

Goulburn Touch

2024/2025

Annual Report



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Goulburn Touch Association

2024/2025 Annual General Meeting

Date: Wednesday 9th April 2025

Time: Commencing at 7:00pm

Venue: Goulburn Workers Club, Goulburn

1. Welcome

2. Apologies

3. Registration of Attendance

4. Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting

Confirmation of the minutes of the 2023/2024 Annual General Meeting

5. Annual Reports

Consideration and adoption of the 2024/25 Annual Report

6. Financial Statements

a. Treasurer's Report

Consideration and adoption of the 2024/25 financial statements

7. Election of Executive Officers

a. President (2-year appointment)

b. Vice President (2-year appointment)

c. Secretary (2-year appointment)

d. Treasurer (2-year appointment)

e. Junior Vice-President/Junior Comp Admin (2-year appointment)

8. Appointment of Life Membership

9. Special Resolutions

10. Notice of Motions

11. Appointment of Auditor

12. Close of Meeting

2023/2024 Goulburn Touch Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday 31th July 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Venue: Goulburn Workers Club

Meeting opened 6:43pm

1. **Welcome** – Steve Dunn

2. **Apologies** – Meg Toparis, Nikea Casey-Swan, Emily Kent

3. **Attendance** – Steven Dunn (SD), Kevin Kara (KK), John Boradhead (JB), Ashley Mewburn (AM), Brooklyn Eckersley (BE), Donna Kent (DK), Sophie Broadhead (SB), Josh Wake (JW), Hayden Drapalski (HD)

4. **Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting**

Confirmation of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting

There were no matters arising.

Resolved to accept the minutes of the 2023/2024 GTA Annual General Meeting

Moved by HD, Seconded by BE

Carried

5. **Annual Reports**

President – Moved by SB, Seconded by KK – Carried

Vice-President – Moved by SB, Seconded by AM – Carried

Competition Admin – Moved by KK, Seconded by SB – Carried

Director of Referees – Moved by BE, Seconded by AM – Carried

6. **Financial Statements**

A. Treasurer's Report

Consideration and adoption of the audited financial statements

Resolved to accept the audited financial statements

Moved: SB, Seconded: AM - Carried

7. **Election of Executive Officers**

President - *Not required due to all current EO one year into their term.*

Vice-President - *Not required due to all current EO one year into their term.*

Secretary - *Not required due to all current EO one year into their term.*

Treasurer - *Not required due to all current EO one year into their term.*

Junior Vice-President

One nomination: Sophie Broadhead. Elected with no objections.

Brooklyn Eckersley nominated for Social Media Manager/Publicity Officer – accepted

Kevin Kara nominated for Groundsman – accepted

Ashley Mewburn nominated for Monday Night Admin – accepted

No nominations for Wednesday night admin – Position vacant

Sophie Broadhead nominated for Junior Rep Coordinator – accepted

Referee coordinator positions: Josh Wake (Monday), Sophie Broadhead (Tues), Hayden Drapalski (Wed)

8. Appointment of Life Membership

None

9. Special Resolutions

Resolved to modify the Constitution – Section 20.1 (d) to reduce the number of eligible voting members from ten (10) to five (5).

Moved by JB, Seconded by KK – Carried

10. Notices of Motion

None

11. General Business items

- Discussion of a new model in the men's/women's/mixed competitions
- Goulburn touch committee has endorsed Goulburn Touch Association to be an incorporation under Associations Incorporation ACT 2009
- Recognition of Steve Armstrong's contribution to Goulburn Touch Association
- Goulburn Touch Association will be getting tables and chairs donated from the Golf Club
- New fridge
- Discussion led by SB to start a mini merinos program for Under 5s similar to Aussie hoops – given \$2000 VEO building towards sponsorship – work on fundamentals of touch as part of a future 4-6 year plan and form a junior touch football committee
- JW offered to coach Junior Representative teams

Meeting closed at 8:05pm

Goulburn Touch Association Committee and Life Members

Committee 2024/25

President – Steven Dunn

Vice President – Kevin Kara

Junior Vice President/Junior Comp Admin – Sophie Broadhead

Secretary & Monday Competition Admin – Ashley Mewburn

Treasurer – John Broadhead

Referees Director – Hayden Drapalski

Coaching Director – Josh Wake

Wednesday Competition Admin – Nikea Casey-Swan

Canteen Coordinator – Donna Kent

Sponsorship Coordinator – Brooklyn Eckersley

Life Members

John Broadhead

Neil Penning

Garry Shepherd

Jim Smart

George Murrell*

Kevin Kara

Luke Hogan

Ross Ginn

Steve Armstrong*

Keith Brooker

Steven Dunn

Tony Kent

Marie Croker

Lisa Breen

Ashley Mewburn

* Deceased





President's Report – 2024/2025

This past season has been one of growth, challenges, and success for Goulburn Touch. As President, I'm proud to reflect on the achievements, improvements, and ongoing efforts that continue to shape the club and support our players, volunteers, and broader community.

Junior Competitions

Our Junior competition continues to thrive with 72 teams and 893 participants aged 3-17, a 21% increase in Junior participation. This is the highest rate participation of participation at the Junior level that Goulburn Touch has ever seen. This season, we saw the successful implementation of the Mini Merino's program designed for children aged 3-6 to develop the basic skills of passing, catching and running with the ball, all vital skills for our game.

Unfortunately, Goulburn Touch were unable to find a representative coordinator for the season, so we had no representative teams in Juniors. With so much talent available, I feel this is an area that needs to be targeted going forward.

Thanks goes to Sophie Broadhead on her role as Junior Competition Administrator this season and the increased level of engagement she has brought to our club.

Senior Competitions

Our Senior competitions have maintained strong engagement, with 52 teams competing across the Men's, Women's, and Mixed divisions, a slight increase on previous seasons. The most notable feedback from players was the grading of teams, particularly in the Mixed Competition. This is never an easy task as we aim to ensure fairness across the competitions, however it is something that the incoming committee needs to discuss going forward. Thanks to Ashley Mewburn (Monday) and Nikea Casey-Swan (Wednesday) for their outstanding work in ensuring these competitions ran smoothly.

Going forward, the incoming committee should also work to provide more consistency in the area of competition rules and by-laws to ensure transparency at all times.

Representative Programs

Goulburn Touch proudly fielded an Open Mixed representative team in the Country Championships in Wollongong and NSW State Cup in Port Macquarie.

- Country Championships – 2 wins-1 draw-3 losses in Pool games. Progressed to Bowl Finals. Won Semi Final 5-3 vs Wollongong; Lost 3-2 in Final to Tamworth

- NSW State Cup – 4 wins – 2 losses in Pool games. Progressed to finals where they were defeated 5-3 vs Wollongong.
- A thank you to Vaughan Winnel for captain/coaching the team.

Referees & Officials

Our referees are the backbone of our competitions, and I want to extend a big thank you to Hayden Drapalski for his coordination of referees, assisted by Josh Wake and in the latter half of the season, Meg Toparis. This year we saw:

- 32 new referees, all Juniors (Under 18)
- Meg Toparis selected in the “Girls Her Way” referee squad which saw her attain her Level 2 referee accreditation at Junior State Cup.
- Hayden Drapalski refereed at NSW Country Championships, NSW State Cup, NSW Junior State Cup

Refereeing continues to be the area that generates the most feedback—predominantly negative—from our players and coaches. It’s essential that the incoming committee prioritises this area to improve consistency and standards across all levels of the game.

Facilities & Partnerships

Thanks to continued support from our sponsors, Goulburn Workers Club, McDonalds, Goulburn Mazda, and VEO Building Co, we secured funding for the 2024/2025 Season. These funds were able to enhance the experience for our players and coaches. The grounds at Carr-Confoy Oval remained a concern this season. A number of fields saw reduced capacity or not used at all due to holes or lack of water causing them to be unsafe. Thanks to Kevin Kara who maintained our fields as best he could with limited resources.

Committee & Volunteers

To the hardworking committee and volunteers—you make this club run. Thank you to:

- Kevin Kara (Vice-President and Groundsman), John Broadhead (Treasurer), Ashley Mewburn (Secretary and Monday Comp Admin), Sophie Broadhead (Junior Comp Admin), Nikea Casey-Swan (Wednesday Comp Admin), Hayden Drapalski (Referee Director), Josh Wake (Coaching Director), Donna Kent (Canteen Coordinator) and Brooklyn Eckersley (Sponsorship Coordinator).

Looking Ahead

The future is bright for Goulburn Touch. We’re focused on:

- Growing participation, improving facilities, developing Junior Representative pathways and referee development.
- Ensuring governance of our club is consistent with the constitution and competition by-laws.

Closing Message

It’s been a privilege to lead this club in Season 2024/2025. Thank you to all members, players, coaches, referees, families, and supporters who make Goulburn Touch a strong and vibrant community. I would like to wish the incoming committee all the very best for what lies ahead.

Steven Dunn - President

2/4/2025

Monday Competition Administrator Report

The 2024/2025 senior men's and women's season was comprised of 14 weeks on competition in duration with 3 weeks of finals.

In the men's competition there was a growth in teams and numbers having 15 registered teams this season. Thus having 6 more teams than the 2023/2024 season and 3 more teams than the 2022/2023 season. The divisions had the following teams:

Men's Division 1/2 – 8 teams (Betoota Dolphins TFC, Crankin 90s, Espresso, Let if fly, Rands, Slaters Slayers, Super Hot Fire and Tip Em).

Men's Division 3 – 7 teams (Choppers, Daddy Day Care, Hawks, Mitre 10, P&R, Railway Bowling Club and The Grasshoppers).

The men's division 1/2 team Rands were removed from the competition in round 12 due to not following the competition rules and having not supplied a duty referee for numerous occasions.

There were 3 men's grand finals with the results as follows:

Men's division 1 – Super Hot Fire 2 defeated by Espresso 4 Men's

division 2 – Let if fly 5 defeated by Tip Em 7

Men's division 3 – P&R 13 defeated Daddy Day Care 11

In the women's competition there was a decline in teams and numbers resulting in 7 teams being registered to play. There was one less registered team from the previous 2023/2024 season (8 teams) and one less than the 2022/2023 season having 9 teams registered.

The women's division were comprised of the following teams: Evolution Angels, Nookies Angels, Tries Guys and Fries, Triple Zero, Wine Time, Wolf Pack and Young Ducks.

There were 2 women's grand finals with the results as follows:

Women's division 1 – Young Ducks 5 defeated Nookies Angels 4 Women's

division 2 – Triple Zero 0 defeated by Evolution Angels 10

In summary there were 22 teams competing on a Monday night in the Men's and Women's competitions having an overall growth of 5 teams in the 2024/2025 season compared to having 17 teams in the 2023/2024 season.

The Monday night competition was well run by hard working committee members and the referee coordinator. There were lots of positive feedback from the players and committee staff including:

- Very friendly committee who worked hard and tirelessly every week
- The 14-week competition was a great number of weeks to play

- Excellent communication each week to players for game times and referee appointments via social media and text messages
- A suggestion for finals can be 2 weeks with having 1 v 4 and 2 v 3 for the semi finals and then go straight to the grand final the following week
- The jerseys and hats are of excellent quality, and we love having these as prizes

Thank you to all the committee members who were apart of the Monday night competition in helping it to run smoothly week in and week out. The Monday night competition had a warm and friendly atmosphere which was a reflection on who was involved.

A huge thank you to Kevin Kara for always assisting in setting up and packing away the fields every night, being a big support and always keeping the fields maintained to the highest of standards. Kevin Kara goes above and beyond each week which is greatly appreciated. Another big thank you to Donna Kent for running the canteen and multitasking in first aid and announcements over the microphone. Your friendly support, answering of questions

through social media and face to face and your welcoming demeanor each week gives Goulburn Touch such a positive outlook.

Thank you to Steve Dunn for helping with admin, getting all medical forms sorted, scanned and emailed.

Thank you to Nikea Casey-Swan who stepped in to run Monday nights touch for the weeks I was absent representing Australia in schoolgirls rugby 7s.



A massive thank you to Josh Wake and Hayden Drapalski for the tireless work you did on Monday night with referees and making sure they were all organised for the entire season. We had continuous and fluent communication each Monday night before and after the games were played. Having a 10 minute debrief each Monday night helped give feedback, reflect on what needs to be done in the weeks to come and gave us a good platform to work off.

Looking forward to the continued growth in the men's and women's competitions in the seasons to come as I know this is a friendly family atmosphere which supports social and competitive competitions.

Ashley Mewburn
Monday Competition Administrator

Annual Report - Senior Mixed- Wednesday nights

Season: 2024/2025

Total Teams: 29

Duration: 16th October 2024- 19th March 2025

Goulburn Merinos Touch Football Association

The senior mixed competition has concluded after an exciting season of touch. With 28 teams playing on Wednesday nights, it was obvious that the Goulburn community is very keen to participate in touch football to keep active and stay connected socially.

Season structure:

Before the season commenced, it was clear majority of teams did not join this competition to compete strongly. We only saw two teams register for division 1 (those two were our Div 1 grand final match). So, the first 6-8 weeks required restructuring which saw numerous teams in divisions they did not desire to be in. Once this balance was found, divisions 2, 3 Navy, and 3 Maroon had equal competition and skills level, and from reports had an enjoyable season against teams who challenged each other.

However, I believe division 1 lacks healthy competition with a significant gap in skill level. This division also had some restructuring to gauge what teams could hold their own against the original two teams. But ultimately, no one wants to play against them, resulting in lack of competition and advancement for these two teams also. As far as I can remember, this Div 1 teams has won the grand final for the last 4 seasons. I know people play touch to compete with their friends, however if there is no further restructuring, I do not see other teams willing to compete against them.

Acknowledgements

A massive thank you to Kev Kara who set up and packed up the fields every single week, as well as supported me in my role throughout the season.

Also, to Donna Kent, who is so much more than a canteen lady. Definitely a well-known face of Goulburn touch, she does a great job of guiding enquiries and supporting our member as much as she can.

Thank you to Ash Kara for sharing all her competition scaffolds and layout with me. All Ash's support behind the scenes have made my role so much easier.

Thank you to Hayden Drapalski and Josh Wake for all the support and management this season. They have both taken a lot of pressure off me this season and their help is very much appreciated.

And most of all, a massive thankyou to all the referees and most importantly duty referees who have given up their time this season. It is not an easy job, but without all of you, our game

couldn't go ahead. I know it can be a thankless job and amongst the adrenaline of the game you guys are most likely to cop strong emotions from people. But when people look back and reflect, we all know it cannot be done without someone stepping up and giving it a go. We thank you for trying your best.

Final Thoughts & Looking Ahead

As this season wraps up, it is a good chance to reflect and discuss ways to improve. Before taking on this role, I wasn't aware of everything that goes into a competition. It is clear that unfortunately, our association is lacking in many areas such as:

Committee- This season has seen more youthful members join the committee. As times are changing and people's lives are getting busier, when an opportunity presents itself take advantage of this. I do believe the committee is happy to welcome new faces into role, however the support throughout is 50/50. It is hard and often awkward enforcing rules, so when someone is trying to preserve the dignity of a competition on the back of a controversial decision, support them. When an effort is made to collaborate and a decision is agreed upon, please stick to it.

Representative- Yet again, this season Goulburn Touch had no junior representative teams. We have so much talent amongst our juniors and so many of them could thrive if given the opportunity. Representative Touch can also outsource people for new roles in our club and keep families engaged.

I believe our senior representative team is a great element of our club, but there is room for them to be more involved. It would be great if some of these members were interested in possibly coaching junior rep teams or doing competition administration. This is a great team, and it could be more beneficial if they are the "face" of our club by taking on a variety of possible roles. In saying this, I believe we need to source from our club and invest in our own grown members. I am aware that our representative team consists of players who are registered under our club, but do not physically play games in our competition. What is more important, winning at representative levels, or building club culture and participation? We have so many talented senior players who have potential to upskill if given the support and coaching.

Referees- Referees are our bread and butter. We need them to run games at a club level, and to participate at representative levels. We ran a referee course before the season commenced and the turn out exceeded our expectations. 100% of people attended were juniors under the age of 14 years. It is important we continue to upskill these refs and support them through our competitions. Unfortunately, I have noticed a referee drop off at senior level, this may mean we need to enforce consequences to ensure our referees are protected and want to return.

As I will not be taking on the competition admin role this coming season due to other priorities, I am still willing to be very much involved. I appreciate the insights I have gained and have a newfound level of respect for every single committee member. Thank you for the opportunities this season.

Nikea Swan

Wednesday Competition Administrator

Junior Touch Report 2024/2025

The 2024/2025 Junior season was a successful season which saw a record number of participants and two new divisions.

Approximately 700 players were registered in Junior Touch, the largest junior sporting competition in Goulburn.

Successes:

- The introduction of the new Under 18 mixed competition. This competition had 4 teams registered. The four teams were competitive and some high quality mixed games were played. The inclusion of this division ensured we were able to keep some of our talented local junior players, who in the past have moved on to other sports as they were not yet ready to play in the senior competition. It also gave our under 16 teams something to look forward to next season as we have a high number of registrations in the 16s age divisions, therefore it is imperative that we have a division available for them.
- The Mini Merinos program was introduced and what initially was proposed to have a maximum of 30 registrations, ended up having close to 50 with a waitlist. We have received so much positive feedback regarding the program. The program catered for players aged 3 - 6 years old and both male and female. The program was fully funded by Veo Building and we thank them for their generosity and support. We had 14 coaches from a local high school who were outstanding with the young players. All coaches were taught age specific drills to run with their groups and by the end of the season they were designing their own drills and coaching programs. All 14 coaches put their name down to complete a Foundation Coaching course to help increase junior coaching numbers at our association, which unfortunately didn't go ahead. I am confident that the introduction of Mini Merinos will see an increase of participants in the under 8s age group next season. The Goulburn Mixed Opens State Cup team also attended many Mini Merinos sessions to assist our coaching staff and to help out where needed. This was really appreciated by all involved and it was great to have their presence and knowledge around the junior touch fields.
- We had 30 junior referees this season. They were all enthusiastic and enjoyed receiving feedback to improve their performance. Most lower aged games, we would have 3 referees assigned. Thank you to Meg Toparis for stepping in

when needed to assist in the organisation of our junior referees. All junior referees loved you providing feedback to them and when this occurred we definitely saw an increase in the refereeing standard. Your organisation, having the game cards prepared and allocations sorted before the night, assisted in a more professional approach to our refereeing and was much appreciated by myself and Steve.

- The introduction of the reversible singlets was also a welcomed addition to the Junior Touch season. These singlets will help reduce playing expenses for all players as they have the same singlet now for a number of years. Parents were very supportive of this addition and we have even received feedback that other local sporting organisations are also following and introducing reversible playing singlets for their organisations.

Overall, the 2024/2025 was a success. Like all sporting organisations, there are constantly areas for improvement and with the inclusion of Oz Tag to the Goulburn sporting community next year, we will need to ensure we are putting things in place to continue to make Junior Touch the number one sport in Goulburn. Our large number of participants in the under 10 and under 12 age group could make it possible to start entering teams into JSC, but unfortunately without qualified coaches this won't be possible. We had so many wonderful junior coaches involved in Mini Merinos, and none of them have been approached to assist and become qualified coaches which I believe is a missed opportunity to expand our representative pathways. It was also a shame that many people involved in the committee did not come and experience the Mini Merinos program as this is where we could have been assisting develop these coaches.

Steve Dunn has, like always, gone above and beyond this season to ensure the effective running of our organisation. I cannot begin to thank him enough for his countless hours of administration that he does behind the scenes. The enormity of his work has not gone unnoticed by myself, and I thank him for everything he has done to support Junior Touch this season.

Sophie Broadhead
Junior Competition Administrator



2024/2025 Referee's Director Report

By Hayden Drapalski – Goulburn Touch Association Referee's Director

New Referees

- Held a successful Level 1 Referee Course with ~32 participants.
- Majority stayed on through the season, gaining valuable experience.
- 21 referees were consistent throughout the season:
 - - 16 appointed to junior finals.
 - - 5 appointed to junior grand finals.

Duty Referees

- Strong roster compliance overall; most teams showed up regularly.
- One men's team repeatedly failed to meet their obligations and was removed from comp (per rules).
- Thanks to Ash, Josh, and Nikea for enforcing rules and setting a clear standard.

Looking Ahead (Duty Referees)

- Proposed requirement: All duty referees must be qualified.
- Improves quality, removes "I don't know how" excuse.
- Paid incentive—duty ref payments pooled and split at season's end.
- Plan to run 3 Level 1 courses with early notice.

Representative Level Referees

- Struggled to meet referee quota for Country Champs & State Cup.
- Only 1 local referee (myself) could attend.
- Reasons: other commitments, age limits, badge levels, lack of interest.
- Club fined twice due to referee shortfall.

Solutions Discussed

- Provide funding/support for refs interested in going rep level.
- Encourage existing refs to attend tournaments and upgrade badges.
- Run courses targeting older age groups.

Challenges

- No junior rep teams = limited referee pathways.
- Refs must self-fund or hope to be picked up in the pool—costly and intimidating.

Highlight

- Meg Toparis joined "Girls Her Way" squad, achieved Level 2 badge, selected for Talented Referees Youth Squad—great role model for future refs.

Referee Support at Park Level

- Referees felt unsupported at times—impacts morale and retention.
- Concerns included:
 - Lack of committee backing during incidents.
 - Committee members criticising referees from the sidelines—unacceptable.
- Several send-offs/sin bins lacked appropriate follow-up.
- Needs to be addressed moving forward to retain and protect refs.

Grassroots Referee Development (Future Plans)

- Video Analysis Sessions: Breakdown of game footage to highlight strengths & areas to improve.
- On-field Coaching: More experienced refs needed each night to provide feedback.
- Many times, I or Josh couldn't coach due to having to ref ourselves.

Referee Payments

- Ongoing issues with underpayment/mislabeling.
- Likely caused by poor record-keeping (e.g. refs marked as duty refs).
- Needs major review for 2025/2026.
- Recommend consulting other clubs for best practices.
- Payment issues are a key reason for ref drop-off between seasons.

Finals

- Strong finish to the season.
- Every semi and grand final had 3 referees per game.
- High-quality officiating across the board.

Closing Note

- Acknowledging that ref development wasn't where it should've been due to my reduced availability (work commitments).
- Grateful to:
 - Meg for stepping up on Tuesdays.
 - Josh & Ash for their great work on Mondays.
- Looking forward to building on this and supporting referee growth in the new season.

Hayden Drapalski - Goulburn Touch Association Referee's Director



TREASURER'S REPORT 2024/2025

As the outgoing Treasurer for the Season 2024/2025 I submit my report, recommendations and summary of Income and Expenditure as of the 31st March 2025.

Bearing in mind that our Financial records have not been examined up to this point by our Accountants. It does not include a breakdown of the Canteen Account as it was still operating at the time of writing this report.

The position of Treasurer has changed dramatically over the last few seasons and is now becoming one of much complexity and over regulation which requires an unrealistic amount of time to stay on top of. With a number of income streams occurring, massive expenses and Government requirements now involved and the advent of Internet Banking, which leaves GTA in a very difficult situation as a good deal of our transactions are in cash or by cheque. Obviously the cheque situation can be overcome, but I don't know what the solution is for cash transactions.

At this point in time, the balance of our accounts is as follows:

- CBA Working Account \$60,737.62 (CA)
- CBA Canteen Account \$17,391.59 (CR)
- CBA Trust Account \$44,558.72 (CR)

There are still a number of outstanding accounts to be received and paid.

The Canteen Account although looking extremely healthy, has not been debited yet for a number of expenses, including the junior playing shirts and other minor expenses.

Our main expenses this season were as follows:

Ground Preparation - \$5484.00
 New Touch Affiliation - \$22,335.00
 Junior Uniforms - \$7,655.00
 Equipment/Maintenance - \$21,668.00
 G.F. Trophies (Snr) - \$22,797.50
 G.F. Trophies (Jnr) - \$24,977.00
 Senior Referees - \$10,609.00
 Junior Referees - \$10,900.00

GTA also supported an Open Mixed Team, to compete in the Senior State Cup. They (the players) also ran their own BBQ to raise funds to cover their costs. GTA supported the team by paying for the BBQ and an \$800 grant. The team finished up refunding \$1950.00 to GTA which was received last week, so an accurate figure of the costings is not available at this stage, but it would be minimal.

GTA also paid for the attendance of two persons (three attended) for the Blues Conference, Dinner and Presentation night, which amounted to \$990.00. I felt that the return we received from this was negligible and something I was not comfortable with.

The situation with GF Trophies needs to be looked at and I recommend that Runners Up tree awards be abolished, due to the increase in merchandise cost. Also the new Junior Committee needs to look into their trophies and awards as well.

The Referees Administrators did an excellent job in working out the Referees payments for the Season, and although towards the end of the season this gets very fiddly, and will have to be streamlined.

I am still not comfortable with the allocation of qualified Referees on lower Division games, and this area needs to be tightened up, especially on Mixed Nights.

Will an increase in fees be needed next Season? This will be up to the incoming Executive to decide, but I can't see how we can avoid it.

Player refunds is also an issue. I would recommend that any player that requests a refund should have to wait till the end of the Season, and players should be aware of this scenario.

Clubhouse maintenance and equipment was a large, necessary expense this season having to purchase a new Lime Line Marker, a Clubhouse TV, a Commercial Drink Fridge, Referee Shirts and Committee Shirts plus others.

The above is just a brief summary of our income and expenditure pot for the past season and our financial position, I feel, is relatively sound.

John Broadhead

Treasurer 2024/25



2024 Senior State Cup – Goulburn Touch Representatives

Vaughan Winnel

Sophie Broadhead

Grace Marshall

Aidyn Williams

Lachie Handley

Angelica Downey

Hannah Read

Annika Picker

Steve Cummins

Jimmy Marmont

Logan Dial

Josh Latham

Clint Latham



2024/2025 Goulburn Touch Referee Representatives

Hayden Drapalski – Senior State Cup, Junior State Cup,
National Youth Championships

Meg Toparis - Junior State Cup



2024/2025 Competition Results

SENIOR SUMMER COMPETITION RESULTS

We ran Men's and Women's comps on Monday night, culminating in the Grand Finals on 17 March 2025. The Mixed Competitions were conducted on Wednesday nights with Grand Finals conducted on 19 March 2025. We had some very exciting games with several finishing in a drop off.

Men's Division 1 – Espresso (4) def Super Hot Fire (2)

Men's Division 2 – Tip Em (7) vs Let it Fly (5)

Men's Division 3 – P&R (13) def Daddy Day Care (11)

Women's Division 1 – Young Ducks (5) def Nookies Angels (4)

Women's Division 2 – Evolution Angels (10) def Triple Zero (0)

Mixed Division 1 – Espresso (6) def Want Tries With That? (2)

Mixed Division 2A – Jive Turkeys (7) def Delish Azz (6)

Mixed Division 2B – The Touch Kiddies (9) def Off Season (7)

Mixed Division 3 Navy – SCS (7) def Chicken Pluckers (6)

Mixed Division 3 Maroon – The Gurus (9) def Family Business (7)



JUNIOR SUMMER COMPETITION RESULTS

The 2024/2025 Junior Competition was our largest ever with over 70 teams and 700 players taking part. We were excited to introduce the new Under 18s Mixed competition to our Tuesday night Junior competition which was a roaring success. The Grand Finals were played on Tuesday 18 March 2025.

Under 10 Boys – Rogues (3) def Not Fast Just Furious (2)

Under 10 Girls – Wild Girls (3) def Sweet m Sour (2)

Under 12 Boys – Whippets (17) def Looney Tunes (1)

Under 12 Girls – The Rebels (6) def Quicksticks (5)

Under 14 Boys – Gorillaz (16) def Runaways (1)

Under 14 Girls – Trinity Twisters (3) def Think Pink (1)

Under 16 Boys – Beckies (7) def Off Season (4)

Under 16 Girls – Cheetahs (6) def Untouchables (5)

Under 18 Mixed – Mixed Up Magic (8) def Warriors (7)



Acknowledgements

Thank you to our sponsors for their generous support of the Goulburn Touch Association in 2024/2025.



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