



FOOTY IS BACK - YOU BEAUTY!

Last Saturday saw the "Season Launch" of the new look Tasmanian State League with Glenorchy playing Launceston it was great to see a large crowd despite the game being shown live on the ABC around the state and also into Victoria.

Thank you to the people who made an effort to attend the President's Luncheon prior to the game it was a lovely meal and we thank Senior Coach – Ben Reid for taking time out in his busy match day schedule to wander in and have a chat with our MC Peter Gee. Whilst on Peter Gee (ABC Television - News Reporter) – Many thanks for coming along and making these type of functions that more professional.

SENIORS

Launceston	14.7	91
Glenorchy	10.10	70

Goal-Kickers: Jaye Bowden 3, Shane Piuselli 2, David Hunt 2, Bryce O'Garey 1, Chris Glenn 1, Sam Chivers 1

Best Players: Jaye Bowden, Shane Piuselli, David Kamaric, Daniel Muir, Mark Corbett, Chris Glenn



Jaye Bowden
Great 1st game



David Kamaric
Mr. Consistent

CONGRATULATIONS to our 1st gamers – Brayden Webb, Josh Arnold, Andrew Nash and Justin Brown.

PLEASE NOTE – Brian Finch (Launceston Playing Assistant Coach) spent 5 hours in Calvary Hospital for pre-cautionary reasons and will be able to resume playing with Launceston in a few weeks. Which is great news.

It was also great to see the Launceston players and support staff join us for a feed after the game. Thank you to our Ladies for providing the meal .

NEXT GAME



Glenorchy



Hobart Tigers

Friday April 10 (Good Friday)
TCA Ground 2.00pm



RESERVES

Launceston 16.11 107
Glenorchy 10.8 68

Goal-Kickers: Dale Ayres 2, Luke Manser 2, Ashton Arnold 1, Sean Browning 1, Ben Curley 1, Daniel Lamont 1, Richard Morrison 1, Luke Potter 1

Best Players: Ben Curley, Ashton Arnold, Jason Chandler, Dale Ayres, Sam Hills, Sean Browning

The under 19's also played a practice match against Launceston and in a spirited contest ran out winners by a couple of goals.

BINGO...BINGO

IS HELD EACH THURSDAY AND SUNDAY EVENINGS. EYES DOWN AT 7.30PM
DON'T MISS OUT ON SOME BIG JACKPOTS - PERHAPS YOU WILL BE THE NEXT
LUCKY WINNER. ALL MEMBERS & GUESTS WELCOME.

"CASINO BINGO" IS HELD EACH FRIDAY IN HOBART'S -
WREST POINT CASINO SHOWROOM STARTING AT 11.30AM. THERE IS A
COMPLIMENTARY BUS PROVIDED WHICH LEAVE THE CARPARK OF THE
FOOTBALL CLUB AT 10AM.

PLEASE NOTE THIS WEEKS SESSION IS ON THURSDAY - DUE TO EASTER

MEMBERSHIPS

ARE YOU BACK ONBOARD YET? IF NOT WHY NOT? IT'S THAT TIME OF
YEAR WHEN YOU CAN SHOW YOUR TRUE SUPPORT AND BECOME A
FINANCIAL MEMBER. MEMBERSHIP CAN BE PAID AT THE MAIN BAR OR
OFFICE OR FEEL FREE TO GIVE THE CLUB A PHONE CALL AND I'LL
ARRANGE A FORM TO BE SENT OUT TO YOU STRAIGHT AWAY.



SHANE FELL

The former Geelong Under 19 forward was recruited to Glenorchy at the start of the 1989 season and what a first season it would be for Shane. 20 years on – Shane is now General Manager of the Audi Centre in Hobart. I recently caught up with Shane and asked him a few questions –

JW – Seems like yesterday you were running around in the No.16 jumper and creating havoc with those screamers you used to take?

SF – Maybe for you, but seems a long time ago for me. When time goes by after you retire the sad things for me is you feel like you have never played the memories seem to fade.

JW – How did you end up coming to Tasmania?

SF – I injured my knee first game of the year against Collingwood playing for Geelong (1988, 21 years ago – Easter Saturday) was out for the year and delisted at the end of 1988 because of injury. I had some interest from around the country to play but a gentleman by the name of Billy Picken (a bit of legend in my eyes) rang me everyday until I committed.

JW – You were drafted at the end of the season by the Sydney Swans was that a goal of yours?

SF – My intentions and goals were the season of 1989 to be treated as a spring board to get back to the AFL. I had a successful year and was interviewed by a number of AFL Clubs. Sydney Swans had the first selection in the pre-season draft (before the national draft) – a draft for any player that had been on a senior list or out of contract, etc. Obviously the relationship with Sydney (Billy Picken, Hobart's coach Mark Browning) was how the connection started I was drafted first selection by Sydney in the pre-season draft.

JW – Your first season had some great highlights – why did you come back to Glenorchy after just one season in the Harbour City?

SF – Yes there were some highlights – pre-season inter club matches, practice matches combined with pre-season cup gave me the opportunity to show my wears and be selected for round 1 against Carlton at Princess Park. I played a total of 15 games in my first season with the Swans. During the course of the year rumblings started in reference to the financial situation of the club and on one Wednesday night President – Mike Willisee explained to the playing group that a 20% pay cut had to be taken by the current playing group. I left early in 1990 over a contract dispute. I had been contacted by a few other AFL clubs who tried to work out a trade with Sydney for my services how ever Sydney refused to release me and I was a required player.



JW – Shane you were redrafted by Richmond in the 1993 mid-season draft and didn't head back over – were you not keen to have another crack?

SF – Yes I was drafted to Richmond not even knowing I was in the draft! I had a phone call from a Richmond official telling me I was just drafted and I went into a state of shock. I flew to Melbourne as guest of the club and attended a game where they played Fitzroy. Richmond were given an almighty flogging and I thought this is not for me and my vision in life was going in a different direction than football.

JW – Moving forward – What are your thoughts on the new Tasmanian State League?

SF – I played in the original state-wide league in the late '80s and it was a fantastic attraction. Tassie's best players (20 player per annum being drafted from the TFL), excellent coverage and loyal followers (kids today would be shocked at the support we had in those days) obviously with live AFL and personal and family commitments in today's current environment is a huge disadvantage to the current competition. The upside is a clean slate and opportunity again for Tasmanians to strive to be the best competition outside of the AFL and VFL competitions, again you will see the best players versus the best players, enthusiasm and passion and a high quality brand which will draw the best underage players and others from the other competitions around the state. The goal is to groom the young footballers of Tasmania to play at the highest level and create these opportunities via a Tasmanian State League. There is no better feeling than sitting in your lounge room at home watching an ex GFC team mate running around in the AFL – because in some way you are apart of that individual.

Shane kicked 114 goals in season 1989 and also represented Tasmania in the memorable win over the Big "V" at North Hobart in 1990. "Trip-An" played 109 games and kicked 351 goals with Glenorchy

NEXT EDITION:



- We talk with our new Game Development Officer – Glenn Balmforth about where he has been and what are his goals with our junior development program
- We get up close and personal with our newly appointed Senior Captain – Shane Piuselli and find out what he thinks of the new Tasmanian State League and where we are heading in season 2009

PLUS MUCH, MUCH, MORE.

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