

NEWSLETTER

Come and Celebrate Christmas With Us

Each year the Committee has a small but enjoyable Christmas lunch and a few drinks at the Alexandria Hotel, Alexandria. This year we are inviting all members to join us to celebrate another year of the Society.

The hotel is in Henderson Road, Alexandria, with the function commencing at 12 midday on Tuesday, 11 December 2012. The meals are cheap, the drinks reasonable and you can relive some of those old football memories. Contact Jenny on 42681945 to let us know you will be there.

REP TEAM COMPUTER PROGRAMME GETTING NEARER

Just thought we would keep you in the loop about the Rep Team Programme. Our new designers have been on the phone regularly regarding its progress and last week we had a 'computer consultation' where they gave an online display as to what they are up to. It looks impressive.

So if you have represented NSW all your rep match details will be included in this exciting new feature. We will keep you updated.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

In order to give you plenty of notice, the Society's Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19 February 2013 at our offices. We look forward to seeing you there and welcome your involvement and making the society a better organization.

Details and forms will be mailed to you later. ★★★★★



PROFESSIONAL HELP OBTAINED

Recently we solicited some professional help in regard as to how we manage the Society's records and material. Because we are all amateurs, the committee thought it would be very much in our interests to have our objects surveyed and the manner in which we manage, store and catalogue them assessed to ensure efficiency. It is all working out well. More on this important subject later.

YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

If you want to write a story and have it published on our website, just let us know. We can help edit. Or if you want a story written on a particular subject, all you have to do is ask.



BUNNINGS BAR-B-QUE

We know you are all dying to know how we went at the Bunnings Bar-B-Que at Ashfield recently. Well, we raised over \$2,700 on the day and with expenses taken out \$1,950 was banked into the Society's account. Not a bad days work eh?

The Society is holding another, and because a number of members live in the Illawarra, it will be held at the Wollongong Store on Saturday, 20 July 2013. Any of you living in the area who would like to help, please let us know.

OUR WEBSITE

We try to write as many interesting stories on football in NSW on our website as possible. This year we posted between 6-10 articles a month and have decided to re-publish the more interesting tales in a booklet which will go on sale in the New Year. The stories will include photos and some very in-depth commentary on particular situations in NSW footy.

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NSW AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL HISTORY SOCIETY INC

Hi Member,

Its renewal time again and we are enclosing a membership RENEWAL form for you to complete and return as well as notification as to how you can pay your fees. We do ask that you continue with your membership of the Society because footy needs people like you. We were all part of it and it's up to us to maintain the interest and keep it all alive.

*If no change to your details or category - don't bother submitting the form
Just make your payment ☺*

CHRISTMAS FUNCTION

Don't forget our Christmas function on 11 Dec. Join with us and AFL officials in celebrating another year. We might even try to get some memorabilia along for you to view. Details of the function are on the other page

FOOTBALL RECORDS

Our collection of Sydney football records is slowly growing and we are finding amazing facts from just the odd entry; about people, the clubs and the game. Who can remember the league's push to establish a licensed club in Sydney? Membership was thirty shillings and several sites were looked at as a possible venue, including one in Riley Street Surry Hills, just south of Campbell Street.

Electronic preservation of these and other documents has already started. So in the long term we won't have to rely on the decaying condition of the paper of these publications which date back to 1927. Rather, we scan them into our computer, a process which gives us fast electronic access to all publications with the facility to retrieve all documents by entering a particular word or name

Our office is really buzzing!.

MORE FURNITURE

With a little more money in the bank since our successful day at Bunnings, not only have we purchased more shelving but also a new cupboard for incidentals and cleaning material. We now have shelves for our kitchen essentials and some very economical box type shelving in which we can store our lever arch folders. The room is steadily filling.



HAVE YOU VISITED OUR WEBSITE SALES SECTION?

Boy we are gradually building on the items the Society has for sale which appear under the **SALES** link on our website. These include: Grand Final Videos, 1975 Grand Final Audio CD, in-house booklets on Sunday Football in Sydney, History of the South Sydney Club, Memories of the Teal Cup and History of the NSW Police Football Team. Added to this we have commercial publications on: ▫ *A Game of Our Own* by Geoffrey Blaney, ▫ *Australian Football Clubs in NSW*, by Miles Wilks and ▫ *Tom Wills- The First Wild Man of Australian Sport* by Greg de Moore.

NATIONAL HISTORY BODY?

The Society's Committee is keen to see the establishment of a National History body for football throughout Australia. The NSW Australian Football History Society is the only body with full state support for the collection, preservation and storage of items of significant relevance to the game. It is felt that there is a need to support the establishment of such a body so that those who, are involved in the conservation of the game, can do so in a co-ordinated manner.

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