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ITS OVER!!

Season 2002 is over for us now. Grand finals done, medal day done and celebrations finished. Well done all premiers and award winners.

Just to re-cap on the results:

Grand Finals

1st Grade				
Cardiff	4.4	7.9	9.11	11.15 (81)
Terrigal-Avooca	2.4	5.4	6.8	7.10 (52)
Reserve Grade				
Newcastle City	2.2	5.5	9.9	15.15 (105)
Terrigal-Avooca	4.4	5.7	6.7	7.9 (51)
Under 18				
Newcastle City	3.1	6.5	10.11	15.12 (102)
Wyong-Lakes	2.1	4.5	6.6	8.8 (56)

Grand Final - Best on Ground

First Grade - McBain Medal	David Flynn	Cardiff
Reserve Grade	Andrew Hicks	Newcastle City
Under 18	Nick Woodhams	Newcastle City

And at the League Medal Day on September 8 at Swansea RSL:

ELLIOTT-DAVEY MEDAL			GRANLAND MEDAL			CHRIS ARNOLD MEDAL			
D. Hamilton	TA	20	R. Berry	{	WL	19	B. Deitz	Gos	27
D. Flynn	C	18	J. Sheahan	{	NB	19	N. Woodhams	NC	21
J. Fleuchter	NC	16	B. Street		WN	19	S. Reid	KV	16
J. Woodcoe	NB	15	A. Hicks		NC	18	C. Niland	NC	14
K. Williams	TA	14	G. Miosge		WN	17	M. Reece	KV	12
D. Pedersen	WN	13	C. Davis		C	14	T. Jessop	NB	11
S. Simpson	C	13	S. Dileria		TA	13	P. Williams	WB	10
S. Naylor	NC	11	G. Harding		WW	12	J. Buckley	WB	9
T. Snelling	KV	11	C. Owen		TA	12	J. Koop-Folkes	WL	9
S. Taylor	WN	11	C. Camm		TA	10	M. Summers	Gos	9

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Newcastle City	268
Killarney Vale	254
Terrigal-Avooca	218
Nelson Bay	186
Cardiff	185
Wyong-Lakes	182
Gosford	122
Warners Bay	115
Woy Woy	28
West Newcastle Wallsend	12

LEADING GOALKICKERS

First Grade
David Healy (C) & Maurice Goolagong (TA) - 102
Reserve Grade
Craig Owen (T-A) - 81
Under 18
Scott Reid (KV) - 104
Coach of the Year
Grant Williams (Cardiff)
Club Person of the Year
Glenn Allen (Gos)

CLUB ADMINISTRATION AWARD

SUBJECT	CAR	GOS	KV	NB	NC	T-A	WB	WNW	WW	W-L
Match Paperwork on time	40	80	90	60	70	80	70	50	90	90
Match Results on time	50	80	80	80	80	80	80	70	90	90
Ground Markings	60	90	90	90	90	50	90	90	90	90
Fielding all Grades	80	70	90	90	90	90	60	0	0	0
Payment of fees on time	0	30	90	0	90	60	60	0	0	150
Ident. Ground Manager	-90	-90	-90	-90	-90	-90	-90	-90	-90	-90
Tribunal Convictions	-60	0	-20	-100	-80	-40	-60	-80	-60	-40
Unregistered Players	-300	-30	0	-30	0	-30	-60	-90	0	0
TOTALS	-220	230	330	100	250	200	150	50	120	290

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MEETING WITH SYDNEY GROUP

The Board met with the Sydney Regional Board on the week before last.

Nothing came of the meeting other than an investigation team too consider the establishment of a regional club in the Sydney competition. They will start their work from November 1.

Since, our president has been contacted by the AFL(NSW/ACT) suggesting that the BDAFL take over the Hunter Under 18s, which our league would almost totally fund. He got a far from sympathetic hearing.

TRIBUNAL

The Tribunal has written to the Board displaying their concern over the apparent unwillingness of central umpires to report.

The Board considered that travelling to the tribunal hearings may have been a consideration so resolved to compensate umpires by pay \$15 travelling expenses.

The matter however was later doubly compounded when only two reports came out of the Under 18 elimination match between Warners Bay and Nelson Bay after the game was stopped for 13 minutes and six were sent from the ground.

As a result of this, the Board resolved to remove the 'send off only' option and from next season to: any player ordered from the field of play must be reported.

BARASSI CLUB

A Barassi Club function was held on the Central Coast at the Terrigal Memorial Country Club in late August. Sydney Swan's president, Richard Colless was guest speaker together with Swans player, Jason Ball.

The next function for the Coast is planned for November 22 with Ron Barassi as key speaker and Swans Irish import, Taihg Kenelly.

Plans are underway for a HUGE media star as guest for the next Newcastle based function. Why not join the club?

CONSTITUTION

A sub-committee has been working on a revised constitution for the league. The new document provides for the current standing of the competition, a more democratic environment and gives clubs the opportunity to have representatives on the board. A draft copy has been circulated to clubs seeking comments.

BY-LAWS

With the season now over, the Board is seeking input for any changes to the by-laws. Email the General Manager at: admin@blackdiamondafl.com if you have any suggestions.

SEASON 2003 NOMINATIONS

The Board is keen to get the draw finished early so that better planning can be made for the future. Clubs have been asked to nominate their teams by September 30 in order to finalise this process.

GENERAL MANAGER

With the AFL part funding for the General Manager's position now gone and sponsorship for our league still in question the General Manager, Greg Stewart will cease permanent employment with the BDAFL as at September 30, however will be employed in a consultative capacity at 15 hours per week from October 1.

LEAGUE SPONSOR

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