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2010

Bayside Argonauts Football Club

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Paul Mantas - President

President's Message

To my fellow Argonauts welcome to season 2010.

Let me say from the outset that we should all be very proud of our club and its achievements. Over the last few years we have seen amazing growth in our playing numbers, both from a junior and open age perspective. This is a wonderful achievement and highlights that our club provides an environment which is both enjoyable and welcoming.

Bayside Argonauts is a good club but we should all be aspiring in making it a GREAT club.

How do we achieve this?

Our club currently has over 300 people involved. Involvement ranges from playing, coaching, parents, volunteers and supporters. This is a solid foundation and a foundation that allows us to further develop and build on ensuring our club achieves continued success.

I pose the following questions to you all:

- What would it be like to have experienced coaches at every age group?
- What would it be like if our facilities were second to none?
- What would it be like if we developed a culture within our club that we could all view it as a second home?
- What would it be like if every person that joined our club achieved the best they possibly could achieve?

Achieving the above allows us to become a great club but requires one key ingredient. The ingredient is quality people. You see with quality people many wonderful things can be achieved. Whether you are a coach, a player, volunteer or a supporter you can all contribute to the success of Bayside Argonauts. Contributions ranging from organising oranges for a junior team to seeking a club sponsor, or joining a committee.

It is amazing what we can achieve when the number one priority is to ensure that all our members experience a positive and professional environment.

I want to thank all who have contributed thus far and look forward to seeing many more people come forward and assist us in becoming a GREAT club.

I would also like to thank our major sponsors, PJ Pools & Magnapool and the continued support of Hocking Stuart and RBS Morgans. Their support allows us to keep player subscriptions to a realistic level. Please consider our sponsors.

....President's message continued...

Bayside Argonauts is also pleased to announce the following achievements in 2010:

- Introduction of a new junior committee. We welcome Oliver Schulze(Director of Junior Football) Hillary Jansz, Dave Rudzevecuis, Gregorgy Chavez, Con Kolokithas and Roland Storti.
- Introduction of 2 new senior committee members. Alex Poberezovsky & Gareth Pollard
- Appointment of a new senior coach - Ike Alogozides
- Introduction of an open age women's team
- Introduction of an boys under 18 team
- Introduction of a men's master team
- Introduction of an ALL girls under 11 team

Regards Paul Mantas....Go Argonauts!

Ike's Corner – Seniors Coach

After winning promotion in 2009, hype and expectations were building early around the 2010 season. Well aware of the aging player list, we sought to find an injection of youth to compliment the existing experience of the team.

In a tough pre-season, every player new and old was given an opportunity to impress me. Early standouts on the training track were Richard Searle and brothers Nick and Jimmy Varladellis. New keeper Colin Lundie was also impressive and staked an early claim for the No.1 goalkeeping position, despite the strong efforts of 16 y.o. Zac Hillier.

We started the season with a draw against Caulfield Cobras and an impressive win over Lyndale before our first loss against Ashburton. Since then the team has been inconsistent. Approaching the mid stage of the season, the team sits just below mid table in what will prove to be a very even league with all teams capable of taking points off each other.

Most teams in the league seem to have younger squads capable of running hard for 90 minutes and not giving up. As the season goes on the depth of the squad will be tested with injuries, suspensions and holidays requiring all players in the squad to be ready to contribute.



Mouchachos Mumbles – Reserves Coach

The standard of the Reserves Competition has increased significantly this year and there have been some player departures in the off-season so essentially it is a new reserves side the club is fielding in 2010. According to coach Danny Garces *'the Reserve Team is working hard to maintaining the level of competition, the team has been progress very slowly, but they willing to learn week by week about this wonderful game'*. After a slow start to the season, the reserves have bounced back strongly and are looking to finish the season in the top ½ of the ladder.



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From the Bar – Gareth and Duncan on the outlook for season 2010 for the Thirds and Fourths

3RDS - Bringing together an almost foreign team (with only Bridie and Matt flying the Aussie Flag), the 3rds currently sit 1 point off the league leaders due to a defeat in a game finished with 8 men! A youthful side on the whole with Duncan 'Doris' Ross the elder in the camp this season. Boasting an almost completely new squad this season including the French flair of Sam Ketels and the 50 cent head of Jamie Millard, the 3rds are currently firing on all cylinders and looking to finish the season in a promotion spot.

4THS - The fourths are now beginning to gather pace and are turning around their slow start to the season. With seasoned campaigners Chuck, Spiro and Alan making the backbone of the team, there are also some exciting prospects in Duncan Fraser and Doug Mitchell, pushing for inclusion within the 3rds. Season Highlight so far is Doug's 30 yard thunderbolt!! and Alan's Tea Flask....

Bayside Beauties – the inaugural BA Women's team

The inaugural first season for the women's team has been largely successful so far... 4 wins and 3 losses (2 of which should have been won...). Currently sitting 4th in the table it's expected that the women will push for a top 3 finish and hopefully finish the season with some silverware.... Injuries and absentees have made the task that little bit tougher so far this season but if current form can be maintained then expect a big end of season push for the title....

Masters – 'the legends live on...'

'A new team made up of old heads' is how President Paul Mantas described the first official BA Masters team. In truth, the Masters we formed unofficially 3 years ago and have competed in the last 3 Hellenic Cups in the Masters / Veterans category. Indeed the Masters have been Cup Champions in the last 2 Hellenic Cups. A framed photo montage proudly hangs above the bar in the Shipston Reserve changeroom as evidence. Early form has been good with the team first on the ladder and expectations are building for another piece of silverware.

Under 18's - 'preparing for senior football...'

2010 has seen the introduction of the first Bayside Argonauts U18 team. Comprising of mostly 15 and 16 year olds, the boys have found it tough on the park competing against the stronger bodies of the more experienced teams. Regardless of the results, the boys have been improving rapidly, and have shown a great willingness to improve by putting in big efforts 2-3 times a week on the training track. A few of the boys have also made debut appearances in the reserves and performed impressively. Chad Golic and Zac Hillier have also caught the eye of the senior coach and have been asked to train with the seniors during the year. Who knows, a debut for the seniors might not be far away.

A special mention and a big thank-you to Genine Driscoll who has volunteered her time to manage the team during the year, and also to Sam and Rosh have assisted with training and match day coaching.

With the core of the squad still eligible to play U18's for the the next couple of years, the future looks bright for the next generation of Argonauts.



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Bayside Argonauts - Melbourne Victory



Junior Club Engagement Program

In recognition of the continued growth and success of the Bayside Argonauts FC we have been invited to participate in this Melbourne Victory Junior Club Engagement Program.

The aim of this program is to foster relationships with junior clubs in metropolitan Melbourne, focusing on the development and growth of grassroots football to make the world game accessible to players of all backgrounds and abilities.

On Thursday May 6th this year Melbourne Victory stars Grant Brebner and Stephen Hatzikostas visited our clubrooms at Shipston Reserve to meet our junior players and sign team posters. Our junior players were very excited to meet the Victory stars and have their photos taken. I'm sure the signed Victory posters are hanging proudly on many Bayside bedroom walls.



Team Spotlight - Girls Under 11 (the first BA all girls team)

A new ALL GIRLS team has been established comprising predominantly of girls who have come through the club's GoalKick and SSG programs.

Playing in the local U11 league, the girls have quickly taken to official competition and have improved dramatically each match in the early rounds of the season. There was elation on the field and also on the sidelines when the girls finally scored their first goal in a 1-1 draw in round 3, where they were very unlucky not to grab their first victory. Considering most girls range in age from 7 to 9 year of age. they have been very competitive in all games thus far. With the enthusiasm that they have shown to learn at training and during the games, I am sure many wins are not too far away.

Up & Coming Events

For further information on up and coming events please contact
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Forthcoming Events

- Sunday 6th June – Bunnings Mentone Sausage Sizzle fundraiser
- Sunday 13th June – Trivia Night – Out 4 Thai
- Friday 2nd July – B2B Breakfast – World Cup Breakfast
- Saturday 10th July – Greek Night
- Saturday 14th August – Poker Night – Clubrooms Shipston Reserve
- Friday 24th September – End of Year Celebration and Presentation Night

A BIG THANK-YOU

As you can probably tell from this publication, there is plenty of action happening at the Argonauts. The club has continued to grow and continues to attract players at every level.

With so many players and teams it is a challenge to communicate effectively. The club's website remains the main source of information for all players, supporters and friends. The club is also on Facebook and Twitter so for those tech savvy fans make sure you sign up to stay informed.

All of this growth and success would not be possible without the ongoing help of volunteers at every level. We would like to thank all the coaches, team managers, volunteers, helpers, committee representatives, stand in referees, parents, friends and others we have missed.

Our growth and success is also attributable to the fantastic support we receive from our **sponsors.**

If you are building or renovating a pool, make sure you contact Peter or Tanya from PJ Pools on 9792 4920 or check out their website at www.pjools.com.au We know from feed-back we have received from members – their pricing is very competitive and their service is exceptional.

If you are thinking of selling your house or looking to buy in the Bayside area, please contact Jenny Dwyer from Hocking Stuart on 9521 9800.

If you need help with shares, superannuation or other financial matters, please contact Sean Gaskell or Chris Kozaris from RBS Morgans on 9591 3555.

We also have many individual player and team sponsors who we would like to acknowledge and thank including don't bug me, Mr Gloss and Design Industries. If you would like to sponsor and support the Argonauts please contact Chris Kozaris on 0411 206 178.

We thank-you for your support and look forward to seeing you at Shipston Reserve soon.

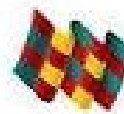


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