



THE ACORN

SEASON 2026 ISSUE 17

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hey Dragons,

Firstly, Happy Father's Day for this Sunday to all the Dragons Dads, Granddads and other men who play a significant role in the lives of our players. We hope you are celebrated for the wonderful things you do for your kids, and for all the ways you enhance their lives.

It was a very nervous U12s team who ran out onto the ground and through the old school homemade banner at King George oval on Sunday for their Grand Final. They relish the role of underdog, which they certainly were when playing against an undefeated Dingley. The first quarter showed what our boys are made of, when they held Dingley to just 1 goal. However, the Dingoes played the game that has kept them from defeat all year. Our amazing U12s were absolutely celebrated for their awesome teamwork, skill and sensational attitude at their team gathering on Sunday night.

Well done to all of our teams for a really successful season - it's been a pleasure to watch the development, joy and teamwork across all of our teams and I will now have to find a different way to fill my Sundays until Season 2027.

Thank you to our Sponsors this season; RM Building & Design Group, Harcourts Oakleigh, StoreLocal and Kwik Kopy Braeside, your support is appreciated by all. Also to Grill'd and McDonald's Clayton & Chadstone for their MVP awards presented to our players at every Grub at the Club.

We now look to Season 2027 and the first task is to fill our volunteer roles. If you're unsure of what's involved with being on the Committee, or in any of the roles - such as Secretary or Social Media Coordinator - please come and have a chat to any of the Committee or send us a message.

See you all on Presentation Day on Sunday, 13th September from 11am to celebrate Season 2026.

Go Dragons!

Justine Leopold
President

2026 COMMITTEE / OFFICIALS

President: Justine Leopold
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Girls Coaching Coordinator: Marco Persi
Junior/Senior Club Liaison: Marco Persi
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Social Committee: Vacant

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Joel Harrison (U10M)
Annelise Scott (U12M)
Justin Scott (U12M)
Kathleen Windsor (U13M)
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Sarah Arnott (U14G)
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Justine Karauria (U18G)

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REMINDERS

SAVE THE DATE - PRESENTATION DAY

Join us for our **Presentation Day** as we celebrate the 2026 footy season and recognise the outstanding efforts and achievements of our players, teams and club members.

When: Sunday, 13 September from 11am

Where: Scammell Reserve

All players and families are encouraged to attend as we come together to celebrate a fantastic season. A range of awards will be presented, including Club Awards and Team Awards, recognising the dedication and achievements of our players and volunteers.

There's plenty for the whole family to enjoy, with an **inflatable slide for the kids** and a **free sausage sizzle for everyone**.

We look forward to celebrating the 2026 season with you!

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OAKLEIGH DRAGONS PRESENTATION DAY 2026



WHEN: Sunday 13th September



TIME: 11am start



CLUB AWARDS



TEAM AWARDS



SEASON 2026 CELEBRATION



INFLATABLE SLIDE



FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE



DRAGONS GIFT FOOTRACE



**COME ALONG AND CELEBRATE
SEASON 2026 WITH ALL
YOUR FRIENDS!**



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MORE THAN FOOTBALL

A STRONGER COMMUNITY

COACHES' REPORTS

U12 MIXED TOM MOLONEY

After an incredible win against East Brighton last week, the boys were pumped going into the grand final but couldn't get the job done against a very strong Dingley side.

Going into the game our boys were clearly the underdogs and it was a tag that we were comfortable with. The Dingoes hadn't lost a game all season and not only that but their percentage was sky high. That didn't deter our boys, they were in for the fight.



They soaked in all that comes with a grand final - an additional training session and a banner for the ages. The game itself went to script in some ways - it's really hard to challenge a team who is bigger, faster and more experienced than you, however our boys weren't overawed. They gave their all right to the last final siren.

Highlights of the game where Jimmy's incredible turn and goal from distance to keep us in the game. Will Waters and Eli's ferocious tackling taking down the opposition's best player and Raj's spectacular defensive skills.

We were all incredibly proud of the boys - they showed true Dragon spirit. They were emotional after the game but we reflected on such a wonderful season. We came from division 6 to division 4. We've finished third on the ladder. We beat a really strong East Brighton side to get into our first ever the grand final. Yes, we didn't win on grand final day, but every single person there was proud of our boys.



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We held a wonderful family dinner on Sunday evening and we celebrated together. We all talked about the strength of our team, and also our families and community something that we're all very lucky to be a part of!

I want to thank all the volunteers in particular Felicity and Kate our team managers and Joel and George our assistant coaches. There are countless other parents who volunteered in roles this season and we are very grateful that they continue to do so.

We will come back bigger and stronger next season and we hope all the boys will continue to play football. We've got a great group of kids who loved the game and love each other's company and that's a special thing.



SMOKE-FREE

By law, smoking is banned within 10 metres (about two car lengths) of any public outdoor sporting venue during an organised under-18s event.

The ban includes training or practice sessions to prepare for an organised under-age sporting event, and breaks or intervals during the course of the event, training or practice session.

SOCIAL MEDIA



Don't forget to follow us on social media for all the latest news

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GRUB AT THE CLUB SCHEDULE

Subject to change during the season depending on game times, your Team Manager will keep you posted.
Don't forget – Grub's Gone Green! BYO plates and cutlery.

Date	U9	U10	U11-U13	U14+	Holidays	Grub at the Club
19-Apr	Round 1	Round 1	Round 1	Round 1		
26-Apr	Round 2	Round 2	Round 2	Round 2	ANZAC Round	U18G
3-May	Round 3	Round 3	Round 3	Round 3	Cabrini/Wellness Round	
10-May	Round 4	Round 4	Round 4	Round 4	Mother's Day	
17-May	Round 5	Round 5	Round 5	Round 5		U17.5B
24-May	Round 6	Round 6	Round 6	Round 6	Grill'd Round	
31-May	Round 7	Round 7	Round 7	Round 7	Reconciliation Round	U12G/U14G
7-Jun	No Games					
14-Jun	Round 8	Round 8	Round 8	Round 8	Monash Round	Maccas Fundraiser
21-Jun	Round 9	Round 9	Round 9	Round 9		U9/U10M
28-Jun	Round 10	Round 10	Round 10	Round 10	TS4A Round	
5-Jul	No Games					School Holidays
12-Jul	No Games					School Holidays
19-Jul	Round 11	Round 11	Round 11	Round 11	IKON Round	U12M
26-Jul	Round 12	Round 12	Round 12	Round 12	TAC Round	
2-Aug	Round 13	Round 13	Round 13	Round 13		U14M
9-Aug	Lightning Carnival	Round 14	Round 14	Round 14		
16-Aug		Lightning Carnival	Round 15	Round 15		Committee
23-Aug			Semi Finals	Semi Finals		
30-Aug			Grand Finals	Preliminary Finals		
6-Sep				Grand Finals		
13-Sep	Presentation Day kicks off at 11am					

