 90/40 anniversary.
- Major sponsors remained strong and in line with prior years however there was a drop off smaller sponsors this is an opportunity in 2020
- Merchandise was well managed and made a profit of \$15K.
- Catering and Bar income up on last year whilst overall costs were down providing a profit of \$34K.
- Administration and utility expenses—were all controlled and down on 2018.
- Overall playing expenses were down on last year, this was due to strong control of costs with \$8K being saved on playing equipment, whilst medical costs were managed, and a lower number of finals games were played by the seniors.

The club is in a very sound financial position and as a committee we will continue to be accountable by reducing unnecessary costs and generating revenue to meet the ongoing annual expenses. The cash position of club remains healthy thanks to the generous donation by Peter Streets estate back in 2015. The aim of the committee is to maintain Peter's donation and not use it for operating costs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our sponsors throughout the year, without them the football club cannot continue to be the success it is. The Roverians have been a constant support and contribute to the club's success. Alison Witherow has done an excellent job to ensure our accounts are up to date and accurate. The Board, Junior and Senior committees, and numerous volunteers have continued to work at ensuring that the financial position of the club remains strong for the future.

Lachlan Robertson
Board and Senior Treasurer