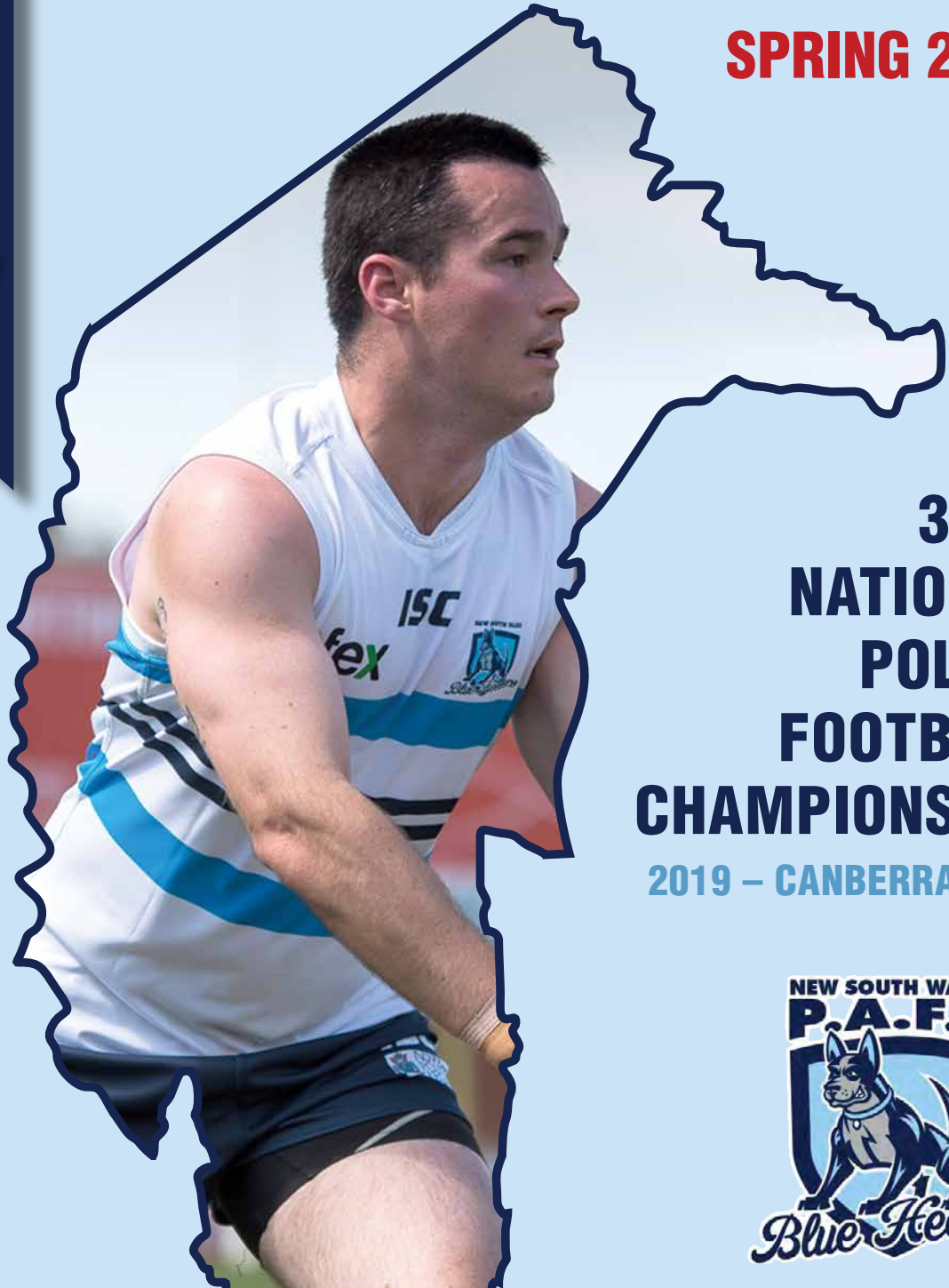


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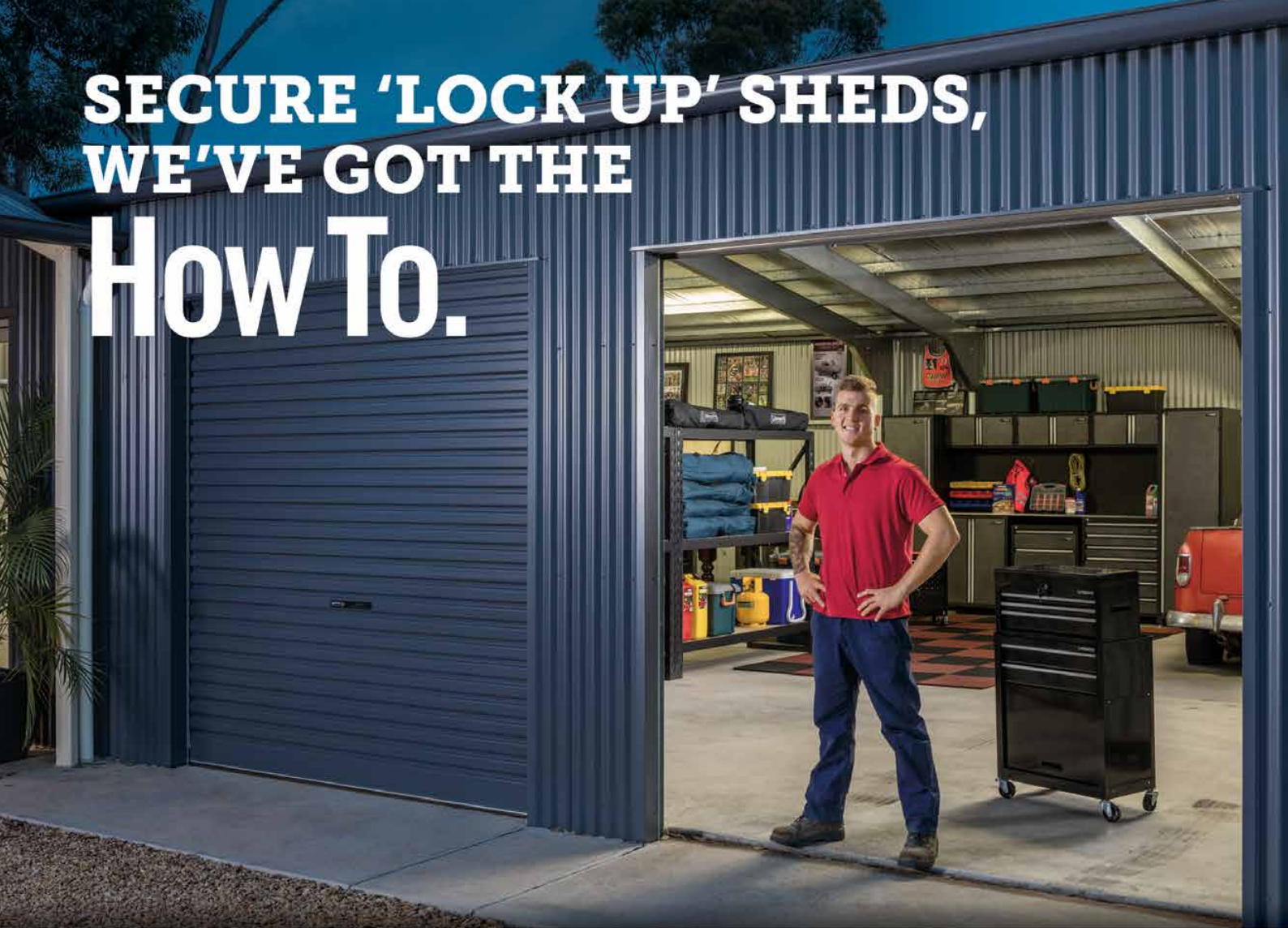
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Memorial Service: Sunday 13th October – National Wall of Remembrance – 3:00 p.m.

Opening Function: Sunday 13th October – Ainslie Football Club – from 6:00 p.m.

Closing Ceremony Function: Friday 18th October

Playing Venue: Ainslie Football Club	
Day One – Monday 14th October	
10:00 a.m.	Game 1
12:00 p.m.	Game 2
2:00 p.m.	Game 3
Day Two – Wednesday 16th October	
10:00 a.m.	Game 4
12:00 p.m.	Game 5
2:00 p.m.	Game 6
4:15 p.m.	Legends: NSW v ALL STARS
Day Three – Friday 18th October	
10:00 a.m.	0 wins v 0 wins
12:00 p.m.	1 win v 1 win
2:00 p.m.	Grand Final



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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Forging new ground

Welcome to another issue of the APFA Journal and another National Police Football Championship. This year, we enter our 32nd year of existence and host our 31st Championship. I applaud the NSW Heelers for their initiative to seek out a prime venue for their home championship and look forward to seeing Canberra on show. Many travelers this year may not have visited our nation's capital so I encourage you all to experience it for what it is and immerse yourself into the culture.

We would like to thank Mantra Hotels for hosting us in Canberra and also Ainslie Football Club for offering up Alan Ray Oval for the week of our games. Please patronize the Ainslie Football and Social Club as much as you can and make it a home away from home for the week.

This year the NSW Heelers have made an effort to introduce initiatives that are designed to enhance the National Police Football Championship experience. Firstly, the week will commence with a memorial service starting at 3:00 p.m. Sunday 13 October at the National Police Memorial (the Wall). A service (enclosed in this edition) commemorating the national police service personnel who have died in the line of duty should set the tone for the week.

Secondly, the Draw for the championship will be randomly selected at the Opening Ceremony creating a chance occasion

to determine the ultimate line up for the Friday games, those with 2 wins to their name by Wednesday afternoon will play off for the Cup on Friday afternoon in the grand final.

Thirdly, an inaugural Police Women's Football match between states will be played Sunday evening at Alan Ray Oval. Signified as the Lillian Armfield Cup, NSW will play against VIC with players from other states, in an all women exhibition match. This concept is due to the work of NSW President Brad Redfern and the NSW committee who have now collaborated with AFL Canberra and AFL Commissioner Major General Simone Wilkie to establish a women's program for police footy.

NSW police officer, Sandra Janjetovic, has also been enlisted as the first ever NSW women's Captain and Coach and has assisted in establishing this match (see her article enclosed). Not forgetting the work of VPFC to create a side and compete in this inaugural match as well.

The game will acknowledge Special Sergeant (ret.) Lillian Armfield (1884-1971), who was the first Australian female police officer and female detective (see article enclosed) and signify that women are still forging firsts in this day and age. I urge all participants' and spectators to rally around this new group and assist in creating an opportunity to expand this concept.

Another feature of this year's championship is the commissioning of Ngunnawal artist, Stan 'Budda' Connors to design the championship All Australian Guernsey using the colours of all participating States. As outlined in Brad Redfern's article, (enclosed) this unique opportunity took planning and collaboration which will also benefit the Gugan Gulwan Youth Centre, in Canberra. If you are lucky enough to receive one of these Guernseys, cherish it, as it will likely be worth more than just money.

The move to have the closing ceremony at the National War Memorial will no doubt be spectacular and stirring and something I'm sure will gratify all in attendance. It should be a fitting end to a Championship embedded in the Capitol Territory.

I congratulate you all on making it this far, as there is a lot of logistics behind getting all 200+ of us here, and thank those people and businesses that support the championship, especially our major sponsors and Emergency Media who publish our print and web media.

Good luck to all involved and never underestimate your sphere of influence both on and off the field.

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NPFC 2018 – RESULTS

DAY	TEAM	GOALS	BEH	SCORE
ONE	VIC	17	9	111
	QLD	5	6	36
	TAS	19	8	122
	NSW	1	3	9
	WA	8	9	57
	SA	8	11	59
TWO	QLD	17	12	114
	NSW	2	1	13
	TAS	3	4	22
	WA	11	11	77
	VIC	13	6	84
	SA	8	7	55
THREE	WA	20	6	126
	QLD	5	7	37
	TAS	1	2	8
	SA	12	16	88
	VIC	24	20	164
	NSW	0	1	1

Team	Won	Loss	For	Against	%	Pts
VIC	3	–	359	92	390.2	12
WA	2	1	260	118	220.3	8
SA	2	1	202	149	135.6	8
TAS	1	2	152	174	87.4	4
QLD	1	2	187	250	74.8	4
NSW	0	3	23	400	5.8	0



HONOUR ROLL – LIFE MEMBER

VICTORIA

2018 Lionel Allemand (Legend)
 2017 Bret Lavars, Francis Adams (Legend), Joy Gelly (Legend)
 2016 Aaron Henneman
 2015 Angus Sutherland, Matt Whitty, Nigel Bloomfield
 2014 Chris Power
 2013 Paul Gates, Jacob Bugeja, Andrew Button, Matthew Kershaw
 2011 Kemal Brkic, Ben Cornish, Mark Dacey
 2008 Peter Merrigan
 2007 Dave Young, Deb Doyle, Eddy Barake
 2006 Mark Morris, Kev Perry, Joy Gelly
 2005 Allec Caughey, Trish Rhodes
 2004 Warren Gilbert
 2003 Frank Adams
 2002 Ben Bradley, Tim Moreland
 1999 Lionel Allemand

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

2018 Brad 'Sheep' Fry
 2017 Blair Moulton, Paul McKenner, Billy Massoud, Marty 'Dog' Atkins (Legend)
 2016 Steve Richardson, Ossie O'Henry, Phil Owen, Luke McCulloch
 2015 Mick Burnby APM, David Johnson, Mick Bailey, Simon Bowen
 2014 Ben Croy, Paul O'Keeffe, Gavin Carter
 2013 Gerard Gibson
 2012 Brendon Shanahan, Stuart Lapsley, Mathew Muletta
 2011 Neil Vanderplank, Steve Dobson, Lindsay Pankhurst, Nathan Hansen
 2010 Ron Adams, Gary Armstrong, Shane Ball, Kerrie Graham
 2009 Manus Walsh, Graeme Johnston, Darrell Hagan
 2007 Jeff Beros, Brad Cooper, Denym Witherow
 2006 Bill Chidgzy, Dennis O'Rourke

2005 Adam Matson, Graeme Doran
 2004 Jason O'Keeffe, Gavin Miller
 2003 Craig Keals
 2000 Marty Atkins, John Deleo
 1997 Jim Allan

QUEENSLAND

2018 Kayne Nund
 2014 Brendon Carr, Brad Wilson, Daryl Stephenson
 2013 Stewart Manning, Darryn Parks, Chris Collins
 2009 Darren Goodall

NEW SOUTH WALES

2017 Ross Donaldson
 2016 Brad Redfern, Brad O-Grady
 2015 Trevor Hangan
 2014 Keith Claxton, Brian Hudson, Rudi Bylsma
 2013 Brad Freney
 2012 Michael Corboy
 2011 Stephen Hudson, Tim Young
 2010 Brenton Harrison
 2009 Daniel Coughlin

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

2018 Barry Lewis (Legend), Tristan Shaw, Zac Cook
 2017 John Dicker (Legend)
 2015 Jeff Riley
 2014 Brett Girardi
 2011 Sam Bailetti, Steven Pitt
 2010 Martin Short, Dean Handke
 2009 Rob Gregory
 2007 Darryl Crossman
 2006 Paul Schwartz, Matthew Kluzek

2005 Julian Snowden, Les Buckley
 2004 Colin Kirkwood
 1999 John Dicker, Barry Lewis

TASMANIA

2018 Mark Beech-Jonas (Legend), Ken O'Garey (Legend)
 2017 Paul Stanley, Steven 'Camel' Fry (Legend)
 2016 Rhian Appleton
 2015 Matt Zukauskas
 2014 Dan Walton
 2012 Peter Hudson
 2010 Doug Rossiter, Michael Hinchin
 2009 Pat Groves
 2008 Mark Beech-Jones
 2006 Stephen Hortle, Leigh Devine, Michael Glancy
 2005 Glenn Bowerman
 2004 Steven Fry
 2000 Michael Maher
 1999 Graeme Hickey
 1995 Ken O'Garey

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PAST CHAMPIONS

– OVERALL STATE CHAMPIONS

No.	YEAR	LOCATION	PARTICIPANTS							WINNER
30	2018	Hobart	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
29	2017	Adelaide	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		SA
28	2016	Cairns	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
27	2015	Perth	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		WA
26	2014	Melbourne	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
25	2013	Sydney	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		SA
24	2012	Hobart	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		SA
23	2011	Adelaide	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		SA
22	2010	Brisbane	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
21	2009	Perth	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
20	2008	Melbourne	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
19	2007	Launceston and Hobart	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
18	2006	Sydney	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		VIC
17	2005	Adelaide	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD	NSW		SA
16	2004	Brisbane	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	QLD			VIC
15	2003	Perth	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				VIC
14	2002	Melbourne	VIC	SA	TAS	WA	VIC (A)			VIC
	2001	<i>Carnival cancelled – Demise of ANSETT</i>								
13	2000	Launceston	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				VIC
12	1999	Adelaide	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				VIC
11	1998	Melbourne	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				VIC
10	1997	Perth	VIC	TAS	WA					WA
9	1996	Hobart	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				VIC
8	1995	Adelaide	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				SA
7	1994	Melbourne	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				VIC
6	1993	Perth	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				WA
5	1992	Launceston	VIC	SA	TAS	WA				SA
	1991	<i>No Carnival</i>								
4	1990	Adelaide	VIC	SA	TAS					SA
3	1989	Melbourne	VIC	SA	TAS	NSW				VIC
2	1988	Wollongong	VIC	SA	TAS	NSW				SA
1	1987	Hobart	VIC	SA	TAS	NSW				SA



BEST & FAIREST – LEWIS / ALLEMAND MEDAL



2018	Matt Wade	VIC		
2017	Shaun Harrison	VIC	Tom Carroll	SA
2016	Shaun Harrison	VIC		
2015	Tom Carroll	SA	Brad Fry	WA
2014	Shaun Harrison	VIC		
2013	Stephen Hudson	NSW	Matt Moody	WA
2012	Tom Carroll	SA		
2011	Tom Carroll	SA	Nathan Hansen	WA
2010	Ryan McGahey	SA		
2009	Travis Bull	VIC		
2008	Scott Howard	VIC		
2007	Marty Atkins	WA		
2006	Matt Kluzek	SA		
2005	Stephen Hudson	NSW		
2004	Daniel Sage	VIC		
2003	Marty Atkins	WA	Matt Kluzek	SA
2002	Adam Henry	VIC	Matt Kluzek	SA
2001	No Carnival			
2000	Leon Higgins	VIC		
1999	Marty Atkins	WA	Paul Hattenfels	VIC
1998	Danny Shaddock	VIC		
1997	Marty Atkins	WA		
1996	Marty Atkins	WA		
1995	Steven Pitt	SA		
1994	Doug Koop	VIC		
1993	Steve Richardson	WA		
1992	Marty Atkins	WA		
1991	No Carnival			
1990	Kym Richardson	SA		
1989	Grant Williams	VIC		
1988	Alex Lunn	SA	Paul Patterson	SA
1987	Allan Sutherland	VIC		



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NEW SOUTH WALES

And that's where the Championship was born

As you are reading this you have, hopefully, made your way to Canberra for the 2019 National Police Football Championships; hosted by the New South Wales Blue Heelers.

Welcome to the nation's capital.

The planning for this year's Championship started on the return flight from Cairns in 2016 when myself and Brad O'Grady spent the whole flight talking about how great that Championship was by taking it to a regional centre along with the ease of the Championship having the backing of AFL Queensland.

This is where the 2019 Championship was born. After the many lessons we learnt from when we last hosted in 2013, being in Sydney, and trying to get a ground close to the city, was a challenging task.

As time went on and discussions furthered, it was decided that, we would follow the lead of the Queensland Crocs and take the Championship out of the Sydney basin. A number of locations were looked at including Newcastle, Coffs Harbour and Wagga Wagga before settling on Canberra.

One of the reasons Canberra was selected was because of the National Police Memorial along with Australian Rules Football having a large profile within the region.

In March 2018, Adam Hunt and I, travelled to Canberra to meet with AFL NSW/ACT Regional Manager (ACT & Southern NSW), Steve Mahar, who was excited at the prospect and gave us the backing of AFL Canberra to facilitate bringing the Championship to Canberra. Steven provided us with several options around where the Championship could be played.

One such option was the Ainslie Football Club. On the back of that, another meeting took place a few weeks later with their General Manager (Football Operations) Simon Holt where we asked for their assistance in hosting the Championship.

Ainslie Football Club are one of the largest and most successful Australian Rules Football clubs in the Canberra Region and thankfully they agreed to come on board to assist us in hosting the Championship in 2019.

The 2019 National Police Football Championship will be played at Alan Ray Oval, one of the premier grounds in Canberra. Ainslie has a perfect set up with the Ainslie Football and Social Club just next door for teams to attend throughout the week; as well as it being just a short walk from the accommodation at Mantra Hotels.

After securing a ground and accommodation, our next focus was the rest of the week with our working theme of "iconic" in the hope that this year's Championship will be spoken about for years to come.

Our first task was the creation of a women's match involving New South Wales with the vision of bringing women's football into the Australian Police Football Association. We had been speaking about a New South Wales side for several years, and with the recent huge growth of women's football across the country the time was perfect for APFA to join the revolution.

After hanging up the boots, I haven't been directly involved in football, let alone women's football and knew that I had much to learn. This led to many hours sitting in front of the computer learning and researching women's football and I was stunned by the numbers.

Following another trip to Canberra for the GWS Giants Hearts Ladies Lunch I had a brief chance to speak directly with Major General Simone Wilkie, who, is not only an AFL Commissioner but Women's Patron of Australian Defence Force Aussie Rules; about our plans for women's football.

This then gave me the opportunity to speak with Lieutenant Colonel Dani Glatz and Detective Superintendent Rebecca Goddard, an AFLW Premiership Coach, regarding women's football.

The knowledge gathered was incredible and we are very thankful for allowing us to pick their brains.

During our recruitment drive for last year's Championship we also sought to recruit any women within the New South Wales Police Force, who were interested in joining the Blue Heelers. Within two weeks we had 26 women expressing an interest to wear the Blue Heelers guernsey.

Knowing the interest within the Victoria Police from women wanting to represent their police force in Australian Football we approached Victoria to be our opposition. These teams will play in the first ever match national level match between women's teams under the banner of the Australian Police Football Association. They will play for a trophy named in honour of the pioneer of policing for women in Australia, our first female police officer and first female detective, Special Sergeant (ret.) Lillian Armfield KPFSM.

It is something that we are very proud of and we hope that this match will pave the way for a women's national championship competition in the future.

The next part of our "iconic" theme was the All Australian guernsey. We engaged with the Nggunawal people and had the opportunity to meet with Aunty Ros, an Elder of the Nggunawal nation, who supported a local Nggunawal artist designing the 2019 All Australian guernsey.

A few months later we spoke before the United Nggunawal Elders Council in the depths of Parliament House where we received formal permission from the council to have a Nggunawal artist design the All Australian guernsey.

Nggunawal artist, Stan 'Budda' Connors was asked to design a guernsey using the colours of all participating States in the Championships and to make it unique to Canberra.

He has designed a fantastic guernsey which, in a modified format, will be available for purchase too with all profits going to the Gugan Gulwan Youth Centre to assist in their programs.

Amongst all of this we also wanted to have all the Blue Heelers, past and present, attend our first Old Boys Day in Canberra to learn more about the history of the New South Wales Australian Football Club. Club stalwart Brenton Harrison has undertaken a painstaking research project to capture and produce a book on our history.

Dennis Rider has also spent many hours contacting Blue Heelers from years gone by who are no longer in the New South Wales Police Force to let them know about this years Championship in the hope that they will attend the Old Boys Day.

There will be a large and vocal Blue Heelers contingent at the opening of the Championship to support both the women's and men's teams representing the Blue Heelers.

I would like to thank all our Blue Heelers attending this year's Championship and would like to formally welcome our women's side to the Blue Heelers family.

I am very much looking forward to seeing the women's side running out to represent the New South Wales Police Force. I extend a huge congratulations to Sandra Janjetovic for being the first ever Captain and Coach of the New South Wales Blue Heelers women's side.

I would also like to welcome Assistant Commissioner Gelina Talbot to the New South Wales Blue Heelers as our first Women's Patron.

I thank the Committee and Executive of the Blue Heelers for their hard work over the past year, and for some even longer, in particular Adam Hunt and Brad O'Grady. I've had countless hours on the telephone, in the car, and in Canberra with these two over the past two years while we planned this Championship.

We have asked a lot of our Committee members to help with this Championship and each time we have had someone put their hands up, keen to help organise this show for you.

I would also like to thank Steve Mahar of AFL NSW/ACT and Simon Holt of Ainslie Football Club for having both AFL Canberra and Ainslie Football Club assist us with hosting the Championships.

To our sponsors, again, thank you for being on board with the New South Wales Blue Heelers this year and thank you for your continual support.

We are really excited to be hosting this year's Championship and we hope that you have a great time in Canberra for not only the Championship but on what Canberra has to offer.

Up the Heelers,

Bradley Redfern
President, NSWPAFC



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NEW SOUTH WALES

Setting the Standard in Women's Police Footy

It's an honour to represent the Blue Heelers in the 2019 Inaugural Women's match at the National Police Football Championship. The championship largely focuses on remembering fallen police across the country, with the women's match being no exception.

We will take on our colleagues from Victoria and compete for the Lillian Armfield Cup. Lillian Armfield was a founding female police officer and ultimately in charge of all female police officers towards the end of her career. She was highly accomplished, becoming the first female Detective in the country, as well as, the first female to be awarded the King's Police and Fire Services Medal, the equivalent of the modern-day Australian Police Medal (APM).

The NSW Blue Heelers team consists of women from all rank structures and playing experiences within NSW, who will come together to play as one. I am so proud to be awarded the opportunity to Captain/Coach our team, as we battle it out against the Big V, in what I hope to be the start of a stand-alone Women's Competition in years to come. I look forward to seeing our team grow from strength to strength, in what will be an incredible display of teamwork and comradery as we set the bar in Women's Police Footy.

Sandra JANJETOVIC

Coach NSW Womens Blue Heelers

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LILLIAN ARMFIELD

Lillian May Armfield (1884-1971), policewoman, was born on 3 December 1884 at Mittagong, New South Wales, daughter of George Armfield, labourer, and his wife Elizabeth, née Wright.

Educated locally, she wrote a clear hand, could spell and cope with arithmetical problems. About 1907 she became a nurse at the Hospital for the Insane, Callan Park, Sydney, where she looked after female inmates. She left in 1915, favourably recommended by the medical superintendent for her competence and kindness to patients, to apply for a newly established post in the police force.

When recruited as probationary special constable on 1 July 1915, she was 5 ft 7¾ ins (172 cm) tall, weighed 12 st. 10 lbs. (81 kg), and had light brown eyes, brown hair and a fair complexion. She was described by her interviewing-officer as 'very intelligent, tactful, shrewd, capable... Character undoubtedly good and a very suitable candidate'. Lillian Armfield was paid 7s. 6d. a day, no uniforms were provided and no overtime or expenses were allowed.

After a year's probation she was enrolled as a special constable and was obliged to sign an agreement with James Mitchell, inspector-general of police, binding her to the same discipline as her male colleagues, but she was deprived of any right to compensation for injuries received in carrying out her duties and had to renounce all superannuation rights.

The experiment of Lillian Armfield's appointment was watched with interest overseas, for she was one of the first plain-clothes female detectives, exercising the same powers of arrest as male colleagues and working side by side with them.

Although her work primarily concerned women and girls; it often led her into cases involving murder, rape, theft, drug-running, the white slave traffic—indeed the whole catalogue of crime. Often it led her into danger as when she disguised herself to gain admittance to suspected houses and, having done so, remained inside to open the door to the raiding police.

Although brave she was also sensible and recognized that discretion could be the better part, as when she picked up her skirts and ran for her life from 'Botany Mary' (a cocaine-runner caught in the act), who came after her with a red hot flat-iron. Lillian Armfield was much concerned with the social aspects of her work. Much of it was preventative, such as tracing runaway girls and

inducing them to return to their homes before they came to serious harm, or warning young women of the dangers of a bullet-wound or razor-slash through associating with known criminals.

Although the value of her work was officially recognized, promotion was slow. By 1 November 1923 Lillian Armfield had become a special sergeant, 3rd class, and by 1 January 1943 had risen to 1st class.

In 1947 she was awarded the King's Police and Fire Service Medal for outstanding service and, after her retirement on 2 December 1949, aged 65, the Imperial Service Medal. She was presented with an illuminated address and £200 by the lord mayor of Sydney; the Police Department allowed her £455 6s. 5d. in lieu of extended

leave of absence, but she received no superannuation. In 1965 she was granted a special allowance of £3 10s. a week by the government of New South Wales, and relinquished her 10s. a week old-age pension.

During her latter years she lived at the Methodist Hostel, Leichhardt; she died on 26 August 1971 at Lewisham Hospital, and was cremated with Church of England rites.

The life of Lillian Armfield was the subject of a best seller titled, *Rugged Angel – The Amazing Career of Policewoman Lillian Armfield* written by Vince Kelly.

In 2001, Lillian Armfield was inducted onto the Victorian Honour Roll of Women.

In August 2011 *Underbelly: Razor* was broadcast on Australian television screens with Lucy Wigmore depicting Lillian Armfield.

On 27th March, 2018 *Lillian Armfield* written by Leigh Straw was published telling an engaging account of Australia's first female detective and the origins of Sydney's organised crime underbelly.

On 12th October, 2019 New South Wales Police Force and Victoria Police will contest the Lillian Armfield Cup named in honour of Lillian Armfield at the National Police Football Championships being held in Canberra, Australian Capital Territory.



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TASMANIA

New Look Coaching Panel

After hosting the 2018 championships in the friendly city of Hobart, the Tasmania Police Football Club (TPFC) is very much looking forward to getting away to Canberra this year for what is sure to be a well-organised, competitive and enjoyable carnival.

While we are generally stronger at home, Tasmania will have a good crew in Canberra, with a fresh coaching panel and a few new faces. We are very pleased to announce Trent Whitelaw as our new senior coach, who has taken over the reins from club stalwart and carnival icon Nick Grubb. After 6 years at the helm Grubby is unfortunately not able to attend this year, but we hope to see him back in the colours next year as he is a quality player and leader.

Trent brings a wealth of experience to the role, having coached and played at the highest

levels in Tasmania. Trent aims to implement a hard/competitive brand of football and will be ably supported by a very strong coaching group, including North Hobart legend Jason Elmer as his bench coach, former Port Adelaide rookie Glenn Dawson, and hard-running midfielder Jamie Harriss.

New faces this year include Dean 'Meerkat' Edwards, hailing from the WA Hogs but now a fully-fledged Devil; Josh Wells, a man mountain with the pearliest whites you'll ever see; Nick Burk, a hard-running midfielder from Lauderdale; and Luke Murfitt-Cowen, a strong-marking forward from Clarence/Hutchins.

The TPFC committee has been very active following the 2018 campaign, and the club is in excellent shape because of their efforts in securing sponsors and maintaining momentum going into 2019.

A very special mention to hard-working treasurer Jono Rogers and super-efficient secretary Mick Hinchin, who have both been instrumental in continuing to drive the club forward in a very positive way.

A big thanks to all our sponsors who have been simply fantastic: Strategic Financial, Police Bank, Talon Bodyworks, The Police Association and the Tasmania Police Sports Federation. Without your support it would be very difficult to maintain any impetus but your contribution is what keeps us thriving.

We all look forward to catching up with the other teams in Canberra, and wish the NSW boys all the best in hosting, See you soon.

Go Devils!

Doug Rossiter
President, TPFC





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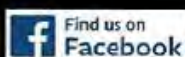


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Switch on, Stay safe

The Hounds would like to repeat our thanks to the Tasmanian Police Football Committee for the fantastic facilities and week in Tasmania last October. While our on-field success was not as we'd hoped, it did make for an exciting game once again against the classy Hogs line up. We have had quite a few close tussles down in Tasmania!

I again, want to highlight the camaraderie shown amongst peers, towards the Sage family and our Victorian brothers. It demonstrates that as an individual you may be having a rough trot at the moment, but please know you are loved and supported by the entire Police Football community. Regardless of the on-field exchanges that can be expected in competitive physical sport or any slight 'political' differences – NEVER EVER FORGET – it is us on that thin blue line, looking after each other, both physically and emotionally.

It is my hope we continue to get senior management support for this concept after it has, somewhat, waned over the years – it seems that we could blend 'safe spaces' with police co-ordinated sport, to provide support to each other. Therefore, the ongoing support and recognition of shields like Tynan-Eyre, Silk-Miller and the Bowen trophy (to name only a few) must give us pause to reflect where we are at, in the wider policing landscape. We should recognise that the community (whilst it doesn't always seem so with our standard clients) truly appreciate and admire what we do for a job. Never forget that, and never take it for granted and don't get too cocky or complacent with your safety. Your nearest and dearest depend on you being switched on.

I must say that I have been impressed with the enthusiasm the Blue Heelers have taken to the co-ordination of this year's carnival. Sunny Canberra will

provide many opportunities for them to grow their club, but also provide some great facilities. It gives the rest of the country a chance to have a bit of a look at the nation's capital – I have no doubt we have many aspiring politicians amongst us – All rise for the Mayor of Geelong, Matt Kershaw....?

This year, the Hounds have retained some of the old heads and once again we will be led by the evergreen Gareth Williams, supported by the great 'Golden Boy' – Tommy Carroll. It is great to see that we have managed to secure a great playing list with approximately 10 new Hounds all about to embark on their first championship and all about to be exposed to some seriously good footy.

We would like to thank long term partners Maxxia and Warradale Hotel for their ongoing support and introduce Smartbar as a major partner for the next few years (thanks Kev). Thanks also to all our supporters and minor partners.

I would also like to take time to thank my long-term boundary line (life?) partner – Martin Short – it's been a great journey mate. I MUST acknowledge the continual commitment and hard work of our President and good mate Zac Cook (we love you mate! Shorty mostly...xxx). The work of the committee including Flights guru SloMo Shaw is always appreciated – please buy them a drink boys. We've got it down pat now so let's just keep on keeping on.

Stay safe.

RG

SA Hounds Coach



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QUEENSLAND

Exciting times in Croc Land

On behalf of the Queensland Crocs I would like to thank Tasmania for putting on a fantastic carnival in Hobart last October. Hobart is fantastic little city that kept us busy the entire week. The ground, as always was in superb condition, and it was a great week watching some entertaining football and close games.

2018 WRAP UP

In terms of numbers, we were lucky enough to take away our strongest squad yet and it is good to start building depth as we needed it, with two of our guys going down on our Sunday training session. Although we faced a tough draw for the week, I felt we gave it all on the field and walked away with one win from three games.

Game 1 saw us up against the Big V, playing for the Peter Kidd Memorial Cup. It was very good to see the Vic's honour their half of the cup on behalf of current President Frankie Adams in recognition of his services to the NPFA and to Victoria Police Football club. Congrat's Frankie on behalf of all the Crocs, its well deserved. As for the game, it's always good playing the Vic's to test where we're at in terms of our improvement. I felt the team played solidly throughout the game and we walked away with our heads held high. For us, Victoria is the benchmark and where we aim to reach in the future.

Game 2 was our State of Origin against NSW, playing for the Brett Irwin / Bob Prenter Memorial Shield. As usual, as it is for the Heelers, this game is the highlight of our week and one we want to win each year. It was another hard-fought game played in great spirit, which they usually are, and resulted in the Crocs running out comfortable winners in the end.

Game 3 saw the Crocs coming up against the highly rated Hogs outfit. Although we were down a few players for the game, we were able to put in a solid 4 quarters and although coming out with a loss, we certainly left the field with an effort we could be proud of.

It was certainly a learning experience for a lot of our new guys and hopefully we will build on this and continue our growth from last year. It's always hard to explain to the new players just how difficult it is to play three games of quality football during the week combined with a fair bit of social interacting. It's a challenging dilemma each year and as a club we are hopefully building to a point where we can present a solid playing squad of 35 each year that can share the burden throughout the week and keep us strong across each game.

CHANGES

We have begun preparations for this year's championships in Canberra, ACT. The Heelers Committee has made some changes this year, so it is exciting to see how that transpires through the week. In particular the draw on the Sunday night will be a highlight no doubt.

Following on from the Heelers lead, the Crocs for the first time in their history have started exploring the possibility of establishing a women's team. It is early stages at present, but the response from our State-wide email was very positive and the likelihood of a 'Crocettes' team is very real. I know not everyone is keen to see this happen, but moving with the times, equity and diversity is real and sought after by all our Law Enforcement agencies. I think helping a women's championship get up and running shows we as a collective are at the forefront of future policing, regardless of what our individual thoughts maybe.

As a football club we will be striving to make the Queensland Crocs Women's team a reality in 2020. We have been talking to a number of sponsors who seem keen to assist, and thus far have had a number of the police women put their hands up to assist in establishing the team. Watch this space...

2019 CROCS

From a football standpoint the Crocs are looking good with another solid squad being put together. Time will tell if we manage to have the same numbers as 2018, but with most of last year's squad returning and a number of new faces entering the fold, it is exciting times up here in Croc Land. Since last report we have sadly lost a few of our playing stock. We have been lucky enough again this year to be allowed to travel on Sporting Leave for the days our games are played. It's good to know that our players are covered under work cover whilst playing. This has certainly enabled us to recruit a few extra players we ordinarily would not have.

The Crocs will be travelling to Canberra on the Saturday this year which will allow us to get some much-needed training under our belts. Not to mention some team bonding on the Saturday night.

This year we will see the return of our head coach Leo Lahey who was unable to attend Hobart last year. Together with 2018 coach Brad Rantall they will form a formidable coaching line up that I'm sure the Crocs will benefit from their coaching and playing experience.

Lastly the Crocs would like to thank our club sponsors: REMSERV, LRF Sports, Rostryn Carlyle, Roadcraft, Bowen Chamber of Commerce, Beyond Bank, Qld Police Union, Qld Police Sporting Association, Thomo's Pittsworth Meats, AML, SDA Plumbing, Australian Laundries, Hendrie Bros, Sharon Morgan Photography and The Royal Bridge Hotel.

See you all in Canberra.

Stewart Manning
QPSAFC President

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WA HOGS

Canberra – The new ‘C’ word...

Well, it's now down to just over two months before the Western Australia Police Football Club (WAPFC) aka WA Hogs leave the QANTAS club and board en-route to Canberra for the much hyped 2019 National Police Football Championships (NPFC).

Needless to say, the announcement by the NSW Blue Heelers to hold the NPFC in Canberra sent shockwaves through many hooves, flippers, paws, claws and trotters within the Hogs, with the Inbox of the WAPFC overflowing with messages such as *"Canberra? That's nowhere near Bondi"* and *"How much will an Uber from 'the Cross' to Canberra be?"* But as the dust settles and feedback eases up, and the reality dawns upon us that October has crept up once again, excitement and anticipation builds.

Whilst the NPFC presents a first time to Canberra for many Hogs, it will once again provide a great opportunity for the WA Hogs to win their first away carnival.

Hosting a NPFC following what The Devils down in Tassie produced last year will be no easy task, with our brothers from the apple isle not missing a beat in hospitality, accommodation and supplying high sanction rates on in-house volume crime, the Heelers have their work cut out for them. Respect and credit go to our hosts in 2019, with the 'fixture draw' to take a different approach, ensuring that Friday's game all have some significance. The securing of Alan Ray Oval, an A-Grade venue located in Ainslie also ensures a better quality of football.

From a WA Hogs perspective on and off field preparations are in full swing with the sole focus being that elusive maiden away championship victory.

After missing that, much sought after, victory by less than one kick last year down in Hobart (no names – but a [striped whisker-

bearing felidae animal found in East Asia, India and Sumatra] might ring a bell), the WA Hogs Legend, guiding us through his second NPFC as Coach – Marty 'Dog' Atkins, is leaving no Burley un-kicked in team preparation and game play. Assisted by several Senior Hogs and our player leadership group, the Hogs are building momentum nicely into 2019.

Many Hogs will be involved in September action all around the state, so a high number of Hogs will still have fitness for the carnival, but our two lead in games will enable some extra fitness to be gained. Pre NPFC the Hogs will take on the Fire Department 'Fire Dogs' and Mandurah Mako's in our annual shield games. Both hit-outs are traditionally fiercely competitive and provide an essential opportunity to work on game style and steam structures.

Our annual game against the WA Firedogs will take place on Sunday October 6th – switching the game to the weekend will allow for more players being available, but more importantly off field it can be promoted as a family day. There will be a focus by both agencies to not only promote the important roles each play in the community, but as has been the case for the last few years, the event presents an opportunity to raise a few dollars for a chosen charity.

This year's playing squad is a mix of youth and experience, with new 'soon to be named' faces mixing it up with some well known and decorated Hogs. The playing group differ from previous years with our beloved Loose Room dwindling in numbers with some having become 'less loose' and had children, whilst our wide eyed well-balanced flashy half back travels the world in 2019. These vacant positions provide opportunity to new Hogs to make a spot in the 22 their very own.

Off field, the committee continues to work hard to ensure optimum on field support can be provided. Sponsorship continues to grow and The Hogs publicly acknowledge our long



Craig 'Blackbuck' Buckley playing in the 2019 invitational ACES side. Bucks was the sole Hog selected in the 2019 team. Thanks to Jeff Wray photography.



WA Hogs invited to participate in 'Outside the Locker Room suicide prevention game' from left to right – WA Hogs Coach Marty 'Dog' Atkins, Luke 'Giraffe' McCulloch, Anthony 'Civet' Pender, Nathan 'Shrew' Smith, Nathan 'Panther' Hansen, Chris 'Uakari' Marston, Morgan 'Grock' O'Rourke.

term and loyal sponsors who have partnered us again into 2019 and beyond (pictured). The generosity of our sponsors assist us greatly each year, not only during the NPFC, but also for many club functions to happen.

The WA Hogs also wish to congratulate patron Stu 'Cassowary' BARTELS APM, on his new appointment as the Deputy Director of the Australian Institute of Police Management in Manly. Cassowary took on the patron role for the Hogs in 2014 and will continue the role for the Canberra Championship, again dedicating his valuable time and guidance to the club.

As a collective The Hogs will again, in 2019, travel with good numbers and guided by Dog are aiming for a championship victory. We are excited to get over to the national capital and sample the local wears.

Best wishes to the NSW Blue Heelers on presenting the 2019 Championships.

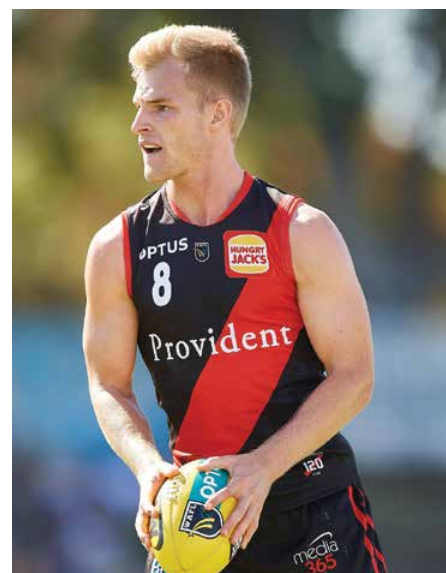
Llama, Sloth and the Great Dog WA Hogs Leadership



Luke 'Mudlark' Glasson in action for his local club – Cockburn Cobras Football Club, which he also captains



Nathan 'Panther' Hansen in action for his local club – Gosnells Hawks Football Club.



Lachie 'Peacock' Dennis in action for Western Australian Football League (WAFL) team – Perth Football Club.



WAPFC aka WA Hogs Christmas and Family show, thanks to our sponsors at Barrelhouse for having us.



WAPFC aka WA Hogs 2019 Life Members get together, proudly hosted by Barrelhouse Perth CBD.



WAPFC aka WA Hogs 2019 AGM held at Barrelhouse Saloon – Hogs HQ in February 2019

THE TEAM

WA HOGS PLAYERS

CARBONE, Nathan	Sloth	GOODWIN, Callum	Echidna	MCCULLOCH, Luke	Giraffe
BOWEN, Simon	Llama	MOULTON, Blair	Wallaby	O'ROURKE, Dennis	Stork
HAGAN, Darrell	Ram	ROBERTS, Wayde	Albatross	ABBOTT, Lee	Iguana
ADAMS, Ron	Hounddog	HANSEN, Nathan	Panther	LEECE, Matt	Cheetah
BURNBY, Mick	Roo	GIBSON, Gerard	Gecko	OWEN, Phil	Dodo
MASSOUD, Billy	Otter	MCMULLIN, Ibex	Ibex	TWOOMEY, Nathan	Fossa
BARTELS, Stu	Cassowary	MCDONALD, Craig	Warthog	FRANKHUIZEN, Trent	Groundhog
ARMSTRONG, Russell	Blowfish	CROY, Ben	Python	ECCLES, Sam	Tarantula
GRAHAM, Kerrie	Gopher	O'ROURKE, Morgan	Guinean-Cock -of-the-Rock	BUCKLEY, Craig	Blackbuck
OGG, Aaron	Racoon	PENDER, Anthony	Civet	KIRK, Dylan	Porcupine
MATSON, Adam	Elephant	DENNIS, Lachy	Peacock	ROZARIO, Jake	Skunk
WALSH, Manus	Ferret			WORLAND, Neil	Alligator
COOPER, Brad	Badger				
SMITH, Nathan	Shrew				
MOODY, Matt	Tiger				
DAVIS, Lachy	Gallah				
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LEGENDS GAME

Back Yourself all the Way

In 2018 the 'Legends Match' returned to Hobart as part of the National Police Football Championship, having done a tour of the country over the past 6 years. The concept was born in Hobart in 2012 and is largely the brainchild of the great Michael 'Pumpkin' Glancy. The game is a great chance for the 'older' blokes to have a run, raise some valuable funds for Police Legacy, and provide a laugh for those playing the serious games of the week.

Pumpkin would have ordinarily done the write up for this game, but time constraints (and an overseas trip) spares us all from a quarter by quarter, blow by blow, run down of the match.

So, here are a few notable events from the APFA All Stars v Tassie Legends game:

- Walrus was almost impenetrable at full back. That said, he didn't leave the goal square the whole game
- Youngy remains one of the classiest men I have ever seen on a football field - His partner in crime, Big Ed, still suffers from severe 'white line fever'. It's like watching a XC Falcon do the ¼ mile.
- Pump successfully feigned injury to allow Little Pumpkin to get a run
- JT was the best for Tassie after dominating backline duties
- HQ is rightfully a crowd favourite and managed to get his legs lost in his shorts again
- Deany continued his All Australian form from the last home Championship
- Trav Purton's umpiring skills have not improved over the years

- After 5 minutes in the ruck, Doug was moving slower than a one legged dog on tranquilizers
- Koggers tackled a bloke and nearly killed him
- Byron Howard is still the full forward King of North Hobart Oval, despite objections from some (J Elmer)
- Gav couldn't get his arms above his head
- Licka showed too much skill and fitness and was punished with a call up to the seniors on Friday
- Korny looked good on two working legs
- Quilly talked that much he missed most of the game
- Jase Curtain took out the 'Richie Vandenburg' award
- Camel did bugger all, but looked good doing it
- Butters owes several blokes new underwear (Note: watch him in the packs)
- Leigh Devine handballed for the first time in his football career. Well done Leigh
- Doggy extricated himself from refreshment van duties long enough to get a kick
- Billy 'the mole' was the star of the whole day with a late goal, kicking a perfect drop punt from an impossible angle, literally from the players race, in front of a very vocal and off putting crowd It was the only steps he took all day.

A great lesson to us all – *put yourself in the right place at the right time, and back yourself all the way* – The old blokes had a great time – AND TASSIE WON!

Words by: **'Boof' Hinchin**





BIG V

New Players, New Friendships

The VPFC have been working hard over the winter. Not only to prepare for another carnival this year in Canberra but also developing community relationships and continuing to build an inclusive culture within our team.

On August 7 2019 the VPFC played our annual game against the MFB supporting LADDER™. LADDER works closely with the AFL supporting homeless youth. The game was attended by numerous high ranking members from both VicPol and MFB, and also spotted in the crowd was SA Hounds Coach RG and Butterbean from QLD who both were seen taking extensive notes. Whitts was away in Bali on a pre carnival camp, so Leigh Thomson was in charge.

Thomson said with a number of our regular players unavailable through injury or club commitments, we were able to blood a number of new members in the team. Whilst we didn't lack skills and ability, a lack of overall fitness saw the MFB gain ascendancy in the last 7-8 minutes of each quarter. Despite swinging players through different positions we were unable to fight back eventually going down by 7-8 goals. Despite the loss the match was played in great spirits and for a worthy cause. A positive from the day was finding 3-4 new players who will travel with us to Canberra.

Another highlight for the day, and for the club, was the first ever game for the Victoria Police Women's team. They played a combined MFB / AV team and were coached by Jacob Gooden. The girls were fantastic and easily won their first game and immediately built lasting friendships. We are looking at having 30 females travel to Canberra to play in the NSW vs VIC first ever Women's game on Sunday leading into our opening ceremony.

Over the winter we have been busy getting new uniforms for the team. We want to acknowledge the ongoing support we receive from FLEETCARE who have been really supportive of our club for some years. A few of our players have become parents either for the first time or again and a number of our members have been promoted so we say congratulations to all of them.

Finally we are very much looking forward to Canberra and another fantastic week of getting around each other. I am sure all clubs will embrace each other, as we do, and build on already strong friendships.

Whitts
Coach VPFC



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The undulating and changing nature of the stone-paved apron leading down to the wall creates an uncertain terrain and this, along with the random layout of the touchstones, reflects the unpredictable path that police tread in the daily performance of their duties. Engraved into the apron are a number of relevant quotes from official police records and from the loved ones of those who died.

At the rear of the wall, at the Memorial's southern (lake-side) end, there is an image of Saint Michael the Archangel, the Patron Saint of Police.

Behind the wall there are nine flagpoles from which fly the Australian National Flag

and the flags of the eight Australian police jurisdictions. They are flown in order of precedence according to their officially recognised foundation dates.



National Police Memorial Dedication 2006

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All: Please be seated

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Elder/Custodian of Ngunnawal people as the traditional custodians of the Canberra region.

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The Lord Is My Shepherd – PSALM 23 (Life Member)

The Lord is my shepherd:
therefore, can I lack nothing.

He will make me lie down in green
pastures:
and lead me beside still waters.

He will refresh my soul:
and guide me in right pathways for his
name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
For you are with me, your rod and your
staff comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the face
of those who trouble me:
you have anointed my head with oil, and
my cup shall be full.

Surely your goodness and loving-
kindness will follow me all the days of my
life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
forever. Amen.

The Police Prayer (APFA President)

God of all people, we know it is from you
that we have learned what goodness and
justice are.

You have given us the task of maintaining
law and order in our community.

We seek the strength to meet the
many challenges encountered in this
endeavour.

Give us the courage and the resolution
to do our duty at all times, and such a
respect and love for justice that neither
promise nor threat will ever make us
depart from it.

Help us with your guidance to be the
Guardian and the Friend of the whole
community; a friend to children, an
example to youth, a counsellor and
adviser to all citizens.

Grant us the skill, and the wisdom, to
make us always stronger in protecting
and supporting the community.

Guide us in knowing when to enforce and
when to relax the letter of the law.

Help us to be a personal example of
the honesty, the goodness, and the
justice which it is our duty to maintain,
and grant that our actions will inspire
in our community confidence in its
police officers. We make our prayer to
you, confident of your love and your
compassion.

All: Amen.

Police Ode (Senior Constable Bradley Redfern President NSWPAFC)

As the sun surely sets,
Dawn will see it arise,
For service above self
Demands its own prize.

You have fought the good fight,
Life's race has been run, And
peace your reward,
For eternity begun.

And we that are left
Shall never forget,
Rest in peace friend and colleague,
For the sun has now set.
We will remember.

All: We will remember.
Hasten the dawn.

Laying of Commemorative Wreaths

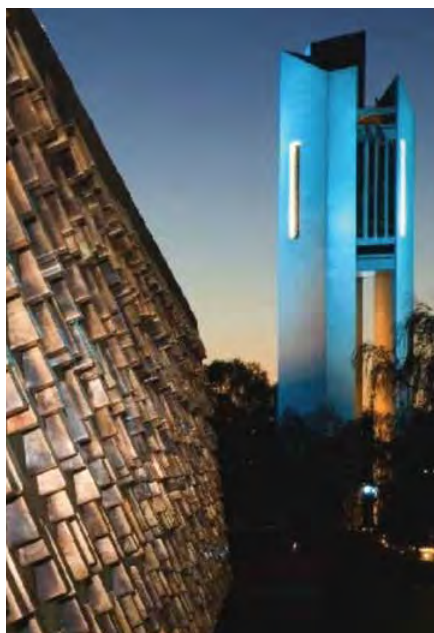
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The National Anthem (Instrumental)

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts;
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

Service Concluded



National Police Memorial and Carillon at night.

OPENING CEREMONY TO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Welcome visiting States to the ACT

Commissioned Officer (AFP)

Welcome visiting States to Championships

(Assistant Commissioner Michael Corboy
APM – NSWPAFC Patron)

Instructions:

Protocol Officer & Master of Ceremonies:
Detective Inspector John Zdrilic

Ainslie Football Club

Coaches to venue

Women's Exhibition Match

NSW v Victoria

Ainslie Football Park

Canapes & Beverages

Ainslie Football & Social Club after above
match

Draw for Men's Championships

Close Function



AUSTRALIAN POLICE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

CONSTITUTION

1. NAME

- 1(A) The official name of the Association shall be the 'AUSTRALIAN POLICE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION', and shall herein and hereafter be referred to as the 'Association'. The Association being first established in Melbourne, Victoria, in the month of January 1996.

2. OBJECTS

- 2(A) To promote the good image of Australian Police Agencies.
2(B) To promote and develop physical fitness through competitive football.
2(C) To organise and conduct an annual Championship between all affiliated Agencies. To encourage other Police Agencies to participate but at all times it shall be kept to an even number of teams. The Championship shall be alternatively hosted between all affiliated Police Agencies.
2(D) To co-operate with the Australian Football League and State Football organisations throughout Australia.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- 3(A) Membership shall be open to all:
i Sworn Personnel;
ii Cadets and or Recruits;
iii Retired Police Officers;
iv Non-sworn members (Permanently employed)
v Associated Support Staff, e.g. coaches, time keepers and other officials.
vi any other person agreed by all State representatives (in the spirit of the Championship)
3(B) Any member who participates as a Player, Coach or Manager at an Australian Championship may be eligible for selection in an Association Representative Team.
3(C) The Committee reserves the right to refuse membership to any person on just grounds.
3(D) A member shall be subject to immediate expulsion for any action which contravenes the objects of the Association. Such expulsions and appeals shall be decided by the Judiciary Committee.
3(E) All Agencies must be financial prior to participation in any Championship.
3(F) All Australian Federal Police (AFP) members are permitted to make up numbers and play for the agency in the State in which they work.

4. PATRON

- 4(A) The patron of the Association shall be offered to the Commissioner (or his Nominee) of the host State where the Championships are held.

5. LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

- 5(A) The Committee are empowered to bestow Life Membership on any person who has, for ten (10) years or more in aggregate, rendered outstanding service to the Association.

- 5(B) The Committee may, upon nomination by a State, bestow life membership of a member for less than 10 years outstanding service, if supported by the Committee.
5(C) Life Members shall be approved at a Special General or Annual General Meeting.

5.1 LEGEND STATUS

- 5.1(A) The Committee is, upon nomination in writing by the State Committees of the Association, empowered to bestow *Legend Status* on any person that meets the criteria set out in this section.
5.1(B) *Legend Status* shall be approved at a Special General or Annual General Meeting.
5.1(C) Eligibility for *Legend Status* may be considered for Players, Coaches, Umpires, Administrators and Volunteers.
(i) Eligibility will be considered based on a nominee's outstanding service and overall contribution to the Association and the game of Australian Rules Football.
(ii) The selection committee will consider the nominee's individual record, ability, integrity, sportsmanship and character.
(iii) Nominee's currently participating or who have retired from any aspect of the Association may be awarded legend status.
(iv) A nominee must have rendered a total of fifteen (15) years or more of outstanding service to the Association.
5.1(D) The Committee may consider, in the first year (2017), the approval of up to two nominations from each State.
(i) For each year thereafter, the Committee may approve no more than two nominations in total if deemed appropriate.
5.1(E) Nominees shall be invited to attend a Championship Closing Ceremony, where they will receive the nominated award. The costs of attending this Ceremony (excluding travel/accommodation costs) shall be met by the nominating State.
(i) Nominees may receive the award at any Championship Ceremony deemed appropriate by the Association to facilitate the presentation of the award in person.
(ii) If the nominee is unable to travel to the Championship for any reason, then the award may be presented at any future Championship hosted by their home state.
5.1(F) Legends shall be invited to attend and participate in award presentations at future Championships, particularly when hosted by their Home State.

6. MEETINGS

- 6(A) The Annual General Meeting shall be held during or following the completion of each Association Championship.
6(B) Other Special General or General Meetings may be held as determined by the Committee.
6(C) At a Special General or Annual General Meeting each Agency may be represented by a maximum of two (2) delegates.

- (i) The host Police Agency may have other members present, at the discretion of the President.
- 6(D) At all meetings each Affiliated Agency will be entitled to exercise one (1) vote only.

7. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- 7(A) The Management Committee, referred to herein and hereafter as the Committee shall comprise the President, Secretary, Treasurer and Affiliated Agency delegates present at any meeting.

8. OFFICERS

- 8(A) The Officers of the Association shall be:
 - i Patron
 - ii President
 - iii Secretary
 - iv Treasurer
 - v *Director*
- 8(B) The Treasurer shall be from the host Agency.
- 8(C) The President and Secretary shall be elected by affiliated agencies for a period of 3 years. Such election shall be at the Annual General Meeting when the term expires.
- 8(D) The Patron shall be nominated by the host Agency as per 4(A) at the Annual General Meeting but not necessarily from amongst the delegates.
- 8(E) The Director, shall be elected by affiliated agencies for a period of 3 years. Such election shall be at the Annual General Meeting when the term expires. The Director will not have any voting rights, but will make up part of the committee.

9. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- 9(A) PRESIDENT – The duty of the President is to preside at all meetings of the Association. They shall have a casting vote only.
- 9(B) SECRETARY – The Secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept, a true record of all the business transacted at all meetings of the Association and shall deal with the Association correspondence as directed.
- 9(C) DIRECTOR – The Director shall, coordinate, promote and deal in associated business in the interests of the APFA Inc. and report to the President and Secretary. *Associated Business* may include, but not be exclusive to, seeking sponsorship arrangements, coordinating public relations, producing products (e.g. APFA Journal), making appropriate expenditures, managing electronic media and general administrative business.

10. QUORUMS

- 10(A) The Quorum at any meeting of the Association shall consist of delegates present and representing a minimum of three (3) Affiliated Police Agencies providing due and proper notice has been given to all concerned.

11. CHAIRPERSON

- 11(A) The President shall chair all meetings.
- 11(B) In his absence or if he is unwilling to act as chairperson, the chair shall be taken by another Committee Member nominated by the meeting.

12. POWERS OF COMMITTEE

- 12(A) Invest all monies of the Association in any securities of, or guaranteed by Government of the Parliament of the Commonwealth or a State, or banking facility approved by the Committee, with power to, from time to time, vary or transpose such investments for or into others of a like nature.
- 12(B) Attend generally to all matters affecting the welfare of the Association.
- 12(C) Appoint a member to fill any Committee vacancy that may occur during the year.
- 12(D) Make Rules, and By Laws consistent with this Constitution for the regulation of its own proceedings and for defining the respective powers and duties of such Committee-of-Officers of the Association and for the government of the Association and Annual Championships generally. Such Rules and By Laws shall be recorded as minutes.

13. JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

- 13(A) A Judiciary Committee comprising of a member of each participating agency, one of which shall be nominated as Convenor, shall be appointed annually prior to the commencement of the Championship, to deal with any dispute, conflict or unsatisfactory behaviour for the duration of the carnival. (Nominated persons names are to be emailed to the President).

14. ASSETS

- 14(A) No part or parts of those assets of the Association shall be given or transferred in any way to any member or members of the Association, except that payments of faith may be made to a member of the Association for services rendered to the Association, or for goods supplied in the ordinary way of business or for any reasonable out of pocket expense incurred by a member of the Association acting under the authority of the Association.

15. ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION

- 15(A) Alterations to this Constitution may be made at a Special General or Annual General Meeting by a resolution passed by a two thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote.
- 15(B) Notices of Motion to alter the Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary prior to the Special General or Annual General Meeting.

16. WINDING UP OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 16(A) The Association shall be dissolved upon the direction of two thirds of the majority of delegates present at a Special General Meeting, convened to consider such a question.
- 16(B) Any assets of the Association, after payment of all expenses and liabilities, be retained by the current agency host for safe keeping for a period of twelve (12) months. After that time, a Special General Meeting should be called. If no further Championships are to be held, those funds retained for safekeeping should be donated to a National Charity of the retainer's choice.

AUSTRALIAN POLICE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

RULES

1. An affiliation fee, amount to be determined by the Committee, shall be paid by the visiting Agencies to the host State by the 30th June each year, prior to an impending Championship.
2. Any person who is a Sworn Member, Unsworn Member or Life Member of a respective Agency may play for any team during the Championship with the agreement of the clubs concerned.
3. Team sheets nominating all players are to be in the hands of the host State prior to the Championship.
4. Each State may only play a maximum of thirty five (35) players during any one Championship. The final list of thirty five (35) players must be in the hands of the host State President on the day before the first match of the Championship is played.
5. Team sheets consisting of twenty-two (22) players must be completed and handed to the opposing team manager prior to the commencement of each Championship game. It shall be the duty of the team manager to supply the umpires with a copy of that team sheet and a voting slip for that game.
 - 5a. Bench numbers shall be extended from 4 to 6 (24 players in total) upon agreement of both playing teams prior to the game being played. If agreement cannot be reached team numbers will revert to (22) players (4 on bench).
6. Competition Format
 - (a) The format of the competition is to be left to the host Agency who shall provide details to the competing agencies.
 - (b) At the completion of the Championship the winner shall be the team with the highest Championship points, or if those points are even, the team with the higher percentage.
7. Duration of Matches
 - (a) Matches will be four quarters each of twenty (20) minutes duration, no time on shall be played. (This may be modified for player comfort with the agreement of all Agencies).
8. Discipline
 - (a) The order of rule shall be enforced at the discretion of the umpires. A player sent from the field shall not return to the field for 10 minutes but can be replaced.
9. All Australian Team
 - (a) Each Agency shall nominate players for selection in the All Australian Team at the completion of the Championship.
 - (b) A person nominated by each Agency shall be responsible for selection of the final twenty-three (23) players, including captain and coach.
 - (c) The All-Australian Team competition formula will be decided by the Committee prior to the commencement of the Championships dependent on the number of Agencies competing. (At present it is 6,5,4,3,2,2.)
 - (d) The Player of the Championship shall be selected from the umpires votes, and be awarded (or jointly awarded) the Lewis/Allemand Medal at the conclusion of the competition of that year.
10. Umpires
 - (a) The umpires will be appointed by the host Agency.
 - (b) All games will be played in accordance with the A.F.L. rules except as outlined in the Constitution.
11. Welfare
 - (a) It shall be the responsibility of each Agency for the welfare of its members.
12. Legends Game
 - (a) The home state is encouraged to host a Legends Game as part of the carnival, which is a friendly game involving players that are a Sworn Member, Unsworn Member or Life Member of a respective Agency, who are over the age of 35 years.
 - (b) This game shall be played between two teams consisting of:
 1. Home State vs. All Stars (made up of other 5 States) (*preferred) or
 2. East vs. West (e.g. WA/SA/TAS vs. VIC/NSW/QLD) or
 3. Any combination determined by the Host State
 - (c) It is encouraged that this game be scheduled so that families of players and all players involved in the Championships can attend.
 - (d) The legends game will be played under the rules of the AFL Masters National Playing Rules as set out at www.aflmasters.com.au/rules/

Last ratified by APFA Committee – 7 October 2018 (AGM)

- 1 5 Life Membership (Clause) amended 5(A), added 5(B), shifted 5(C). ratified 7 Oct 2018 (AGM)
 - 2 5.1 Legend Status (Claus) added and ratified 13 Oct 2015 (AGM)
 - 3 12. Legends Game (Rules) added and ratified 13 Oct 2015 (AGM)
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