



GOSNELLS CITY FOOTBALL, SPORTING & SOCIAL CLUB INC.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT TO MEMBERS

Noticeable progression has now begun on the City of Gosnells 4 year "Beautification" plan. The car park is now in place, ready for next season. I wait with bated breath to see if the driveway and car park by the cricket nets will be removed prior to the start of next year. The COG have also begun in earnest on the upgrading of the playing surface on the Cassidy Rd oval, which should also be ready for the start of the playing season in 2009. The committee has a number of plans in mind, all to be completed prior to the start of next season which will provide the club with a facelift of sorts for 2009.

The position of Junior Development Officer once again has not panned out as anticipated. Therefore we have decided to remove the position from the club and allow Football West to become our resource for football education. The funds previously set aside for the Junior Development Officer will now be used to put our coaches through the Football Australia approved coaching levels. A committee person will handle the administrative task for these courses and also oversee the coaches throughout the season. The club will also be encouraging senior players to take an interest in the junior teams and offer their assistance to aid the development of junior players and coaches.

Our Premier Masters team was the standout performers amongst the seniors this past season. Tony Maguire and Brian Marshall managed a group of talented players to the Premier League title and the Masters Cup title, which is an outstanding achievement. Note must also be made of the women's team who gained promotion to the Premier league for 2009, another fantastic result for the club. Our juniors had another mixed season of results and hopefully the introduction of Academy teams for ages 13, 14, 15 and 16 and greater interaction between the senior and junior sections of our club in 2009, will be the stepping stone towards greater achievements for our goldmine of young players and coaches at the club. I would also like to thank Ann Gourley for all her help with the SSG this season. There will be further expansion next year and we will need to provide greater attention to this developing area of the club.

Major sponsor LJ HOOKER continued support in 2008 which has been invaluable for us. We are at the end of the current agreement and I am discussing with LJ HOOKER the possibility of their continued involvement as our major sponsor in the future. Sourcing additional sponsorship for the club is proving to be a hard task and I hope to be able to implement a number of interesting and hopefully profitable ideas during the next financial period.

I would like to thank all the current committee members, all coaches, managers and volunteers for your continued hard work towards the progression of Gosnells City FC. We all want what's best for the club and work towards the same goal of making this the best damn club in the state.

TONY PRITCHARD - GCFC President.
OCTOBER 2008.