

Welcome back footy fans, the off season has been very eventful with 4 weddings and a funeral, plus a slew of talented players joining the saints to mark the tenth year of our reformation.

We congratulate Kirk & Tessa Hamblin, Matt & Sarah Reardon, Charles & Tay Shaw, Mitch & Ash Ross on the recent nuptials, congratulations and many long and happy years together.

On a sadder note late in 2017 a much loved and hardworking club stalwart lost her battle with cancer, our commiserations and love go out to Lexie Keating's family in particular Pete, Daniele and Magic.

The club sure has changed from 2007 when we were on our knees and in recess, to 2008 reforming the club adding u18's and getting absolutely caned playing in the RFL for two years, without the enthusiasm, belief and drive of our initial coach Glenn Noye, and the commitment, hard work of a handful of club committee and supporters I doubt we would be still here as the successful club today that we now are.

Last year saw the amalgamation of the senior and junior clubs, overall it was a success in practice but could have been a lot easier if more junior and senior members put their hands up to fulfill a role instead of leaving it to the reduced committee members to do it all

This year has kicked off better with several people taking over the important merchandise coordinators role, and the Canteen Bar/functions supervisor's roles.

However more is required –

Team managers – every team from Auskick up to 1st grade should have a individual manager (preferably computer literate) to assist the coaches in running teams.

Time keepers – not so critical in the younger age groups but still someone has to do it.

More Roles are outlined on our website – the main thing is please don't wait to be asked – if you can and want to help ask – please tell us!

Financially last year's loss result was not ideal, however the committee have reviewed and assessed the figures and have identified and implemented strategies to improve our financial situation for the following years.

These include (unfortunately) raising player fees to more accurately cover player costs, increasing the clubs sponsorship base – ground signage, major sponsorships, and netball sponsorships. Please talk to any of our committee members if you are interested in becoming a North Wagga Supporter.

Our board of committee consists of executive President Mick Barnes, Vice-President Brendan Nilsen, Secretary Rod Sheedy, treasurer Maree Watt, board members Kathy Robertson, Letitia Burgmann, Darren Norris and Matthew Guthrie

We welcome back the Palm & Pawn Hotel as our major sponsor this year, as well as Chemworks, Wisely Constructions, Sportsmans Warehouse and the Rules Club Wagga Wagga. Please support these and our signage sponsors

To last year's results our Reserve grade team lead by coach Matty Howarth ended 2017 as premiers, with Mitch Ross being awarded the Best on Ground, the premiership flag will fly high today, A grade netball and u17's also played in the grand final unfortunately they did not win well done on all teams in making it this far.

This season we welcome several top class players to the Saints, Kirk & DJ have added Lachlan Steward as assistant coach. Blue has taken on the reserves, Booza and Crouchy remain with the 17's

The netball girls are coached by Carly Tracey (A & Ares) Sarah Mavroudis and Alice Roberts will coach the remaining grades, a late addition is that u17's have now been added to the Farrer League

Today's senior teams are –

F: K Hamblin (7)
B: M Dunbar (38)
HF: C Winter (10)
HB: T Clark (2)
C: T Curtis (2)
C: R Mannes (26)
HB: L Walsh (16)
HF: J Painting (9)
B: M Thomas (5)
F: T Clarke (16)
R: B Hardy (45)
R: J Hanlon (19)
I: S Breed (19)

D Jordan (4)
J Lyel (1)
J Morris (28)
T Morton (44)
L Steward (12)
G O'Connell (8)
J Conway (29)
D McGillivray (10)
B Skeers (14)
M Carroll (4)
T Groves (3)
C Watt (22)
A Hardie (41)

N Dennis (36)
T Mannes (23)
L Highfield (6)
C Hayes (29)
J Winter ()
J Spencer (14)
N Mortimer (3)
T Handsaker (13)
N Dowdle (11)
A Mannes (22)
J Crowshurst (11)
J May (41)
D Bowie

Go Sinters!!