



Stanmore Hawks FC

PLANNING FOR 2021

Youth Teams NPL2 (u13 to u18s)

We're almost there!

End of 2020 COVID-19 season

Sport has shown an amazing resilience to have survived the impact of COVID-19. In Football we have had the gamut of new rules to contend with and many changes to the draw. As a club we also had a team go into lockdown for 2 weeks. At times it felt like the season would stop but credit must be given to all the administrators, officials, volunteers, players and their families for fronting up each day no matter the challenge.

While one season is about to end the next is right upon us WITH NO TIME FOR A BREAK!

So what's keeps our club going and moving forward? .. Our club vision:

FOR OUR CLUB

- Develop our own players, less recruiting of others.
- Reputation for an excellent coaching environment.

FOR OUR PLAYERS

- Play at the highest level - some
- Play for Stanmore - more
- Stay in the game - all

What are the next key steps!

Preparing for the 2021 season

- Finalise our program details for 2021 including coaching appointments..
- Begin player retention processes.
- Conclude the current youth season and then begin player trials for 2021.



Our Technical Director
Gareth Long

Coaching Appointments for 2021

I was officially given the role of Youth Technical Director after all the coaching appointments were made for this season, so there was some trepidation around whether they would embrace my philosophy or simply get along with each other. I could not have been more surprised and delighted. We have an amazing supportive culture here at Stanmore Hawks FC and with this in mind it is my pleasure to announce the youth coaching appointments for 2021.

- Duncan Edwards - u13s
- Bill Condoleon - u15s and assistant for u13s
- Matt Licata - u16s and assistant for u14s
- Ross Anton - u18s and assistant for u15s

Will also be announcing soon our u14's coach who will also assist the u16s.

Our goalkeeping program will once again be run by Trinity Allen and our health/wellness by Steve Esposito.

Finally I would like to thank Ben Rollison for taking on our u14's recently to replace an outgoing coach. We also wish him the best for his work as our senior 1st grade coach. He steps down this year to test himself at a higher division in 2021. Karim Nasser, Andrew Swift (u15's coaches) and Dave Rezo (u16s assistant coach) are also leaving for new challenges and we thank them for their services.

Player Selections - existing players and new player trials

One of the most difficult things in any sport is the player selection process, especially in the more competitive end of the game. While everything we do is about player development we cannot ignore the fact that each game is about competition and winning.



The club's board decided early on this year especially when COVID-19 happened that we needed to start taking a longer term approach to planning. This resulted in a simple question that we ask relating to everything we do. "WHAT WILL THIS LOOK LIKE IN 3 YEARS TIME?"

So what does this look like?

We want to change a system that currently sees an annual turnover of players & coaches. Instead we want to develop our own.



EXISTING PLAYERS

- Our Youth Trials commence Tuesday 3/11.
- All current youth team players will receive an "End of Program" letter after the last game of the season, Saturday 31st October.
- For those players who are offered a position in the 2021 squad they must sign and return their "End of Program" letter along with a \$500 deposit before attending the 3/11 player trials.
- Player's not offered positions have the chance to trial on 3/11.
- Our aim is to retain a large number of youth team players.

NEW PLAYERS

All new players must register to trial by filling in our online form found on our website at www.fchawks.com.au/players/ . Below are the official trial dates that have been confirmed.

Tue 3/11 & Thu 5/11 - Steel Park, 531-565 Illawarra Rd, Marrickville

- U13s & U14s: 5.00pm start - 6.00pm end
- U15s & U16s: 6.00pm start - 7.00pm end
- U18s: 7.00pm start - 8.00pm end.

(All players must arrive 30min before start to register)

Sun 8/11, Mason Park (synthetic pitch) Underwood Rd, Homebush

- U13s: 10.00am start - 11.00am end
- U14s: 11.00am start - 12.00pm end
- U15s: 12.00pm start - 1.00pm end
- U16s: 1.00pm start - 2.00pm end
- U18s: 2.00pm start - 3.00pm end

(All players must arrive 30min before start to register)



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