



2017 YEARBOOK



FOOTBALL
QUEENSLAND

Clive
BERGHOFER
LAND SALES



PS4
NATIONAL
PREMIER LEAGUES

PRINCIPAL SPONSOR

Clive BERGHOFER LAND SALES

Proud Sponsor of the South West Queensland Thunder FC

Buy Direct from the Developer & Save

*For details of land subdivisions in
Kearneys Spring or Highfields phone:*

Sales Office: (07) 4633 0555

Clive's Mobile: 0409 330 555





SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

To the Players, Supporters and Parents of the 2017 SWQ Thunder FC,

Another exciting year is almost completed and I wish to thank you all for your support of this great club. We have fielded strong teams in the NPL, WNPL, Juniors and SAP and are one of the very few clubs to have this kind of representation in the most elite football program in Queensland. I am very proud to have taken on the Chairman role of Thunder and am keen to build on the great work that Mr Jon Haynes and the board of directors have done thus far. On behalf of Thunder I want to thank you Jon and outgoing board member Mr Peter Munster for your monumental efforts, volunteering your services to this passionate club.

Next year is a year of many exciting challenges – not least of all will be the inclusion of the new era of players coming into the club and playing the full-time SAP program instead of the local community competition. We need to build our players of the future from the get-go in a strong, professional and elite SAP program. Our facilities will be upgraded at Captain Cook with new day and night training fields required for this program. We have also focussed our attention on securing highly experienced coaches to play a critical role in providing the core skills for these players to succeed in our NPL competition.

The Junior program is also gathering momentum with a number of our boys and girls junior teams achieving great success in the 2017 NPL competition. Additionally we have had several of our players participate at Queensland and Australian championships. Congratulations to all the players that achieved representative honours this year, playing elite football for this club and representative teams. This is a sign of a club that is building towards something special. I also wanted to mention how impressed I have been with the improvement and skill development with our juniors this year. I have attended many games and have seen a vast improvement in the club from the start to the back-half of the season. Whilst winning feels nice, this is the real reason that we are all part of this club – to be the best that you can be!

Finally to the Senior teams, thank you on providing some wonderful moments this year. Whilst we are still striving for consistency, I believe that we are well on the way to being a powerhouse in the NPL. Teams now come up the hill respecting the style of football we can deliver. I know a few teams were blown away with our best performances this year in the men's and women's competition! As we come into the world of promotion and relegation I know that we have a great opportunity to create a long lasting culture of success for SWQ Thunder. This won't come unless we

all buy into the Thunder culture and bring positivism, professionalism, and a team centred approach that works and trains hard for each other. We have a vision to win the NPL within the next five years and for this to happen we need to support each other implicitly. The club is committed to providing world class coaches, great players and new training facilities for the whole club (including additional fields and club high performance facilities) at Captain Cook. We want the very best for this club and we want to produce the very best players in all of our teams to make our vision reality.

Thanks everyone for your commitment this year whether it be playing on the field, coaching our teams, managing our teams, running the gate, setting up the fields, sponsoring our teams, scheduling games, keeping our players sane or supplying and cleaning jerseys. Every bit counts and the board is certainly appreciative of your help to keep this machine going! All the best for the end of season games – please use this time wisely to get yourself prepared for the upcoming trials and the new 2018 season.

Yours Sincerely,

Wade Eiser
Chairman
South West Queensland Thunder FC



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



BOARD MEMBER	POSITION	PORTFOILIO
Wade Eiser	Chairman	Senior Club Coordinator
Jason Hall	Vice Chairman	Administration & Governance
Jon Haynes	Director	Junior Club Coordinator Finance Manager
Laurie Passante	Director	Media & Communication
Sue Lister	Director	Clothing / Volunteers
Mandy Adams	Director	Business Development Manager
Thomas Carroll	Director	Academies / Clinics
Janelle Sothmann	Director	Football Operations Manager
Salvatore Sottile	Club Technical Director	

SWQ THUNDER VOLUNTEERS

David Lobwein	Photographer
Andrea Purcell	Accounts Manager
Lachlan & Jessica Marwood	Physios
Bryan Marriage	Media Reporting
Terri Percy	Social Media
Trevor Howard & Kyle Townsend	Medical Support Officers



AGE	COACH	ASSISTANT COACH	MANAGER
SAP Girls	Scott Teakle		
SAP Boys	David Nugent Matt Proctor		
U12 Boys	Kyle Townsend	Craig Van Heerden	Doug Spinks
U13 Girls	Derek Kane	Tim Littlejohn	Melanie Jocumsen Amanda Fraser
U13 Boys	Scott Teakle	Michael Smith	Andrew Roche
U14 Boys	Francesco Zanoncelli		Barry O'Sullivan Thomas Carroll
U15 Boys	Dan Percy	Peter Broadfoot	Sue Lister
U15 Girls	Craig Lockwood	Tim Hutton	Sue Gotz
U16 Boys	Glenn Parish	Matt Gaske	
U17 Girls	Kris Hemmerling	Wayne Richardson	Kristi Scofield
U18 Boys	David Park-Ballay	Rubens Borges	Paul Brennan
U20 Men	Matt Proctor	Jordan Pollard	Jason Richardson
Senior Women	Ken Bosence	Anthony Bigby	
Senior Men	Francesco Zanoncelli	Mick Turvey	
Goal Keepers	Rocco Travierso		Jason Hall



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER

TECHNICAL DIRECTORS REPORT

Technical Director Report

Hello Beautiful Toowoomba and district Football Family.

Wow another year and season wrapping up with you all within this beautiful region!!

I have loved my time with you this year very much.

I get so much joy watching how much the region is slowly growing in football and confidence. In particular seeing how much bigger and successful our Club is becoming in all the areas of football.

This year Thunder and the Board have both achieved, and made, great success in all the range of football activities.

This has been in many ways a founding year because this year we have now set up the next 5 years of football activities in the region. We now have the license for SAP boys and girls, juniors boys and girls and the women's and men's teams.

ONLY two Clubs in the state of QLD have these amazing results! Only these two clubs can run every possible opportunity for every level of player through the NPL club and we are one of them.

This is a credit to the Thunder Board, the coaches and the Zone who have worked outside the football field to achieve this. As a Technical Director, and personally as Salvo, I am proud to be part of this team.

It is absolutely amazing to see how SWQ Thunder FC this year has developed through this pathway, and identified through Football Qld, 15 State Players plus 4 are training with the National Australian Training Camp. This is a record from a NPL club to produce so much talent. It is a credit to the hard work of the coaches over the last two years.

We are also continuing to build our Top Team, considering we are one of the youngest teams in the league with the average player only 22 years old. Over the last two years this youthful team have beaten some of the toughest clubs such as Brisbane City and Brisbane Strikers who won the Minor Premiership this year. We are in the process of consolidating our seniors football, as next year we now face promotion and relegation in the National Premier League.

Again, I would love to say thank you to all the players and families for being part of Thunder, where our mission as a coach and technical people is to develop all the Players from under 7 through our Academy programs all the way to the men's team.

We have had the full support of the Zone and region with Football Queensland - South West Football in continuing

to develop our strengths through working collaboratively, where we represent the full region.

This is a huge reflection on our super JANELLE SOTHMANN who works with, and assists Thunder constantly.

I personally have found it so important to have the Club and football Association working closely together because without this, the region would not be able to have such a great growth and support network.

.
We have great news about the upcoming new sport facilities and commitment from the council for this amazing development, where Thunder will have their own space and foundations. This is a great achievement from the Board in lobbying and pushing this.

This location development will only add more strength to the next 5 years of license development and delivery.

As Technical Director, and as Salvo, I am feeling so grateful to see how Thunder FC is moving forward into its future in such a short period of time.

I look forward to watching Thunder FC continue to grow under these conditions and to go on and to be able to always offer the kids from every town, and every part of the region, a National Premier League opportunity whilst following their dream.

As Salvo, I was feeling yet again, it was wonderful and beautiful to have my football life bring me to this beautiful region and people.

ciao

Regards

Salvo Sottile



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 12 BOYS

Coach: Kyle Townsend

Assistant Coach: Craig Van Heerden

Manager: Douglas Spinks

At the start of the season, we had 15 individuals who represented several different localities and who were trialling for their first NPL team but were essentially playing for themselves. Now at the end of the 2017 season, we have 15 little men, who all represent the same team and who are all now willing to play for each other.

Through the initial trial period and into the early part of this year, the boys came into their first semi-professional competition with all having only played in their local Club and the Skills Acquisition Program (SAP) the previous season. For me as the coach, the first few sessions the boys would really be tested with the expectations I had for the team. Many conversations followed with Craig and Doug about the boys over tea (unfortunately they still don't drink Dilmah!) about what we wanted the team to achieve this year. We came to the conclusion that no matter the result of each game, we wanted them to develop both tactically and technically. Each session and every game the boys were pushed further and further and not once did they falter. Each of them individually and collectively has improved beyond measure from the start of the year. Moving forward from that, there will always be the technical elements and the skill elements that they can improve on and they need to continue the hard work and perseverance.

The important part of every session and/or game was the boys ability to problem solve for themselves. It was for the boys to understand; who, why, when and where and to figure out a solution. This to me creates the best type of players. The boys were outstanding in doing this and it was demonstrated from the first half to the second half of the season. Secondary to this every player always turned up with smile and remembered that we play football to have fun.

We have enjoyed their company immensely this year working with them and how they developed into this team they are now.

Kyle Townsend
U12 Boys Coach 2017





2017 U12 Boys



Back: Craig van Heerden (Assistant Coach), Luke Parish, Jordan Bigby, Paul Jacob, Kyle Townsend (Coach), Thomas Dwyer, Ethan Bigby, Khai van Heerden and Doug Spinks (Manager).

Front: Sam Hinton, Ben Anderson, Nicholas O'Sullivan, Jeremy Zuyderwyck, Callum Francis, William Manning, Andrew Upchard Green, Tyler Spinks and Jake McGuire.

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 13 BOYS

Coach: Scott Teakle

Assistant Coach: Michael Smith

Manager: Andrew Roche

"Score more goals than the opposition".

Simple concept isn't it. Until you add someone like myself who isn't satisfied with it being that easy.

For three quarters of this team it has been the second year of coaching from me and I guarantee that the second year is always easier for coaching than the first. We have been able to leverage off from what we established last season and the boys have excelled in most challenges that have been laid before them.

This group of boys is no doubt a special group. With every single boy able to display a suitable (if not above average) level of individual skill, this makes the life of a coach both easier and more challenging. We could quite possibly send the boys onto a field each week and they would perform well, but as I said before, I have not been satisfied with that. Therefore each week the players are given tasks that they are usually not comfortable with. Whilst they do not necessarily execute their tasks completely each week, they are at least trying and with repetition they begin to understand what is expected of them. As these boys move forward in their football life, I hope that they continue to challenge themselves (as they are nowhere near being the finished product yet).

One of the aims for this season was to increase the ability of the team to play with greater intensity week in week out (our Achilles heel last season). We have been able to have the players train at the pace we like to play. This has been more than evident when we have come up against the best teams in our competition and have been able to finish the games as strong as we have started.

At the beginning of July we were fortunate enough to have 8 players attend a carnival in Mackay, from which we had 7 boys selected to stay behind and attend the Qld Country trials. After these trials we were able to have four boys (Riley Willmot, Noah Lawson, Alex Kiers and Luke Beutel) selected for the Qld Country team and another two (Jordynn Watts and Brock Smith) selected as shadows. These six boys were then invited to train with the Qld Metro until they go away in October. I wish these boys the best of luck.

As my time with the boys comes to an end, I have a couple of quotes for them.

'Too many pats on the back will put you to sleep'

'If it is to be, its up to me'

Scott Teakle

U13 Boys Coach 2017





2017 U13 Boys



Back: Michael Smith (Assistant Coach), Jordynn Watts, Brock Smith, Riley Willmot, Brendan Roche, Levi Cuskelly, Tyson Liesch, Ethan Hennessy and Andrew Roche (Manager).

Front: Ky Richardson, Samuel Davey, Noah Lawson, Alexander Kiers, Harrison Hepner, Jack Coulter, Luke Broderick, Jaisal Narsey and Luke Beutel.

Absent: Scott Teakle (Coach).

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 13 GIRLS

Coach: Derek Kane

Assistant Coach: Tim Littlejohn

Manager: Melanie Jocumsen & Amanda Rice

It has been my absolute privilege to coach this talented group, with each one of them making improvements throughout the season. They have a great ability to listen and absorb what we ask them to do...most of the time anyway!

When I first saw the girls back in October, I saw there was some good individual skill and talent, developed through SAP. We wanted to turn that into a football team. Anyone who watched them play said they were a pleasure to watch and played great football, although we didn't always get the results we felt we deserved all the time.

This group of girls, ranging from 11-13 years, developed a solid bond and learnt to trust each other which reflected in their team play. As part of that, we needed 2 'volunteers' each week to play in goal (we had no recognised keeper). There were some entertaining displays in this position, some involving goal keeper runs! A huge thank you to all for stepping up when needed.

Each one of these girls has their own individual personality, and while we tried to have an element of fun at training, the girls put in a huge effort and were always respectful, and their families should be proud of them. I really hope that these young ladies continue in their football journey, I wish them every success.

I would like to say a special thank you to Jordie Franke who took the time to attend many of our training sessions/games. The girls loved her and she provided a vital link to the ladies' team.

A huge thank you to our management team Amanda and Mel, without whom Tim and I would be totally lost (literally)! Thank you to Mel whose positive and approachable personality made us feel like a happy family!

Lastly, I want to thank Tim for taking a chance on me, we had only met once, 2 years previous! I relied on Tim many times throughout the season and his honesty, humour and insight into games and training was always appreciated, I hope he continues with coaching as he is a great asset to the game.

The team, both on and off the pitch, make it a thoroughly enjoyable and rewarding season and I feel honoured to have been a part of it.

Derek Kane

U13's Girls Coach 2017





Back: Tim Littlejohn (Assistant Coach), Tayla Gotz, Maddison Teakle, Bronte Lane, Macey Eiser, Ashlee Parravicini, Mikayla Smith, Isabelle Payne and Derek Kane (Coach).

Front: Zara Haynes, Lucy Major, Madison Kane, Holly Littlejohn, Layla Proctor, Claire Jocumsen, Kellie McMahon, Bridget Fraser and Halle Neilsen.

Absent: Melanie Jocumsen (Team Manager).

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 14 BOYS

Coach: Francesco Zanoncelli

Manager: Barry O'Sullivan/Thomas Carroll

Our team is full of passion, we love learning from each other and growing whilst developing our football skills. We achieved great games by working as a team, supporting one another, putting in tremendous effort and paying respect to everything and everyone around us. We have made sacrifices and we all stepped outside our comfort zone; in doing so we have made real progress since we first started playing. I was very proud to see the Under 14 team combine with the Under 13 team to contest the state championships in Mackay. The players not only played high intensity positive football but learnt the ins and outs of living as a team on the first of many football road trips for you all. Five of the boys were successful in making the Queensland Country squad for 2017. I hope there will be much more representative success for this team. There is a great platform to build a highly competitive team in the Under 15 NPL competition next year. Let's start planning your success early.

As your coach I am unbelievably proud, not only for how you have developed as a football team but how throughout this time we have had lots of fun whilst making unforgettable memories. Most importantly you never give up as a team! This will stand you in a good position for closing out games in the future and no doubt you will achieve great success in 2018. Thankyou to the support of the players, the families and most importantly our managers Mr Barry O'Sullivan and Mr Thomas Carroll. Your hours of sacrifice to manage this team is an act of selfless dedication which is certainly appreciated by us all in the Under 14 squad.

I am very thankful to have coached this wonderful team and am looking forward to seeing you take your football development to the next level in 2018.

Francesco Zanoncelli
U14 Boys Coach 2017





2017 U14 Boys



Back: Francesco Zanonecilli (Coach), Hunter Purcell, Angus Morris, Dylan Proctor, Elijah Mayers, Jarrah McNicol, Quayd Harrison, Cody Carroll and Thomas Carroll (Manager).

Front: Noah McGrath, Kavinda Perera, Jacob Eiser, James O'Sullivan, Marcus Johnston, Jacob Bunt, Memphis-Reyne Smith, Liam Foley and Jack DeBortoli.

Photography by:



Advanced Electrical
Services & Solutions Pty Ltd

SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 15 GIRLS

Coach: Craig Lockwood

Assistant Coach: Tim Hutton

Manager: Sue Gotz

The 2017 NPL season has come to an end and what an amazing year we have had. We saw 11 of last year's squad move on and we welcomed 4 girls who moved up from the Under 13's and 8 players new to NPL football.

This would be our first challenge, to get this group of girls to gel together and develop as a team. We had girls learning to play new positions and they did it all with a fantastic attitude and some hard work. They have become an extremely close knit group who have grown into a fantastic group of young ladies.

Our keeper - Caity has grown better every game and has organised everyone from the back

Our Backs - Amy, Claudia, Chloe Clarke, Casey and Zoe have worked tirelessly all season and become quality defenders.

Our Midfield – Maddy, Chloe Hutton, Izzy, Georgia Favero and Alix have been our engine room and our creativity

Our Attackers, Rhi, Georgia Hemmerling, Hannah and Kayla giving us the drive and width to play good football and with 9 different goalscorers this season shows our team first attitude.

We had been competitive in every game and despite not always getting the results we would have liked, every team knew that they were in for a tough game when playing Thunder. We saw Casey Evans and Chloe Hutton selected in the Under 14 and Under 15 Qld NPL Teams, 10 girls selected in the Darling Downs squad with Izzy Harris and Chloe Hutton selected in the QLD schoolgirls team.

I am extremely proud of this wonderful group and there is never a dull moment, whether it be Izzy's fantastic pregame singing, Hannah's own special language she's developed or Kayla's all out craziness. We've also seen Clarkey taking on girls twice her size, Claudia's spine breaking tackles and Maddy's love of hitting the crossbar continue.

Thank you to our Captain Izzy and Vice-captain Maddy for your leadership, to Tim for all your support and assistance and to our 'MUManager' Sue for putting up with all our craziness. Thanks to the parents for their commitment and support as well. Thanks to our shadow player Danah Gaske for helping out this year as well.

Thank you, girls, for an amazing year, I am privileged and honoured to have coached you and wish you every success in your footballing future.

Craig Lockwood

U15 Girls Coach 2017





2017 U15 Girls



Back: Timothy Hutton (Assistant Coach), Casey Evans, Kayla Jackson, Zoe Doyle, Sue Gotz (Team Manager), Chloe Clarke, Isabelle Harris, Rhiannon Alexander and Craig Lockwood (Coach).

Front: Madison Lockwood, Alix Weatherstone, Hannah Evans, Claudia Ott, Caitlyn Gotz, Amy Jocumsen, Chloe Hutton, Georgia Hemmerling, and Georgia Favero.

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 15 BOYS

Coach: Dan Percy

Assistant Coach: Peter Broadfoot

Manager: Sue Lister

I have thoroughly enjoyed my two seasons coaching the Thunder NPL U15 Boys team. It has been my privilege to watch these young men grow and learn as footballers. These young men have really understood the concepts of my football philosophy. They work efficiently transitioning from BP to BPO back to BP. This high press, and knowing when to high press as a unit, is what we have worked very hard at perfecting this year. Each player has listened and learnt their individual roles to help them play competitive football.

The entire squad have become valuable players for the roles they provide week in, week out, making the team as a whole more consistent. Throughout the two years I have coached them, I have watched the team progressively achieve higher ball possession percentages in their games. I have really enjoyed every session and love spending my Sunday's watching these young men play football. Thank you boys for being not only impressive young men but also talented footballers.

I was fortunate to have the aid of Peter Broadfoot, who I'd like to thank for all of his assistance and knowledge in guiding the team. I'd also like to thank Sue Lister who has been an impeccable manager, her help throughout the season has been invaluable.

Dan Percy

Coach U15 Boys

SWQ Thunder FC





2017 U15 Boys



Back: Peter Broadfoot (Assistant Coach), Cameron Percy, Calum Proctor, Samuel Noye, Kodi Bailey, Dylan Walz, Connor McLeod and Dan Percy (Coach).

Front: Alexander Munster, Janao Philip, Joshua Rogers, Jahrem Richardson, Jon Crowe, Luke Lister, Eli Adams, Bailey McDonald and Edward Poulton.

Absent: Prasiddha Paudyal

Photography by:



TOOWOOMBA
WATERPROOFING
solutions





UNDER 16 BOYS

Coach: Glenn Parish

Assistant Coach/Manager: Matt Gaske

Physio: Trevor Howard

With our first player group meeting we set some standards and goals for our season ahead. We needed a foundation which we could build on.

- To be competitive and play an attractive brand of football (which we achieved).
- To become one team and trust each other, not a team of individuals (we believe we have done that).
- When we set foot on the field we give it all we have – pride in our efforts (which we achieved).

Our U16 team has lost the tag of easy beats and we have proven this with our results. The other teams now stand up and take notice of us. Well done team!

Our Glove Man – Jayden: his work ethic is second to none. Always asks how he can improve himself. Well done and keep up the hard work.

Our Backline – Frank, Will, Billy, Riley, Lachlan: Anticipating, reading the play and challenging for the ball facing forward. You also all work hard to provide an option in attack. Well done lads!

Our Midfield – Ky, Fletcher, Sam, Keanu: You are now dominating other team's midfield and controlling the game. Well done gentlemen!

Our Attacking Forwards – Alick, Cormac, Tharunda, Nick, Dylan: You have all worked really hard on your finishing and the results show. 16 goals in 5 games - these goals have come against three of the top teams on the ladder. Well done lads!

Our Shadows – Cody, Ky, Ethan, Oredi, Zac, Devon, Dale: our utmost gratitude has to be given to you all. You have all done a tremendous job when you have stepped in. Thanks fellas!

Our Captains – Fletcher and Alick: you two men guided the troops around by leading the team with actions and not verbal demands. Well done boys and thank you for all of your support during the season.

Thank you

Matt a huge effort on your behalf. There are only two people that know how high maintenance I am, and they are my wife and Kerry Weber (my last manager). You have just become the third. You put up with my high tech (haha) texts and kept the team in the loop with on the spot communication. The team and I owe you a lot.

Trev, our physio, words cannot describe how indebted the team and I are with your efforts to help these young men with growing bodies to get through the season.

Our parent group – we the U16 team thank you all for making sacrifices during the year. This provided us with the working environment we needed to become a better team.

We would like to thank the Thunder administration and Supporters Group for all of your volunteered time and effort. Also the U16 Thunder team would like to send out a huge thank you to Bartercard for sponsoring our team.

Lastly gentlemen, it has been a challenge and also a privilege to watch you develop and grow in stature over this past season. I have learnt so much from you all this season. Thank you so much. I hope transition into the senior football ranks is a smooth one for you all.

All the best for the future.

Glenn Parish

U16 Boys Thunder Coach 2017



2017 U16 Boys



Back: Glenn Parish (Coach), Oredi Kibombo, Will Hayes, Frank Mills, Ford (Sam) Hirst, Ethan Lunn, Ky Smith, Tharunda Perera and Matt Gaske (Assistant Coach)

Front: Cody Liesch, Nicholas Mansfield, Riley Sears, Lachlan Brannelly, Jayden Richardson, Cormac McCarthy, Billy Haynes, Keanu Tuart and Dylan Myers.

Absent: Fletcher McDonald and Alick Gaske.

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 17 GIRLS

Coach: Kris Hemmerling

Assistant Coach: Wayne Richardson

Manager: Kristi Scofield

The Under 17 girls was a new addition to the WNPL in 2017. This competition was an unknown quantity to us all and in the end became quite tough. These girls ended up excelling, however if they put all their energies into football, would have excelled to a much greater extent. Although the table shows us quite lowly, we were actually very competitive in every game except for minor lapses of concentration. I can see huge individual improvements in all players. We need to also remember, only three players were actually U17 age with the rest eligible to play again next season. Not so for the majority of our opposition. These girls have all made great new friends and rehashed old friendships.

Highlights extend to the away game at Olympic to celebrate "pink ladies day". A day for the opposition, however we made it a day for us with three outstanding goals and some very good football. Another game we dominated was the highly fancied The Gap, keeping them to a 0-0 draw.

Players who have excelled are our midfield with Macca scoring goals and Zoe and Rosie commanding their positions. Emma on the wing was also outstanding. As was Nina as outside Back.

I'd like to thank Wayne for his help. He is an exciting new coaching prospect for the thunder football club and will do very well in the future.

Kristi our manager has been outstanding and was an outstanding role model for these girls all season. The girls are very lucky to have her influence around them.

I wish these girls all the best for the future with some migrating to the open ladies team next season.

Kris Hemmerling
U18 Girls Coach 2017





Back: Wayne Richardson (Assistant Coach), Kristi Scofield (Team Manager), Rosemary Peek, Annabelle Lyndon, Julia Martin, Claudia Maiore, Courtney Morris, Zoe Brown, Kristian Hemmerling (Coach) and Nikolas Hemmerling (Assistant).

Front: Emma Jackson, Emily Clarke, Tessa Scofield, Taylah Berlin, Sarah Bradbury, Mataeaya Higgs, Nina Grant, Mackenzie Robinson and Daniella Pozzebon.

Absent: Courtney Jackson

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 18 BOYS

Coach: David Park-Ballay

Assistant Coach: Rubens Borges

Manager: Paul Brennan

"It is difficult to get to the top, but even harder to stay there!" (Alvaro Arbeola)

The U18 team were State Champions last year but were unable to reach the same heights this year.

To their credit all the players but one - Tom White - were new, and our team was the second youngest one after the Brisbane Roar, which gives us lots of hope for next year.

The pre-season was far from being favourable, with many games cancelled due to the hot weather, the rain or the absence of referee! As a result, the first game against Brisbane City was our biggest lost (4-0). However, the following results were quite positive. Knowing that eight out of our nine first games were away, we had memorable victories against Brisbane Roar (2-0) or Western Pride (2-1), and great football played with an 18-pass goal against Redlands United (5-1). The team was sitting 4th on the ladder and optimism was growing up in the group for the second part of the season. Unfortunately, we underperformed during the home games, winning only one game during all winter (Moreton Bay 2-1), even being defeated by Sunshine Coast (2-1) for example.

Overall, we can bring some positives out: we played evenly against all the teams in the competition, six of our lost games were only by one goal and we had the best results against the champion, Western Pride, a victory and a draw. Finally, we finished the most fair-play team with less than one yellow card per game in average.

Individually, it's worth noting than Riley Mason played every single minute of all games this year, closely followed by Captain Riley Lobwein and Jordan Howard, consistent players who showed leadership skills on the field. Bayley Brennan and George Owen were the most reliable players at training. Dan Weber and Fred Pfeiffer finished best goalscorers with eight and seven goals respectively. Finally, some players such as Brady Mason and Dan Weber played regularly with the U20 team and even had a taste with the top-side team, which is always a memorable moment and a reward for their hard-work and abilities.

David Park-Ballay

U18 Boys Coach 2017





2017 U18 Boys



Back: David Park-Ballay, Rubens Borges, Brandon Dixon, Bayley Brennan, Daniel Weber, Riley Lobwein, Asbjorn Gaskell, Thomas White, Brady Mason, George Owen, Trevor Howard (Trainer).

Front: Joseph Scott, Mannyx Smith, Richard Hayden, Frederick Pfeiffer, Reiley Mason, Jordan Howard, Dion Shuttleworth, Timothy Zuyderwyk and Alex Price.

Photography by:



 Queensland XRay



SENIOR WOMEN

Coach: Anthony Bigby

As the 2017 season comes to an end I look back and think about what went right and what went wrong. We shared laughter, tears, the joy of success and, yes, our fair share of frustration and disappointment.

With highlights like beating Easts at Easts 5:2, the narrow 1:0 loss to Souths, and the 9:2 thumping to Sunny Coast, we showed that we can mix it with some of the best teams in the competition. Sadly, injuries again took a heavy toll this year and too many people were too injured too often.

There were more special individual moments this season than I have space to mention, but Mel's 9 goals from 13 games, and Lou's 22 goals from 17 games both deserve acknowledgement, as does Caitlyn's left foot strike against Pride (before picking up the ball). At the other end, I want to mention Lea stepping into goals 2 minutes before kick-off against Easts and Jordie's committed tackling week in week out. Of course, Kylie's mid-season addition and subsequent return to the field can't be overlooked.

This season so far, we have had 10 team of the week performances, with Jordie (3), Lou (3) and Mel (2) all making multiple appearances. Sadly, the win over Easts was a catch up otherwise we probably would have had another 3 appearances.

Unfortunately, the Phantom only made a cameo appearance this year, which left us a little short staffed, but thanks to Scott and Craig we managed. I want to thank Jenny Berry for the unwavering support all year, videographer, statistician, equipment and kit manager, and of course the magic handbag whenever someone needed tape, band-aids or even tiger balm. Also, a big thank you to the girls from the u17 squad who stepped in to help us out this year, and congratulations to all who made their senior debut this year.

Finally, thanks to the talented, beautiful, amazing, funny, brave, and often very frustrating group of young women who I was lucky enough to share the journey with. Ladies, it has been an honour and a privilege.

Anthony Bigby

Women's Coach 2017





2017 Senior Women



Back: Scott Teakle (Training Manager), Anthony Bigby (Assistant Coach), Jessica Fry, Kate Beecham, Caitlyn Stocker, Kiama Gray, Lana Styler, Jenny Berry (Team Manager) and Craig Lockwood.

Front: Madison Franke, Shandell Doro, Samantha Betts, Melanie Lloyd, Katlin Peterson (Reserve Goal Keeper), Kylie Barton, Louise Rolfe, Jordan Franke and Sarah Sheridan.

Absent: Elizabeth Hollitt, Rosanna Berry and Lea Hippauf.

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



UNDER 20 MEN

Coach: Matthew Proctor

Assistant Coach: Jordan Pollard

Manager: Jason Richardson

Anybody involved in Senior football will tell you that being the U20's coach is the worst job in football and to be perfectly honest, they're not far wrong.

This frustration bears from only have 6 players to work with at training whilst the first team has more than enough or having enough to do some tactical work only to then lose players so that the first team can complete their session. But that is the nature of the beast.

However, the positive side of this is that I have worked with a great bunch of lads who on their day can beat any team in the league. They have shown great character over the course of the season along with a fantastic work ethic.

From the outset of pre-season, it was clear to me that the group of players that I was working with had great potential and it was no coincidence that the first team coach at the time took a number of them from the U20's to bolster and improve his team for the Silver Boot competition and for the start of the NPL campaign.

That trend has continued throughout the season under the reign of the new first team coach with several of the U20's being drafted into the first team squad, some of whom I have not seen since.

The season has been tumultuous one with results and at times we have struggled to field a team, even re-calling players who had quit the club to play in the game against Brisbane City. Fortunately we have been able to call on the quality of our U18's team, many of whom have stepped up and given a very good account of themselves. So, from that respect, the future is bright.

So, has the 2017 season been successful one for the U20's.

I look at the first team and see the names of Salisbury, Philip, Edwards, Grant & Piok on the team sheet, all were originally members of the U20's squad. I also see the names of Frost, Hall, Ball, Dunn, Passante, McCarthy, Franke & Percy that have made numerous first team appearances. So, from the view of facilitating the first team with good quality, young players then yes – it has been successful.

The season has been an enjoyable one for me when I have been out on the practice field and on game days working with the players. That has been made even easier with the help and advice of Jordan Pollard and Jason Richardson – thanks so much fellas.

All the best

Matt Proctor - U20's Head Coach





2017 U20 Men



Back: Jason Richardson (Manager), Christopher McCarthy, Richard Hayden, Jackson Franke, Lathan Dunn, Matthew Proctor (Coach), Daniel Weber, Colin Ball, Matt Hull, Wade Hall and Jordan Pollard (Assistant Coach).

Front: Randolph Gonpue, Brady Mason, Keegan Dixon, Anthony Passante, Jack Percy, Joshua Frost and Adam Daly.

Absent: Jayden Formosa, David Kuanza and Jack Campbell.

Photography by:



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



SENIOR MEN

Coach: Francesco Zanoncelli

Assistant Coach: Mick Turvey

Manager: Jason Hall

Following on from our most successful season ever in 2016, the expectations were high for more success in 2017. It was never going to be easy however with 2016 Head Coach, Chris McLeod, heading overseas on long service leave meaning that we would have a new coach for the fourth consecutive year.

The Board made a strategic decision to pursue an FFA 'A' Licence Head Coach for this season with the knowledge that licence applications for the 2018-2022 seasons were being considered during the season. This resulted in Fernando Garcia being appointed as the Head Coach.

The season did not start as planned however and after 5 rounds, with a draw and four losses on the board, Fernando made the tough decision to hand in his resignation for personal reasons. This led to the appointment of Francesco Zanoncelli, former AC Milan player and UEFA Pro Licence coach. Francesco not only brought his years of experience as a professional player and coach but also slowly but surely instilled a winning mentality into the young team.

At the time of writing the team have won five games and drawn one game under Francesco's leadership. More importantly they achieved a number of firsts for our Club beating Brisbane City, Brisbane Strikers and Western Pride for the first time in the Club's history. The team also won back to back games for the first time in the Club's history with wins over Brisbane City and Sunshine Coast in Rounds 12 and 13 respectively. The team also achieved its biggest ever winning margin with 6-1 victory over the Sunshine Coast.

A word from the Coach...

First of all, I would like to thank Fernando Garcia to coach the Seniors Team which later has become my current team.

My team and I have experienced ups and downs however we have always greatly recovered, making massive improvements and building a splendid progress. I am very proud of our team, and will always be as each one of them has showed passion and commitment to soccer. I am impatient to see what the future has in store for us. A soccer player I'd like to congratulate is Emmanuel Philip due to the fact as a young player he improved in all senses.

Well done Seniors Team and Thank you!

Francesco Zanoncelli

Senior Men Coach 2017





2017 Senior Men



Back: Michael Turvey (Assistant Coach), Mustafa Jafari, Wade Hall, Blair Ferguson, Thomas Fanning, Francesco Zanoncelli (Coach), Emmanuel Philip, Jacob Bigby, Nicholas Edwards, Bailey Salisbury, Jason Hall (Team Manager).

Front: Keagan Sheridan, Majok Piok, Yoshihiro Sakurai, Anthony Grant, Anthony Passante, Kimba Kibombo, Joshua Frost, Ben Barrowclift, Alexander Gonano.

Absent: Luke MacDonald and Matthew Williams.

Photography by:



**Clive
BERGHOFER
LAND SALES**



SAP REPORTS BOYS

Coaches: David Nugent
Matthew Proctor

The 2017 SAP program started with the trials in late 2016, we had a large amount of players attending, which made for a very difficult decision, to come to a total of 12 players plus 4 shadow players in each age group

The SAP program is to focus at the national curriculum 4 core skills, the year has turned out to be a fantastic opportunity for us to work with both 10's and 11's.

Both sets of players, including the shadow players, have been a credit to their families, they have attended every session with passion and drive. With a small hint of a young boy growing up in this world trying to follow their dream of playing at the highest level possible.

We have asked a lot of questions to the groups, they have triumphed in a few areas and are developing in the others, albeit the road to become competent at playing in the highest competition in the country, is a long road with highs and lows.

Our role as development coaches is to have a greater understanding of what are the developing stages for such a young athlete / player, making sure the players are better than when they arrived and still have the passion to follow their dream.

As always, thank you to the club for seeing in us the capability of taking on this challenge, plus the parents for giving your son the best chance possible to fulfill his dream.

We wish all players the very best for the future and look forward to seeing you as the years progress, still passionate and growing into a well rounded footballer.

All the best

David Nugent
Matthew Proctor



SAP REPORTS GIRLS

Coach: Scott Teakle

The girls program this season has seen the girls play more often, which I believe has helped some of the girls develop quicker in their game situation awareness.

For the first time since the inception of the SAP for girls, we have had more under 11 girls (9) than under 9/10 (3). The girls have been able to showcase their individual skills throughout the scheduled games and have been more than competitive as a group.

The girls were quickly identified (after the first game of the season) for their skill and ability to keep the ball. This is something that I must admit caught me by surprise so early in the season. They then went on to further impress at the mid season carnival that SWQ Thunder hosted. As a result, a number of the better teams requested that we play each other more regularly to help challenge the girls more often.

I wish the girls that are moving into the competitive age group the best of luck into the future and I guarantee that I will be watching to see how your football journey unfolds. To the few girls that can participate in SAP again, I hope to see you all again next season.

Scott Teakle



Richard Adams
HOMES that last a lifetime



2017 AWARDS

	Most Valuable Player	Player's Player	Coaches Award
U 12 Boys	Callum Francis	Tyler Spinks	Billy Manning
U 13 Boys	Riley Willmot	Noah Lawson	Tyson Liesch
U 13 Girls	Layla Proctor	Maddison Teakle	Ashlee Parravicini
U 14 Boys	Jacob Bunt	Jack DeBortoli	Noah McGrath
U 15 Boys	Luke Lister	Edward Poulton	Dylan Walz
U 15 Girls	Chloe Hutton	Madison Lockwood	Amy Jocumsen
U 16 Boys	Keanu Tuart	Alick Gaske	Riley Sears
U 17 Girls	Zoe Brown	Nina Grant	Mackenzie Robinson
U 18 Boys	Daniel Weber	Jordan Howard	Riley Lobwein
U 20 Men	Jack Percy	Wade Hall	Anthony Passante
Senior Women	Lousie Rolfe	Jordie Franke	Sarah Sheridan
Senior Men	Keagan Sheridan	Tom Fanning	RISING STAR - Emmanuel Philip
Golden Boot Junior		Luke Broderick	
Golden Boot Senior		Lousie Rolfe	
Safe Hands Award Junior		Harrison Hepner	
Safe Hands Award Senior		Reilly Mason	
Coach Award		Scott Teakle	
The Allan Sothmann Perpetual " Club Spirit Award"			David Lobwein and Jordie Franke
The Lachlan Percy " Players Player" Award			Wade Hall


Wiltshire Health
 PHYSIOTHERAPY & PSYCHOLOGY

THANK YOU

With thanks to the following for their help & support throughout the 2017 Season
Dept of National Parks, Sport & Racing – Toowoomba Sports Ground (Clive Berghofer Stadium)

Rockville Rovers – Captain Cook Ovals

USQ Student Facilities – Oval 6

Gatton Soccer Club

Willowburn Football Club – Commonwealth Oval

Kingaroy Junior Football Club

Withcott Soccer Club

Toowoomba Grammar School

Football Queensland – South West

DSL - Photography

Wiltshire Health Physiotherapy & Psychology

Antony's Bakery and Patisserie

Newlands Construction

Aspect Architects

McDonald Printing Group

The Federal Hotel

The Chronicle

WIN TV

7News

Snap Toowoomba

WORLD GYM
TOOWOOMBA

Exclusive to Toowoomba South West Thunder

FREE 7-DAY PASS

GUEST NAME _____

START DATE _____ END DATE _____

REPRESENTATIVE _____

59 Brook Street • Toowoomba City Qld 4350
07 4646 2430 • WorldGymToowoomba.com.au

See World Gym for details. This World Gym is a franchise of World Gym International, LLC and is independently owned and operated. © 2017 World Gym International, LLC

FEDERAL
HOTEL/MOTEL

SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER



QLD STATE TEAMS REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

U13 BOYS QLD COUNTRY STATE TEAM



Riley Willmot



Noah Lawson



Alexander Kiers



Luke Beutel

U13 BOYS QLD COUNTRY STATE TEAM- SHADOWS



Jordynn Watts



Brock Smith

U14 BOYS QLD COUNTRY STATE TEAM



Jack DeBortoli



Noah McGrath

U14 / U15 GIRLS QLD STATE TEAM



Casey Evans and Chloe Hutton

U14 BOYS QLD COUNTRY STATE TEAM- SHADOWS



Hunter Purcell



Menphys-Reyne Smith



Jacob Eiser



SOUTH WEST QLD THUNDER

CLUB SUPPORTERS



WIN NEWS

The Chronicle



INDIVIDUAL PLAYER SPONSORS

Withcott Seedlings	DJ & TM Percy	Purcell Transport
AWX	Terri Wilkie Smash Repairs	Livewired Electrical
Rural Steel Supplies (Qld) Pty Ltd	Urth Cafe	Plainland Dental
Steele Rudd Corner Service Station	GP Fabrications	The FireFly Cafe
Safe Resolutions Consulting	Star TyrePower	Highfields Discount Drug Store
Lawett	Carroll & Carroll Tax Agents	Toowoomba Flower Market
Brumby's Bakery Highfields	Noye Partners	Donna Sears
Focus on Kitchens	Westside Orthodontics	Connelly's Lawyers
Old School Resotrations & Mobile RWC	Wolff Mining Pty Ltd	CommonCents Financial Planning
Paul Brennan Tiling	McDonald Printing	STL Mechancial
Yulgilbar Pastoral Company Pty Ltd	Favero Motors	Richard Adams Homes
Roofing All Over	O'Maras Hotel	Robinson Family Trust
Vision Sports Science	Express Business Group	Willmot Plumbing and Gas
GardenCity Grills and Doors	Fernwood Fitness	Aspect Architects

