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## Back on Track

With West Aussies doing the right thing **AGAIN** during the Covid lockdown, it was business as usual on the weekend of 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> July with WAFL Round 14 games and the WAFLW Grand Final taking place.

The Women's League team travelled down to Mandurah on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July to take on reigning Premiers Peel in the Grand Final. Unfortunately it wasn't Swan's day with Peel dominating the game over the four quarters to go back to back Premiers. Congratulations to Adam and the girls on what was a remarkable season and look forward to what 2022 brings.

On a brighter note Adam was awarded the 'Coach of the Year' at the recent WAFLW awards night with League player and Life Member Lauren Osborne coming third in the Dhara Kerr Medal, Jacinta Anderson was dual winner of the Reserves Fairest and Best and Kloe Taylor won the Cathy Boyce Rookie of the Year. A great effort by all.

On the Men's front, after Round 17 the Colts are still only lost one and sit two games clear on top of the ladder. The Reserves had a shock loss at home to South Fremantle in Round 14, but followed up with wins in Rounds 15 and 16 and still sit second, two game behind ladder leaders Claremont and two games clear of third placed Perth. The Leagues mixed season continued, falling over the line against an inaccurate Eagles at home in Round 14 then losing to South Fremantle at home in a shocker. Round 16 saw them bounce back with a win at home against Perth. This was a different side that ran out onto the park to the one from the week before and Swans had the better of Perth all day and the margin should have been greater if not for inaccurate kicking. Round 17 saw them head down to Shark Park and take on East Fremantle, where a win would consolidate a finals berth. Unfortunately East had the better of the boys in the wintry conditions and came away with a seven point win. This makes Rounds 18 and 19 games at home crucial, win both and finals bound they are, lose and things to get tricky.

The Women's Medal night was held at Mandoon Estate on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July. A great night was had by all with Mandoon putting on another excellent evening. There was a bit of excitement in the League award with dual winners. Jessica Cox and Dana East took out the McSherry Medal for the Fairest & Best League players for 2021. Bianca Webb was runner-up and Eliza Gelmi was third. In the Reserves Shannon Matthews won the Helen Wheeler Medal with Renee Holwill runner-up and Fiona Boucher third. The Colts saw Tyla Fitzgerald win the Chelsea Randall Medal with Tahlia Lough runner-up and Abbygail Bushby third. We congratulate the girls on their Awards.



*Joint McSherry Medal winners Jessica Cox, left, and Dana East*

## **New Data Projector**

The Swansmen have partnered with the Past Players & Officials Association and the Club, to purchase a roof mounted data projector, screen and sound system for the PP&O room.

This will enhance our guest speaker presentations and allow match videos and other historical information to be displayed.

## **Trevor Hoy (President)**



## **AUGUST DINNER MEETING**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2021 6:30pm**  
**Past Players & Officials Room Upstairs**

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

***Scott Mitchell – Curator WA Museum***

*Scott Mitchell is the Head of Collection Management and Conservation at the WA Museum Boola Bardip.*

*He managed the re-installation of the blue whale skeleton ‘Otto’ into the new Museum, pictured left. The WA Museum has been the home to this marine giant’s skeleton for nearly 120 years.*

**Numbers must be confirmed before by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> August by one of the following methods:**

RSVP via the online link at [RSVP](#) or phone Trevor Hoy on 0405 453 042

Please note, that if you RSVP 'Yes' to a dinner and do not attend the Swansmen still have to pay for your meal.

## **July Dinner Meeting – Mandoon Estate**

- The combined Swansmen dinner and Club Sponsors and Judda Bee Networking night was a huge success at Mandoon Estate with over fifty people attending. There was good food, good drinks, good company and excellent entertainment to be had. It was pleasing to see so many Swansmen participate in the change of location and format.

Des Hardiman kicked off events interviewing Women's League Coach Adam Dancey and League player and Life Member Lauren Osborne.

Adam spoke about his path to Swans, his thoughts once he arrived and the season that was.

Adam was awarded the 'Coach of the Year' at the recent WAFLW awards night.

Lauren is one of the statesmen of the team, having played 198 games. She talked about how she got into footy and the changes that she has seen over her playing years.

Lauren came third in the Dhara Kerr Medal.

- Club President Peter Hodyl then introduced the Guest Speaker for the night Darren Klemm. Darren spoke of the challenges as the Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner and the vast range of hazards that DFES deal with. He also begrudgingly made mention of the Grand Final rivalry between Claremont and Swans which of course we all know that Swans hold the upper hand.
- There were two dinner raffle winners drawn by the special guest Darren Klemm. They were Mikala Hyde and John Cooper. Thanks to Gerry Roelofs and Ross Leopold for their assistance.



Adam Dancey



Darren Klemm

Lauren Osborne





Captivated Audience at the Networking Night

## Fundraising for 2021

**The Auction** - The Galabid On-Line Auction is up and running. Follow the link below to register and view auction items, [www.galabid.com/swans](http://www.galabid.com/swans), or text 'SWANS' followed by 'YOUR FULL NAME' to 0458 678 678. Auction ends 7.00pm Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.



De Longhi Magnifica \$400



Weber Family Q3100 from \$400



**1961 Replica Jumpers.** Swans players will be wearing a replica jumper for the EP game. These 22 jumpers featuring the name of the 1961 legend are up for bids. A must have for the pool room.

**Wine Wall** - this will be run in conjunction with the Auction. This is your opportunity to purchase a carton, 12 bottles, or more if you like, of good quality mixed wines for the meagre price of \$150. Each carton purchased will receive a ticket to go into the draw for six, individually wrapped and boxed, bottles of Penfolds St Henry Shiraz valued at \$780. Some of the wineries included are Arlewood from Margaret River, West Cape Howe from Denmark along with local West Swan wineries Kosovich and Sittella's. For further details contact Trevor Hoy or Des Hardiman.



**The Player Auction Leader Board** - the current standings for the Men's teams after Round 14 are as follows:

GROUP	NAME	EARNINGS
1	Directors	\$0.00
2	Jane Fitzgerald	\$2042.05
3	Peter Snow & Ralph Cipro	\$1524.65
4	Swansmen	\$1378.00
5	Thomas Gatter	\$0.00
6	Smith, Hodyl, Peak	\$1119.30
7	Sullivan Logistics	\$697.65
8	Sullivan Logistics	\$972.65
9	George Brock	\$276.00
10	Sullivan Logistics	\$276.00

## Thursday Night – Swans Members Night

All Club Members and Supporters are invited to Steel Blue Oval on Thursday nights to watch the team train and then join in the following activities in the main bar:

**League Team Announcements** – after training, Adam will announce the senior team.

**Chase the Ace** – The jackpot as of Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July is \$3,790.

**Free Members Draw** – The jackpot as of Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July is \$2,900. The lucky member must be in attendance and claim the prize within 2 minutes – otherwise a jackpot of \$100 is added.

## Coming Events

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue/ Guest</i>
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August</b>	DINNER MEETING 6	6:30pm	<b>Scott Mitchell</b> (Curator, WA Museum)
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September</b>	DINNER MEETING 7	6:30pm	<b>Ladies Night - Noelle Martin</b>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Swan Medal	6:30pm	Mandooon Estate
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	DINNER MEETING 6	6:30pm	Away Dinner/Stirling Arms Hotel
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b>	DINNER MEETING 6	6:30pm	AGM

## Next Month Guest (15<sup>th</sup> September Dinner Meeting - Ladies Night)

### **Noelle Martin – WA Young Australian of the Year 2019**

Noelle Martin is a law graduate and activist against image-based sexual abuse.

At the aged of 18 she discovered that sexual predators had stolen images of her from social media, editing them onto pornographic images and videos, adding her name and details of where she lived. She courageously took action and is helping provide avenues for justice for victims of image-based sexual abuse.

Despite the abuse escalating after she shared her experience publicly and being told that nothing could be done about the images, Noelle continued to speak out. Her actions were a major factor in new laws being introduced and passed in New South Wales in 2017, in 2018 at the Commonwealth level and in Western Australia, making it a criminal offence to distribute non-consensual intimate images.



## Committee 2021

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