

PORT FOOTBALL & COMMUNITY SPORTING CLUB INC.

Chairman's report for 2012 Annual General Meeting 19th December 2011.

It is with much pleasure, on behalf of the members of the Board of Directors, I present the Annual Report of the Port Football & Community Sporting Club for the season 2011.

FOOTBALL

Following the disappointing 2010 season, we bounced back tremendously in the 2011 season. From last to playing in the Grand Final and with more luck, a better result, the player's achievements were well appreciated.

I must place on record, our thanks to our seniors coaching panel, Matt Ganley, Stephen Magor and Mark Finlay and following results and efforts, the board had no hesitation in re-appointing them for the 2012 season.

I congratulate Club Best & Fairest and all trophy winners. We thank every person, Team Managers, Trainers, Runners, Time Keepers, weekly and annual trophy donors and everybody involved for the dedication, commitment and support of all teams and look forward to success in 2012.

Our recruiting in 2011 helped our improvement and although hamstrung by the SACFL points system, our recruiting team continue to work towards team improvement.

While the U/15 competition remains with 3 teams only, the PPJFL continues to give our youngsters a good football competition. We congratulate our U/15 premiers, Maurie Rafanelli and his helpers, while our U/13's just missed out to St. Marks in their Grand Final. We again congratulate Maurie on his SANFL Coach's Award, a well deserved reward.

2012 will soon be upon us and we look forward to team improvement and we are confident the year will bring results we all expect.

CLOVER ROOM

Again in 2011, while facing a difficult economy and political insecurity, our gaming has had continued success. This has allowed the Board to manage the Club affairs and give support to the community through financial donations and sponsorship.

Club Manager Stephen will outline the financial result in detail but suffice to say, trading results from continued public support allows the Club to achieve good trading results.

CLUB ROOMS, OVAL & SURROUNDS

Thank you once again to Hughie and Marie Murphy for their wonderful work in keeping the Dobbins Drive Rose Garden blooming and to Paul Keane for the oval and grounds upkeep. Further thanks to Wandearah and South Port Cricket Clubs for all assistance on the oval and cricket centre.

At this time I would like to comment on our involvement in cricket in Port Pirie. To provide first class facilities at virtually no cost and then have selfish Clubs expect us to break State Laws and then want sponsorship without support to this Club, to state the least is very disappointing. The unnecessary time and effort made by the Board and this Club and then to have to stoop to selfish expectations, I believe belies the thinking of individual cricket club administrators and not necessary the majority of club players.

At last there is good news on the restructure of our Port Clubrooms. Protracted negotiations over several years as well as political decisions and general economy stalled electricity improvements, which were necessarily before anything could proceed. The Board is pleased to announce we have now entered into an agreement for an electricity upgrade to take place. Stephen will outline full details in his report.

VOLUNTEERS & FUNDRAISING

The Board is most grateful given by our many volunteers and fundraising groups. Our catering and Friday night kitchen helpers, Junior Promotions, Past Players & Officials, Vice Presidents and Sponsors, giving untold hours of time and effort to our club. The value of their contribution cannot possibly be calculated.

VALE

This year many club members suffered the loss of loved ones and we offer our deepest sympathy for your loss. Personally I truly thank the Board and Club members for the support given to me, in my own time of need.

COMMUNITY CLUB

As the Port Football & Community Sporting Club Inc, the Board continued to commit support to the wider community of Port Pirie, parallel to the administration of the football affairs of the club. Many donations and sponsorships continued to be given and as a Community Club we are a major contributor to the welfare throughout the city. Regretfully, due mainly to the current economic downturn, the Board is reviewing our contributions on a one to one basis.

THANKS

On behalf of the Board, I express our thanks to everybody who has given support during a successful year, on and off the field. Your club is very fortunate to have the full commitment of a dedicated and experienced Board of Directors to manage the business of the Club. Each Director gave full support with decision making, always in the best interest of the club and members. Their support and contributions is outstanding.

Furthermore, Stephen Murphy as Treasurer/Manager has again been outstanding well assisted by Whitney in the office, Stephen's management skills, attention to detail, work ethic, the management of our business affairs cannot be overstated. His contribution is a

major factor why we are a successful Club. His support to myself, the Board and Club members is most appreciated.

Thanks also to Jenny Thomson and her wonderful team, kitchen volunteers as well as Duty Managers and Bar Staff for their wonderful support.

I place on record, the Board's thanks to every Life Member, Sponsor, Club Patron, Members, Staff Members, Public Patrons, Associated Clubs and their Supporters, who continue to provide service and contribution to our club.

CONCLUSION

The Board looks forward with anticipation and interest, in continuing to lead this club with on field expectation of success and achieving full commitment to the Port Football & Community Sporting Club and its members expectation.

LANCE J. LEAK

CHAIRMAN

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