



**Bendigo Umpires Association
Annual General Meeting
6th December, 2017**



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Congratulations to all umpires who represented the Bendigo Umpires Association in Season 2017

<i>Allan, Graham</i>	<i>Christensen, Liam</i>	<i>Ford, Mikayla</i>	<i>Keating, Jack</i>	<i>Nolan, Damian</i>	<i>Teasdale, Jack</i>
<i>Annand, Adelaide</i>	<i>Christensen, Steve</i>	<i>Ford, Wayne</i>	<i>Keuken, Dane</i>	<i>Norton, John</i>	<i>Thompson, Byron</i>
<i>Annand, Bronte</i>	<i>Clohesy, Darren</i>	<i>Frantz, Leslie</i>	<i>Keuken, Luke</i>	<i>O'Brien, Ben</i>	<i>Thompson, Ron</i>
<i>Annand, Geoffrey</i>	<i>Cockerell, Mitchell</i>	<i>Gallagher, Fletcher</i>	<i>Kumar, Ranjan</i>	<i>O'Neill, Josh</i>	<i>Thouless, Ron</i>
<i>Austin, Dion</i>	<i>Cockerill, Neville</i>	<i>Gardner, Georgia</i>	<i>Langtree, Niah</i>	<i>O'Neill, Mitch</i>	<i>Thurwood, Leigh</i>
<i>Bacon, Tacy</i>	<i>Coleman, Jack</i>	<i>Garner, Leonie</i>	<i>Lefevre, Dylan</i>	<i>Paetow, Finn</i>	<i>Tobin, David</i>
<i>Balcke, Lachlan</i>	<i>Coobs, Michael</i>	<i>Gilmore, Des</i>	<i>Lefevre, Paul</i>	<i>Paetow, Riley</i>	<i>Tresize, Nicholas</i>
<i>Balcke, Toby</i>	<i>Cook, Gemma</i>	<i>Gladman, Brian</i>	<i>Lennox, Braedyn</i>	<i>Palmer, John</i>	<i>Tzanidis, George</i>
<i>Banfield, Fraser</i>	<i>Court, Michael</i>	<i>Goggin, Hamish</i>	<i>Lillycraap, Damian</i>	<i>Parkinson, Lachlan</i>	<i>Valente, Aaron</i>
<i>Banfield, Martin</i>	<i>Court, Ross</i>	<i>Goodridge, Dean</i>	<i>Lowes, Samuel</i>	<i>Pearce, Eli</i>	<i>Varker, John</i>
<i>Baulch, Aaron</i>	<i>Cox, Christopher</i>	<i>Graham, Griffin</i>	<i>Luckman, Stewart</i>	<i>Peck, Shane</i>	<i>Varker, Les</i>
<i>Baxter, Bailey</i>	<i>Cox, Gavin</i>	<i>Gretgrix, Graham</i>	<i>Macdonald, Zac</i>	<i>Perdon, Lachlan</i>	<i>Vaster, Yash</i>
<i>Baxter, Scott</i>	<i>Craig, Jack</i>	<i>Gretgrix, Warren</i>	<i>Maher, Jason</i>	<i>Perryman, Mark</i>	<i>Vellore Ranganathan, G</i>
<i>Beamish, Paige</i>	<i>Crapper, Jaryd</i>	<i>Gupta, Vivek</i>	<i>Malham, John</i>	<i>Pickersgill, Neal</i>	<i>Vitiritti, Matthew</i>
<i>Beamish, Rhys</i>	<i>Crouch, Steven</i>	<i>Hall, Wayne</i>	<i>Martin, Paul</i>	<i>Plant, Brendan</i>	<i>Walker, Ken</i>
<i>Bhayana, Jai</i>	<i>Cummins, Bailey</i>	<i>Hamilton, Darryl</i>	<i>Mason, Lyndon</i>	<i>Prange, Dion</i>	<i>Walker, Nathan</i>
<i>Bish, Peter</i>	<i>Cummins, Darcie</i>	<i>Hamilton, Joshua</i>	<i>Mason, Michael</i>	<i>Ray, Glenn</i>	<i>Wallace, Alexander</i>
<i>Bombardieri, Jack</i>	<i>Davey, Brian</i>	<i>Harley, John</i>	<i>Mason, Philip</i>	<i>Reddys, Bhaskar</i>	<i>Wallace, Benjamin</i>
<i>Bonanno, Jordan</i>	<i>Davey, Mitch</i>	<i>Harrip, Geoff</i>	<i>Mason, Ronald</i>	<i>Reiffel, Craig</i>	<i>Wallace, Nicholas</i>
<i>Bonanno, Tony</i>	<i>Davie, Cameron</i>	<i>Hartland, Luke</i>	<i>Mathews, Darren</i>	<i>Ridge, Noel</i>	<i>Wallace, Stu</i>
<i>Bourke, Matthew</i>	<i>Davie, Jackson</i>	<i>Hartland, Shane</i>	<i>Matthews, Ben</i>	<i>Roberts, Wade</i>	<i>Webb, Samuel</i>
<i>Bourne, Scott</i>	<i>Day, Andrew</i>	<i>Harvey, John</i>	<i>McConnell, Stephen</i>	<i>Russell, Gary</i>	<i>Wild, Hamish</i>
<i>Bramley, Craig</i>	<i>Denahy, Andrew</i>	<i>Harvey, Russell</i>	<i>McEwen, Stephen</i>	<i>Scanlon, Gerard</i>	<i>Williamson, Geoff</i>
<i>Bramley, Samantha</i>	<i>Dingfelder, Adrian</i>	<i>Hastings, Garry</i>	<i>McHugh, Peter</i>	<i>Schoonbee, Nico</i>	<i>Wilton, Rod</i>
<i>Brown, Alex</i>	<i>Donnelly, Tim</i>	<i>Hay, Simon</i>	<i>Mckinley, David</i>	<i>Self, Ian</i>	
<i>Brown, James</i>	<i>Dunlop, Cooper</i>	<i>Heinrich, Graeme</i>	<i>Mckinnon, Eugene</i>	<i>Shay, Michael</i>	
<i>Brown, Liam</i>	<i>Dunlop, Tully</i>	<i>Herman, Mark</i>	<i>Miller, Kenneth</i>	<i>Shay, Paula</i>	
<i>Bullock, Riley</i>	<i>Dunn, Graeme</i>	<i>Hicks, Richard</i>	<i>Milne, David</i>	<i>Shields, Brendan</i>	
<i>Burge, Mal</i>	<i>Dunstan, Stevie-Lee</i>	<i>Higgs, Max</i>	<i>Monk, Kevin</i>	<i>Sims, Zac</i>	
<i>Caldwell, Dale</i>	<i>Ellis, Jeremy</i>	<i>Holland, Cullem</i>	<i>Moore, Tom</i>	<i>Skipper, Paul</i>	
<i>Callaghan, Paul</i>	<i>Featherby, Ethan</i>	<i>Holland, Leo</i>	<i>Moran, Jim</i>	<i>Smith, Skye</i>	
<i>Carr, Lachie</i>	<i>Findlay, Craig</i>	<i>Howden, Brent</i>	<i>Morvell, Emiel</i>	<i>Smith, Thomas</i>	
<i>Carter, David</i>	<i>Fitzgerald, Mark</i>	<i>Huchchappagal, J</i>	<i>Murray, Daniel</i>	<i>Smith, Tom</i>	
<i>Carter, Gavin</i>	<i>Flood, Kieran</i>	<i>Hunter, Darcy</i>	<i>Murray, Shane</i>	<i>Smythe, Paul</i>	
<i>Catto, Glenn</i>	<i>Floyd, Bayne</i>	<i>Hutchinson, Paul</i>	<i>Neil, Shelby</i>	<i>Snell, Mark</i>	
<i>Caulfield, Ethan</i>	<i>Floyd, Matthew</i>	<i>Ipsen, Connor</i>	<i>Newman, Brodie</i>	<i>Stock, Alan</i>	
<i>Chavan, Abhilash</i>	<i>Floyd, Tom</i>	<i>Jacka, Ronald</i>	<i>Nicholson, Tom</i>	<i>Tangey, Campbell</i>	
<i>Chisholm, Thomas</i>	<i>Ford, Jeremy</i>	<i>James, Timothy</i>	<i>Nolan, Cameron</i>	<i>Taylor, Ryley</i>	



Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary/General Manager and Coach

YEAR	President/ Chairman	Treasurer/ Finance Director	Director of Coaching	Secretary/ General Manager
1993	J. CADZOW.	M. HOCKLEY	Rod THRELFELL	R. WILSON
1994	M. CHAKLKEY	M. HOCKLEY	Rod THRELFELL	R. WILSON
1995	M. CHAKLKEY	M. HOCKLEY	Rod THRELFELL	R. WILSON
1996	G. MARSHALL	M. HOCKLEY	C. FINDLAY	R. WILSON
1997	G. MARSHALL.	M. HOCKLEY	C. FINDLAY	J. MILNE / T. McNAMARA
1998	G. MARSHALL	M. HOCKLEY	C. FINDLAY	T. McNAMARA
1999	Ron THRELFELL	M. HOCKLEY	C. FINDLAY	T. McNAMARA
2000	Ron THRELFELL	M. HOCKLEY	C. FINDLAY	T. McNAMARA
2001	Ron THRELFELL	M. HOCKLEY	G. MILLAR	T. McNAMARA
2002	Ron THRELFELL	M. HOCKLEY	G. MILLAR	B. WALSH
2003	Ron THRELFELL	M. HOCKLEY	G. MILLAR	B. WALSH
2004	K. MONK	J. SEIPOLT	C. GREEN	B. WALSH
2005	K. MONK	J. SEIPOLT	C. GREEN	Ron THRELFALL
2006	G. MILLAR	J. SEIPOLT	C. GREEN/G. MILLAR	Ron THRELFALL
2007	G. MILLAR	J. SEIPOLT	G. MILLAR	Ron THRELFALL
2008	G. MILLAR	J. SEIPOLT	G. MILLAR	L. WILD
2009	G. MILLAR	J. SEIPOLT	G. MILLAR	L. WILD
2010	J. SEIPOLT	J. SEIPOLT	P. HILSON	R. McGIBBON
2011	G. CARTER	J. NORTON	P. HILSON	R. McGIBBON
2012	J. NORTON	J. NORTON	D. GOODRIDGE	P. CLEARY
2013	J. NORTON	J. NORTON	D. GOODRIDGE	P. CLEARY
2014	J. NORTON	J. SEIPOLT	D. GOODRIDGE	P. CLEARY
2015	J. NORTON	J. SEIPOLT	D. GOODRIDGE	P. CLEARY /S. McCOLL
2016	C. FINDLAY	J. SEIPOLT	D. GOODRIDGE	S. McCOLL
2017	C. FINDLAY	M. HOCKLEY	D. GOODRIDGE	S. McCOLL



Bendigo Umpires Association Annual General Meeting December 11th 2016

6:30pm

Weeroona Pavilion Bendigo

Type of meeting:	Annual General Meeting
Board Members Present:	Craig Findlay (Chairman), Sharon McColl (General Manager), Paula Shay (Director), Dean Goodridge (Director), Jason Seipolt (Treasurer) Damian Nolan (Director) & Mark Lennox (Director)
Members in Attendance:	Kevin Monk, Michael Hockley, Tom Floyd, Bayne Floyd, Dion Austin, Craig Bramley, Samantha Bramley, Andrew Day, John Pallotta, Stan Cue, Stephen McEwen, Leon Holt, Tony McNamara, Dean Goodridge, Scott Baxter, Paul Hutchinson, Jason Maher, Mark Snell, Cameron Nolan, Chris Harrington, Wayne Ford, Phil Mason, Ken Walker, Noel Ridge, Simon Hay
Apologies:	Stewart Luckman, Gary Russell, Ben O'Brien, Dale Caldwell, John Norton, Mal Burge

AGENDA ITEMS

1.0

Meeting opened 6.31 pm.

Adoption of Previous AGM minutes 09/12/2015

Moved: Stephen McEwan

Seconded: Damian Nolan

Adoption of Special General Meeting minutes
26/05/2016

Moved: Andrew Day

Seconded: John Palotta

Motion passed.

2.0

Annual Reports

2.1

Chairman's Report

Moved: Stephen McEwan

Seconded: Ken Walker

Motion passed.

2.2

Treasurer's Report

Moved: Kevin Monk
Seconded: Simon Hay
Motion passed.

2.3

General Manager's Report
Moved: Craig Findlay
Seconded: Wayne Ford
Motion passed.

2.4

Board Portfolio Reports
Paula Shay, Dean Goodridge, Damian Nolan and
Mark Lennox
Moved: Simon Hay
Seconded: Cameron Nolan
Motion passed

3.0

Appointment of Auditor
A motion that Richmond Sinnott Delahunty be
appointed as the Company's auditor.
Moved: Paula Shay
Seconded: Craig Bramley
Motion passed.

4.0

Board Vacancies
Damian Nolan – not standing for re-election
Mark Lennox – standing for re-election
Michael Hockley – standing for election

Members to tick boxes
of their preferred
nominations.

As the number of nominees does not exceed the
number of vacancies, Mark Lennox and Michael
Hockley are hereby appointed to the Board.

4.1

Members to vote for Chairman & Treasurer roles
(If more than one nominee from elected board)
Chairman – Craig Findlay
Vice Chairman – Paula Shay
Treasurer – Michael Hockley

5.0

Member fees to include mandatory BUA training t-shirt.

Adult fees to be \$65.00

Junior Fees to be \$55.00

Adoption of training top passed and added to membership fees.

5.0

General Business

- No general business was raised.

6.0

AGM closed 7.15pm



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Craig Findlay

What a fantastic year we have had at the Bendigo Umpires Association. Every member should be proud of the past twelve months.

It all started with Vice Chair Paula Shay and I heading to India to participate in the AFL India Championships in Kolkata in January. We assisted in the running of the tournament where we held umpire coaching sessions and umpired matches over the two day carnival culminating in the Grand Final.

On our return we, the BUA Board, were involved in talks with the Northern District Football Umpires Association with the view of them joining the BUA. As the summer drew to an end that is what happened and it proved to be a successful agreement as we welcomed the Kerang group aboard.

The season of 2017 kicked off with membership numbers being healthy.

The BUA Board continued to work hard. We welcomed Michael Hockley to the Board taking over as Treasurer. Once again Paula Shay was Vice Chair and continued her tireless effort working for us. Sharon McColl as General Manager again went above and beyond keeping us ahead of the game. Dean Goodridge as Director of Coaching did a fantastic job with coaching umpires that included the North Central, Loddon Valley and Kerang groups and of course in Bendigo. Mark Lennox assisted with finances after the futures program was put on hold. We also welcomed Bayne Floyd to the Board to fill the vacant position left by Jason Seipolt.

As mentioned, we have had an incredibly successful year BUT it would not have been possible without the help of our sponsors. Mark Prince's Eyecare Plus in Hargreaves Street has once again been a tremendous support to the BUA and we thank Mark for his ongoing support. The Bendigo Bank has continued the association with sport throughout the country by sticking with us and their support is greatly appreciated. Triple MMM Bendigo 93.5 came on board this year and we have enjoyed a great partnership with them which saw the MMM logo splashed across the bums of umpires. The Inglewood and Districts Community Bank has also been a great partner for another season and we thank them for their ongoing assistance. Once again the Bendigo Stadium, The Borough Club and the Wellington Hotel have been a huge support to the BUA. We also had Golden City Physiotherapy and Bendigo Original Pie Shop come on board to assist and we look forward to rewarding partnership in the future.

I would like to thank our partners in AFL Central Vic, Bendigo Football Netball League, Loddon Valley Football Netball League, North Central Football League and the Bendigo Junior Football League, we have had a great year being involved in your football, thank you.

To finish the year with winning the AFL Community Victoria “Umpiring Group of the Year” for the second year in a row and the third time in four years, was a fantastic finish to the season. I was extremely proud as the Chairman of this group to accept this award, it belongs to everyone at the BUA, you all do a great job.

Lastly, I would like to thank ALL our umpires who officiated for the Bendigo Umpire Association in the year 2017. I wish you all a merry Christmas and hope to see you all back next year.

Yours in umpiring

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'CF', written in a cursive style.

Craig Findlay





VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

Paula Shay

We have had another massive year at the BUA. Mine started with the AFL India Championships with Craig Findlay. An amazing experience that will be offered to members each year.

We continue to achieve not only in Bendigo but across the state by winning the umpiring group of the year. That can only be done by the work of all of the board and coaches who make this club what it is.

Many thanks go to Craig and the crew of selectors that put in the numerous hours each week to sift through the un-availabilities and put the right umpires to each game.

Great work by the coaches again this year. Well done especially to Dean by being proactive and on the front foot with the rule changes this year. The BUA were decisive with how to proceed into Round 1 and players had it down pat thanks to the consistent message the field umpires were taught to give. This is one great example of a positive working group.

Jason Maher, you were fantastic this year. The variety you gave the group without confusing us in complicated instructions was great. The preseason cross-trainings around town were challenging and a breath of fresh air; we all know how tired we get of running around and around the same field by the end of the season.

Sharon continues to give her all and make herself available whenever a member needs support or answers. Please be sure to thank Sharon yourself if you haven't done so yet; thanks Sharon, you provide that connection the club needs and you deliver every time.

For me 2017 was about delivering to all members, making connection to those who may not get to training at Weeroona. That included YouTube videos both for our members and the football public on the rule changes. "Around the mat" sessions were noted and shared onto Facebook so people who couldn't make training were provided with the notes and discussions of the night. Connecting with our future stars with a "home coming" night to learn about what life is like at the higher level. And the media, getting our name and members in the press wherever the opportunity arose and someone should be recognised for a great achievement; I think our brag wall was pretty full by the end of the season.

The midseason review was an opportunity for all members to have their say to the board. We proved in the Survey at the end of 2016 that the board will listen, so the members had their say again. Many of the comments were about the Annual Dinner and those changes were heard and brought about. The board continued all season to work on improving your experience at each game.

Well done to the Kerang crew. That would have been a tough season, we hope you enjoyed running with the BUA this year, we did our best to be inclusive, address any issues and get you all into the best games possible. You are all wonderful people and look forward to you joining us again in 2018.

For everyone at North Central, Loddon Valley and BJFL umpires, we can't do this without you, everyone is important at this club and we want everyone to enjoy what we do. Thank you for all the travelling and all the time you have committed to the sport.



Filming a television commercial for Triple MMM and the BUA.



India January 2017.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Michael Hockley

For the 2017 year, we made a profit of \$12,002 (2016 profit: \$709). This was a good result considering our further commitment to the coaching structure. We invested carefully this year in relation to on field warm up shirts and off field jackets and shirts and we introduced a training t shirt for all members. We currently have a surplus of some sizes in shirts and shorts and will continue to use those into the 2018 season. We are now looking at a change of supplier again in 2018 and hope that they can be a long term supplier into the future. We need to ensure that we get as close a match as possible to our existing uniform so that our current stock does not become obsolete.

We have had a steady and solid year in the Finance Department and thanks to our hard working General Manager Sharon we have managed to keep the money issues to a minimum. This year we moved the administration of appointments and payments to the Schedulers system, which was not without its teething problems as we had not previously paid all umpires on a monthly basis. Thanks to the patience of our members, some of whom were used to being paid monthly, we commenced payments some 6-8 weeks after the first round as we had to invoice leagues after 4 weeks and then they had 4 weeks to pay. We are indeed fortunate that Sharon works closely with all of the Leagues and is able to ensure that these payments do not blow out beyond the 30 days agreed to.

This year has seen a return to the Social Club of yesteryear where we provided basic food and drinks so that members could mix and chat socially after Thursday night training, I would encourage members to avail themselves of this social activity in 2018.

I would like to thank my fellow board members for their tireless work in 2017. It is a tough gig and the small business we run seems to be getting larger and more complex every year. I believe that the Board is on the right track and we do take note of some of survey responses to try and make the BUA a friendly and community minded organisation that we would all like it to be.

Bendigo Umpires Association Inc.

ABN 64 287 243 123

Financial Report
for the year ended
31 October 2017

Bendigo Umpires Association Inc.
 ABN: 64 287 243 123
 Statement of Comprehensive Income
 for the year ended 31 October 2017

	<u>Notes</u>	2017 \$	2016 \$
Revenue	2	479,991	457,659
Recovery of Bad Debts		400	75
Umpire Payments		(421,073)	(403,527)
Depreciation and Amortisation Expense	3	(1,340)	(867)
Function and Bar Expense		(6,786)	(11,618)
Occupancy and Administration Expenses		(9,689)	(6,299)
General Administration Expenses		(29,140)	(34,490)
Other Expenses		(361)	(224)
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Current year surplus		12,002	709
Other comprehensive income		-	-
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Total comprehensive income for the year		12,002	709

Bendigo Umpires Association Inc.
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 Statement of Financial Position
 as at 31 October 2017

	<u>Notes</u>	2017 \$		2016 \$
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	4	76,591		41,221
Trade and other receivables	5	1,638	#	3,288
Inventories	6	12,690		14,737
Total Current Assets		90,919		59,246
Non-Current Assets				
Property, plant and equipment	7	125,221		122,009
Total Non-Current Assets		125,221		122,009
Total Assets		216,140		181,255
Current Liabilities				
Trade and other payables	8	29,517		6,634
Total Current Liabilities		29,517		6,634
Total Liabilities		29,517		6,634
Net Assets		186,623		174,621
Member's Funds				
Capital		137,686		137,686
Retained earnings		48,937		36,935
Total Member's Funds		186,623		174,621

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 Statement of Changes in Equity
 for the year ended 31 October 2017

	Capital \$	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
Balance 1 November 2015	137,686	36,226	173,912
Net surplus for the year	-	709	709
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Balance 31 October 2016	<u><u>137,686</u></u>	<u><u>36,935</u></u>	<u><u>174,621</u></u>
Net surplus for the year	-	12,002	12,002
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Balance 31 October 2017	<u><u>137,686</u></u>	<u><u>48,937</u></u>	<u><u>186,623</u></u>

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 Statement of Cash Flows
 for the year ended 31 October 2017

	<u>Note</u> <u>s</u>	2017 \$	2016 \$
Cash Flows From Operating Activities			
Receipts from operations		29,634	37,796
Receipts from donation and sponsorships		21,069	12,382
Receipts from umpire fees and practice matches		469,244	426,042
Payments to suppliers for goods and services		(59,349)	(82,525)
Payments to umpires		(421,452)	(404,752)
Interest received		776	1,605
Net cash flows provided by/(used in) operating activities	9b	39,922	(9,452)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(4,552)	(914)
Net cash used in investing activities		(4,552)	(914)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held		35,370	(10,366)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		41,221	51,587
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	9a	76,590	41,221



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Sharon McColl

Completing three seasons now with the Bendigo Umpires Association, where has that time gone, they say it flies when you are having fun. For me personally, it has been a great three years in mine and my children's lives, we really enjoy being apart of this Association and helping it grow.

In season the weekly load of match day appointments amazes me. I see the boys worrying about low numbers and how appointments will be filled, but by the end of Thursday night it is like a miracle and somehow, we have the numbers, we are able to fill each and every match.

The juggling that the team in that Boardroom do is like a circus some weeks. Andrew Day, Phil Mason and James Brown have an enormous task weekly with the appointment of boundary umpires, so well done. Alan Stock and Noel Ridge have a much calmer approach and have their goal umpire appointments on Schedules on a Monday, all very organized, congratulations to you both. Gary Russell, you make us all laugh in the Boardroom with your wit, but we would be lost without the enormous job that you do in the junior appointments, so dedicated to the task, thank you for another great season. To our Chairman of Selectors Craig Findlay, we can tell by the way you walk into the room whether you have the numbers or not, but the pencil and rubber come out and you start with the changes, the creativeness you sometimes need to fill the appointments gets it done and you never let the Leagues down. I feel very lucky to work each week in season with such a great team of hard working individuals.

The BUA is so lucky to have the coaching expertise of Dean Goodridge. Dean has taken his coaching accreditation to the next level in season 2017, congratulations and well done. It is great to work with someone who is happy to accommodate the requests that I put forward to you weekly (even taking Charlie for the day). The Association under your coaching is highly professional and producing high quality umpires.

To the Coaching and Fitness Team who work alongside Dean, your efforts in keeping everyone on the track during those cold winter months is some amazing feat. Jason Maher in your first year as Phys Ed, you have earned the respect of your peers with your programs and approachability.

I must make special mention to Peter Hilson, who takes my call every Monday around 11.00am to work out tribunes for the week. Pete you never let us down, thank you.

To the Board Members that assist with the running of the BUA. Paula Shay, firstly congratulations on your Best Clubman Award, this was so well deserved, you go above and beyond, and the BUA is a better place for you being apart of the day to day running of it.

To Michael Hockley, we have worked out way through this financial process, it has been an interesting ride, thank you for your support and assistance.

To Mark Lennox who is leaving us this year, it has been lovely to work with you and thank you for your assistance, we will keep in touch and thank you for your offer to assist with the financials going forward.

Bayne Floyd came on to the Board mid-season and has been a huge assistance in his training night management role. Thank you and I look forward to working with you again next season.

It was a great honor once again to attend the AFL Victoria Community Football Awards and be presented with the 2017 Umpiring Group of the Year. Craig Findlay and myself were invited onto the stage to be interviewed by Craig Willis and talk up our achievements. In the words of Craig Findlay "it is just fantastic".

Congratulations must go to all award winners at our Annual Dinner, this was a great night, well attended by our members. To Ben O'Brien, Connor Ipsen and Jack Bombardieri who worked tirelessly on the video presentations and BUA Street Talk, you brought back a really personal touch to the night, that I know was well received by all in attendance. Joel Peterson was once again a brilliant host.

To the 210 registered umpires in season 2017, thank you for being apart of this Association. When you run out onto the ground every weekend during the season you represent the BUA with such pride and to complete a job that is not always applauded the way it should be. Thank you for being apart of this journey with us all.

I am fortunate in my role to work with the staff at AFL Central Victoria. They run each of their leagues with professionalism and with such a positive work environment our Commission is in great hands. Thank you to Carol Cathcart, Denis Bice, Laura Naughton, Norm Sheahan, Trevor Arnel, Shane Koop and Amy Kenyon.

To our four major sponsors Mark Prince Eyecare Plus, Bendigo Bank, Triple MMM and The Inglewood & District Community Bank, your support of umpires throughout Central Victoria ensures that we are able to provide highly accredited and knowledgeable umpires and a training program that offers fitness levels to keep up with the pace of this fast growing game.

To Golden City Physiotherapy, Bendigo Original Pie Shop and the Bendigo Stadium (incorporating The Wellington and The Borough Club) thank you for your ongoing support.

As we head to Season 2018, let's work together and keep our Association growing. Members take advantage of our incentive program and bring along a friend or family member, that extra bonus at the end of next season might come in handy.

To our Members and your families keep safe over the festive season. On behalf of myself and my children Holly and Charlie we wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and see you all in 2018.

Sharon McColl
General Manager





DIRECTOR OF COACHING REPORT

Dean Goodridge

Season 2017 has been an exciting and successful year for the Bendigo Umpires Association. We have expanded further with the addition of the Northern Districts Umpires Association at the start of the season. We now have training bases at Charlton, Serpentine and Kerang. Our challenge is to continue to ensure that all umpires have access to the same coaching message across the three disciplines. For this reason we will be establishing a training base at Serpentine in 2018 for members of the Loddon Valley, North Central and Northern District based umpires to attend and be exposed to structured coaching sessions for each umpiring discipline. We continue to engage positively with the Bendigo Junior Football League and the recently formed Junior Umpires group, offering coaching and support during the football season. We see this partnership as an additional recruiting strategy for our association to benefit from.

Recruitment and retention, as always are at the forefront of our core business at Board level, as well as continuing to strengthen our ties within our football community. We continue to work closely within our hub which enables us to operate in an efficient and effective manner.

The BUA Board has continued to support the coaching structure that I have employed since my initial employment in 2012. The fees taken out from umpire pays help fund this coaching model and I believe have seen significant improvement in the quality of umpiring across all disciplines. We continue to utilise vision from BFNL senior matches for coaching purposes individually and as a group. In 2018, we plan to expand this to junior football as well as youth women's matches.

I would like to thank and acknowledge those people who took on leadership and coaching positions in season 2017. Our coaching structure is well resourced and the quality of coaching that umpires are exposed to throughout the course of the season is outstanding.

Field Umpires – Craig Findlay (Chairman of Selectors), Jason Seipolt, Craig Burnett and Mark Herman (Match day observers), Peter Hilson (Skills Coach), Garry Russell (Junior Appointments Officer), John Norton (Green Shirt Mentor), Andy Barker (Talent/Pathways), Ron Thompson (North Central Umpire Coach)

Boundary Umpires – Phil Mason (Umpire Coach), Matthew Vittiritti (Skills Coach), Andrew Day (Appointments Officer), Sam Stagg (Match day observer).

Goal Umpires – Alan Stock (Umpire Coach), Noel Ridge (Assistant Coach and Appointments Officer), Craig Bramley (Match Day Observer).

Fitness Advisor – Jason Maher.

Finally I would like to sincerely thank the Board for their continued support of my role within the BUA and in particular Chairman Craig Findlay, Vice Chair Paula Shay and General Manager Sharon McColl for their leadership, organisation and tireless help. I look forward to season 2018 with great optimism and wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas with their family.



Dean Goodridge
Director of Coaching



Dean Goodridge in July 2017 taking part in the MND Ice Challenge. Well done Dean, you raised more than \$1,500 for a very worthy cause and represented the BUA very honorably.



SEASON 2017 AWARD WINNERS



MARK PRINCE EYECARE PLUS – UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Field – Jason Maher
Goal – Leo Holland
Boundary – Jack Bombardieri



BENDIGO BANK – BEST 1ST YEAR UMPIRE

Field – Tom Nicholson
Goal – Paul Martin
Boundary – Zac MacDonald



INGLEWOOD & DISTRICT COMMUNITY BANK – MOST IMPROVED UMPIRE

Field – Matt Bourke
Goal – Damian Nolan
Boundary – Nathan Walker



JOHN HAGLEY MEMORIAL PATHWAYS AWARD

Bronte Annand

GOLDEN WHISTLE AWARD

Bronte Annand



IAN TUDDENHAM – BEST CLUMAN

Paula Shay



SEASON 2017 AWARD WINNERS



IAN COATES MEMORIAL – ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD
Gary Russell



LIFE MEMBERS SCHOLARSHIP
Darcie Cummins
Connor Ipsen



BEST 1ST YEAR JUNIOR UMPIRE
Nicholas Wallace



BUA HISTORY

Umpire of the Year

YEAR	CENTRAL	GOAL	BOUNDARY
1981	FLETCHER, J.		
1982	THRELFALL, Rod	MANLEY, R.	RUFF, M.
1983	THRELFALL, Rod	MILLER, J.	NOLAN, L.
1984	THRELFALL, Ron	MILLER, J.	McDONALD, N.
1985	THRELFALL, Ron	MURTON, B.	GARLICK, C.
1986	GIBSON, N.	CUE, S.	BRODIE, R.
1987	THRELFALL, Rod	MASON, R.	WHEATHLAND, R.
1988	THRELFALL, Rod	OVEREND, I.	BELLESINI, W.
1989	THRELFALL, Ron	HAGLEY, J.	VITIRITTI, M.
1990	MILLAR, G.	PARISH, R.	VITIRITTI, M.
1991	GOUDGE, G.	CUE, S.	GUNN, A.
1992	WILLIAMSON, G.	CUE, S.	GUNN, A.
1993	THRELFALL, Ron	CUE, S.	MITCHELL, T.
1994	FITCH, B.	CUE, S.	BULLOW, S.
1995	WILLIAMSON, G.	CUE, S.	PARKER, D.
1996	WILLIAMSON, G.	STOCKWELL, E.	TREMBATH, B.
1997	McQUILLAN, G.	HAGLEY, J.	HARVEY, R.
1998	WALSH, B.	CUE, S.	HORAN, M.
1999	FINDLAY, C.	HAGLEY, J.	PARKER, T.
2000	GOUDGE, G.	WELLARD, Peter	HUNTER, A.
2001	WILLIAMSON, G and BREEWELL, M.	CUE, S. and HAGLEY, J.	HOURIGAN, A. and WHEELHOUSE, K.
2002	WILLIAMSON, G.	MONK, K.	THOMPSON, E.
2003	BREEWEL, M.	BRAMLEY, C.	BURGESS, T.
2004	WILLIAMSON, G.	CLARK, J.	THRELFALL, Brady
2005	FITCH, B.	BRAMLEY, C.	LOUGOON, T.
2006	RANKIN, B.	ROGERS, N.	LOUGOON, T.
2007	SEIPOLT J.	BRAMLEY, C.	LOUGOON, T.
2008	MASON, P.	BATEMAN, K.	VALENTE, A.
2009	THOMPSON, S.	VARKER, L.	VALENTE, A.
2010	CALDWELL, D.	GUNN, K.	PEARCE, C.
2011	CALDWELL, D.	BRAMLEY, C.	PEARCE, C.
2012	BULLOW, S.	VARKER, L.	HOCKING, M.
2013	HOWARTH, J.	EVANS, C.	STAGG, S.
2014	HUTCHINSON, P.	FORD, W.	BROWN, J.
2015	CALDWELL, D.	VARKER, J.	BROWN, J.
2016	HUTCHINSON, P.	COURT, R.	DINGFELDER, A.
2017	MAHER, J.	HOLLAND, L.	BOMBARDIERI, J.



BUA HISTORY

300 CLUB and BEST CLUBMAN

300 CLUB

ELLERTON, J.
MURTON, B.
CUE, S.
SMITH, A.
THRELFALL, Ron
MILLAR, G.
MASON, R.
GOUDGE, G.
FINDLAY, C.
HAGLEY, J.
WILLIAMSON, G.
FITCH, B.
WILD, G.
WEATHERITT, C.
BARKER, A.
MONK, K.
STOCKWELL, E.
COURT, R.
McEWEN, S.
CARTER, G.

BEST CLUBMAN

1985	SMITH, A.	2011	HAGLEY, J.
1986	DONNELLY, T.	2012	MONK, K.
1987	STONE, N.	2013	MONK, K.
1988	ELLERTSON, J.	2014	NOLAN, D.
1989	THRELFALL, Ron	2015	NADORT, M.
1990	MILLAR, G.	2016	RIDGE, N.
1991	MONK, K.	2017	SHAY, P.
1992	GOUDGE, M.		
1993	CONNELL, R.		
1994	FINDLAY, C.		
1995	MONK, K.		
1996	CUE, B.		
1997	MONK, K.		
1998	CUE, B.		
1999	MONK, K.		
2000	TOBIAS, M.		
2001	MURTON, B.		
2002	WALSH, H.		
2003	WHATLEY, A.		
2004	BREEWEL, M.		
2005	FITCH, B.		
2006	SEIPOLT, J.		
2007	WILD, L.		
2008	JACKMAN, K.		
2009	VAN DYK, P.		
2010	MARTIN, S.		



LIFE MEMBERS

1961	JAMES, W	1996	MURTON, B.
1962	PRICE, F.	1996	DONNELLY, T.
1962	BOUCHER, W.	1997	GOUDGE, G.
1964	HART, J.	1998	MARSHALL, G.
1965	BOLITHO, A.	1998	FINDLAY, C.
1967	MILLS, G..	2001	HOCKLEY, M.
1968	RAYNER, P.	2002	MONK, K.
1970	WHITE, W.	2002	FITCH, B.
1973	TREWARNE, D.	2004	MASON, R.
1973	BOYD, N.	2004	WILLIAMSON, G.
1975	HARRIES, D.	2006	HAGLEY, J.
1976	GRENFELL, N.	2007	WEATHERITT, C.
1976	COAD, M.	2007	BARKER, A.
1977	WILKINSON, L.	2008	BARKER, E.
1977	THIES, K.	2008	ROWLAND, T.
1978	CHAFER, T.	2011	SEIPOLT, J.
1979	BURNS, S.	2011	MARTIN, S.
1981	ELLERTON, J.	2016	CARTER, G.
1981	NANCARROW, R.	2017	McEWEN, S.
1985	DONALDSON, A.		
1985	FLETCHER, J.		
1985	McCASKILL, P.		
1987	SMITH, A.		
1987	WILD, G.		
1979	CAMPBELL, L.		
1979	O'BRIEN, L.		
1982	LANE, T.		
1984	ARNOLD, K.		
1989	CADZOW, J.		
1990	WATERSON, J.		
1991	CUE, S.		
1992	THRELFALL, Ron		
1993	MILLAR, G.		
1994	THRELFALL, Rod		



LIFE MEMBERS



Stephen McEwen was awarded Life Membership at the 2017 Annual Dinner. Stephen, commenced with the BUA in 1995, umpiring currently around 806 games. He has umpired around 316 senior games, including BJFL, HDFL, LVFL AND BFNL Grand Finals. Steve has been a mentor for the last 7 years working with the Goal Umpiring Coaching Staff. He is involved in all facets of the Goal Umpiring Coaching including sponsorship of awards. He is well respected and held in the highest esteem by all at the BUA.

Congratulations Stephen.



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THE BENDIGO UMPIRES
ASSOCIATION ACKNOWLEDGES
THE PASSING OF THE
FOLLOWING MEMBERS IN 2017:

Aub Bolitho
Dave Harries
Sue Cox



GRAND FINAL APPOINTMENTS

2nd September 2017



Seniors



Reserves



Under 18's

GRAND FINAL APPOINTMENTS

9th September 2017



Seniors



Reserves

Under 16's



Under 13's





GRAND FINAL APPOINTMENTS

17th September 2017

Under 12 A



Under 12 B



Under 12 C



Under 12 D



Under 14 Seniors



Under 14 Reserves 1



Under 14 Reserves 2



Under 15 Girls



Under 18 Girls



Under 16 Seniors



Under 16 Reserves 1



Under 16 Reserves 2





GRAND FINAL APPOINTMENTS

23rd September 2017



Seniors



Reserves



Under 18's

