



## **Season 2016 Girls Annual Report**

It has been another successful girl's season for 2016, we introduced a fifth team and had 100 registrations.

The girls program is growing very quickly.

2016 season comprised of five girl's teams Under 12's brown, Under 15.3, Under 15.2, Under 15.1 and Youth team.

The Under 12's finished sixth on the ladder at the end of the home away season with 6wins and 7 losses

The Under 15.3 team finished the season in third place losing the Preliminary final by 7pts.

The Under 15.2 team finished the season in fourth place losing the 1st semi-final by 23pts.

The under 15.1 team finished the home away season in fifth place win 5 wins and 7 losses

The Youth team played in their first grand final St. Marys 8.9.57 defeating Ashburton 5.6.36. Excellent results girls you thoroughly deserved your victory.

The YJFL presentative team for girls Under 15's we had 12 representatives from St. Marys

Georgia Girolami, Bridgid McEntee, and Ebony Clayton they played in 1<sup>st</sup> XVIII and won the premiership.

Chloe Robinson, Trinity Mills, Frances Collis, Trinity Voisey, Sami Temple, Talea Page, Erin grant, Mikayla Plunkett and Indiana Murphy played in Division Two Northern Team.

In division two with Trinity Mills being Captain and won the Peter Johnstone Medal for the best player

Charley Mc Fawn made the Victorian metro state team with Olivia being made first emergency with Victoria defeating Western Australia.

Jess Fitzgerald selected to play in the Schools Sport Australia National Championships went through the competition undefeated beating W.A in Grand final great effort Jess and was one of their best players

YJFL League best n fairest

JYFL Competition place getters

Charli Sparks under 12's had a top the finish in her age group well done Charli!

Lanarose Piciaone under 15.3 had a top ten finishing her age group, well done Lanarose!

Jessica Simpson under 15.3 came third in the Best n fairest excellent Effort Jessica!

Jessica Fitzgerald under 15.2 came equal second with Sarah Sansonetti under 15.1, girls Div. 1 Brilliant effort Girls!

Charli McFawn Youth Girls came third in the Best n fairest excellent effort Charli!

Olivia McFawn Youth Girls Had a top ten finish in her age group, well done Olivia!

Trinity Mills won the Peter Johnson Medal in representing the YJFL in Div. 2, magnificent effort Trinity!

Charli, Olivia and Jess Hardy made the inaugural Youth Girls team of the year. Splendid Effort Girls!

Grand Finals;

The Youth team played in their first ever Grand Final St. Marys 8.9.57 defeating Ashburton 5.6.36. Excellent results girls you thoroughly deserved your victory.

### **ST.MARYS Watsonia Auskick**

Last week also saw a number of our **U15 girls players** help out at Watsonia North Auskick. Thanks heaps girls, I understand you represented St Mary's with pride. Our club is hugely supportive of the Auskick centres in our area and if anyone has contacts in this regard please let me know as we are always happy to help out wherever we can.

### **Cairns Footy Trip Yarrabah Indigenous Region**

30 club played embark of a famous and rewarding 4 day trip up to Cairns to play footy against a girls indigenous team.

### **Girl's day at Whatmough Park**

Last weekend saw all 5 of our girls teams run out on Whatmough Park back to back in our annual showcase of girl's football. With the weather finally turning it on the girls came home

with 4 wins out of 4 games – Go Girls. And yes, before you point out the math's don't add up – two of 15's girls teams played each other! Following the games, the clubrooms were packed to the rafters as we celebrated girls round in style with two brilliant guest speakers and the fantastic news that our members raised over \$6,700 for the McGrath Foundation.

### McGrath Breast Cancer Awareness Foundation

Congratulations to Bronte & Kerrie Van Eeken for all of your hard fundraising work raise in total \$6,700.00. As is customary, the celebration continues upstairs on Sunday night with 2 brilliant guest speakers joining us.

**Lance Picione**, former AFL footballer and founder of the charity, Love Me Love You will speak about his charity which strives for positive change through awareness, education and acceptance to remove the stigma associated with mental health, drugs, alcohol, eating disorders and life hardships – empowering youths to reach their potential in life. We will also be joined by **Monica Brennan**, a local athlete who has been selected to represent Australia at this year's Olympic Games in Rio. We are so fortunate to get such high caliber guest speakers at St Mary's and I encourage everyone to come along, not just the girls, to show your support and hear what they have to say.

Our inaugural Women's AFL footballer Rebecca Privitelli came and took two training sessions throughout the course of the season putting back into junior girls football.

### Diamond Creek Career pathway

We have forge a strong and beneficial relationship with the Diamond Creek Senior VFL Side. This will give our senior girls

finishing off their junior footy an opportunity to keep on playing football. Diamond Creek are one of the ten teams that are playing in the Women's V.F.L.

Chris O'Connor (Girls Coordinator) and Bernie Girolami (Girls Coordinator) developed a program to help develop girls footy at St. Mary's.

The following occurred;

- Developing relationships between the two clubs
- Forging a career pathway
- Big Buddy system
- Practice matches between the two teams
- Training sessions x 2
- Coaching Clinics Malcom Bangs Skills sessions offered to coaches

This relationship has been a work in progress and has developed nicely during the season.

It has been confirmed at this stage Olivia and Charley McFawn will play at Diamond Creek next season.

The following coaching and Team Managers appointments for season 2016 were;

| Coaches        | Team Managers   |                          |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Under 12.Brown | Ken Sparks      | Fiona Vaughan-Van Nieven |
| Under 15.3     | Bernie Girolami | Peter Simpson            |
| Under 15.2     | Chris Collier   | Tash Mills               |
| Under 15.1     | Leigh Picioane  | John Mc Entee            |
| Youth Girls    | Stewie Lewis    | Kerrie Van Eekan         |

## Best n fairest Winners

Youth

Under 15.3

1<sup>st</sup> Lauren Collis

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1<sup>st</sup> Jessica Simpson

2<sup>nd</sup> Jess hardy

2<sup>nd</sup> Megan Girolami

3<sup>rd</sup> Charley McFawn

3<sup>rd</sup> Lana Picioane

Under 15.1

1<sup>st</sup> Sarah sasonetti

2<sup>nd</sup> Brigid McEntee

3<sup>rd</sup> Ebony Clayton

Under 15.2

1<sup>st</sup> Courtney

2<sup>nd</sup> Jess Fitzgerald

3<sup>rd</sup> Ally Waldron

## Coach's awards

Charolette Mikic

Bianca walker

Frances Collis

Chiara Scuderi

## Under 12.Brown

1<sup>st</sup> Ruby Lily Howse

2<sup>nd</sup> Charli Sparks

3<sup>rd</sup> Mikyala Stevens

## Coaches award Matilda Eames

Bernie Girolami Best Club man award goes to; Charley and Olivia Mc Fawn (identical twins)

Congratulations to all of the girls on another magnificent season. A special congratulations goes to our Youth league team on winning the grand final and representing the great St. Mary's Greensborough JFC with pride.

I would like to also thank the St. Mary's Football Club Committee for their wonderful support and encouragement in particular the

President Evan Butterworth, Football Director Glenn Costello and the Property Steward Anna Sturgess, none of this could have been achieved without you all.

Yours Sincerely,

Bernie Girolami, Girls Coordinator.

“St. Mary’s we stand Proud!”