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Acknowledgement of Country

The Ainslie Football Club acknowledges the traditional owners and custodians of the lands on which we live, work, train and play our great game – the Ngunnawal and Ngambri people. We recognise the continued connection the custodians have to the lands and waterways and respectfully acknowledge elders, past and present.

The Ainslie Football Club will continue to work in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to support an equitable, inclusive and reconciled Australia.

Ainslie Football Club – Board of Directors



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PRESIDENT



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SENIOR VICE
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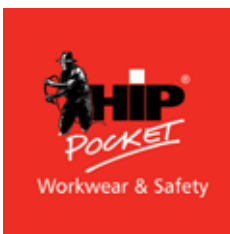
Annie Reeson
GENERAL MANAGER



Simon Holt
SECRETARY & PUBLIC
OFFICER

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Office Staff

STAFF	
Annie Reeson General Manager	
Fraser Kelly Junior Football Operations	Alyson Hirst Football Operations Coordinator

Coaches, Managers & Support Staff

WOMEN'S FIRST GRADE
Britt Tully (Head Coach)
Alyson Flynn (Asst Coach)
Zoe Skryianos (Asst Coach)
Chris Tully (Asst Coach)
Simon Holt (Manager)

MEN'S FIRST GRADE
Jason Tutt (Head Coach)
John Harper (Asst Coach)
Nathan Cawley (Asst Coach)
Brett Sheehan (Asst Coach)
Greg Vickers
Michael Cawley (Manager)
James Horniblow (Timekeeper)
Sid Martin (Statistician)
Liz Matthews

WOMEN'S SECOND GRADE
Tanisha Messer (Head Coach)
Daniella Cecere (Asst Coach)
Claudia Kendall (Manager)

MEN'S SECOND GRADE
Nick Beaumont (Head Coach)
Ben Hackett (Asst Coach)
Greg Vickers
Michael Cawley (Manager)
Linda Muir (Timekeeper)
Sid Martin (Statistician)
Marty Tribe (Statistician)
Liz Matthews

WOMEN'S RISING STARS
Stafford Cooper (Head Coach)
Chris Tournier (Asst Coach)
Leanne Cowburn (Manager)

MEN'S RISING STARS
Adam Gladman (Head Coach)
Matthew Gray (Asst Coach)
Jamie Norton (Asst Coach)
Greta Doherty (Manager)

WOMEN'S THIRD GRADE
Steven Woodward (Head Coach)
Holly Burke (Manager)

MEN'S THIRD GRADE
Edison Marshall (Head Coach)
Glenn Brown (Manager)

MEN'S FOURTH GRADE
David Kusetic (Head Coach)
Glenn Brown (Manager)

2024 on a Page

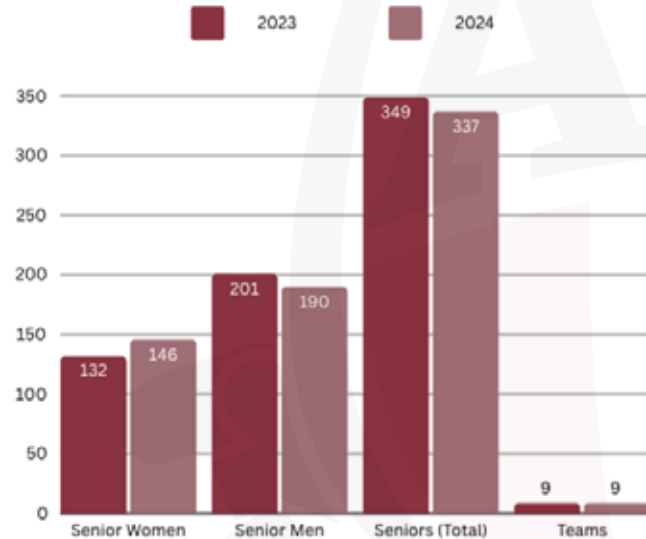
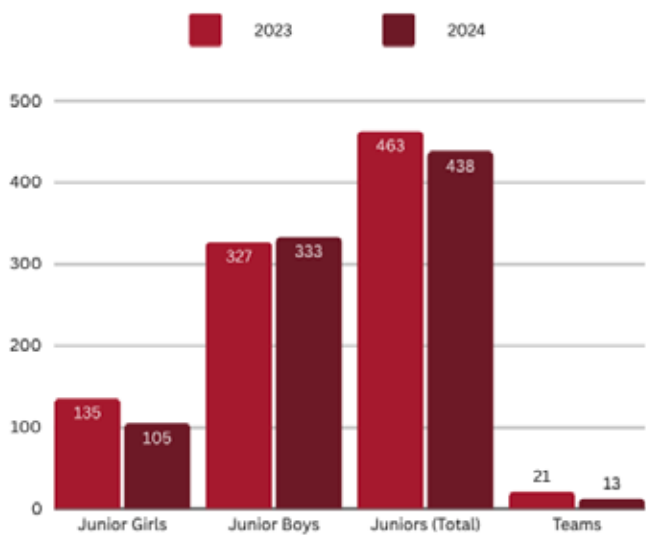
This season highlighted more than ever, the true strengths of the Ainslie Football Club – our Juniors. In 2024, we secured 6 Premierships that have come straight out of a thriving youth and participation program.

We continued to field 9 Senior teams but saw a decline in Junior teams, with a total of 13, and though participants are slightly down our junior program continues to thrive in quality over quantity.

Unfortunately losing two of our Youth Girls teams as a result of a decline in participants from the previous season. Positively, there has been a strong retention through transition into the Rising Stars and Senior programs with multiple senior debuts coming through the junior pathways.

The AFC Board & Management are setting sights high for the year ahead, with the aim to increase opportunities for both our junior and senior programs to expand and thrive.

Participation & Team Statistics



Accolades and achievements

Premiers

- Women's Rising Stars
- Men's Rising Stars
- Girls Under 16s
- Boys Under 16s
- Mixed Under 12s
- Mixed Under 11s

Runners Up

- Men's Second Grade
- Women's Second Grade

Finals Participants

- First Grade Men's
- First Grade Women's
- Under 14's Mixed
- Under 14's Youth Girls

100 First Grade Games

- Danielle Peel
- Hayden Armstrong

100 Games

- Todd Ford

Club Media Award

AFL Canberra, Coach of the Year

- Women's Second Grade - Tanisha Messer
- Women's Rising Stars - Stafford Cooper

AFL Canberra, League Best & Fairest

- Bainrot Medalist – Zoe Skyrianos
- Men's Second Grade - Mackenzie Carmen
- Women's Rising Stars - Georgia Patterson & Mia Cooper
- U16s Girls Best and Fairest – Billie Hamilton
- U12s Mixed Best and Fairest – Gus Bennett
- U11s Mixed Best and Fairest – Ryan Curtis

AFL Canberra, Top 5 Junior League Best & Fairest

- U16s Boys 3rd Best and Fairest – Marley Grosse
- U16s Boys 5th Best and Fairest – George Breusch
- U14s Girls 4th Best and Fairest – Indie Champion

AFL Canberra, League Leading Goal Kickers

- Rising Stars Women: Imogen Morse
- Men's Second Grade: Cameron Terry

AFL Canberra, Representative Players & Coaches

- Greta Larkey, Zoe Skyrianos, Danielle Peel, Katie Williams, Karina Demant, Chantel Jones, Shannon Brown, Charli Canavan and Sophia De Castella, Britt Tully (Coach), Stafford Cooper (Assistant Coach)
- Callum Klep, Luke Crocker, Tom Faul, Matthew Teasdale (Captain), Tom Tyquin & Matthew McGrory.

ACT School Sport, Representative Players

- We also had 18 players selected for the 12 & Under and 15 & Under ACT Schoolgirls and Schoolboys squads.
- Boys 12&Under: Leo Turner, Harry Connellan, Harry Leach, Arthur Oliver, Gus Bennett and Oli Lybrand
- Girls 12&Under: Ruby Roberts
- Boys 15&Under: Cooper French, Cooper Sheehan, Hayden Schorsch and Louis Wilcox
- Girls 15&Under: Billie Hamilton, Lily Martin, Sophia Dawe, Lizzie Hearn, Florence Peter, Zoe Quigley (Captain) and Gisele Schlesinger

AFL Canberra, Team of the Year Players



Rising Stars Women

Imogen Morse, Tessa Wilcox, Lily Quigley, Georgia Patterson, Zara Neill, Mia Cooper (C)



Rising Stars Men

Nelson Marks, Harry O'Connor, Lachie Moresi



First Grade Women

Greta Larkey, Olivia Fogarty, Zoe Skyrianos (C), Katie Williams, Chantel Jones (absent)



First Grade Men

Luke Crocker, Tommy Muir, Matt McGrory, Thomas Tyquin, Thomas Faul (absent)



AFL NSW/ACT Multicultural Youth Leadership Program
Tanish Patel

Accountability, Performance and Key Indicators for 2024

2024 was the second year for the Ainslie Football Club's Strategic Plan, which was developed to help us lead up to Club's 100-year anniversary of supporting community football in 2027. The Strategic Plans sets out our vision – to be the club where people want to be.

To achieve this vision, the Club will provide a positive and inclusive environment, supporting people to succeed on and off the field. We will do this through 5 key areas of work:

- Governance, facilities and finance
- Capability and communication
- Volunteer experience
- Sustainable football competitions
- One community

Overall, the Ainslie Football Club faced several challenges in delivering on Strategic Plan work areas in 2024, particularly as a result of financial and human resourcing constraints, but we still made some important progress.

GOVERNANCE, FACILITIES AND FINANCE

The aim of this work stream is to ensure we deliver good governance and financial management, with a focus on improved, inclusive facilities.

Delivered

- ✓ Replacement of wooden benches in the stands to support a safer, more comfortable experience for spectators.

Ongoing

- 3–5-year capital works plan – Developing our long-term capital works plan is a work in progress.
- Continuous review and improvement – Facilities and Finance are standing items on our monthly Board meetings, and we are continuously looking for opportunities for improvement.
- Close working relationship with Ainslie Football and Social Club & other sponsors – We have annual joint meetings with the Ainslie Football and Social Club and close collaboration on key projects.

More work needed

- Resurfacing of Alan Ray Oval – this is a significant piece of work with considerable cost implications that is on hold for 2025.

CAPABILITY AND COMMUNICATION

The aim of this work stream is to make sure we mature our organisational capabilities, including the way we use technology and communicate.

Delivered

- ✓ The General Manager has introduced an innovative new internship program, which has mutual benefits for the Club and our interns. We have recruited interns to manage communications and social media as well as match day operations. Interns bring skills, enthusiasm and different perspectives and gain experience in working with a first-grade level football club.

Ongoing

- Workforce Strategy – A key priority for 2024 was stabilising our workforce, with a new General Manager and Junior Operations Manager starting relatively late in the season. With our 2025 workforce locked in, and the aforementioned internship program providing important support, we hope to build on this stability in 2025.
- Contemporary policy and settings – In 2024, the Board engaged external legal advisors to support an update of the Objects and Rules to make sure it is compliant with legislation and is a forward-looking document that will put the Club in a good position ahead of our centenary in 2027.
- Media & Communication Strategy – We have made good progress in our media and communications; bringing our efforts together through development of a strategy will help us leverage efforts to date and make the most of opportunities going forward.

More work needed

- Process Automation – There are always ways in which we can streamline our communications and administrative processes to be more efficient and get greater reach; progressing work to better automate our communications remains a work in progress due to resource constraints on the Board.

SUSTAINABLE FOOTBALL AND COMPETITIONS

The aim of this work stream is to shape, and play in, the best competitions available.

Delivered

- ✓ In 2024, the Ainslie and Belconnen football clubs came together to create the Heather Anderson Medal for Best on Ground in senior women's matches between the two clubs. The creation of the award recognises Heather's contribution to local and AFLW level football. The creation of the award also represents the continued growth of the women's teams in our club.

Ongoing

- Canberra-Sydney competition – While we will not be moving to a joint competition with Sydney clubs, Board members have worked tirelessly behind-the-scenes to advocate for an approach that will best support development of elite football in the ACT. Board members continue to work closely with other Clubs in Canberra and AFL Canberra on the future of our competition and game day structures.

More work needed

- Community view & standards - Building on our Indigenous and LGTBQ awareness programs, the AFC will continue to identify methodologies that enable the provision of an environment that is inclusive, respectful and considerate in accordance with community views and standards.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

The aim of this work stream is to deliver a sustainable volunteer experience that attracts, retains and grows our volunteer pool. This work stream recognises that developing and supporting our volunteers is critical to the Club's current and future success.

Delivered

- ✓ The 2024 Club Person of the Year was Holly Burke. Holly's dedication to the club through her support to the Community Women's 1st Grade team combined with her involvement in the senior women's teams is a testament to the wonderful club person she is.

Ongoing

- Volunteer Micro Tasks – With challenges in recruiting and retaining volunteers, we are looking at ways to make it easier for people to volunteer. A key part of this has been the Eight for Mates volunteer program, which has made it easier for people to identify small jobs that still make a big difference, rather than having to commit to a formal role such as team manager or trainer. We will look to build on 8 for Mates in 2025.

More work needed

- Regular communication – Our communications to our volunteers tend to be based around needs for example, in relation to upcoming events where we need help. A more proactive communication strategy will help us tap into our volunteer base in a more systematic way.
- Volunteer Point System – Having a formalised reward system for volunteers is likely to help with attraction and retention; it remains a work in progress due to resource constraints on the Board.
- Recruitment drives and events – We need to think about innovative ways to attract and retain volunteers, building off the work we are doing to review roles and responsibilities.

ONE COMMUNITY

The aim of this work stream is to make a positive impact on our club community by connecting people across the Club to build a genuine “one Club”.

Delivered

- Club Culture Review – Senior Players from the women’s and men’s team held team conversations about the Club’s values of tradition, respect, inclusion, commitment, and integrity, and how these will be put into operation every day.

Ongoing

- Community Volunteering – In 2024, AFC members participated in activities to support local community organisations including Roundabout and Lifeline as well as our Pink Hope fundraiser in Round 4.
- Junior - Senior & Club Integration – Our efforts to join up the Junior and Senior sides of the Club continue, including through Whole Club training days in the pre-season and home matches where our junior sides provide on-field and off-field support to senior players, including getting to stand in the circle for the team song. Growing Ainslie within the community: We will continue to identify avenues that enables our Club to underpin Community spirit and participation

More work needed

- Wellbeing & Safety Strategy – More work is needed to progress our Wellbeing and Safety Strategy, including efforts to ensure safety of our junior players.

WHAT NEXT FOR 2025?

In 2025, the AFC will continue to deliver on fostering and developing Australian Football in the Canberra region. Externally, Ainslie will work closely with AFL Canberra and other clubs to ensure our sport continues its growth. Internally, the AFC will continue to provide that environment and culture that has realised significant growth amongst our women’s and junior competitions. That environment and culture will be based on inclusion and respect. We will continue our preparation for our 100th Anniversary and we will continue to seek support, involvement and participation from greater numbers of volunteers.

President's Report

In presenting the 2024 Ainslie Football Club President's Report, I wish to start with the most important element of our Club; Our people. Across our club, in both the senior and junior competitions, I want to recognise the outstanding work of our 350 junior and 300 senior players, our volunteers, our player's partners, and parents. All have participated in the life of the club and, while our Constitution states that the object of our Club is to promote and participate in Australian Rules football, the participation of everybody in our Club ensured that all received a positive experience that they will carry with them for life.

During 2024, our volunteers across the club, the coaches, assistant coaches, managers and all others who helped out in training and on match day were, as always, critical to getting our teams onto the oval. Their work during the year was outstanding, but the quantity of volunteers was not at the level the club would have liked. Our club is not immune to the broader decline in volunteerism being experienced across Australian community clubs. This decline is resulting in community clubs in other locations looking at closing their doors. Volunteerism enables the club to reduce expenditure and focus on outcomes for our junior and senior clubs as well as our young and old supporters. In 2024, the senior club introduced the 'Eight for Mates' concept which sought to have all senior players provide eight hours of support over the course of the season. The program was introduced across the senior teams as a trial and was based on the long-standing concept that individual contributions achieve a community benefit. The program was well received amongst our players and in 2025, the program will be continued and expanded into our junior teams.

I would like to express my appreciation to my fellow Directors for their work during 2024. Each Director brings skills and passion to the Board and this has enabled the club to maintain a positive development trajectory. Additionally, my thanks to our General Manager, Annie Reeson and Board Secretary, Simon Holt, for their significant contributions during the year. Amongst the standard governance functions undertaken by the Board, a review of the club's Objects and Rules was undertaken. Changes to the document, such as the incorporation of proxy voting, were required to ensure the document remained compliant with current legislation for incorporated associations within the ACT.

While the financial position of the club is sound, the Board is reporting a financial deficit for the 2024 financial year. The club faced and will continue to face into 2025 increased operations costs such as ACT Government ground hire fees increasing, increases in competition participation fees, and increases by equipment suppliers. With the club receiving no direct financial support from local government in delivering junior or senior programs, we remain reliant on our sponsors and earnings from gate takings and merchandise sales as examples. The financial position of the club will necessitate attenuation of the 2022-2027 Strategic Plan, notably resurfacing of Alan Ray Oval or other plans to enhance infrastructure within the oval confines are expected to be delayed.

Turning to our sponsors, their support to our club is crucial to our on-going viability and success. Our sponsors represent businesses who share our values and aims for a stronger and better community through the promotion of Australian football. In 2024, our sponsors' support enabled the club to provide football to approximate 650 junior and senior players. Additionally, a number of our sponsors stepped forward to support specific programs aimed at developing our players. The club thanks our sponsors for their support and we look forward to continuing the strong and positive relationship we have with them. To our membership, we encourage you to prioritise using their businesses for your personal and business requirements. Our sponsors are listed on page 7 of this report.

The club continued to support community activities during the year. For our club veterans, we continued to host Veteran's lunches and we introduced the 100 Club Luncheon bringing together club members and, in some case, rekindling their relationship with the club. We also supported community causes such as Ronald McDonald House, Juvenile Diabetes and Pink Hope. I would like to thank Ian Muir for his work in coordinating these events. His efforts consistently exceed expectations and the enjoyment that is quite noticeable on the faces of the participants speaks volumes for his work.

On the field, our senior teams performed well over the course of the season. While our senior men's and women's teams did not make the Grand Finals, I do note that up to the preliminary final stage of the competition, we had more senior teams remaining in the competition at that late stage of the season than any other club. That of itself is a testament to our players and our coaching and support staff. Also notable was the performance of our U16 and U18 men's/women's teams who won their respective grand finals. This group of young men and women coming through our ranks bodes well for our future senior teams.

On the representative football front, we had eight men, and ten women selected in their respective representative squads that played Sydney during the season while two of our male players and four female players went on to represent the combined AFL NSW/ACT teams that subsequently defeated the Tasmanian representative squads. In addition to the players, our senior women's coach, Britt Tully, was selected as the ACT's Women's coach and Matthew Teasdale, one of our co-Captains, was selected as Captain for the ACT Men's team.

Our men's and women's community teams represented the club well over the season. It was a tough assignment for the teams yet, they flew the Ainslie flag with commitment. I highlight again that our club fields more senior and community teams than any other club in the competition and that is a testament to what we, as a whole club, represent in the community. I thank Ed and Dave for their coaching work in the men's community space as well as Steve Woodward for taking on the women's coaching role.

The end of the season saw our senior female coach, Britt Tully, step down from her role. Britt's leadership saw our women win the premiership in 2023 after a long break in finals success for our women's team. We thank Britt for her leadership and look forward to seeing her around the club going forward. With Britt's departure, we welcomed Stafford Cooper to the senior women's coaching role. On the men's front, Jason Tutt re-signed with the club, and we look forward to a continuation of the good work being undertaken in the men's space, represent in the community.

In closing, 2024 saw Ainslie continue to be a force to be reckoned with on the field. Planning is already underway for 2025, and I look forward to seeing you at Alan Ray Oval over the coming season

MICK CAWLEY

PRESIDENT

Junior President's Report

2024 was another successful year for the Ainslie Juniors, starting slow with myself and Junior Football Coordinator, Fraser Kelly, coming on board in February.

Many thanks to Sue-Anne McKeough and Matt Teasdale for providing support.

I would like to thank Fraser for all his hard work this year as Junior Football Coordinator, and our valiant volunteer coaches, managers and parents who make it all happen on game day.

Though our participation numbers decreased from 2023, our teams continued to challenge and drive our key values of Fun, Participation, Development & Good Sportsmanship

I would like to congratulate all of our teams on a successful season. In particular, our premiership teams, Best & Fairest winners, GWS Giants Academy and ACT School Sport representatives.

Again, I would like to thank our volunteers for your selfless work to foster the love of football for our young people. Extending a further thanks to everyone who has helped me this year - I look forward to proving any support I can to the next Junior President for 2025.

PAUL CONNELLAN
JUNIOR PRESIDENT



Our 2024 coaches and managers were:

AGE GROUP	COACH(ES)	MANAGER(S)
Under 8s Mixed	Billy Quinn Anthony Allen David Almeida	
Under 9s Mixed	Wade Williams	Kendelle Treloar
Under 10s Mixed	Craig Tidswell	Nic Morgan
Under 11s Mixed	Anthony Quirk	Natalie Perry
Under 12s Mixed	Nathan Robertson	Mark Scarborough
Under 13s Mixed	Dean O'Brien	Cassie Johnson
Under 14s Mixed	Nick Notaras	Jorge Robinson
Under 16s Boys	Nathan Robertson Graeme Grosse Cam French James Dunn Michael Scorsch	Rowan Woodburn James Turvey Ali Dunn
Under 14s Girls	Chris Martin	Kate Morse
Under 16s Girls	Kelly Hamilton	Rachael Cannell
Emerging Stars	Brad White	

General Manager's Report

The Ainslie Football Club have faced its fair share of challenges in recent times, opening the 2024 season with what seemed to be a clean slate: a new General Manager, President, Junior Football Coordinator & Junior President.

After commencing in February, the countdown to the first siren was on and I quickly realised that I could either be thrown into the deep end - or dive in headfirst.

As I've come to know the club, I've heard about the long-standing history, premiership glory and mountains of success. But the perception of Ainslie as this well-oiled machine is simply a façade, it's the dedication of the people within the club that are committed to maintaining that legacy – that is the true heart of Ainslie.

Many hands make light work, and by that I'd like to thank the Board of Directors, Coaches, Team Managers, Canteen Volunteers, Sports Trainers and Team Support Staff.

Extending that thanks to those who manned the gate at Alan Ray Oval, ran water for their teammates, set up Auskick at Reid, or simply made a warm introduction throughout our busy season.

Whilst you'll read the tales of the 2024 season from each of our coaches, the summary of our football operations is simple. The effects of staff turnover have left gaps in our ecosystem, and we've had to put significant resources into returning our business to an acceptable standard.

I foresee next year as a time that we will attempt to increase our efficiency and bring our club into the future through technology and adapted processes.

Our objective is to improve our service, whether that be for our junior families, volunteers, sponsors or community – we want to be the club where people want to be.

Within our Football Office, we acknowledged that we can't go back and restart the season with the knowledge we have now – but we can start from now and plan for the season ahead.

With our 100-Year Celebration in sight, I'm excited for the possibilities that await in 2025 and beyond.

ANNIE REESON
GENERAL MANAGER

Men's First Grade Coach's Report

Season 2024 kicked off in November 2023 with great enthusiasm and consistent numbers of players on the track in Pre Season. Jason Tutt was again in charge of the senior program for season 2024, looking to go one step further and claim a Premiership for Ainslie. Ainslie was able to secure the signature of highly sought after Canberra local Matt McGrory- who was able to fill the void left by 2023 Mulrooney medallist Guy Richardson- who took a season away from Football to travel. Some exciting junior talent got their opportunity in pre season to represent a new level of Rep Football- with an under 21 Canberra team established to play the various NSW based AFL academies. Ainslie had great representation in those games with Ollie Phillips, Callum Klep, Jarrad Lynch and Jesse Dunstall all playing in the series. Ainslie decided not to play in the new formed pre season competition and elected instead to play two quality hit outs against Turvey Park in Wagga and UNSW Bulldogs at Alan Ray Oval. Matthew Teasdale and Josh Maynard were again selected as Captains, with a strong leadership group of Tom Faul as Vice Captain, Joe Bishop and Callum Klep. Josh Porter and James White were selected as emerging leaders and joined the leadership group in a learning and development capacity.

Round 1 was fast approaching- with the 100th year of the AFL Canberra competition and Queanbeyan Tigers 100th year to be showcased in a one off game to open the season. Unfortunately, the weather was terrible on the day- which made for a less than ideal spectacle. Queanbeyan were too strong on the day- a consistent theme for the season against the Tigers.

Ainslie bounced back well in the coming rounds, with a round 2- four point win over Eastlake a stand out game. With past players day happening on the same day- Tom Faul was the hero with less than 30 seconds left in the game, kicking a long goal from outside 50 to win the game for Ainslie.

Another close win over Belconnen in round 5 meant 4 wins in a row for Ainslie and sitting in second spot on the ladder. Goal kicking was a consistent worry for Ainslie- kicking 9.16 in that particular game to just get over the line. Matt McGrory was the stand out player across the first 5 games of the season- with significant contributions from Tom Tyquin, Tom Faul, Josh Maynard and Tommy Muir.

Ainslie was again in a tight battle, this time in round 6 against the eventual premiers Queanbeyan. Ainslie jumped out to an early lead, only to be over run and beaten by a goal after the siren. Ainslie quickly responded with a win away against Eastlake by only 4 points, in what was becoming a theme for the battles against the Demons in season 2024. The two tight contests were followed by two wins by over 100 points against both Tuggeranong and Queanbeyan. Young full forward Jonty Revet was in great form kicking 14 goals in the two week period.

Ainslie travelled to Queanbeyan the following week to play the Tigers for the third time in season 2024. Young recruit Ben Vardy was the hero of the day- kicking a late goal to seal Victory for Ainslie in a reverse of the last clash with Queanbeyan. Josh Maynard was awarded the Muir Medal- for the second time in two seasons with a standout performance in the ruck.

Round 11 was the celebration of AFL Canberra 100th year and all games were played at Manuka Oval. Ainslie took on Belconnen in a fantastic game of Football. Callum Klep was awarded best on ground honours- playing a great tagging game on Belconnen Mulrooney Medallist Thomas Simpson. Jonty Revet again played well, kicking 4 goals at full forward. Ben Vardy and Tommy Muir started to develop a strong combination as CHB and Full Back.

A loss at home in round 12 to Eastlake was the only blemish to Ainslie's record, on the way to finishing the season with 12 wins from 15 games.

Hayden Armstrong played his 100th Senior Game in the last game of the season at home against Tuggeranong. It was a great day for the club and Hayden as Ainslie went on the win by over 120 points, with "Dossy" kicking 12 goals. Tom Tyquin had really established himself as a premier player for Ainslie and the competition- along with regular names like Teasdale, Maynard and Luke Crocker all playing consistent football. The emergence of young talent such as Josh Porter, Jesse Dunstall and Ben Vardy all made for an exciting finals series for Ainslie.

Unfortunately, the finals did not go to plan. Ainslie faced Queanbeyan at Queanbeyan in what had been an unhappy hunting ground for a number of seasons. With a significant wind favouring the Tigers in the first quarter, they jumped out to what would be a game winning lead. Ainslie tried its best to get momentum back and from quarter time the game was very even. Eventually, Queanbeyan would win by 10 points, earning them a spot into the ground final and a week off.

Ainslie's next opponent Eastlake was coming off a great win over last years premiers Belconnen in the elimination final and

had great momentum going into the game. Unfortunately, the wind got the better of Ainslie again, with Eastlake kicking with a 6 goal breeze and making the most of the advantage in the first quarter. Ainslie would go on to win the next 3 quarters of football, but wasn't able to overcome that first quarter deficit. Eastlake winning the game and earning their spot in the grand final.

Although this was a really disappointing way to end the 2024 season- again Ainslie had shown that they are a consistently strong team. The continual growth of young Ainslie junior players and the investment in the development of players is starting to show. This group has success not far away- the challenge is to keep the group together and build from within.

The 2024 season was one filled with so many positives. For a young group with the average age of under 23- there is so much upside and potential for this group of young men. Some key highlights for the season include:

- The return of Rep Football in the Capital- which saw Ainslie well represented across both games
- 8 players making their senior debut
- Finishing equal first on wins and losses across the season
- Beating Queanbeyan first time since 2019 at Queanbeyan
- 82% winning percentage across Senior Men and Reserves teams
- 5 players selected in the AFL Canberra team of the year

A massive thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the Ainslie first grade team in 2024. Special mentions go to Mick Cawley who worked long and hard hours as the teams Manager and Ainslie President, Greg Vickers, Sam Tickle, Mon Thorne, Nat Cooper, Abby Thomas, Aly Hirst, Liz Matthews, Steve Martin and Ian Muir in their roles as high-performance team in 2024. The Ainslie FC board, Lead by president Mick Cawley and in particular football operations member Andrew Thomson for their support. The senior coaching group, John Harper, Brett Sheehan, Nathan Cawley and Nick Beaumont and Annie Reeson as General Manager and anyone else who lent a hand in 2024.

JASON TUTT



Mens First & Second Grade

Back Row: J. White, T. Ford, D. Hoffman, L. Fry, W. Cattle, M. McGrory, J. Murphy, J. Williams, R. Hamilton, F. Kelly, L. Carter, T. Roughton
 Third Row: M. Thorne (Physio), N. Cooper (Trainer), A. Thomas (Trainer), A. Hirst (Trainer), O. Phillips, J. Lynch, M. Carman, T. Muir, W. Muir, O. Hicks, B. Vardy, H. Armstrong, J. Revet, N. Cameron-Neser, Jesse Dunstall, C. Terry, L. Burgess, G. Vickers (Staff), S. Tickle (Strength & Conditioning), M. Cawley (Manager)
 Second Row: N. Cawley (Asst. Coach), B. Hackett (Asst. Coach), J. Porter, Joel Dunstall, C. Boyton, N. Beaumont (2nd Grade Coach), T. Faul, J. Maynard (Co-Captain), J. Tutt (Coach), M. Teasdale (Co-Captain), C. Klep, J. Bishop, L. Drury, H. Muir, J. Harper (Senior Asst. Coach), B. Sheehan (Asst. Coach)
 Front Row: S. Groenwegen, L. McKeough, J. Bacchus, B. Scott, L. Crocker, N. Swan, F. Woodward, P. Schroeder, J. Milverton, J. Martin, I. Bishop, S. Casalaz.
 Absent: M. Ackland, T. Golz, N. Gray, T. Hinksman, D. Ledda, M. Middendorp, Z. Noack, J. Rawlins, N. Tanner, T. Tyquin, A. Wolff

Men's Second Grade Coach's Report

The 2024 Season started off as a bit of a shock after winning the GF in 2023. We lost the opening two rounds, R1 by 3 points to QBN and R2 by 126 points to Eastlake. Both teams finished 3rd and 4th in the 2023 season. We addressed professionalism with approaching gameday and created structure to improve team culture.

What a difference it made when all players turned up on time and prepared for games as one unit. From our massive R2 loss, we did not lose a game up until the grand final. Confidence and trust grew amongst the playing group as players got to know each other better and played to their strengths.

Unfortunately, Grand Final day wasn't our day. We faced a very strong Eastlake outfit that was always going to be a challenge as they had set the benchmark all season. They proved far too strong on the day.

To sum up the 2024 season, I am proud of the performance the boys displayed all season. I hope each player who was a part of the M2 team developed their playing ability/knowledge and enjoyed their footy.

Bring on season 2025.

NICK BEAUMONT



Women's First Grade Coach's Report

Round one took us to Queanbeyan, where we faced what could easily be mistaken for a swimming pool! While we experienced our largest loss in years to Queanbeyan, this match allowed us to test a variety of players and assess our potential for the season ahead.

As we moved through the first round of games, we remained unscathed and felt confident heading into round two. Unfortunately, we stumbled against Belconnen and Queanbeyan again—an unexpected outcome for AFC. However, our women rallied, putting in the hard work off the field to get back on track.

By round three, we were sitting comfortably in third place and maintained that position leading into the finals. It felt as though we were building momentum and were poised for a strong showing as finals approached.

The squad was pleased to hold third place and enjoyed the consistency of playing each weekend. After a fantastic preliminary final against Eastlake, it was clear that AFC had the form necessary to challenge the top two teams. Belconnen awaited us in the semi-final at GEO, which turned out to be a beautiful day for footy.

Unfortunately, the semi-final was not our day. Despite a strong first half, we struggled in the second half both on and off the field, failing to put together the solid minutes of football needed to take on Belconnen.

Despite the ups and downs, we celebrated numerous achievements throughout the season. The return of representative football in 2024 saw a large cohort of Ainslie players selected for trials, many of whom went on to compete in a match against Sydney.

Zoe Skyrianos capped off an outstanding season by winning the Bainrot Medal as the league's best and fairest. Additionally, several of our players were recognized in the Team of the Year: congratulations to Zoe, Katie, Chantel, Liv, and Greta!

While our performance on field at times did not match previous years, we held our own in most matches, truly deserving a place in the finals. Unfortunately, we couldn't capitalize when it mattered most.

Throughout the season, we navigated significant changes within the team, which speaks volumes about our depth and the strength of our program. This adaptability allowed us to embrace challenges and provided opportunities for several promising players to debut.

The future looks bright for our program, with a number of U18 players ready to step up and our seasoned veterans continuing to shine.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to my incredible support crew, including our physiotherapists and trainers. A special shoutout goes to Chris, Zoe, Flynny, Fi, and of course, Simon—the best manager anyone could ask for.

Lastly, I want to express my deep gratitude to all the players and the club over these past six or seven years. I have loved every moment in this program and cherished the opportunity to watch players grow. I look forward to seeing what the future holds!

BRITT TULLY

Women's Second Grade Coach's Report

The 2024 season was a developmental year for the Senior Women's twos. Starting my own coaching journey this year, the team had a new coach, a new team manager in Claudia Kendall who stepped into the role whilst sidelined from injury and a new bunch of fresh-faced players. From the very start, we were a relatively new group and did not have the luxury of being a seasoned team that had carried on from previous years.

Our season did not quite start the way we had planned, particularly for our elected captains Aimee Green and Bronwen King. Greeny suffering a knee injury in a pre-season match and Bron suffering a broken ankle whilst making a debut in the first, first-grade game for the year. This forced both Captains to have to turn their attention to leading from the sidelines for the season.

As the season progressed and the onslaught of winter came, we moved from the forming to norming stages, we started to see a few more wins on the board and were able to sing the club song more frequently, for some players for the very first time. We welcomed Greeny back into the side after working through her injury for most of the season. Coming into the last few rounds we really started to solidify our team and grasped a few key wins that saw us head into the preliminary finals in second place.

The preliminary-final against Belconnen was a nail-biter. Coming into the fourth quarter behind in score, a last minute effort from Bianca Kaden and Charlotte Komorowski saw a beautifully set up goal in the final minutes of the game, seal our spot in the grand final.

Going into the big dance on grand final day, the vibes of the collective group were high. Unfortunately, Queanbeyan were the better team on the day, as they had been all year, coming away with a 57 to 20 win over us. Despite the result, you could not help but feel the progress of how far we had come throughout the season. The collective effort by everyone allowed us to fight our way back to near top positioning and put us in contention for a chance at a back-to-back Premiership.

Particular thanks is given to Daniella Cecere for her support as Assistant Coach, Claudia Kendall as team manager and Bronwen King for her dedicated assistance in running the team board, not to mention all the ladies that stepped up to fill key positions throughout the year and make the season possible. 2024 was a great season for the Senior Women's Twos having set some great foundations and I have no doubt that the team will be ready to make their way back to the top spot in 2025.

TANISHA MESSER





Women's First & Second Grade

Ground (from left): Macy Parker, Aimee Green, Imogen Willson, Gemma Gailey

Seated: Annie Ott, Pat Frazis, Charlie Komorowski, Karina Demant, Zoe Skyrianos, Charli Canavan, Ash Evans, Maddy Holloway (1s capt), Shannon Brown (1s capt), Olivia Fogarty, Claire Hanscombe, Katie Williams, Sophie Woodbridge, Brodie McCann

Standing: Bronwen King (2s capt), Chris Tully (coaching), Tanisha Messer (2s coach), Bec Veness, Holly Burke, Deb Stanley, Tayla Manwarring, Daniella Cecere, Dani Peel, Madi Kilby, Tennille Jorgensen, Chantel Jones, Greta Larkey, Montana Harrington, Charlotte Hurn, Anisa Lovewell, Simon Holt (1s manager), Britt Tully (1s coach), Allyson Flynn (coaching), Claudia Kendall (2s manager)

Back Row: Matilda Lugg, Bryony Tait, Thia Thai, Olivia Macri, Jade Smith-Love, Lucy Detering, Claire Beale, Sid Lowe, Dani Curcio, Bianca Kaden, Bec Hotchkis, Emily Bell, Annabel Scott, Emma Murphy

Absent: Jessica Connell, Mia Cooper, Georgia Davis, Sophia de Castella, Letisha Duveck-Smith, Georgie Forrest, Renee Friend, Madeleine Holt, Aman Kaur, Zoe Lewis, Taffy Mills-Hicks, Angela Moran, Imogen Morse, Zara Neil, Amber O'Sullivan, Georgia Patterson, Tegan Ross, Anya Scoble-Hansen, Amy Stewart, Lexi Strasser, Kelli Trinidad, Tessa Wilcox, Alexandra Willis

Women's Rising Stars Coach's Report

The women's u/18's had an incredible season. Every young woman who played this year for the team should feel immensely proud of their achievements and personally I'm very grateful to have coached such a talented group.

We had a bit of a bumpy preparation for the season and at one stage it looked like we might struggle a bit for numbers. Then after recruiting locally and internationally, bringing players out of 'retirement', and pestering the u/16's coach for some top-up players, we had 27 players run out for a game with us this year. To highlight our achievements we were undefeated through the year, had an average winning margin over 10 goals, we won the qualifying final by 8 goals and the grand final by 6 goals. As a coach I couldn't have asked for more.

The team highlight was obviously our great Grand Final win. While there were outstanding individual performances in the game, as had been the case all year the whole team performed their roles really well. Our win was thoroughly deserved and was the culmination of a dominant season.

Thanks to those who volunteered their time and who supported the team over the season, there were some really cold Friday nights to endure, so everyone who got involved is to be commended for turning up. As always your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

In concluding, I want to say that I received far more than I gave this year and it was an immensely enjoyable season filled with great memories. To the players, I wish you all the best in your future endeavours, I hope many of you continue playing football and go on to win more premierships with Ainslie.

STAFFORD COOPER



Women's Rising Stars (Under 18)

Back Row: Chelsea Allen, Ella Cooper, Billie Hamilton, Finn Baillie, Mackenzie Cowburn, Tessa Wilcox (Captain), Tilling Sullings Taya Lyon, Cleo Tsiros, Eleanor Osmotherley, Hannah Reid, Eva Spoljaric, Vivien Field, Stafford Cooper (Coach), Michael Quigley (Runner), Bronwyn King (Trainer), Leanne Cowburn (Manager)

Front Row: Alexandra Wilson, Olivia Connellan, Zara Neil, Georgia Patterson, Lily Quigley, Imogen Morse, Mia Cooper, Chrysanthé Karkazis, Ava Warden, Claudia Connellan

Absent: Stella Fraser, Elin Rusch.

Men's Rising Stars Coach's Report

Ainslie's 2024 was a season that held much promise of success, and despite a relatively mediocre home and away season, the team was able to come from fourth position at the end of the home and away season, to take out the contenders one by one to take out the premiership!

Due to my appointment in January, a lot of the Rising Stars players trained pre-Christmas with the senior group. When we came together as a group in February, there was a lot of excitement and anticipation for the 2024 season. Following the Rising Stars group going out in the semis in 2023, and the U17 being beaten right at the end of the Grand Final, the group was determined to right those wrongs. We spoke about the hard work and sacrifices required throughout the whole season, including the values and behaviours that would guide training and playing performance, the need to be selfless and embrace a 'team first' attitude.

The 2024 Rising Stars were a mixed group, combining players from the 2023 Rising Stars team, players from the U17 team moving up, and also a few players from the U16 cohort. The group trained really well during the pre-season, were focused, and determined to start the season well.

Two of our three pre-season games (against Eastlake and XX School) were unfortunately cancelled, which left us only the one game against a combined Ainslie division 3 & 4 team. This left us really underdone in terms of match fitness and team cohesion to start the season.

Despite our 8 wins and 8 losses, during the home and away season, the team had some great wins, particularly against the top two teams. We had an awesome win in round 6 by 3 points against Belconnen at Alan Ray Oval, which really gave the team the confidence and belief that we were good enough to compete with, and beat, the top teams. Another awesome win against Eastlake by 33 points in round 13, really cemented the belief within the group. Marist had the wood over us in all three of the home and away games, however we believed that we would be good enough to beat them come finals. We also had three really good wins against Batemans Bay and three against Queanbeyan during the season.

We found it difficult to put our best team on the field each week due to a number of long term injuries during the season, as well as unavailability and illness. The team managed to finish fourth and earned the right to play finals football. Despite our inconsistent season and finishing fourth, the group never wavered in our belief that we were good enough to win the competition.

The Elimination Final saw us defeat Marist by 3 points in a great game of footy. In the Preliminary Final, we took on the minor premier in Eastlake, who were no match for the tri-colours as we won by 32 points to earn the right to take on Belconnen in the Grand Final. The mighty Ainslie team were primed to the second for this game and controlled the game throughout to come away with a 12 point win to bring the premiership trophy back to Ainslie.

The team was also successful in the AFL Canberra awards night with three players being selected in the Rising Stars team of the year (Nelson Marks, Lachie Moresi and Harry O'Connor). Harry O'Connor also came runner-up in the league goal kicking. Congratulations to all those players.

I would like to thank many people for their help and advice along the way. First, huge thanks goes to the Assistant Coaches – Matt Gray and Jamie Norton for their massive contributions throughout pre-season and season proper. A massive thank you goes to the

Rising Stars manager, Greta Doherty, for her tireless efforts to organise the team and manage logistics throughout the season. This big thank you is also extended to Warren Doherty for all his efforts during the season as well. Thanks also to the fantastic leadership group for their contributions and support of me during the season. A big thank you also to all our parent and supporter volunteers – timekeepers, water carriers, runners, physios, trainers and others.

Also, thanks go to the senior coaching staff, led by Jason Tutt, for their support to me. Thanks also to John Smith for giving me the opportunity to coach the team, Mick Cawley, Annie Reason and Alyson Hirst, for their tireless work in running the club and their support of me and the Rising Stars program this season.

Finally, a big thank you to the playing group. You were a fantastic group of young men and it was my privilege to work with you. There was strong development within the playing group over the year, which bodes well for 2025 and beyond.

I very much now look forward to seeing the progression of the older players into Divisions 1 and 2, and the younger players backing up for another year of Rising Stars, and working a new group coming up from the 16s, as we work to defend our title in 2025.

ADAM GLADMAN



Mens Rising Stars (Under 18)

Back row - Travis Beardsley, Cooper White, Morgan Quinn, Sam Hillier, Oscar Watt, Tom Gladman, Liam Norton (VC)

Middle row - Jamie Norton (Assistant Coach), Darby Veitch, Arak Arak, Jack Fardell, Harper Smee, Harry O'Connor (VC), Will Beardsley, George Breusch, Jackson Whiting (Trainer), Greta Doherty (Manager)

Front row - Bryan Budby, Matt Barrett, Owen Doherty, Tom Quigley, Lachlan Moresi, Adam Gladman (coach), Nelson Marks (C), Liam Deegan, Noah Lawler, Brody Stefanac, Alex Arthur

Absent: Sam Oliver, Luke Kendall, Angus Scott, Axyl Foley-Guerin, Josh McIntyre, Jack Ryan, Joe Cattle, Carlo Knox, Gage Pantier, Matthew Gray (Assistant Coach)

Women's Community 1st Grade Coach's Report

The 2024 season for the Ainslie Women's 3rds was a success story for the development of authentic women's community football. Ainslie Women's footy is growing and is attracting a big number of players to the club. In 2024, we saw a new potential player and their mates come to training to try out AFL. Ainslie is a big club and offers a lot of grades to players looking to develop and advance their footy but there will always be a lot of players just looking to get a run on the weekend. The Women's 3rds offered that entry level, no need to take it too seriously, just enjoy playing footy option to all.

It's great to be part of a club that can play 3 women's teams in the senior competition. It's also great to be part of a team that focuses on the community aspect of women's footy. Our team consisted of experienced players, never played players and friends of never played players that had never played. Our team offered an opportunity to everyone. It offered a bunch of teammates who would support, encourage, and protect each other. In 2024, everyone probably got what they wanted out of playing AFL with this team. The 3rds ended up with a list of 40 or more who played a game (that's a lot of magnets).

Everyone who played a game contributed to the team. Every game felt like a tough game, but the team gave everything right to the end and had a laugh or two at the end of it. Hopefully these words remind everyone that the team culture, the club culture is the most important part of enjoying playing footy - season after season.

Finally, one suggestion – include the 3rds in the 1s and 2s training sessions. They can be the 'opposition', make the drills more game-like and it would really enable the development of the 3rd skills. Inclusive training builds a stronger team culture and would allow seamless movement of players between grades. I strongly recommend that at trainings the 3rds are not asked to move to the side and do some drills while the 1sts and 2nds conduct gameplay sessions.

STEVE WOODWARD



Women's Community Division 1

Back row: Steven Woodward, Holly Komorowski, Kelli Trinidad, Sophie Rasmussen, Cassandra Russell, Lola Bustamante Gonzalez, Kate Robertson, Sarina Talip, Olivia Macri, Felicity Chun, Isabelle Woodward

Front row: Valeria Suhinin, Anya Scoble-Hansen, Taffy Mills-Hicks, Annabelle Lowrey, Jess Huntley, Matilda Southgate, Lucinda Detering

Men's Community Division 1 Coaches' Report

2024 was a year of mixed emotions. Plenty of fantastic development from playing group. Some good, close games and a few disappointing efforts in there as well.

Year 3 of Dave and I's tenure was about implementing a playing style that suited the team and that the team were subscribed to. I can safely say we achieved this with the team subscribing to a game plan that highlighted some of our Key backs intercept marking ability and looking to deliver to a forward line that, for the first time in a long time, had some decent size.

This really came together in some games where we went really close to winning some key fixtures at key times of the season but fell short. Matches against Woden (the eventual premiers) were decided by a kick or two, and we led for much of those matches. Matches against ADFA who would usually shine with their superior fitness were being beaten to the ball and challenged down the stretch. Leading against ANU going into the final break with momentum before some poor discipline started to cost us. Spitting a 3 game series with Molonglo certainly was a significant underperformance for a team that had clearly come a long way in the last 18 months.

Ultimately this, young and inexperienced team, learned that to win games of football, you can't play well for 2-3 quarters, it takes a 4-quarter effort. A learning curve that many of the boys, by their own admission, are keen to rectify in 2025.

The biggest disappointment from my perspective was that the third grade team, a luxury to have in Canberra, didn't really play the role of a third XXII for much of the season. When called upon we provided players into second grade, however only on occasion were we able to provide a pathway back into reserves football for those returning from injury or unluck to miss out. Most weeks would consist of communications between Nick Beaumont, Dave and Myself early in the week identify 4 or 5 players who will not be picked in reserves, but by Friday night, that list shrunk to 0, occasionally by chance, but from what I could tell, often by choice.

I would like to thank all those who support Dave and Myself in keeping community footy running. In Particular for season 2024 Mick Cawley & Annie Reeson. I'd like to thank Alex Mitchell and Andy Thomson for their ears throughout the season. But as usual I want to highlight the significant contribution that Glenn Brown makes to community football. Before Glenn the coaches were basically given the task of doing every single task required. Glenn has significantly lightened the load and is allowing us to actually coach, he plays the role of game day manager for 3 teams, with no other volunteer support, as well as assisting with training operations. If not for Glen, I can't imagine I would still be coaching into 2025 and I hope that he is recognised appropriately.

Onwards, Upwards

ED MARSHALL

Men's Community Division 2 Coaches' Report

The 2024 season proved to be a challenging one for the Ainslie Community Second Grade team in terms of results, but it was not without its positives and moments of growth. While the scoreboard often didn't reflect the effort and progress made by the team, there were encouraging signs that suggest we are laying the foundation for future success in 2025.

One of the key developments this season was the emergence of a new brand of footy that the players fully embraced. This approach focused on greater ball movement, disciplined defensive structures, and an increased emphasis on teamwork. While it took time to implement and refine, the squad demonstrated clear improvement in executing this game plan as the season progressed.

The players' willingness to adapt to this style of play and their persistence through tough matches showed the character and resilience of the group. By the latter half of the season, we began to see glimpses of what this team is capable of, with more competitive performances and tighter contests against some of the top sides in the league.

Importantly, this year was also about developing individual skills and fostering team cohesion. Several players made significant strides in their personal development, showing increased confidence and impact on the field. Their growth will undoubtedly benefit the team heading into 2025.

Looking ahead, the groundwork has been laid for a brighter future. If the players continue to commit to the process and build on the lessons learned this season, I am confident we will see improved results and even more reasons to celebrate next year.

Thank you to the players, support staff, and the wider Ainslie community for their unwavering support this season. Let's carry this momentum forward and aim high for 2025.

Yours in footy,

DAVE KUSETIC



Mens Community 1st & 2nd Grade

Back row: Simoon Hargraves, Dan Chick, Mitch Bryce, Jude Murphy, Jack Beattie, Alex Simms, Alex Bunday, Rogan turner, David Wolthuis, Kirk Demant, Sean Gee

Middle row: Josh Butcher, Oli Di Pofi, Alex Kendall, Benn Hallman, Ben Philp, Jonah Mielens, Nic Bull, Josh Roberts, Max Cooper, Pat Hughes, Nick Palmer, Luke Powell, Lewis Free, Carl Bukauskas, Sean Gupanis, Liam Patt(back), Matt Prentice(front), Rene Chaustowski(back), Brooklyn Brougham (front), Miles Davis

Front Row: Nick Whatman , Nathan Rowe, Ed Marshall (Coach) David Kusetic (Coach) Glenn Brown (Manager), Gus Nolan





2024 Awards

WHOLE OF CLUB AWARD

Best Club Person

Moore Trophy

Holly Burke

MEN'S FIRST GRADE

Best & Fairest

Brett Hannam Trophy

Tom Tyquin

Runner-up Best & Fairest

Nick Paine Award

Matt McGrory

3rd Best & Fairest

Tommy Muir

Coach's Award

James Williams

Rising Star

Alan 'Ackie' Hawke Award

Jesse Dunstall

Robbie Baxter Award

Matthew Teasdale

WOMEN'S FIRST GRADE

Best & Fairest

Dani Curcio Award

Greta Larkey

Runner-up Best & Fairest

Katie Williams

3rd Best & Fairest

Olivia Fogarty

Best Club Person

Mads Kilby

Most Improved

Charlotte Hurn

Coach's Award

Annabelle Scott

Player's Player

Meredeth Wells Award

Greta Larkey

MEN'S SECOND GRADE

Best & Fairest

Jason Burgess Award

Airi Wolff

Runner-up Best & Fairest

Graeme Read Award

Cameron Terry

Best Club Person

Todd Ford
Peter Schroder

Coach's Award

Daniel Hoffmann

Best New Player

Cameron Terry

WOMEN'S SECOND GRADE

Best & Fairest

Fiona Van de Made Award

Sidonie Lowe

Runner-up Best & Fairest

Gemma Gailey

Best Club Person

Claudia Kendall

Most Improved

Macy Parker

Coach's Award

Bryony Tait

Player's Player

Kendelle Treloar Award

Gemma Gailey

MEN'S RISING STARS

Best & Fairest

Ralph Rendell Award

Nelson Marks

Runner-up Best & Fairest

Greg Bishop Award

Sam Oliver

Best Club Person

Ian Kirkpatrick Award

Owen Doherty

Most Promising Player

Mike Richardson Award

Darby Veitch

Coach's Award

Harper Smee

Bev Trebilcock Award

William Beardsley

WOMEN'S RISING STARS

Best & Fairest

Kendelle Treloar Award

Mia Cooper

Runner-up Best & Fairest

Zara Neil
Imogen Morse

Best Club Person

Linda Muir Award

Georgia Patterson

Players Player

Georgia Patterson

Coach's Award

Tessa Wilcox

Coach's Award

Tilly Sullings

2024 Awards

MEN'S THIRD GRADE

Best & Fairest	
<i>Laurie Laffan Award</i>	Nathan Rowe
Runner-up Best & Fairest	Sean Gupanis Luke Powell
Best Club Person	Jamie Baker
Coach's Award	Jack Beattie
Coach's Award	Julian Craven

MEN'S FOURTH GRADE

Best & Fairest	
Chris Watkins Award	Miles Davis Edison Marshall
Runner-up Best & Fairest	Ben Narbey
Best Club Person	Jake Creech
Coach's Award	Rene Chaustowski
Coach's Award	Joel Tannahill

LEADING GOAL KICKER

Men's First Grade	Hayden Armstrong	53
Men's Second Grade	Cameron Terry	36
Men's Rising Stars	Harry O'Connor	39
Men's Third Grade	Angus Nolan	17
Men's Fourth Grade	Miles Davis	11
Women's First Grade	Chantel Jones	25
Women's Second Grade	Bec Veness	8
Women's Rising Stars	Imogen Morse	63

WOMEN'S THIRD GRADE

Best & Fairest	Kelli Trinidad
Runner-up Best & Fairest	Felicity Chun
Most Improved	Annabelle Lowrey
Best Club Person	Kelli Trinidad
Coach's Award	Felicity Chun
Players Player	Annabelle Lowrey

Honour Roll

PRESIDENTS:

1927	P J McNamara
1928 – 1930	F C Green CBE MC
1931 – 1933	T James
1934 – 1935	C Gregory
1936	G Bourne
1937	J Horgan
1938	T Gillard
1939 – 1953	R H Lewis BEM
1954 – 1955	B Whatman MBE
1956	J Whatman
1957 – 1971	H Gaylard BEM
1972 – 1975	A Ray
1976 – 1981	K Heales
1982 – 1985	B Glossop
1986 – 1987	K Heales
1988 – 1990	D Lalor
1991 – 1993	D Seymour
1994 – 1996	B Glossop
1997 – 2000	G Cox
2001 – 2002	J Miller
2003 – 2005	K Heales
2006 – 2016	I Muir
2017 - 2023	L Phillips
2024 -	M Cawley

CLUB PATRONS:

1927 – 1939	No patrons appointed
1940 – 1941	R G Menzies
1942 – 1945	No patron appointed
1946 – 1956	J C Moore
1957 – 1976	R H Lewis BEM, R W Chew
1977 – 1982	R H Lewis BEM, H Gaylard BEM
1983 – 1986	H Gaylard BEM, Senator D Jessop, Senator M Townley
1987	S L Ray OAM, Senator D Jessop, Senator M Townley
1988 – 1995	S L Ray OAM
1996 – Feb 2014	A L Ray
2015 – 2024	B Marshall

Honour Roll

BAINROT MEDAL WINNERS

Women’s 1st Grade

2001	E Diprose
2021	B Tully
2024	Z Skyrianos

A season highlight was the awarding of the AFL Canberra Women League’s Best and Fairest award, The Bainrot Medal, to Zoe Skyrianos. Zoe’s outstanding season on the field was matched by her wonderful acceptance speech. Gracious as always, Zoe reflected on the trajectory of the women’s competition and paid tribute to all the women who compete in that competition.



MULROONEY MEDAL WINNERS:

Men’s 1st Grade

1936	R Roe
1940	R Bloomfield
1946	A Stevens
1950	B Cain
1951	J B McCabe
1955	B Browning
1956	B Browning
1966	W Drake
1973	R Rendell
1980	J Miller
1982	G Nichols
1986	P Hamilton
2008	R Lewis
2023	G Richardson

Honour Roll

J MCNAMARA MEDAL WINNERS:

Men's 2nd Grade	
1950	R Dunn
1953	G Farrer
1969	R Dunkeld
1972	G Read
1974	I McDonald
1979	G Read
1980	M Walsh
1983	G Read
1992	M Collins
1997	R Baxter
1998	S Woodland
2000	A Kouvaras
2001	A Kouvaras
2004	A Kouvaras
2005	A Wainwright
2012	D Bloomfield
2017	C Boyton & A Thompson
2018	M Thompson
2022	M Carman
2023	M Carman
2024	M Carman



The football club acknowledges the incredibly rare and exceptional achievement of Ainslie Junior Mackenzie Carman not only winning a third senior men's reserve grade league best a fairest, but doing so in 3 consecutive years.

Honour Roll

AFL MERIT AWARDS:

Ainslie's recipients of the Merit Award Certificate "for valuable service to Australian Football" are as follows:

1956	H Gaylard BEM
1960	R H Lewis BEM
1961	S Ray OAM
1964	R Bloomfield
1968	G A Bennett MBE
1970	A Ray
1971	B Browning
1972	T Moore
1981	K Heales
1985	A D Andrews
1993	B Glosso I Kirkpatrick
1994	C Palmer

ALEX JESAULENKO MEDAL WINNERS

1980	Ken Stone
1983	Gordon Marshall
1987	Russell Durnan Mark Killer
1992	David McCallum
1993	David Cloke
1994	Michael Richardson
1995	Gerard Zochling
1997	Reece Langan
2010	Robert Shirley
2011	Marcus Crook
2016	Nick Paine
2017	Simon Curtis
2018	Ben Jamieson
2019	Simon Horner

AFL CANBERRA HALL OF FAME

2006	Bob Bloomfield Barry Browning Kevin Neale
2007	Geoff Harrold Ralph Rendell
2008	Alan Stevens
2010	Bruce Whatman
2012	Charles Smith
2014	Brett Hannam
2015	Keith Heales
2016	Stafford Cooper
2017	Barbara Marshall
2018	Andrew Bishop Emily Diprose
2019	Alan Ray Brian Read
2022	Ian Muir
2023	Reece Langan

AFL CANBERRA HALL OF FAME LEGENDS

2019	Kevin Neale
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100 GOALS AND OVER

1935	G Collins	125
1972	A Bongetti	105
1980	K Neale	149
1981	K Neale	139
1982	K Neale	125
1984	P Angelis	139
1991	C Fleming	109
1994	G Zochling	105

AFL CANBERRA BEST FIRST YEAR PLAYER AWARD

1996	Andrew Wainwright
1998	Brent Rebecca
2001	Peter McGrath
2002	Kieran McRedmond
2007	Ashley Harris

100 Club

MEN'S 1ST GRADE

236 Pulford T
225 Smith Charles
211 Smith M
210 Smith A*
208 Baxter R
208 Ross D*
206 Bishop A
201 Muir I
197 Richardson M
189 Harris A
186 Ray A*
180 Lawless I
178 Hannam B
177 Browning B*
172 Hassett K*
169 Ielasi T
169 Kent S
164 Irvine A*
164 Zochling G
164 Kershaw B
161 Sinclair M
157 Evans T*
155 Bryan A*
155 Rendell Ralph
153 Ireland P
156 Paine N
145 Lynravn N*
144 Tuohey R
143 Platt P*
141 Bellchambers D
139 Read B
138 Lawless M

137 Backen J LVO*
137 Williams C*
136 Gibson S*
133 Cleary J*
132 Bloomfield R*
131 Rebecca B
129 Dipetta A
129 Killer M
128 Hawke A*
128 Hirst J
125 McCormick J
125 Johnson P
125 Loftus J
124 Crook M
123 Langan R
121 Cox G
121 Conway M
120 Boorn R*
120 Bowles D
119 Costigan J
117 James LD*
116 Dee S*
115 Stone E
114 Gerrans P
113 Neeson N*
113 Smith Craig
113 Marshall G
113 Robertson D*
111 Sutton A
114 Teasdale M
109 Davey R
109 Rogers W
108 Laffan L
108 Bishop G

107 Searle P
107 Miller J
106 Fleming J
106 Heales K*
105 Gardiner G
105 Blomfield J
105 Whatman B*
104 Gale W*
104 Neeson P
103 Ryan B
101 Cuzner J
101 Martin B
100 Greatz N
100 McFarlane D
100 Mathis C
100 Mohrwinkle J
102 Armstrong H

WOMENS 1ST GRADE

254 Curcio D
173 Wells M
139 Demant K
129 Skyrianos Z
124 Friend R
104 Treloar K
104 Peel D

MEN'S 2ND GRADE

236 Burgess J
232 Read G
203 Palmer P
180 Kelty W
163 Laffan L

158 Woodland S
143 Seymour D
141 Renet M
132 Lond T
125 Rendell Ross
125 Mitchell A
119 Truesdale S
119 Wark K
116 Downes I
113 Tournier C
113 Rebecca G
111 O'Loughlin P
107 Ryan B
105 Baxter R
102 Maher A
101 Lalor D
101 Lancaster D
100 Dunkeld R*
100 Wainwright A

MENS 3RD GRADE

142 Stewart D
136 David M
135 Paine D
131 Tranter G
124 Jillard M
116 Treloar T
114 Bunday J

MENS 4TH GRADE

129 Marshall E

MIXED GRADES

66 2nds/124 3rds - 190
91 2nds/75 3rds - 166
71 2nds/94 3rds - 165
80 2nds/83 3rds - 163
63 3rds/98 4ths - 161
97 3rds/61 4ths - 158
90 3rds/61 4ths - 151
81 3rds/65 4ths - 146
99 1sts/46 2nds - 145

Jillard M
Haining C
Alsford D
Schroder P
Chaustowski R
Demant K
Watkins C
Butcher J
Love D

65 1sts/ 68 2nds - 133
75 1sts/58 2nds - 133
67 3rds/55 4ths - 122
51 3rds/69 4ths - 120
66 3rds/53 4ths - 119
41 3rds/77 4ths - 118
69 1sts/44 2nds - 113
9 1sts/95 2nds - 104
9 3rds/93 4ths - 102

Carter L
Tow D
Ferrell A
Lemmon T
Jehu T
Bunday A
Mulroney M
Ford T
York J

* Deceased

INDUCTED LIFE MEMBERS



Bernard John Ryan

1966 – 1977 Guernsey's 9, 32 and 30, 103 1st Grade and 107 Reserves Grade games - Accurate Reserves Grade games played prior to 1972 were not published?

Half forward/half back flanker, Ainslie junior, utility with a very good mark and kicks either foot

Committee of Management 1972, 73, 74, 75, 76 and 77 - Attended 108 from a possible 135 meetings.

Constitution amended 1991 to allow qualification for Life Membership after playing 200 (1st 103) and (107) Reserves Grade games.

CANFL Rep Team 1969, 70

Ainslie Football Club statistics for Bernard John Ryan

Played 103 1st Grade and 107 Reserves Grade games between 1966 and 1977 mainly on the half back flank

Grand Final teams:

1965 U19s Runners up Best and Fairest player runner up.

1966 1st Grade Runners up

1970 1st Grade Premiers

1971 Reserves Grade Runners up

1972 Reserves Grade Runners up

1973 Reserves Grade Premiers

1975 Reserves Grade Premiers

1976 Reserves Grade Premiers

1977 Reserves Grade Premiers



Glenn Brown

Pre 2009 U8-U14s parent helper

2010 U16 Div 2 Men's Manager

2011 U16 Div 1 Men's Manager (Premiership)

2012 U18 Men's Manager

2013 U18 Men's Manager (Premiership)

2014 U18 Men's Manager

2015 Men's 2nd Grade Timekeeper

2016 Men's 1st Grade Manager (Premiership)

2017 Men's 1st Grade Manager (Premiership)

2018 Men's 1st Grade Manager (Premiership)

2019 Men's 1st Grade Manager (Premiership)

2020 Men's 1st Grade Manager

2021 Men's 1st Grade Manager

2022 Men's 1st Grade Manager

2023 Men's 3rd & 4th Grade (Community) Manager

INDUCTED LIFE MEMBERS



Kendelle Treloar

A true trailblazer for Women's Football at Ainslie and the ACT - the first woman to play 100 games of football in Canberra, is no small feat.

Kendelle was an Ainslie Junior up until Under 14s when she wasn't allowed to play in the boy's competition. In 1999 at the age of 16 she joined the Women's League; in its second year of competition.

There have been plenty of significant firsts including the captaining Ainslie's first Women's Premiership in 2001, and featuring in three more Grand Finals (2008, 2009, 2010).

Kendelle went on to represent the ACT from 1999 – 2002 & 2004, was named All Australian in 1999 & 2000, and was named in the ACT Women's Team of the Decade as Centre Half Back (1998 – 2007).'

Continuing her commitment to the game through coaching in the inaugural Youth Girls competition, going on to coach over 150 games earned her the naming rights of the B&F Shield.

In her dedication to Women's Football, Kendelle left the club in 2013 to build the 13th Women's team at Molonglo – a move that would create two divisions for women's football in Canberra.



Reece Langan

Ainslie Games: 123 first grade games

Awards: 1994 – 1st Grade Best and Fairest 1996– 1st Grade Best and Fairest 1997– 1st Grade Best and Fairest 2002– 1st Grade Best and Fairest
1997 - Alex Jesaulenko Medallist – B&F AFL Canberra GF

Rep Footy: 1994 (1) vs Western Bulldogs winning 19.8.122 to 12.15.87 1995 (2) vs NT & Glenelg 1996 (1) vs Port Adelaide 1997 (2) vs SANFL & VFL Made the AFL Canberra Team of The Century, 2023 Inducted into AFL Canberra Hall of fame

Life Members

1931	T Gillard*	1971	F Cornell*		H K Duncan OAM*
	A Sutton*	1972	N Neeson*		J Keegan*
1932	G Millard*	1973	K Heales*	2001	M Richardson
1933	C Williams*	1974	J B McCabe*	2003	J Miller
1934	T James*	1975	B Kershaw	2004	B. Hannam
1935	A H Boorn*	1976	P Clynes*		T Lond
1936	J Irvine*	1978	B Palmer		J Mohrwinkel
1939	C Gregory*	1979	P Searle	2005	P Poke
1947	H Gaylard BEM*	1980	J Bravo*		J Burgess
1948	R H Lewis*	1981	J McGrath		W. Kely
1949	A Bryan MBE*	1982	Charles Smith	2008	T Pulford
	T Evans*	1983	L Laffan		G Bishop
1950	L D James*	1984	G Read	2009	G Rebecca
1953	H D Kruger BEM*	1985	A G Bennett*		M Sinclair
	S Ray OAM*	1986	B Glossop	2011	L Hirst*
1954	B Whatman MBE*		I Kirkpatrick		W Rogers
	R Bloomfield*		D Cowie	2012	J O'Loughlin
1955	M F Kildea*		C Palmer	2013	M Scholes
1957	T Moore OAM*	1987	M Smith		D Seymour
	N Scholes*	1990	K Blundell		S Delorenzo
1958	G A Bennett MBE*		D Lalor	2015	J Ireland
	N Lynravn*	1991	A Smith*	2016	G McCormack
1960	H Loftus*		G Cox		G Vickers
1961	R Glynn*		J Rebecca	2018	C Rourke
1962	P Horgan*		P Palmer	2019	J Horniblow
1963	A L Ray*	1993	N McCormack*		J Smith
1964	D Ross*		A McGrath	2021	B Read,
1965	L James	1995	R Rendell		D Curcio
1966	B Browning*		R Baxter	2023	B Marshall
	E N Gaylard*	1996	G Marshall*		L Phillips
	C A James*	1997	A Bishop		B Ryan
1967	A Hawke*		I Muir		G Brown
1970	J Rowe*	1999	J Backen LVO*		K Treloar
			K Neale*		R Langan

* Deceased

Best and Fairest

MEN'S 1ST GRADE

1929	C Williams	1981	S Nolan
1934	C Moore	1982	G Nichols
1935	S Dee	1983	R Davey
1936	G Collins	1984	G Stewart
1937	W Pierce	1985	R Baxter
1938	D Moore	1986	P Hamilton
1939	L James & D Moore	1987	A Bishop
1940	R Bloomfield	1988	R Durnan
1941	A Stevens	1989	C K Smith
1946	A Stevens	1990	M Wingate
1947	R Furler & A Stevens	1991	J Mohrwinkel
1948	N Cleary & B Whatman MBE	1992	D Cloke
1949	B Birch	1993	J Mohrwinkel
1950	B Cain	1994	R Langan
1951	J B McCabe	1995	A Di Petta
1952	R Boorn, N Cleary & L James	1996	R Langan
1953	A Ray	1997	R Langan
1954	B Whatman MBE	1998	S Kent
1955	A Ray	1999	Christopher L Smith
1956	B Browning	2000	T Pulford
1957	B Browning	2001	M Beattie
1958	J Loftus	2002	R Langan
1959	A Irvine	2003	P McGrath
1960	B Carnegie	2004	L Matthews
1961	A Ray	2005	P Grayling
1962	B Carnegie	2006	W Neely
1963	B Carnegie	2007	W Neely
1964	A Irvine	2008	W Neely
1965	B Kershaw	2009	T Inkster
1966	W Drake	2010	M Lawless
1967	P Tucker	2011	R Shirley
1968	B Kershaw	2012	S Horner
1969	P Johnson	2013	A Vandenberg
1970	P Johnson	2014	A Vandenberg
1971	B Read	2015	N Salter
1972	B Read	2016	N Salter
1973	R Rendell	2017	S Curtis
1974	B Fort	2018	J Cuzner
1975	G Cox	2019	S Horner
1976	R Hamilton & B Fort	2020	S Camp
1977	D Bellchambers	2021	L Chisholm
1978	N Bristow	2022	J Powell
1979	S W (J) McCormick	2023	G Richardson
1980	B Hannam	2024	T Tyquin

Best and Fairest

WOMEN'S 1ST GRADE

1998	T Wilson
1999	T Baxter
2000	K Brett
2001	B Starr
2002	E Diprose
2003	A Schmuck
2004	D Curcio
2005	K Demant
2006	K Demant
2007	K Demant
2008	H Gill
2009	H Gill
2010	M Hurley
2011	H Cogle
2012	K Demant
2013	L Marzotto
2014	Z Skyrianos
2015	D Curcio
2016	Z Skyrianos
2017	Z Skyrianos
2018	Z Skyrianos
2019	B Tully
2020	G Clayden
2021	G Jaques
2022	Z Skyrianos
2023	E Hill
2024	G Larkey

WOMEN'S 2ND GRADE

2018	C Beale
2019	K Christian & R Veness
2020	D Throssell
2021	N Frizzell
2022	A Green
2023	A Gidis
2024	S Lowe



Best and Fairest

MEN'S 2ND GRADE

1948	P Horgan	1988	M Scholes
1950	R Dunn	1989	M Scholes
1952	K Crisp, W Gale	1990	M Collins
1953	T Moore OAM	1991	S Trebilcock
1954	N Paterson	1992	M Collins
1955	T Graham	1993	S Phipps
1957	N Girvan	1994	J Read
1958	J Webb	1995	M Schmidt
1959	D Robertson	1996	R Baxter & D Munday
1960	L Speering	1997	A Wainwright
1961	F Burke	1998	J Burgess
1962	C McDonald	1999	A Kouvaras
1963	W Brown	2000	A Kouvaras
1964	A Caleur	2001	A Kouvaras
1965	K Duff	2002	A Wainwright
1966	K Hackett	2003	W Carruthers
1967	O Layzell	2004	A Kouvaras
1968	O Layzell	2005	Wainwright
1969	O Layzell	2006	P Henderson
1970	O Layzell & M Stewart	2007	G Tranter
1971	R Dunkeld	2008	D Harrison
1972	G Read	2009	B Rebecca
1973	I MacDonald	2010	A Olson
1974	J Outhwaite	2011	L Crook
1975	L Laffan & D McKellar	2012	C Baxter & E McCowan
1976	S Smith	2013	S Campbell
1977	S Smith	2014	D Love
1978	G Read	2015	L Harper
1979	P O'Loughlin	2016	M Thompson
1980	G Marshall	2017	W Hamill
1981	A Ryan	2018	M Thompson
1982	A Birzenieks	2019	N Beaumont
1983	G Read	2020	L Morfoot
1984	G Cox	2021	L Morfoot
1985	D Dennes	2022	B Durkin
1986	P Brown	2023	J Martin
1987	W McBride	2024	A Wolff

SENIOR HEAD COACHES

MEN'S FIRST GRADE COACHES

<i>H Kilpatrick</i>	1927
<i>W Griffith Snr</i>	1928
<i>G Welsh</i>	1928
<i>G Hanley</i>	1929*
<i>M Richards</i>	1929*
<i>C Williams</i>	1930
<i>L Alexander</i>	1931
<i>H Gaylard BEM</i>	1932
<i>J Keogh</i>	1933, 1934, 1935, 1937
<i>L James Snr</i>	1936*, 1937, 1938, 1946*, 1951
<i>E Gynge</i>	1939
<i>T Evans</i>	1940, 1941, 1955
<i>R Furler</i>	1947*, 1948
<i>B Kay</i>	1949
<i>R Bloomfield</i>	1950
<i>A K Stevens</i>	1952*, 1953
<i>B Whatman</i>	1954, 1956
<i>R Donnellan</i>	1957, 1958*, 1959*, 1960
<i>N Neeson</i>	1961*, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965
<i>W Drake</i>	1966, 1967, 1968
<i>L Cronin</i>	1969
<i>J Davies</i>	1970*, 1971, 1972
<i>J Jillard</i>	1973, 1974, 1975
<i>K Hassett</i>	1976
<i>B Read</i>	1977
<i>K Neale</i>	1978, 1979*, 1980*, 1981, 1982*, 1983*, 1998
<i>R Osborne</i>	1984*, 1985
<i>B Cook</i>	1986
<i>R Durnan</i>	1987*, 1988, 1989
<i>B Hannam</i>	1989, 1990*, 1991
<i>D Cloke</i>	1992*, 1993*
<i>P Bafield</i>	1994*, 1995*, 1996*
<i>R Smith</i>	1997*

<i>B Heaver</i>	1999
<i>P Gribble</i>	2000
<i>J Shanahan</i>	2001, 2002
<i>B Knowles</i>	2003, 2004, 2005
<i>A Bishop</i>	2006
<i>C Rourke</i>	2007, 2008, 2009, 2010*, 2011*, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016*, 2017*, 2018*, 2019*, 2020
<i>J Doering</i>	2021, 2022
<i>J Tutt</i>	2023, 2024

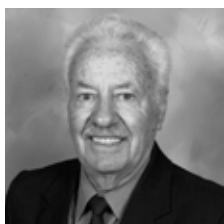
WOMEN'S FIRST GRADE COACHES

<i>J De Huis</i>	1998, 1999
<i>S Gnaden</i>	2000, 2001*, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
<i>J Fromm</i>	2008
<i>T Treloar</i>	2009
<i>M Porter</i>	2010
<i>K Treloar</i>	2011
<i>D Glatz</i>	2012
<i>B James</i>	2013, 2014
<i>M Jamieson</i>	2015
<i>F Van de Made</i>	2016, 2017, 2018
<i>B Tully</i>	2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023*, 2024



Vale Members

In 2024, the Ainslie Football Club mourned the loss of a number of valued community members, all of whom made our Club a better place. We pass on condolences to their families and friends and remember and celebrate their contribution to the Club.



Vale – Barry McCabe

Barry McCabe who passed away on Sunday 8 December at the age of 93, was a pivotal figure in Canberra's Australian Rules football community. As the inaugural Secretary and Licensee of the Ainslie Football and Social Club, established in 1957, he played a crucial role in its development and success.

Barry was born in Collie Western Australia and the family moved to Canberra in 1948 after spending several years at Mildura where Barry first played Australian Rules. The family settled in Ainslie and Barry played two years in the Ainslie Intermediates before at the age of 19 he travelled to New Zealand with his brother Barney and another friend for what would these days be referred to as a 'gap year'. Barry told the story that they planned to go to Canada but spent the year in NZ working casual jobs. On his return to Canberra Barry prepared for the 1951 football season and although Ainslie finished the season in 5th position Barry had a great year. His exceptional skills on the field were recognised when he was awarded the Mulrooney Medal for the year, an honour he shared with Ernie Hurtig of Eastlake. Barry continued this form in 1952 when he was named Best Player in Ainslie's Championship Grand Final team. In the lead up to the 1953 season Barry suffered a severe knee injury that effectively finished his football career at the age of 22.

When the Ainslie Football Club moved to establish a Social Club to support its football operations Barry became heavily involved and in 1957 at the age of 26 was made Secretary of the Social Club and first Licensee with his name above the front door. In this position Barry was fully responsible for the club under its liquor licence. Barry remained in this honorary role for 20 years until Don Andrews was appointed Ainslie's first fulltime Secretary Manager. Barry's dedication to this role was legendary with daily lunchtime visits to the Club to ensure all was in order. On one occasion Barry observed a 'customer' pick up the Punch Board money box and take off across Majura Oval. Barry proceeded to chase the thief and caught up with him near the toilet block and convinced him to hand back the money box. When quizzed recently about whether Barry had to use any physical force he politely replied – 'I can't remember'. Barry continued to provide excellent service and input on the Social Club Board until 1987. He was made a Life Member of the Football Club in 1974 and of the Social Club in 1985.

Barry McCabe's enduring commitment to the Ainslie Football and Social Club and his significant contribution to the Ainslie Football Club with his on the field performances have left a lasting legacy. His leadership and passion for the sport will be fondly remembered and cherished by all at Ainslie..



Vale – William "Billy" Gale

Bill was 89 years of age and died after a short illness in September 2024.

Bill was a 3 time premiership player 1958/1959 and 1961 – a tough and rugged defender, left footer who played 104 1st grade games for the AFC

AFC members were lucky enough to be joined by his wife Anne and daughter Pauline at our Life Members/100 Club Luncheon in September – and enjoyed some memories of Bill's playing days wonderfully described by John Loftus on the day.



Vale – Glen “Hitman” Tannahill

Glen grew up in Henty St. Braddon among a strong, footy loving, Collingwood family.

Played as an Ainslie junior from an early age and continued to U17 and U19 in the mid 70s. Rounding off with some senior footy with mates in the Monaro Division.

Also part of the 1977 u19's Premiership Team.

Easily picked out of a pack with a shuffling, efficient running style, more a serious tow truck than Ferrari. The team loved his work as the hitman.

An effective “mid size” ruckman (being marginally taller than his team mates) he was often up against some Goliath who did not faze Glen. He relished contest after contest and was always covered in mud if it was available. Fearless in the physical department, Glen developed his own style for everything. Reliable and consistent and not leaving anything in the tank.

His vehicle of choice, the tough, reliable, no frills, good old Holden. What an excellent ride for the hit man. Got the job done well.... and in style. No fuss.

Arriving and departing the footy and in life, he was the same. His steely eyed, determined focus would split wide open, with a grin from ear to ear and bright sparkle in his eye when amongst his mates everywhere.

One of life's characters... in the best possible way.

Also, kept in touch with regular “meetings” in Perth and Canberra team mates when in either state.



Vale – Alan “Scud” Smith

Alan ‘Scud’ Smith was the youngest of the three Smith brothers that included Charlie and Martin. Charlie, Martin and Scud are deeply entrenched in the history of the Ainslie Football Club, amassing 656 first grade games between them, all playing over 200 games.

Scud let his footballing ability do his talking. A five-time premiership player for Ainslie, and an ACT representative player on many occasions, opponents rarely got away from Scud. This included some of the biggest names in football.

Scud was a star in the ACT's most memorable game against the representative VFL team in 1980. In that match which the ACT won by 13 points at Manuka oval, Scud completely nullified the great Malcolm Blight, the 1978 Brownlow Medalist.

It was no secret in the mid-1970s that scouts from the VFL were more than interested in luring Scud to Melbourne. That wasn't for Scud. He was happy in Canberra. Certainly, no delusions of grandeur for the youngest of the Smith boys despite his enormous talent.

Alan may well have found the going difficult in Melbourne, not because of a lack of ability as that was never in question, but because his training habits would have tested coaches. On more than one occasion, Cowboy Neale, himself not renowned for his commitment to training in the later years of his career, lamented Scud's approach to training.

If you ever wanted to find Scud at training, it was usually at the back of the running group along with the likes of Mick Senjov and Greg Croser. Scud had to be admired though, he would laugh off the protests and still turn up on the weekend and play a starring role.

Post-football, Scud devoted much more time to golf, a game he loved but sometimes let get the better of him. His golf club occasionally managed to travel further than his ball even though he was a fair golfer. Hidden behind that laid-back façade was a fierce competitor who made plenty of his teammates look very good a lot of the time.

After Scud retired from the Public Service, he pulled up stumps in Canberra and moved to the warmer climes of northern New South Wales at South-West Rocks. A small contingent of ex-Ainslie mates also calls that region home and Scud maintained connection with the Club through those friends.



Vale - Paul Birzenieks

Paul represented ACT in Teal Cup, Played in a winning Monaro Grand Final and was Monaro's Best and Fairest and leading goal kicker in 1988



Vale – Scott Marlin

Scott was an U19 Premiership player in 1982 and part of the Ando's Commando's Premiership team in 1983 and was Runner up in the B & F that Year.



Vale – Tom Moore

Its with great sadness we wish to inform about the passing of one of our Life Members in Tom Moore – Life Member No. 44

An Ainslie Junior form 1944 – Tom Played in the Snr teams for a long stretch from 1950 – 1969. He was a member of the AFC Committee from 1953 to 1977 and received Life Membership in 1957. Tom was instrumental in the formation of the Monaro Football Association and was President of that association from 1973-1980. He received the National Australian Football Council Merit Award in 1978 and was also awarded an order The Order of Australia for service to Sport.

In his playing days he was known a very fierce and tough competitor.

Tom was also a member of the first Social Club Committee and was one of the original bar managers in the social clubs formative years.

He was also a great attendee of the well-known "Vets Lunches" for many years.

Tom's Celebration of life will be held at the Norward Park Crematorium at 4.30pm – Friday the 23rd August.



Vale – Lesley Wiles

Lesley was the beautiful mother of our Premiership Captain - Aaron Wiles. Lesley passed away peacefully in her sleep.

All though residing in Adelaide for most of Aaron's career and later up in QLD she loved nothing more than coming to visit our Ainslie Family in Canberra and cheering on Aaron. From the time Aaron joined the club, and we first met Dallas and Lesley and they immediately became part of our club. Attending Grand Finals, social functions and the like – wherever Lesley was, she not only had a smile on her face she also brought a smile and joy to everyone else in her presence.



Vale – Mick Senjov

Mick will ever be remembered as one of the most entertaining and colorful characters of the Ainslie Football Club. He will be so deeply missed by the Ainslie family.

Mick's gregarious personality earned him notoriety both on and off the field. He had a reputation for quickly unbalancing his opponents (on and off the field) with his quick wit and cutting commentary. Often overlooked were Mick's footballing skills. He was a rover of high quality, evasive, fleet of foot (when he wanted to be), clever, visionary, and never afraid of a contest. Not known to all was that Mick was a member of the Geelong Football Club Under 19s and reserve grade teams in the 1970s. He never let that stop him barracking for his beloved Fitzroy (Brisbane Lions).

Mick was a member of Ainslie's two undefeated championship teams in 1980 and 1982. He arrived at the Club in 1980 and departed during the 1983 season to join Mick Nolan's Mayne club in Brisbane.

Despite Mick's departure to Brisbane, his love for and association with Ainslie never waned. He returned many times for reunions and special events as well as to visit his partner Denise's family in Canberra. Everyone knew when Mick was in town.

During his time in Canberra, Mick was employed at the Club doing administrative work. His humor and usually interesting repartee always had his fellow employees in stitches. In the case of then Secretary Manager of the Club, Don Andrews, who Mick affectionately referred to as "Duck Arse" because of his short stature, - Mick's commentary always had him holding his breath.

Indeed, one of Mick's great legacies are the number of people roaming the streets today with a nickname bestowed on them by Mick. They may have had another name or nickname before Mick arrived on the scene, but the one he gave you usually stuck.

For those who have been close to Mick, it has been difficult to be an onlooker as he continued his courageous fight against such an insidious illness. Whilst Mick never reconciled with his illness, he continued to fight and defied the thinking of specialists on numerous occasions and kept going.

Behind the boisterous and often funny facade of the Mick Senjov known by most of us was a very intelligent, thoughtful, loving and incredibly loyal man. Family and friends were so important to Mick.

Mick will never forget the Ainslie Football Club as one of the loves of his life and the Ainslie Football Club family will never forget Mick for all the entertainment he provided and the loyalty he gave.



Vale – William "Billy" Bishop

Billy and the Bishop family got involved in our club in the mid 1980's when his son's Greg and Andrew began playing with the club. Later to be followed by daughter Vanessa, who was a pioneer of our woman's program.

Bill did many things around our football club from holding the No. 1 car spot at Football Park for many years, feeding our footballers bananas, chocolate, tea, coffee and Pauline's Bishop's baked goods before games from the back of the Commodore station Wagon. He also served on AFC boards for a few years, made many a big saucepan of homemade soups for players of varying eras through the depths of cold Canberra winters. Bill also took a great interest in the early years of our women's program at the club, something that was greatly appreciated by our woman footballers.

Bill was a passionate Ainslie historian and statistician and up until recently kept a comprehensive list and database of as many players as he could track of that played with the club with particular reference to jumper numbers, games played, nicknames and other fun and interesting facts. Bill's list is still used as a reference today when information regarding players is required.

The Bishop name has been synonymous with the Ainslie Football Club for nearly 40 years, with Billy playing an important role as a committee member, supporter, parent, grandparent and friend to many players throughout the decades. Further to Bill's three children having played for the club, three of his grandchildren – Isaac, Joe and Ellie - have also represented Ainslie at the highest level.

Our thoughts are with all of the Bishops and their extended family's during this sad time. We will inform when we know of the time and date when Bill's life will be celebrated.

2024 Games Played

The below tables reflect the cumulative total of games played by those who took the field in 2024. This total is inclusive of First, Second & Third Grade and Rising Stars games.

WOMEN'S GAMES PLAYED

Name	Total
Aimee Green	44
Alexandra Willis	6
Alexandra Wilson	16
Alice Stratford	1
Alyssa de Leon	2
Aman Kaur	5
Amber O’Sullivan	1
Amelia Hush	1
Amy Stewart	2
Andreana McGee	36
Angela Moran	45
Anisa Lovewell	38
Annabel Scott	22
Annabelle Downie	1
Annabelle Lowrey	9
Annabelle Ott	30
Anya Scoble-Hansen	14
Ashleigh Evans	56
Astrid Evans	2
Ava Warden	22
Bianca Kaden	67
Billie Hamilton	9
Blanca Ramirez	26
Brittany Montagner	1
Brittany Tully	48
Brodie McCann	32
Bronwen King	67
Bryony Tait	24
Caitlin Robb	2
Cassandra Russell	9
Catherine Wells	59
Chantel Jones	17
Charlotte Canavan	36
Charlotte Hurn	22
Charlotte Komorowski	15

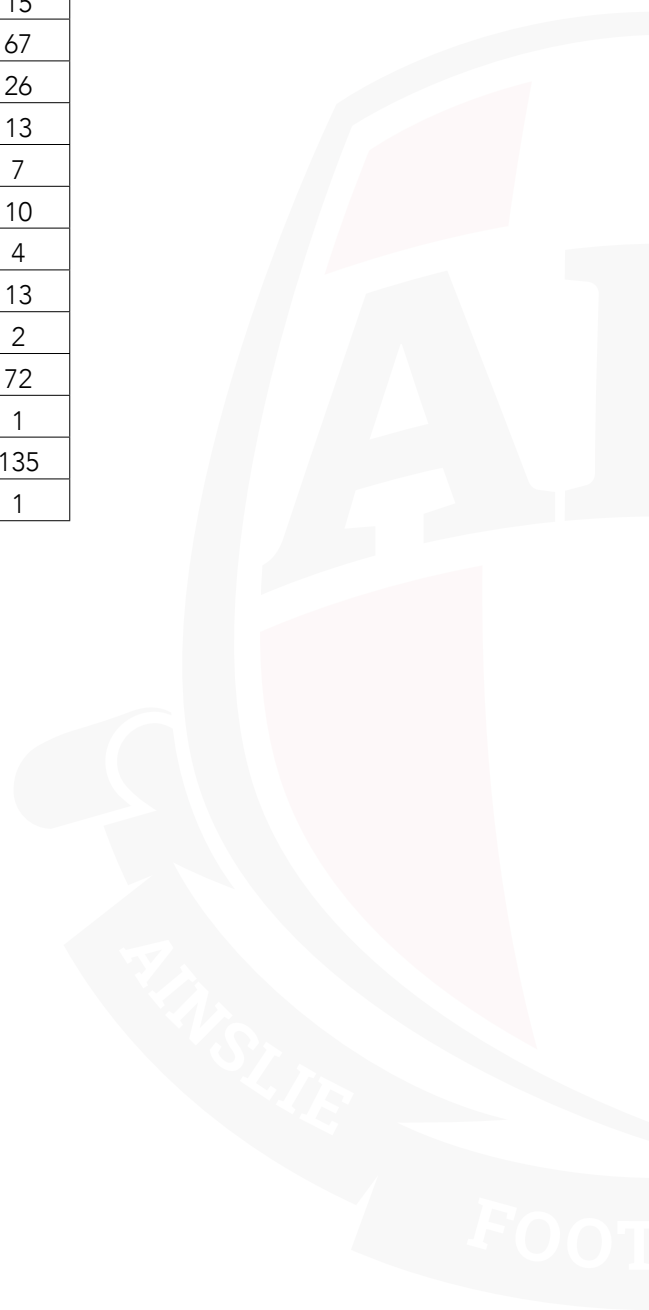
Name	Total
Chelsea Allen	24
Chrysanthé Karkazis	24
Claire Beale	71
Claire Hanscombe	94
Clare Dorgan	1
Claudia Connellan	15
Cleo Tsiros	9
Daisy Craig	3
Dani Curcio	270
Daniella Cecere	30
Danielle Peel	113
Deborah Stanley	24
Ebony Zillesen	4
Eleanor Finch	1
Eleanor Osmotherly	12
Elin Rusch	7
Ella Cooper	11
Eloise Peden	2
Emilie Rollan	15
Emily Bell	13
Emily Nicholls	2
Emma Dunn	1
Emma Fitzgerald	1
Emma Murphy	24
Eva Gillett	1
Eva Spoljaric	6
Felicity Chun	12
Finn Bailie	11
Gemma Gailey	13
Georgia Davis	23
Georgia Patterson	18
Georgie Forrest	6
Georgina de Souza	5
Grace Fidge	6
Greta Larkey	14

Name	Total
Hannah Reid	7
Holly Burke	39
Holly Komorowski	5
Imogen Morse	27
Imogen Willson	16
Isabelle Woodward	10
Jade Smith-Love	32
Jenna Allauddin	4
Jess Huntley	23
Jessica Connell	8
Jodi Bingley	21
Josephine Lewis	3
Kaitlyn Byrne	6
Karina Demant	139
Kate Dean	1
Kate Robertson	8
Katie Williams	33
Kelli Trinidad	26
Kristie Matthews	1
Lesley Steel	1
Letisha Duveck-Smith	16
Lexi Strasser	8
Lily Pierce	4
Lily Quigley	20
Lola Bustamante Gonzalez	8
Lucinda Detering	37
Lucy Joseland	1
Lydia Randall	37
Lynne McDonald	7
Mackenzie Cowburn	14
Macy Parker	27
Maddison Holloway	81
Madeleine Holt	26
Madison Kilby	30
Mai Tabei-Fahey	1

WOMEN'S GAMES PLAYED (CONTINUED)

Name	Total
Maisie Walker Stelling	1
Marita Arnold	4
Matilda Lugg	14
Matilda Southgate	8
Matilda Sullings	20
Meg Magnuson	48
Meg Mundy	1
Mia Cooper	33
Montana Harrington	44
Nicola Bilton	1
Olivia Connellan	12
Olivia Fogarty	21
Olivia Macri	19
Orietta Fitzsimmons	1
Patricia Frazis	19
Rebecca Hotchkis	73
Rebecca Veness	78
Renee Friend	84
Rose Maskiell	9
Ruby Atkin	1
Ruby O'Brien	1
Sarina Talip	12
Shannon Brown	71
Sidonie Lowe	50
Sinead Hannan	1
Sophia de Castella	28
Sophie Rasmussen	8
Sophie Woodbridge	28
Stella Fraser	9
Taffy Mills-Hicks	9
Taya Lyon	8
Tayla Manwarring	13

Name	Total
Tegan Ross	15
Tennille Jorgensen	67
Tessa Wilcox	26
Thia Thai	13
Valeria Suhinin	7
Vivien Field	10
Willow Bingley	4
Zara Neil	13
Zoe Foley-Guerin	2
Zoe Lewis	72
Zoe Quigley	1
Zoe Skyrianos	135
Zoe Wang	1



2024 Games Played

The below tables reflect the cumulative total of games played by those who took the field in 2024. This total is inclusive of First, Second, Third & Fourth Grade and Rising Stars games.

MEN'S GAMES PLAYED

Name	Total
Airi Wolff	34
Alex Arthur	16
Alex Bunday	156
Alex Kendall	6
Alex Simms	18
Angus Furphy	6
Angus Nolan	165
Angus Scott	16
Arak Arak	19
Archie Bolger	12
Archie Collins	21
Axyl Foley Guerin	13
Ben Narbey	18
Ben Vardy	12
Benjamin Philp	5
Benjamin Scott	28
Benn Hallman	36
Brian Budby	6
Brody Stefanac	2
Brooklyn Brougham	5
Callum Klep	70
Cameron Hargraves	76
Cameron Terry	44
Carl Bukauskas	10
Carlo Knox	4
Charles Normoyle	10
Charlie Boyton	147
Charlie Durkin	6
Chris Osborn	11
Christopher McPhail	25
Cooper White	15
Daniel Chick	6
Daniel Hoffmann	41
Daniel Ledda	112
Darby Veitch	22

Name	Total
David Kusetic	19
David Wolthuis	35
Donnacha Murray	9
Edison Marshall	161
Flynn Woodward	48
Fraser Kelly	12
Gage Pantier	2
George Breusch	11
George Covey	1
Gian Piani	1
Giles Tranter	207
Harper Smee	19
Harrisen Leckenby	3
Harry Muir	124
Harry O'Connor	28
Hayden Armstrong	105
Hayden Banks	37
Henry Holt	48
Henry Schlechta	13
Isaac Bishop	69
Jack Beattie	21
Jack Fardell	37
Jack Martin	89
Jack Roberts	2
Jack Ryan	38
Jack white	2
Jacob Creech	9
Jacob Sheely	34
Jake Bunday	169
Jake Rawlins	14
James Inwood	1
James White	21
James Williams	48
Jared Hansen	1
Jarrold Lynch	76

Name	Total
Jaya Pastor-Elsegood	12
Jesse Dunstall	55
Joe Bishop	122
Joel Dunstall	49
Joel Tannahill	11
Jonah Mielens	10
Jonty Revet	107
Joseph Cattle	10
Josh Maynard	151
Josh McIntyre	11
Josh Porter	56
Josh Roberts	10
Joshua Butcher	170
Jude Murphy	34
Jules Bacchus	44
Julian Craven	37
Julian Hill	37
Justin Milverton	6
Kirk Demant	158
Lachlan Blackwell-Smith	9
Lachlan Carter	181
Lachlan Fry	41
Lachlan McKeough	118
Lachlan Moresi	22
Leo Burgess	25
Lewis Free	32
Liam Baker	22
Liam Deegan	7
Liam Norton	28
Liam Patt	24
Luca Drury	36
Luke Crocker	61
Luke Kendall	29
Luke Powell	22
Mackenzie Carman	113

MEN'S GAMES PLAYED (CONTINUED)

Name	Total
Marcus Middendorp	12
Mathew Ackland	106
Matt Barrett	14
Matthew Mcgrory	17
Matthew Prentice	32
Matthew Rice	1
Matthew Teasdale	120
Max Cooper	8
Miles Davis	182
Miles Dyer	20
Mitchell Bryce	37
Mitchell Smith	2
Morgan Quinn	33
Nathan King	6
Nathan Rowe	103
Nathanael Swan	16
Nelson Marks	47
Nic Hill	11
Nicholas Beaumont	124
Nicholas Bull	14
Nicholas Gray	30
Nicholas Tanner	42
Nick Cameron Neser	100
Nick Palmer	8
Nick Whatman	18
Noah Lawler	16
Oliver Di Pofi	18
Oliver Hicks	34
Oliver Phillips	54
Oscar Watt	29
Owen Doherty	28
Owen Waring	30
Patrick Barrett	103
Patrick Hughes	9

Name	Total
Patrick Simonetti	13
Rene Chaustowski	161
Riley Hamilton	25
Rogan Turner	32
Rory Young	27
Ryan Dix	7
Sam Casalaz	39
Sam Hillier	28
Sam Oliver	33
Samuel Groenewegen	113
Sean Gee	15
Sean Gupanis	10
Simon Hargraves	38
Thomas Faul	76
Thomas Gladman	17
Thomas Golz	8
Thomas Hincksman	103
Thomas Kite	5
Thomas Quigley	37
Thomas Roughton	131
Thomas Tyquin	35
Toby Carvosso	25
Todd Ford	142
Tommy Michell	13
Tommy Muir	98
Travis Beardsley	9
William Beardsley	39
William Cattle	58
William Muir	113
Xan Matthews Wood	2
Xavier Burton	4
Zac Noack	48

Financial Report

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Committee's Report

Your Committee Members present their report of the Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and controlled entities (the "Incorporation Association" or "Group") for the financial year ended 30 September 2024.

Committee Members

The names of the Committee Members in office at any time during the year, or since the end of the financial year are:

Lee Phillips	Sue-Anne McKeough
Troy Klep	Sarah Bosworth
Ian Muir	Megan Divett
Hannah Gill	Mark Sinclair
Greta Doherty	Greg Bishop
Michael Cawley	Andrew Thompson
Alex Mitchell	Rebecca Kerlett
Paul Connellan	

Operating results

The table below shows a reconciliation the Incorporated Associations earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortisation, and other extraordinary items. This is referred to as EBITDA.

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Net (loss)/profit after income tax expense	(883,662)	712,470
Add/(less):		
Depreciation and amortisation expense	2,059,792	2,250,825
Interest revenue	(198,343)	(67,452)
Finance costs	397,945	490,776
Gain on disposal of poker machine entitlements	-	(1,060,000)
EBITDA	1,375,732	2,236,619

Objectives

The incorporated association's short-term objectives primarily focus on fostering Australian football along with the sports of golf and other sports as required. This is achieved through the provision of social and sporting venues for the recreation of our members and their guests and from which the incorporated association may derive revenue. As a not-for-profit entity, all revenues are reinvested for the benefit of members through the provision of a diverse range of services and amenities.

In the longer term it is the objective to ensure the sustainability of the incorporated association and to explore and develop diversified investment options with the view of maximising return on investment compatible with the continued broad range support provided to members and the wider community.

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Committee's Report (Continued)

Strategy for achieving the objectives

To achieve these objectives the incorporated association operates two licensed incorporated association venues in the ACT and provides support to several sporting and community organisations through community grants, facility infrastructure and other methods. Further, it strives to retain quality staff and volunteers committed to work in hospitality and in sport and believes that in so doing, this further assists with its long-term success.

The Incorporated association has strong financial management and corporate governance systems managed through the incorporated association's business plan, key performance indicators, risk-management plan and audit programs. Monitoring of financial performance is reviewed regularly by Executive Management and the Board.

Principal Activities

The principal activity of the Club during the financial year was to foster the game of Australian Football.

Signed on behalf of the directors.



Michael Cawley
President

Dated at Canberra this 20th day of January 2025.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and its controlled entity

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Ainslie Football Club Incorporated (the Incorporated Association) and its controlled entity (the Group), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 September 2024, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial report, including a summary of material accounting policies and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report of Ainslie Football Club Incorporated, is in accordance with the *Associations Incorporations Act (ACT) 1991*, including:

- (i) Giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 September 2024 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (ii) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the *Associations Incorporations Act (ACT) 1991*.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the *Associations Incorporations Act (ACT) 1991* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report is information included in the Committee's report, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Incorporated Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the *Associations Incorporations Act (ACT) 1991* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the ability of the group to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website (<http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>) at:

http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar3.pdf

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

BDO Audit Pty Ltd

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Clayton Eveleigh
Director

Sydney, 20 January 2025

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Statement by the Members of the Committee

In the opinion of the committee the financial report, being the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of financial position, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement and notes to the financial statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of the Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and controlled entities as at 30 September 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') and the *Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991*.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Ainslie Football Club Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



Michael Cawley
President

Dated at Canberra this 20th day of January 2025.

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the Year Ended 30 September 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue and other income			
Revenue	1	26,394,583	27,658,392
Other income	1	262,483	1,205,743
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		26,657,066	28,864,135
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Expenses			
Cost of sales		(5,836,296)	(6,095,759)
Poker machine levy expenses		(2,278,456)	(2,514,782)
Employee benefits expense		(10,506,378)	(10,523,055)
Administrative expenses		(2,399,165)	(2,439,401)
Occupancy expenses		(2,324,580)	(2,280,479)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	2	(2,059,792)	(2,250,825)
Sporting facilities	2	(1,738,116)	(1,527,311)
Finance costs	2	(397,945)	(490,776)
Fair value movement on financial assets		-	(28,803)
Loss on disposal of assets		-	(474)
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		(27,540,728)	(28,151,665)
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(Loss)/profit before income tax expense		(883,662)	712,470
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Income tax expense		-	-
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(Loss)/profit after income tax expense		(883,662)	712,470
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<i>Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>			
Loss on revaluation of buildings, net of tax		(2,240,016)	-
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Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		(2,240,016)	-
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Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year attributable to members		(3,123,678)	712,470
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The above Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 September 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	9,507,552	5,090,924
Trade and other receivables		16,897	417,605
Inventories		258,031	216,249
Other current assets		217,845	199,327
Financial assets	5	358,032	649,524
Total current assets		10,358,357	6,573,629
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	6	28,272,017	31,675,296
Right-of-use assets	7	5,124,378	5,155,545
Total non-current assets		33,396,395	36,830,841
Total assets		43,754,752	43,404,470
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	8	2,431,960	2,534,875
Employee provisions	9	788,749	829,847
Borrowings	10	950,000	594,079
Lease liability	11	428,628	459,602
Total current liabilities		4,599,337	4,418,403
Non-current liabilities			
Employee provisions	9	56,818	61,938
Borrowings	10	7,323,635	3,747,904
Lease liability	11	886,386	1,163,971
Total non-current liabilities		8,266,839	4,973,813
Total liabilities		12,866,176	9,392,216
Net assets		30,888,576	34,012,254
Equity			
Revaluation reserve		967,796	3,207,812
Retained earnings		29,920,780	30,804,442
Total equity		30,888,576	34,012,254

The above Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 30 September 2024

	Revaluation Reserve	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 30 September 2022	3,207,812	30,091,972	33,299,784
Loss after income tax expense	-	712,470	712,470
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	712,470	712,470
Balance at 30 September 2023	3,207,812	30,804,442	34,012,254
(Loss)/profit after income tax expense	-	(883,662)	(883,662)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	(2,240,016)	-	(2,240,016)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year	(2,240,016)	(883,662)	(3,123,678)
Balance at 30 September 2024	967,796	29,920,780	30,888,576

The above Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 September 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash flow from operating activities			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		28,527,498	28,939,610
Payment to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		(27,024,631)	(26,718,747)
Finance costs		(365,912)	(267,571)
Lease interest paid		(70,428)	(69,296)
Interest received		198,343	67,452
Receipts from government wage subsidies		16,060	78,291
Net cash inflow from operating activities		1,280,930	2,029,739
Cash flow from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(865,361)	(2,171,320)
Proceeds from sale of shares		339,572	497,411
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(525,789)	(1,673,909)
Cash flow from financing activities			
Repayment of borrowings		(700,000)	(378,127)
Borrowings received		4,631,650	-
Repayment of lease liabilities		(270,163)	(140,627)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		3,661,487	(518,754)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		4,416,628	(162,924)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		5,090,924	5,253,848
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	4	9,507,552	5,090,924

The above Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2024

About this report

The financial statements cover Ainslie Football Club incorporated as an individual parent entity, and Ainslie Football Club incorporated and controlled entities as an economic entity. Ainslie Football Club Incorporated is an association incorporated in the Australian Capital Territory under the Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are general purposes financial statements which:

- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991 and Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures of the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB');
- Have been prepared under the historical cost convention;
- Are presented in Australian dollars; and
- Have been prepared on a going concern basis.

New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The incorporated association has adopted all new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period. Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2)

The Company adopted *Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to AASB 101 and IFRS Practice Statement 2)* from 1 July 2023. While amendments did not result in any changes to the accounting policies themselves, they impacted the accounting policy information disclosed in the financial statements.

The amendments require the disclosure of 'material' rather than 'significant' accounting policies. The amendments also provide guidance on the application of materiality to disclosure of accounting policies, assisting entities to provide useful, entity specific accounting policy information that users require to understand the information in the financial statements.

The accounting policies disclosed in the financial statements are reflective of the adoption of these amendments.

Principles of Consolidation

A controlled entity is an entity controlled by the Ainslie Football Club Incorporated. Control exists where Ainslie Football Club Incorporated has the capacity to dominate the decision-making in relation to the financial and operating policies of another entity so that the other entity operates with Ainslie Football Club Incorporated to achieve the objectives of Ainslie Football Club Incorporated. All inter-company balances and transactions between entities in the economic entity, including any unrealised profits or losses, have been eliminated upon consolidation. Where the controlled entity has entered or left the Group during the year its operating results have been included from the date control was obtained or until the date control ceased.

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Critical Accounting Judgements, Estimates and Assumptions

In the process of applying the Incorporated association’s accounting policies, management has made a number of judgements and applied estimates of future events. Judgements and estimates that are material to the financial statements include:

Financial assets at fair value	Note 5
Impairment of assets	Note 6
Fair value of buildings	Note 6
Estimation of useful lives of assets	Note 6 and Note 7
Lease term	Note 7 and 11
Incremental borrowing rate	Note 11

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2024

1 Revenue and other income

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenues		
Sale of goods revenue	13,050,389	13,276,545
Rendering of services revenue	11,736,004	11,606,958
Golf and member subscriptions	1,268,671	2,416,186
Other revenue	339,519	358,703
Total revenues	26,394,583	27,658,392
Gain on disposal of poker machine entitlements	-	1,060,000
Interest received	198,343	67,452
Government wage subsidies	16,060	78,291
Gain in fair value of financial asset	48,080	-
Total other income	262,483	1,205,743
Total revenue and other income	26,657,066	28,864,135

Recognition and measurement

Revenues are recognised at fair value of the consideration received or receivable net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST) payable to the taxation authority. Transfer of goods or services of the same nature and value without any cash consideration are not recognised as revenues.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods comprises of revenue earned from the provision of food, beverage and other goods and is recognised (net of rebates, returns, discounts and other allowances) at a point in time when the performance obligation is satisfied, that is on consumption of the goods by the customer.

Rendering of services

Revenue from rendering services comprises revenue from gaming facilities together with other services to members and other patrons of the Incorporated association and is recognised at a point in time when the services are provided.

Golf and membership subscriptions

Golf and membership subscription income is recognised over time being the term of membership and any unearned portion is deferred.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which, for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

Fair value movement in shares

Movement in shares is recognised at the end of the reporting period based on the listed price at year end.

Government subsidies

Government subsidies are recognised on receipt or when presently entitled.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

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2 Expenses

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Depreciation and amortisation		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	2,028,624	2,171,990
Amortisation of right-of-use asset	31,168	78,835
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	2,059,792	2,250,825
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Sporting facilities		
Direct operating expenses for sporting facilities	1,162,100	979,549
Community Grants and Donations	576,016	547,762
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	1,738,116	1,527,311
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Borrowing costs		
Interest	397,945	490,776
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Recognition and measurement

Finance costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to prepare for their intended use or sale, are added to the costs of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use of sale. All other finance costs are recognised in income in the period in which they are incurred.

3 Income Tax

The directors estimate that the cumulative potential future income tax benefit at 30 September 2024 in respect of tax losses not brought to account is \$1,474,604 (2023: \$1,135,485).

This benefit from tax losses will only be obtained if:

- (i) The Incorporated association derives future assessable income of a nature and of an amount sufficient to enable the benefit from the deductions for the losses to be realised;
- (ii) The Incorporated association continues to comply with the conditions for deductibility imposed by tax legislation; and
- (iii) No changes in the tax legislation adversely affect the Incorporated association in realising the benefit from the deductions for the losses.

Income tax is payable on that proportion of the income less expenses contributed by non-members. The aggregate amount of income tax attributable to the financial year differs from the amount prima facie payable on the operating surplus. The difference is reconciled as follows:

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3 Income Tax (continued)

	2024 \$	2023 \$
(Loss)/ profit before income tax	(883,660)	712,470
Prima facie tax (receivable)/ payable at 25% (2023: 25%)	(220,915)	212,867
Tax effect of: Non-taxable member income and expenses arising from the principle of mutuality	22,624	(268,665)
	(198,291)	(55,798)
Current year tax losses not recognised as deferred tax assets	(198,291)	(55,798)
Income tax expense	-	-

Recognition and measurement

The Incorporated association is taxed according to the principle of mutuality. The charge for current income tax expenses is based on the profit for the year adjusted for any non-assessable or disallowed items. It is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or are substantively enacted by the Statement of Financial Position date.

Deferred tax is accounted for using the Statement of Financial Position liability method in respect of temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, excluding a business combination, where there is no effect on accounting or taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised, or liability is settled. Deferred tax is credited in the income statement except where it relates to items that may be credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is adjusted directly against equity.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future tax profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

The amount of benefits brought to account or which may be realised in the future is based on the assumption that no adverse change will occur in income taxation legislation and the anticipation that the economic entity will derive sufficient future assessable income to enable the benefit to be realised and comply with the conditions of deductibility imposed by the law.

Ainslie Football Club (the Parent) is a sporting organisation under section 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, as amended, and is exempt from paying income tax.

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4 Cash and cash equivalents

Reconciliation of cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash at bank	8,419,971	3,899,353
Cash on hand	1,087,581	1,191,571
	<u>9,507,552</u>	<u>5,090,924</u>

Recognition and measurement

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and deposits held at call with financial institutions with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

5 Financial Assets

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Shares in listed entities at fair value through profit and loss	<u>358,032</u>	<u>649,524</u>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>		
Opening fair value of financial assets	649,524	1,175,738
Additions of financial assets	5,335	-
Disposal of financial assets	(331,134)	(489,794)
Unrealised (loss)/gain - fair value through profit or loss	42,745	(28,803)
Realised (loss)/gain - fair value through profit or loss	(8,438)	(7,617)
	<u>358,032</u>	<u>649,524</u>
Closing fair value of financial assets		

Recognition and measurement

Financial Assets at fair value through profit and loss

The Incorporated association's investment in managed funds, listed shares and listed securities are classified as at fair value through profit and loss. After initial recognition, these assets are measured at fair value and movements are recognised in profit and loss. These are classified as level 1 as per the below fair value measurement.

Key Estimate and Judgement: Fair value measurement

The Incorporated association is required to classify all assets and liabilities, measured at fair value, using a three level hierarchy, based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the entire fair value measurement, being:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets that the incorporated association can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Considerable judgement is required to determine what is significant to fair value and therefore which category the asset or liability is placed in can be subjective.

The fair value of the financial assets disclosed above use a level 1 fair value measurement as the assets are quoted priced prices in an active market that the incorporated association can access at its financial year end date.

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6 Property, plant and equipment

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Buildings		
At valuation	22,079,492	24,319,508
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(2,759,792)	(2,069,481)
Carrying amount at end of year	19,319,700	22,250,027
Gaming machines at cost		
At cost	11,734,182	11,740,181
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(10,686,647)	(10,305,067)
Carrying amount at end of year	1,047,535	1,435,114
Plant, equipment and furniture		
At cost	14,367,150	14,095,769
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(9,373,876)	(8,834,000)
Carrying amount at end of year	4,993,274	5,261,769
Alan Ray Oval development		
Alan Ray Oval, Ainslie developments	1,854,556	1,851,056
Alan Ray Oval, Ainslie plant and equipment	450,673	433,815
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(429,382)	(352,398)
Carrying amount at end of year	1,875,847	1,932,473
Work in progress	1,035,661	795,913
Total property, plant and equipment	28,272,017	31,675,296

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6 Property, plant and equipment

Reconciliations

Movements in carrying amounts

Movements in carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Buildings		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	22,250,027	22,898,599
Depreciation expense	(690,311)	(648,572)
Revaluation decrement of buildings	(2,240,016)	-
Carrying amount at end of year	19,319,700	22,250,027
Gaming machines		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	1,435,114	1,272,184
Additions	238,246	886,461
Disposals	(244,244)	(321,165)
Depreciation expense	(381,581)	(402,366)
Carrying amount at end of year	1,047,535	1,435,114
Plant, equipment and furniture		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	5,261,769	5,419,568
Additions	367,009	468,082
Transfers	-	126,790
Disposals	(95,628)	(406,803)
Depreciation expense	(539,876)	(345,868)
Carrying amount at end of year	4,993,274	5,261,769
Alan Ray Oval, Ainslie developments		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	1,932,473	1,478,492
Additions	20,359	510,670
Depreciation expense	(76,985)	(56,689)
Carrying amount at end of year	1,875,847	1,932,473

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6 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Reconciliations

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Work-in-progress		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	795,913	607,597
Additions	348,714	315,106
Transfers	(108,966)	(126,790)
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Carrying amount at end of year	1,035,661	795,913
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Total property, plant and equipment	28,272,017	31,675,296
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Valuation of buildings

The independent valuation of Company's buildings at Alan Ray Oval, Ainslie and Gungahlin Lakes Golf and Community Company were carried out at 30 September 2024 by Knight Frank Valuations Canberra (Valuer Steven Flannery API Reg No 67188). The total valuation of the buildings at 30 September 2024 amounted to \$19,275,000. This resulted in a revaluation decrease of \$2,240,016 in relation to the buildings at the Ainslie Club.

Recognition and measurement

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

Key Estimate and Judgement: Impairment of assets

At each reporting date, the Incorporated association reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the Statement of Comprehensive Income. The Incorporated association's buildings and land were revalued on 30 September 2024 by an independent valuers Knight Frank.

Buildings

Buildings are measured on the fair value basis, being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction. It is the policy of the Incorporated association to have an independent valuation on a cyclical basis, with annual appraisals being made by the Directors.

Key Estimate and Judgement: Fair value of buildings

Fair value of buildings is based on market participant's perspective using the market comparison approach, whereby the valuation of the subject asset is taken with reference to comparable sales transactions of similar assets to determine the value of the building.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by Directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets.

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6 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Gaming machines on lease

The carrying value of gaming machines includes gaming machines which are held under leases and hire purchase contracts at 30 September 2024. The value of these gaming machines is \$1,146,858 (2023: \$838,942). Additions during the year include \$238,246 (2023: \$531,723) of gaming machines under leases and hire purchase contracts. Leased assets and assets under hire purchases are pledged as security for the related finance lease and hire purchase liabilities.

Depreciation and amortisation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives to the Incorporated association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of asset are as follows:

Buildings	2.5%-27%
Gaming machines	20%-40%
Plant, equipment and furniture	5%-40%
Alan Ray Oval, Ainslie developments	1.5%-27%

Assets are depreciated or amortised from the date of acquisition or, in respect of internally constructed assets from the time an asset is completed and held ready for use.

Key Estimate and Judgement: Estimated useful lives of assets

The Incorporated association determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment. The useful lives could change significantly as a result of technical innovations or some other event. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold will be written off or written down.

7 Right-of-use assets

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Right-of-use assets - land	5,124,378	5,155,545
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	2024 \$	2023 \$
Reconciliation		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	5,155,545	5,234,381
Amortisation	(31,167)	(78,836)
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Carrying amount at end of year	5,124,378	5,155,545
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The right-of-use assets relate to four land assets which are held under 99 years lease arrangements with the ACT Government. There are two leases for land at Ainslie Oval and one at Gungahlin Lakes Golf & Community Club venue. The associated lease liabilities for these three land right-to-use assets have been repaid in previous financial years. The fourth lease which relates to the Gungahlin Golf Course has a corresponding lease liability which is disclosed within Note 11.

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7 Right-of-use assets (continued)

Recognition and measurement

At inception of a contract, the Incorporated association assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is considered to contain a lease if it allows the Incorporated association the right to control the use of an identified asset over a period of time in return for consideration.

A right-of-use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for, as applicable, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date net of any lease incentives received, any initial direct costs incurred, and, except where included in the cost of inventories, an estimate of costs expected to be incurred for dismantling and removing the underlying asset, and restoring the site or asset.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the shorter of their useful life and the lease term. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment or adjusted for any re-measurement of lease liabilities. In the year, there was \$31,167 (2023: \$78,835) amortisation charged on the right-of-use assets. There were no additions to the right-of-use asset during the year.

The Incorporated association has elected not to recognise a right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability for short-term leases with terms of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. Lease payments on these assets are expensed to profit or loss as incurred.

Key Estimate and Judgement: Lease term

The lease term is a significant component in the measurement of both the right-of-use asset and lease liability. Judgement is exercised in determining whether there is reasonable certainty that an option to extend the lease or purchase the underlying asset will be exercised, or an option to terminate the lease will not be exercised, when ascertaining the periods to be included in the lease term. In determining the lease term, all facts and circumstances that create an economical incentive to exercise an extension option, or not to exercise a termination option, are considered at the lease commencement date. Factors considered may include the importance of the asset to the incorporated association's operations; comparison of terms and conditions to prevailing market rates; incurrence of significant penalties; existence of significant leasehold improvements; and the costs and disruption to replace the asset. The incorporated association reassesses whether it is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option, if there is a significant event or significant change in circumstances.

8 Trade and other payables

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Trade creditors	1,333,336	1,465,923
Other creditors and accruals	393,647	459,236
Golf subscriptions received in advance	356,433	335,435
Jackpot link liabilities	348,544	274,281
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	2,431,960	2,534,875
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Recognition and measurement

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Incorporated association prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature, they are measured at cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

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9 Employee Provisions

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current		
Employee entitlements	788,749	829,847
Non - Current		
Employee entitlements	56,818	61,938
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	845,567	891,785
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Superannuation Plans		
Defined contribution superannuation expenses	970,183	912,098
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Recognition and measurement

Superannuation contributions

Contributions made by the Incorporated association to employee superannuation funds are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. The Incorporated association is under a legal obligation to contribute 11% (From 1 July 2024: 11.5%) of each employee's base salary to a superannuation fund.

Short-term employee benefits

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and long service leave expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in other payables with respect to employees' services up to the reporting date and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

Other long-term employee benefits

The liability for annual leave and long service leave not expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are measured at the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national commercial bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

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10 Borrowings

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current		
Commercial facility- variable rate	950,000	594,079
Non-Current		
Commercial facility- variable rate	7,323,635	3,747,904

Bank loans are carried on the Statement of Financial Position at their principal amount. Interest expense is recognised on an accrual basis.

Financing Arrangements

For terms and conditions attached to each type of borrowing, refer to section (b) below and to Note 11 for the finance leases and hire purchase contracts.

a) Defaults and breaches

During the current there were no defaults or breaches on any of the borrowings.

b) Terms and conditions

Current interest-bearing loans and borrowings

The Company's also has the following ANZ Bank facilities available to it during the year:

- Commercial facilities of \$4,740,000 - of which \$4,515,000 has been drawn down at year end. During the year the Company renegotiated this loan facility for a further 2-year period which is due to expire in January 2027.
- Childcare loan facility of \$4,250,000 - of which \$3,749,079 has been drawn down at year end. This facility expires in March 2032.
- Overdraft facilities of \$200,000 - of which nil has been drawn down at year end.
- Credit card facilities of \$40,000 - of which \$9,555 has been drawn down at year end.
- Bank guarantee facility \$10,000 - of which \$nil has been drawn down at year end.

c) Assets pledged as security

The overdraft facility and commercial facilities are secured by a first registered mortgage of lease over the Company's properties at 52 Wakefield Avenue, Ainslie ACT; 135 Gundaroo Drive, Nicholls ACT; and 5 Angas Street, Ainslie ACT.

Recognition and Measurement

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in the profit or loss over the period of borrowings using the effective interest method. Borrowings are classified as non-current liabilities unless the company has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

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11 Lease liabilities

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current		
Lease liability - Land	41,000	41,000
Lease liability - Hire purchase lease on gaming machines	387,628	418,602
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Non-current		
Lease liability - land	819,894	828,860
Lease liability - Hire purchase lease on gaming machines	66,492	335,111
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Leases - Land

The lease for the Gungahlin Golf Course commenced 1 June 2007 which is due to expire on 31 May 2027. There is an option included in the lease agreement to extend this for 79 years from January 2027. To exercise this option the Incorporated association would be required to contribute an additional \$840,000 and it is the Incorporated association's intention to exercise this option.

The incorporated association holds three other leases for the Alan Ray Oval, Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities and Gungahlin Lakes Golf & Community Club. These leases are due to expire in June 2121, July 2118 and December 2095 respectively. There are no ongoing lease liabilities with respect to these leases.

Leases - Hire Purchase

The Incorporated association has leases for gaming machines which has lease contracts from 0 to 3 years remaining. The leases have terms of renewal with purchase options and renewals are at the option of the Incorporated association.

Recognition and measurement

At inception of a contract, the incorporated association assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is to contain a lease if it allows the Incorporated association the right to control the use of an identified asset over a period of time in return for consideration. Where a contract or arrangement contains a lease, the Incorporated association recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the commencement date of the lease.

Lease liabilities are initially measured at the present value of future minimum lease payments, discounted using the Incorporated association's incremental borrowing rate if the rate implicit on the lease cannot be readily determined, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate. Minimum lease payments include fixed payments, amounts expected to be paid under a residual value guarantee, the exercise price of purchase options for which the Incorporated association is reasonably certain to exercise and incorporate the Incorporated association's expectations of lease extension options.

The lease liability is remeasured when there are changes in future lease payments arising from a change in rates, index or lease terms from exercising an extension or termination option. A corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the lease assets.

Key Estimate and Judgement: Incremental borrowing rate

Where the interest rate implicit in a lease cannot be readily determined, an incremental borrowing rate is estimated to discount future lease payments to measure the present value of the lease liability at the lease commencement date. Such a rate is based on what the Incorporated association estimates it would have to pay a third party to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the right-of-use asset, with similar terms, security and economic environment.

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12 Commitments

There were no commitments at 30 September 2024.

13 Contingent assets and liabilities

The incorporated association is no contingent assets or liabilities as at 30 September 2024.

14 Key management personnel and related party transactions

(a) Directors

The following persons were directors of the Club during the financial year:

Wayne A Rogers
Denis Condon
Emma L Brohan
Anthony White
Gregory J Vickers
Stewart K Cross
Harry H Dunstall
Benjamin J Hackett
Nicholas P Paine
Amy E Vickers
P Jack Ireland

(b) Directors compensation and related party transactions

Directors did not receive any remuneration during the financial year. No amounts were paid into any superannuation funds in connection with the retirement of Directors.

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties, unless otherwise stated.

(c) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel comprise of key persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Incorporated association.

	2024 \$	2023 \$
The aggregate compensation of key management personnel of the Incorporated association is:	935,459	1,042,529

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15 Members’ guarantees

The Incorporated association is a incorporated association limited by guarantee and is without share capital. If the Incorporated association is wound up, the incorporated association constitution states that each member is required to make a contribution of \$2 towards meeting any outstanding obligations. At 30 September 2024, the total maximum amount members of the Incorporated association are liable to contribute if the Incorporated association is wound up is \$93,474 (2023: \$94,238).

16 Events after the reporting date

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Incorporated association, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Incorporated association in future financial years.

17 Auditors’ remuneration

During the financial year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the incorporated association, BDO Audit Pty Ltd:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Audit services		
Audit of the financial statements	47,000	45,000
Other services		
Other services	13,300	12,500

18 Incorporated association details

The registered office of the incorporated association is:

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities
52 Wakefield Avenue Ainslie ACT 2602

The principal places of business are:

Ainslie Football Club Incorporated and Controlled Entities
52 Wakefield Avenue Ainslie ACT 2602

Gungahlin Lakes Golf and Community Club
135 Gundaroo Drive Nicholls ACT 2913

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19 Parent entity financial information

Summary financial information

The parent entity of the Group is the Ainslie Football Club Incorporated.

Statement of financial position

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current asset		
Cash and cash equivalent	5,966	9,008
Trade and other receivables	9,411	19,016
Total current assets	15,377	28,024
Total assets	15,377	28,024
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	97,507	37,732
Provisions	6,284	9,899
Total current liabilities	103,791	47,631
Total liabilities	103,791	47,631
Net (liabilities)/assets	(88,414)	(19,607)
Retained (losses)/profits	(88,414)	(19,607)
Total equity and reserves	(88,414)	(19,607)
Statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income		
Revenue	925,049	785,946
Cost of sales	(56,791)	(52,207)
Employee benefits expense	(302,740)	(316,443)
Administrative expenses	(634,325)	(555,576)
Loss before income tax	(68,807)	(138,280)

(a) Contingent liabilities

The parent entity had no contingent liabilities as at 30 September 2024 and 30 September 2023.

(b) Commitments

The parent entity had no commitments as at 30 September 2024 and 30 September 2023.

(c) Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies of the parent entity are consistent with those of the Group, as disclosed on page 11.

(d) Subsidiaries

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets, liabilities and results of parent entities wholly owned subsidiary in accordance with the accounting policy being the Ainslie Football and Social Club Limited with an ownership interest of 100% (2023: 100%).

