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To provide a welcoming and safe environment for families, children and young people to learn about, play and enjoy the game of Aussie Rules Football."



Stingers

Honour Board



1997	East State Stingers U/12s entered the AFLDDJ competition as school based side, together with U/10s
	 U/12s Grand Final - East State Stingers def. University
1998	Toowoomba East Stingers formed and Club entered U10s, U12s & U14s
	U/12s Grand Final – University def. Toowoomba East
	 U/14s Grand Final – University def. Toowoomba East
1999	Toowoomba East entered U10s, U12s, U14s & East/Tigers U16s
	 U/14s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. University
	 U/16s Grand Final – University def. Toowoomba East
2000	Toowoomba East entered U10s, U12s, U14s & U17s
	U/12s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. Goondiwindi
	U/14s Grand Final – University def. Toowoomba East
	 U/17s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. Coolaroo
2001	Toowoomba East entered U10s, U12s, U14s & U16s
	U/12s Grand Final – Goondiwindi def. Toowoomba East
	U/14s Grand Final – Toowooomba East def. University
	 U/16s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. Coolaroo
2002	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14s & U16s
	U/12s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. Coolaroo
	U/14s Grand Final – Dalby def. Toowooomba East
	U/16s Grand Final – University def. Toowoomba East
2003	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14s & U16s
	U/12s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. University
	U/14s Grand Final – Toowooomba East def. University
2004	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14s & U17s
	U/14s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. South Toowoomba
	U/17s Grand Final – South Toowoomba def. Toowoomba East



Honour Board

2005	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14.5s & U17s ❖ U/14.5s Grand Final – Uni Cougars def. Toowoomba East ❖ U/17s Grand Final – South Toowoomba def. Toowoomba East
2006	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U9s, U11s, U13s, U15s & U17s ❖ U/15s Grand Final – Coolaroo def. Toowoomba East ❖ U/17s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. Coolaroo
2007	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U9s, U11s, U13s, U15s & U17s ❖ U/15s Grand Final – Toowoomba East def. South Toowoomba ❖ U/17s Grand Final – Coolaroo def. Toowoomba East
2008	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14s, U16s & U18s ❖ U/16s Grand Final − Toowoomba East def. Coolaroo ❖ U/18 Dream Team Final − Toowoomba East def. AFLQ Dream Team
2009	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14s & U16s
2010	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14s & U16s
2011	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14s & U16s ❖ U/16s Semi Final – South Toowoomba def. Toowoomba East
2012	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s
2013	Toowoomba East entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14's
Merger of S 2014	Stingers and Tigers Toowoomba AFC entered U8s, U10s, U12s, U14's, U16's, Seniors

Life Members

East State Stingers started in 1997 and became the Toowoomba East Stingers Juniors in 1998

TOOWOOMBA EAST STINGERS Life Members

1 - PAUL KEENAN

2 - KIM THOMAS

3 - CHRIS THOMAS

4 - LAWRIE PRICE

5 - FRANK TAYLOR

6 - KATHY TAYLOR

7 - TOM REYNOLDS

8 - BRETT KLEIDON

9 - MICHAEL O'DONOGHUE Snr



Season 2014

President's Report

With a huge year for the Toowoomba AFC now almost behind us, I think we can all look back over our achievements this year and be extremely proud of the club that we are. I know we have talked about the amalgamation of both the Stingers and Tigers quite a bit over the past 2 years, but this year was extremely important to really cement that relationship. Unity was our key focus this year, and with all the hard work undertaken by a number of people in the club, that really came to fruition at our recent under 8's and 10's carnival. The number of people within the club who volunteered their time on the day was very pleasing. Thanks must also go to our senior players and coach helping out on the day - to have a bigger line-up of kids to have a go on the ruck bag than the jumping castle was fantastic to see. I received a number of favourable comments in relation to this, and this scenario in itself was very telling of we are as a club.

Junior footy on the downs this year showed a slight decline across the board, for a number of reasons. Of all the clubs in the league, there were only three that had any growth in numbers. Toowoomba AFC was the glaring discrepancy, with an overall growth of 36% - simply phenomenal!!! Speaking at the recent Strategic Workshop, the Regional Development Manager - Keith Webb, put this growth down to the fact that our coaches are first rate and tend to have a really good interaction not only with the kids, but also the parents. I can't agree more, and a huge thanks to all of our Junior coaches and assistants - Andrew, Grace, Nathan, Paul, Lawrie, Nev, Ari, Chewie and Box - you blokes do a fantastic job, we really appreciate your effort and time throughout the year.

Our Senior side this year, although probably struggled with numbers from week to week, I believe should hold their heads high for a really important season. The dedication of the coaches Talbo and Gomez, both in their first season of coaching are a credit to them both, and I this year will put them both in good stead for years to come. The core members of the Division 1 team also should be proud of their year, although tough some weekends on the scoreboard, I honestly believe that the team is really not that far off a good season in 2015. It will however depend on an honest preseason and some smart recruiting on everyone's part to ensure that we attract and retain the right people.

Looking ahead to 2015, I can tell you that it will be another important year for the Tigers. For the first time, we will field a Women's team, and I wish the newly appointed coach Michael Bailey all the best. Judging by the grand final on the weekend, women's footy will extend our clubs family atmosphere, and if there are any doubters about the quality if this form of the game, I can assure you that you are in for a surprise!!!

Another important part of 2015 will be a Tigers reunion. I am really looking forward to this event, which will occur over a weekend early in the season. Our club goes back to the formation of the League in 1971, when we started out as "Pinkies" - from the word on the grapevine, this will be a huge event. There will be plenty of work over the off-season to organize this, so keep your eyes on our Facebook site!!!

Lastly, I would like to thank our "Division 3" team - the TAFC executive. This year was a little daunting at first for some of us, however as the year has progressed and we have found our "groove" we have performed well as a team. I personally have really enjoyed the challenge this year serving the club. We have an amazing group of people in the current executive, and I'd encourage anyone in the least bit interested in being part of the committee to get involved.

Thanks for the year, all the best over the break, and I hope to see you all again next year.

Up the Tigers!!
Jeremy Sheldrick
TAFC President 2104

CONGRATULATIONS

To all Stingers/Tigers Volunteers who worked so tirelessly to make the 2014 Season at Rockville such a great success - the kids loved it.

Well done to all.



Year in review / Coaches Thoughts - Under 6s and 8s 2014

By Andrew Bell, Under 6s and 8s Coach

When training starts for the year and we begin to look at what a new season will bring with our youngest players in the club, there is always a real sense of going into the unknown, that anything is possible and all sorts of things could happen as the season unfolds. This year was no exception, even more so when we were informed that Under 6s would be involved for the first time.

The year began with a real mixture on so many fronts:

- Experience ranging from boys who had played 40 games of football to those who
 had only picked up a football for the first time at Auskick weeks before.
- Players who only just made it, age wise, into Under 8s (some turning 8 within weeks of the cut-off date) to those who were only just eligible to be under 6s.
- Those who loved footy so much keeping them still long enough to explain something was hard through to those who were quite shy and cautious about kicking and handpassing.
- The largest number of players we have had over recent years with 27 players across the season.

The 2 main things that have been at the heart of our year have been learning (and progressively improving at) the main skills you need to play footy and to have fun, growing to love the game more and more. We have seen our young players become increasingly confident, as the season has gone on. For some it has been getting to the stage where they can kick the ball and it travels a couple of metres. For others it has been being able to take different types of marks most times (and particularly marking a kick by the coach!). Then there are those who are growing so confident they are running, bouncing and kicking good distance without hesitating! It is always amazing and humbling as a coach to see just how far our youngest club members have come by the end of the season!

There has been a huge range of highlights across the season. Individual highlights in each game from succeeding at a kick, kicking a goal or succeeding at something that had been not working for a while. Some of players had the privilege of being in the Honour Guard for the Lions this season. Others had the chance to play at half time recently at the Gabba. A major highlight for a couple of our players, Jonte Sheldrick and Mason Taylor, who notched up their 50 games with the Stingers/Tigers. Congratulations to both boys on making it to 50 games already! Look forward to seeing you both celebrate your hundred games!

Our recent end of season carnival, for me, highlighted how much our players have grown, in skill and in character. Our players played so well, and were still going and energetic (for the most part) at the end of the day, having played 5 games across the day. My proudest moment, though, was when, at the end of one of our games, one of the opposition coaches made a point of commenting on how impressed he was with the team work of our players, the encouragement they offered and particularly that when one of his players had fallen over, one of our players went straight over to him, put a comforting arm around his

shoulder and helped him up. For me, as coach, those comments and that action by our players summed up everything that our year has been about, how far our team has come and how proud I am of this group of players!

We have had a fantastic season and it is due, not only to our players, but also to their families that have been so supportive and encouraging week in and week out. People have helped out in so many ways, for the team and the club as a whole. We do appreciate everything all of you have done, and your children love the fact you have been part of things too! Many thanks to each and every family for your support and encouragement.

Whilst I get the joy of working with our players each week, it doesn't happen alone. We are so fortunate that in Amanda (Becker), we have such a fantastic team manager. Week in and week out, she ensures that everything we need as a team is in place and every job that needs to be looked after is covered. I know that she has made my job, as coach, so much easier, knowing that everything else is looked after. Being manager can be challenging at times, but Amanda has done a brilliant job and has ensured we can provide the best experience for your children. Thank you so much, Amanda, for everything you have done throughout the year!

I also want to thank Grace Elliott, Kathryn's older sister, who has been a regular helping out with training and on game day (particularly on days when we had to split into 2 teams and needed a second coach), stepping into the role of assistant coach. I have appreciated all her help and it has enabled us to help our players learn their skills even better and improve even more! Thank you Grace!

We have had a fantastic year this year and I hope everyone involved enjoyed the season. There is a hint of sadness farewelling our players who will move up to Under 10s next season, but I look forward to following their efforts as they progress through the club and shine as players! I look forward to the possibilities that next year will bring and to seeing everyone involved next season!

Thanks for a fantastic season, enjoy Christmas, New Year and the break over summer and look forward to seeing everyone next year!

Andrew



Planting Under 8s Micro Mini Stingers

#	Player	Profile
1	Harley	In his 2 nd year with the club, we have watched as Harley has gone
-	Chappell	from strength to strength as a player. He is a passionate and
	Onappen	confident young player whose skills continue to grow and develop.
2	Jacob	Harley is a promising young player who has lots to offer our club. Jacob's enthusiasm and excitement for footy is matched only by his
_		growing skills. A young player that is continuously learning about
	Bell	the game and keen to try new things. It is exciting to watch the way
		Jacob is already developing many advanced footy skills and does a fantastic job of making and creating space on the footy field.
3	Aramis	Aramis is a confident young player who is a real asset on the footy
3		field. One of a number of experienced players in our young side,
	McEwan	who joined us from Pittsworth this year, he has done a great job
	D	fitting into our side and continues grow and develop in his skills.
4	Benjamin	Ben started the year as one of our youngest players and one of our first crop of Under 6 players. Across the year, we have seen Ben's
	Steinberg	skills and confidence grow and he does a great job of getting
		involved in the game.
5	Billy	Billy has continued to flourish in his second season with the club.
	Humes	His skills continue to grow and develop as he becomes more adept at the game. He is one of a number of our really exciting young
		players who have the potential to go a long way in footy.
6	Finn	Another of our younger players who joined us this year, this season
	O'Mara	has seen Finn really grow and develop as a player. It has been great
7		to see him grow in confidence and improve in his footy skills. One of our Pittsworth additions, Kenadi is an energetic player who
<i>'</i>	Kenadi	has grown in his skills as the year has progressed. I look forward to
	Hindmarsh	watching Kenadi as he develops as a player, particularly with the
		boundless energy he has at his disposal!
8	Masyn	Masyn is one of our younger group of players who we have seen learn and develop his skills as the year has progressed. It has been
	Hindmarsh	great to see how he has grown in confidence and a willingness to
		give things a go.
9	Kathryn	Kathryn decided early in the year to follow in the footsteps of her
	Elliott	older brother Sam and give footy a shot and we have seen the way she has blossomed as the year has progressed. Her confidence has
		grown and with it, her skills have come along in leaps and bounds
		across the course of the season!
10	Ethan	Across the course of the season, we have watched as Ethan, one of
	Payne	our second season players, has grown in confidence, skill and
		determination on the footy field. His small stature ensures oppositions underestimate him and do so at their peril as time and
		time again he has shown his skills and determination. Definitely one
		of a number of our players to watch as he makes his way up the club
		ranks!

#	Player	Profile
11	Kyeson Malone	Kyeson, a new addition to our ranks this season, was growing in confidence and skill across the season, really settling into the team and enjoying his footy. Unfortunately, a broken leg prevented him from playing the final weeks of the season but we do look forward to next year and the promise that is ahead!
12	Casey Smith	Casey was another of our new additions to the team this year. He holds a lot of promise and we look forward to seeing how his skills develop over the coming seasons. A number of factors hampered his ability to play in a number of games across the season.
13	Zac Turner	Zac has been one of a number of finds for us, as a club, this season. His focus and dedication, at training and on game day, has been a real example to so many around him. We have watched his skills and confidence grow immensely across the course of the season!
14	Riley Becker	Riley has really grown as a footy player and team member across this season. One of our experienced players, continuing on from last season, he has worked really hard at training and this has paid off in the way he has improved and become a valuable player for us each week.
15	Cooper Erdmann	Cooper is a shining example of teamwork; always quick to offer to assist a team mate that is doing it tough. He has stamped his own mark on our team and footy and his skills have progressed strongly across the season. Always energetic and enthusiastic.
16	Jonte Sheldrick	As one of our longest serving players, Jonte brings a wealth of experience to the team. We have watched him continue to grow and mature in his skills and confidence across the course of this season.
18	Mason Taylor	Watching Mason develop as a player across this season has been a pleasure as a coach. We've seen him able to focus his energy and enthusiasm to grow into a talented player with really good skills.
19	Ezekiel Parsons	Another of our band of experienced players, back for his second season, Ezekiel is a player that we have seen continue to grow and develop as the season has progressed. His skills continue to get better and better and we have seen his game flourish with the confidence of experience on the footy field.
21	Lachlan Stevens	Lachlan started the season well and showed a lot of promise as the season got underway. He was learning and growing in his footy skills with each training session and game. Unfortunately, he only played the first half of the season but was showing promise in the games he did play.
22	Eli Turner	We have watched Eli really settle in and grow in her skills and confidence on the footy fields across this season after joining us at the start of the year. Eli's honesty and support of others have been trademarks of his first season with our club
23	William Turner	One of our younger players, William has really flourished as the season has gone on. We have seen his confidence grow and this has been reflected in his progressive improvement in his footy skills as the season went on.

#	Player	Profile
24	Aaron Convery	Aaron has grown into a confident young player since joining the club at the start of the year. His focus, particularly at training, is a fantastic example to his teammates. He has continued to develop and grow in his skills throughout the season and loves his footy.
25	Cooper Webster	Cooper has had a great season since joining our team early in the year. We've seen him really progress in his footy skills and found his place in the team. He is another player who shows his dedication and focus in training and his improvements in footy skills reflect this.
36	Owen Harper	Owen, in his second season with the team, has really grown and developed into a talented young player. His skills have gone from strength to strength this season. As one of our experienced players, we have seen him really step up and offer strong leadership amongst the team and really grow in his teamwork skills.
37	Amber Steinberg	Amber followed brother Ben to our team, moving from watching on the sidelines to getting involved and joining the time early in the season. After taking the step to join us, Amber has really bloomed as the season has progressed and it is exciting to see how her skills have grown as the year progressed.
	Jack Scott	Jack joined us mid way through the season. He was excited to play AFL, the game he loves, with others on a regular basis. He has thrown himself into being part of the team and has, in a short amount of time, developed into a handy footy player with a lot of promise.





The 10's began the season with a strong cohort from last season combined with a great new group of players coming up from the 8's. The team has played amazingly well all year.

The Under 10's work well together and their skills have continued to improve throughout the year. I think you would be hard pressed to find a team with more spirit when they all come together to sing the team song.

Christopher, with his magical hands, has marked or touched many a ball that was going to be a goal. David is always ready to listen and do his best in each and every game. Rachael's kicking game has always been good but now she can go from tackle to tackle, shutting down the opposition's play. Charlotte is eager to get in and get the ball at all times. Staying on her feet was our goal this year.

Phil is a strong player and his skills have improved significantly. He knows when to use his quick short plays, instead of the "kick and pray". Sam is another really strong player and the opposition just can't stop him. He is quick, great with the ball and a strong tackler. Lawson always puts in a great effort every game and his good nature makes every game fun.

Nick is a fabulous player who is great in all positions and can use either foot to achieve the desired goal. Alex, another great player, can play the ball quickly when under pressure. His quick disposals have been a focus that we have been training for. Jack R has been an asset on the field and is an awesome tackler. He is always ready to help me get the message out 'to spread out and mark up'. Clayton is always in the middle of the action and it's great to see him score a goal over the big opposition members.

Ricki is a great player and a Stinger through and through. Even when he was unable to play because of injury, he was there to assist me with the coaching. Jack B is only new to the team but has become a great player already. His skills are always improving, making it harder for the opposition each week. Joss played up this year, and is a 'little bull dog' and one of the best tacklers we have. If the ball is close, Joss will be on it. Hayden is another great all-rounder who is good in any position. He might be smaller then some players but his skills surely aren't.

I think the highlight of the 2014 season for me has been seeing the cohesive play from all members of the team, especially when they put into practice all of the things we do in training. In one game in particular, all the players spread out over the field and we were able to keep the ball in our forwards and centre for the full quarter – it shows just how much they are maturing as a team.

It has been a pleasure training the kids this year and I hope they have had as much fun as I have.

Nathan Burns Under 10s Coach

#27 CHRISTOPHER BAULD

Throughout the 2014 season, Chris has proven himself to be the ultimate defender. He has established himself in the backs and clearly loves to play in this position. Although Chris is a quiet achiever, he gives his all to the team each and every week.

#29 JACK BECKER

A welcome addition to the Under 10s team, Jack is eager to learn and develop a range of skills. He has shown great progress in ball handling skills and increased confidence in defensive play and tackling. No doubt he will continue to hone these skills in the next season.

#5 DAVID BELL

David has matured throughout the year and has grown to become a strong presence in the Under 10 team. He is a reliable player and it has been wonderful to see his skills develop through the season as he has gained confidence in the older age group.

#35 RACHAEL BURNS

Rachael began this season with a certain apprehension when it came to tackling. She has matured as a player and is now keen to move from one tackle to the next, quickly shutting down the opposition. Her strong kicks regularly catch the opposing team off-guard as they watch the ball sail over their heads.

#38 CHARLOTTE COLLINS

It was great to see Charlotte return to the club for her second season. She is a strong player, especially when she stays on her feet, and has honed her on-field skills very well this year. A great addition to the team, Charlotte continues to improve game after game.

#28 PHILLIP DONALDSON

Phil is always a strong player with impressive ball skills. He has matured throughout the season and this is evident in the way he can use the advantage of short play to another team member. He is a passionate player and his sportsmanship has developed very well throughout the season.

#30 SAMUEL ELLIOTT

Possessing ball skills, Sam is a valued member of the Under 10s team. He is well suited to all positions and strongly contributes to each game. His calm nature and sportsmanship are an asset to the team.

#32 LAWSON HERBERT

Lawson has shown ongoing improvement in both his kicking and tackling skills. His easy-going nature and fun spirit remind his teammates to focus on the spirit of the game, rather than on the outcome.



#26 NICHOLAS MAXWELL

Just like his namesake, Nick is a talented young player and a valued addition to the team this year. He has excellent ball skills and on-field awareness and demonstrates outstanding sportsmanship week in and week out.

#3 ALEXAVIER MCEWAN

Despite being hindered by injury, Alexavier has been a strong on-field presence throughout the 2014 season. He has an unmatched ability to dispose of the ball under pressure and this has contributed to some awesome on-field success. His enthusiasm was obvious, returning to play even while still recovering from injury.

#31 JACK RATTRAY

Jack has a strong on-field presence and has shown significant improvement this year. He is one of the best tacklers on the team and has a great awareness of what is required of the team – something he communicates to the others very well. Jack is possibly the strongest singer the team and always leads the team song!

#39 Joss Ronan

Joss has played up into the Under 10s this year and has never looked back. He is a fantastic player with a strong hunger for the ball. He shows no fear or hesitation when matching it with the bigger players and has been a welcome addition to the side.

#40 RICKI STEINBERG

Ricki has great team spirit and has developed his skills brilliantly this season. Despite being unable to play due to injury, Ricki has faithfully attended training and games, stepping confidently into the role of assistant coach in the latter half of the season.

#33 HAYDEN STEVENS

Hayden is a great little player that has it all. He is fast, good on his feet, can tackle the bigger opposition and has a strong kicking game as well. Hayden has made a big impact with the Stingers.

#34 CLAYTON TAYLOR

This year, Clayton's on-field presence has improved hugely. Although small in stature, Clayton is a fierce competitor and gives his all to every play, resulting in a huge impact on the game.

Coach's Season Report



Under 12s

Year in Review - Under 12's

The U 12's enjoyed a successful year finishing 5^{th} out of 10 sides. This was a fair reflection of the side's achievements as they were able to defeat all of the sides below them but none of the sides above.

The 12's played an open style of footy, one based on finding space and running into it. This style maximised the "strengths" of the side, namely a number of free running players and attempted to address our main weakness, the lack of "big" players.

To an extend this strategy was successful as we were able to totally dominate many sides resulting in very dominant wins. When playing to their strengths the Tigers U12's played some great football, with the ball moving quickly and effectively down the field. It was a joy to see the Tigers in full flight, using the full extent of the field to create scoring opportunities for those streaming forward.

Jack Briskey, in particular was able to capitalise on this playing style, scoring many fine goals. Teams, at times, seemed utterly powerless to prevent this attacking brand of footy.

We did come unstuck somewhat when facing bigger, more physical opponents who were able to shut down our running players and dominate the contests for possession. Still some of the best games of the year were played against the sides who finished above us. In particular the first round games against the Bombers and Demons were full of skill, character and courage with the Tigers in striking distance well into the final quarter of these games.

The two wins against Coolaroo and the final effort against Goondiwindi at Goondiwindi were personal highlights. Here the Tigers fought hard early to implement the game plan and once the ascendancy was gained, quickly settled into full flight to record impressive performances.

The Tigers have a number of U11's in their side and these players will only benefit from the experience gained in this season and emerge stronger and better prepared for the physical contest footy at this level can involve. Those stepping up to the next grade have the skill and ability to really make a difference in the higher grades.

So much to look forward to.

May I take this opportunity to thank my Co-Coach Lawrie Price and assistant Michael Andrews whose assistance and wise counsel proved invaluable throughout the year. To Danika Vermeule who completed all the paper work required at this level with precision you have my eternal thanks. To those parents who assisted with the oranges/washing jerseys and generally supported their sons and daughters many thanks. May I also than the players whose commitment and dedication to playing 'our way' was instrumental in ensuring 2014 was a great year.

Paul Herbert Coach.





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#	Player	Profile
1	KIERAN DONOGHUE	Kieran continues to develop as a player and he has played some very good footy in season 2014. He has adapted to the free running game plan of the Tigers and as a result has plenty of opportunities come game time.
3	WILLIAM STEVENS	A new player to the Tigers, Will has really got involved in the game. A very good crumber he has picked up the 'scraps' in many a forward contest and as a result is a valuable player in the forward pocket. A great team player, Will has done very well in his debut season.
4	JACOB PAYNE	Another who strives to give his best each and every week. Jacob is developing his skill set and improving all the time. He displays a surprising turn of speed, which he uses to his advantage. Possessing pleasant disposition Jacob has had a solid year with the Tigers.
5	TIARNA JERICHO	A very talented player Tiarna has a big impact on the team when she is available to play. Quick and possessing a good understanding of the game Tiarna is fierce competitor and can be relied upon to 'get stuck in'.
6	MAX VERMEULE	Max has had a strong season and has developed well as a player. Consequently he has played many strong games especially in defense. He is a second year player and his all round game has matured considerably. A solid kick Max can be relied upon to get the ball downfield.
7	MARK GUTHRIE	Mark has stepped up from the U10's and his game has developed as a result. Very fit, Mark can be relied upon to run all day. He has worked hard on the field to increase his involvements, and as a result he is showing much potential as a player.
8	REAGAN COSGRIFF	Fortunately for the Tigers, Reagan came across from the Pittsworth Power and has added significantly to the running game the Tigers try to play. Quick and elusive when the ball is in space Reagan is invariably first there, and as a result our game plan can be executed. A very valuable player.
10	JACK BRISKEY	Jack has had an outstanding first year of footy. Tall and quick Jack's booming kick and strong physical presence has ensured that he dominates games on occasions. The teams leading goal scorer by a long way Jack has a bright future in the game. The club has been very fortunate to have secured his services in season 2015.

#	Player	Profile
11	ALEX MEYERS	Another who has taken his game to a new level this year as the Tigers endeavour to play a more open game exploiting the space available on the field. He has developed into a very solid winger and understands the key concepts of leading into space. As such he secures many possessions per game.
12	SELINA HERBERT	Selina has had an outstanding season. No other player has been able to implement the Tigers game plan better than Selina. The ideal Winger, fast and fit Selina can be relied upon to run all day and alternate between attack and defence. A dedicated trainer she works hard at her game and has reaped the rewards.
13	JORDAN VERMEULE	Jordan has really developed in season 2014. His move to the ruck has been an added bonus and he has been a revelation in that position. His size and big kick are real assets and together with Jack he gives the side two genuine 'big men' targets for our swift players.
14	LACHLAN SHELDRICK	Lachlan has a lot of potential as a player and he is developing this slowly but surely. When Lachlan is on his game he is strong, possessing very good skills and a great kick. As this is his first year in the U 12's he will only develop further and should dominate games.
15	WILLIAM SULLIVAN	A tenacious player Will strives to have an impact on the game. A very good defender and keen for the contest, Will is always involved in the game. He has had a solid year and will be one of the teams leading players next year.
16	GABE STOWER	Another who's game is developing nicely as he transitions from U 10's to U12's. A committed player who doesn't like to be dominated on the paddock, Gabe's tenacity sees him win many 50 50 contests. I expect Gabe to be a leading player in season 2015.
18	WILLIAM MAKEJEV	Fiercely competitive Will is the ideal Centre Half Back. Strong and committed he has stifled many an attacking raid. Another who has stepped up from U 10's Will has quickly become a leading player in the side. He has had a very pleasing season.
20	ALEX ROOK	Alex has had a strong year. He possesses good skills and has been a strong target in the forward line. He invariably attracts two defenders and frees up space for the crumbers in the side. Alex has also scored a number of goals this year and can be very pleased with his year.
21	RAY HAMILTON	Fiercely competitive Ray does not like losing and plays accordingly. A very strong kick and able to bust the tackle, Ray's efforts, particularly in defence, has saved many a goal from being scored. Ray has enjoyed a solid year and the team is better for his presence.

#	Player	Profile
23	CONNOR LARSON	Connor is keen to improve his game and works hard at it. Tall and fit he can play the open style of game the Tigers employ. He secures plenty of involvements and as long as he continues to work hard on his skills will be a real thorn in the side of opposition teams next season.
24	GABRIELLE Martens	While Gabie has only played a handful of games she is a whole hearted player who has slotted into the team well. A keen trainer always eager to learn, she has improved her skill set no end and it is hoped she will continue her involvement next year and reap the rewards for her efforts.
25	NOAH SHEPERDSON	A solid and competitive player Noah strives to play a good game each and every week. He has improved his focus as the season has progressed and as a result is playing his best footy at the right end of the season. Noah is another who will benefit immensely from his first taste of real footy and should be a real strength next year.
37	NATHAN ANDREWS	Possessing a very advanced skill set Nathan is a player of some ability and even greater potential. As he matures he will lead this side in the years to come and really dominate the game. Able to kick with both feet and a very strong mark Nathan has had a fine season adapting well to the game plan.

Tigers Under 12s 2014



U14 TIGERS

COACHES REPORT - SEASON 2014

We have had a fantastic season of footy with our Under 14's this year. Our close finish in the finals series was definitely a highlight. It's great to finish with not just a good game, but to see the whole side dipping in and doing their best – the never give up attitude of this team has been the talk of the League this last week, and something that everyone should be proud of.

It's true that none of our current members have ever played in a final's match, and I am sure that each player is now more committed to come back next year with even more determination and passion to take their game to an even higher level.

I'd like to thank Nev for his efforts this year in coaching the team. I don't know a more passionate football person - I'm sure most would not be aware of the actual time he spends every week getting the team ready for our next encounter, whether its planning new drills, uploading video, studying stats or line-marking, he is a fantastic asset to the TAFC, so a huge thanks Nev!!

Thanks are also in order for our manager, Kym Barnsley and Ari Terauds our runner and motivator, along with all the parents who help out where they can. Your help is really appreciated.

Lastly, I'd like to thank the entire playing group for your attention, commitment and love of footy. I have enjoyed every minute of coaching you guys – if you have had half as much fun as me, then you are definitely a winner!!!

Up the Tigers!!!!!

Jeremy Sheldrick Under 14's co-coach





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U14 TIGERS

CO-COACHES REPORT - SEASON 2014

Season 2014 was a great year for the under 14s. New footy uniforms at the start of the year at jumper presentation. Coming out looking great as Tigers. Then going through the home & away season with just 2 losses to University, as our game against Dalby was washed out.

Our playing numbers throughout the season were fantastic and we were continually having to ask our players to pull on the opposition colours. We ended up playing 26 players for the year and had 23 available for the preliminary final.

We have had good numbers at trainings which has made drills and game based plays much more enjoyable and also much easier for coaches to direct. The group of boys and Amber seemed to have got along pretty well, especially after the team bonding days run throughout the year.

Our finals experience this year was very mixed to say the least. Not one of the team had played in a football final before and the first game against Dalby looked a bit like it. We were completely outplayed and lost quite heavily. We then had to regroup and play University in the preliminary final. We had lost to Uni twice by 69 pts and 53 pts respectively so the mindset was going to be telling. To the teams credit they came out and played their best game of the year, especially the final quarter. We were 36 to 18 behind at 3/4 time and had opportunities to hit the lead but just couldn't quite get there, finally missing out by 1 solitary point.

What this showed is that we have a very determined group that showed that they can stick it out when times are tough. Unfortunately we didn't get the ending we wanted but hopefully it will hold the group in good stead at some time in the future. Many lessons to be learnt from that final game.

I certainly enjoyed coaching along with Jeremy this year and we were wonderfully supported by Kym Barnsley as manager, and from Ari Terauds as runner. I would also like to thank the many parents helped with the many other duties involved, whether they were videoing or waving the flags, water carrier or running, you know who you are and thank you.

Finally a big thank you to all the players who played in the 14's this year, you have all come a long way and have made your parents, families, club and coaches proud of your efforts during the season, hopefully you all return for a bigger and better season next year.

Neville Jericho Under 14s Co - Coach

U14 Player Profiles



#I NICK GALEA	It was great that Nick hasn't had the injury interrupted year that has previously been so frustrating. This has allowed him to put some good solid games together and is regaining his confidence to play great footy. He has all the skills to be a big part of the U16s next year. Well done Nick!
#2 JARROD DONOGHUE	Has the ability to find the open spaces but needs to take his marks to stop putting pressure on himself. Talks a lot on the ground - which is good. Maturity, will ensure that Jarrod keeps it positive and encouraging. Looking forward to what Jarrod can do in the 16s next year.
#3 ADAM MARTENS	A good determined small forward, that thrives on the contest. Sometimes has a rubber chest that then creates more pressure than is needed. He can kick a great drop punt when he put his mind to it. Keep at it Adam, as you will be another key player for season 2015.
#4 AMBER HALL	Amber had a breakout game playing for Goondiwindi early in the year. Great defensive attitude and a drive to be competitive is a great attribute. Kicking is really starting to improve and more work will get Amber into the future women's team. In the later part of the season, Amber has proven to be one of the strongest overhead marks in the team.
#5 WILL HORIGAN	Will's first year for the team and an ardent Tiger's follower. He came into the team as a skilful winger who can go forward and find goals. A good quick left footer who carries the ball and delivers.
#6 BEN MANSON	Unfortunately Ben's year was cut short by injury, after he had continued on from where he left off last year with his good in and under style of footy. Looking forward to next year for Ben.
#7 BAILEY ERDMANN	First year of footy and has come a long way. Great at getting in and under. Gets caught holding the ball a bit still. Need to keep working on that awareness and your game will really go places. Keep up the good work Bailey!
#8 KADEN FLETCHER	Kaden has really applied himself well this year and the improvement is evident. Now just need to build that frame to become a bit bigger so he is not pushed around so easily. Kaden's commitment to trainings has really helped in his development.
#9 SAM HUTSON	Sam has developed into a solid defender this year after playing midfield in the 12's. His fitness and determination has been a strongpoint for Sam. A stalwart for the Stingers and Tigers, Sam will no doubt be a key leader in 2015.



U14 Profiles

#IO AIDEN EDWARDS	Finishing with 50 goals for the season and leading goal kicker for the league really states that Aiden has had a good season. 16 goals at Goondiwindi was a highlight. Marking and strong accurate kicking has been a major strength, along with his ability to continue to run.
#II CAMPBELL FRANCISCO	Campbell's first year of footy has seen improvement and is slowly gaining confidence to match it with opponents. Still needs to work on his kicking and handballing, but that will come with more experience. Keep at it Cam, and enjoy your footy.
#12 ETHAN HINTZ	Ethan has really started to come along this year. A good competitive player who really tries hard. A great small forward or back, has given good versatility for the team. Good legs and determination, great season Ethan.
#13 BRADEN JERICHO	A good year for Braden in the midfield and as a small forward. His clean hands and good delivery of the ball are key to his game. Has become a very good inside player with plenty of the little things getting done.
#14 CHRIS DONALDSON	Has come a long way this season in development. A good defender who rarely lets his opponent have an easy possession. Looking forward to further development next year.
CALAN WILSON #15	Another great year from Cal. His reading of the play has been vital for the team's defence with many opposition attacks being repelled from Cal's run out of the backline. An excellent year from Cal.
#16 ERIC RATTRAY	Another great year from Eric getting in and around the packs. A strong mark and a great decision maker helps to set up many attacks. Has been a good leader of the team.
#17 HARRY BARNSLEY	Also played forward and back when needed showing that versatility. Overhead marking has been a great improvement this year and a solid contributor to the team's success.
DOUDLE DYLAN #18	Dylan was having a great year when a couple of big knocks set him back at bit. Look forward to you regaining that confidence again because you have many very useful skills. Still plays an important part in the team, and is always asking for feedback on how to improve his game.
#19 LUKE SAFFRON	A good year from Luke in defence using his long left foot kick, clearing the ball on many occasions. Luke's speed has surprised the opposition on many occasions, combined with an elusive step, making him hard to tackle.

JACK ZHEFDLICK # 50	A big strong player who has played up front and back throughout the year. When Jack puts his mind to it, he can really change a game. Great skills with hands and feet.
#21 Brenton dierke	Brenton's fitness and strength is his greatest asset. Probably runs too far at times with the ball and needs to quickly assess options up forward. Kicking has improved this year but still a way to go.
#22 ANGUS BARNSLEY	Has had the ability this year to play both ends of the field when needed. Certainly can see that the u16 games have really helped in development. He has really lifted this year to be a good solid footballer.
#23 ADDISON McEWAN	Addison has had an up and down year, and tried his best when he could play. Addison has been an asset to the Tigers in helping out around the club with umpiring of junior games, which has been very much appreciated.
#24 Toby Milburn	Toby was coming along and improving quite rapidly this year until injury ruled him out in the second half of the season. We look forward to Toby's continued application to training and improving next year.
#25 JACOB MARTENS	Didn't have Jacob for the entire year, but when he has played has made an impact. A great vertical leap and a strong left foot (need to get it a bit lower) have been great attributes to the team.

THANK YOU

"Thank you" to the Under 12 players who played up in the Under 14s this season, allowing us to field a stronger side each week.



COACHES REPORT - THE SEASON IN REVIEW

#5 NATAN AGROTIS	One of our smaller defenders, who joined the boys for the second half of the season. Put in his best efforts to get to the contest and win the footy, with a little bit of experience of the game in younger years. His growth this year has been positive. Great fellow that's willing to learn and ask questions. Hope to see you back next season. A pleasure to coach.
#9 JACK BARNSLEY	Jack, found it difficult to commit all season, through other adventures in his life. He played at least a half a dozen games this season, and when he did he didn't disappoint. A tall defender who enjoys bringing the ball to the ground and having some run off the half back flank. Contributed enough throughout the year to reach his 100 games for the club and help the Tigers form a U16's side after 2 seasons without. Thanks Jack and all the best.
#8 TIM HALL	Timmy what can I say. A player who puts his head over the footy time and time again. Cannot teach a young man to do that, he just has the mindset to win the ball at all cost. A midfielder who is versatile as a defender as well. Tim's only Achilles heel is his awareness at times of knowing how much time he has to dispose of the football. This boy is still a U16's next year and is easily the most improved player in the squad. Tim, 2015 is a must play and only a stone's throw away from playing senior footy.
#15 MARK JAMBUNATHAN	Mark, first season of Aussie Rules, didn't let yourself down, your coaching staff or team mates. This boy's ability to be at the contest and bring the footy to ground is special. Played most of the season as a key defender with a footballer's physique and a lot of run in his legs – he dominated regularly. Some work to do in disposal of the ball, that will come as you continue to play. Fair player and a gentleman, but Mark I'd like to see the psychopath in you. Enjoy your footy, thanks.
#23 CALEB JENKIN	Although unavailable for most of the season, you are a big fellow that plays forward and makes a great contest and a focal point for his midfielders delivering the ball from the centre. Another great lad that has put his hand up and helped the Tigers put an U16's side on the paddock this season. I'm so grateful for that and so are your mates around you. Hopefully 2015 will see more of you. Cheers Chewy.
#24 CHRIS PENN	First season in the game – Big Boy, Big Frame and most importantly has a heart as BIG as the club combined. This young man has got all the ability to be a strong footballer. Another that asks questions, willing to learn. Played him forward to start his season then realised, could be formidable as a second ruckman around the ground. The more football experience this lad has the better he will get. Great first season Chris, you and your family stay involved in 2015 and part of a strong club going forward.
#7 KAIN SAYER	Another of our first season players of the game. Came to the club with little experience but improved week by week. Half back flanker who made every effort to be at the contest. Game by game this young man's hand skills and disposals of the ball increased considerably. A joy to have within the side and one who puts his teammates before himself. Stick with it Kain, you will have a lot of successful seasons ahead.

	Genuine tap ruckman, that can rove his own football and also give his midfields			
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#14	first use of the ball. Jonah can also play forward or back, capable of scoring			
JONAH	points. One of our 16 boys that had the opportunity to play seniors throughout			
STOWER	the year. Jonah just needs to adjust to his growing years and look after his body			
	so he is more mobile around the ground and have the ability to get to more			
	contests and stoppages.			
	Keen to go, then work commitments set in. Corey is a strong full / centre half			
#20	forward that enjoys putting an opponent to the sword. Unfortunately we only			
COREY	saw him for 3 games in the season, but when he was available, he showed up			
TAYLOR	kicking some majors for the side. Another of our tall lads who is moving from			
	the junior ranks to seniors. Would really love to see this boy use his ability and			
	size. Stay in the games and become a better player at seniors level.			
	New to the club, from down south and what a pick-up for the Tigers. No choice			
#10	but to play him on the ball, with will to outrun an opponent, win the ball, kick a			
BROCK	goal or hit a teammate on the chest. A young man who has a good awareness			
TURNER	for the sport, has seen him remove his 16's outfit and suite up every week for			
	his senior side. This boy, I believe can adjust easily to senior footy on the Downs			
	and should make the right choice and go forward. Thanks Brock.			
	Jack Wilson is a strong midfielder, who loves to be at a one on one contest. Puts			
#6	a physical bump on his opponent, win the all, talks a bounce and runs off. Jack			
JACK WILSON	also play's up front in the forward line, can take a grab and put it in front of			
J======	goal. The third of our 16's to play senior footy week in, week out. Jack has			
	adjusted well to the top side and will only improve from his experience this			
	year. GO Jack.			

AND, I would like to say a **BIG THANKYOU** to all of the U14 Boy's who come off the field every week and play a second game of footy.

All Season long the likes of:

Angus Barnsley, Harry Barnsley, Brenton Dierke, Chris Donaldson, Jarrod Donoghue, Will Horigan, Aiden Edwards, Sam Hutson, Dylan Doudle, Cal Wilson.

Your commitment to your U16's side and your club has been fully appreciated. Looking forward to seeing you all next year.

2014 Season Review – Under 16's

Season 2014 saw the club return to the Under 16 competition after a few years. Although we were short on numbers we managed to get enough players to enable us to register a team. The team turned out to be very competitive most of the time and we really improved as the year went on. With a lot of first time players and new players to the club, we were very impressed and encouraged by the way the boys went about it. We saw improvement in all the players during the season and we were so proud of the boys when they finally earned some reward winning their final game of the season. With the development of the older age groups within our club, we are very confident that the future of the senior team will be in good shape. It is our belief that there are definitely 5 or 6 boys that are capable of continuing on and playing senior football. This will add to the 4 boys that played senior football in 2014. Congratulations to Natan Agrotis, Jack Wilson, Jonah Stower and Brock Turner on playing senior footby.

With a large proportion of the boys being eligible again next season, it is important we continue to push all the boys so they can be the best player they can be. We are so proud of the boys and the standards they have set for the younger players, they have set the culture of the club and it is a great starting point for our continued history.

The coaches would like to thank all the boys for their effort and dedication in turning up ever week and trying their best. We would also like to thank the committee for all the support and the courage to nominate a team in difficult circumstances, definitely a risk that will reap great benefits in the not too distant future.
Chewy and Box

Onder 12-16 Awards Coaches Award

This Award is given by the Coaches for the overall development of the player throughout the season, his ability to train and his/her general willingness to do what was asked of him/her.

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		Goal-kicker	
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Awarded to UI2:	U14:	U16:	
		airest Award	
This Award is presented to t received throughout this sea		ored the most amount of Best & F	airest votes
Awarded to UI2:	U14:	U16:	





- Presentations to Coaches and team Managers
- Presentations to Committee Members
- Special Presentations to Volunteers
- Club Perpetual Trophy Sportsmanship Medal

Sportsmanship Award 2014

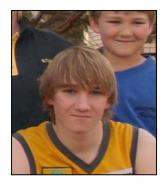
Background:

Kristjan Terauds and Andy Thomas were school mates in primary school and were team mates for the Stingers for a number of years, finishing in 2005. Andy went on to play 200 recognized games for the Stingers, finishing in 2008.

Both Kristjan and Andy willingly played for the opposition when the opposition was short, they helped out regularly with other teams by either playing up or running water etc., for other teams, worked together as team mates, respected their team mates, the umpires, their opposition, their coaching staff and the Stingers parents and supporters.

The awarding of these Sportsmanship Medals is in memory and honour of Kristjan Terauds who died tragically three seasons ago and in honour of Andy Thomas' commitment to the Stingers; two team mates who displayed exemplary sportsmanship and support for the Stingers Club.

The introduction of these two medals annually will recognize the sportsmanship and club support of two team mates within the club. These medallions are Sportsmanship Medal s and would be awarded to any 2 team mates in any one age group (from U8's to U16's), who are not necessarily the best players but showcase their sportsmanship, which is rarely recognized.



Kristjan Terauds/ Andy Thomas Team Mates Medal for Sportsmanship Season 2014



2011: Finn Collison and Sam Baldock (12's)

2012: Nic Galea and Jaydon Amon 2013: Corey Taylor and Jonah Stower

2014:

Awarded to:.....

Volunteer of the Year Award Season 2014

This Volunteer of the Year Award came about during the Stingers Future Workshop in 2009 and was first awarded in 2009. This Award is to acknowledge the huge commitment made by Club Volunteers, giving their time freely before, during and after footy season; as well as honouring the Thomas Family for their many years of service to the Stingers.

2009: Brett Kleidon2010: Yvonne Davis2011: Jenny Klein2012: Pru Rattray

2013: Neville Jericho and Kym Donoghue

2014:

Awarded		
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Former Stingers players playing for Tigers

Michael O'Donoghue jnr, Josh Andrews, Drew Gatfield, Aaron Gatfield, Michael Bailey, Chris Turpin, Ben Smith, Xander Taylor, James Adams



Some Past Stingers who played for Tigers

Cam Thomas, Andy Thomas, Josh Sugdeon, Matt Taylor, Sam Taylor, Hugh Sutherland, Jeremy Price, Lindsay Martin, Luke Adams, Michael Rae, Brad Dolley, Max Richardson, Nick Upton, Joe Fox, Dan Farr, Lachlan Gray,



Season 2014







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Saturday, 20 September, 2014

Rockville, Toowoomba

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