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Chomping at the Bit

With the late start to the Men's season everyone is chomping at the bit for Round One to arrive. Early pre-season signs are promising but the hit out against Claremont on April 9th will be the gauge. The Women on the other hand will be over half way through their season when the Men start.

Women's Football

After losing the first two games of the season to now top of the table East Fremantle and second placed Claremont the League side bounced back to win the next four on the trot to sit third after round 7 with a 4/2 win loss ratio. The Reserves have also had a good start only dropping two games and sit second after round 7 also with a 4/2 win loss ratio and a healthy percentage of 386.36. When they win they win big. The young Colt's girls are still finding their feet but have managed two wins including an impressive 126 point thrashing of East Perth in Round 6. After round 7 they sit sixth with a 2/5 win loss ratio.

Men's Football

The Men have had two Pre-Season hit outs against East Perth and the West Coast Eagles, both at Steel Blue, and face Claremont at Claremont for their final game. With a large number of name League players missing for the East Perth game, it was an opportunity for the lesser lights and young Colts to step up and make a mark. Although it wasn't a pretty game, Swans managed to come out in front at the end. The West Coast game saw the return of the name players, most of whom only played the first half, and the level of football went up a notch. There was a lot to like about the new recruits and the young Colt's with Swans cruising to a 14 goal win.

SDFC Golf Day

The annual SDFC sponsors golf day was held at The Vines resort on Friday 18th March. There was an excellent turnout of 134 players, with good representation from both the Swansmen and Judda Bee's, all vying for over \$10,000 worth of prizes and giveaways on top of the chance to win a \$50,000 car for a hole in one courtesy of MIDWAY Ford (Ralph Cipro) and West Star Capital (Neville Bassett). Fantastic weather made for an enjoyable day of golf by all.

A big thanks to Ross Leipold for overseeing the planning, Mitch and Joely for all the pre-booking logistics and day coordination; to the volunteers on the day, Peter Snow, Tim Outred and Roy Jewell, and the Golf Committee, Des Hardiman, Graeme Higgins and Maurice Embley, for organising a great day out.



Maurice Embley and team



Des Hardiman and the Maulers



Neville Bassett's motley crew, including Steve Grech - nice breakfast Nev

Trevor Hoy (President)



APRIL DINNER MEETING

Wednesday 20th APRIL 2022 6:30pm
Past Players & Officials Room Upstairs

GUEST SPEAKER

Tim McLernon

General Manager – The Three Pound Group

“the making of the Camfield”

The Camfield is Australia’s largest pub. 5 bars, 175 beer taps and onsite microbrewery. Part of the Optus Stadium and entertainment precinct. Teaming up with well-known Perth publican family – the Brockwell’s and with business partner Tony Buhagiar, we will hear the story from go to wo to establish not only the Camfield, but the Stables, The Globe, the Reveley at Elizabeth Quay and the new Elmford in Mt Lawley.

Numbers must be confirmed before Wednesday 13th APRIL 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.

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 and support our guest speakers.

Membership Drive

A reminder for those who have not renewed their membership to please do so. An email will be sent out. Subscriptions have been reduced to \$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.

March Dinner Meeting

- League coach Adam Pickering took time out from team training to give a run down on where the league squad was at and his expectations for the year. He acknowledged that Covid challenges will occur throughout the season, and we need to be flexible. Ted Polglaze is a big loss to the Club as he has a new job in Singapore, but his recommended Japanese replacement is doing well. He believes we will be stronger this year but losing Corey Gault is a bitter blow. Our new recruits are doing well. He said the colts are in the best shape he has ever seen. Frank Anderson will not play this year. Jarrod Cameron is MIA. Adam has been selected as a back coach for the State team this year. Adam answered several questions from the floor from members present. Needless to say, he is not a huge fan of the AFL system.

- **New SDFC Integrated League Coach John Stone** gave an insight into his football journey. John is a Gascoyne lad who later moved to Geraldton and then played colts with Whitfords FC under John Duckworth. He played with the Crocs for nine years with Darryl Crotty and later with the Basso vets for ~10 years. He has a Down Syndrome stepson and coached Coolbinia to six straight Grand finals. He has a core of 11 players training so far and is learning more each day. Player restrictions are hurting recruitment. Toby Anscombe convinced him to come out of retirement to coach.
- **New member Peter Clements** was presented with his Membership Badge and boy was he excited.
- **The dinner raffle** was drawn by John Stone with Des Hardiman taking out the prize.



Adam Pickering



John Stone



Peter Clements after receiving his Membership Badge

Fundraising for 2022

AFL Grand Final/Cash Bonanza Raffle - Tickets on sale now and selling fast. The winner will be drawn at the June dinner. Price is \$100 each and will be restricted to just 200. Major prize is the choice of a return trip for 2 to the 2022 AFL Grand Final or \$5000 cash. There will also be a second prize of \$500 and third prize of \$250 plus 20 consolation prizes of your money back. See Peter Snow or Committee for tickets.

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 Auction - 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.

Donations from businesses and members will be most welcomed, so if you can supply any goods or services or have any contacts who can, or have a spare dollar or hundred, it would be most appreciated.

Face Masks - As a new fundraising venture the Swansmen have purchased premium black deluxe cotton face masks with the Swans logo printed on the left hand side. These face mask have adjustable ear tags and a pocket for a filter if desired. The selling price is \$10 each and can be purchased from the Club office, at Thursday Night Members Night, in the Swansmen Lounge on home games or contact Trevor Hoy or Des Hardiman.



Bucket Hats - In another a new fundraising venture the Swansmen have purchased black bucket hats with the Swans logo printed on the front. These are all the fashion rage at present and are selling for \$25 each. These can be purchased at Thursday Night Members Night, in the Swansmen Lounge on home games or contact Trevor Hoy or Des Hardiman.



The Women's Player Auction Leader Board - the current standings after Round 7 are as follows:

GROUP	NAME	EARNINGS
1	Julie Harrison	\$141.87
2	Sharon Stribley	\$364.82
3	Jones and Co	\$283.74
4	Swansmen	\$283.75
5	Celebrations Maida Vale	\$506.69
6	Sullivan Logistics	\$222.94
7	Sullivan Logistics	\$162.14
8	Sullivan Logistics	\$1155.26

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 31st March is \$8,270.

Free Members Draw – The jackpot as of Thursday 31st March is \$1,700. The lucky member must be in attendance and claim the prize within 2 minutes – otherwise a jackpot of \$100 is added.

Coming Events

Date	Event	Time	Venue/ Guest
Friday 15 th April	1 st GAME - SD vs EP	2:10pm	Leederville Oval
Wednesday 20 st April	DINNER MEETING 2	6:30pm	Tim McLernon - owner of the Camfield
Saturday 23 rd April	1 st HOME GAME - SD vs EF	2:10pm	Steel Blue Oval
Wednesday 18 th May	DINNER MEETING 3	6:30pm	TBA
Tuesday 7 th June	Committee Meeting	6:00pm	Swansmen Lounge
Wednesday 15 th June	DINNER MEETING 3	6:30pm	Mandoon Estate
Wednesday 20 th July	DINNER MEETING 3	6:30pm	Graham Edwards

Committee 2022

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