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FOOTBALL CLUB

2022

Annual Report





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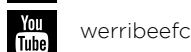
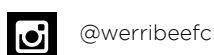
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This publication is very important in documenting the yearly performance of the Werribee Football Club. The competition has been adversely affected by the worldwide pandemic and that is reflected in these pages. Let's hope 2023 is the start of a rich new history for our club and our supporters.





From the President

AS PRESIDENT OF OUR WONDERFUL CLUB, I am pleased to be able to report that the 2022 year was an extremely pleasing one when we consider lingering uncertainty post the lifting of pandemic restrictions, coupled with the second year of participation in the largest second tier competition ever entered into. Its fair to say that we were extremely competitive on the field, and we took enormous strides towards establishing a financially sustainable future for decades to come.

I remind members that the Board are merely caretakers, building for the future of WFC, and as such our standing within the AFL/VFL was enhanced in 2022, with widespread recognition that our club's facilities, hospitality, continuous improvement mantra, professional conduct, and compliance ranked in the top echelon of clubs within all national AFL competitions.

Whilst raising the VFL premiership cup aloft is the "holy grail" and the ultimate measurement of success, it is important that we are circumspect in considering that we are competing within a 21-team competition that includes 11 AFL teams, 3 AFL aligned teams, and 7 standalone teams, each of which balance winning versus development on a weekly basis.

Without fear of contradiction the positives of the year far outweighed the negatives, and whilst reflecting on the season I thought it opportune to showcase some of the highlights:

- Another year of profitability, outstanding when considering the aforementioned uncertainty that continued to effect society in many aspects of social connection
- The bolstering of our Board, with the addition of Mia Shaw, Emily Buysen and Jacqui Martin bringing their individual and collective strengths to benefit our club
- The approval and commencement of extensions to our major revenue stream the Tigers Clubhouse, with the expected completion late March 2023.
- The work undertaken on the commitment to establish Club Tarneit, a much needed additional revenue stream, with expectations of completion mid to late 2024
- Our competitiveness on the field resulted in WFC being the highest placed Victorian standalone team, narrowly missing the finals
- The continued showcasing of our venue and facilities at Avalon Airport Oval, a jewel in the crown as noted by AFL and VFL authorities in particular
- The solidarity of the players in sticking together and committing to the 2023 season virtually at the completion of the 2022 season, this indeed is testament to our values of "community, driven and care."
- The tireless work that our executives do, led magnificently by the most respected CEO in the VFL, Mark Penaluna
- The largest VFL sponsorship base and the re-signing of CB Motor Group (formerly Ballan Holden) as our major sponsor for the 24th consecutive year, a truly remarkable commitment
- The support of our loyal members and the community in the City of Wyndham, with recognition that we will field a women's VFL team when the circumstances permit
- The evolution of our team and club as witnessed at the Liston Trophy presentation. Tom Gribble winning back-to-back Liston's plus three of our players Kye Declase, Tom Gribble and Shaun Mannagh named in the VFL Team of the Year. Scott Bishop was a most deserving recipient of the Alec Gillon Medal as VFL Volunteer of the Year, in recognition of his many years of service to our club. Scott is one of many who give their time to our club and it is much appreciated and valued by everyone. Our volunteers are an important part of the fabric of our club.

Without highlighting individuals I must make special mention of the Board, the executive team, the players, coaches, support staff, volunteers, sponsors, members, supporters and anyone within our community that has sacrificed time, sweat, tears and financial support to ensure their club would be there for them for seasons, years, decades and centuries to come.

2022 was a year of success on many fronts, but in 2023 more than ever we need your total commitment in supporting your club both financially and in person, experiencing what our club has to offer as we strive to build the biggest sporting army our thriving community has ever seen.

Bring family, friends, and supporters to Avalon Airport Oval to crowd the terraces, barracking loudly, passionately, and proudly for the Big W, but equally as importantly experiencing the feeling of success as we strive to complete unfinished business as a united force!

Martin Carter - President




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Ballan Holden
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From the CEO

AFTER a harrowing couple of years with covid it was a sheer delight to compete in the 2022 season knowing there would be a premiership winner. Probably more importantly our club would again be a place for the community to gather, to reaffirm old friendships and rivalries, make new ones, have fun and enjoy life.

Our members, sponsors, volunteers, players, coaches, directors, staff and all other stakeholders should be proud because we have led the VFL community through these challenging times and now so much to look forward to, both on and off the field in 2023 and beyond.

The past few years at our club have certainly been a rollercoaster ride. Suffering a large financial loss in 2020 to a hard-fought profit in 2021 and now a record profit in 2022.

This is truly an amazing effort and I would particularly like to thank and congratulate the Werribee Football Club Board led by President Martin Carter, along with our staff, sponsors and members.

In 2022 we were unable to participate in the VFL finals ultimately finishing 10th, but succeeding in being the highest ranking Victorian stand-alone club and having the fourth best percentage, within the 21 team competition

Our achievements in other aspects, certainly led the VFL including

- **Tom Gribble winning his second J.J. Liston Trophy**
- **Scott Bishop winning the Alex Gillon - Volunteer Award**
- **Shaun Mannagh, Kye Declase and Tom Gribble being selected in the VFL Team of the Year**

The Bruce Montgomery Trophy night was a wonderful evening, culminating in Tom Gribble winning the top award for a second time, as well as, becoming a Life Member of the Werribee Football Club. Of course there were many recipients at this event, but I would like to especially recognize George Riddiford on being the Ray Smith Best Club Person and Lorraine Joiner and Mark Stone becoming Life Members.

I am incredibly proud of the Werribee Football Club staff

- **Zach Thornton** - events, membership, match day, sponsorship, merchandise
- **Lisa Hogan and Jodie Martin** - Accounts Managers
- **Mar Gattek** - Community
- **Hamish MacInnes** - Community and Football Development
- **Justin Jenvey** - Communications
- **Kevin Hillier** - Media and Marketing
- **Michael Barlow** - Head Coach
- **Mark Micallef** - Football Manager

Michael Gate replaced Genevieve Lamb as our Venue Manager in June making an immediate impact. Genevieve we thank you so much for all of your done for this club, especially in covid times.

A special thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers who serve this club religiously, your tireless assistance always inspires me.

The Tigers Clubhouse continues to be a strong fundraising arm, driven by General Manager Rhys New and his staff as well as the Management Group (Western Tigers). Thanks for your assistance.

Invicta Performance was launched as a joint venture between Jmara Hockley, Scott Graham and the club in late 2021. It is a truly unique business and, as you can appreciate, this brings its own challenges. The business has forged strong partnerships with several local clubs and associations and hopefully we can continue to expand this business into 2023 and beyond. Wyndham Council has provided free rental a key component in the foundation of the business.

Progress is being made on Club Tarneit with a strong expectation that building will commence in March / April 2023. While nothing is ever a certainty, I do expect that in time this will be another very important strong income stream for the club.

We face the daily challenge of managing a club participating against many AFL clubs within a constantly changing VFL competition. We must continue to balance our fiscal position with providing our players and staff the best opportunities to compete, investing in our people and community as well as providing facilities that support all of the above.

I believe we are the benchmark in our commitment to our community involvement and that our facilities are superior to all clubs outside of the AFL, but that is a work in progress. We have presented an updated facility vision to various stakeholders including the AFL, Wyndham Council, State and Federal Governments with the aim of retaining this status.

We are the current custodians of the Werribee Football Club. We must continue to ask- Where do we want the club to be in five years? Are we living the club values?

I am extremely confident we are building a strong platform that is enabling our club to be a true leader in every sense. I hope you will continue to be a important part of the journey in 2023 and beyond.

Mark Penaluna - CEO





From the Coach

To reflect is important, to learn, implement and move forward is a necessity.

2022 was a season of fulfillment, we got back to enjoying and competing an uninterrupted VFL season. The interruptions of 2020 and 2021 may have caused some teething issues for our playing and coaching groups as we found our groove back into week-to-week training, preparing and performing. On the field this was reflected with sporadic patches of brilliant form, as well as downturns.

Our group was unwavering in their commitment to each other across season 2022. The enjoyment of wins was palpable, the agony of close defeats and learnings in crucial situations shared holistically. As a coach, having top echelon footballers and characters as Tom Gribble, Dom Brew, Nick Coughlan, Matt Hanson, Michael Sodomaco, Nick Hayes, Louis Pinnuck, Kye Declase and Jack Henderson continue to front up to the demands of VFL football is humbling. We look forward to this cohort acting as a strong scaffold for our playing list for season 2023.

The form fluctuations produced a season of 9 wins, 9 losses. We reflect on the positive aspects like being ranked a top 5 defensive team, statistically marrying up to the top 4 VFL sides in key performance indicators. We take solace in being winning chances deep into 15 of our 18 games. We were hard to play against.

Highlights on field come no higher than Tom Gribble being crowned the JJ Liston medallist. After winning the gong in 2019, Tom has only progressed his football and influence, both on and off the playing field. The exciting aspect of Tom's football is that he is as driven as ever to achieve team success, naturally progressing his own output in the process.

From a team perspective we got to work across the middle parts of the year. Shaping our season from a 2-4 win/loss start, to an 8-5 win/loss mid-season record. The proudest element of this stretch of form was the significant influence our leadership group had in fronting up to the challenge, assisting with subtle shifts in game style and executing on game day. Amid this we really did unearth what type of character our players have. A trip to Punt Road on an unusual Wednesday night fixture after our players had dusted off their work boots and put away the computers of a regular

workday to beat a substantial Richmond VFL side. This acts as an ongoing source of trust of where our group can get to with their significant mental aptitude to play the hand that is dealt.

A lean stretch in the back end of the season, culminating in three losses by under 12 points summed up our 2022. We were close, we were competitive, but ultimately, we couldn't sustain for long enough against quality oppositions.

Looking forward a large quantity of the club's future players are now progressing from VFL youngsters to hardened VFL players. Jay Dahlhaus, Lucas Rocci, Hudson Garoni, Jesse Clark and others have now experienced sustained VFL football and what is required. The challenge is to continue to develop their bodies and form to excel at the level. Our performances of season 2022 only act as a baseline for what's to come.

Mark Micallef our Football Manager has done a tremendous job in keeping our list together. As well as adding some targeted recruiting pieces around the edges to bolster our squad's depth of talent.

I was able to celebrate the season at our end of season function, which saw tremendous performances acknowledged. Tom Gribble a two-time Liston Medallist became a two-time Bruce Montgomery Trophy winner. Kye Declase was a brilliant runner-up, Shaun Mannagh and Louis Pinnuck capped great seasons to round out the top 4.

I'd like to thank the tireless work of my assistant coaches across season 2022 to give the players their best chances to perform. Nick Daffy has stayed on as a senior assistant coach for the upcoming season. Tom Perrett and James Saker have moved on from their respective posts for the football club but will always be recognised as strong contributors to this aspiring group of players. Any successes in the future will be somewhat attached to the hard work of so many around the Werribee Football Club that sacrifice an awful lot to progress our club.

The High-Performance department of our club must be commended. The availability of players throughout the season was the envy of the competition. Their commitment to task and compliance gave our players their best chance to perform at the VFL level. To Scott Graham (HP Manager), James Davis (Head Physio) and Rebecca Beaton (Club Doctor), we thank them for their unwavering efforts for the Werribee Football Club. All three have moved on from their posts, progressing in their careers, much to our delight as a football program.

Thanks for taking some time to reflect on 2022 with me, but more importantly commit to a strong 2023 as that is what lies ahead for us as our next moment.

Michael Barlow - Senior Coach







2022 VFL Ladder

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	FOR	AGST	%	PTS
1	Casey Demons	18	17	1	0	1730	1034	167.3	68
2	Brisbane Lions	18	14	4	0	1556	1171	132.9	56
3	Southport Sharks	18	13	5	0	1743	1231	141.6	52
4	Sydney Swans	18	13	5	0	1560	1194	130.7	52
5	Gold Coast Suns	18	12	6	0	1681	1621	103.7	48
6	Collingwood	18	11	7	0	1591	1326	120.0	44
7	Carlton	18	11	7	1	1416	1190	119.0	44
8	Box Hill Hawks	18	11	7	0	1603	1358	118.0	44
9	Richmond	18	11	7	0	1481	1302	113.7	44
10	Werribee	18	9	9	0	1578	1243	127.0	36
11	Footscray Bulldogs	18	9	9	0	1487	1262	117.8	36
12	Sandringham	18	8	9	1	1442	1534	94.0	34
13	UWS Giants	18	8	9	1	1302	1395	93.3	34
14	Geelong	18	8	10	0	1271	1444	88.0	32
15	Essendon	18	8	10	0	1454	1672	87.0	32
16	Port Melbourne	18	7	11	0	1346	1589	84.7	28
17	Frankston	18	6	12	0	1260	1363	92.4	24
18	North Melbourne	18	4	14	0	1217	1685	72.2	16
19	Coburg	18	4	14	0	1071	1711	62.6	16
20	Williamstown	18	3	15	0	1075	1629	66.0	12
21	Northern Bullants	18	1	17	0	1036	1946	53.2	4



KYE DECLASE



SHAUN MANNAGH



TOM GRIBBLE

2022 VFL Team of the Year

B:	TEIA MILES Williamstown	ETHAN PHILLIPS Port Melbourne	MARTY HORE CAsey Demons
HB:	WILL GOULD Sydney Swans	JACK MAIBAUM Coburg	TAYLIN DUMAN Frankston
C:	KYE DECLASE Werribee	TOM GRIBBLE Werribee	LEWIS TAYLOR Sydney Swans
HF:	BOYD WOODCOCK Southport	JOEL AMARTEY Sydney Swans	SHAUN MANNAGH Werribee
F:	BEN CAVARRA (C) Box Hill Hawks	CHRIS BURGESS Gold Coast Suns	FERGUS GREENE Box Hill Hawks
R:	NED MOYLE Gold Coast Suns	LUKE DUNSTAN CAsey Demons	JACOB DAWSON Southport
INT:	TOM DOWNIE Williamstown	WILL FORDHAM Frankston	WILL HAYES Carlton
	RHYS MATHIESON Brisbane Lions	LACHLAN SULLIVAN Footscray Bulldogs	MITCH WHITE Casey Demons



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Life Members

Dr Greg Anderson
Simon Atkins
Joskun Aziz
Tino Ballan
Cyril Beer*
Steven Berry
Scott Bishop
Jim Bourke*
Mary Brinkman*
Roland Brohaska
David Brown
Henry Button
Andrew Button
Cath Byrne
Rick Carrington
Martin Carter
Robert Castello

Graeme Cations
Trent Churchill
Alan Clayton
Nicky Comben
John Comben
Bill Dean
Stephen Douglas
Jeremy Dyer
Anthony Eames
Terry Edwards*
Scott Faulkner
Lynton Fitzpatrick
Michael Frost
Dom Gleeson
Ted Goodall
Tom Gribble
Paul Gudde

Ivo Havard
Teghan Henderson
Stan Hodson
Jim Hudson
Merv Hughes
Marty Jack
Doug Joiner
Lorraine Joiner
John Lamont
Nathan Laracy
Kevin Leece
David Lyons
Russell Mark
Eddie Marriott
Jimmy Masterson
John McCarthy
Julie McCarthy*

Donald McDonald
Ted McMaster*
Michael McMaster
John McNaughton*
David Mitchell
Ashley Moloney*
Bruce Montgomery
Ray Nash*
John Nicol*
Kirk Norton
Kerryn O'Brien
Diarne O'Brien
John Pavlidis
James Podsiadly
James Puli
Frank Purcell*
John Pyne*

Chad Ravlich*
Les Richens
George Riddiford
Travis Robertson
Harold Rogers*
Len Ryan*
Paul Satterley
Nathan Saunders
Stephen Sells
Scott Sherlock
Ray Smith*
Shaun Smith
Michael Sodomaco
Bob Soulsby*
Ben Speight
John Squadrito
Mark Stone

Charlie Stemp*
Lou Tardrew*
Robert Taylor*
Adam Taylor
Tom Toohey*
Michael Turner*
Ben Warren
Greg Welsh
Peter Williams
Rick Wolany*
Lyn Wood
Sam Wormald



**WERRIBEE
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Hall of Fame

LEGENDS

Ray Smith (2004)*
Bruce Montgomery (2004)
Len Ryan (2004)*

David Lyons (2006)
Dr Greg Anderson (2007)
John Comben (2014)

Eddie Marriott (2014)
Kerryn O'Brien (2014)
Kevin Leece (2019)

INDUCTEES

Simon Atkins
Joskun Aziz
Tino Ballan
David Brown

Alan Clayton
Scott Faulkner
Lynton Fitzpatrick
Michael Frost

Ivo Havard
Kevin Leece
Donald McDonald
Michael McMaster

*John Nicol**
Kerryn O'Brien
James Podsiadly
*John Pyne**

Travis Robertson
Stephen Sells
Shaun Smith
Greg Welsh

Lyn Wood

**denotes deceased*

VALE

ASHLEY MOLONEY, DECEMBER 6, 1961 – JULY 4, 2022.



The Werrabee Football Club is sad to advise of the passing of long serving volunteer and life member Ashley Moloney.

Werrabee CEO Mark Penaluna first met Ashley in 2004 and said he will be remembered fondly for his dedication and willingness to support the club anyway he could.

"Ashley was asked to volunteer in managing our 40th year celebrations and tidying up our Past Players and Officials database which should have only lasted three months. After 17 years and 3 months Ashley leaves us but no doubt his spirit, generosity, humour and club orientation will be with us forever.

"Nothing was ever a problem for Ashley, whether it was being at Avalon Airport Oval by 7am for all the home games, applying covers to the centre of the ground, setting up functions, property management and much more.

"Characters like Ashley are rare, even scarcer given the voluntary contribution he provided. Ashley leaves behind a wonderful legacy at the Werrabee Football Club and of course his children Amanda, Melissa, Sue and Craig who he absolutely adored."

Ashley was also a proud player sponsor for many years and sponsored current Werrabee coach Michael Barlow who said he will remember Ashley's generous nature and sense of humour.

"When I first arrived at Werrabee in 2008 Ash player sponsored me without hesitation. At the time you take that somewhat for granted. A volunteer spending countless hours supporting the club and then spending their hard earned on a new player to the club," he said

"I think he wanted to sponsor a player he could take the mickey out of. He certainly did that, but always did it in good humour and would take as good as he gave. On return in 2019 he spent up again to sponsor me and continued to take the mickey out of me at the same time.

"I still have 15 pairs of Werrabee shorts from 2019 as I continually "forgot" to bring my allocated pair to games. Ash would never let me run out in my jocks unfortunately, but on a few occasions it was threatened. A special person to our club."

JOHN LLOYD, APRIL 30, 1945 – JUNE 1, 2022.



As a club we have been saddened by the death of former player John Lloyd who passed away earlier this month after a long illness. He was 77.

John played 29 matches for Carlton before joining Werrabee ahead of the 1970 season. He was the 93rd player to represent Werrabee and played 26 games in his two seasons while winning the club's best and fairest in 1971.

The club will wear black armbands in John's memory during this weekend's home match against Geelong. Our thoughts go out to all members of the Lloyd family. RIP.

YEAR	PRESIDENT	CEO/ MANAGER	TREASURER	COACH	CAPTAIN	BEST & FAIREST
1965	Cr.A.E. Davis	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	B. Holcombe	B. Holcombe	R. Turner
1966	Cr.A.E. Davis	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	B. Holcombe	B. Holcombe	R. Turner
1967	R.N.V. Dawe	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	N. Crompton	N. Crompton	H. Ogilvie
1968	R.N.V. Dawe	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	N. Crompton	N. Crompton	J. Comben
1969	T.W. Toohey	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	N. Crompton	N. Crompton	H. Ogilvie
1970	T.W. Toohey	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	B. Comben	J. Comben	J. Comben
1971	C.F. Beer	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	B. Comben	J. Comben	J. Lloyd
1972	C.F. Beer/ Dr. M Turner	J.R. Smith	R.G. Taylor	B. Comben	I. Bryant	G. Snow
1973	Dr. M. Turner	J.R. Smith	J.F. Tanner	I. Bryant	I. Bryant	B. Harvey
1974	Dr. M. Turner	J.R. Smith	J.F. Tanner	I. Bryant	I. Bryant	J. Bourke
1975	J.C. Carroll	L.F. Vaughan	V. Ravlich	B. Burgoyne	B. Harvey	J. Scarffe
1976	J.C. Carroll	L.F. Vaughan	V. Ravlich	B. Burgoyne	C. Lynch	S. Douglas
1977	J.C. Carroll	L.F. Vaughan	V. Ravlich	B. Burgoyne	J. Bourke	M. Martin
1978	D.J. Dove	T. Edwards	V. Ravlich	T. Harris	D. Knight	B. Ough
1979	D.J. Dove	J.A. Comben	V. Ravlich	L. Joslin	M. Martin	A. Mannix
1980	D. Dove/ P. Mullaney	Ravlich/ Marriott	M. Goates	A. Mannix	A. Mannix	B. Lancaster
1981	P. Mullaney	J. Pyne	V. Ravlich	B. Walsh	B. Walsh	B. Walsh
1982	P. Mullaney	J. Pyne	J. Menegazzo	K. Morris	K. Morris	L. King
1983	Dr. M. Turner	J. Pyne	J. Cations	J. Murphy	J. Murphy	G. Parkes
1984	Dr. M. Turner	J. Pyne	V. Ravlich	J. Murphy	M. Redenbach	R. Christensen
1985	Dr. M. Turner	J. Pyne	V. Ravlich	J. Murphy/ I. Dunstan	M. Redenbach/ I. Dunstan	S. Moloney
1986	Dr. M. Turner	D. McNaughton	A. Rigo	I. Dunstan	I. Dunstan	I. Dunstan
1987	Dr. M. Turner	D. McNaughton	J. Cations	I. Dunstan	S. Moloney	C. Vasilou
1988	Dr. M. Turner	V. Ravlich	J. Cations	D. Tuddenham	P. Gudde	S. Sells
1989	Dr. M. Turner	V. Ravlich	J. Cations	M. Turner	S. Moloney	D. Christensen
1990	Dr. M. Turner	V. Ravlich	J. Cations	L. Harris	L. Harris	D. Allday
1991	Dr. M. Turner	V. Ravlich	Dr. M. Turner	L. Harris	D. Drum	A. Eames/ D. Morgan
1992	B. Montgomery	G. Welsh	P. Kennedy	L. Harris	D. Drum	M. McMaster

YEAR	PRESIDENT	CEO/ MANAGER	TREASURER	COACH	CAPTAIN	BEST & FAIREST
1993	B. Montgomery	G. Welsh	D. Lyons	D. McDonald	D. McDonald	J. Watts
1994	B. Montgomery	G. Welsh	K. Shaw	D. McDonald	D. McDonald	S. Smith
1995	B. Montgomery	I. Havard	K.Shaw	D. McDonald	D. McDonald	L. Fitzpatrick
1996	B. Montgomery	J. Comben	K.Shaw	D. McDonald	L. Fitzpatrick	M. Mansfield
1997	D. Brown	D. McDonald		D. McDonald	L. Fitzpatrick	S. Atkins
1998	D. Brown	D. McDonald	R. Hepburn	D. McDonald	J. Aziz	M. Frost
1999	D. Brown	C. Healy	R. Hepburn	D. McDonald	M. Frost	S. Faulkner
2000	D. Brown	C. Healy	R. Hepburn	A. Clarkson	M. Frost	M. Frost
2001	D. Brown	C. Healy	R. Hepburn	C. Bond	M. Frost	T. Robertson
2002	D. Brown	G. Saunders	R. Hepburn	C. Bond	S. Faulkner	T. Robertson
2003	D. Brown	L. Wood	R. Hepburn	B. Prendergast	T. Churchill	T. Robertson
2004	G. Welsh	M. Penaluna	R. Hepburn	B. Prendergast	T. Robertson	M. Croft
2005	G. Welsh	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. Atkins	T. Robertson	J. Podsiadly
2006	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. Atkins	T. Robertson	R. Castello
2007	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. Atkins	J. Podsiadly	D. Gleeson
2008	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. Atkins	J. Podsiadly	J. Podsiadly
2009	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. Atkins	D. Gleeson	M. Barlow
2010	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. Atkins	D. Gleeson	D. Gleeson
2011	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	P. Satterley	D. Gleeson	B. Sharp / M. O'Dwyer
2012	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. West	R. Castello	C. Pedersen
2013	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	S. West	R. Castello	J. Moore
2014	J. Nicol	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	J. Lamont	J. Moore	J. Moore
2015	J. Nicol / M. Carter	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	J. Lamont	M. Sodomaco	M. Hanson
2016	M. Carter	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	J. Lamont	M. Sodomaco	M. Hanson
2017	M. Carter	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	J. Lamont	M. Sodomaco	M. Hanson
2018	M. Carter	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	J. Lamont	M. Sodomaco	S. Collins
2019	M. Carter	M. Penaluna	D. Lyons	M. Williams	M. Sodomaco	T. Gribble
2020	M. Carter	M. Penaluna	P. Mayall	M. Williams	M. Sodomaco	Not Awarded
2021	M. Carter	M. Penaluna	P. Mayall	M. Barlow	M. Sodomaco	M. Hanson
2022	M. Carter	M. Penaluna	P. Mayall	M. Barlow	D. Brew/ T. Gribble	T. Gribble

VFA/VFL MEDAL WINNERS

Year	Player	Medal	Awarded for
1972	F. Mitchell	Gomez Medal	Best & Fairest (Division 2 Under 19s)
1975	N. Mitchell	Disher Medal	Best & Fairest (Division 2 Reserves)
1983	B. Vilcins	Gillon Medal	Best & Fairest (Under 19s)
1987	B. Jackson	Disher Medal	Best & Fairest (Division 2 Reserves)
1988	S. Sells	Field Medal	Best & Fairest (Division 2)
1990	A. Hawkes	Gillon Medal	Best & Fairest (Under 19s)
1991	A. Eames	Liston Trophy	Best & Fairest
1995	P. Satterley	Liston Trophy	Best & Fairest
1997	J. Puli	Fothergill-Round Medal	Most Promising Player

Player	Medal	Awarded for
1998	M. Frost	Liston Trophy
2008	J. Podsiadly	Liston Trophy
2009	M. Barlow	Fothergill-Round Medal
2012	B. Ross	Liston Trophy
2018	J. Corbett	Fothergill-Round-Mitchell Medal
2019	T. Gribble	Liston Trophy
2019	J. Riccardi	Fothergill-Round-Mitchell Medal
2022	T. Gribble	Liston Trophy



Tom Gribble wins second J.J Liston Trophy

WERRIBEE co-captain Tom Gribble is now a two-time J.J Liston Trophy winner after a stunning victory in this year's VFL best-and-fairest.

Gribble became the first Werribee player to win the league's top honour twice and just the fourth player to win the award back-to-back having topped the last Liston Trophy count in 2019.

The 27-year-old polled 30 votes to finish eight ahead of Southport Sharks teammates Jacob Dawson and Boyd Woodcock. He received votes in 12 matches, which included eight best-on-ground performances.

Gribble averaged a career-high 33.2 disposals per game in 2022 and led the VFL in total disposals with 597. He also ranked first for inside 50s (100) and was second for clearances (132) and contested possessions (249).

Gribble said it was incredible to win the award for a second time after drawing motivation from a challenging year off in 2020 and several other factors.

"It's sort of hard to put into words really, I thought 2019 was a bit mind numbing but this is equal to that...it's a great honour," he said.

"I think the harbouring of the ambition to go on and play AFL footy has held me in good stead to find continual improvement within my game and I was also a little disappointed with how I played last year.

"Coming off the year off and my dad passing I didn't play as well as I would have liked even though it was only a nine-game season.

"That spurred me on to get cracking a little bit earlier in terms of starting preseason, so the whips were cracking for me in August and then the captaincy also added another layer.

"I probably put more pressure on myself to perform and I did have a few conversations with Mick (Barlow) throughout the middle part of the year, in particular to just release and not put so much pressure on myself."

Prior to being crowned the league's best-and-fairest Gribble was named in the centre in the Team of the Year and was joined by Werribee teammates Kye Declase (wing) and Shaun Mannagh (half-forward).

Declase averaged 22.3 disposals per game this year and tallied the second most marks in the competition (137) while adding 21 goals for the campaign.

Mannagh was Werribee's second leading goal kicker this season with 27 majors and topped the league with 30 goal assists to go with 19.6 disposals per game.

Werribee timekeeper Scott Bishop was also recognised on the night receiving the Alex Gillon Award as the VFL Volunteer of the Year.

The long-time servant has filled the role as Werribee's timekeeper at both home and away matches for the past 23 years, overseeing more than 650 games in that time.

2022 Award Winners

Bruce Montgomery Trophy Best and Fairest
Tom Gribble

Best and Fairest Runner-up
Kye Declase

Best and Fairest Third Place
Shaun Mannagh

Leading Goal Kicker (32 goals)
Hudson Garoni

Defensive Player of the Year
Nick Coughlan

Trademark Player of the Year
Matt Hanson

Best First Year Player
Charlie Ham

Most Improved Player
Louis Pinnuck

Coaches Award
Nick Hayes

Local Player of the Year
Emmanuel Ajang

Player Life Membership
Tom Gribble

Ray Smith Best Club Person Award
George Riddiford

Property Team Award
Shaun Mannagh

Trainers Award
Connor Thar

Community Development Award
Jesse Clark

GAMES MILESTONES

100 Games
Tom Gribble

50 Games
Louis Pinnuck

Josh Porter
Jack Henderson
Nick Coughlan
Kye Declase

Best and Fairest Final Leaderboard

Tom Gribble	179 votes
Kye Declase	172 votes
Shaun Mannagh	147 votes
Louis Pinnuck	146 votes
Nick Coughlan	145 votes
Oliver Hanrahan	139 votes
Jack Henderson	137 votes
Matt Hanson	125 votes
Hudson Garoni	123 votes
Nick Hayes	123 votes



2022 Debutants

Player: OLIVER HANRAHAN
Jumper No.: 2
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 927
2022 Games: 16
2022 Goals: 17
Recruited from: Hawthorn

Player: REUBEN WILLIAM
Jumper No.: 14
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 928
2022 Games: 12
2022 Goals: 1
Recruited from: Footscray

Player: CHARLIE HAM
Jumper No.: 19
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 929
2022 Games: 18
2022 Goals: 1
Recruited from: North Melbourne

Player: TOM McCAFFREY
Jumper No.: 25
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 930
2022 Games: 6
2022 Goals: 5
Recruited from: Casey Demons

Player: SAM PAEA
Jumper No.: 32
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 931
2022 Games: 8
2022 Goals: 8
Recruited from: Calder Cannons

Player: SAAD EL-HAWLI
Jumper No.: 36
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 932
2022 Games: 5
2022 Goals: 1
Recruited from: Altona Vikings

Player: MARTIN BRENNAN
Jumper No.: 49
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 933
2022 Games: 5
2022 Goals: 2
Recruited from: Lavington Panthers

Player: JACK DRISCOLL
Jumper No.: 34
Debuted: Round 1
 vs Frankston
WFC Player No.: 934
2022 Games: 4
2022 Goals: 1
Recruited from: GWS Academy

Player: SAM CONWAY
Jumper No.: 50
Debuted: Round 2
 vs Williamstown
WFC Player no.: 935
2022 Games: 16
2022 Goals: 1
Recruited from: Williamstown

Player: LACHLAN SMART
Jumper No.: 55
Debuted: Round 6
 vs Gold Coast
WFC Player No.: 936
2022 Games: 3
2022 Goals: 0
Recruited from: Deer Park

Player: ETHAN JACKSON
Jumper No.: 31
Debuted: Round 6
 vs Gold Coast
WFC Player No.: 937
2022 Games: 1
2022 Goals: 1
Recruited from: Clarence (TSL)

Player: MATTHEW KEAST
Jumper No.: 57
Debuted: Round 7
 vs Sydney
WFC Player No.: 937
2022 Games: 9
2022 Goals: 3
Recruited from: Geelong Falcons

Name: SAM CLOHESY
Jumper No.: 35
Debuted: Round 9
 vs GWS
WFC Player No.: 939
2022 Games: 5
2022 Goals: 3
Recruited from: Calder Cannons

Name: DANIEL SHARROCK
Jumper No.: 51
Debuted: Round 14
 vs Port Melbourne
WFC Player No.: 940
2022 Games: 1
2022 Goals: 0
Recruited from: Wangaratta Magpies

Name: DARCY CASSAR
Jumper No.: 33
Debuted: Round 17
 vs Box Hill
WFC Player No.: 941
2022 Games: 3
2022 Goals: 1
Recruited from: Footscray

Name: EMMANUEL AJANG
Jumper No.: 39
Debuted: Round 22
 vs Northern Bullants
WFC Player No.: 942
2022 Games: 1
2022 Goals: 0
Recruited from: GWV Rebels

Name: FLYNN YOUNG
Jumper No.: 48
Debuted: Round 22
 vs Northern Bullants
WFC Player No.: 943
2022 Games: 1
2022 Goals: 2
Recruited from: Geelong Falcons

IN 2022 the community and engagement team attended more than 80 clinics across eight schools in Wyndham. This resulted in 319 new local Auskickers and 153 new junior members. Overall, we had 1280 participants take part in our Werribee In Schools Program.

The Unity Cup is a great initiative by the AFL to target the underrepresented communities and one we have been actively involved in for a number of years. We fielded teams thanks to a collaboration with the North Melbourne Football Club. We were able to have two teams of boys and girls participate on the day with both teams just missing out on the grand final. As well as the benefits for those who took part it also strengthens our relationship with North Melbourne. .

The Annual CDC Champions Day was also another huge success in 2022, senior coach Michael Barlow and members of our playing list were in attendance assisting with the on field activities and sharing with the participants their own journeys in football and life.

A significant event was hosting our inaugural Indigenous round which included wearing a specially designed jumper to represent the first nations people linked to the land, culture and people of Werribee. This event was carefully crafted and planned to acknowledge its historic importance. As well as a pre-match day ceremony, our players and staff were part of a traditional smoking ceremony at training leading up to the round. These experiences was extremely beneficial.

Healthy Living Round was another highlight of 2022, the days many activities included a number of local community businesses having stalls at Avalon Airport Oval promoting various different healthy living alternatives. Free fruit was available for everyone throughout the day in keeping with the theme. Invicta Performance also ran a halftime sprint for the crowd to participate in.



Our Involvement with Wyndham Community & Education Centre stepped up another level. We conducted two personal development workshops run in conjunction with the North Melbourne Huddle to provide extra support around careers for the students. A Welcome to AFL session teaching the fundamentals of the game was very popular.

The year ended on a very positive note with the reaction to our Multicultural Academy. More than 40 participants attended the sessions with a very strong engagement from both participants and parents. Werribee players Ariek Lual and Shaun Manaugh were both great in helping the kids learn and develop their craft. This Academy will act as a blueprint for the Next Generation Academy.

As you can see there is no shortage of willing participants and programs and our club is leading the way in providing much needed pathways for community members to be involved in our game, both on and off the field. We thank CDC & Pacific Werribee for their continued support of the Werribee Football Club's initiatives

We look forward to what 2023 will bring us and can't wait to have the Werribee faithful cheering at Avalon Airport Oval!

Mar Gattek - Community Development Officer



**WERRIBEE
FOOTBALL CLUB**

SCHOOLS PROGRAM

CLASSES

59

CLINICS

80

PARTICIPANTS

1280

2022 JUNIOR MEMBERS

153

NEW LOCAL AUSKICKERS

319





**WERRIBEE
FOOTBALL CLUB**

Historical Performances

YEAR	DIVISION	SENIORS			RESERVES			UNDER 19S		
		WINS	LOSSES	POSITION	WINS	LOSSES	POSITION	WINS	LOSSES	POSITION
1965	II	5	10	7	6	10	7	7	9	6
1966	II	2	15*	10	5	13	8	8	10	6
1967	II	8	9*	6	9	9	6	6	12	8
1968	II	11	6	4	4	13	8	2	15	10
1969	II	7	11	7	5	13	8	7	11	7
1970	II	3	15	9	4	14	9	7	11	7
1971	II	3	15	10	3	15	9	12	6	4
1972	II	3	14*	10	5	13	9	10	8	4
1973	II	7	11	7	6	12	8	13	4	3
1974	II	4	14	8	6	12	7	12	6	5
1975	II	2	16	9	11	7	5	9	9	5
1976	II	7	11	6	8	10	6	11	7	5
1977	II	6	12	7	8	10	6	13	5	2
1978	II	6	12	7	10	8	5	8	10	6
1979	II	2	16	10	3	15	9	15	3	1
1980	II	7	11	9	10	8	5	6	12	7
1981	II	12	5*	4	14	4	2	7	11	8
1982	I	8	10	8	2	16	11	3	15	11
1983	I	8	10	7	5	13	9	15	3	4
1984	I	3	15	11	6	12	10	8	9	12+
1985	I	2	16	12	4	14	11	11	8	7#
1986	II	8	10	7	8	10	8	13	5	5
1987	II	15	3	2	15	3	3	12	6	5
1988	II	10	8	2	17	1	1	16	2	1
1989		8	10	9	13	5	3	13	5	2
1990		12	6	5	11	7	7	15	3	2
1991		16	4	1	7	11	8	13	5	4
1992		10	9	4	15	5	3	20	0	1
1993		16	6	1	5	13	9	13	6	4
1994		9	9	6	11	7	6	15	6	3
1995		9	7	4	7	9	7			
1996		14	7	3	7	9	6			
1997		12	6	4	5	13	8			
1998		16	2	1	13	5	2			
1999		13	5	4	4	13	8			
2000		10	8	9	11	6	4			
2001		18	2	1	14	3	1			
2002		16	4	2	14	4	1			
2003		8	10	8	8	9	5			
2004		11	7	5	10	8	5			
2005		15	3	2	11	7	3			
2006		10	8	7	5	13				
2007		7	11	10	13	4	3			
2008		13	7	4	2	14	10			
2009		8	10	9	9	9	7			
2010		4	13	13	14	4	3			
2011		12	9	3	10	9	6			
2012		13	7	4	11	8	2			
2013		12	9	4	9	8	7			
2014		11	8	5	9	7	4			
2015		11	8	7	4	12	7			
2016		7	11	11	4	12	8			
2017		8	10	12	2	13	8			
2018		7	11	11						
2019		12	8	5						
2020										
2021		5	4	10						
2022		9	9	10						





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