

DFNC PLAYER GAMES HISTORY

LESS THAN 50 SENIOR XVIII GRADE GAMES 1991- 2010

Reference: 2023/13



The importance of photographs in preserving football club history is again underlined with this rare photograph from April 6th 1996 , at the pre-match ceremony against Rosebud, to mark the DFNC Centenary Year Celebrations. The players from left are: Paul Blasius, Jon Lanyon, Tim Hepner, Tony Williams, Scott Landsdown and Marc Corn. Tim and Scott won club's Best & Fairest awards. Tony Williams played 105 games, Marc Corn played 52 games , Jon Lanyon amassed 65 games and Paul Blasius played 17 games in his only season with DFNC.

INTRODUCTION TO GAMES HISTORY PARTS 1 & 2

In recent years, DFNC has been trying to update the games records of all former players. It has proven a complicated task because, unfortunately, the records for some seasons have been lost with the passage of time. It is also regrettable that the team lists of Reserve and Third XVIII teams of earlier years appear to be irrecoverable.

However, there has been partial success in collating the records of many former Senior XVIII Grade players; and the tables below are an attempt to list those players who played at least one Senior XVIII game for DFNC in the period 1991-2010.

There are two parts to this DFNC History article;

- **Part: 1- Games played from 1991-2000.**
- **Part: 2- Games played from 2001-2010.**

NOTE: Younger readers may not be aware that the job of team managers, on match days, was much different in earlier times as the team sheets were handwritten and mistakes could arise. Confusion was also possible when siblings represented the club or when incorrect first names (e.g. nicknames) were written on the team sheet ...such 'small things' complicate tracing player histories.

The two lists shown below are not exhaustive; and there maybe inaccuracies (e.g. surname spelling(s) as given on the original team sheets or by way of transcription errors (e.g. Johnstone v Johnson, Robertson v Robinson etc.)

LESS THAN 50 SENIOR XVIII GRADE GAMES WITH DFNC PART: 1 1991 -2000

NAME	YEARS OF SENIOR GAMES AT DFNC	SENIOR GAMES 1991-2000	COMMENTS
CRAIG COMPTON	1991-2000	46	
COLIN GEISLER	1995-99	42	
DAN NICOLLE	1995-TBC	40	THIRD XVIII CAPTAIN THIRD XVIII AWARD WINNER SENIOR XVIII LEADING GOAL KICKER 1998
PETER JOHNSTON	1995-96	34	SENIOR XVIII VICE CAPTAIN TBC
JASON SULLIVAN	1998-2000	34	
BRENDAN TRIGG	1997-2000	34	
BILL SAKER	1990-94	33	AWARD WINNER TBC
DAMON QUIGLEY	1995-2002**	33	FROM MELTON FC FATHER OF BILLY & JACK THIRD XVIII COACH 2010 ALSO PLAYED WITH RED HILL.
DEAN O'KANE	2000-TBC	31	SENIOR LEADERSHIP GROUP LEADING GOALKICKER 2000 BEST & FAIREST 2001
WAYNE JACOBSON	TBC	30	
SIMON MORRICE	1992-99	30	
DALE MURPHY	1990-94	30	
CRAIG WHELAN	1995-TBC	30	
ANTHONY MATTHEWS	1997-2000	26	DFNC LIFE MEMBER SECRETARY ROSEBUD V DROMANA. TROPHY NAMED IN HONOUR OF THE MATTHEWS FAMILY
SCOTT LANDSDOWN	1995-96	25	BEST & FAIREST 1995
AARON JARMAN	1997- TBC	23	THIRD XVIII AWARD WINNER TBC
MICK BROADHURST	1994-96	21	
CRAIG BURNS	1992-95	20	LEADING GOAL KICKER 1993
GRAHAM POTTS	1997-98	19	
TROY ARNOTT	1993	18	
DAVID GIDDENS	1996	18	
DAVID LABBOZETTA	1998-99	18	LEADING GOAL KICKER 1999 LISTED WITH ST KILDA FC

LUKE LAWLOR	1998-99	18	
JARRETT LEAH	1997-99	18	LEAGUE THIRD XVIII BEST FAIREST-1997 DFNC MAJOR AWARD
MATTHEW MARTIN	1996	18	
PETER FENBY	1995	18	LEADING GOAL KICKER
PAUL BLASIUS	1996	17	
DARREN GALLAGHER	2000	17	
ROB NORRIS	1995	17	
ROBERT THODAY	1998-99	17	
GUY KELLETT	1993-97	16	SENIOR XVIII COACH 1997
STEVE REIGER	1996	16	SENIOR XVIII COACH 1996
TIM RYAN	1993-94	16	
PAUL THOMAS	1993	16	SENIOR XVIII COACH 1993 EX-FRANKSTON VFL
MARK BRADY	1990 TBC	15	
JOHN MELLERE	1995	15	AWARD WINNER TBC
STAN MICHALAS	1991-93	15	
TROY PARKER	1998	15	
DAVE RITCHIE	1995-98	15	
JIM SAKELLARADIS	1991-93	15	IN LATER YEARS SUA UMPIRE
SHANNON SECKER	1999	15	
JASON HARDWICK	1995-96	15	ASSISTANT COACH TBC
ROGER ARNOTT	1993-94	14	
TIM COYLE	1997	14	LEADING GOAL KICKER 1997
SIMON ILES	1996	14	
STEVEN RASPIN	1994	14	
BRETT WOODS	1994	14	
CASEY LANDRIGAN	1995-96	13	THIRD XVIII BEST & FAIREST 1995
MURRAY MAKEPEACE	1997	13	FROM CARAMUT FC.
BRETT MCLOUGHLIN	1991	13	
BARRY THOMAS	1992	13	
CLINT GWIN	1996	12	
CHRIS MONK	1998-99	12	
TONY WOODS	1997	12	
NOEL CORLEY	1997	11	
MICHAEL GOWER	2000	10	
ANTHONY HAZELDINE	1990-98	10	
MARK HILL	1997-99	10	
MARK JACOBSON	1990-92	10	
MARK MULQUINNEY	2000	10	
TERRY BATEMAN	1993	9	
ASHLEY WILLIAMS	1999-2000	9	RESERVES MOST CONSISTENT AWARD 2000
BRENDON COGLAN	2000	8	
ASHLEY SIMMONS	1994	8	LEADING GOAL KICKER 1994
CLINT TAYLOR	1997	8	
SAM ROBERTSON	1998-TBC	8	THIRD XVIII AWARD WINNER
MARK WARREN	1993	8	

LEIGH BOYD	1999-2000	7	
ALDO CORVI	1990-97	7	
PAUL DIEWL	1996-97	7	
CAMERON HOWSON	1997	7	
DENIS OATES	1998	7	
ANDREW THODAY	1998	7	
PETER WALKER	1990	7	
ANDREW FALLON	2000 TBC	6	SENIOR XVIII BEST TEAM MAN
CRAIG BAKER	1997	6	
MITCH CULLEN	1991	6	RESERVES XVIII LEADING GOAL KICKER TBC
BROCK GREEN	1999-2000	6	
BRETT POWER	1992	6	
JULIAN PRESZMYCKI	1994	6	
SHANE REID	1997	6	
BRETT RYAN	1992	6	
DAVID IRWIN	1995	5	
SHANE JACKSON	1990	5	
MATT ZAMMITT	1997	5	
MICHAEL ANDERSON	1997	4	
MARK EDWARDS	1997	4	
STUART FORD	1994	4	
TONY HORVAT	1991	4	
ANDREW KIRKHOPE	1992	4	
ADAM KLAN	1998	4	
STEPHEN MILLER	1998-99	4	
KEN TAYLOR	1991	4	
ANTHONY ANDERSON	1996	3	
GREG BATEMAN	1993	3	
CHRIS BELJAK	1999	3	THIRD XVIII AWARD WINNER
PETER BUCKLEY	1991	3	
JAMES BURKE	1997	3	RESERVES BEST & FAIREST 1999
ANDREW CHANCE	1997	3	
RYAN CROMWELL	1999	3	
GREG DAVIDGE	1991 TBC	3	
MARTY DELLAGARTA	1996-97	3	
BEN KAUFMAN	1997	3	
CAMPBELL MCKAY	1993	3	
MARK MULLINS	2000	3	
JAI SPENCE	1996	3	THIRD XVIII AWARD WINNER
JAMES STONEHAM	1997	3	
AARON WEBBER	1994	3	
TOM WINTER	1997	3	
JAMES BAZLEY	1996	2	
SHANE BURGESS	2000	2	
RYAN CELINICH	1999	2	
BEN DREW	1999	2	
MICK FISHER	1997	2	

SHANE HOLLAND	1991-92	2	
BEN HUTCHINSON	1998	2	
DAVID KEANE	1992	2	
TREVOR LAW	1993	2	
ALEX LEONARD	1997	2	
DAMIAN PARK	1993	2	
DUANE PITTOCK	1997	2	
CHRIS TRIGG	1997	2	RESERVES BEST & FAIREST 1998
DEAN WATSON	1996	2	
DANIEL ANDERSON	1991	1	
GUY BEECH	1997	1	
MICHAEL BOND	1997	1	
LUKE GALLIMORE	1997	1	
STEPHEN GOWER	2000	1	
TROY HICKS	1997	1	
MARTIN HODGKINS	1996	1	
SUART HOWELL	1997	1	
GUY HURA	1999	1	EX-SANDRINGHAM VFA
PAT HURA	1999	1	
DALE JOLLEY	1999	1	RESERVES COACH 1999
ANDREW KELLY	1990	1	
DARREN KERR	1994	1	
GEORGE KOTSIFAKIS	1999	1	
MICHAEL KOTSIFAKIS	1999	1	RESERVES BEST TEAM MAN COMMITTEE MEMBER DFNC SPONSOR
ADRIAN LOMBARDO	2000	1	
JUSTIN MCCLEARY	1993	1	
DES O'NEILL	1994	1	
ROBIN PANOZZO	1992	1	
DARREN ROYLANCE	1992	1	
PETER RYAN	1992	1	
JUSTIN SHEPPARD	1998	1	
T. (TIM TBC) SOUTAR	1991	1	
SIMON THOMPSON	1994	1	
LUKE GRIFFITHS	1997	1	



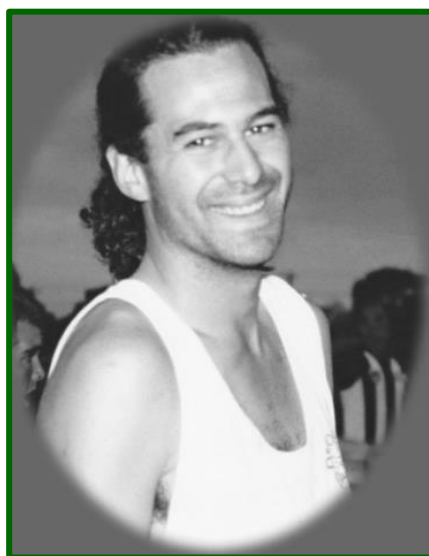
This photograph was taken in the late 1990's; and is of the DFNC Third XVIII.

In that era, The Thirds XVIII struggled for numbers; and was often unable to field a full complement of players. Consequently DFNC was forced to rely on 'top-up' players (i.e. from opposing clubs) in order to allow the match to proceed.

From the above team, Luke Gallimore, Dan Nicolle, Casey Landrigan, Craig Baker, Mark Hill and Martin Hodgkins went on to play Senior XVIII football for DFNC. Ron Hunter (DFNC Life Member) and Alex McPhail (former trainer) are shown in the photograph. The team's mascot that season was Kane Ferguson (the son of DFNC Life Members Gary and Rhonda). The player in the back row openly laughing is Craig Bear. Craig is now a generous sponsor of the DFNC.

While the above team suffered some crushing defeats, the boys played with admirable spirit and often earned the admiration of opposing clubs. It is fair to say, that the above team was one of the most determined groups of youngsters to represent the club in that 'rocky' period of club history.

LESS THAN 50 SENIOR XVIII GRADE GAMES PART: 2: 2001- 2010



Aaron Hura is an 'unsung hero' and was one of the steadfast leaders of DFNC during that era. Aaron played 49 games with DFNC; and will never be forgotten for his gritty determination and earnest efforts to see the club survive and prosper. Aaron was presented with a DFNC Service Award in 2016.

LESS THAN 50 SENIOR GAMES WITH DFNC 2001 -2010

NAME	YEARS OF SENIOR GAMES AT DFNC	SENIOR GAMES 2001-10	COMMENTS
AARON HURA	TBC-2002	49	LEADERSHIP GROUP. SENIOR XVIII COACH'S AWARD-2000. RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST-2001. DFNC SERVICE AWARD

			-2015
SHAUN FLETCHER	2004-06	48	SENIOR ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD-2004. MOST DETERMINED-2005
ADAM GARRY	TBC-2009	46	RESERVES BEST & FAIREST - 2005
SCOTT HINES	2005-09	46	RESERVES MOST DETERMINED-2005. SENIOR XVIII COACH'S AWARD
TRAVIS SHEEAN	2004-10	45	DFJC CHAMPION THIRD XVIII BEST & FAIREST 2004 & 2005. RESERVES BEST & FAIREST-2008 & 2010. RESERVES GOALKICKING-2012
CHAD WILDE	2004-09	45	DFJC CHAMPION. THIRD XVIII RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST 2001. SENIOR XVIII MOST VERSATILE-2004
TIM JOHNSTON	2004-08	44	SENIOR XVIII RUNNER-UP BEST & FAIREST 2004 & 2008
AARON PASQUILL	2006-08	37	RESERVES BEST & FAIREST-2009
LUKE POPOV	2001-03	37	SENIOR XVIII COACH'S AWARD - 2001
ANDREW BAKKER	2006-10	34	MOST DETERMINED-2007
DEAN IPAVIZ	2001-05	34	THIRDS BEST & FAIREST-2000 SENIOR XVIII MOST POTENTIAL 2001. MOST VERSATILE-2002 WAFL-SWAN DISTRICTS. CURRENT TV PERSONALITY.
LUKE MARTIN	2000-02 TBC	34	RESERVES MOST DETERMINED-2001
STEVE PARIS	2003-05	34	SENIOR XVIII COACH
DAN HOOPER	2000-01	33	SENIOR XVIII BEST TEAM MAN-2000
STEVE HAMILL	2006-08	33	VFL FRANKSTON. NOTABLE CAREER AS VCFL PLAYER & COACH DFNC SENIOR COACH 2006-08 MOST CONSISTENT-2006
BRYCE WILSON	2001-03	33	SENIOR XVIII MOST DETERMINED-2002
DWAYNE DAY	2003-11	32	RESERVES MOST IMPROVED-2005
TROY DOCHERTY	2004-10	31	
MICHAEL PRENTICE	2002-03	31	LEADERSHIP GROUP RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST N MOST CONSISTENT AFL MELBOURNE. WAFL
STUART KEEL	2008-09	30	SENIOR XVIII MOST

			UNSELFISH-2008
SHAUN LEWIS	2001-04	30	
PAUL ZAFFARESE	2003-08	30	THIRD XVIII RUNNER-UP BEST & FAIREST-2003
DAVID KEATING	2005-07	29	
MASSI LUFTI	2008-09	28	
JUSTIN NORTON	2009-10	27	
ADAM TODD	2003-04	27	SENIOR XVIII MOST VERSATILE-2003
NICK WILLMOTT	2004-08	27	RESERVES MOST IMPROVED-2004. SENIOR XVIII MOST VERSATILE-2005
CRAIG CORFIELD	2003-04	24	DFNC LEADERSHIP GROUP COACH'S AWARD-2003
ANDTHONY FERRARO	2006-07	21	DANDENONG STINGGRAYS AFL CARLTON, MELBOURNE RESERVES. VFL-FRANKSTON DOLPHINS -2002
DAN JENNINGS	2002-05	21	RESERVES ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD-2005
RICCI QUINN	2008-09	21	SENIOR XVIII MOST DETERMINED-2005
STEVE DOWNES	2008-10	20	MOST CONSISTENT-2008 DFNC LEADERSHIP GROUP
HEATH BURRISS	2005- 10	19	90 RESERVE GRADE GAMES RESERVE GRADE MOST CONSISTENT-2015
BRIAN COLLERY	2006	18	RICHMOND THIRD XVIII. PROMINENT SUBURBAN LEAGUE PLAYER. DFNC RESERVES PREMIERSHIP COACH -2008.
AARON SMITH	2003-04	18	
DAN GIBBS	2004-10	17	DFNC LIFE MEMBER 160 RESERVES GAMES . RESERVES MOST CONSISTENT 2009 & 2016
GLEN BENNETTI	2001 TBC	16	SON OF CARLTON DEFENDER JOHN BENNETTI.
PHIL MAESTRALE	2005-06	16	RESERVES GOAL KICKING - 2005
JOEL NORFORD	2001-03	16	A TRIBUTE TO JOEL CAN BE FOUND ON THIS WEBSITE .
TIM ALLEN	2003	15	DFNC RUNNER-UP BEST & FAIREST. AFL PLAYER WITH ST KILDA, HAWTHORN & GEELONG. MPFL REPRESENTATIVE
AARON GREEN	2001-02	15	
DAVE MARSDEN	2001	15	RESERVES GOALKICKING-2001
CHRIS BAKER	2010	14	SENIOR XVIII COACH'S

			AWARD-2010.
ANDREW BURNHAM	2002-04	14	RESERVES ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - 2002. MOST DETERMINED - 2003 . RESERVES BEST & FAIREST-2005.
JAMIE HAMILTON	2002-02	14	
DION REILLY	2002-03	14	
ADAM HANDLEY	2000-10	13	SENIOR XVII BEST CLUB MAN- 2000. CLUB SPONSOR
MATT MARTIN	2004	13	RESERVES BEST& FAIREST 2003
ANDREW SCOTT	2003-04	13	RESERVES BEST & FAIREST- 2004.
RYAN BARNETT	2006	12	
MARK DOYLE	2003	12	
SEAN KAVANAGH	2001-02	12	
TOM HOFERT	2007-TBC	12	RESERVES ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD-2007. RESERVES MOST DETERMINED -2008
PETER SCOBLE	2002-03	11	
SIMON TARASUIK	2000-01	11	
STUART MARSDEN	2001-02	10	RESERVES MOST DETERMINED-2002
DARREN MINCHINGTON	2010-11*	10	AFL ST KILDA & HAWTHORN
KAINE NICHOLLS	2002-03	10	
DENNIS NONA	2002-03	10	
ADAM TATE	2001	10	
BRETT ANTHONY	2010	9	CARLTON RESERVES - 1994
DAMIEN JONES	2002-03	9	THIRD XVIII GOALKICKING- 2002.BEST FIRST YEAR PLAYER -2002. THIRDS BEST& FAIREST-2003
MARK HOLMES	2004-06	9	
PAUL PINGIARO	2001	9	
JAMES FISHER	2004-06	8	THIRD XVIII ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - 2002.MOST IMPROVED-2003. RESERVE XVIII RUNNER-UP BEST & FAIREST -2004. COACH'S AWARD-2005
MICHAEL GRANT	2002	8	
ROD HAYNE	2004	8	
ANDREW MEAD	2001	8	
ANDREW MORRISON	2010	8	DFNC LEADERSHIP GROUP MPNFL SQUAD COACH 2019
BRANDON MULCAIR	2004-06	8	THIRD XVIII COACH'S AWARD 2004
DANIEL NEWPORT	2004-05	8	
LUKE WALLER	2005	8	
JESSE ALBRECHT	2006-09	7	RESERVES GOALKICKING

			AWARD IN 2007-08 RESERVES MOST CONSISTENT
JAY ELLIS	2006	7	
JOSH HEINRICH	2010	7	
BRAD PARIS	2004	7	
BEN STAFFORD	202-04	7	
BRETT JACKSON	2003	6	
JUSTIN MCLEARY	2010	6 TBC	
SHANE BOYINGTON	2004	5	
JARRETT CAMPBELL	2004	5	
DAN MAESTRALE	2005	5	DFNC LIFE MEMBER. RESERVES PREMIERSHIP PLAYER. 264 RESERVE GRADE GAMES RESERVES COACH DFNC BOARD MEMBER RESERVES BEST TEAM MAN- 2005. RESERVES RUNNER-UP BEST & FAIREST-2011. BEST IN FINALS-2014. RESERVES MOST CONSISTENT-2017
JUSTIN RANKIN	2006	5	
JOHN RUSH	2003	5	MEMBER OF RUSH FAMILY OF COLLINGWOOD FC FAME.
BRETT STEPHENS	2002	5	RESERVES COACH RESERVES BEST TEAM MAN 2008
TIM WHITTORN	2002	5	
RYAN HINES	2007	4	RESERVES COACH'S AWARD- 2007
CHRIS MCVEIGH	2005-07	4	RESERVES COACH'S AWARD - 2003
WILL SANGHI	2004	4	BILL BOSSE MEDAL IN 2004 SHARED WIN WITH DROMANA'S JARRETT LEAH
ASH VAN HATTAM	2008	4	
MATT BROWN	2007	3	FRANKSTON VFA
ROBERT KEMP	2008	3	RESERVES RUNNER-UP BEST& FAIREST 2008& 2009.
MATT KILLEN	2002-05	3	
JAY MILWARD	2008-09	3	THIRDS GOALKICKING 2007
DAMIAN PEACOCK	2006	3	
GARRETH ANDERSON	2001	2	
SHAYNE CULL	2003	2	
SEAN GRIFFITHS	2003	2	
DALE PARKINS	2008	2	COACH'S AWARD-2008
STUART SHANKS	2001	2	RESERVES BEST TEAM MAN 2002 . RESERVES MOST DETERMINED 2007
MARK CRAWSHAW JNR	2004	1	SON OF DFNC CHAIRMAN THIRDS BEST TEAMMAN - 2005
LACHLAN DONNELLY	2007	1	RESERVES BEST TEAM MAN

SIMON FRASER	2001	1	THIRDS MOST DETERMINED - 2000. FATHER (IAN) WON RESERVES BEST & FAIREST-1969.
ZAC KLAN	2010	1	
MATT HILL	2002	1	
LEW HINDLE	2005	1	ASSISTANT COACH DFNC LEADERSHIP GROUP
MICHAEL MATTHEWS	2001	1	SON OF COLIN MATTHEWS
JOSH MCARTHUR	2005	1	
JOHN MCGRATH	2002	1	RESERVES BEST TEAM MAN 2003
GEORGE PAPALAS	2004	1	RESERVES COACH'S AWARD-2002.
ANDREW PROWD	2007	1	
VETON REHXA	2000	1	DANDENONG STINGGRAYS
NATHAN ROSS	2002	1	
PAUL SIMPSON	2008	1	TBC-IN LATER YEARS COACH OF MORNINGTON FC
BRAD TAIT	2003	1	
CARL TUNG	2002	1	RESERVES MOST CONSISTENT- 2005
DANIEL YOUNG	2002	1	
BEN JENKINS	2001	1	THIRD XVIII RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST-2000. RESERVE XVIII ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD-2001



Michael Prentice was a modest and humble achiever at DFNC; and, in his two seasons with the club, he played 31 games which included several superb exhibitions in defence. Michael originally played at Rosebud and was one of the stars of junior and representative football. His unquestionable talent was recognized; and he was recruited to Melbourne FC in the 1993 National Draft.

Michael played with the MFC Reserves in 1994-95; before crossing to Peel Thunder (WAFL). In 2002, Michael won DFNC's Best and Fairest award; and in 2003 he was the recipient of the Most Consistent Player trophy.

Michael was part of the leadership group during his time at Pier Street; and was a highly respected and popular member of the club

THE PENTLAND CONNECTION –ALAN (SMFC) & COLIN (DFNC).



South Melbourne's first ever VFL premiership team of 1909. Alan Pentland can be seen at the front on the right hand side of the photograph.

While trawling through the playing histories of DFNC, the following question was raised... Is Colin Pentland, who played with Dromana in the late 1980's, related to the famous South Melbourne defender Alan Pentland?

Alan Pentland (1883-1952), was recruited to South Melbourne from Leopold FC; and played 53 games with the Bloods including the 1909 Grand Final against Carlton at the MCG. On that day, South Melbourne hung onto win in a low scoring affair. South Melbourne 4.14 (38) defeated Carlton 4.12 (36); and Alan Pentland, who was selected in the back pocket, was named in South's best players that historic day. It was South Melbourne's first-ever VFL flag. It is also known that Alan was a keen cricketer with South Melbourne C.C.

Colin Pentland played his eleven Senior XVIII games for DFNC in defence; and was regarded as a steady and hard running player. Any reader who can help with this piece of the DFNC 'jig-saw' is kindly asked to contact Roger. Thank you.

A RARE PHOTOGRAPH OF TWO LOCAL HEROES.

A statement attributed to former DFC Secretary Mr J. W. Hazeldine (see below) in 1908 led to the discovery of a rare photograph as shown below. After combing through the June issues of 'The Weekly Times' of 1908, a photograph of two of the Peninsula's finest players Doug Chapman (from Dromana FC) and Len Incigneri (an undisputed champion of Hastings) as team members of the Richmond team in 1908 was finally located.

Doug was nineteen years of age when the photograph was taken. Imagine how proud the people of Dromana must have felt in seeing Doug in the Richmond colours.

Chapman and Incigneri (Hastings) appeared in "the Weekly Times" photo of the Richmond team last week. Chapman, who is only in his eighteenth year, is an athlete of no mean order, as besides this being his second year with Richmond, has other good performances, being winner of the Dromana Sheffield and Hurdle race, and kicked 65 yards in a kicking the football competition at Mornington.

This is the extract that provided the clue to finding the photograph of Doug Chapman and Len Incigneri in the Richmond XVIII Source: 'The Weekly Times' June 13th 1908. Page: 3

The Richmond team in 1908 is shown below. Dromana's young champion, Doug Chapman, can be seen on the extreme left of the middle row and Len Incigneri is second from the right in the middle row. This was Richmond's first season in the VFL. Doug is sitting next to young Billy Schmidt who would become a truly remarkable character in the history VFL football.

In 1908, Doug played 11 games while Len played 16 games for Richmond FC. Len Incigneri is undoubtedly one of the greatest footballers to have been recruited from the Peninsula to VFL ranks. Source of the photograph below: 'The Weekly Times' June 13th 1908 Page: 26.

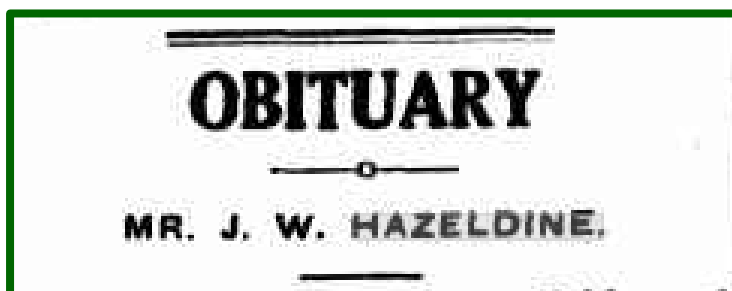


A TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH WILLIAM HAZELDINE

As mentioned below Joseph William Hazeldine was the Secretary of the Dromana Football Club in 1908; and he appears to have been another dedicated volunteer in those formative and challenging years.



This is thought to be a photograph of Joseph William Hazeldine in 1928. Joseph was a most active member of the Dromana Football Club and the wider community. Source: State Library of Victoria. Reference no: 1952798.



The published notice of the passing of Joseph William Hazeldine in August 1935.

Joseph Hazeldine was born circa 1853; and settled in Dromana sometime around 1887. It is thought that Joseph may have previously lived at Picola (i.e. near Echuca). It is known that Joseph was a school teacher at the Rosebud State School for some time; and also held the important role of Registrar of Births and Deaths at Dromana. According to the Government Gazette, he was appointed as an electoral registrar sometime in 1927.

Hazeldine, J. W., electoral registrar, 594
Head, E. L., nurse, 1314
Heagney, J. E., electoral registrar, 592

Joseph was also a member of the Dromana Chess Club, Literary Club, Dromana Cricket Club and was also Secretary of the Dromana Recreation Reserve. In a match review of a football match, between the Mornington Rovers and Dromana, a 'certain' Mr Hazeldine was the Central Umpire.

Joseph also had a connection with the Health Inspectors Association of Victoria but details are unclear regarding that time in his life. It appeared that Joseph was actively involved in numerous organizations of the community and he certainly 'never let the grass grow under his feet.'

Joseph died in August 1935 and was buried at the Dromana Cemetery; and the pall bearers at his funeral were: Cr. Wilson and Messrs A.W. Farrell, L. Carrigg, J. Matthews, A. Cooper, B. Wilson, J. Morass and G. Brown. Although yet to be verified by local historians, Joseph's headstone at the Dromana Cemetery may have been destroyed by the devastating bush fires of 1939. Joseph's wife, Elizabeth passed away in February 1934.

According to the 'Frankston & Somerville Standard' newspaper (August 30th, 1935), Joseph had ten children (six sons and four daughters); and the name 'Hazeldine' features prominently throughout the history of the Dromana Football Club.

There is undoubtedly much more to the story of Joseph Hazeldine and his connection with the DFNC; and any reader who can add to the above is kindly asked to contact the club. Thank you.

VINCENT HAZELDINE

One of the Hazeldine family of Dromana, Vincent Hazeldine (shown below), played with DFC in those years after World War II. It is recorded that in the game, against Mornington in 1947, Vin booted seven goals for Dromana. Vincent's sons (Brian and Philip) also played with Dromana. Another member of the family, Anthony, played ten Seniors XVIII games with DFC in the 1990's.



Vincent Hazeldine who kicked seven goals against Mornington in 1947.

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