

# ON THE BALL !

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#### SDFC Hall of Fame

The SDFC Hall of Fame Evening was held at the Club on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Approximately 200 Guests saw six new inductees into the Hall of Fame and one current Hall of Famer elevated to Immortal. The five inductees were Tallan Ames, Leon Baker, Simon Beazley, Eric Gorman, Brian Gray and RA McDonald with John Todd elevated to Immortal status. The second Iconic Moment was also added to the Hall of Fame. This was the first ever game Swans played in the WAFL in 1934.

#### Women's Football

The Rogers Cup girls won two of their last four matches and finished the season sixth on the ladder. Rounds 14 to 16 saw the League girls take on the other three

Leon Baker with Club President Peter Hodyl

sixth on the ladder, notifies 14 to 16 saw the League gins take on the other three sides in the top four, Claremont away, East Fremantle away and South Fremantle at home. Top of the ladder and undefeated Claremont were too strong on the day, keeping Swans goalless after halftime, running out 21 point winners. The East Fremantle game was crucial to the Swans season, win and consolidate a spot in the top four, lose and possibly miss out on finals. In what was a tight tussle all day Swans managed to keep their noses in front and take the win by 14 points. This elevated Swans to third on the ladder, two points clear of East Fremantle. The final home and away game of the season against second placed South Fremantle was again going to determine where Swans finished on the ladder. Win and stay in third position and host a home Elimination Final against East Fremantle, lose and play away. A slow start saw Souths dominate the first half, keeping Swans to only two points and kicking 2.1 themselves. Adam must have said a few harsh words at halftime as the girls came out and kept Souths scoreless for the third term but only managed three points themselves. The last term was an arm wrestle. Swans kicked two goals for the term whitest Souths kicked 1.1. It wasn't enough for the Swans who ended up going down by three points. This meant an away Elimination Final. Unfortunately, East Fremantle were too good on the and ran out comfortable winners. We congratulate the girls for their efforts over the season, having overcome a poor start to climb up the ladder and make finals.

#### Men's Football

After a not so impressive win over Perth at home in Round 9 and a poor showing against East Fremantle in Round 10 there was finally some joy for the League side in Round 11 defeating West Perth at Joondalup. It's amazing what playing four quarters of football can achieve. The Round 12 and 13 home games against East Perth and Subiaco will be defining factors of the season, win both and finals are still a chance, lose one and its season over. The Reserves continue on their winning way and have still only lost one game. The Round 11 match against second place West Perth was a nailbiter with Swans coming out on top by a solitary point. They sit top of the ladder two games clear of West Perth. The Colts keep pushing their opponents but just can't break through for a win. They currently sit second last with one win.

#### All Abilities Football

Round 8 saw the Swans take on undefeated ladder leaders Coolbinia at Coolbinia Oval. It was a gallant effort by the team going down by only 16 points. Rounds 9 to 11 were all wins for the Swan's. This has seen them move from ninth to fifth on the ladder.

#### Trevor Hoy (President)

# JULY DINNER MEETING Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023 6:30pm Past Players & Officials Room Upstairs

GUEST SPEAKER

#### Glen Mortimer - General Manager/Retail/Marketing at Retravision and Harness Racing Committee Independent Director of Racing and Wagering WA



**G**len has been the GM of Retail and Marketing at Retravision for over six years and has been employed at Retravision for over 20. His other passion is harness racing. He has been a Harness Racing Committee Independent Director for over five years and has been involved in harness racing most of his life. His racing achievements including winning the Prestigious WA Pacing Cup and the Fremantle Pacing Cup.

Numbers must be confirmed before Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July by one of the following methods:

RSVP via the online link at **RSVP** or phone Trevor Hoy on 0405 453 042

### Invite a Guest

**W**e 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.

# 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.

#### June Dinner Meeting

- League players Jarvis Pina and Jackson McLachlan gave an insight into their football journey thus far and what brought them to Swans.
- The Guest Speaker for the night was 2023 SDFC Ball Legend Mike Richardson. Swansmen interviewer extraordinaire Des Hardiman fired a few quick questions at Mike to get the ball rolling, including how he got to Swans and why he left to join Collingwood. Mike took the bull by the horns, with all present sitting back and listening to his many tales. It was a very enjoyable half hour plus some.
- The dinner raffle was drawn by Mike Richardson with Norm Kirkup taking out the prize.





Jarvis Pina



Mike Richardson and Des Hardiman



Mike Richardson with his Guest Speaker Shield

# <u> Thursday Night – Swans Members Night</u>

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 29<sup>th</sup> June is \$1,295.

Free Members Draw – The jackpot as of Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June is \$1,700. The lucky member must be in attendance and claim the prize within 2 minutes – otherwise a jackpot of \$100 is added.

# Fundraising for 2023

**AFL Grand Final/Cash Bonanza Raffle** was drawn at the June dinner meeting. Thanks to all support and to Peter Snow for again organising the raffle. The results as follows:



2023 CASH or AFL GRAND FINAL RAFFLE DRAWN 20 June 2023 LOTTERY PERMIT SCHEDULE OF PRIZE WINNERS LS219667523

			Ticket No.
FIRST PRIZE \$5,000 or AFL	David Snow (Victoria)	102	
SECOND PRIZE \$500	Jeff Williams	212	
THIRD PRIZE \$250		Andrew Pruyn	210
22 CONSOLATION PRIZES	Ticket No.	of \$100 Cash	Ticket No.
Maria Bardwell	001	Andrew Irvine	125
Phil Pitchers	012	Ross Fitzgerald	132
Ross Cooper	024	Ross Fitzgerald	135
Rosemary Shilling	053	Kevin Gartrell	140
Mark McNair	055	Matt Brock	142
Bev Boyle	073	Kim Doust	147
Julie Harrison	075	Brian Close	154
Kevin Payne	092	Michael Price	162
Paul Mahony	100	Bob Harridge	163
Vee Murphy	108	Sean Doody	167
Troy Sumpton	123	Leith Putland	195

**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
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	DINNER MEETING 6	6:30pm	PPOA Room	Glen Mortimer
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> July	McSherry Medal	6:30pm	Mandoon Estate	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	<b>On-line Auction</b>	12:00am	www.galabid.com	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	<b>Committee Meeting</b>	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	DINNER MEETING 6	6:30pm	PPOA Room	Dr Bruce Mullan
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	DINNER MEETING 7	6:30pm	Presidents Suite	Ladies Night - TBC
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge	
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Swan Medal	6:30pm	Mandoon Estate	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>DINNER MEETING 8</b>	6:30pm	Away Dinner – TBC	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	DINNER MEETING 9	6:30pm	PPOA Room	AGM
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Xmas Luncheon	12:00pm	ТВА	ТВС

#### Committee 2023

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