

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2018**

Well another season as come and gone!! I want to thank everyone for their support and participation over the 2018 season. A special thanks to all of the committee, coaches and managers who have given up their precious time to support the players and the club. A big thankyou to the parents/guardians/supporters for all the support they provide to the children during the season travelling here, there and everywhere.

The club entered 19 junior teams (plus continued our Little Dragons program) and 6 senior teams for the 2018 season:-

- Senior Men Division 1
- Senior Men Division 2
- Over 40 Division 1
- Over 30 Division 2
- Senior Women Division 2
- Senior Women Division 3
- Under 15/16 Boys (Div 1)
- Under 15/16 Boys (Div 2)
- Under 15/16 Girls
- Under 14
- Under 12 Dragons
- Under 12 United
- Under 11 Dragons
- Under 11 United
- Under 10 Dragons
- Under 10 United
- Under 9 Dragons
- Under 9 United
- Under 8 Dragons
- Under 7 Dragons
- Under 7 Red
- Under 7 United
- Under 7 Welsh
- Under 6 Dragons
- Under 6 United

- Little Dragons – this year we was our second year for our Little Dragons program for our Under 5ers. Thankyou to Shannon and his team of willing assistants for facilitating this program. It was a great success with 56 registered participants running around and having a great time on a Friday evening. They were also lucky enough to get a fun meal and drink from our canteen each night too!

Congratulations to the following teams who made the finals in 2018:-

- Under 9 United (Champions runners-up)
- Under 10 Dragons (semi finalists)
- Under 10 United (Premiers and Champions runners-up)
- Under 11 Dragons (Premiers runners-up and Champions runners-up)
- Under 11 United (Premiers and Champions)
- Under 12 Dragons (semi finalist)
- Under 12 United (Premiers)
- Under 15/16 Girls (semi finalists)
- Under 15/16 Boys Div 1 (Premiers and Champion runners-up)
- Senior Women Div 2 (Premiers runners-up)
- Over 40s Div 1 (Champions runners-up)

A number of our playing members were also selected in the Queensland State side in 2018. Big congratulations to the following:-

- Cameron Osborne (Senior Men) - captain
- Matthew Ward (Senior Men)
- Nathan Donnelly (Senior Men)
- Tyler Henderson (Under 23 Men)
- Blair Flor (Under 15/16 boys) - captain
- Shashoni Thompson (Under 15/16 boys) – team leader
- Isaak Saidi (Under 15/16 boys)
- Tim Pallett (Under 15/16 boys)
- Amber Pocock (Under 15/16 girls) – vice captain
- Flynn Winter (Under 15/16 girls – South Australia)

The committee wants to thank all the playing members, spectators, coaches, managers and volunteers that helped with Bunnings BBQ's, mowing, line marking,

selling chocolates and attending our annual trivia night. Your continued support of the club is invaluable.

We are looking forward to being able to continue to improved facilities and equipment. We remain determined to build a clubhouse and money has been set aside in a building fund so we can work towards achieving this sooner rather than later. Next year we will be putting together a clubhouse sub committee to get the process rolling with planning etc. If you are interested in being involved on this sub committee please let me know.

This year we were able to raise a total of \$7,630.00 from the following fundraisers:-

- Bunnings sausage sizzle - \$930.00
- Chocolate Drive - \$5,000.00
- Trivia Night - \$1,700.00

The year would not have been the success it was without the tireless work of our committee who have volunteered hours of their time to make the season run as smoothly as possible. Big thanks to the following:

- Richard Katt (vice chairman)
- Linda Alexander (secretary)
- Nyleta Bruce (treasurer)
- Shirley Thomson (registrar)
- Rohan Alexander (Canteen convener)
- Terry Thomson (field maintenance)
- Shannon Woodward
- Cameron Osborne
- Stuart Bannister
- Tyler Henderson
- Susan Berderow

Thank you to all of the volunteers who committed their precious time to help out this season. Thanks to Rohan and Linda Alexander who organised the BBQ fundraisers during the season and ran the canteen. We were able to raise a fantastic \$7,680.00 through our canteen sales this season. We really appreciated the time and commitment that goes in every weekend with Rohan and Linda usually at the ground before anyone arrives and leaving when the lights are turned off after the final game.

We must thank Rohan's parents who also put in a lot of hours on the BBQ and in the canteen during the season. Thanks to all of those other people who also jumped in to help out when needed.

Thanks again to Terry Thompson for maintaining the field and surrounds. Special thanks to Tony Baker for stepping in to maintain the field and do the line marking when Terry was out of action. Thankyou to all of those other people who have assisted with the mowing and whipper snipping during the season and many odd jobs around the place. Special thanks also to Kevin James for the continued work he puts in behind the scenes fixing and improving the club facilities and equipment.

Also, a big thank you to Nyleta Bruce, treasurer for 2018, for her efforts in ensuring all players were financial and all accounts were paid in a timely manner. A special mention must go to Nyleta for organising the Trivia Night and Chocolate Drive. The Senior Presentation Night would also not have been a success without her work preparing and organising the function, including food.

Thank you to Richard Katt, whom among other things, continues to manage the website. Thanks also to Shannon who did a fantastic job as equipment co-ordinator and maintained our first aid kits throughout the season (with the help of his wife, Susan).

Special thanks again this year to Shawn Kracht who donated his time and the use of his boom to install our new lights during the year. This saved the club a lot of money not having to hire a boom, we really really appreciate it!!!

The junior presentation day was well supported again this year with the evening event attended by most of the junior members and their families. All families enjoyed a free sausage sizzle with all team members receiving a free drink. Thank you to Shannon and Nyleta for again heading up the organising of this event. Thankyou to Shannon and Susan for the use of their inflatable jumping castles again. A big thankyou to Rohan and his team of helpers for cooking the sausages (and other food) and assisting in the canteen. It was great to see our Under 15/16 players jump in to help out on the BBQ...well done!

The senior presentation night this year was again held at Ipswich Knights function room. It was reasonably well attended with all attending enjoying a lovely dinner and

dessert. Although not a lot of trophies were handed out, we all had an enjoyable evening reminiscing about the season just gone and seasons past.

Congratulations to the following people/teams who were recognised for their efforts this season and received awards:-

- Mark Woodward - Eric Jones Award - awarded to a junior player who has provided outstanding service to the club as a volunteer (not just in a playing capacity).
- Rose Marten - Myra Jones Award - awarded to a player or non-player who has provided outstanding service to the club as a volunteer over an extended period of years.
- Timothy Fritz (Under 9 Dragons) - Easterbrook Award - awarded to an outstanding coach.
- Under 10 United - The Wooley Memorial Shield - Awarded to the most improved team.
- Shannon Woodward - Senior Club Member Award – awarded to a senior player who has provided outstanding service to the club both on and off the field.
- Nathan May – Dai Jones Shield - awarded to a player displaying outstanding sporting spirit.
- Jones Shield - awarded to the leading goal scorer for the season
  - Junior – Matthew Njombo (Under <00>) (45 goals)
  - Senior – Len Manwaring (O40) (8 goals)
  - Senior – Robert Delaforce (O40) (8 goals)
- Under 14 - Sporting Spirit Award - awarded to a junior team displaying outstanding sporting spirit.
- Under 11 United – Reverend Goodacre Trophy - undefeated team
- Under 11 United – Reverend Goodacre Award - best goal average
- Keith O’Sullivan Trophy for most improved player in each under 6/7/8 team -
  - Under 6 Dragons – Eli Weatherhead
  - Under 6 United – Hunter Torrisi
  - Under 7 Dragons - Elijah Bruce
  - Under 7 Red – William Kalaniuvalu
  - Under 7 United – Lachlan Duncan
  - Under 7 Welsh – Riley Greene
  - Under 8 Dragons – Rhys Mondon
- Encouragement award for a player in each junior team:-
  - Under 6 Dragons – Declan Hunter

- Under 6 United – Jace Syron
- Under 7 Dragons - Abby Hiron
- Under 7 Red – William Toohill
- Under 7 United – Sarah Torrissi
- Under 7 Welsh – Kairo Onosi
- Under 8 Dragons – Izzy Truscott
- Under 9 Dragons – Angus Fritz
- Under 9 United – Sophie Conroy
- Under 10 Dragons – Owen Newcombe
- Under 10 United – Caden Warnock
- Under 11 Dragons – Stan Fisher
- Under 11 United – Lachlan Hill
- Under 12 Dragons – Brooke Kracht
- Under 12 United – Jack Voight
- Under 14 – Jai Ellison
- Under 15/16 girls – Georgia Elfverson
- Under 15/16 boys (div 1) – Isaiah Bird
- Under 15/16 boys (div 2) – Jackson Bologna
- Players Player Awards (senior teams only):-
  - Senior Women Div 3 – Cheryl Norton
  - Senior Women Div 2 – Rachel Passfield
  - Senior Men Div 2 – Jacob Lane
  - Senior Men Div 1 – Cameron Osborne
  - Over 30 Div 2 – David Martin
  - Over 40 Div 1 – John Ridley
- Cameron Osborne - Bank of Queensland Award - awarded to the club Players Player of the year (who polled the highest percentage votes across all senior teams).

I am looking forward to another successful and fun season in 2019. I encourage all members/parents to continue to become more involved in the club in 2019 so that as a community we can support each other in building a community where children and adults can enjoy playing football in a caring, supportive and encouraging environment.

Thank you to all of the parents who continue to invest time into their children by enabling them to participate in this wonderful game. Your encouragement during the season of all of the children in the team (including the opposition players) is a credit to

you all. It is this type of encouraging and supportive culture that I would like our club to be known for.

Finally, I want to again thank the club management committee who have spent countless hours and much effort making the season run as smoothly as possible. Your support of the club and me during the season has been exceptional. Thankyou!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Jeremy Bruce', with a large, stylized initial 'J' and a horizontal line extending to the right.

Jeremy Bruce

Club Chairman 2018