



In house ladies group of the Hawthorn Football Club

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GO HAWKS IN 2019

We wish the Hawthorn Football Club all the best for a fantastic season. Once again we are happy to sponsor Jack, Ricky and Marc – good luck for 2019 guys!



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Jack
Gunston



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Ricky
Henderson



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Marc
Pritchett

Congratulations to Ben Stratton on his election as Captain and of course “our” Jack Gunston as Vice-Captain.

We will announce our VFLW players in due course, once their list is finalised.



Jeff Kennett announced our newest Number 1 ticket holders for our club at the seasons launch this week, and we congratulate Emma Race and John Kennedy Junior. John was at an event for us last season and we all could feel his passion for the Brown and Gold. John has worked tirelessly in many areas of the footy club and will continue to do so – great to have that Kennedy name up in lights again!

Emma is also a die-hard Hawthorn supporter and has been all her life; she is passionate in everything she does. Many of you will know her through the podcast of the Outer Sanctum – I had asked her last year to join us at one of our events and we just needed to tie up a date so she is well aware of who we are already! She is a fun loving, sports crazy Mum of 3 and a delightful person!

It is exciting to have Jeff’s support and Emma’s passion supporting The Thornbirds we are flying high! I have attached a copy of the letter Jeff sent to members on Tuesday evening – just in any case anyone missed it.





A very happy Thornbirds bunch enjoyed a lunch at Mulgrave Country Club on Friday 18th January. It proved very successful last year and once again this year. It seems we really enjoy having an early footy fix!!

OUR OWN SEASONS LAUNCH COFFEE MORNING WAS AT BOX HILL GOLF CLUB

This event was held at 10:30am on Friday 22nd of February in the upstairs Function Room.

We were hoping to have a guest speaker from HFC however owing to circumstances beyond our control this didn't occur.

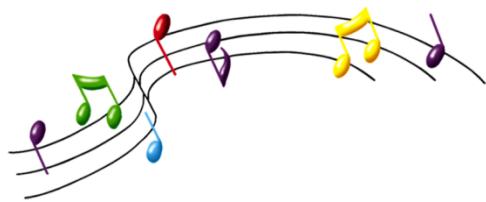
There was lots of chatter as everyone caught up after time away in the off-season, Lyn provided a summary of 2018's activities and there was also a financial report available.

Di McDonald thanked retiring Committee member Robyne Vincent and presented her with a pen in recognition of her great service to The Thornbirds. We look forward to seeing her at our future functions.



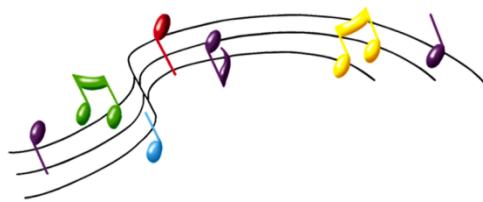
At our launch, Lyn invited ladies to join her on the 2019 committee and Jenni Beddoes and Lorraine Rodgers have answered the call!!! Thank you to both these ladies and welcome aboard.

Olivea Sutton had previously nominated and is busy doing the treasurer's role and membership officer. As reported to members, Olivea felt it appropriate not to be a signatory on the Thornbirds account with Lyn being the other one. So Win Wood and Lyn have been to the bank and set all this in motion, Win will be the other signatory and assistant treasurer for the year. We have not had a meeting yet this year but once roles are settled we will inform members. Of course ALL your suggestions and comments are welcome and indeed encouraged to keep moving forward.



A group attended a morning at Karralyka on Tuesday morning to enjoy a sumptuous morning tea of croissants, scones jam & cream, cake, fruit and cheese platters before settling down to listen to Marina Prior as she walked us through her life in song! No one left disappointed! Marina told us how proud she was to be an Australian, working in Australia for Australians. AND we are so glad she did!

We have booked future morning such as this so keep an eye out on the calendar and come along and relax for a couple of hours for the minimal cost of \$21.50 – value for money!



A CHANGE TO OUR FOREST HILL "COFFEE AND CHAT" VENUE.

For our first Forest Hill Coffee Morning we tried Touché however we found the service to be far too slow. As a result we are returning to Hahndorf's. The first one here for 2019 will be **Fri 8th March at Hahndorf's Forest Hill, Shop 170 Forest Hill Chase Shopping Centre (Ground floor, near Aldi).**

We look forward to seeing you there.



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A WORD FROM **OUR PRESIDENT**

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Dear members,

The exciting changes continue at Hawthorn.

Last week we announced our new Captain Ben Stratton and Vice-Captain Jack Gunston.

This evening we announced our new number one ticket holders, which while honorary positions, are very important to the club and its reputation.

As you know, we are working to ensure we have the Board, administration and the people to lead the club successfully into the future. The appointments of our new number one ticket holders are made with that objective in mind.

I appointed Peter Hudson as our number one male ticket holder 11 years ago, when I did my first term as your President. Peter took over the role from our wonderful first Premiership Coach John Kennedy Senior.

Peter has given us invaluable service, not only in this position, but previously as a player, and continues to serve on our Foundation Committee. He is a rare example of a player who, even in retirement, continues to give back to the club in volumes, through time and effort.

Since we began our association with Tasmania, Peter has been invaluable in working with us to support this partnership, and we will continue to draw on his assistance when needed.

Peter is a real Hawthorn champion and the Board thank him and his wife Steph for the time they have already given and continue to give to the club.

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that John Kennedy Junior has agreed to step into Peter's shoes and fill the role of our new number one male ticket holder.

John Kennedy Jnr, son of John Kennedy Snr, is not only a highly respected former player, but also plays an important role as president of our Past Players and Officials Association.

As you're aware our future home will be named the Kennedy Community Centre, in honour of three generations

of Kennedys, who have been a significant part of the fabric and values of Hawthorn for so many years. With John taking on this role it will ensure the Kennedy name continues to be at the forefront of our club as we progress with this exciting project.

Gwen Crimmins has been our number one female ticket holder since 2017. Gwen is known to us all, not only as the wife of our mercurial Peter Crimmins, but also as an incredible Hawthorn person in her own right.

The Crimmins name stands etched in Hawthorn history and will live forever in the naming of our best and fairest award, the Peter Crimmins Medal. Gwen and her family attend the award night every year and Gwen presents the medal to the player so designated our best and fairest for the season.

Gwen has brought incredible grace and charm to the position, as did her predecessor, Dulcie Kennedy.

We would like to thank Gwen for her service and the time she has committed to discharging her responsibilities as the number one female ticket holder.

I am thrilled to announce that Gwen will be handing over the torch to a great Hawthorn lady in Emma Race.

Emma is a Hawthorn tragic. A great supporter of our VFLW team and one of the most highly connected and successful social media operatives.

Emma will not only be a great ambassador in her new role, but I am sure an instigator of communication and activities that we have not seen before.

So, women of Hawthorn, watch out! Here comes a whirlwind of energy that will give new meaning to the role of number one ticket holder.

Emma will work closely with our Thornbirds, a group of exceptional women who have been carrying the brief for our female members for years. Together, Emma and the Thornbirds will make a formidable team.

Thank you Emma for accepting this role.

So members, onwards and upwards. We at Hawthorn are not standing still. We continue to promote people within the club who have served us previously. Both John and Emma meet that criteria.

Jeff Kennett
President

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I have written to Jeff and thanked him for his vote of confidence!!!

SCARVES SCARVES SCARVES SCARVES SCARVES SCARVES recycler's and craft ladies this is for you!

At the clubs recent intraclub match members were invited to donate their old membership scarves to them be given out to the community and areas of need.

They were delighted with the number they received now what to do with them all.

Lyn had a call from Oscar at the club who had received a request from Jarman Impey to increase his community work in hospitals and wanted to take something from the club. Oscar wondered if we could make rugs or something with these scarves for Jarman to take to the many areas he will be visiting.

We do know many scarves together to make a bed quilt can be rather heavy, so thinking we could make smaller knee rugs, cushions etc. If you would like to be a part of this group please let Lyn know. We thought maybe some could get together and have a day of sewing and creating magic for those in need, or you can create at home while watching TV.

Jarman was most grateful that we will be doing this BUT we do need ideas and many hands on deck. I know we can do it – **Recyclers United!!!!**



Congratulations to Jeanne Frangiosa on the safe and joyful arrival of her granddaughter Anastasia Merlyn.



Already a Hawks Member!

Easter/Anzac Day:



Our coffee morning follows both of these this year so it is too hard to arrange “the bring an egg and raffle” as per last year.

*Pauline Williams has made up a basket of Easter Eggs valued at \$50+ (pictured below) for us to raffle at our coffee morning on the 29th March. **Thank you most sincerely Pauline for this generous donation!***

*We will sell tickets for \$5 each and members can also donate that day with all proceeds going to the **Royal Children’s Hospital Good Friday Appeal**.*

If you are unable to join us this morning, you can purchase raffle tickets by emailing Lyn and direct debiting the money or sending a cheque to our Post Office box, no later than March 21st and she will include you in the raffle.



We will have a few smaller prizes on the day as well – all winners will be notified if not in attendance!



Just a reminder – Membership is due by 31st March – Membership form is at the end of this newsletter. We are planning a fun packed, interesting and year of change so make sure you are on board. Remember membership allows you discount at some events and you do receive little bonuses along the way as well.

FUTURE EVENTS:

THIS EVENT HAS REACHED CAPACITY AND IF WE HAVE MORE WHO WISH TO ATTEND WE WILL BOOK ANOTHER TOUR FOR 12 NOON THE SAME DAY – SO PLEASE CONTACT LYN ASAP IF YOU HAVE NOT BOOKED IN and WISH TO ATTEND! suttonfam@bigpond.com

COOMBE YARRA VALLEY TOUR & DEVONSHIRE TEA

Join us as we tour the beautiful Coombe of the Yarra Valley – home of the famous opera singer Dame Nellie Melba. We begin the day with a Devonshire tea before commencing an hour-long guided tour. Wear your comfortable shoes, bring a hat if it's hot and an umbrella if it's wet. Husbands, partners, friends and family are all welcome to this event.

DATE: Saturday 30th March 2019

TIME: Devonshire morning tea is 10am, tour is 11am for 1hr

WHERE: Coombe Yarra Valley, 673-675 Maroondah Hwy, Coldstream

We will send correspondence with car pooling once we get replies.

COST: \$30 per person – includes morning tea and the tour

Bookings are **essential** there are limited places and we are required to pay prior to the day - get your reply in early to avoid missing out.

.....PLACES ARE FILLING FAST!!.....

Please send your reply by **WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH** to:

Lyn Sutton: PO Box 1319 Blackburn North 3130

or via email: suttonfam@bigpond.com

NAME/S OF ATTENDEES:

NUMBER OF ATTENDEES:

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS:

INTERESTED IN BEING PART OF CARPOOLING:

PAYMENT: \$..... **cash/cheque/direct deposit or bank transfer to The Thornbirds Committee BSB 033326 A/C 372622 please put your name on payment.**

FASHION PARADE

BLACK PEPPER

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On Wed 1st May we are planning a fashion parade at **Black Pepper** store in Knox City Shopping Centre.

More details closer to the event.

THINKING OF YOU

To any of our **Thornbirds Ladies – who are not feeling well at the moment we send our best wishes to you.**



If you have any significant events in your life and would like to share in the Newsletter with your fellow Thornbirds (e.g. Special Birthday, Anniversary, New Grandchild, etc.) please contact Di McDonald.

UPCOMING THORNBIRDS DATES FOR 2019 (March – May)

DATE	VENUE
March Fri 8 th – 10am	Morning Coffee – at Hahndorf's Fine Chocolate, Forest Hill Chase
March Fri 29 th – 10.15am	Coffee Morning at Box Hill Golf Club - Easter Egg Raffle
March Sat 30 th – 10am	Coombe Cottage Garden Tour - Coldstream
April Fri 12 th – 10am	Morning Coffee –at Hahndorf's Fine Chocolate, Forest Hill Chase
April Fri 26th – 10.15am	Morning Coffee at Box Hill Golf Club
May Wed 1st – TBC	Black Pepper Fashion Parade – Knox City Shopping Centre

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**2019 MEMBERSHIP FORM
Only \$35 and now payable prior to
March 31, 2019.**

Please ****COMPLETE THIS MEMBERSHIP FORM **** and email, post or hand deliver to:

**The Thornbirds
P O Box 1319
BLACKBURN NORTH 3130**

Email to: olivea.sutton@hotmail.com

Or bring to the next morning coffee if that is more convenient.

YOUR NAME:

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE NUMBERS: **HOME:** **MOBILE:**

ENCLOSED:cheque/cash (please circle one)

Or bank transfer to The Thornbirds Committee BSB 033326 A/C 372622 please put your name on payment.

Direct Debit Date:

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NEW MEMBER RELATIVE MEMBER for 2019

Join us for \$25 this year - payable prior to
March 31, 2019.

If you are currently a member (or joining this year) and introduce a family member this is for YOU!!

Please COMPLETE THIS MEMBERSHIP FORM and email, post or hand deliver to:

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Signed: **date:**

ALL members need to complete and sign this form. If you do not agree with the above statement please do not sign the form but still complete all details so we can update our data base.