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"The Blacks' Stories"

AUFC 1990 to 1999 "WINNERS WEAR BLACK"

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During the early part of the 1990's, the threat of relegation remained with a larger than normal turnover of experienced players in the A grade influenced in part by the depressed South Australian economy, forcing many potential players to move interstate to find employment or chase monetary rewards at other clubs. Despite the ever-present relegation fears, the Club managed to play finals football in all but 3 years during this period. As the decade progressed, a more stable player base developed and the Club was rewarded with A1 Premierships in 1996 under the guidance of coaches Terry McEvoy & Noel Annear and again in 1999 with Peter Simmons.

During the 90's the Blacks had four senior coaches (Turnbull, West, McEvoy/Annear and Simmons), the longest in tenure was D.K West who coached from 1991 to 1995 during probably the Club's most difficult time. DK was a key contributor to the Club in terms of developing the talent within and embracing the Uni spirit and culture. Cory Williams captained the Club until the early part of the 1993 season when he suffered and career ending knee injury. He was replaced by Andrew Muir, who proceeded to lead the Blacks with distinction and courage for the next 5 seasons and was rewarded with leading the side to the 1996 premiership in his tenth season at the club.

Many of the Blacks represented the State during the 90's, including A D Muir, GR Miles, JJ Sibbick and SR Kewell. Andrew Muir was also rewarded by being selected as an All-Australian Team member on two occasions and was captain in 1991.

In 1991, the Club said farewell to then Chairman PH Maddern who went to the USA to pursue his academic studies only to welcome him back as President in 1996. Peter returned to find a radical change had taken place in the Amateur League competition

with the establishment of the professional P1 Division. The Blacks showed you don't need money to win Premierships taking out the inaugural P1 flag. Partons during the period included KM Majoribanks, G Brown and WF Scammell.

During the 90's the Club mourned the loss of a number of former legions including Dr JB Day in 1990, the President of the Club during the 60's Golden Era, in 1994, the sudden loss of long time trainer and one of the true characters of the Club Frank "Sandy" Cockburn who had been at the Club since 1979 and finally, in 1999 the passing of Mark Schwartz, a life member of club and President during the period 1985 to 1995.

The remainder of the club had its fair share of success during the 90's with 16 premierships being won in the lower grades including a record breaking 5 premierships in the 1997 year. Off the field, the Club had two Rhode Scholars in SR Nickless in 1992 and Anthony Roediger in 1996.

Bob Neil fever remained as strong as ever with song books, badges and merchandise as well as the occasional guest appearance and keg tapping demonstration by the Legend himself at "Hold Your Bowlies".

By the end of the 90's the Blacks were in pretty good shape to tackle the next decade.

1990 Season

The Blacks fielded 8 teams in 1990 in what was a difficult slogging season, with medical expenses almost totalling the entire amount raised by subscriptions. Success however, came to the lower grades with flags to the A8, A8 Res and A11 sides.

Three club members reached their 200th game this year. Digby Hancock for A4 Res and Roger Martin and Mick Schapel for the A9s. Andrew Muir, Mark Russell and Grant Miles represented the State while Sandy Cockburn kept them fuelled with ginger wine.

Dr John "JB" Day passed away this year. JB was president of the club for 10 years, life member and a previous club captain.

The Blacks' social calendar this year included the Bob Neil 100, VP BBQ, club dinner and the birth of the long room lunch. Bob Neil also took Europe by storm with appearances on the Eiffel Tower, running with the bulls and most notably "Bob Neil Drinks West End Beer" painted on the remaining section of the Berlin Wall.

The J.T. Goose award this year went to Gerald Patrick Ward for "Most Reliable" Gerald, after a heavy night, got to bed at 6am and fell into a blissful slumber, completely forgetting his duty to pick up Dashing David Bartlett for his 400th senior game that day. So blissful was his slumber that Barty had to ring him twice when he fell back asleep after the first call. Wardy finally gets Barty to his 400th game as the players are leaving the field at half time.

A1 TEAM 1990
THE LOWER DIGITS
FIFTH



Back Row: M.J.Bennett, S.P.Clode, G.T.Kavanagh, G.R.Miles, A.S.McPhee, M.A.Russell
Third Row: R.N.Hillier, S.P.McArthur, S.P.Parker, J.Finnis, S.R.Cowham, G.G.Fairbrother
Second Row: F.Cockburn (Head Trainer), D.A.Nelson, S.R.Kewell, S.M.Potter, T.J.Lange, C.A.Buick, R.J.Maloney (Manager)
Front Row: A.J.Milln, C.D.Williams (Capt.), J.D.Turnbull (Coach), M.J.Dadds (Vice Capt.), A.D.Muir
Absent: C.P.Barnett, D.M.Bertholini, T.Circelli, M.P.Gallagher, P.D.Hammond, R.P.Horgan, P.J.Kube, A.C.Lehmann, D.J.Moroney, T.J.Munn, P.J.O'Donnell

A1 – "J.T and the Lower Digits".

Nine wins from eighteen matches were not enough to get the A1 team into the finals this year, finishing fifth. 42 players played for the A1s this year, which indicates a lack of continuity and team stability, but bodes well for 1991 if the majority of players return. The season started well with five wins from the first six games, however, in retrospect these were against the lower teams in a lopsided competition. A young side with 16 of the 23 players who polled best and fairest votes being 21 or less at the start of the season, the A1s are looking forward to 1991. Grant Miles took out the best and fairest with Mark Russell runner-up. The best team man was Steven Parker with Tim Lange being judged most improved.

A1 Premiership Table 1990
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*Won*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Greek-Camden	18	18	0	0	36
Riverside	18	14	4	0	28
Broadview	18	13	5	0	26
Kilburn	18	13	5	0	26
Adelaide Uni	18	9	9	0	18
Scotch O.C	18	9	9	0	18
St. Peters O.C	18	7	11	0	14
Greenacres	18	5	13	0	10
Woodville South	18	1	17	0	2
Port District	18	1	17	0	2

A1 RESERVES TEAM 1990
PAUL WHALEY AND THE WOMMITS
THIRD



Back Row: S.P.Clode, D.M.Gordon, T.J.Knill, S.W.Braidwood, C.J.Rule, M.J.Bennett
Middle Row: M.J.Ball, D.A.Nelson, A.D.Griffiths, R.N.Hillier, S.P.McArthur, J.D.Haese, T.B.Thompson, J.P.Thomas
Front Row: F.Cockburn (Head Trainer), G.G.Fairbrother, R.D.Porter, P.A.Whaley (Coach), D.K.Graetz, M.P.Hughes, E.J.Finnis (Manager)
Absent: C.A.Buick, T.Circelli, C.J.Kingston, P.J.Kube, M.I.Lancaster, D.J.Moroney, D.M.Noonan, M.P.O'Donnell

A1R – "Paul Whaley and the Wommits"

The A1R team was set a task this year by virtue of now being the second team for the club. Picked for the flag at the start of the season they missed a grand final birth by one kick after being seven goals down at half time, finishing the season third. This year saw no one group of players dominating; rather it was a team effort both on and off

the field. However, praise must be given to Richard Porter for his win in the Amateur League Medal. Best and Fairest was Sean Braidwood with Tim Knill Runner-up. Best team man was Darren Graetz who also received an AU Sport Club letters for his dedication to the Blacks.

A1R Premiership Table 1990
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*Won*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Broadview	18	17	0	1	35
Kilburn	18	13	5	0	26
Greek-Camden	18	13	5	0	26
Adelaide Uni	18	12	6	0	24
Scotch O.C.	18	11	6	1	23
Riverside	18	10	8	0	20
Port District	18	5	13	0	10
Woodville South	18	4	14	0	8
St. Peters O.C.	18	4	14	0	8
Greenacres	18	0	18	0	0

A4 – "The Glamour Side".

A4 TEAM 1990
THE GLAMOUR SIDE
EIGHTH



Back Row:	N.R.Simmons, D.M.Gordon, D.G.McGrath, P.N.Van De Water, P.J.Jolly, R.P.Pfitzner
Middle Row:	G.G.Fairbrother, P.W.Sarson, G.P.Ward, G.M.Davis, S.R.Waterman, T.B.Thompson
Front Row:	J.Hemsley (Statistician), D.P.Benger, C.J.Pick, A.C.Lee (Vice Capt.), J.P.Thomas, K.M.Murchison, A.Whittam (Ass. Manager)
Absent:	D.S.Barker, B.F.Button, J.B.Conrick, I.L.Edmonds-Wilson, D.M.Haslam, T.R.Hawker, J.M.Knight, M.I.Lancaster, P.H.Maddern (Coach), I.R.Miller-Smith (Capt.), D.L.Newton, P.S.O'Leary, S.P.Roberts, A.G.Stanley, J.S.Tucker

Taking on the third side role in A4 against other clubs' A teams proved to be a little beyond the Glamour Side in 1990. 5 wins were not enough, though some excellent football was played, and team spirit was enlightening. Alister Lee, as best and fairest, had another dominant season on the wing. Over the season, he was well supported by a myriad of centremen, including Gavin Fairbrother, who averaged 30 possessions in his limited A4 shows and Donovan Newton who played with all the precociousness and the discipline of an unregistered show-winning dog. Up front "Jumping Jack Conrick" treated the huge crowds with weekly suspended animation party tricks, and Soapy Simmons proved that the merit of training is a fallacy as he broke down in the only game he warmed up for.

A4 Premiership Table 1990
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*Won*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Tea Tree Gully	18	17	1	0	34
Adelaide Lutheran	18	15	3	0	30
Modbury	18	14	4	0	28
Hope Valley	18	12	6	0	24
Edwardstown Baptist	18	10	8	0	20
Mitcham	18	7	11	0	14
Ethelton	18	6	12	0	12
Adelaide Uni	18	5	13	0	10
Ferryden Park	18	3	15	0	6
Norwood Union	18	1	17	0	2

A4 RESERVE TEAM 1990
HANCOCK'S HALF HOUR
THIRD



Back Row: P.J.Case, P.J.Jolly, P.N.Van De Water, R.P.Pfitzner, E.T.Mosler
Middle Row: C.A.Stewart, A.S.Passaris, D.P.Benger, D.J.Gogel, G.P.Ward, J.L.Gordon
Front Row: D.N.Bartlett, T.G.Dixon, G.T.Haydn, D.W.Hancock (Capt./Coach), C.S.Charnock, J.K.Wellington, A.P.Mitchell
Absent: C.J.Bostock, J.B.Edwards, T.M.Hancock, B.M.Jackson, R.W.Koch, J.R.McIlvena, M.C.Nilsen, D.T.Ryan, A.W.Van De Water, S.J.Verrall, M.J.Washyn

A4R – "Hancock's Half Hour"

The half hour failed by 10 seconds to get a shot at back-to-back premierships, using a

total of 66 players over the year they finished a brave third. There were many outstanding contributors in a side, which only achieved stability in the last three weeks. Best and Fairest winner Orca Nilsen was an inspirational and courageous rover to the runner-up Stu Verrall, who rucked brilliantly. Wingman Tim Dixon had another consistent season to finish third before a shoulder injury put him out of the finals. Best team man was Swampy Haydn who played well in a number of positions. A major highlight of the season was Bob Pfitzner's win in the Amateur League Medal after playing only 8 minor round games, proving that 186cm tall rovers do have a place in modern football.

A4R Premiership Table 1990
(as at the end of the minor round)

Tea Tree Gully 34, Modbury 28, Hope Valley 26, **Adelaide Uni 24**, Ethelton 22, Adelaide Lutheran 20, Norwood Union 10, Mitcham 8, Ferryden Park 6, Edwardstown Baptist 2.


ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CLUB
S.A.A.F.L.
A8 TEAM 1990
PREMIERS

Back Row: D.J.Francis, J.W.Simmons, G.M.Ferris, I.B.Monger, S.A.Daly, G.M.Davis, T.S.Bryson
Middle Row: J.Restas, S.A.Rigden, D.P.Benger, B.M.Rigden, D.J.Lawry, D.J.Newberry, P.J.David, G.C.Cock
Front Row: S.Wellsmore (Manager), C.A.Stewart, R.J.Read (Vice Capt.), D.J.O'Reilly (Coach), P.J.Wildy (Capt.), G.A.Moten, K.McWaters (Interchange Steward)
Absent: A.J.Lamb, N.P.Scholefield, T.R.Shierlaw

A8 – "Tonto & The Well-Hung Posse"

Mr O'Reilly regrets that he was unable to supply a report this year… Apparently, he lost it, along with: the footballs, the pump, the med kit, the cordial, the key to the siren, the team sheets, the petty cash, his jumper, his boots, his socks, his shorts… The good news is, after going in at half time with a slim 5 point lead, the posse came out to smash Tea Tree Gully by 46 points to earn one of the club's 3 flags for the year! Best and fairest, and BOG for the Grand Final, was Robert Read with runner up going to Brenton Rigden. Best team man was Peter Wildy while Andrew Lamb was judged best

in finals.

A8 Premiership Table 1990
(as at the end of the minor round)

Tea Tree Gully 32, Modbury 28, **Adelaide Uni 28**, Scotch O.C. 23, Rostrevor O.C. 15,

Sacred Heart O.C. 14, Fitzroy 2, Adelaide Lutheran 2.

A9 TEAM 1990
THE STY COUNCIL
SEVENTH



Back Row:	B.H.Schultz, J.F.Priest, J.N.Woolcock, R.W.Foster, J.G.Schultz
Middle Row:	J.Restas, E.T.Mosler, T.S.Bryson, B.B.Scruby, C.A.Stewart
Front Row:	A.D.Parkinson, J.F.Goodwin (Capt.), A.G.Fahey (Coach), A.J.Stenhouse (Vice Capt.), L.Randell (Manager)
Absent:	D.J.Baker, S.B.Foster, R.R.Martin, C.A.Muldoon, C.P.Munt, A.R.O'Dea, S.A.O'Loughlin, N.Raschella, J.M.Slattery, D.Stendt, S.W.Turnbull

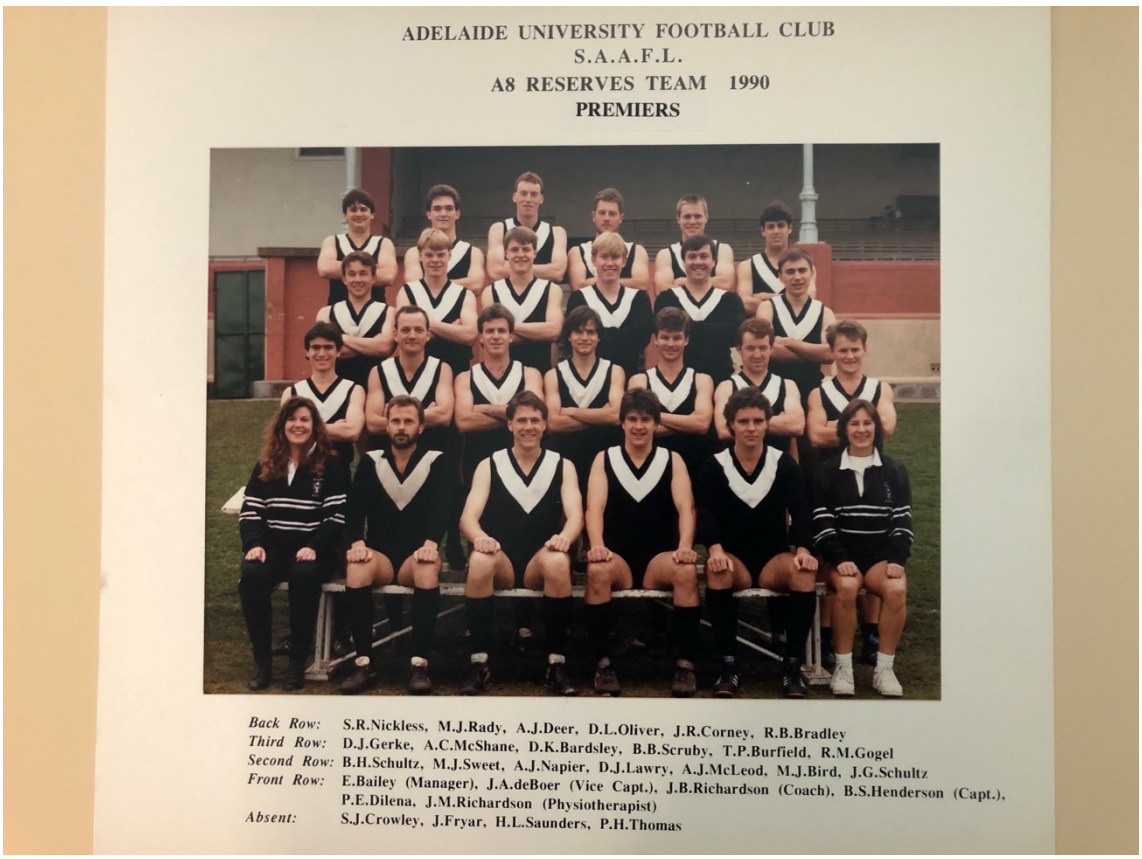
A9 – "Sty Council"

On the macro scale a team's level of success is measured by its win/loss record and it's standing on the premiership table. On the mirco level success can be gauged by any individual or small group's ability to consistently optimise their performance and improve on this base… In 1990 the A9s were not successful by either criteria. The A9 competition had a large proportion of district teams from A1 and the Sty Council regularly had to compete against teams with a blending of strong district players, semi retired A1 players and in some cases ex-league players. More than one A9 player lost

enthusiasm at the prospect of playing Kilburn in front of the adoring mound men. Kudos to those who persevered all season. It was the team leaders that stood up with Best and Fairest going to the captain John Goodwin and runner up to vice captain Andrew Stenhouse. Best team man was Andrew Parkinson.

A9 Premiership Table 1990
(as at the end of the minor round)

Kilburn 32, Riverside 30, Gepps Cross 30, Port District 24, Old Ignatians 16, West Croydon 14, **Adelaide Uni 12**, Pultney O.S. 12, Greek-Camden 6, Glenunga 4.



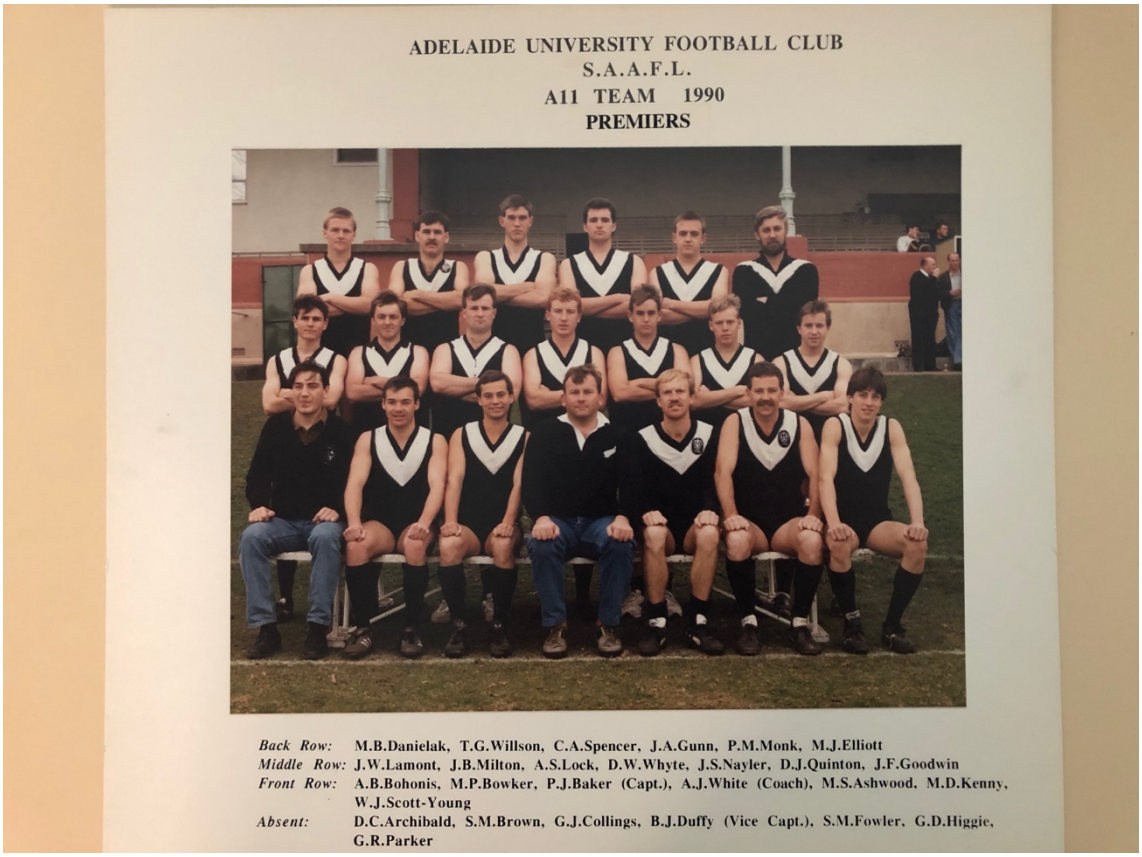
A8Res – "Top Scum"

In honour of the previous year's success the scum was this year named "TOP SCUM" and they lived up to their name, dominating the 8Res competition with only one draw for the season to blemish their record. The TOP SCUM stayed cemented firmly in top spot all year, finally punishing Rostrevor O.C. for that draw earlier in the season by taking out the flag 12.14 to 3.5. Best and Fairest went to Jeff Deboer, runner-up best and fairest was Paul Dilena, while the best team man was Matt Rady. Robert Gogel came good when it counted being judged best in finals.

A8R Premiership Table 1990

(as at the end of the minor round)

Adelaide Uni 35, Tea Tree Gully 30, Scotch O.C. 21, Rostrevor O.C. 21, Modbury 18, Sacred Heart 12, Fitzroy 5, Adelaide Lutheran 2.



A11- "Alex White and the Dwarfs"

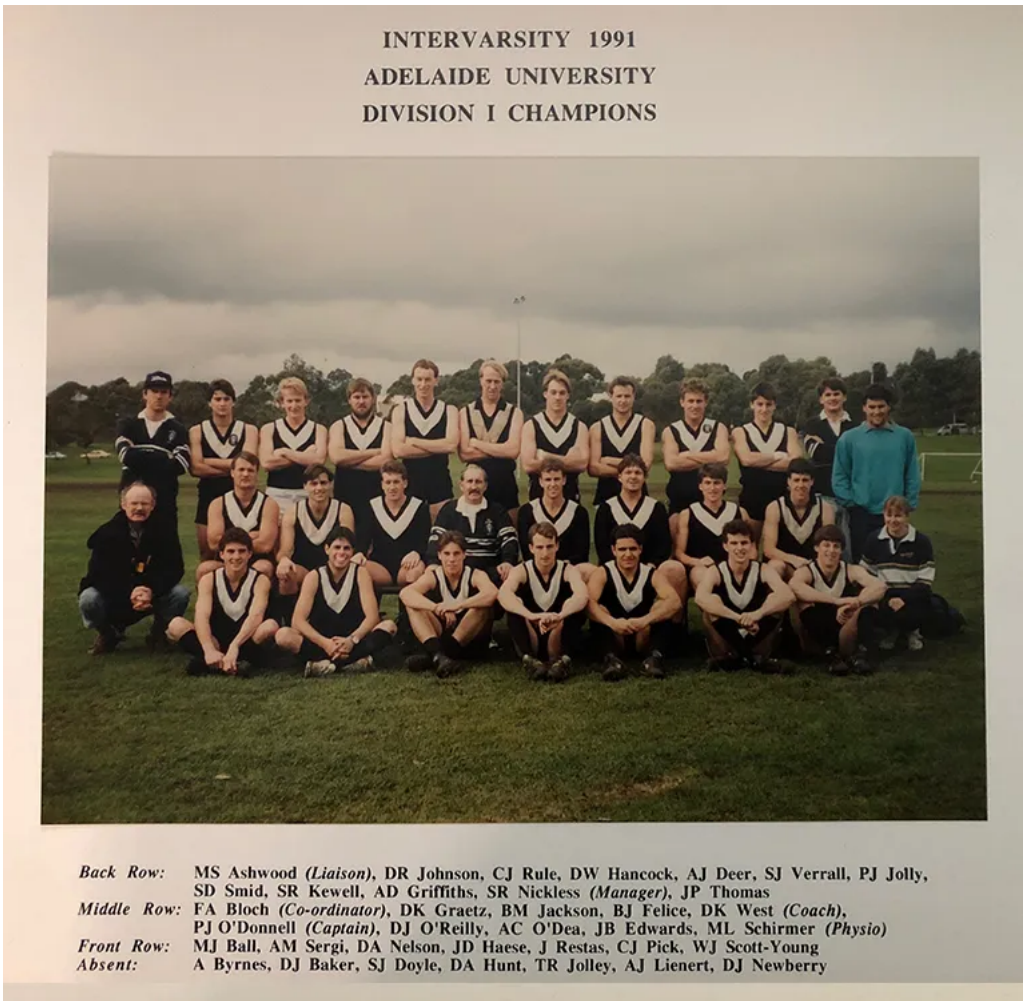
The Dwarfs this year combined the exuberance of youth with the hardened experience of a number of older players into a team that would compete very successfully in grades a lot higher that A11. This team resulted in the "double-ones" astounding all of the knowledgeable pundits to win the Grand Final by a comfortable margin of 2 points. Being handed their first defeat in 3 months by Seaton in the first semi-final inspired the boys to defeat Ethelton by 82 points the next week to earn a second crack at Seaton. In the Grand Final the Dwarfs jumped to an early lead, which was surrendered only momentarily before half-time. After holding a 15-point lead at three-quarter time they ran out winners by two points. Having played 67 different players for the year it is worth noting that the best and fairest was not decided until the Grand Final, with Mick Kenny, Grant Parker, Paul Baker and Stuie Brown all tied on 34 votes. As it turned out Mick Kenny was rated best on ground for the Grand Final and thus took out the Best and Fairest, runner-up going to Paul Baker. Best in finals was Mariusz Danielak and the best team man was Malcolm Ashwood.

A11 Premiership Table 1990

(as at the end of the minor round)

Seaton Ramblers 32, **Adelaide Uni 30,** Ethelton 26, Broadview 26, Ingle Farm 22, Kenilworth-Col.Lt 20, Pembroke O.S. 8, ferryden Park 8, Mitcham 8, Wingfield Royals 0.

Season 1991



National Intervarsity Champions 1991.

Match 1 Flinders Uni Oval, 9th July 1991
Adelaide 12.11 d Sydney 3.2

Adelaide Team

1 I I 1

^ O'Reilly
^ Graetz Hancock
^ Lienert O'Donnell Sergi
^ Hunt Johnson Byrnes
^ Felice Baker Newberry
^ Jolley Scott-Young
^ Jolly

1 I I 1

First Ruck	*Second Ruck*	*Interchange*
Deer	Verrall	Verrall
Jackson	Felice	Doyle
Haese	Lienert	

Goalkickers: O'Reilly 3, Felice 2,Graetz 2, Haese 2, Hunt 2, Sergi 1

Best Players: Jackson, Hunt, Haese, Johnson, O'Donnell, Felice

Match 2 Sturt CAE Oval, 10th July 1991
Adelaide 22.9 d Monash 10.6

Adelaide Team

1 I I 1

^ Kewell
^ Graetz Nelson
^ O'Reilly Smid Rule
^ Pick Edwards O'Dea
^ Felice Baker O'Donnell
^ Restas Scott-Young
^ Jolly

1 I I 1

First Ruck	*Second Ruck*	*Interchange*
Deer	Verrall	Verrall
Jackson	Felice	Haese
Griffiths	Nelson	Hancock

Goalkickers: Felice 7, Hancock 4,Graetz 3, Kewell 2, O'Reilly 2, Edwards, Haese, Nelson, Smid

Best Players: Felice, Smid, Edwards, Griffiths, O'Donnell, Haese

Final Placings

Division I

	W	*L*	*For*	*Ag*	*%*
Adelaide	3	0	289	140	67
Melbourne	2	1	333	95	78
Monash	1	2	195	288	40
Sydney	0	3	45	339	12

Division II

	W	*L*	*For*	*Ag*	*%*
Flinders	3	0	437	80	85
N.T.	2	1	243	159	60
N.S.W.	1	2	85	333	20
A.N.U.	0	3	133	326	29

This was the first time we had beaten Melbourne since 1984, and the first time we had beaten them in a carnival since 1969. To top off a memorable week we had five players and the coach namedin the All Australian side.

Peter O'Donnell *(captain)*
Brent Felice
John Haese
Ben Jackson
Scott Smid
Darryl West *(coach)*

Furthermore, Peter O'Donnell was the Division I medallist and Brent Felice the equal leading goalkicker with 10 goals.

Division 1 1991

With first year Coach Darryl K. West taking the reigns he was faced with the challenge of losing 23 players from last year's senior squad. With Cory D. Williams as Club Captain and Andrew D. Muir as Vice, the As were not only looking for new players to join the Club but also players from the lower grades to take the next step. It had been

five years since the A's had made the finals, so the odds were stacking up for the season.



The As opened the year with wins over Scotch O.C., St Peters and Gaza with Simon R. Kewell kicking four and six goals respectively in the latter two games. A thrilling two point win over Broadview saw the As drop to fourth, which they held on to until the penultimate round of the season. New players Tom M. Charlton and Matthew P. Richardson started the season well while Joel Finnis, Scott D. Schmid and Andrew D. Muir were solid contributors from the previous year's squad.

After round nine the As were reasonably well placed with 6 wins and a healthy percentage. The next 6 weeks were to be a real struggle with study, exams, Uni holidays and I.V. all taking their toll. The last 6 to 8 games were virtually finals as the As had to keep winning to stay in the four.

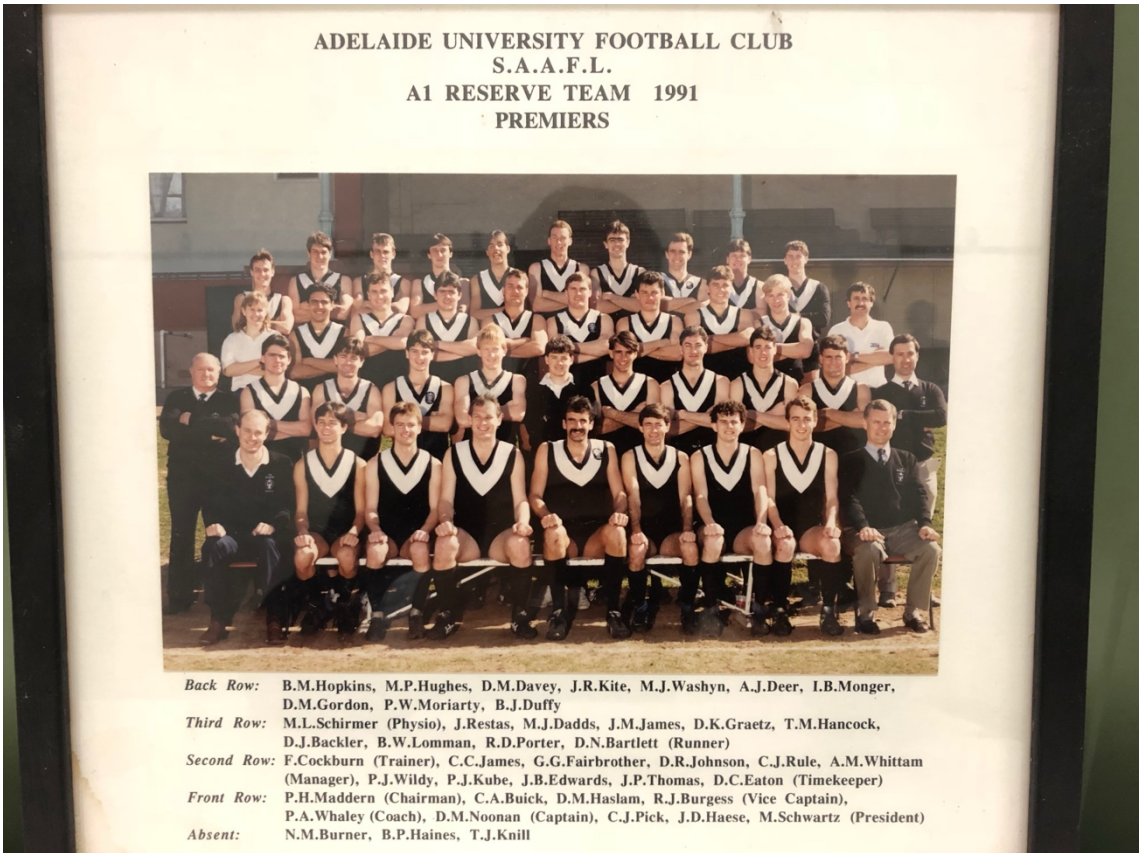
A narrow three-point loss to Broadview followed by losses to Kilburn and Goodwood saw the As drop out of the four with only one game remaining. In a win over bottom placed Greenacres in the last game the As regained their spot in the four with Mark J. Washyn kicking three and finding form in front of goals at the right end of the season.

A slow start in the first semi against Goodwood saw them trailing by five goals early in the match. Some strong, resourceful team football saw them get within five points but unfortunately, injuries took their toll and Goodwood proved to be too strong. Mark J

Washyn kicked five goals while Gavin G. Fairbrother played solidly to be best in finals with Joel Finnis, Andrew D. Muir, Grant R. Miles also playing well.

A1 Premiership Table 1991
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*Won*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Greek Camden	18	16	2	0	32
Kilburn	18	14	4	0	28
Goodwood Saints	18	14	4	0	28
Adelaide University	18	10	8	0	20
Scotch O.C.	18	8	8	2	18
Gaza	18	8	10	0	16
St.Peters O.C.	18	6	12	0	12
Broadview	18	5	12	1	11
Riverside	18	4	14	0	8
Greenacres	18	3	14	1	7



A1 Reserve: Adelaide Uni (34), Kilburn (28), Greek Camden (22), Broadview (22), Scotch OC (20), Goodwood (19), S.P.O.C. (17), Greenacres (10), Gaza (6), Riverside (2).

1st S.	Broadview	7.11	Greek	6.9
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	7.11	Kilburn	6.3
Prelim.	Broadview	13.8	Kilburn	5.7

G.Fin. Adelaide Uni6.3 Broadview3.5

The B's under coach Paul Whaley dominated the A1R competition and went on to win a spirited Grand Final against Broadview. This was the first Premiership in this grade since 1984. David M Noonan captained the side to the Flag, while John D. Haese's efforts during the year saw him play several A1 games, while Andrew Deer played well around the ground. James B. Edwards was best in Finals while Michael J. Dadds was best afield in the Grand Final.

A4 Division

For the C's, under coach Phil S. O'Leary, highlights were few and far between in the strong A4 division. A first up win against Campbelltown Magill was to be their last for the season. A 9 goal haul by Darren K. Graetz in round 4 against Glenunga was perhaps the only other highlight for the year which saw the A4's relegated to A5.

Division A4: Adelaide Lutheran (32), St.Michaels OS&H (29), Hope Valley (25), Christian Brothers College OC (24), Edwardstown Baptist (18), Glenunga (18), Mitcham (12), Campbelltown Magill (10), Ethelton (10), Adelaide Uni C (2).

A4 Reserves

With D.W. (Digby) Hancock at the helm the A4 Reserves (Ds) finished equal top and after winning the second semi by five points over Adelaide Lutheran they were to again meet in the Grand Final. The Lutherans however proved too strong in the Grand Final with an eight goal win over the D's. A.C. (Sandy) Hancock was a stand out for the team finishing second in the Amateur League medal after playing only seven games. A 10 goal haul in round 9 against St Michaels and a seven goal effort against Adelaide Lutheran in the Second Semi showed his value. G.T. (Gavin) Haydn took out the Best and Fairest for the side although he didn't poll a vote from the umpires. Others to play well for the Hancock Half Hour included M.C. (Mark)Nilsen, B.M. (Ben) Jackson, S.J. (Stu) Verral while T.R. (Tom) Hawker was Best in Finals.

A4 Reserve: Adelaide Uni (29), Adelaide Lutheran (29), S.M.O.S.H. (28), Campbelltown Magill (26), Hope Valley (20), C.B.C.O.C. (20), Ethelton (16), Glenunga (6), Edwardstown Baptist (4), Mitcham (2).

1st S. S.M.O.S.H. 8.7 Campb Mag 2.13
2nd S. Adelaide Uni10.9 Adel Lutheran9.10
Prelim. Adel Lutheran6.7 S.M.O.S.H. 3.6
G.Fin. Adel Lutheran12.12 Adelaide Uni 5.5

A7 Division

The A7's (E grade) spent their pre season wondering if they were ever going to see their coach. Like clockwork D.J. (Darien) O'Reilly showed just before round one to make sure he snared any of the new recruits he could. An earlier start by the Coach may have helped as the E's just missed the finals finishing in 5th spot. New recruit M.C. (Mark) Perks showed good form in front of goal finishing the season with 74 goals which included 11 goals against SPOC in round 16. C.A. (Chris) Stewart took out the Best and Fairest for the E's while others to play well included R.W. (Rowan) Koch. A.C. (Alister) Lee, B.M. (Brenton) Rigden, and J.W. (James) Simmons.

A7: Alberton United (30), Broadview C (26), Colonel Light Gardens (26), Goodwood C (26), Adelaide Uni E (22), Gaza C (14), S.P.O.C. C (14), Salisbury Central (10), P.A.O.C. C (8), Greenacres C (4).

A8 Division

After coaching the premiership A11 team in 1990 A.J. (Alex) White took on the challenge of the A8's with the F grade. The rise in grade made a large difference as they made their way to six wins finishing in eighth position. Malcolm S. Ashwood, Jason W. Lamont and Kaher Kazem were among the better players for the A8's.

A8: Tea Tree Gully C (34), Kilburn C (30), Brighton D&OS C (24), Modbury C (24), Rostrevor OC C (20), Scotch OC C (16), Ingle Farm C (12), Adelaide Uni F (12), S.H.O.C. C (6), Hope Valley C (2).

A7 Reserve

With R.B.J. (Bob) Bradley filling the coaching role of the A7's just two weeks out from the start of the season it shows why many lower-grade players don't believe in preseason. The G grade (A7 Res) finished the minor round in second position and then went straight into the Grand Final after beating Greenacres in the second semi. Greenacres whoever caused an upset in the Final 14 point victory. Craig A. Wilson, Julian A. Holsman and Andrew C. McShane were standouts for the A7 Res while Scott D. Kimber was best in the Final series.

A7 Reserve: Greenacres (30), Adelaide Uni (28), P.A.O.C. (26), Broadview (18), Goodwood (16), Alberton United (16), S.P.O.C. (16), Colonel Light Gardens (16), Salisbury Central (8), Gaza (6).

1st S.	P.A.O.C.	14.7	Broadview	8.4
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	10.7	Greenacres	9.5
Prelim.	Greenacres	14.8	P.A.O.C.	9.7
G.Fin.	Greenacres	9.7	Adelaide Uni	7.5

A8 Reserve

Paul J. Baker took control of the A8 Reserve side, better known as "The Scum", and did what the lowest team of 'the Blacks' should do, lose and make the other sides feel better. Better players for the A8R's included Greg D. Collings, Tim B. Thompson and Jim Nayler .

A8 Reserve: Brighton D&OS (30), Scotch OC (26), Kilburn (26), Tea Tree Gully (26), Rostrevor OC (24), S.H.O.C. (18), Modbury (14), Adelaide Uni (10), Ingle Farm (4), Hope Valley (2).

With a Premiership and two other Grand Final appearances the main positive of the 1991 season was the return of the A grade into the finals. The Club could only hope for more stability in the Senior grades to allow for more improvement in 1992.

Season 1992

Season 1992 could be aptly described as a mixed bag in terms of on & off-field success for the AUFC. The club experienced a recession in terms of premierships but perhaps it was the one we had to have. The A7 Res, A5 Res & A5s all made their respective Grand Finals but unfortunately lost on that big day. Solid minor rounds from the A7s, A8s and the A8 Res saw them make the finals, but not one could plough very deep into September. Whilst at the top end of the club the A1s & A1 Res suffered the effects of negative mass balance of experienced players from the previous year. Pre-season recruiting for the A1s did not fill the holes left by departures from the '91 squad and the scoreboard reflected this. These losses affected A1 player depth, particularly in the early season, which echoed through those sides below in a stagger down effect.

Mark Schwartz spread his face throughout the club like a good President should while Chairman David Gordon applied his strengths to the club after 5pm every Saturday. Shorthanded Digby Hancock was club Secretary and like those before him, could shed no light on what was required in that role. Malcolm Ashwood's extraordinary enthusiasm and downright doggedness in chasing his own record level of fundraising and annoyingness were rewarded with the year's Best Clubman award. Where would the club have been without the evergreen "Bob's Hardbars" or "Chocka Bloch with Nuts" ?

Treasurer Sam Nicholas once again dealt efficiently with the finances of the club and for this was the recipient of the club's outstanding service award. Outside of football, Sam's excellence in his University studies resulted in him being awarded the ultra prestigious Rhodes scholarship that included two years of postgraduate study at Oxford University (no less) and an invite to challenge Bob Hawke's beer sculling high-mark. Fred Chocka Bloch as football coordinator extraordinaire, had once again managed to memorise all the players' faces and give them all appropriate names. With the club's new video camera, Chocka had yet another medium to record the on and off field of the AUFC.

In terms of sponsorship the Dover Castle Hotel again supported the club. Frank and Sandy Tasker provided the usual high standards of service, products and staff our club required. As a result of the tight economic situation, the club required further financial backing. The CPA, through negotiation with Mr David Muir, was able to guarantee a 3-year sponsorship package for the AUFC.

Socially, the highlight of the year was the Black's Ball held mid-season at the Hungarian Hall. The occasion regained the enthusiastic response from club members not seen since the heady days of the Free Mason's Hall. The AUFC was not invited back by the Hungarians, thus confirming a good time was had by all, and most of the credit for this should go to Social Committee Chairman Steven Daly.

By year end the coaching staff and administration had laid the foundations for a new professionalism at A1 and A4 level. A football committee had been put in place to handle areas such as player liaisons, recruitment, sponsorship, support staff and A-grade squad social function. The aim was to allow the coaches and support staff to concentrate entirely on football, whilst the management committee looked after club administration.

Intervarsity Football Carnival

The Intervarsity Football Carnival was held in Melbourne and saw Adelaide University make the final yet again. Unfortunately, the Black's went down by a small margin of 14 points to the Monash-Gippsland side in this encounter. The efforts of coach Ashwood and the players (including All-Australians Jim Edwards, David Johnson, David Nelson, David O'Byrne, Anthony Roediger) on the playing field are to be commended.
Despite the efforts of IV Co-ordinator and morals monitor James Restas, the off-field antics however, were a hazy set of legendary stories that will be forever re-told by those on tour in line with official inflation rates.

G.Fin.	Monash-Gippsland	5.14	Adelaide Uni	3.10

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S.A.A.F.L.
A1 TEAM 1992



Back Row: C.J.Rule, A.C.Lehmann, M.J.Washyn, A.J.Deer, I.B.Monger, B.P.Haines, D.B.Struthers, P.W.Moriarty, S.B.Price
Third Row: D.J.O'Byrne, M.G.Martin, S.M.Moore, D.R.Johnson, B.H.Higgins, D.A.Nelson, S.C.McGahan
Second Row: D.M.Gordon *(Chairman)*, A.D.Griffiths, J.Finnis, M.R.Copping, J.B.Edwards, C.Gray, A.R.Howard, E.J.Finnis *(Manager)*
Front Row: F.Cockburn *(Head Trainer)*, S.R.Kewell *(Vice Captain)*, A.D.Muir *(Captain)*, D.K.West *(Coach)*, S.A.McMahon, *(Deputy Vice Captain)*, M.Schwartz *(President)*
Absent: M.C.Firth, J.K.Lehmann, S.P.McArthur, G.R.Miles

The A1s "Wicked Witches of The Westies"

Round 5 game against Goodwood saw the departure through injury of long time A1 captain and club strongman Cory Williams. The snapping sound pricked the ears of physios and safe crackers all over Adelaide and it unfortunately required a reconstruction forcing him out for the season and providing the opportunity for Andrew Muir to begin his respected reign as Club Captain. This cascaded into the dreaded middle season and the slump unveiled a very angry coach in Daryl West. But despite the lack of a few key position players the young A1 side, with an average age of 22, battled manfully to keep themselves in contention for the finals. They threw everything into the last few rounds of football to snatch a thrilling draw with eventual premiers Port District in the second to last game at home and their final round rout of Gaza showed themselves and the loyal Black's supporters just what they were capable of.

Best first year player in the A1s was Corey Gray who also won the Gunning Medal ahead of Andrew Muir and other trophy winners were Joel Finnis (Most Effective), James Edwards (Most Improved A1) and Shaun McMahon (Best Team Man and Choo-Choo Train). Brain BS Haines and David Struthers shared the Goal Kicking top spot with a mild bag of just 25 each. Also to the state representatives Andrew Muir (captain), Corey Gray, Simon Kewell, Mark Washyn and Head Trainer Sandy Cockburn.

A1 Premiership Table 1992

(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	Won	L	D	Pts
Port District	18	14	3	1	29
Broadview	18	14	4	0	28
Kilburn	18	12	6	0	24
Goodwood Saints	18	9	8	1	19
Greek Camden	18	9	9	0	18
Adelaide University	18	8	9	1	17
Gaza	18	8	10	0	16
Scotch O.C.	18	7	11	0	14
Rostrevor O.C.	18	5	12	1	11
St.Peters O.C.	18	2	16	0	4

A5 "Dennis & The Dominators"

This year, the A5s started the season as the club's C-side (with the A1 Res team the B side). But this order was controversially reversed after round 4 to attempt to achieve a top 2 finish in A5 and thereby claw back into the A4 grade for the '93 season. Newcomer (and Keith Martin look-alike) Dennis Mensforth looked after the strengthening of the A5 side. With 2 minor rounds to play the A5s were drifting in the comfort zone losing 3 of their past 4 games. With the help of the senior members of the side, including Jamestown's favourite son and Team Captain David Noonan, some extra training sessions (both football and social) helped build team unity for the finals campaign. The A5s got their act together and provided supporters three heart-stopping games to earn the promotion to the 4th Division. Unfortunately, they missed premiership glory by 10 points to a fresher and more crooked-toothed Lockley's side.

Of the 60 players used, Aaron Griffiths took out the B&F ahead of Matthew Martin, whilst other trophy winners were Peter Iceman Kube (Best in Finals) and Mike "Pud" Ellery (Best Team Man). Brian "BS" Haines grabbed an amazing second Goal Kicking title at the club in the same year to go with his A1 effort by dobbing 36 in the B's.

A5: West Lakes (34), Lockleys (28), Ethelton (26), Adelaide Uni B (22), Ovingham (18), Unley (18), Ingle Farm (16), Flinders University (12), Wingfield Royals (6).

1st S.	Adelaide Uni	11.12	Ethelton	11.5
2nd S.	Lockleys	16.6	West Lakes	10.9
Prelim.	Adelaide Uni	18.7	West Lakes	17.11
G.Fin.	Lockleys	8.14	Adelaide Uni	7.10

A1 Reserve "Barty & The Simpsons"

Dave Bartlett stuck to the task with the battling A1 Res after the A5 switcheroo was executed with a similar determination that he had stuck to wearing a 70's moustache. Some solid wins in the first 4 games and a great 6 point last round win against Gaza were highlights, but both of those were dim compared to their victory at the AUFC's Star Search BBQ. Stuart Verrall grabbed the B&F, Greg Kelly (son of a former Miss Australia) was runner up and Tim "T-Shirt" Bryson (Captain) Best Team Man.

A1 Reserve: Port District (32), Broadview (30), Greek (24), Goodwood (24), Gaza (18), Kilburn (12), Rostrevor OC (12), Scotch OC (10), Adelaide Uni (10), S.P.O.C. (8).

A5 Reserve "Hancock's Half Hour"

Playing coach Digby Hancock's A5 Res side together with brother and Captain Tom Hancock missed a premiership by just 2 points after a credible, steady rise up the table throughout the year. Leading the A5 Res goal kicking stats with 55 goals was the coach himself whilst brother Tom grabbed the B&F over Mark Nielson. Ben Jackson (Best Team Man) and Jumping Jack Knight (Best in Finals) also took home some nice silverware from the Franklin Mint for season 92.

A5 Reserve: West Lakes (36), Adelaide Uni (30), Lockleys (28), Ingle Farm (24), Ethelton (20), Flinders Uni (16), Unley (12), Wingfield (8), Ovingham (6).

1st S.	Ingle Farm	6.5	Lockleys	4.4
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	4.3	West Lakes	1.4
Prelim.	West Lakes	7.11	Ingle Farm	5.7
G.Fin.	West Lakes	5.4	Adelaide Uni	4.8

A7 "The Magnificent 7"

Playing coach Darren The Jerk Graetz with the squinty eyed assistance of Andrew "Mac" Whittam, somehow coached the A7s in the 1st Semi Final to within a goal of the eventual premiership winners, Brighton. The team's fatal flaw was an overloading of socialites and a lack of footy nutcases. With performers such as Graetz's A7 Leading Goal Kicker medal (102), Kym "KOP" Murchison's A7 Medal, "Our" Don Haslam's B&F, James Lala Simmon's Runner-Up B&F, Malcolm Rulebook Ashwood's Best Team Man and Matthew The Beast Bennet's Best in Finals, it's no wonder the permanent hangover saw them lose to a suburban side.

A7: Modbury C (32), Tea Tree Gully C (30), Adelaide Uni E (28), Brighton Dist & O.S. C (26), S.P.O.C. C (18), Kilburn C (14), Salisbury Central (14), Gaza C (14), Cedars (4), Woodville Sth C (0).

1st S.	Brighton	5.9	Adelaide Uni	4.9
2nd S.	Modbury	14.13	Tea Tree Gully	9.11
Prelim.	Brighton	14.14	Tea Tree Gully	10.3
G.Fin.	Brighton	20.11	Modbury	7.8

A8 "The Under 8s"

The A8's were under the illusion that they were sent by God to play in this nowhere division and as a side interest to the footy they could resolve many State and Federal political hot potatoes. Perhaps this self-inflicted illusion cost them 8 goals in the 1st Semi against the clearer thinking Greenacres. Perhaps not. Coach Matt Warren was well supported in the Party Room Ben Hopkins (B&F), Mike Kourakis (Runner-up B&F), Peter Wildy (Best Team Man), Robert Reid (Best in Finals) and Mark Perks (41 Goals).

A8: Rostrevor OC C (34), Scotch OC C (30), Adelaide Uni F (26), Greenacres C (20), P.A.O.C. C (14), S.H.O.C. C (12), Ingle Farm C (8).

1st S.	Greenacres	17.16	Adelaide Uni	10.13
2nd S.	Rostrevor OC	6.10	Scotch OC	3.8
Prelim.	Greenacres	14.7	Scotch OC	11.14

G.Fin. Rostrevor OC23.16 Greenacres 7.9

A7 Reserve "RBJ & The Models"
Second is better than third, but it just never feels that way. Coach Bob Bradley's and Captain Sam Nickless' A7 Res certainly got a bitter-sweet taste of that. A solid season bouncing around the top of the table with the likes of Julian Holsman (B&F), Jeff deBoer (Runner-Up B&F and 300 games), Bob Bradley (A7 Medalist), Tim Burfield (66 goals) and Sam Nickless (Best Team Man) illustrated they were contenders. But the GF just didn't wind their way (Michael O'Connor Best in Finals) and they went down by a spacious 28 points.

A7 Reserve: Adelaide Uni (30), Modbury (30), Brighton D&OS (30), Tea Tree Gully (24), Gaza (24), S.P.O.C. (14), Kilburn (12), Woodville South (8), Salisbury Central (6), Cedars (2).

1st S.	Tea Tree Gully	5.6	Brighton	1.4
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	8.8	Modbury	6.6
Prelim.	Tea Tree Gully	10.5	Modbury	10.3
G.Fin.	Tea Tree Gully	7.9	Adelaide Uni	3.5

A8 Reserve "Dream Team"
The A8 Res finished 5th but realistically were a long way out of the finals despite a high number of small losses and defeating the eventual premiers in the last round. Coach Paul "Hi-Top" Baker ran the side like a good lower grade coach should. With healthy helpings of socialising and minimalistic training regimes. Damon Oliver won the B&F over Steve Jude while Marcus "Cunning" Bruening was Best Team Man, Adam Mydlak snapped 16 goals (for the season) and Corey Rowbotham was named Most Sexy.

A8 Reserve: Scotch OC (30), P.A.O.C. (30), Rostrevor OC (26), S.H.O.C. (24), Adelaide Uni (14), Greenacres (14), Ingle Farm (6).

Season 1993

In many ways 1993 was a struggle, with difficulties faced in recruitment, gradings of the 2nd & 3rd sides, as well as the club's finances. However, despite this homemade quicksand, the Blacks transformed a bleak beginning of 1993 into a season full of merit. The A1s returned to the top 4 after a season in limbo, the A4 Res and A7 Res won flags after previous Grand Final disappointments and the club boasted two medallists including one in A1. However, the A7s, A8s & A8 Res struggled as did the A1 Res and A4s who were again controversially swapped during the season for the 2nd consecutive season to achieve longer term goals in the Amateur League. Off the field, the club moved its hotel sponsor from the Dover Castle Hotel to try the tastes on offer at the self brewing Old Lion in a move planned to allow more Blacks into the Saturday night celebration/commiserations. IV didn't happen for the club in a disappointing miss associated with its cost. Evergreen and bearded Jethro Deboer won Best Club Man, John Homburg was awarded Outstanding Service for his regimental fitness work at the top, Sam Rosewarne was Best Freshman while Andrew Muir scored Most Dedicated Amateur.



Back Row: A.C.Mills, A.J.Wallace, T.M.Charlton, D.C.Smart, R.F.Moten, M.Duncan, M.R.Copping
Third Row: S.K.Edwards (Physio), D.J.O'Byrne, T.R.Courtney, T.J.Baker, C.A.Buick, M.C.Firth, G.G.Fairbrother, S.C.McGahan, D.N.Bartlett *(Chairman)*
Second Row: F.Cockburn *(Head Trainer)*, D.J.Backler, A.R.Howard, W.A.Honner, T.M.Ford, B.P.Haines, J.B.Edwards, S.B.Price, R.J.Maloney *(Manager)*
Front Row: M.J.Ellery, G.R.Miles *(Deputy Vice Captain)*, A.D.Muir *(Captain)*, D.K.West *(Coach)*, J.Finnis *(Vice Captain)*, S.M.Moore, B.H.Higgins
Absent: A.D.Griffiths, A.C.Lehmann, S.P.McArthur, S.A.McMahon

A1 "Wicked Witches of the Westies"

Despite a solid pre-season the A1s started the season with some poor form but bounced back to win 11 of the last 16 games to storm into 4th position for the finals. But the fatal floor of the minor rounds in coach Daryl West's eyes reappeared in the 1st Semi-Final. This was a lack of potent goal-kicking guns compared to the opposition, and it proved to be the team's axeman. Andrew Muir had a cracker of a season as Captain and was Best in Finals, Grant Miles was a very tall and loud B&F while Ben Higgins was Runner-Up as well as the Association Medalist. Anthony "Lehmo" Lehmann was Most Effective and humorous while "Diamond" Jim Edwards was Best Team Man but perhaps this was because his sister Suzanne was such a great physio at the club. Tim Ford, promoted early from the B's, kicked 37 goals.

A1 Premiership Table 1993
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	Won	L	D	Pts
Kilburn	18	17	1	0	34
Broadview	18	15	3	0	30
Port District	18	11	7	0	22
Adelaide University	18	11	7	0	22
Goodwood Saints	18	10	8	0	20
Greek Camden	18	9	9	0	18
Brighton District & O.S.	18	8	10	0	16
Gaza	18	4	14	0	8
Riverside	18	3	15	0	6
Scotch O.C.	18	2	16	0	4

A1 Reserves "Monty's Pythons"
The A1 Reserves started the season off as the A4s but were swapped at the halfway mark. This had a new coach and an untouchable player, Grant "Spook" Montgomery (19 goals) caught in a jet wash not seen since Top Gun. A string of bad games and a revolving door list of 66 players saw them finish 8th. Captain Gavin Fairbrother was B&F ahead of Aaron Grifftiths and Darren Benger was Best Team Man.

A1 Reserve: Goodwood Saints (36), Port District (30), Broadview (26), Brighton D&OS (22), Kilburn (20), Gaza (16), Riverside (12), Adelaide Uni (10), Scotch OC (6), Greek Camden (2).

A4 Graetz and Murch
Coach and spearhead Darren Graetz (41 goals) combined with Captain Kym Murchison to run the A4s. But two wrongs don't make a right, and the side did as well as its replacement (the A1 Res) by finishing well out of the finals. They did go down swinging though - namely from the trusses of The Old Lion Ale House. James Simmons was B&F, Kym Murchison the runner-Up and Tim Kelly Best Team Man provided the core for this very social side in a very social year.

A4: Lockleys (32), Hope Valley (24), West Croydon (22), Old Ignatians (22), Burnside Kensington (20), Campbelltown Magill (18), Glenunga (16), Christian Brothers College OC (14), Adelaide Uni C (6), North Haven (6).

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A4 RESERVE TEAM 1993
PREMIERS



Back Row: M.A.Gunson, A.C.Hancock, S.D.Kimber, J.L.Cullinan, A.G.Stanley, B.C.Roberts, M.S.Ashwood, M.R.Hurn
Third Row: D.J.Quinton, T.J.Hyde, J.Cooper, B.M.Jackson, M.J.Rawes, P.D.Fitzgerald
Second Row: C.C.James, D.G.Bywater, B.B.Scruby, A.R.O'Dea, J.F.Priest, M.M.Scruby, P.A.Sexton *(Manager)*
Front Row: J.L.Filmer *(Steward)*, B.S.Henderson, T.M.Hancock *(Captain)*, R.B.J.Bradley *(Coach)*, S.R.Nickless *(Vice Captain)*, P.J.Case, J.M.Richardson *(Physio)*
Absent: J.A.Holsman, M.C.Nilsen, B.R.Parsons

Bob "The Model" Bradley's A4 Reserves

Coach Bob "The Model" Bradley's A4 Res team had a boom year by solidly and deservedly winning the premiership. Captain Tom Hancock had plenty to do with it winning the Association Medal, its Leading Goal Kicker award with 70 (and AUFC's with 82) and the side's Runner-Up B&F. Paul Case won the B&F, Marcus Gunson the Best Team Man and Michael Hurn was Best in Finals. After hitting top spot early and sticking there, the side played great finals footy to win both and take home a lovely shield worth dropping on the Hindley St pavement.

A4 Reserve: Adelaide Uni (31), Old Ignatians (28), C.B.C.O.C. (25), Hope Valley (24), Lockleys (18), Glenunga (18), Campbelltown Magill (12), North Haven (12), Burnside Kensington (10), West Croydon (2).

1st S.	C.B.C.O.C.	15.16	Hope Valley	8.2
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	11.11	Old Ignatians	8.9
Prelim.	C.B.C.O.C.	10.6	Old Ignatians	10.4
G.Fin.	Adelaide Uni	14.17	C.B.C.O.C.	7.4

A7 with the Coach Andrew "Side of" Lamb
The A7s had a year to forget on the field despite battling hard in a tough division. The season's cake had its icing in the final game of the minor round when, after a major communication breakdown between the coach, the players, the club, the Association and "Dirty" Darien O'Reilly, Uni's first forfeit in 14 years was executed. The game was replaced by a Carton of West End beer earning Coach Lamb a JT Goose Award. A "Messiac" Andrew Lines kicked 23 goals and won the B&F over Tom Reddin while Brenton Rigden was Best Team Man.

A7: North Pines (36), Adelaide High OS (30), St. Pauls OS (26), Tea Tree Gully C (24), Cedars (20), Greenacres C (14), Gaza C (12), Adelaide Uni E (10), Kilburn C (4), St.Peters OC C (4).

A8 Shultz "Know Nothings"
The A8s didn't finish bottom – they finished 9th. And little can be explained about why that happened despite the intense team meetings run by Coach Ben Shultz, held well into every Friday night. Injuries also played a part - Captain and gun forward Richard "Fos" Foster busted his knee, and other key position players also went down in action. Mike Bird was B&F, John Fryar Runner-Up, Robert Graziani Best Team Man, while Adrian Brock dobbed 19 goals.

A8: Rostrevor OC C (32), Port District C (30), Scotch OC C (28), Seaton C (28), Salisbury Central (22), Prince Alfred OC C (14), Pembroke OS C (10), Kenilworth C (8), Adelaide Uni F (7), Adelaide Lutheran C (1).

A7 Reserve Coach JJ Karcher's "Rising Sons"
The A7 Reserves finished top of the minor round, then fought back after a 2nd Semi loss to win the Grand Final by a space. Captain Damian Papps' moustache certainly had extra width in the team photo that year as his smile propped it up a treat. Mike "Appo" Aplin (B&F), Justin Oliver (Runner-Up B&F), Paul Baker (Best Team Man), Danny Thornton (Best in Finals) and Gerald Patrick Ward (63 goals) had memorable seasons in a memorable year.



A7 Reserve: Adelaide Uni (26), St.Pauls OS (26), Greenacres (24), Adelaide High OS (22), North Pines (21), S.P.O.C. (18), Tea Tree Gully (17), Gaza (14), Kilburn (8), Cedars (4).

Finals

1st S. Greenacres 16.14 Adel High OS11.13
2nd S. St. Pauls OS 14.21 Adelaide Uni12.14
Prelim. Adelaide Uni 17.14Greenacres 10.4
G.Fin. Adelaide Uni20.15 St. Pauls OS 5.5

A8 Reserve "The Scum"

The A8 Res got to 5th place early in the season and stayed there for the rest of the year in an amazing balancing act of gritty stubbornness and non-plussed casualness. That must have been very frustrating for Coach Peter Dinnick and Captain James Naylor (who also dobbed the most goals with 25). Randall Yeates was B&F over Rob Cowper, Andrew "The Moving Violation" Kretschmer was a storm-trooping leader as Best Team Man while Dean Mulligan scored the side's prestigious Best Dressed Award.

A8 Reserve: Adelaide Lutheran (34), P.A.O.C. (32), Rostrevor OC (26), Port District (26), Adelaide Uni (18), Salisbury Central (11), Seaton (10), Scotch OC (9), Kenilworth (8), Pembroke OS (6).

Season 1994

The 1994 season was a season of improvement and joy for The Blacks with three premierships (A6 Res, A8s and A8 Res), 2 other sides in the finals (A1s and A1 Res) whilst the A6s (6th) and the A10s (7th) were not far off a kick in September. This rosy year reinforced the changes made to the club's problems identified in the previous year. They included recruiting for the top sides, the grading of the lower sides and some aspects of the finances. With a lot of wins, the new main sponsor "The Havelock Hotel" was certainly happy, as was our Treasurer, with some tidy credits in the right-hand column of the club's balance sheet. All these highs would have been warmly soaked up by legendary character and Head Trainer Sandy Cockburn but sadly he died in January of that year.

A1"Wicked Witches of the Westies"
Coach Daryl West had the A1 humming in midseason, only losing one close game in 11. This was a rapid and effective correction, after a disastrous pre-season in which the competitors did not fulfil their promises, the side won only 1 game in the first month. But the lead-up to the finals was blunted by losses in part due to, in West's view, the "level of intensity and desire dropping". The side fought well to sneak into the finals but went down 19.9 to 19.19 against Henley in the 1st Semi. Kilburn won the Grand Final that year and so won its first A1 premiership. Captain Andrew Muir had a big year being chosen in the State side, Sportsbeat Team of the Year and the side's Runner-Up B&F. After returning from North Adelaide, Grant Miles won his 3rd B&F as well as a Best in Finals award. Liam Granger was Most Improved, Tim Ford was Most Effective, Nick Hoskins was Best Team Man and Guy Bagshaw topped the goal kickers with 50.

A1 Premiership Table 1994
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	Won	L	D	Pts
Port District	18	15	3	0	30
Kilburn	18	14	4	0	28
Henley Greek	18	13	5	0	26
Adelaide University	18	12	6	0	24
Gaza	18	11	6	1	23
Brighton Dist. & O.S.	18	8	10	0	16
Broadview	18	7	10	1	15
Goodwood Saints	18	6	12	0	12
Seaton Ramblers	18	2	16	0	4
Sacred Heart O.C.	18	1	17	0	2

Grant "Spook" Montgomery's A1 Res
The side had a similar year to their A1 big brothers. Ineffective pre-season games, a wobbly start, solid mid-season, then a disappointing finals loss in the 1st Semi despite a big game by forward Mark Copping and Captain Gavin Fairbrother. Danny Thornton was B&F over Doug Kennedy, Paul Copping snuck 41 goals and Andrew Mills was named Best Team Man.

A1 Reserve: Henley Greek (30), Broadview (28), Adelaide Uni (24), Goodwood Saints (22), Port District (22), Kilburn (22), Brighton D&OS (16), S.H.O.C. (8), Gaza (6), Seaton (2).

1st S.	Goodwood	16.6	Adelaide Uni	8.16
2nd S.	Henley Greek	9.7	Broadview	4.10
Prelim.	Goodwood	12.9	Broadview	7.14
G.Fin.	Henley Greek	10.9	Goodwood	3.11

A6 Ben Jackon's "Sixers"

The side finished just out of the finals in 6th. The biggest disappointment with this was that they had spent most of the year inside the top 4. B&F was Brendan O'Callaghan, Matt Copping Runner-Up, Tim Bryson was Best Team Man whilst the side's leading goal kicker was Captain James Trotter with a mere 13. Perhaps a lack of key forward was the piece of the puzzle missing for this side.

A6: Alberton United (32), North Pines (28), Broadview C (22), Norwood Union (22), St. Pauls OS (20), Adelaide Uni C (18), Ovingham (12), Adelaide High O.S. (12), Brighton D&OS C (10), Goodwood Saints C (4).



A6 Reserve

Peter Dinnick started the season as the A6 Res coach but was lured to the eastern states for work and left the side after round 11. After Matt Warren held the spot '-in-trust' for a few weeks, Club Chairman David Bartlett took over for the rest of the year. Despite this odd leadership juggle, the side had a solid year, especially with the efforts of B&F Scott Kimber, Runner-Up B&F Randall Yeates, Mark Dabrowski's 43 goals and

Best Team Man Brian Parsons. Everything was running tickety-boo by the end of the year, and the side beat the minor round premiers Broadview 3 times, the last being the Grand Final, where they ran home and off to the pub by 30 points.

A6 Reserve: Broadview (34), Adelaide Uni (28), Alberton United (24), North Pines (23), St. Pauls OS (22), Brighton D&OS (20), Norwood Union (14), Goodwood Saints (7), Adelaide High OS (6), Ovingham (2).

1st S.	Alberton Utd	12.13	North Pines	9.20
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	10.8	Broadview	9.7
Prelim.	Broadview	16.17	Alberton Utd	5.8
G.Fin.	Adelaide Uni	17.8	Broadview	11.8



A8 "Jerk & the Offs"

Evergreen full forward Darren Graetz coached and kicked goals. During the season kicked a club record 17 goals in one game, fuelling his Leading Club Goal Kicking award with 92 for the season. The season panned out to be a 2 horse race between Uni and Gaza. Despite Uni finishing below Gaza after the minor round they turned it around in the finals to beat them in the 2nd Semi and then soundly in the Grand Final by 32 points after brilliant work by Fraser Warrick. Great years were had by Peter Kube (B&F), Matt Wilson (Runner-Up B&F), John Fryar (Best Team Man) and Captain Michael Bird.

A8: Gaza C (34), Adelaide Uni E (28), Walkerville C (20), Kenilworth C (18), P.A.O.C. C (16), S.P.O.C. C (14), Salisbury Cent. (12), Ingle Farm* (0). * Ingle Farm replaced Seaton Ramblers after round 3.

1st S.	Walkerville	7.14	Kenilworth	1.16
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	10.18	Gaza	9.13
Prelim.	Gaza	17.12	Walkerville	11.13
G.Fin.	Adelaide Uni	11.14	Gaza	6.12



A8 Reserve

Jimmy Naler's gang banged out the 3rd Premiership for the club by managing to negotiate many player changes and lower club logistics issues. Elegantly led by Captain Damian Papps, the side had a great year, especially Damian "Ra-Ra" McGrath (B&F), Peter "Oscar" Wildy (Runner-Up B&F), Mark "Chevy" Chase (Best Team Man) as well as 78 handy goals from Julian Holsman. In the 2nd Semi the side had most of the play to record an 8pt win over their nearest rival S.P.O.C., then blitzed in the Grand Final for an 87pt towelling of Gaza after a solid finals series by Travis Kerslake.

A8 Reserve: Adelaide Uni (32), S.P.O.C. (32), Gaza (24), Salisbury Central (18), P.A.O.C. (16), Walkerville (14), Ingle Farm (4), Kenilworth (4).

1st S.	Gaza	10.14	Salisb Central	7.9
2nd S.	Adelaide Uni	7.13	S.P.O.C.	7.5
Prelim.	Gaza	11.9	S.P.O.C.	9.9
G.Fin.	Adelaide Uni	18.14	Gaza	5.5

A10 "The Scum"

The Scum hold all the elements of The Black's lower grade lifestyle. The essence of which are a source of constant frustration for whoever coaches them. In 1994 this was Bruce Bishop's burden while the Captain was David Taylor. They finished 7th and spent

a lot of time in 6th. Not great but hardly embarrassing. Brett Sampson was B&F, Brenton Binder Runnner-Up and Andrew Parkinson was named Best Team Man. With no-one player kicking anymore than 12 goals for the year, it certainly wasn't going to be a stellar season. But they all did some fine networking

A10: Hectorville C (32), Mitcham C (26), P.H.O.S. Camden C (26), C.B.C.O.C. C (26), North Haven C (22), Colonel Light Gardens C (18), Adelaide Uni G (12), Gepps Cross C (10), Adelaide Lutheran C (6), Flinders Uni C (2).

Season 1995

It was always going to be difficult to follow 1994's three premierships and a top four finish by the A1's, and unfortunately, 1995 proved to be not as successful on the field as the club would have hoped. The A1s finished 5th, and only 3 of the remaining teams made the finals, none of whom managed to go through to their respective grand finals.

Bob Moloney was awarded Best Club Man in recognition of his continuing service to the A1s, while Joe Nurk received an Outstanding Service award for his continuing efforts, including being the club photographer.

A1 "Wicked Witches of the Westies"
The A1s only just missed out on a finals birth, and it is a credit to the coach Daryl West, his players and support staff, that the A1s could match it with the less amateur oriented district clubs.

Andrew Muir again led the side with distinction and was rewarded with his 3rd Gunning Medal. He was well supported by a growing number of players now gaining considerable A1 experience. Andrew Muir, Grant Miles and Derek Bonner were all selected in the state Amateur League squad, with Andrew being part of the winning side that beat both W.A. and Victoria, and also being named as the best S.A. player against Victoria.

Early our form was reasonable but at round 6 we journeyed to Brighton with 12 of our A1 side missing from injury and unavailability. As the season progressed we had our good weeks and some horrible ones.

Round 9 saw us beat bottom-placed Gaza at University Oval 28.13 to 13.8 with Guy Bagshaw kicking 11 goals, and in the return match at Klemzig Oval we won 31.27 to 9.5.

The low point of the season came in Round 8, with us going down to Kilburn at Blair Athol Reserve 13.13 to 31.17. We were forever chasing that elusive 4th spot, but in the end we deserved the spot we got, 5th, middle of the road, and that, in a nutshell, is what we were.

Unfortunately, after 5 years with the club, Daryl West decided to stand down as coach of the A1 side. Daryl's contribution and commitment to the club went well beyond that expected of a coach, and his presence would be greatly missed. Daryl took the A1s into the finals in 3 of his 5 years as coach, and had moulded the A1 side into a very competitive unit.

A1 Premiership Table 1995
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*W*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Broadview	18	16	2	0	32
Kilburn	18	14	4	0	28
Tea Tree Gully	18	11	7	0	22
Port District	18	11	7	0	22
Adelaide Uni	**18**	**10**	**8**	**0**	**20**
Goodwood	18	9	9	0	18
Henley Greek	18	8	10	0	16
Modbury	18	6	12	0	12
Brighton	18	4	14	0	8
Gaza	18	1	17	0	2

Following Daryl West's resignation as coach, a special committee was formed to select a new coach, and after reviewing a number of applications and interviewing several candidates, the committee took the innovative step of appointing joint A1 coaches for 1996. Noel Annear and Terry McEvoy both come to the club from Port District, and hopefully their experience at the top level of amateur football will help take the A1s into the finals in what will be a challenging year ahead.

A1 Reserve

The A1 Res, coached by Grant Montgomery, followed much the same trend as the As throughout the season. Round 1 started with a 9 point loss to reigning premier Henley 12.20 to 16.5. Not helping was the first quarter inaccuracy of 1.11 and having 90% of the play.

At the halfway mark of the season the A1 Res were sitting in 5th, equal with Henley in 4th on percentage. In Round 13, top of the ladder, Goodwood visited University Oval. In this instance, inaccuracy was on the visitor's side with the A1 Res winning 7.6 to 4.15. This win was followed a week later with a win against 2nd placed Broadview 10.10 to 5.5 at Broadview Oval. This match against Broadview also marked the 200th game for Vice Captain Gavin Fairbrother, moving him to 20th in the all-time games list by the end of the season, and he led by example by making the BP's.

The hiccup came in Round 16 with a 2pt loss to Tea Tree Gully in an absolute bog at Pertaringa Oval 5.12 to 6.8. This loss meant Henley had to lose (which they did) and we had to win by about 48 goals to make the finals. We gave it our best shot, beating Gaza at Klemzig oval 41.26 to 1.2, with Andrew Lines kicking 10 to reach 50 goals for the year & topping the competition goal kicking. In the end, the A1 Res missed 4th spot by 0.28%.

Stand out player for the year for the A1 Res was Captain Pud Ellery, who, when not playing As, was an inspirational leader – hence his 3rd place in the A1 Res Tapping Medal.

A1 Reserves Premiership Table 1995
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*W*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Goodwood	18	16	2	0	32
Port District	18	15	3	0	30
Broadview	18	14	4	0	28
Henley Greek	18	12	6	0	24
Adelaide Uni	**18**	**12**	**6**	**0**	**24**
Modbury	18	7	11	0	14
Tea Tree Gully	18	6	12	0	12
Kilburn	18	4	14	0	8
Brighton	18	3	15	0	6
Gaza	18	1	17	0	2



A5

Down in the lower grades, the A5s faced the task of being a C Grade side in an A Grade competition. The year was not overly successful, finishing 6th with a 5-13 record after only beating one team twice. The A5s lost the Round 2 clash against Flinders Uni 5.8 to 15.8 at University Oval, but reversed this in Round 11 at Flinders Uni, winning 12.14 to 10.8. However, the A5s did push all the sides in the four to within 3 goals at various stages of the year without winning.

Coach of the A5 team Darren Graetz celebrated his 200th game in Round 10 at University Oval, moving him to 18th in the all-time games list by the end of the season, but unfortunately, the team went down to Alberton United 14.9 to 15.11. Stuart "Waddle Duck" Clark made the Best & Fairest a betting non-event and proved a popular winner.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Ethelton (32), Nth Haven (31), Colonel Lt Gdns (27), Adel High (26), Mitcham (22), **Adelaide University (10)**, Alberton Utd (10), Henley (10), West Lakes (8) and Flinders Uni (4).



A5 Reserve

The A5 Res, coached by Brian Parsons, had a more successful season, making the finals but going down in the 1st Semi-Final to Ethelton at Brighton Oval 7.8 to 10.15. In the 2 clashes against Flinders Uni during the year, the A5 Res won both, 22.17 to 4.6 at University Oval, and 15.10 to 6.10 at Flinders Uni.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Mitcham (34), Nth Haven (32), Ethelton (30), **Adelaide University (20)**, Henley (18), Colonel Lt Gdns (16), Adel High (14), Flinders Uni (10), Alberton Utd (4) and West Lakes (2).

A6

The A6 team was led into the finals by coach Andrew Kretschmer and won in the 1st Semi-Final at Nazer Reserve 9.9 to 7.12 against Seaton Ramblers. The week after, in the Preliminary Final they were not as successful, going down to Brighton 9.10 to 17.9 at Hawthorn Oval.

During the minor rounds, the A6s thumped Mitcham in a happier day out at Hawthorn Oval 31.21 to 0.11. While in Round 16 in the 19.11 to 4.2 win against PAOC at Park 10 Julian Holsman brought up his 50th goal for the year.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Pt Districts (34), Brighton (30), **Adelaide University (26)**, Seaton (22), Goodwood (20), Walkerville (16), ROCS (12), PAOC (10), SPOC (10) and Mitcham (0).

A6 Reserve "The Scum"

The Scum almost let the club down by making the finals. Needing to win in the last game against SPOC to retain 4th spot, The Scum played a side that coach Bruce Bishop found difficult to recognise from the Round 9 clash that they won 10.5 to 8.2 at Park 10. In the Round 18 clash, The Scum went down 4.3 to 14.18 at St Peters College.
Round 7 saw a good result for The Scum with them beating Seaton 23.19 to 1.3 at Park 10. Highlight of this game was the 10 goals of Simon Fraser.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Goodwood (30), Pt Districts (30), PAOC (30), SPOC (24), **Adelaide University (22)**, ROCS (18), Brighton (12), Walkerville (8), Seaton (6) and Mitcham (0).

A7 South

The A7s were coached by Damian McGrath and made the finals, but like the other 2 teams in the club to do so, came up short. The standout game for the year was Round 7 beating Adelaide Lutheran in the South Parklands 32.23 to 10.6, with Greg "Double Digit" Davis kicking 14. "Double Digit" ended the season with 114 goals and topped both the club and competition goal kicking. In another honour for the side, coach Damian McGrath won the Murray Medal for Best & Fairest in the A7 South Division.

In the 1st Semi-Final, the A7s beat Scotch 13.4 to 9.16 at Goodwood Oval, but went down the week after in the Preliminary Final to CBCOC at Henley Oval 11.8 to 17.15.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had St Michaels (36), CBCOC (28), **Adelaide University (24)**, Scotch (19), Nth Haven (13), Mitcham (12), Colonel Lt Gdns (12) and Adelaide Lutheran (0).

Season 1996

10 years after the last A grade flag, finally the drought is over! In the year Premier League football was introduced to the SAAFL, the Blacks triumphed on that day at Adelaide Oval in September to show that Amateur football was not quite dead. To go with this, the A4 Res side also won the flag, losing only one minor round game in a superb effort, while the A5 and A8 sides also made the finals.

Some major developments in the year were the commencement of a player sponsorship program which attracted the support of over 50 companies, supporters and parents. The Grey's – the Past Players Association – was revived, culminating in the unqualified success of the 90th Year Anniversary Dinner held on August 31. And Wayne Jackson, a 1962 Premiership player, was named supremo of the AFL.

Intervarsity
1996 saw Football Intervarsity become part of the Australian University Games, held in Canberra. A 2-1 record at the end of the group stage saw us matched against Queensland Uni in the Quarter-Finals, and despite 3 players having to return to the hotel to pick up their ID cards, it was a powerful victory. The Semi-Final saw the Blacks matched against one of the hosts, ANU, and went down by 5 goals.

The 3rd/4th playoff against Victoria Uni saw the Blacks go down by 17 points to finish 4th, this after an all-in pre-match brawl consisting of only Adelaide University players! Two players were selected in the All-Australian side, with Cam Bryson being named Rover and Vice-Captain of the side, and loose cannon Chris "Lenny" Pascoe named at Centre Half Forward. But the highlight of the carnival was undoubtedly the Defence Academy Coach screaming at his team that they were "nothing but a bunch of gay bar loiterers" during the qualifying match.

Interstate Match
There was only one State Match for the year, being held at Leederville Oval against WA. Adelaide University had 5 reps, the most since 1984, and included Simon Dixon, Todd Ferguson, Andrew Muir, Chris Pascoe and Kurt Roberts-Thomson. SA beat WA 16.15 to 13.7 with Ferguson kicking 5 goals and being named in the BPs along with Pascoe and Roberts-Thomson.

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PREMIER 1 TEAM 1996



Back Row: Clay Chaplin, Roger Moten, Simon Dixon, Will Chapman, Derek Bonner, Chris Pascoe, Todd Ferguson, Matt McCleary, Anthony Roediger
Third Row: Tim Horry *(Head Trainer)*, Jamie Sibbick, Mark Wallace, Pat Moriarty, Michael Nugent, Tom Charlton, Wil Honner, Robert Lynch, Tom Katsaros, Kurt Roberts-Thomson, Bob Maloney *(Team Manager)*
Second Row: Michael Murphy *(Skills Coach)*, Ian White, Cam Bryson, Ben Prisk, Adrian O'Dea, Peter Maddern *(President)*, Will Granger, Michael Ellery, Josh May, Shane McGahan, David Eaton *(Timekeeper)*, Darryl Watkins *(Masseur)*
Front Row: Janne Filmer *(Steward)*, Simon Tamke *(Deputy Vice Captain)*, Noel Annear *(Coach)*, Andrew Muir *(Captain)*, Terry McEvoy *(Coach)*, Grant Miles *(Vice Captain)*, Jo Richardson *(Physio)*

Premier League Division 1

The A1 side started the year in the newly created Premier League Division 1 needing to recruit experienced players and coaches Terry McEvoy and Noel Annear succeeded in attracting multiple ex-SANFL League and Reserves players. Some of the signings were All-Australian Full Forward Todd Ferguson, Robert Lynch, Kurt Roberts-Thomson, Adrian O'Dea, Chris Pascoe, Ian White, Mark Wallace, Andrew Watson, Clay Chaplin, Matt McCleary, Michael Nugent, and Pat Moriarty. Any club in Division 1 would have paid good money for that impressive list: we didn't! They just wanted to play a sport they loved at a club where they just wanted to be a part of the tradition.

Also required was to retain players vital to the chances who had played in 1995. The likes of Andrew Muir, Grant Miles, Simon Tamke, Simon Dixon, Derek Bonner, Anthony Roediger (who was awarded the 1996 Rhodes Scholarship), Roger Moten and Josh May. These players, along with the recruits, formed the nucleus for the assault on the P1 Premiership.

The season started well, winning 5 straight, including the 19.18 to 9.13 win in Round 5 against the coach's old club Pt District at Largs Reserve with Grant Miles best. In the return bout at University Oval in Round 14, the Blacks again triumphed 27.20 to 7.10 with Will Chapman best. Todd Ferguson kicked 8 goals in both matches. Round 18 saw Modbury get rolled at University Oval 21.19 to 4.2, with Ferguson kicking 10 goals and

being awarded best on field. This win secured the double chance going into the finals for the Blacks.

The finals started with a Second Semi-Final against Edwardstown at Alberton Oval, and a loss, 9.17 to 13.14. Best for the Blacks was Simon Tamke. The following week in the Elimination Preliminary Final things were put back on track, beating Kilburn 15.22 to 11.14 at Alberton Oval, Simon Dixon was best and Todd Ferguson kicking 8 goals.

The following week the Blacks ended a 10 year drought of Premierships, earned Noel Annear his 5th Premiership at A1 or P1 level, and saw "Dog" Muir celebrating his 10th year of service with the Captaincy of a Premiership team to go along with all his other State and Club achievements.

The Blacks led Edwardstown at all but the 1st change, ending up winning 21.12 to 13.9 at Adelaide Oval. Todd Ferguson kicked his 100th goal for the season in the last quarter of the Grand Final, a feat not achieved for the Blacks at the highest level for nearly 40 years. His 10 in the Grand Final won him the Tony Brown Memorial Trophy (for most outstanding individual performance) and also won him the P1 Leading Goalkicker for the year with 101 goals. Other standout players in the Grand Final were Andrew Muir, Grant Miles, Josh May, Simon Dixon, Kurt Roberts-Thomson (who won the Gunning Medal), Jamie Sibbick and Adrian O'Dea.

P1 Premiership Table 1996
(as at end of the minor round)

	Played	*W*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Edwardstown	18	14	4	0	28
Adelaide Uni	**18**	**13**	**5**	**0**	**26**
Kilburn	18	13	5	0	26
Goodwood	18	12	6	0	24
Henley Greek	18	11	7	0	22
Tea Tree Gully	18	10	8	0	20
Broadview	18	7	11	0	14
Modbury	18	5	13	0	10
Port District	18	3	15	0	6
Seaton	18	2	16	0	4

Premier 1 Reserves

The P1 Res team, coached by Grant "Spook" Montgomery, started the season very well, winning 7 from the first 9 matches, but then only won another 4 for the year. This meant missing the finals by percentage for the 2nd year in a row. In a show of dedication to the team, James Restas, while on holidays, would drive back Fridays to play.

Round 11 saw the P1 Res take on Broadview at University Oval. They went down 7.12 to 10.4 with Clinton Rule being best and Greg "Digit" Davis bringing up his 50th goal for the year. "Digit" would end up kicking 71 goals for the year and win the P1 Res competition Goalkicking Award. Round 14 marked the 150th game for Damian McGrath, but ended with Port District winning 12.9 to 13.10 at University Oval. James Restas was named best. The match against Modbury in Round 18 at University Oval

saw the P1 Res win 19.13 to 7.5. This match saw Damien Coats kick 3 goals, and Captain “Pud” Ellery named best.



P1 Reserves Premiership Table 1996
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*W*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Henley Greek	18	14	4	0	28
Port District	**18**	**13**	**5**	**0**	**26**
Goodwood	18	13	5	0	26
Edwardstown	18	12	6	0	24
Adelaide Uni	18	11	7	0	22
Kilburn	18	10	8	0	20
Tea Tree Gully	18	7	11	0	14
Broadview	18	5	13	0	10
Modbury	18	3	15	0	6
Seaton	18	2	16	0	4



A4

Michael Aplin coached the A4 side, and should have stuck to that, as by Round 8 he had an injured knee and a broken thumb. Not so bad were the on-field performances prior to this round, sitting at 5-2 in 4th, including a 33.22 to 2.2 win against Brahma Lodge at University Oval in Round 5 with Dan Smith best and Paul Copping kicking 8 goals. Mixed with this was a 5.18 to 22.13 loss to Central United at Mofflin Reserve in Round 4, where Best and Fairest winner Justin Thompson was best, and Ben Vezis kicked 3 goals.

Round 18 summed up what the season was actually like, a loss to Port District 10.11 to 16.10 at Largs Reserve, where Josh Griffiths was best and Paul Copping kicked 3 goals. What made this loss worse was that "Spook" had taken 3 players, 2 failed to show, and when the A4 Res was asked for assistance, the response was, "no, we might get hurt and miss the finals" after they had lost their 1st game of the year.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Central Utd (32), Alberton Utd (29), Wingfield (26), Houghton (26), Nth Pines (20), Salisbury (14), Adelaide University (14), Pt District (13), Edwardstown (4) and Brahma Lodge (2).

A5 "Foster's Green Arseholes"

At the mid-point of the season, the FGA were 5-4. This season saw Richard Foster take over coaching from Andrew Kretschmer who replaced "Foss" as Vice Captain.

The visit of Goodwood to Park 10 in Round 12 saw "The Arseholes" win 25.17 to 2.2. Darren "The Jerk" Graetz, who by the end of the season had played the most games for active players and moved into 7th in the all time list, was best with 9 goals.

The match against Henley in Round 17 at Henley Oval ended in a draw, 9.6 to 8.12, with "The Jerk" kicking 3 goals and Ian Kuchel best. In the Elimination 1st Semi-Final at Flinders Park Oval, Broadview proved too strong, winning 6.6 to 13.9. "The Jerk" kicked 4 goals to end the season with 68 goals, and Andrew Whittam was best.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Modbury (30), Henley (27), Broadview (24), Adelaide University (23), Athelstone (18), Seaton (12), SMOSH West Lakes (10) and Goodwood (0).



A4 Reserve

The A4 Res team, led by first year coach Paul Garson, won the flag for the 1996 season. In a fantastic effort, the team only lost 2 games all year, both to Port District. The first was in Round 18 at Largs Reserve, 10.7 to 12.10 with Andrew Mills kicking 3 goals and Nick Paltridge best. The other was the following week in the Second Semi-Final at Fawkes Reserve, 7.8 to 9.10, with Matt Mayes best and Julian Holsman kicking 3 goals.

The matches against Brahma Lodge were better for the A4 Res. The Round 5 match at University Oval saw Julian Holsman kick 12 goals in the 35.19 to 0.1 thumping. Holsman was named best, but named worst was Matt Mayes, who rushed the behind! In the match at Brahma Lodge Oval it finished 21.32 to 0.2 with Brian Parsons kicking 7 goals in his 150th game, while Andrew Mills was best.

The Preliminary Final at Daly Oval saw the A4 Res beat Central United 12.8 to 3.4 with Holsman kicking 3 goals and Nick Paltridge best. The next week, at Daly Oval again, the A4 Res lead all the way, winning 16.11 to 7.9. Holsman starred again, kicking 7 goals to

kick 80 goals for the year, while Andrew Mills, Kieran Harvey, Phil Frankel, Chris Watts and Tom Hyde also stood out.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Adelaide University (34), Pt District (26), Nth Pines (26), Central Utd (26), Houghton (20), Wingfield (18), Salisbury (12), Alberton Utd (12) Edwardstown (6) and Brahma Lodge (0).

A8

The A8 team, coached by Stuart Verrall, won 1 from its first 4 games, but went on to win 12 of the next 14 games to make the finals. Round 18 at Park 10 against Scotch OC was a special day for Scott Kimber, as he became only the 23rd player to play 200 games for the Blacks. The team stood up, winning 13.18 to 7.6, with Greg Walker best and David Bywater kicking 4 goals.

The finals started the week after and were forgettable. In the Second Semi-Final at Wingfield Oval, the A8s went down 12.9 to 13.12. Simon Ritchie was best, while Peter Wildy kicked 4 goals. The season ended for the A8s the week after with a 6.10 to 14.13 loss to Payneham Norwood Union in the Preliminary Final at Panther Park. Peter Wildy kicked 2 goals, while Vice-Captain Steve Adams was best.

The premiership table at the end of the minor round had Salisbury Nth (36), Adelaide University (26), Payneham NU (24), Gepps Cross (22), Mitcham (22), Paralowie (20), Scotch OC (18), Glenunga (8), Rosewater (4) and Nth Haven (0).

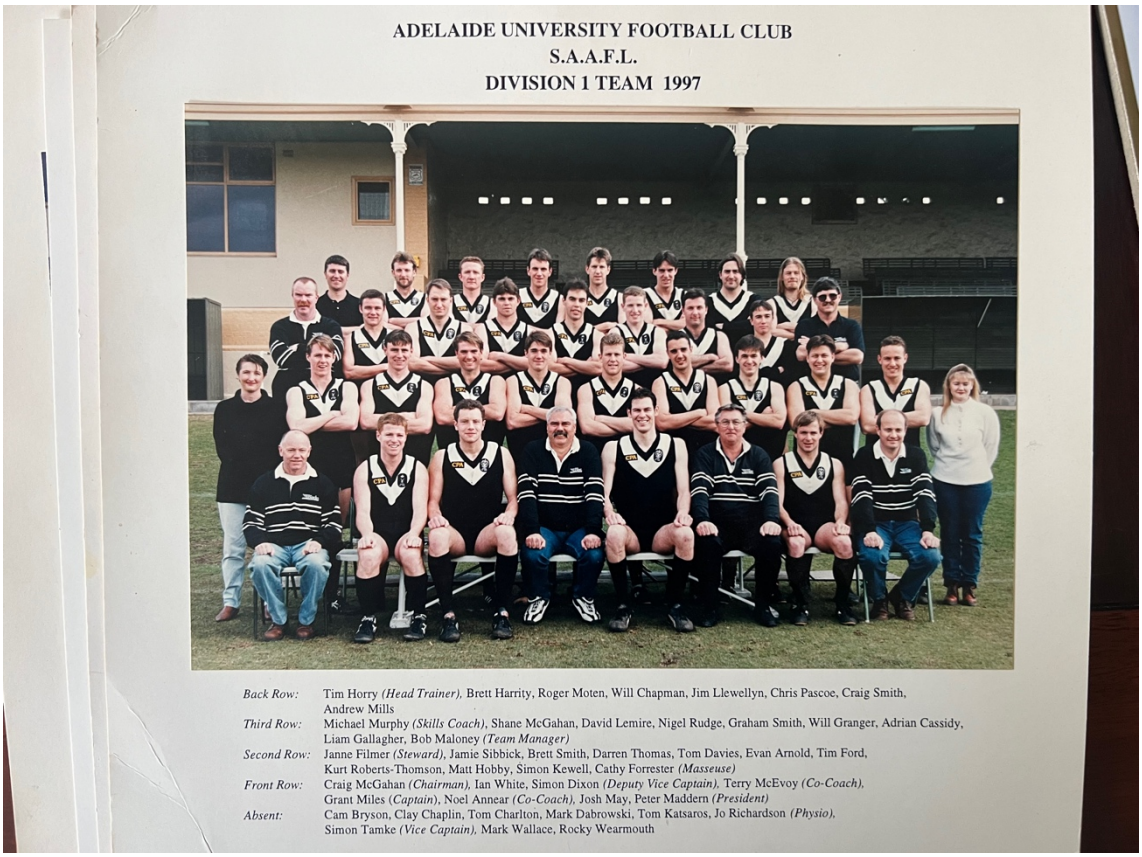
A5 Reserve "The Scum"

The A5 Reserve was coached by Bruce Bishop and endured a season of poor performances that was only improved by 2 forfeit wins. The only meeting with Seaton in Round 6 saw "The Scum" win 17.17 to 2.4 at Park 10. Best for the day kicking 6 goals was Angus Leitch.

The Premiership table at the end of the minor round had Broadview (26), SMOSH West Lakes (26), Goodwood (24), Henley (22), Modbury (22), Adelaide University (14), Athelstone (10) and Seaton (0).

Season 1997

Despite the A-grade missing the finals the year after being premiers and the Bs losing both the major semi and preliminary finals, 1997 was a magnificent year for the Blacks, with the five lower grade sides all winning premierships – an amateur league record.



A1

5 players: Evan Arnold, Josh May, Roger Moten, Graham Smith and Simon Tamke represented the club in the State amateur side, which lost to Victoria by 7 points. 4 players were chosen in the SAAFL team of the year: Evan Arnold, Simon Dixon, Josh May and Ian White. Evan Arnold was the D1 leading goal kicker with 78 (including 9 bags of 5 or more), while Adrian Brock led the D8NR competition also with 78.

The A-grade, again coached by Terry McEvoy and Noel Annear and captained by Grant Miles for the first time, started the season well with a 14-goal thumping of 1996's vanquished grand finalist Edwardstown in round one. Solid wins against Broadview and Athlestone followed before alternate losses and wins against Henley Greek, Goodwood, Port District, Tea Tree Gully and Kilburn. A loss to PHOS Camden at Uni Oval saw the A-grade reach the halfway mark of the season in 5th place with 5 wins and 4 losses.

The second half of the season mirrored the first, with the team winning 5 of the last 9 matches to finish 5th and out of the finals. Of the 4 losses, 3 were by 7 points or less, and 2 of these 3 were to top four sides. A heartbreaking end to the season. Evan Arnold produced an outstanding effort in round 17 to kick 11 goals in a home victory against Kilburn.

Simon Dixon took out the Gunning Medal for A1 Best & Fairest, while Simon Tamke led the Club in the SAAFL Pfitzner Medal and Shane McGahan played his 100th match. After Evan Arnold's 78 goals, Brett Harrity (33), Tim Ford (31) and Chris Pascoe (29) all contributed well.

D1 Premiership Table 1997
(at the end of the minor round)

	Played	Won	L	D	Pts
PHOS Camden	18	14	3	1	29
Goodwood	18	14	4	-	28
Broadview	18	12	6	-	24
Henley Greek	18	11	7	-	22
Adelaide Uni	18	10	8	-	20
Athelstone	18	10	8	-	20
Kilburn	18	8	10	-	16
Edwardstown	18	5	13	1	11
Port District	18	3	15	-	6
Tea Tree Gully	18	2	16	-	4

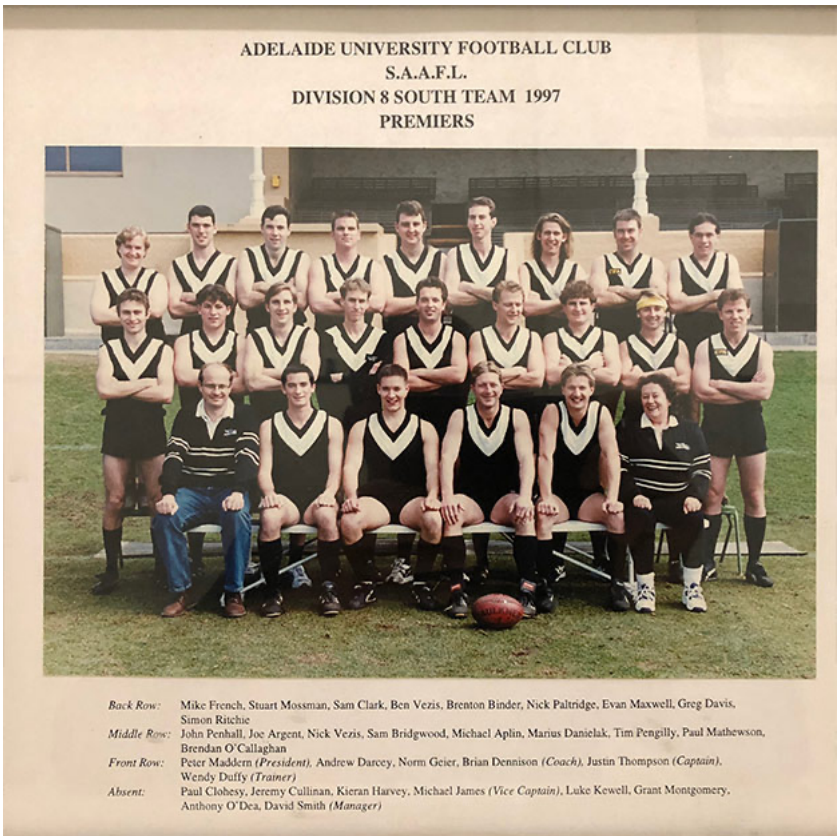
Division 1 Reserve

The B-grade enjoyed an outstanding start to the season winning 11 of the first 12 matches, including 10 in a row from round 3 before a home loss to Henley Greek in round 13. From there, the season didn't live up to expectations, with only 3 more wins against lower-ranked sides and a straight-sets exit from the finals.

Coach Andrew Silvestri used 54 players during the season, of which only one, Gary Krievs, managed to play every game. Liam "Baby Gags" Gallagher won his second Best & Fairest in two years after earning promotion from the lower grades and finished 3rd in the SAAFL Tapping Medal. Clinton Rule played his 150th game during the season, with Mike Ellery, Tom Charlton and Greg Davis all reaching the 100-game milestone. Cam Mudge kicked 34 goals, with assistant coach Craig Smith contributing 28 in 9 games.

D1R Premiership Table 1997
(at end of minor round)

	Played	Won	L	D	Pts
Henley Greek	18	15	3	-	30
Adelaide Uni	18	14	4	-	28
Athelstone	18	12	5	1	24
PHOS Camden	18	12	6	-	24
Broadview	18	11	6	1	22
Goodwood	18	8	10	-	16
Tea Tree Gully	18	7	10	1	14
Kilburn	18	5	13	-	10
Port District	18	3	14	1	6
Edwardstown	18	1	17	-	2



Division 8 South

The C-grade, playing in D8S and under the tutelage of Brian "Hollywood" Dennison had a magnificent season, finishing the minor round in 2nd position with a 15 and 3 win/loss record and having handed minor premier Broadview its only losses for the season. The team won the major semi against Broadview to advance straight to the Grand Final with a week's rest. Nick Paltridge kicked a team-lifting goal from 50m after the half time siren to set up victory in the second half. Victory by 49 points in the Grand Final over Broadview was sealed with a 6.3 to 0.0 final quarter. Ben Vezis was BOG on the day and was well supported by Greg "Digit" Davis' 6 goals. Captain Justin Thompson was a deserving winner of the Best & Fairest, while Evan Maxwell led the goal kicking with 65.

D8S Premiership Table 1997
(at end of minor round)

	Played	Won	L	D	Pts
Broadview	18	16	2	-	32
Adelaide Uni	18	15	3	-	30
Henley Greek	18	12	6	-	24
Port District	18	12	6	-	24
Portland	18	10	8	-	20
SMOSH West Lakes	18	3	15	-	6
Edwardstown	18	3	15	-	6
Rostrevor O.C.	18	1	17	-	2

Division 8 North "Chardonnay Socialists"
The D-grade transferred from D10S to D8N in round 8, having won their first seven games by an average of 29 goals. Though the games were closer, it was much the same in D8N, with the team finishing the minor round in 2nd and handing Salisbury North two lessons in football the Chardonnays' way to win the major semi and Grand Final, thus fulfilling the 20-week plan. BOG in the grand final was coach Tim Bryson. Matt "Man of" Steel won the Best & Fairest, with 1st year player Andrew Russ winning the J.T. Goose. Brenton Rigden played his 150th game and Iain Miller-Smith reached 100. Main goal kickers for the season were Andrew Lines (50), Luke Mosey (45), Darien O'Reilly (45) and Brenton Rigden (36).

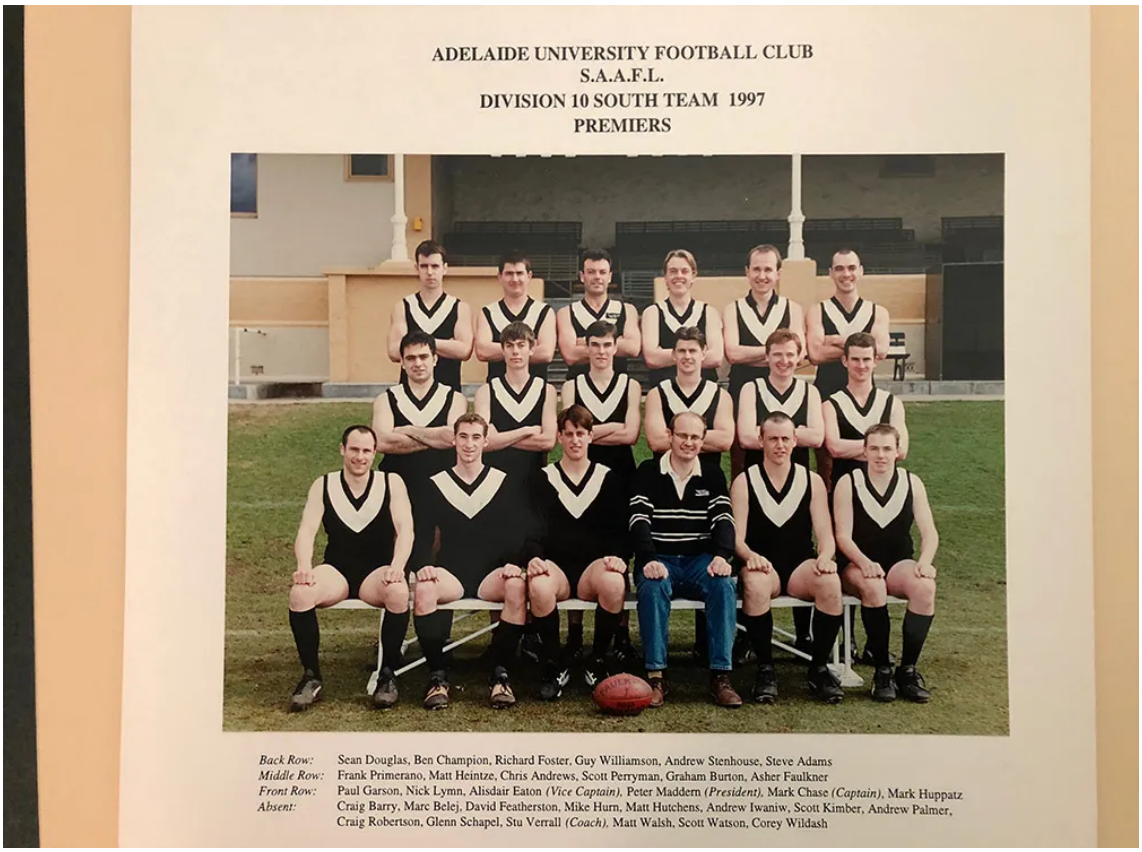


D8N Premiership Table 1997
(at end of minor round)

Salisbury North (32), Adelaide Uni* (26), Athelstone (24), Tea Tree Gully (18), Greenacres (8), Gaza (0)
*Tim Bryson's team came into D8N at the completion of round 7. To that point, Stu Verrall's team had a 4 and 3 win/loss record.

Division 10 South "Verrall Cat Stew"
The E-grade managed 4 wins and 3 losses in D8N before switching to D10S and finishing minor premier. The finals saw the Cat Stew defeat Pembroke O.S. and Hectorville to claim the premiership. Mark Huppatz played superbly in the Grand Final

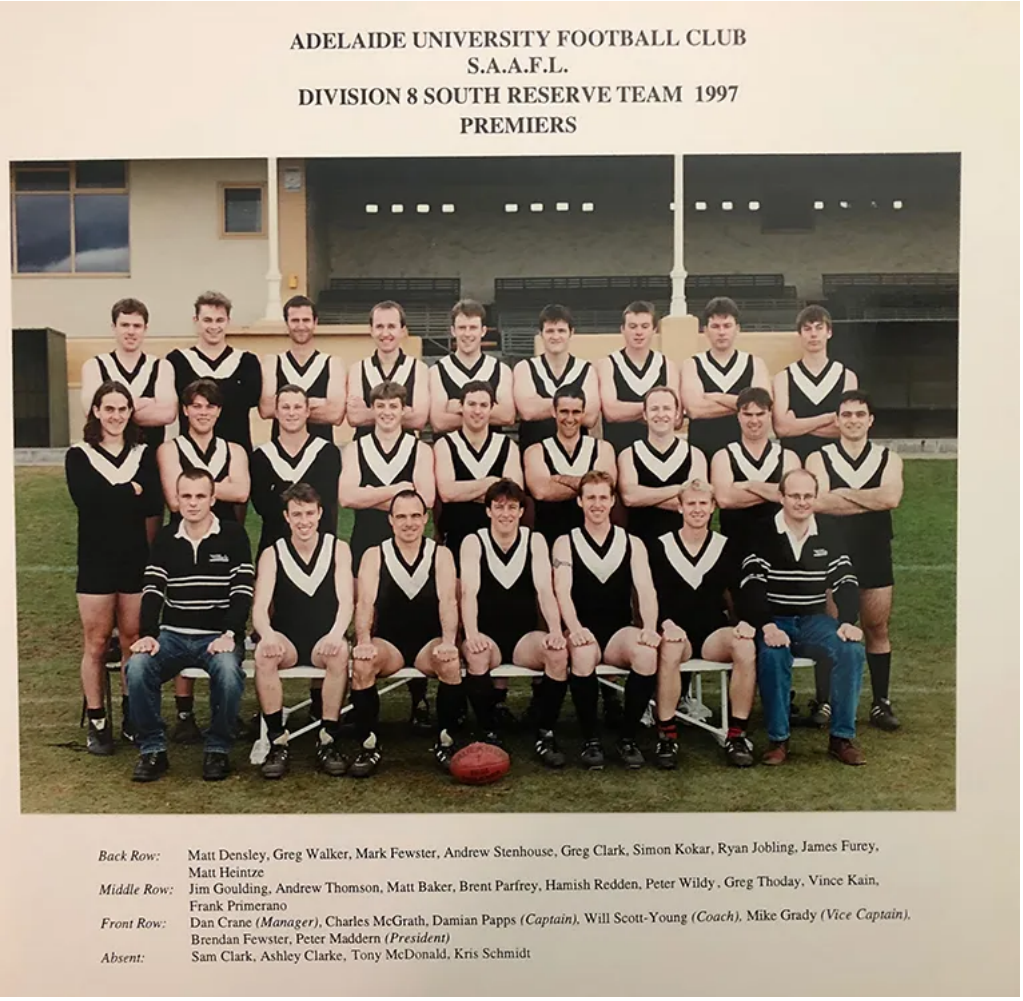
to be awarded BOG and also kicked three goals. Steve Adams won the Best & Fairest and Michael Hurn played his 100th game, also kicking 38 goals.



D10S Premiership Table 1997
(at end of minor round)

Adelaide Uni* 18 (36), Pembroke O.S. (26), Plympton (26), Hectorville (26), Adelaide Lutheran (24), Mithcam (18), C.B.C.O.C. (12), Glenunga (6), Unley (4), Kenilworth** (2)
*Stu Verrall's came into D10S at the completion of round 7. To that point Tim Bryson's team were undefeated.
** Kenilworth entered the round 11 to fill a spot vacated by Colonel Light Gardens after round 6.

Division 8 South Reserve "Big Hairy Willie and the Waxed Ballbags"
The F-grade after losing the first two games in convincing style, the Bags leaned on the brotherhood of St Mark's College to bring talent, strength and resilience to the team and completed the rest of the season undefeated. A 4 goal win in the major semi over Broadview gave the team a week off to freshen up before defeating Broadview by 47 points in the Grand Final. This made it two from two against Broadview for the D8S and D8S Res teams on Grand Final day. Greg Clark was BOG in the Grand Final, with Matthew Densley kicking 5 goals. Simon Kokar was Best & Fairest, Brendan Fewster led the goal kicking with 44, Peter Wildy kicked 35, coach Will Scott-Young played his 150th match and Peter Wildy his 100th.



D8S Res Premiership Table 1997
*(at end of minor round)**

Broadview (34), Adelaide Uni (32), Port District (22), Rostrevor O.C. (20), Portland (16), Henley Greek (16)
*SMOSH West Lakes and Edwardstown withdrew from the competition.

ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CLUB
S.A.A.F.L.
DIVISION 8 NORTH RESERVE TEAM 1997
PREMIERS



Back Row: Nick Mumford, Matt Kube, Adrian Brock, Simon Clode, Andrew Sarson, Marcus Bruening
Middle Row: Adam Fitzgerald, Ryan Quinton, Juan Juttner, Geoff White, Frank Primerano, Leigh Kube
Front Row: Peter Maddern *(President)* Darren Graetz *(Vice Captain)*, Richard Foster *(Coach)*, Michael Bird *(Captain)*, Andrew Kretschmer, Matt Steadman *(Manager)*
Absent: Sam Bridgwood, Darren Hall, Paul Garson, Todd Halliday, Brett Lanyon, Angus Leitch, Will Leitch, Simon Osicka, Derrick Quinton, Dale Roberts, Peter Sarson, Tom Treseder, Craig Uppington

Division 8 North Reserve "The Scum"

Completing the Blacks history-making effort of 5 premierships in a season was "The Scum", competing in D8N Res and coached by Richard Foster. Having finished the minor round in 2nd place with a 13 and 5 win/loss record, The Scum had the goods on Athelstone, whom it had beaten and lost to twice in the minor round, in the finals. An 11-point win against Athelstone in the major semi gave "The Scum" the week off before prevailing over the same opponent in the Grand Final by a solitary point in a spirited, never-say-die and most un-Scum-like victory. Darren Graetz was BOG in the Grand Final. To this day Chocka has punished Foss for allowing such an atrocity as a "Scum" premiership. Leigh Kube was Best & Fairest, with several players achieving personal milestones during the season: Darren Graetz 250 games, Michael Bird 150 games, Derek Quinton, Marcus Bruening and Andrew Kretschmer 100 games. Adrian Brock was the leading goal kicker with 78 and was supported by Darren Graetz with 69 and Leigh Kube with 28.

D8N Res Premiership Table 1997
(at end of minor round)

Athelstone (32), Adelaide Uni (26), Tea Tree Gully (20), Gaza (16), Salisbury North (14), Greenacres (0)

Season 1998

A multi-premiership hangover or just the randomness of existence? This question was bantered around the Club's Dinner after no premierships were grabbed following the big 5 in the previous year. Objective questions have no right answer is the right answer. Still, 5 out of 8 made finals, which at least gave plenty of opportunities for players to sing the club song and prefix some late-night refreshments during the year. This was the year "The Farmers" came to the big smoke. Roseworthy Campus were welcomed under the Adelaide University banner to leave the difficult Barossa League for the much more roomy Amateur League. Off the field, the club began making a commitment in this year to broaden the influence and involvement of the supporter base particular during home games at Beautiful University Oval.

Division 1

Div 1s landed a new coach for this year in ex-North Adelaide player Peter Simmons and he quickly tuned into University's uniquely different viewpoint to that of the other suburban clubs. Peter coached and managed the side on and off the field beautifully to have a consistent year finishing a creditable 3rd. A hard-fought win in the 1st semi Final was followed by a disappointing loss in the Prelim. Darren Thomas had a belter of a season of the half-back flank to win the B&F, and it would have to be to tip out Andrew Muir, who was Runner-Up. Mark Reid was named Most Effective, Shane McGahan Best in Finals, Nigel Rudge Most Improved, Neil Foster Best Team Man while an extra point went to Grant Miles, who held his rucking arm up all year despite a knee reconstruction in the previous season. Target-up-forward Evan Arnold dobbed 51 goals in the year.

D1 Premiership Table 1998

(as at the end of the minor round)

Team	played	won	lost	points
Broadview	18	15	3	30
Goodwood Saints	18	13	5	26
Adelaide Uni	18	13	5	26
Kilburn	18	13	5	26
PHOS Camden	18	11	7	22
Edwardstown	18	9	9	18
Henley	18	5	13	10
Pooraka	18	3	15	6
Sacred Heart OC	18	2	16	4
Kilburn	18	1	17	2

Prelim Adelaide Uni7.8 Broadview14.6

A1 Reserve

Craig Smith, not the most interesting name in town, but this guy slotted into the A1 Res coaching job and soon gained the respect of his players. After a curious building of

momentum of form during the first half of the season, a big win down at Henley seemed to trigger a sniff of September greatness. It wasn't to be as the boys went down to Goodwood for the second time in the finals in the Grand Final. Evan Maxwell B & F in front of Peter Sarson, while Quenten Schwarz was Best Team Man and Sam Clark was Best in Finals.

D1R Premiership Table 1998
(as at the end of the minor round)

Team	played	won	lost	draw	pts
Goodwood Saints	18				
Adelaide Uni	18	14	4	0	28
Edwardstown	18	13	5	0	26
Broadview	18	12	6	0	24
Henley	18	12	6	0	24
PHOS Camden	18	7	10	1	14
Athelstone	18	6	12	0	12
Pooraka	18	5	13	0	10
Kilburn	18	3	15	1	6
Sacred Heart	18	0	18	0	0

2nd Semi Adelaide Uni 6.3 Goodwood 10.10
Prelim Adelaide Uni 7.8 Broadview 4.10
Grand Adelaide Uni 5.8 Goodwood 9.6

D7

Justin "The Container" Kelly, perhaps the biggest man ever to coach at Uni. His hands-off coaching style saw his D7 team fall into 3rd position just above 5 other ordinary sides. Houghton Districts sprayed in front of goals during the 1st Semi thus thrusting the team into the Prelim, but the dream run ended there as they received a solid shellacking from Broadview. Nice-as-pie Sam Bridgewood deservedly grabbed B&F, while Shane Evans was Runner-Up B&F. Brian Dennison was Best Team Man, and Paul Clohesy was Best in Finals. Michael James can kick goals and did so up to 53.

D7: Pulteney OS (34), Broadview (30), Houghton Districts (20), Adelaide Uni (18), Brahma Lodge (18), Wingfield Royals (16), Athelstone (4), Paralowie (4).

1st Semi Adelaide Uni 12.8 Houghton Districts 9.20
Prelim Adelaide Uni 2.4 Broadview 16.12

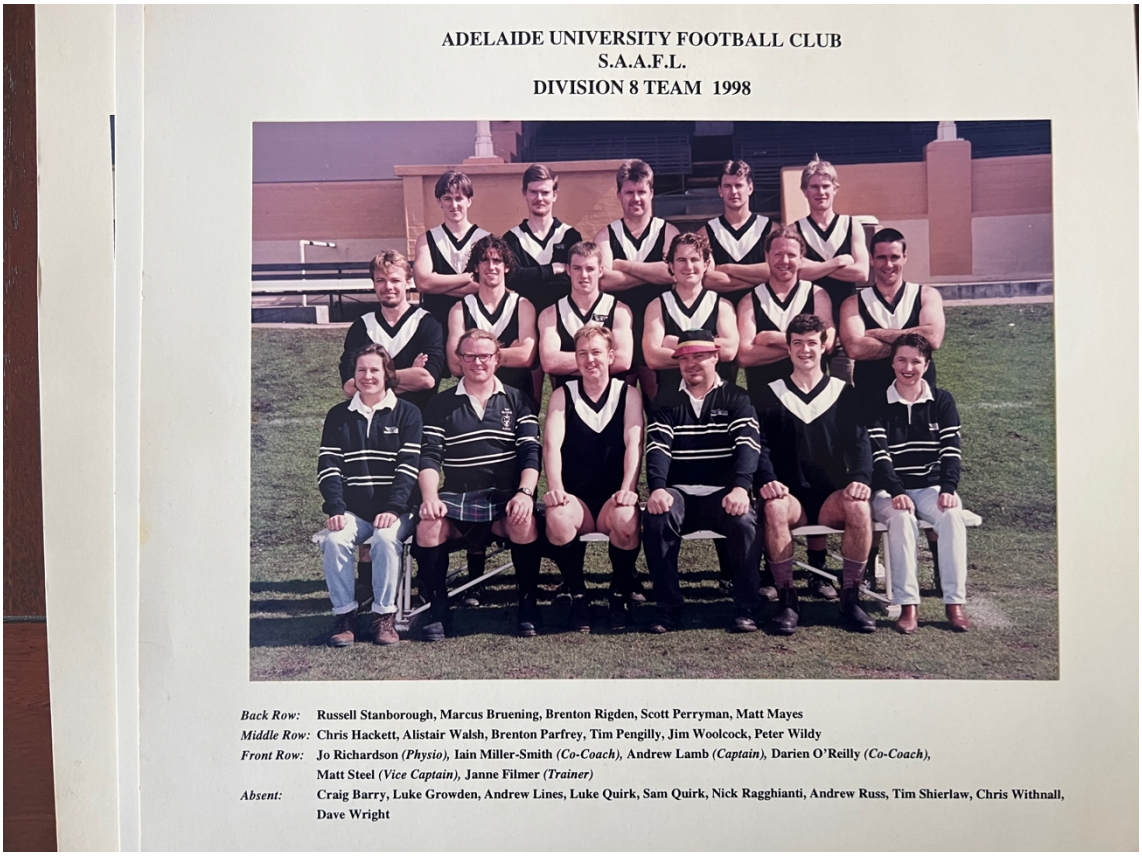
D7 Reserve

Mike Grady's D7 Res Bunch fixed some mid-season leaks to qualify for the finals but lost the 1st Semi to their season's nemisis Athelstone. Congratulations to Ashley Manos for B&F, David Featherstone Runner-Up, Mark Rayner Best Team Man and James Fury Best in Finals.

D7 Res: Pulteney OS (32), Broadview (30), Athelstone (24), Adelaide Uni (22), Houghton Districts (20), Wingfield Royals (12), Brahma Lodge (4), Paralowie (0).

D8 "Chardonnay Socialists"
Coaches Iain Miller-Smith and Darien O'Reilly love to pip district sides, and there were plenty of them in this division. But this year the Chardonnay Socialists were given a repetitive plastering on the scoreboard in most games. They finished 7th out of 8 but to their credit, well above 8th. Nobody can remember any of this after the season was again dressed up with many addenda to the club's official social diary. Ashley Knights had a good year to be named B&F while Chris Whithnall was Runner-Up and Craig Barry was Best Team Man.

D8: Henley (30), Portland (28), Port District (28), Ovingham (16), Flinders Uni (14), Tea Tree Gully (14), Adelaide Uni (12), Gaza (2).



D8 Reserve "The Scum"
Will Scott Young as he is sometimes known, coached the Scum in the Div 8 Res to a half enjoyable 5th position. Considering the coming and going of the club's dregs and just missing out on the finals, it was one of those years. Glenn Schapel was a couragous B&F, Ben Packer Runner-Up, and Anthony Dimarzo was a "Best-Team-Man's" Best Team Man. Peter Wildy, a genuine talent up forward, kicked the most goals with 54.

D8 Res: Henley (34), Port District (30), Portland (22), Flinders Uni (18), Adelaide Uni (18), Tea Tree Gully (16), Ovingham (6), Gaza (0).

D9 South
Super Coach Richard Foster found his side playing in the dumping ground of other clubs' C-grades. That is not a good place to be, and the D9 South side could only manage to finish 9th in a competition of 12. Well done to Marcus Kampff as B&F, Matt Kube Runner-Up, Geoff White Best Team Man and Darren Graetz who booted a very lazy 39 goals.

D9 South: Goodwood Saints (34), PHOS Camden (32), Rostrevor OC (26), Seaton Ramblers (22), SPOC (20), Scotch OC (18), Edwardstown (16), Flinders Park (16), Adelaide Uni (12), PAC (10), SMOSH West Lakes (4), Sacred Heart OC (4).

D9 North
The Farmers joined the D9 North grade and performed solidly to finish 3rd under eventual coach Darren Thomas after going down in the Prelim. B&F was Craig Burne, Nathan Smith Runner-Up, Matt Smith Best Team Man and Troy Lorenz was Best in Finals.

D9 North: Modbury (34), Kilburn (30), Gepps Cross (26), Adelaide Uni (22), Salisbury North (20), Eastern Park (16), Salisbury West (14), Pooraka (14), Ingle Farm (4), Salisbury (0).

1st Semi	Adelaide Uni	12.5	Gepps Cross	7.14
Prelim	Adelaide Uni	10.11	Modbury	12.23

Season 1999

Season 1999 will be remembered as a year in which the club reasserted its status as a true League force for the first time in a generation. The sensational Division 1 Grand Final triumph delivered to us the first Amateur League premiership played under lights and the last of the millennium. In going top, the A grade displayed their persisting strength by finishing in the top three in three of the past four seasons with two premierships amongst them, something they have not achieved since the mid 70s.

Off the field, the club was fortunate to have the nomination of Fred "Chocka" Bloch accepted by the National Honours Committee for his services to the club and its members. Notwithstanding Chocka's tireless efforts in getting eight Blacks teams onto the park with some semblance of order each week, it is the unique and sustainable culture that he has created that has attracted so many acolytes and is the true strength of the club at this time. In addition, Andrew Muir played his 200th game for the club, joining a select band who have played 200 A grade games, whilst Michael Bird also played his 200th, and Darren "the Jerk" Graetz became the greatest ever goal kicker in the club's history. Craig McGahan concluded a very successful three year stint

as club Chairman, during which time the club achieved not only on-field success, but also a strong financial foundation for the future.

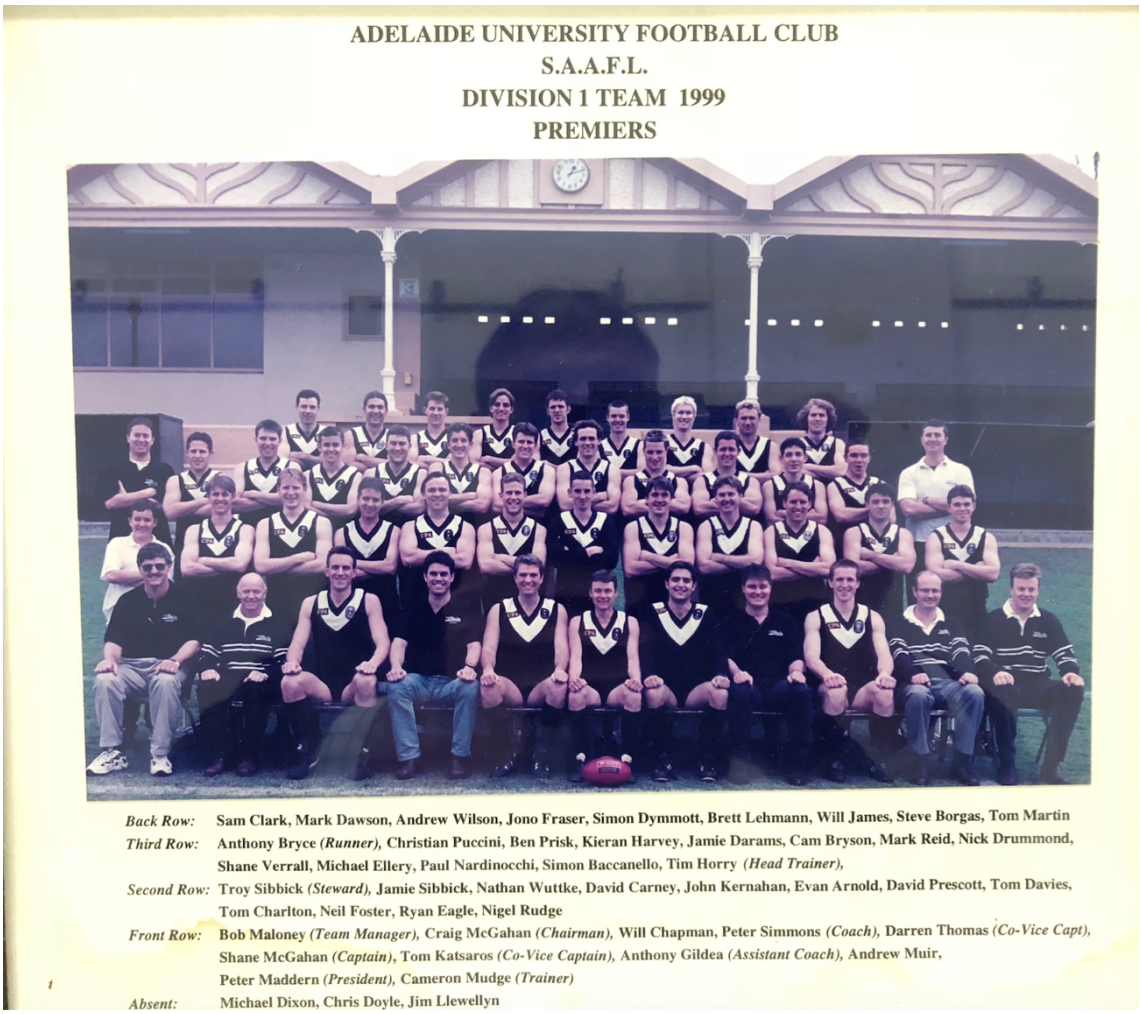
On a sombre note, the club was deeply saddened by the passing of Mark Schwartz. Mark was a life member of the club having served with great distinction on and off the field. Mark was a generous, caring and inspirational figure in his quiet and unassuming way to all of those he worked and involved himself with.

Division 1 "Simmo and his Donkeys"

"The Div 1 team had a much improved pre-season, which carried this into the minor round. Despite a standard first-round hiccup against Tea Tree Gully, the team started strongly before suffering a horrendous injury toll mid-season to put a finals place in jeopardy. However, an inspirational one-goal win against Kilburn in Dog Muir's 200th game, secured by a Will Chapman goal with four seconds on the clock, kick-started the season once again. With a favourable last round of results, the Donkeys found themselves with the double chance in the finals. A second semi loss to Goodwood wasn't a great start to the finals campaign, but a strong win against Port District in the Preliminary Final at Prospect Oval put the Blacks into the first night Grand Final at Adelaide Oval. On a wet and windy evening the team battled hard right from the start, but still found themselves down by ten points in a very low scoring affair at three quarter time. However, in the last quarter that would go down in Blacks folklore, the team fought courageously before finally hitting the front at the 26 minute mark courtesy of a rushed behind.

The premiership was a great triumph for Coach Peter Simmons and his team. Even though over 40 players were used during the year as a result of injuries, the required character of the individuals and team came to the fore in the final weeks of the season. It was this character and resolution that survived the difficult conditions on Grand Final night and the fancied Goodwood team to win by the barest of margins.

Andrew Muir capped off an outstanding year by winning his 5th Gunning Medal, Will James was runner-up in his first season at the club, whilst Jamie Sibbick was the best in finals. Other notable mentions go to Evan Arnold, Nick Drummond, Shane McGahan and Christian Puccini for playing in the state team, and to Evan Arnold, Will James and Nigel Rudge for being named in the Amateur League Team of the Year.



Div 1 Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*Won*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Goodwood Saints	18	14	4	0	28
Adelaide Uni	18	13	5	0	26
Kilburn	18	13	5	0	26
Port District	18	12	6	0	24
Broadview	18	11	7	0	22
PHOS Camden	18	8	10	0	16
Athelstone	18	7	11	0	14
Henley	18	6	12	0	12
Edwardstown	18	5	13	0	10
Tea Tree Gully	18	1	17	0	2

Division 1 Reserve "Smithy's Smelly Number Twos"

The Div 1 Res side enjoyed another solid minor round, however, once again arch nemesis Goodwood put an end to any further ambition with an 82 point demolition in the Preliminary Final, leaving the B grade with much soul searching to do over the off-season.

Tom Charlton had another outstanding season, winning the Amateur League Medal together with the best and fairest trophy. Mark Dawson was runner-up best and fairest, whilst Terry Hutton was the Best Team Man and Tom McFarlane best in finals.

Div 1 Res Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*Won*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Goodwood Saints	18	18	0	0	36
Broadview	18	14	4	0	28
Adelaide Uni	18	13	5	0	26
Edwardstown	18	11	7	0	22
Henley	18	10	8	0	20
Athelstone	18	7	11	0	14
Tea Tree Gully	18	6	12	0	12
Port District	18	5	13	0	10
PHOS Camden	18	5	13	0	19
Kilburn	18	2	16	0	4

Div 7 team "Crazy Vezis & the Loonies"

The Loonies endured a frustrating season, with injuries and suspensions costing the team dearly. After losing four straight games during rounds 12-15, it seemed as though the season was finished. The team stormed home, winning the last three games, including a comfortable victory in round 18 against the league leaders, to give them a glimmer of hope for the finals. Unfortunately, other results went the wrong way and the Loonies missed out on the finals by a few percentage points.

Ashley Manos won the best and fairest trophy with Adrian Cassidy runner up, whilst Bugsy Walsh won best team man.

Div 7 Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the minor round)

	Played	*Won*	*L*	*D*	*Pts*
Brahma Lodge	18	14	4	0	28
Houghton District	18	12	6	0	24
Broadview	18	10	8	0	20
Col. Light Gardens	18	10	8	0	20
Adelaide Uni	18	10	8	0	20
Henley	18	9	9	0	18
Port District	18	7	11	0	14
Athelstone	18	0	18	0	0

Div 8 "The Chardonnay Socialists"

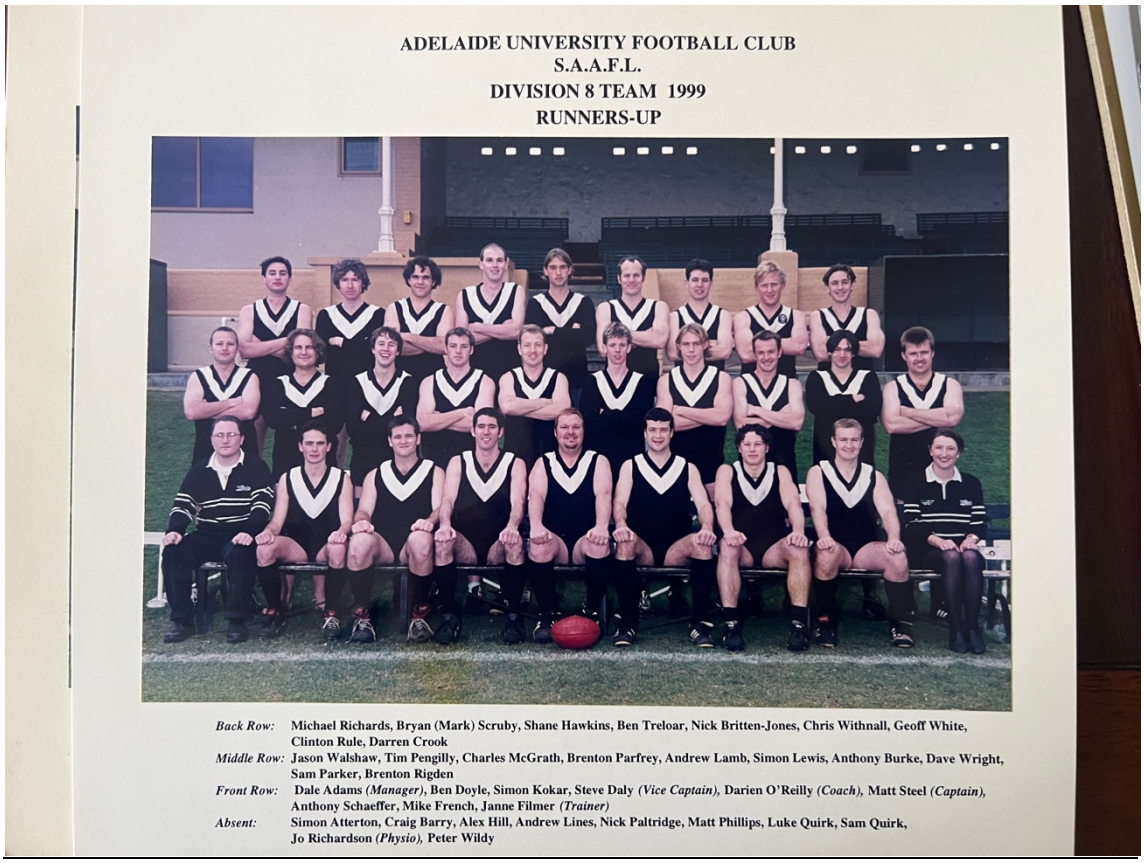
The "Chards" had an up and down season, eventually reaching peak form in the last few rounds to sneak into the finals in fourth place. The team then continued to surprise, beating Ovingham in the 1st Semi and Flinders Uni in the Preliminary Final to get to the grand final against Tea Tree Gully at Henley Oval. Unfortunately, a bout of bad kicking late in the third quarter proved costly, and the team went down valiantly by 14 points.

Nick Britten-Jones won the Best and Fairest trophy in his first year with the club, with Steve Daly runner-up in the year in which he also played his 150th game for the club.

Anthony Burke won Best Team man, and David “soon to be known as peg-boy” Wright was the best in finals.

Div 8 Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the minor round)

Tea Tree Gully (28), Flinders Uni (26), Ovingham (26), Adelaide Uni (22), Portland (20), Eastern Park (8), Rostrevor O.C. (8), Pembroke O.S. (6).



Div 9 South “The New Boz Bunch”

The Bunch was in disarray even before the season began, with George Hyde withdrawing as coach just two weeks before the season began. Fortunately, Andrew “New Boz” Palmer and Michael “Lower” Grady formed a coaching tandem that enabled the very young team to put together a competitive season that ended with them in 7th spot in a very strong division.

Anthony Schaeffer won the best and fairest trophy in his return to football after a five-year absence, with Ray Huppatz runner up due in large part to his family-imposed and season-long alcohol ban. The New Boz won the most injured trophy, whilst Scott Watson was a popular choice as best team man.

Div 9 South Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the minor round)

Goodwood (34), Edwardstown (34), Phos Camden (28), Prince Alfred O.C. (26), Scotch O.C. (22), Seaton Ramblers (16), Adelaide Uni (16), St Peters O.C. (14), Walkerville (12), Flinders Park (8), Old Ignatians (6).



Div 9 North "The Farmers"

The Farmers had an outstanding season, losing only one game during the minor round before trouncing Paralowie in the 2nd Semi and Kilburn in the Grand Final to bring home the premiership. A great year from all involved with the Farmers, with highlights including Leigh Fitzgerald's Amateur League Medal, Troy Lorenz 119 goals, Nathan Smith's inspirational captaincy, and amazingly winning all holiday games.

Nathan Smith topped off a great year with the Best and Fairest trophy, whilst Leigh Fitzgerald was runner-up. Allan Penhall won the Best Team Man and Mark Habner was the best in finals.

Div 9 North Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the major round)

Adelaide Uni (34), Paralowie (30), Pooraka (28), Kilburn (24), Modbury (20), Salvation Army (14), Salisbury North (10), Greenacres (8), Gepps Cross (8), Salisbury West (4).

Div 7 Res "Foster's Green Arseholes"

The FGA had a strong season, finishing on top at the end of the minor round thanks to a combination of wily old veterans and keeping young talent away from the prying eyes of the higher grades. Unfortunately, the team got blown away in the first three quarters of the grand final against Broadview, and despite a valiant comeback in the last quarter, eventually went down by 13 points.

Andrew Ettridge won the Best and Fairest trophy with Marcus Kampff runner-up. Greg Clark won Best Team Man and Sam Kassebaum was the best in finals.

Div 7 Res Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the minor round)

Adelaide Uni (28), Broadview (28), Henley (24), Colonel Lt Gardens (24), Houghton Districts (20), Athelstone (10), Port District (8), Brahma Lodge (2).

Div 8 Res "The Scum"

The Scum had a surprisingly successful season, winning 15 games in the minor round before losing a tight preliminary final to Flinders Uni, providing Chocka with a great sense of relief. The team was ably led by Frankie Primerano, Anthony "Dima" Dimarzo and George Hyde, who managed to recruit several likely Port Lincoln lads to lead the assault on the Div 8 Res competition.

Brian Hyde won the Best and Fairest trophy and Best in Finals, with older brother George runner-up Best and Fairest. Dima, fast becoming a club legend following his performance at 1998 IV, was an unanimous choice as Best Team Man.

Div 8 Res Premiership Table 1999
(as at the end of the minor round)

Portland (32), Adelaide Uni (30), Tea Tree Gully (28), Flinders Uni (20), Pembroke O.S. (14), Ovingham (12), Eastern Park (8).

