

MT LOFTY DEVILS

SATURDAY 9 APRIL 2016

MT LOFTY V IRONBANK

Welcome back everyone to the home of the Devils. We look forward to a massive 2016. A lot has been going on over the off season, too much to mention it all here, however some major developments including the introduction of our women's team into the SAWFL and a new major sponsor, the Arkaba Hotel.

We have also been notified by our local Federal Member Jamie Briggs that we have been successful with our grant application to improve our club room facilities under the Better Communities Programme. Combined with the funds received under our Facilities Improvement Levy, it will mean our facilities improvement program will continue to accelerate and build on the worked commenced last year.

Great to see all the juniors out at the joint training night on Thursday – the future looks very bright. Good luck to the Devils today against the Thunderers and when you get a chance get out to see the new Women Devils.

KYM WELSBY, PRESIDENT.

A Grade

Welcome to the 2016 season. It doesn't seem that long ago we were cheering for four of our sides in the last year's finals. Lots has happened since then and I'm happy to say that I'm quite excited about our year ahead.

Firstly I'd like to welcome Rick Bennett into the senior coaching group. Rick is a long-term passionate member of the Mount Lofty Football Club and will give plenty to the senior group.

It has been pleasing to see the amount of new players that have come to the club - we've had over 15 totally new players train! We also welcome back Flynn Slattery, Sam Coyte, Ben Lawson, Dylan Radbone and Kieran Artis who have been past players of Mount Lofty and introduce our talented last year's under 17s to the senior ranks.

Preseason has been solid with good consistent numbers on the track. We have structured training differently to previous years but overall believe we are fitter and more prepared group for round one.

Today's clash with neighbour Ironbank will certainly be a tough test but, with a true team with committed focused, we will get our first win of 2016 on the board. I will look forward to catching up with all of you around the club and can't wait to get season 2016 started.

BRUCE DAWES, A-GRADE COACH

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Coming up...

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Next game...

Saturday 16 April

At Blackwood

Next home game...

Saturday 23 April

At Mt Lofty v Uraidla

100 Club

Cost of membership is \$100 and includes:

Free entry to home games

Entry into 18 draws over the season (1st prize \$100, 2nd prize \$50 for each draw)

End of season draw (1st prize \$1500; 2nd prize \$ 800; and 3rd prize \$300)

Please contact Sue Johnson on 0439 474 341 or Tom Zampa or Ben Johnson.

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B Grade

G'day all and welcome to goat park for Round 1.

We've had a great preseason; many new players to the club, last years 17's up for their first year of seniors, and quality stalwarts all champing at the bit to have a crack at Ironbank.

Congratulations to Todd Grant, Ben Pohl and Tom Zampa on their appointments as co-captains - all three have shown the way on and off the track and will lead with distinction.

The support team reeks of quality, Sarah training it up, Luke Stephenson as assistant coach and team manager, Steve Milde reprising his role as champion runner and Bradley Hutton continuing last years great work with the flags. Thank to Tony Cox for his tireless work in the behind the scenes, and thanks to all the volunteers who make home games happen.

Now for a win.

RICK BENNETT, B-GRADE COACH



SA Women's Football League

Mount Lofty has a team in the SAWFL Division 2.

After a resounding win in their second trial game, the girls will take on Adelaide Uni in Round 1 tomorrow (Sunday 10 April) at 12.30 pm at Adelaide University Oval (Park 10), War Memorial Drive in the north parklands.

Their first home game will be against Christies Beach next Friday night (15 April) at 7 pm. Bar and BBQ will be open so come along and cheer them on!

For more info contact Shaun Gould on 0488 446 111 or find them on Facebook at Mt Lofty Devils Women (www.facebook.com/mtloftydevilswomen)

Senior Colts

Hi all and welcome to another exciting and hopefully successful season for the U17 Devils and the club as a whole.

The U17s for 2016 are a combination of half a dozen U17s from last year and a majority of the U15s from the previous year. This will give the 2016 U17s team a greater number and variety of players which will hopefully bring out some competitiveness in the playing group, all of whom are vying for spots, which will make the team better at training and on game day.

The boys have been training well so far, improving every night and keeping up with learning the new structures and game plans for the season ahead.

This year we welcome two great assistant coaches in Tom Jones and Michael Naughton, both of which are familiar faces around the club.

Overall we have high hopes for a very successful year ahead. Looking forward to seeing everyone out at game days where hopefully our hard work on the track will pay off on the score board.

NICK PAECH-HONE, U17 COACH

2016 Reunion - Saturday 4 June

Let's celebrate! From the amazing 1946 Stirling Premiership to the magnificent 3 Premierships won in 2006, and all the achievements in the 60 years between, there are many reasons to gather and celebrate, while watching our current players continue the Mt Lofty tradition.

Full details are available on the club website or you can contact any of the Lofty Legends Group committee, including Jill Dawes (0419 703 043) or Haydn Cutting (0409 088 565). Paul Clements is also working hard to ensure those involved in the 1986 and 2006 Premierships are able to attend. You can contact Paul on 0418 819 949.

Across the Generations

The Lofty Legends Group is organizing 9-a-side modified games and other activities to give parents and/or

grandparents the opportunity to have a bit of fun with their children and grand children, through our great game. The main aim is to hold football related activities on the re-union day – Saturday 4 June.

This is sure to be a lot of fun where we reminisce about past glories, but also explore the great opportunities ahead for our future champs.

To find out more, please contact Kevin Hampton on 0407 616 632.

Devils Canteen

The Devils Canteen will again offer an array of freshly cooked hot dogs, toasted sandwiches, country pies, pasties and sausage rolls and an assortment of pastries that will tempt those looking for a lunch time option. Your host Tony Johnson and the band of wonderful volunteers will have great hot coffee, hot chocolate or tea for those cold winter mornings. We look forward to seeing you there! If you can assist with Canteen duty please catch up with Sue or Tony!!