

A MINUTE WITH RUSSELL OHLSEN

Age...53

Games...101

Goals...don't know

Married...to the beautiful Clare

Kids...Felicia, Matthew & Nathan

Grandkids...one on the way, can't wait

Injuries...two knee replacements in the last four months (I will be dangerous soon and back over the six foot mark)

Work...GM Wayne Richardson Sales, 30 years coming up (I must be mad)

Best Footy Memory...good times / finals football / lifelong friends

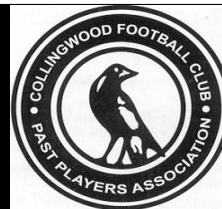
Biggest Disappointment...1979 Grand Final loss

Favorite Meal/Drink...Steak, eggs and chips & VB all day

Favorite Holiday Destination...Gold Coast

I Am Reading...the form guide mostly

What You Like About Today's Football...Collingwood winning



OLD BLACK & WHITE

The newsletter of the Collingwood FC Past Players

August 2009

SOCIAL EVENTS

Past Players, please note these dates in your diary now.

NEXT GAME

Our last MCG game is Sunday 23rd August 2009 @ 2.10pm - Collingwood v Swans. All past players, family and guests welcome to the CFCPPA Room. Contact Keith Burns for seats in the CFC Past Players area.

CFC PPA 59th ANNUAL DINNER

7.00pm Thursday 10th September, 2009 @ Lexus Centre. Please contact Andrew Smith on 0417 11 55 60 to confirm attendance

BOB ROSE MEMORIAL GOLF DAY

Friday afternoon, 23rd October, 2009 @ Spring Valley Golf Club for Golf and Dinner.

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The annual Collingwood FC Past Players Association (CFCPPA) Bob Rose Memorial Golf Day will be held again in 2009. Put Friday, 23rd October, 2009 in your diary now!

The event will be held again this year at the magnificent Spring Valley Golf Club and kicks off at 12.00 noon with a pre-game drink & sausage sizzle. Then follows 18 holes of golf and drinks, post game drinks and concludes with a 2 course dinner with a great guest speaker, various prizes to winning golfers, a big raffle and an auction.

Each year the event gets bigger and better, so make sure you don't miss out in 2009. All this for only \$115 per head is great value, with proceeds going toward the Robert Rose Foundation (Bob's favourite charity) – a very worthy cause for us to support.

Please contact Keith Burns ASAP on 0419 506 461 to book your place. A flyer and entry form is inside this newsletter.

MATCH DAY SPONSORSHIP

A special thank you to all match day sponsors who have supported the CFC Past Players and the ongoing availability of their room at all MCG games. Season 2009 sponsors have been Des Herbert, Peter McCormack, Craig Stewart, John Wade, Mick Gayfer, Graeme Watson, Paul Cranage, Mick Erwin, Ken Taylor, Paul Stowe, John Ainger, Des Luckman & The Magpie Club.

MEMBERSHIP

A reminder for all CFC Past Players to forward their \$25 membership fee to facilitate the growing array of activities and support functions the CFCPPA is developing for our members.

Payment Details

Cheque payments to Murray Browne - 4 Cascade St North Balywn 3104

EFT Details - Bank: Westpac BSB: 033 050 A/C#: 315618

We currently have 143 financial members from a possible 780 living CFC Past Players. Please forward your payment ASAP to ensure the CFCPPA remains a vibrant and relevant organisation.

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by Nicstar & Co



The CFCPPA is delighted with the response to the launch of "The Heart Of Collingwood " Murray Weideman Past Players Welfare Fund . Feedback and sentiment from the official announcement at the recent Copeland Medal function at the Hilton Hotel confirmed that player welfare was a necessary and worthy objective .

Club President, Eddie McGuire, was glowing in his praise of the Murray Weideman initiative and the partnership with the "Heart Of Collingwood "and the CFCPPA . There is now a system in place to bring health and comfort to those players who suffered long term injuries whilst representing the Black and White .

Whilst there are many past players who are fortunate not to be in need assistance there is a need for general support from all CFC past players . In order to raise enough funds to sustain the "Heart Of Collingwood " program we seek past player support of our functions and activities . We also require past player cooperation to discover those team mates who may be in need of the services that will help restore their health and dignity .

The CFCPPA Criteria for assistance is as follows :

- 1) Played senior football with CFC
- 2) A financial member of the CFCPPA
- 3) A financial member of the AFLPA
- 4) Suffering from serious football related health issues
- 5) Does not have or unable to pay for private health insurance

Applications for support received by the CFC PPA must meet the above criteria before further consideration.

Selection of funding support will then be prioritised using the following criteria:

- 1) Medical reports (more serious cases will receive priority) - these may / will be referred to an independent expert to assist CFCPPA prioritise
- 2) Years of service with CFC (i.e. number of other clubs played for)
- 3) Age of applicant (older members will receive priority)
- 4) Number of dependents (e.g. spouse, children, grandchildren)

Financial support will be limited:

- 1) To the overall amount of funds available in the CFCPPA "Heart of Collingwood" (Number 2 A/C) - that is funds will be utilised on the highest priority cases until the fund is exhausted.
- 2) To 2 year's subsidy of private health insurance premiums.

We welcome your input to this exciting program and look forward to seeing all past players at the Annual Dinner on Thursday, 10th September . Should you know of any past player suffering distress and qualifies under the criteria please contact Keith Burns, Brian Beers or Murray Browne.

Can all past players make a special effort to attend the 59th CFC Past Players annual dinner 7pm at Lexus Centre Thursday 10th September. With Collingwood participating in the finals the dinner should provide a great start to week two of the AFL Finals campaign. Special guest speaker on the night is AFL solicitor, life member and channel nine executive director Jeff Browne. Please get some team mates together and ensure you attend this popular and enjoyable annual event. To confirm attendance please contact either: Andrew Smith 0417 115 560, Mark Lawson 0418 572 130, Mick Erwin 0418 332 849 or Keith Burns 0419 506 461

LIFE IS TOO SHORT NOT TO MAKE THE EFFORT TO ATTEND



FINALS SEATING/TICKETS

As the Collingwood FC will be playing in the finals series, the Collingwood FC will be providing the CFC Past Players Association (CFCPPA) with an allocation of seats (limited) so CFC Past Players can sit with each other during any Collingwood FC game.

This allocation also includes family, friends and sponsors. It is emphasised that the seats are a limited supply, but you may order what you require.

Cost of each seat will be what the Collingwood FC is charged.

If you are interested in obtaining seats through the CFCPPA, please contact Keith Burns on 0419 506 461 by the Tuesday before any game the Collingwood FC plays in.

If you have any questions, please contact Keith Burns on 0419 506 461.