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2023 Networking Night

The SDFC Swansmen Networking Night was held at Mandoon Estate on Wednesday 17th May. It was another great night. Refer to page two for a full summary.

Money, Money, Money

2023 thus far has been the year of winners. Peter Snow won the Chase the Ace jackpot, \$5640, on the very first Members Night of the year. A week later Faye Harper took off the Members draw jackpot of \$1100. Move forward to Thursday 27th April and Des Hardiman won the Members draw jackpot of \$1800. The following week Riley Hardeman takes out the Members draw jackpot of \$1000 and Norm Kirkup wins the Chase the Ace jackpot of \$2480, thanks to the talents of All Abilities player



Wombat and Norm Kirkup



George Brock

Wombat. Move on again to Thursday 1st June and George Brock picks correctly from the Chase the Ace board and pockets \$1355. At this rate both the Club and the Swansmen will be in the **RED**.

Women's Football

The Rogers Cup girls have had two wins and two losses from Round 9 to Round 12. After losing to East Perth in Round 9 away, the return match at home in Round 12 was the reverse result. They were no match for ladder leaders West Perth in Round 10 but easily catered for Subiaco in Round 11. They still sit sixth, one game and percentage out of the top four. After being winless up to Round 5 the League girls have not dropped a game leading into Round 13. They have moved up to third place on the ladder.

Men's Football

After finally getting points on the board against South Fremantle in Round 4 the trip to Mandurah in Round 5 was a disaster. The following two weeks against Claremont at home and Subiaco away were a case of so close but so far losing by 2 points and 4 points respectively. The Round 8 clash against the Eagles would be a defining point in the season and not one to be taken lightly. With eight senior players out and two debutants in it was not going to be easy. The Eagles took it up to Swan's in the first half with the deficit at half time only 14 points. Swans kept the visitors scoreless in the third but could only manage 2.6 with a strong breeze to leave the door open. Not too sure what the coach said at three quarter time but the it worked with the boys kicking 9.2 to 1.1 against a howling breeze to take an easy win. This puts them in eight spot, percentage behind Souths and percentage above Perth, which makes the Round 10 clash against Perth at home a miny final if they want to keep their finals aspirations alive. After dropping their first game of the year to bottom placed Peel in Round 5, the Reserves continued on their winning way, with wins against Claremont in Round 6 and Subiaco in the top of the table clash in Round 7. They now sit top of the ladder, one game clear of Subiaco. After scoring their first win of the season against South Fremantle in Round 4 the Colts have lost the next three by less than three goals. Amazingly enough they are still only one game out of the top five.

All Abilities Football

Rounds 3 and 5 were byes for Swans with Round 4 a win against Wembley and Round 6 a loss to Willetton. Round 7 was the Count Me In round and saw the Swan's take on Mandurah after the League game on Sunday 4th June. Unfortunately, Mandurah handled the conditions better and came out 23-point winners. They currently sit ninth on the ladder.

Trevor Hoy (President)

JUNE DINNER MEETING

***Tuesday 20st JUNE 2023 6:30pm
Past Players & Officials Room Upstairs***



GUEST SPEAKER

2023 WAFL Ball Legend Mike Richardson

Mike played 144 games for Swans kicking 220 goals, playing in the 1982 premiership and leading goalkicker that year, Swans Team of the Century and received Life Membership in 2000. He went on to play 156 VFL games with Collingwood, Essendon and Brisbane. He played 10 State Games for WA, 2 Australian International games and was an All-Australian in 1983. A magnificent career of 307 games and 400 goals.

Numbers must be confirmed before Tuesday 13th June by one of the following methods:

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

Invite a Guest

We ask all members to RSVP to the dinners early and we ask that you endeavour to bring along a guest so that we get good numbers and increase our profile. Guests will be charged \$75 for SDFC members and \$80 for non members.

Membership Drive

A reminder for those who have not renewed their membership to please do so. An email will be sent out. Subscriptions are only \$35 and can be paid by any of the following methods:

- Pay at the Club Office (together with your Club Membership) and add the Swansmen membership
- Pay online via the Club webpage
- Pay at the first Dinner Meeting
- Pay direct to the Swansmen bank account, BSB: 036-080 A/C: 276254, include your name.

May 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 100 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.
- The Guest Panellists for the night were Andrew Embley, Nic Naitanui and Luke Shuey. Compare extraordinaire Tallan Ames asked the right questions with some very humorous answers.
- Thanks to Joely Bouckaert, Mitch Eastman, Gerry Roelofs and Ross Leopold for organising a great night.



The Guest Panellists, Luke Shuey, Nic Naitanui and Andrew Embley



Some of the Swansmen Elder Statesmen taking the weight off their feet. Graeme Higgins, John Cooper, Doug McArthur and Harry Evans.

Tallan Ames introducing the Guest Panellists

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, Andrew will announce the senior team.

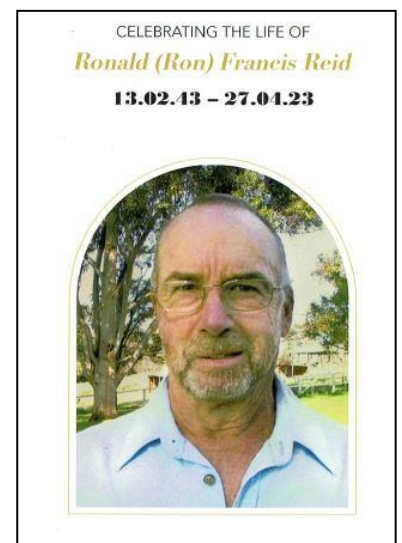
Chase the Ace – The jackpot as of Thursday 1st June is \$1,000.

Free Members Draw – The jackpot as of Thursday 1st June is \$1,400. The lucky member must be in attendance and claim the prize within 2 minutes – otherwise a jackpot of \$100 is added.

Remembering Life Member – Ron Reid

Join us at this week’s home game on Sunday June 11th, as we remember and have a drink to celebrate the life of Ron Reid. Ron was a foundation member of the Swansmen in 1984 and helped build the Swansmen Lounge we enjoy today. He served two stints as President of The Swansmen and was a long serving member of the auction committee. He was awarded the 2nd Life Membership of the Swansmen in 1992 after John Cooper.

Join us at half time in the Swansmen Lounge THIS SUNDAY as we toast and hear why he was awarded the special hose-in-the-can trophy. Past Swansmen and family have been invited.



Fundraising for 2023

AFL Grand Final/Cash Bonanza Raffle - Tickets sold. The winner will be drawn at the June dinner.

Sponsor A Picket - This is your chance to share in a unique piece of Western Australian sporting history. The sponsored picket could be a birthday gift, memorial remembrance for a loved one, personal favourite spot, or just a tribute to the great memories over the years at Bassendean Oval. Your choice of location around the ground. **Only \$150.00**

The retraVision Swansmen Auction – WE NEED YOUR HELP AND DONATIONS

On-line event only again. Will run the entirety of August. The Club is on board again to make this the big fundraiser for the season. The Auction site should be up and running mid-July. Watch this space, the Club website and your inbox for further details.

3 ways YOU can help make the Auction a HUGE success and add to our donation to the Club at year end:

1. Drop into a known business or restaurant near you and ask for a donation to the auction by way of a product or voucher.
2. Seek a wine maker or donate a carton of wine for the wine wall.
3. Donate \$20, \$50 or \$100 to our 'Good Guys' pool of funds for us to purchase additional home products for the auction catalogue.



Coming Events

Date	Event	Time	Venue/ Guest	Guest Speaker
Tuesday 20th June	DINNER MEETING 4	6:30pm	PPOA Room	Mike Richardson
Saturday 1st July	Hall of Fame Night	6:00pm	Presidents Suite	
Tuesday 18th July	DINNER MEETING 5	6:30pm	PPOA Room	Dr Bruce Mullan
Friday 28th July	McSherry Medal	6:30pm	Mandoon Estate	
Tuesday 1st August	On-line Auction	12:00am	www.galabid.com	
Tuesday 1st August	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge	

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