



In house ladies' group of the Hawthorn Football Club
April 2021

APRIL NEWSLETTER.....

2021 season - was to be a year of hope for us all, getting back to footy and catching up with friends at the game, but clearly this is not happening and to say the least very disappointing. Sitting in the "setion" your annual seats are in and seeing opposition supporters in your seats does not start the day off well! So often we hear "why can't we sit in our usual seats" and to be honest we do not know the answer! For those of you who suffered through last season not using your seats but continuing sometimes very expensive packages , we understand your frustration and annoyance.

No one seems to want to take responsibility, the AFL, Ticketek or the club. Too often we hear "why am I paying to be surrounded by opposition" and it is a valid question! ESPECIALLY Richmond supporters when they win!!!

We will endeavour to get answers from the Club for you all.

On field we knew it was not going to be an easy year, but there are certainly signs of hope for the future. How awful when we lost Will Day – watching him on crutches walking around the empty MCG was heartbreaking – we have kept text contact with Will sending the love and support of all Thornbirds – he is most grateful. No point rushing him back – he is the future of the HFC and we need him to be fully recovered.

Jess is busy on match day around the girls, she is also on Big Brother we hear...prerecorded possibly.

We are not going well with 3 of our SP down are we, Jess, Will and Jack who hopefully will get back this season – backs are not easy to manage.

CELEBRATIONS:

Apologies if we have missed any special days in April our congratulations go to Alana who celebrated a

"milestone" birthday    Happy birthday !!!!Hope it was a terrific day.

HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY TO:

Sandra and Alan Cameron 24th April – who headed down to Tassie to support The Hawks this weekend and celebrate this happy occasion. Hope the win made your celebrations more enjoyable!



THINKING OF YOU:

A few ladies are not celebrating but are recuperating! To Betty Leonard, who has undergone knee surgery not that she needs it - she just has eyes for her surgeon!!! Hope it is coming along Betty, sending you love.



To many others who have been unwell, Jenni, Frances, Helen and any others we may not be aware of, please take care of yourselves, we need you all back!!!

We are confident we can continue to have events this year, so we have nervously produced a calendar!

These dates are locked in at the Box Hill Golf Club, we have other special events, but this confirms our regular Friday (or Wednesday for GF Week!) dates. Don't forget to bring a friend along to these days, thanks to Di Kendall last morning coffee for bringing Nicki Cook along, who has since become a Thornbird! Welcome to Nicki.

Congratulations to Judy Halsted on winning Val's new fun game lucky numbers, taking home \$25! Thanks Val it is great when people come up with a new idea and run with it.

Calendar of	Morning Coffees	Time	
FRIDAY 30 APRIL	Morning coffee Golf Club	10.15 am	
	EARLY Mother's Day		
FRIDAY 28 MAY	SPECIAL UPSTAIRS GUEST SPEAKERS	10.00 am	
FRIDAY 25 JUNE	Morning coffee Golf club	10.15am	
FRIDAY 30 JULY	Morning Coffee Golf Club	10.15am	
FRIDAY 27 AUGUST	TBA		
WEDNESDAY 22	grand final morning	10.00am	
SEPTEMBER	Upstairs		

The committee are meeting this week to sure up dates and functions such as Sponsored Players night, Oaks Day, Christmas Break up (ALREADY!!!!) ETC. We will get these dates out as soon as possible.

Our Family Sunday Lunch this year, we are celebrating the # 1 – 1961, 1971, 1991. All great number ones in our Clubs history. We have connected with players from these premierships and it looks like it will be a memorable event! Watch this space in the next newsletter!

WINNERS!

What a game on Sunday! It was amazing to watch how good it would have been for those attending the game. We could see we weren't playing badly just Adelaide were better. The change after half time had to be seen to be believed!

Our young boys did us proud – as well as the oldies – I am certain we ALL could be heard in Launceston! Hearing our Club song and Horses played loudly what a feeling for those who attended.

Our other two teams had a win, the girls to celebrate Meg Hutchins 250 VFLW game – what an achievement, Meg is an amazing ambassador for women's football.

Sam Mitchell got his first win as Coach at Box Hill – a very satisfying weekend for the Hawthorn and Box Hill Football Clubs.

MEMBERSHIP 2021:

To ALL our members if you haven't paid your membership for this year, please do so asap. If you are having difficulties please contact either the treasurer Olivea Sutton or president Lyn Sutton (details below).

It is important to remember the Thornbirds is YOUR group, so if you have suggestions, ideas, complaints we need to know about them so we can continue to grow in a happy environment. Without members we are not a group!

We had hoped to have more definite dates before sending this out but we are still waiting for confirmation from our players and guests, so as soon as we can get this locked in we will let you know!!! As you know this is not an easy task but we will get there!!!!

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