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Chair Report

I am pleased to present the Chair's report for Capital Football, reflecting on the achievements and progress made during the 2023 season. This past year has been marked by significant growth and success across various facets of football in Canberra and the surrounding region.

We welcomed Ivan Slavich as CEO in early 2023 in a Full Time capacity to help stabilise the organisation and along with the Board help significantly reduce the deficit from 2022. In a short space of time Ivan hit the ground running and made significant progress on several fronts including bringing in a large amount of Corporate Sponsors in the close to 10 months he was in the job. The financial result for the year reflects our continued investment into Canberra United and our intention to facilitate a smooth transition to a new APL Franchise.

The 2023 season witnessed a remarkable surge in participation levels, with a notable 7% increase across all categories, totalling over 37,000 participants. Particularly encouraging was the 4% growth observed in our Women and Girls sector. This growth trend sets a promising trajectory for the upcoming year, with the aftermath of the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 expected to further bolster our numbers.

I extend my congratulations to the winners of our local competitions, from the National Premier League to our grassroots junior clubs and MiniRoos players. Our football community is the heartbeat of the sport in our region, and the unwavering dedication of our volunteers and committee members is truly commendable. Their tireless efforts embody the spirit of our game and contribute immensely to its growth.

The popularity of Futsal continued to grow in 2023, exemplified by the expansion of our Capital Futsal League (CFL) to include a secondary tier beneath the First-Grade competition. This expansion not only

provided additional playing opportunities for young athletes during the summer months but also fostered the growth of indoor football across Canberra surrounding Regions.

As per our debut year in 2022 the CFL competition was received very warmly by the Futsal community, culminating in two excellent Grand Finals at Daramalan College and the introduction of a new Futsal Charity Shield in memory of referee Cameron Shelton, who lost his battle with cancer in 2023. We are committed to continuing to advance the indoor game and hope to continue to build on that to make it a sustainable success going forward.

We also welcomed the merger of Capital Futsal and North Canberra Futsal to create our Junior Futsal League. This is a significant boost for Capital Football and Futsal in the region.

The organisation continues to grow with our Coach Education department offering development courses to build knowledge amongst our community coaches, enabling those to give back to their clubs and ultimately the players. The same is true amongst our match officials. We are aware that there is still lots of work to be done in this area and have started to address the lack of officials by implementing programs and procedures to increase numbers.

Kanga Cup continued to grow, having returned for the second year post-COVID with more teams and more participants enjoying the week-long festival of football in Canberra and bringing in millions of dollars to the ACT economy in what is traditionally a quieter time for businesses and accommodation providers in Canberra.

We saw 295 teams participate and approximately 4000 participants, creating a lively and eclectic atmosphere, and bringing that much-needed cash injection into the local economy, with thousands of

tourists descending on the Capital in the first week in July. We anticipate growing the competition to 300 plus teams for the 2024 edition, as the popularity of our game grows thanks to post-COVID rebound and the FIFA Womens World Cup.

Our Canberra United side saw us produce some attractive football and promote some excellent youth products, but unfortunately fell short of making the Liberty A-League finals despite some encouraging results towards the end of the year.

We thank our loyal and enthusiastic fans who continued to support the club. Our supporter base is also a huge part of our Club and would like to thank everyone that attended during the year.

We would like to recognise the ongoing support of Canberra United's sponsors, especially our major partners, the ACT Government, University of Canberra, Blumers, and Club Lime, who's continued support allows the team to continue to inspire the next generation of Matildas and grow women's football.

We would also like to thank our Capital Football sponsors ACT Government, Project Coordination, OPC, Local Peoples, PILA, ISC, Hellenic Club, Rex Hotel and various other corporate sponsors.

The Board made the difficult decision to transition the Canberra United Academy into a Talented Sports Program (TSP) to work in conjunction with our Clubs and Technical Department Staff. This move reflects the confidence Capital Football has in our clubs and club coaches to develop elite players within our Region. The introduction of current CUA players back into clubs will see a greater spread of talented players across the competition, whilst the TSP will still offer an opportunity for local players to play at the highest level. Capital Football remains committed to providing support to our Junior Elite athletes through a revamped TSP Program.

Owen Goldrick and Lauren Hargrave retained their positions in the FIFA International list of assistant referees, whilst Goldrick, Adam Powers, and Greg Taylor retained their positions on the A-League Men's panel of Assistant Referees. Nathan Shakespear secured a spot on the A-League Men's 4th Official panel for the first time. Reappointments of Georgia Ghirardello, Lauren Hargrave, and

Delfina Shakespear to the A-League Women's panels demonstrated consistent high performance.

On behalf of the Board and Capital Football I would like to thank all the businesses that supported one of our member clubs that has seen our game continue to grow in 2023, and who we will hopefully see return in 2024.

I also want to recognise our Life Members, Zone Representatives and Standing Committee members, plus tribunal members, clubs, presidents, coaches, players, match officials, volunteers, supporters and parents. Our Staff also play a significant role in our sport progressing and on behalf of the Board would like to thank each one of them for their contribution to the sport.

In terms of Board composition, at the AGM in May, I was elected as the only nomination put forward and I extend appreciation to outgoing Director Justin Webb having stepped down after a three year term. I would like to thank Justin for his service to the Board and as FARM Chair over a number of years. The Board filled the casual vacancy created by Justin's departure and filled two appointed Director roles. We welcomed new Directors Sarah Baker-Goldsmith, Libby Hovasapian and Frank Cachia who bring diverse expertise and perspectives to our Board. With these appointment it gives our Board composition 50/50 Split between Male and Female Directors.

In closing, I would like to extend my gratitude to all stakeholders, including volunteers, supporters, sponsors, and the broader football community, for their unwavering commitment and passion for the sport. Together, we can overcome challenges and build a solid foundation for the future of football in our region.

Angelo Konstantinou

Chair, Capital Football

2023 ACT SUMMARY





TOTAL PARTICIPATION

37,634

7%GROWTH
ON 2022

WOMEN & GIRLS PARTICIPATION 7,441

INCLUDES OUTDOOR, REGISTERED FUTSAL & SOCIAL



OUTDOOR AFFILIATED FOOTBALL

17,672 PARTICIPANTS



49 CLUBS





4,594 FEMALE (26% OF TOTAL)

SENIOR

4,436
PARTICIPANTS

MINIROS 8,404 PARTICIPANTS





YOUTH 4,832 PARTICIPANTS



FEI 1,

28%







1,231
REGISTERED COACHES
83% MALE
17% FEMALE



622
REGISTERED REFEREES
75% MALE
25% FEMALE

1,010 VOLUNTEERS 46% MALE 54% FEMALE

OTHER FORMATS

FUTSAL
2,169
PARTICIPANTS



50CIAL 6,026PARTICIPANTS



MALE



PARTICIPANTS
Includes Football Australia Sporting Schools, school competitions and school participation programs

COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROMOTIONAL EXPERIENCES 4,964
PARTICIPANTS

Participation







Charity Shield

The 2023 Charity Shield, played at Deakin Stadium, saw \$5,000 raised for Sock it to Sarcoma, a charity close to the heart of the Capital Football Community due in no small part to the legacy left by Referee Cameron Shelton who sadly passed away from Cancer in 2023.

Canberra Croatia took on Canberra Olympic in the Women's match with Canberra Croatia claiming the Shield with a narrow 1-0 victory in an exciting match at Deakin Stadium, the only goal struck two minutes after the half-time break by new Croatia signing Charli Mitchell.

The Men's Charity Shield went to *Canberra Croatia* as well, the League Champions prevailing after a win 4-1 win against Grand Final winners, Monaro Panthers, Daniel Barac increasing his Charity Shield goal tally to six with a brace in a match in which the Panthers ended with ten men after the first-half dismissal of midfielder Zac McLaren shortly after Michael John had equalised.

Men

Canberra Croatia 4 (Barac 6', 72', Seselja 42', Keir 66') Monaro Panthers 1 (John 20')

Women

Canberra Croatia 1 (Mitchell 47') Canberra Olympic 0

Men & Boys

NPL Men

The NPL Men's competition saw eight teams competing in the top tier for the 2023 season following the promotion of Tuggeranong United to the elite level. *O'Connor Knights* emerged as worthy Champions after an epic 21-round battle, claiming the League Championship crown and qualifying for finals football alongside Canberra Olympic, Gungahlin United and Canberra Croatia. West Canberra Wanderers were relegated to the Capital Premier League and will be replaced by Yoogali SC for the 2024 edition.

Sam Brown emerged as the hero for the second time in three weeks in the Grand Final as the Canberra Croatia goalkeeper saved from *O'Connor Knights* Harrison Palic to seal an epic 6-5 penalty shoot-out victory in the National Premier League showdown after the Croatian derby ended all-square at 1-1 after extra time at Deakin Stadium. It was harsh on Palic, the marauding Knights full-back who had opened the scoring in the seventeenth minute. Lukman Ahmed-Shaibu levelled the scores with his sixteenth goal of the season, the game ultimately being decided via the shoot-out.

O'Connor Knights 1 (Palic 17') Canberra Croatia 1 (Ahmed-Shaibu 34') – after extra time, Canberra Croatia won 6-5 on penalties

Player of the Match: Seb Arranz (O'Connor Knights)

Monaro Panthers shocked **Canberra Croatia** in the National Premier League under-23 Grand Final with a comprehensive 3-0 victory over the League Champions at Deakin Stadium. Despite finishing a distant sixteenpoints behind Croatia in the League table, the Panthers upset the apple-cart, winning their way from the Elimination Final, through the Preliminary Final, and on to ultimate Grand Final glory.

Canberra Croatia O Monaro Panthers 3 (Carr 4', Straub 43', Tine 80')

Player of the Match: Ryan Straub (Monaro Panthers)

Junior NPL Results

NPLB U13: Gungahlin United 2-1 Belconnen United

Player of the Match: NPLB U13: Andreas Kaskoutas (Gungahlin United)

NPLB U14: Canberra Olympic 0-1 Gungahlin United

Player of the Match: NPLB U14: Sebastian Paragalli (Gungahlin United)

NPLB U16: Canberra Olympic 3-1 Canberra Croatia

Player of the Match: NPLB U16: Liam Swann (Canberra Olympic)

NPLB U18: Canberra Croatia 4-2 Canberra Olympic (AET)

Player of the Match: NPLB U18: Riley Zsuzsa (Canberra Croatia)

CPL Men

Yoogali Soccer Club will be playing National Premier League football for the first time in 2024 after they claimed the Capital Premier League Men's title with a final day victory over Brindabella Blues securing the crown. Mason Donadel scored his sixth of the season inside the opening twenty minutes to spark the celebrations, Yoogali knowing only a point would have done, and doing enough thereafter to see off the Blues at arm's length for the rest of the afternoon. Queanbeyan City finished second, ANU FC third, and Brindabella Blues rounded out the finals.



Newly promoted **Yoogali SC** emphasised just what a threat they will be to the National Premier League next season with a convincing display in downing closest rivals Queanbeyan City 3-0 in a thrilling Capital Premier League Final in front of a packed Riverside Stadium on a gloriously sunny Spring afternoon. Joe Preece, named Player of the Match, scored twice, and created the other for Mason Donadel in a clinical display which, but for some outstanding goalkeeping from City stopper Nicholas Middleton, and some careless finishing, could have been even more comprehensive than the final scoreline suggested.

Queanbeyan City 0 Yoogali SC 3 (Preece 21', 87', M. Donadel 54')

ANU FC were a class apart in the CPL U23 competition, romping their way to the League Championship crown winning the title by a mammoth eighteen points after losing only two of their twenty-one fixtures. Yoogali SC ended the season second, above Brindabella Blues on goal difference, with their Riverina rivals, Wagga City Wanderers, completing the top four and earning a finals spot.

The League Champions winning **ANU FC** proved too strong for a gallant **Wagga City Wanderers** in an excellent Capital Premier League under-23 Grand Final, where two goals from Tim Lopez helped the University side to a 3-0 victory. Lopez struck either side of the half-time break to help seal the victory, but it wasn't without its moments of doubt, the Wanderers hitting the woodwork twice, firstly through a header from striker James Thomson, and latterly from a thumping drive from midfielder Zac Steele. Jack Gibson, who was a menace for ANU all match, got his reward, controlling a ball on the edge of the box, manufacturing space, and lashing a brilliant left-foot effort high into the top corner for his eighteenth goal of the season.

ANU FC 3 (Lopez 26', 65', Gibson 71') Wagga City Wanderers 0

Junior CPL Results

CPLB U13: Wagga City Wanderers 3-3 Brindabella Blues (Wagga win 5-3 Pens)

Player of the Match: Ciaran Luu (Brindabella Blues)

CPLB U14: Tigers FC 1-0 Tuggeranong United

Player of the Match: Ashton Stojceski (Tuggeranong United)

CPLB U16: Tigers FC 3-2 Wagga City Wanderers

Player of the Match: Vaughen Jenkins (Wagga City Wanderers)

CPLB U18: Tuggeranong United 0-4 Majura FC Player of the Match: *Dennis Ayo (Majura FC)*

Women & Girls

NPL Women

The NPL Women's competition saw eight teams competing in the top tier for the 2023 season and the League title was won in dramatic style by *Canberra Olympic* who edged out Belconnen United to claim the National Premier League winner's crown. Canberra Croatia and Gungahlin United completed the top four with West Canberra



Wanderers in the relegation position but reprieved with Canberra United Academy leaving the competition. Wagga City Wanderers were promoted, but later withdrew from the 2024 line-up.

Canberra Olympic claimed Grand Final glory to go alongside their League Championship trophy in a sevengoal thriller at Deakin Stadium as they defeated Belconnen United 4-3 in a superb Women's Grand Final to lift their fourth trophy in the past two seasons. Against an ever-threatening Belconnen side, Nicole Begg's players impressed once again by their efficiency and collective strength. The final was a positive example of Women's football at its finest with two high-class teams going toe-to-toe for the full duration of the match.

Belconnen United 3 (Backhouse 45', Yuen 51', Riethmuller 90+2') Canberra Olympic 4 (Gurney 21', Whittall 30', Cook 35', Ryan 55')

Player of the Match: Madelyn Whittall (Canberra Olympic)

Canberra Olympic were crowned Women's National Premier League Reserves League champions by winning the title by two points ahead of Canberra United Academy. Both teams were the standout in the division with third place Belconnen United thirteen points adrift of the Academy. Gungahlin United made it into the Finals by virtue of ending the campaign fourth.

Canberra United Academy shocked Canberra Olympic for the second time in the 2023 finals series, winning the Women's National Premier League Reserve Grand Final with a 2-1 triumph thanks to a brace of first-half goals. The Academy went in front when Tamara Cochrane nodded home from a yard, but it didn't take long for Olympic to level however, a pass behind the Academy defence freed the speedy Alexia Cerne who got to the ball ahead of Eliza Evans and finished in off the base of the 'keeper's left-hand post. The Academy were back in front six minutes before the interval when they were awarded a penalty for handball. Tiana Ruberto took the responsibility and struck her penalty low into the net.

Canberra United Academy 2 (Cochrane 22', Ruberto 38' (p)) Canberra Olympic 1 (Cerne 28')

Player of the Match: Eliza Evans (Canberra United Academy)

Junior NPL Results

NPLG U14: Gungahlin United 0-1 West Canberra Wanderers

Player of the Match: Amelie Moss (West Canberra Wanderers)

NPLG U15: Belconnen United 2-0 Gungahlin United
Player of the Match: Liliana Altamore (Belconnen United)

NPLG U17: Belconnen United 2-1 West Canberra Wanderers (AET)

Player of the Match: Emily Tozer (Belconnen United)

Australia Cup & Federation Cup





Australia Cup Preliminary Rounds

The Australia Cup Qualifying rounds saw *Canberra Croatia* clinch their place in the National Round of 32 by winning an excellent Final against *Canberra Olympic*, prevailing 4-2 in front of a packed crowd at Deakin Stadium. The reigning League Champions may have been suffering a loss of form in the local National Premier League competition, but they rediscovered it at precisely the right moment to take down who were the NPL League leaders at the time, off the back of a sensational opening forty-five minutes. A three-goal blitz in ten first-half minutes gave them a platform from which they never appeared likely to relinquish their hold on the Federation Cup despite a spirted and characteristic fightback from Olympic after the break, that was ultimately stymied by the reduction in numbers as Nathen Megic saw red for a second bookable offence.

Saturday 3 June 2023 - Deakin Stadium
Canberra Croatia 4 (Greco 21', Ahmed-Shaibu 24', Domenici 31' (p), Barac 90+1') Canberra Olympic 2 (Florez 52', Mellick 86')

Canberra Croatia were drawn away to New South Wales NPL club Mount Druitt Town Rangers in the national stage Round of 32 and put in a good performance, despite being depleted in numbers and relying on several teenagers within the group. They were in touch with their opponents for large parts of the match especially after Stephen Domenici struck a wonderful equalising goal just before the hour mark. In the end, the Rangers were too strong, but it took a couple of superbly taken goals to finally shake off Croatia's challenge.

Wednesday 4 August - Popondetta Park Mount Druitt Town Rangers 3 (Monohan-Vaiika 36', Frangie 76', 81') Canberra Croatia 1 (Stephen Domenici 59')

Australia Cup Qualifying Entrants

ANU FC Gungahlin United West Canberra Wanderers

Belconnen United Monaro Panthers Weston-Molonglo FC

Belnorth FC O'Connor Knights White Eagles

Brindabella Blues Queanbeyan City Woden Valley

Burns FC Tigers FC Yarabi FC

Canberra Croatia Tuggeranong United Yoogali SC

Canberra Olympic UC Stars

Canberra Juventus Wagga City Wanderers

Women's Federation Cup

A highly entertaining Federation Cup Final between **Belconnen United** and **Gungahlin United** ended with the Blue Devils bringing the silverware home thanks to a towering Talia Backhouse header deep into stoppage time at Deakin Stadium. The Blue Devils were forced to come from behind to win the match, Ginger Oliver putting Gungahlin ahead inside the opening twenty minutes of a breathless encounter. Two goals in quick succession from Lisa Cary and Perl Tein turned the match around, only for Oliver to equalise a minute into the second-half. Backhouse won it with a trademark captain's goal five minutes into added time.

Saturday 3 June 2023 - Deakin Stadium

Belconnen United 3 (Cary 26', Tein 29', Backhouse 90+5') Gungahlin United 2 (Oliver 19', 46')

Federation Cup Entrants

ANU WFC

Belconnen United

Canberra Croatia

Canberra Olympic

Canberra United Academy

Gungahlin United

Tuggeranong United

West Canberra Wanderers







Community Leagues

Project Coordination Junior Leagues and Miniroos

The 2023 Project Coordination Junior League and Miniroos season was a tremendous one for community football as Capital Football were able to provide a full eighteen round competition with a corresponding finals series for the Junior Leagues U16 and U18, despite some severe weather impacts.

The season commenced on 2 April with 242 Junior teams across twenty-three competitions in the U12-U18 age groups, and 198 Miniroos teams across fifteen competitions in the U10-U11 age groups. The season ended on 9 September with the Junior League Finals series.

Capital Football extends its thanks and appreciation to our League Sponsors, Project Coordination, our clubs, and the Junior League Standing Advisory Committee, for their hard work throughout the 2023 season, and we look forward to working with the committee in the 2024 season.

After an incredibly successful season that saw over 3,000 players take part across ten age groups and multiple divisions, the Champions of the 2023 Project Coordination Junior Leagues were crowned at Calwell Playing Fields. Congratulations to all Champions and Premiers, as well as those named as Player of the Match.

Junior League Girls U16 Division 1

BellaMonaro 4 Woden Valley Wolves 1 Player of the Match: *Bridget Pearce* (Woden Valley Wolves)

Junior League Girls U16 Division 2

Belwest Phantoms 7 Tuggeranong United Matildas 2
Player of the Match: *Hannah Sainsbury*(*Belwest Phantoms*)

Junior League Girls U18 Division 1

Radford College 4 Weston Molonglo Comets 1
Player of the Match: *Jenna Munro*(*Radford College*)

Junior League Opens U16 Division 1

Belsouth Strikers 3 Gungahlin United 0
Player of the Match: *Harry Berney*(Belsouth Strikers)

Junior League Opens U16 Division 2

Weston Molonglo Devils 1 Marist Sky 0
Player of the Match: Shuayb Abrar
(Weston Molonglo Devils)

Junior League Opens U18 Division 1

Marist Second XI 2 Canberra Grammar School 0
Player of the Match: Jacob Torres
(Marist Second XI)

Junior League Opens U18 Division 2

Belnorth Lions 2 Marist Third XI 1
Player of the Match: Angus Rees
(Marist Third XI)

Junior League Opens U18 Division 3

Canberra White Eagles 1 Brindabella Blues 0 Player of the Match: *Monty Uelese*

Senior Leagues

The 2023 Senior League season had a great start with numerous participants and teams returning to play football for another year. Thankfully, Capital Football were able to provide full eighteen-round competition in the 2023 season.

The Senior League started the season on 1 April with 148 teams registered in the Men's competitions and 59 teams registered in the Women's competitions. The Men's League had fifteen Divisions, and the Women's League had seven Divisions. A hugely successful season of competitions ended on 4 September with the culmination of the Final series.

Capital Football extends its thanks and appreciation to the Senior League Standing Advisory Committee for their hard work throughout the 2023 season, and we look forward to working with the committee in the 2024 season.

Capital Football crowned our State League and Community League Grand Final winners in the first weekend of September. Congratulations to all the successful teams and the respective Players of the Match.

State League Men's Division 1

Weston Molonglo FC Wanderers 4 ANU FC 2
Player of the Match: *Mitchell Steenbergen*(Weston Molonglo FC Wanderers)

State League Men's Division 1 Reserves

Weston Molonglo FC Wanderers 1 Weston Molonglo FC Magpies 0 Player of the Match: *Ryan Tredinnick* (Weston Molonglo FC Wanderers)

State League Men's Division 2

Brindabella Blues FC 3 ANU FC 1
Player of the Match: Lachlan Ainsworth
(Brindabella Blues FC)

State League Men's Division 2 Reserves

Brindabella Blues FC 3 ANU FC 2 AET
Player of the Match: Jack Cole
(Brindabella Blues FC)

State League Men's Division 3

Majura FC 3 Queanbeyan City FC 4 AET Player of the Match: *Michael Djordjieski* (*Majura FC*)

State League Men's Division 3 Reserves

Burns FC 2 Majura 1 AET
Player of the Match: Ruth Telfer (Burns FC)

Community League Men's Division 1

Burns FC win via Forfeit

Community League Men's Division 2

ANU FC 2 Canberra Juventus 1
Player of the Match: *Tom Elford (ANU FC)*

Community League Men's Division 3

Woden Valley SC 2 ANU FC 0
Player of the Match: Rashad Houzaife
(Woden Valley SC)

Community League Men's Division 4

ANU FC 2 Belsouth FC 0
Player of the Match: Scott Degaura (ANU FC)

Community League Men's Division 5

Narrabundah FC 3 Burns FC 2 Player of the Match: *Robert Thomas (Burns FC)*

State League Women's Division 1

UC Stars 1 ANU WFC 1 (UC Stars win 4-3 on penalties)
Player of the Match: *Bionca Knight (UC Stars)*

State League Women's Division 2

Wagga City Wanderers FC 2 Majura FC Margaritas 1
Player of the Match: *Grace Cooper*(Wagga City Wanderers FC)

State League Women's Division 3

Belnorth 2 Weston Molonglo FC 1 AET Player of the Match: *Melanie Lloyd (Belnorth)*

State League Women's Division 4

ANU WFC Strollers 1 ANU WFC The Runaways 1 (ANU WFC Strollers win 4-3 on penalties) Player of the Match: *Dhigna Rubiano* (ANU WFC Strollers)

State League Women's Division 5

Canberra Croatia FC 1 Gungahlin United FC 0
Player of the Match: *Emily Hazilias*(Canberra Croatia)

State League Women's Division 6

ANU WFC Sharkie's 1 Belwest Foxes SC 0
Player of the Match: *Iris Cavalerie*(ANU WFC Sharkie's)

Master League Men's O35 Division 1

UC Stars 4 ANU FC 2
Player of the Match: *Dale Ohlmus*(*UC Stars*)

Master League Men's O35 Division 2

Weston Molonglo FC 4 Monaro Panthers FC 1
Player of the Match: *Tom Gibson*(Weston Molonglo FC)

Master League Men's O45 Division 1

Weston Molonglo 0 ANU FC 0
(Weston Molonglo won 4-1 on penalties)
Player of the Match: James Baxter
(Weston Molonglo)

Master League Men's O55 Division 1

Woden Valley SC 2 Brindabella Blues FC 1 Player of the Match: **Brett Simpson** (**Brindabella Blues**)

Master League Women's O35 Division 1

Burns FC 3 Majura Medusas FC 3 (Burns FC win with 4-3 on penalties) Player of the Match: *Kim Williams* (*Majura Medusas FC*)

Summer Football

Summer Football has once again continued the success of the 2023 winter season, with over 6,000 registrations in competitions hosted by nine different clubs, listed below:

- ANU Women's FC
- Belnorth FC
- Brindabella Blues FC
- Cooma FC
- Gungahlin United FC
- Tuggeranong United FC
- West Canberra Wanderers FC
- Woden Valley SC
- Yass FC

Capital Football would like to thank the clubs above for their tireless work in delivering football over the summer.







Futsal





Capital Futsal League

The 2023/2024 Capital Futsal League season expanded its current competitions with the introduction of the Women's Reserve Grade and the Men's U23's joining the already existing Women's and Men's First Grade competitions. We had full ten round competitions in 2023 where all matches were played at our CFL location of Daramalan College (Daramalan Dome). The season ran from October 20 with the competitions culminating on Sunday 11 February where we saw four teams claim the Grand Final Trophy.

All 6 Clubs: North Canberra Fire, West Canberra Lightning, ANU Apex, UC Stars, Queanbeyan-Palerang Power and South Canberra Swift returned for the 2023/24 Season with all Clubs fielding teams in most of the competitions with 22 teams in total across the four age grade competitions. The 2023/24 Season saw plenty of highlights in the CFL with records breaking left, right and center to scintillating Finals matches, the 23/24 Season has put on a show and has demonstrated just how strong Futsal is in the ACT.

Women's Reserve Grade

West Canberra Lightning was awarded the Women's Reserves Grand Final title when their opposition, **North Canberra Fire**, forfeited on matchday.

	RESERVE GRADE WOMEN	Р	w	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	West Lightning All Age Women Reserve Grade	8	6	1	1	20	8	12	19
2	South Canberra Swift Futsal Club All Age Women Reserve Grade	8	4	3	1	31	14	17	15
3	North Fire All Age Women Reserve Grade	8	4	2	2	30	12	18	14
4	UC Stars Football Club All Age Women Reserve Grade	8	3	0	5	14	21	-7	9
5	QP Power All Age Women Reserve Grade	8	0	0	8	3	43	-40	0

U23 Men

A superb second-half performance from **North Canberra Fire** ensured that they would get their hands on the inaugural Men's U23 Capital Futsal League Grand Final with a blistering 7-1 win over **West Canberra Lightning** at Daramalan College.

A close, and even first-half, saw the Fire dominant in the early stages forcing Lightning goalkeeper Jackson White-Brettell to be the busier of the two custodians, saving brilliantly from Brad Malone.

Malone then fired wide from a presentable chance and the Fire were made to pay as Lightning struck the opening blow. A quickfire break saw Damian McKellar find Angelo Nguyen and the latter side-footed an accurate finish low into the bottom corner of the goal.

The lead lasted barely twenty seconds however as Fire equalised through a stunning strike from Elliot Alberto, the Fire player finding space on the right flank to thrash home a shot off the inside of the far post for his sixth goal of the season, and what proved to be parity at the half-time interval.

The first half showed little indication of what was to follow as Fire suddenly burst into life and ripped the heart out of Lightning with a succession of goals in rapid succession. Leon Thomson-Senanayake kick-started it with a thumping drive into the bottom corner past substitute 'keeper Beau Babyack.

Shortly afterwards a brilliant training ground free kick allowed Bradley Malone to increase the lead and, when Alex Powell drilled in a fourth following a Lightning mistake, it was game over. Tom Rush added a fifth, Tendo Katabazi buried a sensational sixth, and fittingly MVP Powell rounded it off with a super individual goal as Lightning played fly goalkeeper.

	U23'S MEN	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	ANU Futsal Club Under 23's Men	8	6	0	2	59	24	35	18
2	South Canberra Swift Futsal Club Under 23's Men	8	6	0	2	48	19	29	18
3	West Lightning Under 23's Men	8	4	0	4	31	39	-8	12
4	North Fire Under 23's Men	8	3	1	4	26	28	-2	10
5	QP Power Under 23's Men	8	0	1	7	11	65	-54	1





Open Women's First Grade

Defending Champions **West Canberra Lightning** made it back-to-back titles as they held off a fast-finishing **South Canberra Swift** to claim a narrow 2-1 success in an epic Women's Grand Final at Daramalan College.

The defending Champions got off to the perfect start by striking twice inside the opening three minutes of the match. It took just forty seconds for Lightning to grab the lead, a smart move ended with a slight bit of luck as a pass from Jennifer Bisset cannoned off the shins of Dianne Wilson and was slid home by Jamie Berkeley.

Just two minutes later Lightning had doubled their lead with a simple goal, but one of beauty. Brittany Palombi used her power to break down the left and cross low for Bisset to come charging in and turn the ball home from close range. Swift needed a response and got one within seconds of the restart. Sofia Palywoda who was outstanding all game was the catalyst, her pass finding Samantha Price in front of goal, with the experienced Price converting well under pressure.

After that, a Palywoda cross deflected off Wilson onto the outside of the post and Ellie Summers brilliantly denied Palombi, fingertipping a drive onto the crossbar as the half concluded with the Lightning holding a narrow advantage. The second stanza lacked for goals but not for excitement throughout twenty exhausting minutes. Both goalkeepers were forced into making superb stops as Emily Pearce, replacing Summers at the break, denied Madeliene Perceval before Nat Lacey dived low to keep out a Reilly Yuen piledriver.

Palombi hit the base of the post for Lightning and Isabella Barac fired over after Pearce had repelled a Bisset shot, but it was at the other end that the MVP was to be found. Lightning stopper Lacey saved a full-blooded effort from Yuen with her head and followed up by making match-defining stops from Yuen again, and Isabella Hindmarsh as Lightning held on.

	FIRST GRADE WOMEN	Р	w	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	West Lightning All Age Women Open Women	10	9	0	1	124	13	111	27
2	North Fire All Age Women Open Women	10	7	0	3	65	24	41	21
3	South Canberra Swift Futsal Club All Age Women Open Women	10	6	0	4	96	30	66	18
4	ANU Futsal Club All Age Women Open Women	10	4	0	6	48	55	-7	12
5	UC Stars Football Club All Age Women Open Women	10	4	0	6	46	64	-18	12
6	QP Power All Age Women Open Women	10	0	0	10	4	197	-193	0





Open Men's First Grade

The *UC Stars* completed an unbeaten season with a comprehensive Grand Final victory over *West Canberra Lightning*, claiming a 5-1 victory in the Men's Capital Futsal League showdown at Daramalan College. The Stars shone early and didn't take long to get themselves ahead on the scoreboard, setting the Final alight after just three minutes. Jamie-Lee Guo started it, intercepting a long ball with a precise header allowing Jayde James-Ward to draw the goalkeeper and find Nic Dahl who finished with composure.

Guo showed he was as good with his hands as his head when denying Daniel Fulton, and then Callum Smith, as Lightning sought a response. However, it was the Stars who were to grab the match by the scruff of the neck with a brace of goals within seconds of each other. Michael Rinaudo claimed the first, collecting a pass down the left flank and finishing with a low effort across Benjamin Southam and into the far corner of the net for his fifteenth goal of a productive campaign.

And the Stars went further ahead when the silky James-Ward netted his customary goal, pinching the ball off the toes of Fulton in front of his own goal, the tackle resulting in the ball finding its way past Southam as UC went three-clear by the break. There was no let-up by the Stars in the second half as they roared onto the attack straight from the re-start with Rinaudo forcing substitute goalkeeper Keegan Jackson into a pair of fine saves within the opening fifty seconds.

Rinaudo wasn't to be kept at bay for long though and he struck his second in the 23rd minute to increase the lead to four. James-Ward created it, finding Rinaudo who clattered a finish into the top corner. Luca Macor then saw a free kick blocked on the line by Chris Lee, before Lightning netted a fortuitous goal as Fulton saw a shot saved by Guo, the rebound bouncing off the Futsalroo international and into the empty goal. The woodwork took a pummelling at both ends after the goal as Ben Basser-Silk thudded a shot off the post, whilst Rinaudo and James-Ward both made the goalframe shudder. But Stars would seal the title when Macor finished off a Dahl pass to crown the University side as the 2024 Champions.

	FIRST GRADE MEN	Р	w	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	UC Stars Football Club All Age Men Open Men	10	9	1	0	79	30	49	28
2	South Canberra Swift Futsal Club All Age Men Open Men	10	7	0	3	51	44	7	21
3	West Lightning All Age Men Open Men	10	4	2	4	58	56	2	14
4	QP Power All Age Men Open Men	10	3	1	6	53	53	0	10
5	North Fire All Age Men Open Men	10	3	1	6	29	56	-27	10
6	ANU Futsal Club All Age Men Open Men	10	1	1	8	41	72	-31	4

Capital Football extends its thanks to all who were able to make these competitions possible and a special mention to our sponsors for the 2023/24 CFL Season. Xibit Printers, Monaro Panthers, and Deploy Footballs and of course for being able to provide live coverage for all matches in the First-Grade competitions, courtesy of BarTV Sports. We look forward to bringing you more live action from the CFL in the 24 Season which is planned to start in October 2024.

Senior Futsal Leagues

The 2023 Senior Futsal Leagues season had a great start with numerous participants and teams returning to play futsal. The Senior Futsal Leagues were divided up into Winter and Summer competitions where we had a full 14-round season with two weeks of Finals per competition. The Winter Senior League started the season on 30 April with 41 teams in men's competitions, four teams in women's competitions and six teams in the Mixed competitions. The Men's League had five competitions, the Women's League had one competition and the Mixed league had one competition. The successful competitions ended on 8 September with the Final series.

The Summer Senior League started the season on 16 October with 66 teams in men's competitions, nineteen teams in women's competitions and fourteen teams in the Mixed competitions. The Men's League had seven competitions, the Women's League had two competitions and the Mixed league had one competition. The successful competitions are planned to end on 13 March 2024 with the Final series.

Capital Football would like to thank all participants and teams for a wonderful 2023 season, and we look forward to growing and providing more opportunities for participants to play in 2024.

Junior Futsal League

2023 saw the introduction of the new Junior Futsal League, the first-time junior futsal competitions have been run by Capital Football. We had 231 teams compete across Premier Divisions, Community Divisions, and Minis competitions. Participation is at an all-time high in the junior space and this new league offers pathways for all players to push their futsal game to the highest level and play entertaining futsal over the summer.

National Futsal Championship

Seven Capital Football representatives were officially recognised at the end of the 2024 National Futsal Championships at a glitzy awards ceremony held at Movie World on the Gold Coast. There were wins for the Capital teams in the Coach of the Tournament, the Player of the Tournament, the Goalkeeper of the Tournament, and Team of the Tournament. Fittingly, two of the awards went to the U15 Boys Champions as nothing could separate the sensational performances of the exceptional Andrija Rakic and Cadel Zwangobani who were named as the joint Players of the Tournament. Boys U15 Head Coach Elie Darwich, who also played in the competition for the Open Men's team, was rewarded for his team's exceptional Championship winning week by collecting the U15 Boys Coach of the Tournament Award.

Equally deserving was Matt Cachia, Head Coach of the U15 Girls team who were exceptional for most of the competition, ultimately running out of steam towards the conclusion of the event, losing in the Semi-Finals, but impressing the all-important awards committee with their style and quality of play. Cachia's U15 team was well represented by young goalkeeper Tiarna Ruberto who was awarded the Player of the Tournament, and Goalkeeper of the Tournament at that age group, as well as being named as the goalkeeper in the Junior Girls Team of the Tournament, a squad selected across all players from all age groups in the junior section. An incredible triple achievement. Meanwhile, U17 Girls rising star, Reilly Yuen, was named as the outstanding player in that age grade being named as Player of the Tournament. Yuen found the back of the net three times. Yuen was also named in the Senior Women's Team of the Tournament. Capital Football also had further representation in the Senior Women's Team of the Tournament with two players making the team of five in the presence of Brittany Palombi alongside Yuen. Palombi scored in all five of the Cobras fixtures, ending the competition with six goals.





Referees

Capital Football Referees experienced notable success in education, development, high performance, and pathways. This report reflects on the achievements and progress made during this period, emphasising our commitment to excellence and the promising future that lies ahead while identifying the national trend of declining referee numbers even with the ongoing growth of new referees through courses.

Registration

Football Referees: In 2023, a total of 386 football referees registered, reflecting a decrease from the 113 registered in 2022. This decrease was balanced by the addition of 161 new referees, with 225 returning referees from the previous year. Additionally, there were 277 registered Game Leaders in 2023, contributing to the robust officiating community.

Futsal Referees: The futsal refereeing community experienced growth in 2023, with a total of 112 registered referees, up from 90 in 2022. This increase is attributed to the addition of 37 new futsal referees, complemented by 76 referees returning from the previous year.

Overall, whilst football referee registration saw a decline, the influx of new referees and the strong presence of returning officials demonstrate the resilience of the officiating community. The upward trend in futsal referee registration highlights the expanding interest and participation in refereeing.

Education/ Development

We successfully conducted eleven Level 4 Referee courses, benefiting 146 students. Furthermore, 23 referees upgraded their qualifications within the referee pathway, showcasing a commitment to continuous improvement.

The year also saw 43 new Futsal Referees and five new referee coaches completing their training. Our commitment to supporting clubs was evident through the presentation of Game Leader courses across the region, aimed at fostering leadership skills among referees.

Looking ahead to 2024, Capital Football Referees is excited to announce a shift to online learning in collaboration with Football Australia. This transition aims to enhance accessibility, provide more development opportunities, and deliver club-specific education materials.

High Performance

Owen Goldrick and Lauren Hargrave retained their positions in the FIFA International list of assistant referees, underlining their exceptional skills.

Additionally, Georgia Ghiradello's inclusion in the AFC Referee Academy marked a significant step toward potential FIFA accreditation.

Maintaining high standards, Owen Goldrick, Adam Powers, and Greg Taylor retained their positions on the A-League Men's panel of Assistant Referees. Nathan Shakespear secured a spot on the A-League Men's 4th Official panel for the first time. Reappointments of Georgia Ghirardello, Lauren Hargrave, and Delfina Shakespear to the A-League Women's panels demonstrated consistent high performance.

Pathways

Capital Football Referees attended National Youth Championship events for boys in Sydney and girls in Wollongong, showcasing the talent and dedication of our young referees. Cailyn Loveday, Georgia Ghirardello, Jordan King, and Josh Eiser participated in noteworthy roles. Aisha Strutt attended the NTC challenge in Melbourne, displaying her prowess on a national stage, with Georgia Ghirardello serving as a referee coach during the event.

Melbourne hosted the National Futsal Championships, providing a platform for Alex Eagleton, Gareth Biggs, Scott Boon, Thomas Gellatly, Hyunwoo Jeon, Nic Jordan, Jordan King, Jackson Tippett, Declan Woods to showcase their skills in a competitive environment.

Nathan Shakespear and Declan Woods were selected for the inaugural Football Australia Referee Academy after a rigorous selection process. Declan Woods represented the Academy at the 2023 UniSport Nationals as a referee, emphasizing our commitment to nurturing young talent.

Capital Football Referees concluded the year 2023 with pride in our achievements and a commitment to raising the bar even higher. As we embrace the future, the transition to online learning and continued focus on high performance and pathways will ensure that Capital Football Referees remain leaders in officiating excellence.

Grand Final Honours

Futsal 2022/23 ACT Futsal Premier League Men's Grand Final - Scott Boon & Gareth Biggs

Futsal 2022/23 ACT Futsal Premier League Women's Grand Final - Nic Jordan & Hyunwoo Jeon

> 2023 ACT Premier League Men's Grand Final - Alex McConachie

2023 ACT Premier League Women's Grand Final - Aisha Strutt

2023 Federation Cup Men's Final (Dennis McDermott Shield) - Alex McConachie

2023 Federation Cup Women's Final - Aisha Strutt

Referee Awards

Ian Hotchkiss Award 2023 – Oliver Cheung

NPL1 Referee of the Year - Bruno Kehl

CPL Men's Referee of the Year - Delfina Shakespear

NPLW Referee of the Year - Karla Martin

Gordon Carmichael Award 2023 - Kaitlyn Colwill

Cadet Referee of the Year 2023 - Perry Kalyvas

Academy Referee of the Year - Vince Cosentini

Futsal Referee Encouragement Award

2022/23 - Hyunwoo Jeon

Futsal Referees' Referee of the Year 2023 - Scott Boon

Football Referee Encouragement Award 2023

- Vince Cosentini







Game Development





Powerchair Program

Throughout 2023 the Canberra United (CU) Powerchair team participated in weekly training sessions at the Hockey Centre in Lyneham. The team identified skill areas for further development in preparation for their participation in the National Championships held in Sydney in April. Coached by former Head of Participation Mark Barnes at nationals, the team enjoyed the tournament, and showed obvious signs of improvement and competitiveness from the 2022 edition. Everyone should be immensely proud of their efforts. The CU team consisted of the following players:

- William McLennan
- Michael Foster
- Giovanni Tyce
- lamie Larsen
- Brandon Stroud
- Rob Oakley

The scorelines for each of the matches, including their opponents, are below.

- Canberra United 0-13 Newcastle United
- Canberra United 0 11 Melbourne City
- Hills United 8 0 Canberra United
- Canberra United 1 4 Lions FC
- Adelaide Comets 6 0 Canberra United
- Canberra United 0 8 Wanderers
- Sydney FC 2 0 Canberra United
- Moreton Bay Jets 0 0 Canberra United
- Moreton Bay Jets 1 O Canberra United

The enjoyment, camaraderie, and social connections developed over the course of 2023 showed the passion and love for the game of all the participants, and the team looks forward to participating in the nationals in 2024.

In the earlier stages of 2023, and in the lead up to the 2023 Nationals, the Canberra United team were also fortunate enough to participate in a training camp run by Sydney FC Head Coach for Powerchair, Jason Ryan, at the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS). The training camp was conducted over two days and was successful with all participants enjoying the experience and gaining valuable knowledge from each session.

Capital Football also introduced a trainer of the week for the CU Powerchair Team in 2023, which was positively received, and focused on the recognition of training efforts. While the Nationals for 2023 was the clear highlight for all participants, the sense of community is admirable. It is truly inspiring! All of this could not have been possible without the hard work and generosity of many people and organisations. The Canberra United Team would like to thank Capital Region Muscular Dystrophy (CRMD), Local Peoples, Rotary, the parents and families of the participants, Mark Barnes, and Phil Booth for all their contributions in 2023. We now look forward to an exciting 2024!

All-Abilities

The All-Abilities Academy continued to run throughout 2023, offered in both the Winter and Summer seasons.

The training sessions for the Academy were offered on Monday nights at the Hawker Football Centre for individuals of diverse backgrounds and abilities. The All-Abilities Academy consisted of a dozen participants who attended weekly. Throughout the year, the All-Abilities Academy focused on the development and refinement of skills.

In 2023, the Capital Football Media and Communications team visited the Hawker Football Centre and captured the pure joy and satisfaction of the All-Abilities Academy, who outlined why they like being a part of the All-Abilities academy, and what it means to them. The video is a testament to the inclusive nature and barrier breaking environment that the program provides for participants and their families.

On behalf of the All-Abilities Academy, Capital Football, and the wider community in general, we would also like to congratulate our very own ParaMatilda Carly Salmon for her success as part of the Australian team at the Asia-Oceania Championships held in Melbourne in November 2023. Carly played brilliantly throughout the tournament and should be proud of her efforts, with the ParaMatildas also taking home the trophy in their win over Japan in the final!

Capital Football would also like to acknowledge the achievements of another active All-Abilities participant, Luc Lander, who in 2023, made his Australian Pararoos debut in a behind closed doors game against the USA. Luc also represented the Pararoos in the Asian Cup in November 2023! Well done, Luc, Capital Football are immensely proud of your achievements.

A big thank you to Phil Booth for coaching the All-Abilities Academy, with the assistance of Simon Smith when required. Capital Football excitingly anticipates growth in participant numbers in the All-Abilities academy in 2024. If you or anyone you know of are interested in participating in the All-Abilities academy in 2024, please contact our Football Services – Inclusion Officer, Brandon Stroud, using the following email address - info@capitalfootball.com.au

Walking Football

Walking Football continued to be a successful offering by Capital Football, played in the Winter and Summer seasons of 2023. Walking Football was held on Monday nights out of the Hawker Football Centre, with two timeslots consisting of thirteen teams and 115 participants.

While team participation is the primary way of joining Walking Football, prospective participants can also register as individuals and seek assistance from Capital Football in finding a team for the season. All teams and individuals playing in the competition have played in great spirit, showed admirable sportsmanship, and formed a social community in which they can be active and connect with other people within the ACT community.

Like all Capital Football inclusion programs, we are seeking to increase participation rates, so if you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Brandon Stroud (Brandon.Stroud@capitalfootball.com.au).

Club Changer

Club Changer is a Club Development Program launched by Football Australia and implemented into our region midway through 2023. The aim of the program is to protect and enhance clubs, looking to assist in future proofing our key stakeholders, the clubs. Through Club Changer, Capital Football will be leading the charge in developing a sport that is welcoming and an inclusive environment for players, coaches, volunteers, and officials.

There are currently twenty-five clubs who have started and achieved their 'One Star' status in the program, these clubs have committed to improving the women's and girls' programs. Ensuring they are aiming to create equal opportunities for men and women, boys, and girls. These clubs are as follows:

- ADFA Vikings
- ANU FC
- ANU Futsal Club
- ANU WFC
- BellaMonaro WFC
- Belnorth FC
- Brindabella Blues FC
- Burns FC
- Canberra Croatia
- Canberra Olympic
- Canberra White Eagles FC
- Gungahlin United FC
- Majura FC
- Monaro Panthers
- North Canberra Fire
- Queanbeyan FC
- Radford College
- South Canberra FC
- Tuggeranong United FC
- UC Stars
- West Canberra Wanderers FC
- Weston-Molonglo FC
- Woden Valley SC
- Yarabi FC
- Yass FC

Kanga Cup







The 2023 [KEEPUP.] Kanga Cup saw 295 teams and approximately 4,000 participants assembled for a week of football in the Nation's Capital.

Among this year's international contingent was the SinGok PS from South Korea. Much of Australia was represented by teams from the states of NSW, Victoria, Tasmania and Western Australia joining the Canberra group.

Games were played across five venues throughout the ACT from Monday to Thursday, with Friday's Grand Finals held at Southwell Park.

In 2023 the Kanga Cup also welcomed their naming right sponsor, [KEEPUP.] a brand of the Australian Professional League.

The 2023 [KEEPUP.] Kanga Cup kicked off with an inspiring Opening Ceremony where the participating teams walked on to Stage 88 in Commonwealth Park showcasing the diverse cultures and backgrounds of the participating teams.

The [KEEPUP.] Kanga Cup wouldn't run as smoothly as it does without the volunteers who give up their time to ensure everything goes to plan and the local clubs who assist with setting up and maintaining venues throughout the week. Thank you for all the work you do!

Technical

TSP & High Performance

Trials for the Talented Support Program (TSP) were announced in late January and information was placed on the website, social media channels and also sent via EDM. 108 players registered for the trial period which lasted for four weeks.

The trial time was extended for players who were missing trials because of COVID or injuries. We invited an extra 23 players for these late trials.

Our TSP door was open all year and Head Coaches were asked to inform their club Technical Directors for any player nominations.

2023 Review

U14

- Coach: Tom Crossley
- 22 registered players

The U14 squad took part in a State of Origin Tournament held at Darebin International Sports Complex, Melbourne

U15

- Coach: Marcial Munoz
- 26 registered players

U16

- Coach: Phillippe Bernabo-Madrid
- 7 registered players

Elite Tournaments

The U15 and U16 squads attended Valentine Sports Park multiple times throughout the season to compete against NSW TSP teams.

National Youth Championships

Boys

Capital Football enjoyed a mixed bag of results at the 2023 National Youth Championship held at Valentine Sport Park in Sydney with the under-15 side recording a victory and couple of draws, whilst the under-16 team won two and drew two. There were some excellent individual performances in both teams with the under-15 team starting off extremely well in their Group with a victory over NSW Country, thanks to goals from Zac Colson and Cadel Zwangobani, before successive draws against NSW Metro Blue and South Australia. The tournament ended with four losses, but against very strong opposition from Victoria and Queensland, the team putting in some solid displays, running out of steam against the bigger States. Overall, though, there was plenty for Head Coach Marcial Munoz to be very proud of during the week.

The same can be said for the Head Coach of the under-16 team, Philippe Bernabo-Madrid, who saw his charges claim convincing wins against NSW Country and Queensland White. Country were dispatched on Day One, Steve Nealon, Joshua Amoah, and Ali Sohani striking in a superb performance. Arguably, that was eclipsed by the 2-0 win over Queensland White, a result achieved due to goals from Samson Carr and Riley Zsuzsa, and even more remarkably, with ten players for 48 minutes of the fifty-minute match following the dismissal of goalkeeper Josh Smith in only the second minute. This result epitomised the character and determination of the squad, who dug deep close to the end of the week to draw 1-1 with South Australia, Nicolas Pulciani netting, before ending the campaign with a 2-2 draw against Tasmania in the Pool crossover match, Zsuzsa, and Archie Vanes on the scoresheet.

Girls

The Capital Football U14 team emerged victorious from an epic National Youth Championship held in Wollongong claiming victory in a sensational Group B final, winning by the odd-goal in five against Queensland Silver. Having shard six goals in a 3-3 Group match stalemate earlier in the tournament, there was little doubt that the final would prove to be just as entertaining for the watching crowd at WIN Stadium. In a ding-dong affair, Capital Football went ahead in the seventh minute through a goal from Eden Rodda, the forward scoring her sixth goal of a very good tournament, to edge her team ahead. Queensland had a goal-getter of their own though in Emily Bailey, and the Queenslander struck twice for her team to keep them in the contest. Samantha Shea had earlier put Capital Football back ahead at 2-1.

Fortunately for Capital Football, the U14 Player of the Tournament was wearing blue and, Tehya Aspland made it 3-1 with her sixth of the National Youth Championship as well, a goal that was to prove to be the match-winner in the long-run. The win completed an excellent week for the team who topped the under-14 group B table with four wins and a draw. Meanwhile, the under-16 team were in Group A and finished their tournament on a high with a narrow 1-0 win over Tasmania in a crossover match. They were pitted in a tough Group and earned a 1-1 draw with Queensland Silver via a goal from Lucy Cameron.

Coach Education



With the introduction of the New FA Advanced Course, Capital Football were at the forefront in running the new versions of the C- and B- Diplomas in 2023. Ali Efe, our Coach Education Manager, conducted multiple club visits alongside Technical Director Phil Booth delivering Advanced Coaching Courses throughout the 2023 calendar year.

Community Courses

Our list of Community run courses and the number of participants for each are noted below.

MiniRoos (Grassroots) Courses

• A total of 55 participants went through and completed the course.

Skill Training Certificate Course

- A total of 48 participants went through and completed the course.
- A female only course was held with six participants.

Game Training Certificate

• A total of nine participants went through and completed the course.

Advanced Coaching Courses (AFC/FA C- Diploma and B-Diploma)

C-Licence

- A total of four C- Diploma courses were conducted throughout the year.
- We ran one female only course in 2023 with 31 participants.
- A total of 92 participants went through the C-Diploma in 2023.

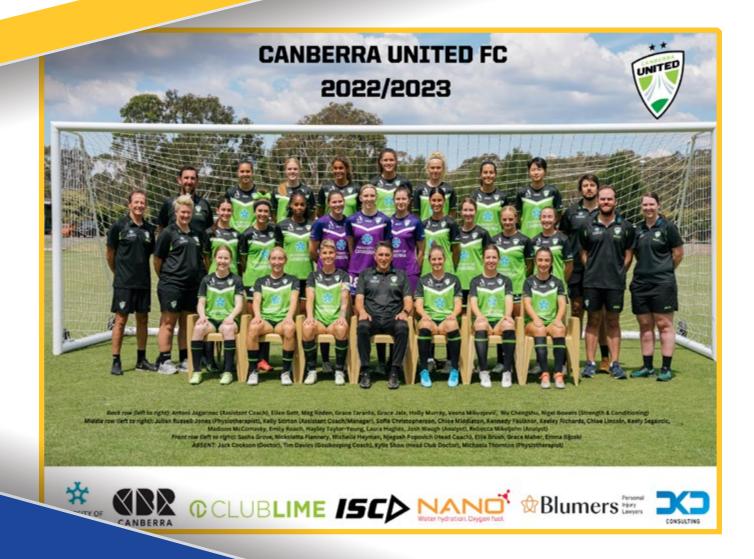
B-Licence

- A total of two B- Diploma courses were conducted throughout the year.
- A total of 32 participants participated in the B-Diploma in 2023.
- Four of the participants were female.

Workshops / Expo's

- CPD points were offered and gained through actively coaching and through capital Football Workshops and Expo's.
- 72 participants attended one of CF workshops.
- Manual and professional game analysis, creating a learning environment.







Canberra United

Most players came into our environment reasonably fit, but it must be said they were not prepared for the longer season and the intensity that would be required at this level. United trialled players and gave locals some opportunities amongst the team, and overall, the club selected a strong balanced group. Improvements included working with players earlier than the contracted period to give them some Pre-Season preparation, something discussed fully with ACTAS conditioning training in preparation for an even longer season in 2023/2024.

Canberra United suffered a mixed start to the season. Players began the campaign with an individual mindset, rather than a team focus. The Head Coach's goal was to convince players of the playing style and encourage them to commit to the process. This was a challenge to the coaching staff because of strong player influences formed due to the lack of trust, leadership, and direction in recent years. This mindset had to change and as a group, the team collaboratively worked together and found the extra level of commitment needed to improve.

Thanks to this approach, the club was able to bring the players on board to the coaching philosophy, listening and committed to following game plan instructions. Canberra United had become a team that no one wanted to play. Our football was very entertaining with a high pressing, forward movement playing style. We exploited teams with aggression and speed with team unity and individual talent (a style that had clearly shown the team as a contender of the top four).

After playing out a draw in our final home game against Melbourne Victory, United had positioned themselves well for the final two rounds with challenging away games in Melbourne. First against league leaders at the time, Western United, winning this game convincingly to set up our final game of the season against Melbourne City. Due to results, we were comfortable in the knowledge that a win would be the only result that would see us in the top four play-offs with a home semi-final. The team performed admirably in the game, and we did create enough chances to win but unfortunately a 3-3 draw was all we could achieve, a great result but not the one we wanted to end the season on.

Ultimately, United ended the season sixth, with eight wins, four draws and six losses from eighteen matches. The team scored thirty-five goals and conceded thirty for a tally of twenty-nine points, missing out on finals on goal difference. Michelle Heyman, Laura Hughes and Vesna Milivojevic played all eighteen matches with Heyman leading the goalscoring with twelve, followed by Milivojevic on eight.



Canberra United Academy

The Canberra United Academy season started brightly and ended with a Grand Final victory in Reserve grade, with the players enjoying their campaign, training, and learning as they went across the entirety of the program. After working with Canberra United Academy as a coach in the past, Matthew Moore returned to the club in the role of Head Coach for the Academy.

Like we do before the start of every season, we held an 'Information Night', to explain to our players and parents the expectations for the season ahead and to be able to answer any questions they had. This information night was held at the AIS in their Theatrette, where parents and players came in to listen to coaches and administrators about the upcoming season. All training sessions for CUA were held at Hawker Football Centre on Tuesdays, Wednesday, and Fridays, with the Seniors also on Wednesday.

This made things easy in terms of the movement of players between squads.

The team competed across the National Premier League structure, with the senior side taking their place in an eight-team Women's competition where they were playing against players with significantly more experience, and in many cases, giving away a substantial age difference. In the circumstances, the final league position of faith was an excellent result.

In the twenty-one-round season, the team won nine matches, drew two, and lost nine for an accumulated points total of 29. They scored twenty-six goals and conceded forty-one to end with a goal difference of -15. Tamara Cochrane was the top scorer with six goals.

Our Reserve grade side was in inspired form and made their way from second on the table to the Grand Final, knocking out favourites Canberra Olympic in the Qualification Final, before defeating the same opposition again in the Grand Final, winning 2-1 with Tamara Cochrane and Tiarna Ruberto scoring, the latter from the penalty-spot.

On the representative front it was great to see Maddison Sawkins attend a Junior Matildas camp, whilst we also saw a trio of Academy players make it to the senior Canberra United squad following excellent seasons in the Academy National Premier League side. Sofia Christopherson, Holly Murray, and Maia Cameron received recognition for superb performances throughout the year.

The year ended with the news that the Canberra United Academy would be disbanded in its current form, evolving into a Talented Support Program (TSP) for Girls.

The coaches for the 2023 CUA squads were:

U14: Thomas Crossley U15: Davide Ruberto

U17: Kelly Stirton / Phil Booth

Reserves: Ahmed Ugool Firsts: Matthew Moore



League Tables

NPLM 1ST

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
O'Connor Knights SC	21	16	3	2	57	18	39	51
Gungahlin United FC	21	11	3	7	58	42	16	36
Canberra Olympic FC	21	11	3	7	42	35	7	36
Canberra Croatia FC	21	10	5	6	63	34	29	35
Monaro Panthers FC	21	11	2	8	39	27	12	35
Tigers FC	21	11	2	8	53	43	10	35
Tuggeranong United FC	21	4	2	15	25	65	-40	14
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	0	0	21	17	90	-73	0

NPLM 23

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Canberra Croatia FC	21	16	2	3	90	30	60	50
O'Connor Knights SC	21	14	2	5	48	30	18	44
Gungahlin United FC	21	13	2	6	60	32	28	41
Monaro Panthers FC	21	10	4	7	40	31	9	34
Canberra Olympic FC	21	9	3	9	59	48	11	30
Tuggeranong United FC	21	7	3	11	33	52	-19	24
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	3	5	13	27	66	-39	14
Tigers FC	21	1	1	19	22	90	-68	4

NPLW 1ST

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Canberra Olympic FC	21	16	2	3	51	10	41	50
Belconnen United FC	21	15	1	5	59	14	45	46
Canberra Croatia FC	21	12	5	4	58	25	33	41
Gungahlin United FC	21	13	2	6	53	26	27	41
Canberra United Academy	21	9	2	10	26	41	-15	29
ANUW FC	21	3	4	14	17	45	-28	13
Tuggeranong United FC	21	4	1	16	19	73	-54	13
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	2	3	16	19	68	-49	9

NPLW Reserves

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Canberra Olympic FC	21	16	2	3	67	23	44	50
Canberra United Academy	21	15	3	3	62	18	44	48
Belconnen United FC	21	10	5	6	40	29	11	35
Gungahlin United FC	21	10	4	7	41	23	18	34
Canberra Croatia FC	21	7	5	9	37	43	-6	26
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	6	3	12	23	44	-21	21
ANUW FC	21	5	1	15	24	51	-27	16
Tuggeranong United FC	21	2	3	16	12	75	-63	9

CPLM 1ST

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Yoogali Soccer Club	21	14	3	4	58	26	32	45
Queanbeyan City FC	21	12	5	4	43	32	11	41
ANU FC	21	8	7	6	47	39	8	31
Brindabella Blues FC	21	8	7	6	37	32	5	31
Belconnen United FC	21	9	3	9	37	31	6	30
Wagga City Wanderers FC	21	7	4	10	43	43	0	25
Canberra White Eagles FC	21	3	6	12	24	48	-24	15
Canberra Juventus FC	21	4	3	14	27	65	-38	15

CPLM 23

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
ANU FC	21	17	2	2	77	18	59	53
Yoogali Soccer Club	21	11	2	8	33	24	9	35
Brindabella Blues FC	21	10	5	6	32	28	4	35
Wagga City Wanderers FC	21	9	4	8	46	35	11	31
Belconnen United FC	21	6	4	11	23	32	-9	22
Queanbeyan City FC	21	6	4	11	35	54	-19	22
Canberra White Eagles FC	21	7	1	13	33	56	-23	22
Canberra Juventus FC	21	6	2	13	32	64	-32	20

NPLB 13

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Gungahlin United FC	21	20	1	0	106	20	86	61
Belconnen United FC	21	17	0	4	82	24	58	51
Canberra Croatia FC	21	11	3	7	57	56	1	36
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	8	2	11	42	58	-16	26
Canberra Olympic FC	21	7	2	12	39	63	-24	23
Woden Valley SC	21	7	1	13	32	53	-21	22
O'Connor Knights SC	21	5	3	13	36	67	-31	18
Radford College	21	2	2	17	24	77	-53	8

NPLB 14

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Canberra Olympic FC	21	19	1	1	122	21	101	58
O'Connor Knights SC	21	15	0	6	65	35	30	45
Gungahlin United FC	21	12	3	6	59	26	33	39
Canberra Croatia FC	21	13	0	8	74	51	23	39
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	5	7	9	28	51	-23	22
Woden Valley SC	21	4	3	14	19	78	-59	15
Belconnen United FC	21	4	2	15	31	73	-42	14
Radford College	21	3	2	16	13	76	-63	11

NPLB 16

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Canberra Olympic FC	21	16	1	4	78	22	56	49
Gungahlin United FC	21	11	6	4	50	37	13	39
Canberra Croatia FC	21	11	3	7	52	43	9	36
O'Connor Knights SC	21	11	3	7	49	44	5	36
Belconnen United FC	21	7	5	9	33	40	-7	26
Radford College	21	6	3	12	38	50	-12	21
Woden Valley SC	21	3	7	11	33	64	-31	16
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	3	4	14	26	59	-33	13

NPLB 18

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Canberra Croatia FC	21	16	3	2	68	27	41	51
Canberra Olympic FC	21	12	2	7	54	32	22	38
O'Connor Knights SC	21	10	6	5	56	30	26	36
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	9	4	8	46	39	7	31
Gungahlin United FC	21	9	4	8	33	36	-3	31
Radford College	21	7	5	9	33	46	-13	26
Belconnen United FC	21	5	6	10	30	46	-16	21
Woden Valley SC	21	0	2	19	17	81	-64	2

NPLG 14

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Canberra United Academy	21	18	0	3	81	23	58	54
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	14	5	2	53	17	36	47
Belconnen United FC	21	14	3	4	48	15	33	45
Gungahlin United FC	21	12	2	7	70	30	40	38
Canberra Croatia FC	21	6	4	11	30	29	1	22
Canberra Olympic FC	21	6	2	13	34	52	-18	20
Majura FC	21	4	4	13	27	42	-15	16
Tuggeranong United FC	21	0	0	21	4	139	-135	0

NPLG 15

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Belconnen United FC	21	17	2	2	113	18	95	53
Gungahlin United FC	21	16	3	2	100	17	83	51
Canberra Olympic FC	21	15	0	6	93	22	71	45
Canberra United Academy	21	12	1	8	81	32	49	37
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	12	0	9	67	42	25	36
Canberra Croatia FC	21	5	0	16	25	70	-45	15
Majura FC	21	4	0	17	11	127	-116	12
Tuggeranong United FC	21	0	0	21	5	167	-162	0

NPLG 17

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Belconnen United FC	21	19	2	0	120	7	113	59
Canberra Olympic FC	21	17	2	2	92	15	77	53
West Canberra Wanderers FC	21	13	3	5	62	21	41	42
Gungahlin United FC	21	10	1	10	50	41	9	31
Canberra United Academy	21	9	1	11	53	52	1	28
Canberra Croatia FC	21	8	1	12	43	43	0	25
Tuggeranong United FC	21	2	1	18	16	88	-72	7
Majura FC	21	0	1	20	4	173	-169	1

CPLB 13

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CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Wagga City Wanderers FC	18	14	4	0	97	18	79	46
Tigers FC	18	12	2	4	61	20	41	38
Brindabella Blues FC	18	11	4	3	74	22	52	37
Tuggeranong United FC	18	7	3	8	42	39	3	24
Majura FC	18	7	2	9	48	55	-7	23
Monaro Panthers FC	18	4	1	13	43	48	-5	13
Weston Molonalo FC	18	0	0	18	8	171	-163	0

CPLB 14

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Tigers FC	18	14	2	2	62	18	44	44
Tuggeranong United FC	18	13	4	1	65	28	37	43
Brindabella Blues FC	18	11	3	4	77	30	47	36
Majura FC	18	6	4	8	37	39	-2	22
Weston Molonglo FC	18	5	3	10	40	54	-14	18
Wagga City Wanderers FC	18	3	1	14	30	80	-50	10
Monaro Panthers FC	18	1	3	14	21	83	-62	6

CPLB 16

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Tigers FC	18	13	4	1	55	19	36	43
Majura FC	18	8	6	4	43	32	11	30
Wagga City Wanderers FC	18	9	1	8	57	47	10	28
Tuggeranong United FC	18	7	4	7	26	26	0	25
Monaro Panthers FC	18	7	3	8	22	30	-8	24
Brindabella Blues FC	18	6	3	9	42	46	-4	21
Weston Molonglo FC	18	1	3	14	21	66	-45	6

CPLB 18

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Wagga City Wanderers FC	18	15	2	1	76	21	55	47
Monaro Panthers FC	18	14	1	3	86	25	61	43
Majura FC	18	13	2	3	90	21	69	41
Tuggeranong United FC	18	5	4	9	47	31	16	19
Tigers FC	18	5	2	11	25	44	-19	17
Brindabella Blues FC	18	4	3	11	35	51	-16	15
Weston Molonglo FC	18	0	0	18	5	171	-166	0

SLM 1

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Weston Molonglo FC	18	16	1	1	67	16	51	49
ANU FC	18	12	0	6	51	24	27	36
UC Stars	18	11	2	5	40	16	24	35
ANU FC	18	11	1	6	46	23	23	34
Weston Molonglo FC	18	10	1	7	52	25	27	31
Belnorth FC	18	8	3	7	52	35	17	27
Cooma FC	18	8	3	7	44	28	16	27
ADFA Vikings	18	5	1	12	36	61	-25	16
Canberra Kangaroos FC	18	3	0	15	26	69	-43	9
Woden Valley SC	18	0	0	18	17	134	-117	0

SLM 1R

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Weston Molonglo FC	18	15	1	2	70	16	54	46
Weston Molonglo FC	18	13	2	3	54	19	35	41
UC Stars	18	12	2	4	57	22	35	38
ANU FC	18	11	2	5	61	24	37	35
Belnorth FC	18	11	1	6	52	31	21	34
ANU FC	18	9	2	7	59	35	24	29
ADFA Vikings	18	6	1	11	38	53	-15	19
Canberra Kangaroos FC	18	3	2	13	20	72	-52	11
Cooma FC	18	2	1	15	20	72	-52	7
Woden Valley SC	18	0	2	16	14	101	-87	2

SLM 2

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Brindabella Blues FC	18	14	3	1	58	13	45	45
Yarabi FC	18	10	3	5	43	35	8	33
ANU FC	18	10	1	7	57	38	19	31
UC Stars	18	9	3	6	66	47	19	30
Tuggeranong United FC	18	8	3	7	52	40	12	27
Canberra City FC	18	6	2	10	28	45	-17	20
Monaro Panthers FC	18	6	1	11	28	55	-27	19
Weston Molonglo FC	18	1	0	17	28	87	-59	3

SLM 2R

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Tuggeranong United FC	18	13	3	2	55	21	34	42
Canberra City FC	18	12	3	3	45	25	20	39
ANU FC	18	10	5	3	55	22	33	35
Brindabella Blues FC	18	9	3	6	41	30	11	30
Weston Molonglo FC	18	7	2	9	37	32	5	23
Yarabi FC	18	6	3	9	27	45	-18	21
UC Stars	18	2	2	14	30	63	-33	8
Monaro Panthers FC	18	2	1	15	14	66	-52	7

SLM 3

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Majura FC	18	13	2	3	64	24	40	41
Queanbeyan City FC	18	12	4	2	65	32	33	40
UC Stars	18	11	3	4	38	20	18	36
Woden Valley SC	18	9	2	7	51	42	9	29
ANU FC	18	7	7	4	55	40	15	28
Burns FC	18	7	3	8	41	41	0	24
Lanyon United FC	18	6	1	11	32	39	-7	19
Narrabundah FC	18	5	0	13	21	60	-39	15
Brindabella Blues FC	18	3	4	11	23	49	-26	13
Tuggeranong United FC	18	3	2	13	36	79	-43	11

SLM 3R

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Lanyon United FC	18	14	4	0	57	11	46	46
Majura FC	18	12	1	5	54	26	28	37
ANU FC	18	12	0	6	77	29	48	36
Burns FC	18	11	2	5	40	22	18	35
Tuggeranong United FC	18	10	3	5	36	17	19	33
Narrabundah FC	18	9	2	7	36	32	4	29
Woden Valley SC	18	5	2	11	34	49	-15	17
Queanbeyan City FC	18	3	1	14	41	78	-37	10
Brindabella Blues FC	18	3	1	14	16	79	-63	10
UC Stars	18	2	2	14	23	71	-48	8

CLM 1

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Burns FC	18	18	0	0	86	22	64	54
Tuggeranong United FC	18	10	4	4	48	25	23	34
Belnorth FC	18	8	3	7	38	42	-4	27
Belwest Foxes SC	18	8	1	9	40	41	-1	25
Yarabi FC	18	7	3	8	39	51	-12	24
Majura FC	18	7	2	9	46	50	-4	23
ANU FC	18	6	3	9	23	30	-7	21
Canberra Juventus FC	18	5	5	8	33	47	-14	20
Canberra City FC	18	5	3	10	36	55	-19	18
ADFA Vikings	18	3	2	13	32	58	-26	11

CLM 2

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Canberra Juventus FC	18	15	3	0	83	22	61	48
ANU FC	18	12	2	4	55	22	33	38
Canberra City FC	18	8	4	6	55	38	17	28
Canberra Croatia FC	18	8	2	8	65	75	-10	26
Gungahlin United FC	18	6	5	7	45	48	-3	23
Yass FC	18	7	2	9	39	50	-11	23
Woden Valley SC	18	6	1	11	42	60	-18	19
Canberra Kangaroos FC	18	0	1	17	20	89	-69	1

CLM 3

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Woden Valley SC	18	15	2	1	85	22	63	47
Belnorth FC	18	11	5	2	75	30	45	38
ANU FC	18	12	2	4	58	27	31	38
O'Connor Knights SC	18	10	3	5	50	50	0	33
Tuggeranong United FC	18	10	1	7	58	36	22	31
Burns FC	18	9	2	7	47	41	6	29
Majura FC	18	8	3	7	53	40	13	27
Yarabi FC	18	8	3	7	40	37	3	27
Weston Molonglo FC	18	6	4	8	41	46	-5	22
Brindabella Blues FC	18	3	1	14	34	89	-55	10
Gungahlin United FC	18	1	4	13	24	65	-41	7
ADFA Vikings	18	0	0	18	11	93	-82	0

CLM 4

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
ANU FC	16	14	2	0	45	10	35	44
Weston Molonglo FC	16	8	3	5	42	25	17	27
Belsouth FC	16	8	3	5	37	30	7	27
ANU FC	16	8	3	5	34	30	4	27
Narrabundah FC	16	8	1	7	35	33	2	25
Belnorth FC	16	7	2	7	44	42	2	23
Belnorth FC	16	6	2	8	20	29	-9	20
Tuggeranong United FC	16	2	4	10	14	35	-21	10
Belwest Foxes SC	16	1	0	15	14	51	-37	3

CLM 5

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Weston Molonglo FC	18	15	2	1	53	8	45	47
Narrabundah FC	18	14	2	2	82	20	62	44
Gungahlin United FC	18	14	1	3	84	24	60	43
Burns FC	18	13	3	2	49	20	29	42
ANU FC	18	11	1	6	47	34	13	34
Woden Valley SC	18	9	1	8	47	32	15	28
Yass FC	18	8	3	7	35	32	3	27
Yarabi FC	18	7	3	8	38	42	-4	24
Woden Valley SC	18	6	3	9	33	50	-17	21
Belwest Foxes SC	18	5	3	10	26	48	-22	18
Belnorth FC	18	5	2	11	25	56	-31	17
Tuggeranong United FC	18	5	2	11	27	60	-33	17
ANU FC	18	4	2	12	23	47	-24	14
Lanyon United FC	18	2	6	10	22	53	-31	12
ADFA Vikings	18	2	5	11	20	51	-31	11
UC Stars	18	2	5	11	17	51	-34	11

MLM 035 D1

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
UC Stars	18	15	2	1	82	23	59	47
ANU FC	18	15	0	3	53	26	27	45
Queanbeyan City FC	18	11	3	4	65	33	32	36
Weston Molonglo FC	18	10	2	6	59	41	18	32
ANU FC	18	9	1	8	44	30	14	28
Woden Valley SC	18	8	0	10	60	63	-3	24
Belnorth FC	18	6	0	12	44	75	-31	18
Gungahlin United FC	18	4	5	9	40	53	-13	17
Gungahlin United FC	18	2	2	14	29	98	-69	8
Gungahlin United FC	18	2	1	15	33	67	-34	7

MLM 035 D2

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Weston Molonglo FC	18	16	1	1	94	19	75	49
Belsouth FC	18	10	4	4	66	30	36	34
Monaro Panthers FC	18	10	2	6	54	49	5	32
Weston Molonglo FC	18	9	3	6	50	41	9	30
UC Stars	18	8	3	7	56	48	8	27
ANU FC	18	9	0	9	49	46	3	27
ANU FC	18	6	3	9	26	55	-29	21
Lanyon United FC	18	6	2	10	35	58	-23	20
Brindabella Blues FC	18	5	1	12	44	72	-28	16
Weston Molonglo FC	18	1	1	16	21	77	-56	4

MLM 045

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
ANU FC	16	13	2	1	80	11	69	41
Weston Molonglo FC	16	13	1	2	71	15	56	40
Canberra Croatia FC	16	12	3	1	53	6	47	39
Gungahlin United FC	16	5	4	7	25	55	-30	19
Belnorth FC	16	4	5	7	25	40	-15	17
Gungahlin United FC	16	4	2	10	19	42	-23	14
Gungahlin United FC	16	3	4	9	22	49	-27	13
Woden Valley SC	16	2	4	10	20	61	-41	10
Brindabella Blues FC	16	2	3	11	22	58	-36	9

MLM 055

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Belnorth FC	18	12	2	4	52	25	27	38
Burns FC	18	8	5	5	32	34	-2	29
Woden Valley SC	18	8	3	7	43	37	6	27
Brindabella Blues FC	18	7	3	8	32	46	-14	24
Burns FC	18	7	2	9	38	37	1	23
Woden Valley SC	18	4	1	13	34	52	-18	13

SLW 1

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Wagga City Wanderers FC	18	16	1	1	82	20	62	49
UC Stars	18	13	1	4	60	29	31	40
South Canberra Football Club	18	11	1	6	51	25	26	34
ANUW FC	18	7	3	8	38	32	6	24
Weston Molonglo FC	18	4	0	14	15	81	-66	12
BellaMonaro Women's FC	18	0	0	18	0	59	-59	0

SLW 2

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Majura FC	18	15	2	1	55	21	34	47
Wagga City Wanderers FC	18	13	2	3	69	22	47	41
ANUW FC	18	9	2	7	48	27	21	29
Majura FC	18	7	2	9	37	54	-17	23
Canberra White Eagles FC	18	5	4	9	29	43	-14	19
South Canberra Football Club	18	4	6	8	38	51	-13	18
BellaMonaro Women's FC	18	5	3	10	25	41	-16	18
UC Stars	18	2	3	13	17	59	-42	9

SLW 3

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Belnorth FC	16	13	2	1	49	9	40	41
Weston Molonglo FC	16	11	4	1	37	12	25	37
Majura FC	16	11	3	2	53	14	39	36
Belsouth FC	16	10	1	5	39	19	20	31
Majura FC	16	7	3	6	29	30	-1	24
South Canberra Football Club	16	4	3	9	19	35	-16	15
ANUW FC	16	2	4	10	13	32	-19	10
UC Stars	16	2	4	10	16	38	-22	10
Cooma FC	16	0	0	16	9	75	-66	0

SLW 4

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
ANUW FC	16	13	1	2	75	13	62	40
Lanyon United FC	16	11	2	3	38	22	16	35
ANUW FC	16	10	1	5	47	18	29	31
Belsouth FC	16	10	1	5	42	28	14	31
Belnorth FC	16	8	2	6	45	29	16	26
Yass FC	16	6	2	8	40	46	-6	20
Tuggeranong United FC	16	3	1	12	19	62	-43	10
ADFA Vikings	16	2	3	11	25	66	-41	9
South Canberra Football Club	16	2	1	13	22	69	-47	7

SLW 5

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Gungahlin United FC	17	14	2	1	42	9	33	44
Canberra Croatia FC	17	13	2	2	81	29	52	41
O'Connor Knights SC	17	13	2	2	58	14	44	41
ANUW FC	17	10	1	6	40	24	16	31
Belwest Foxes SC	17	9	3	5	55	28	27	30
Woden Valley SC	17	8	3	6	43	31	12	27
Lanyon United FC	17	7	1	9	25	34	-9	22
Majura FC	17	5	3	9	27	44	-17	18
Belnorth FC	17	5	3	9	23	52	-29	18
ANUW FC	17	5	2	10	16	40	-24	17
Belsouth FC	17	3	4	10	24	51	-27	13
South Canberra Football Club	17	2	1	14	17	53	-36	7
Weston Molonglo FC	16	2	1	13	19	61	-42	7

SLW 6

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Belwest Foxes SC	16	13	3	0	45	15	30	42
ANUW FC	16	12	2	2	63	10	53	38
Majura FC	16	8	2	6	36	24	12	26
BellaMonaro Women's FC	15	7	1	7	20	24	-4	22
ANUW FC	16	5	3	8	16	27	-11	18
Belnorth FC	16	2	3	11	8	43	-35	9
Gungahlin United FC	16	1	2	13	12	54	-42	5

MLW 035

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Burns FC	18	15	1	2	66	16	50	46
Majura FC	18	11	2	5	43	18	25	35
Woden Valley SC	18	7	4	7	23	27	-4	25
Weston Molonglo FC	18	6	4	8	23	25	-2	22
South Canberra Football Club	18	6	3	9	27	36	-9	21
Weston Molonglo FC	18	1	2	15	5	65	-60	5

JLO U13 D1

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Marist Canberra FC	18	13	2	3	76	25	51	41
Tigers FC	18	12	2	4	56	27	29	38
Gungahlin United FC	18	11	3	4	44	22	22	36
Brindabella Blues FC	18	8	5	5	41	34	7	29
Belsouth FC	18	9	2	7	38	35	3	29
Majura FC	18	3	5	10	27	45	-18	14
Woden Valley SC	18	1	5	12	17	59	-42	8
Tuggeranong United FC	18	2	2	14	13	65	-52	8

JLO U13 D2

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Marist Canberra FC	16	13	2	1	59	19	40	41
Cooma FC	16	12	1	3	63	24	39	37
Canberra Grammar School	16	10	3	3	52	29	23	33
Yass FC	17	8	4	5	88	49	39	28*
Gungahlin United FC	16	8	1	7	34	30	4	25
Belnorth FC	16	5	1	10	30	44	-14	16
Belsouth FC	16	4	4	8	26	43	-17	16
Tuggeranong United FC	16	4	1	11	40	59	-19	13
Brindabella Blues FC	16	3	1	12	20	50	-30	10

*Yass FC deducted 12 points

JLO U13 D3

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
St Edmund's College	18	17	1	0	101	15	86	52
Gungahlin United FC	18	12	1	5	81	63	18	37
Marist Canberra FC	18	9	4	5	72	40	32	31
Woden Valley SC	18	9	3	6	75	50	25	30
Monaro Panthers FC	17	9	2	6	57	46	11	29
Woden Valley SC	18	8	4	6	59	43	16	28
Radford College	18	7	5	6	48	52	-4	26
Majura FC	18	7	3	8	44	64	-20	24
Belwest Foxes SC	18	4	4	10	45	67	-22	16
Marist Canberra FC	18	3	4	11	36	78	-42	13
Tuggeranong United FC	18	2	1	15	27	92	-65	7
Canberra Grammar School	18	1	0	17	15	115	-100	3

JLO U14 D1

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Gungahlin United FC	16	12	2	2	86	26	60	38
Woden Valley SC	15	7	3	5	55	26	29	24
Marist Canberra FC	16	7	2	7	40	41	-1	23
Majura FC	16	5	5	6	52	38	14	20
Gungahlin United FC	15	4	1	10	28	72	-44	13

JLO U14 D2

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Canberra Grammar School	18	15	0	3	86	24	62	45
Belsouth FC	18	14	3	1	78	24	54	45
Belwest Foxes SC	17	12	1	4	89	38	51	37
Monaro Panthers FC	17	12	0	5	89	39	50	36
Majura FC	18	11	3	4	73	41	32	36
Brindabella Blues FC	18	10	1	7	64	44	20	31
St Edmund's College	17	9	2	6	47	38	9	29
Marist Canberra FC	18	9	0	9	54	51	3	27
Weston Molonglo FC	18	8	2	8	42	34	8	26
Belnorth FC	18	8	2	8	50	95	-45	26
Woden Valley SC	18	6	3	9	45	51	-6	21
Burgmann Anglican School	17	5	2	10	57	54	3	17
Tuggeranong United FC	18	4	1	13	44	68	-24	13
Marist Canberra FC	17	2	1	14	24	87	-63	7
Belnorth FC	18	1	1	16	9	144	-135	4
Burgmann Anglican School	17	0	3	14	12	89	-77	3

JLO U15 D1

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Marist Canberra FC	17	16	0	1	99	10	89	48
Woden Valley SC	17	15	1	1	97	19	78	46
Canberra Grammar School	18	14	0	4	101	21	80	42
Belsouth FC	18	11	3	4	62	20	42	36
Gungahlin United FC	18	7	3	8	30	43	-13	24
Radford College	17	5	2	10	20	51	-31	17
Brindabella Blues FC	17	3	1	13	21	76	-55	10
Marist Canberra FC	18	2	0	16	18	76	-58	6

JLO U15 D2

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Tuggeranong United FC	16	11	1	4	71	16	55	34
St Edmund's College	16	11	1	4	81	33	48	34
Belnorth FC	17	10	0	7	60	56	4	30
Belsouth FC	17	9	2	6	48	38	10	29
Belwest Foxes SC	17	9	1	7	59	58	1	28
Woden Valley SC	17	5	2	10	47	70	-23	17
Marist Canberra FC	16	2	4	10	45	100	-55	10
Gungahlin United FC	16	2	2	12	11	84	-73	8
Radford College	16	0	1	15	14	113	-99	1

JLO U16 D1

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Belsouth FC	18	15	2	1	104	15	89	47
Gungahlin United FC	18	11	2	5	57	24	33	35
Tigers FC	18	10	3	5	56	28	28	33
West Canberra Wanderers FC	18	10	3	5	59	33	26	33
Woden Valley SC	18	7	7	4	36	25	11	28
Marist Canberra FC	18	7	3	8	47	36	11	24
Burgmann Anglican School	18	2	4	12	10	44	-34	10
Gungahlin United FC	18	1	2	15	28	102	-74	5

JLO U16 D2

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Marist Canberra FC	17	12	0	5	83	31	52	36
Belnorth FC	17	12	0	5	83	34	49	36
Weston Molonglo FC	16	9	4	3	65	35	30	31
Majura FC	17	10	1	2	49	60	-11	31
Radford College	16	8	3	5	64	43	21	27
Palerang United FC	17	7	2	8	54	61	-7	23
Woden Valley SC	16	6	0	10	62	63	-1	18
Brindabella Blues FC	16	5	3	8	58	62	-4	18
Queanbeyan City FC	16	6	0	6	50	102	-52	18
Marist Canberra FC	16	4	1	11	38	73	-35	13
Majura FC	16	0	0	16	22	154	-132	0

JLO U18 D1

CLUB	P	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Marist Canberra FC	18	17	1	0	81	8	73	52
Gungahlin United FC	18	12	3	3	49	17	32	39
Canberra Grammar School	18	11	2	5	50	26	24	35
Marist Canberra FC	18	10	2	6	47	35	12	32
Gungahlin United FC	18	5	1	12	19	43	-24	16
Queanbeyan City FC	18	4	1	13	34	51	-17	13
Canberra Grammar School	18	4	1	13	15	75	-60	13
Majura FC	18	3	1	14	14	54	-40	10

JLO U18 D2

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Belnorth FC	16	13	1	2	54	22	32	40
Woden Valley SC	16	9	3	4	53	22	31	30
Marist Canberra FC	16	9	3	4	45	23	22	30
Radford College	16	9	2	5	43	41	2	29
Radford College	16	8	4	4	38	30	8	28
Cooma FC	16	7	1	8	38	37	1	22
Gungahlin United FC	16	4	2	10	23	48	-25	14
St Edmund's College	16	2	2	12	24	47	-23	8
Majura FC	16	1	2	13	18	66	-48	5

JLO U18 D3

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Canberra White Eagles FC	18	17	1	0	83	11	72	52
Belnorth FC	18	14	3	1	83	30	53	45
Brindabella Blues FC	18	12	2	4	51	28	23	38
Belwest Foxes SC	18	10	0	8	55	41	14	30
Brindabella Blues FC	18	10	0	8	55	54	1	30
Marist Canberra FC	18	6	3	9	24	44	-20	21
Yass FC	18	5	2	11	33	47	-14	17
Canberra Grammar School	18	3	3	12	33	76	-43	12
Canberra Grammar School	18	3	2	13	23	57	-34	11
Weston Molonglo FC	18	2	2	14	21	67	-46	8

JLG U14 D1

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
BellaMonaro Women's FC	16	12	2	2	56	8	48	38
Weston Molonglo FC	16	12	2	2	41	13	28	38
Belconnen United FC	16	11	2	3	61	8	53	35
Weston Molonglo FC	16	10	1	5	48	13	35	31
Gungahlin United FC	16	7	3	6	27	20	7	24
Majura FC	16	5	3	8	26	43	-17	18
Belnorth FC	16	3	3	10	19	49	-30	12
Woden Valley SC	16	2	3	11	18	54	-36	9
Belsouth FC	16	0	1	15	5	93	-88	1

JLG U14 D2

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Queanbeyan City FC	17	16	1	0	69	9	60	49
Burgmann Anglican School	17	16	0	1	77	9	68	48
Majura FC	16	13	2	1	80	20	60	41
Weston Molonglo FC	17	10	1	6	45	29	16	31
Canberra Girls Grammar School	17	8	1	8	46	38	8	25
Radford College	16	7	4	5	38	39	-1	25
Woden Valley SC	17	7	2	8	43	36	7	23
Gungahlin United FC	16	7	2	7	40	42	-2	23
Belnorth FC	17	3	5	9	36	45	-9	14
Belsouth FC	17	3	4	10	28	53	-25	13
Tuggeranong United FC	16	4	1	11	18	46	-28	13
Woden Valley SC	17	2	0	15	13	62	-49	6
Belwest Foxes SC	16	0	1	15	7	112	-105	1

JLG U16 D1

CLUB	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
BellaMonaro Women's FC	18	13	2	3	55	26	29	41
Weston Molonglo FC	18	8	3	7	50	38	12	27
Woden Valley SC	18	7	3	8	42	46	-4	24
Radford College	18	3	2	13	36	73	-37	11

JLG U16 D2

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
Belwest Foxes SC	15	14	0	1	97	36	61	42
Tuggeranong United FC	15	8	3	4	53	48	5	27
Majura FC	16	7	2	7	30	39	-9	23
Gungahlin United FC	15	6	2	7	34	27	7	20
Burgmann Anglican School	16	5	4	7	43	35	8	19
Woden Valley SC	16	4	1	11	34	77	-43	13
BellaMonaro Women's FC	15	3	2	10	17	46	-29	11

JLG U18 D1

CLUB	Р	w	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
Radford College	16	15	1	0	112	16	96	46
BellaMonaro Women's FC	16	13	0	3	90	23	67	39
Weston Molonglo FC	16	9	1	6	49	23	26	28
Canberra Grammar School	16	9	0	7	53	58	-5	27
Gungahlin United FC	16	8	2	6	42	39	3	26
Woden Valley SC	16	7	0	9	42	52	-10	21
Belsouth FC	16	4	2	10	27	59	-32	14
Belnorth FC	16	2	1	13	32	83	-51	7
Canberra Girls Grammar School	16	1	1	14	27	121	-94	4

















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ACT FOOTBALL FEDERATION LIMITED

ACN 611 590 991

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

DIRECTORS REPORT

Your Board of Directors present this report on the ACT Football Federation Limited (the Federation) for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

Directors

The names of each person who has been a Director during the year, or at the date of this report, are:

Angelo Konstantinou Chair

Fran Sankey Deputy Chair

Andrew MacFarlane

Elizabeth Hovasapian (appointed July 2023) Frank Cachia (appointed July 2023)

Gary Vandeburgt

Georgia Briggs (resigned February 2023)
Justin Webb (end of term AGM 2023)

Kim Ward

Sarah Baker-Goldsmith (appointed July 2023)

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Federation during the financial year included administering and developing the code of football in Canberra and the Capital Region.

Review of operations

The Federation reported a total comprehensive deficit for the financial year of \$350,162 (2022 deficit: \$874,340).

This financial result is significantly impacted by Capital Football continuing to operate Canberra United Women's team that competes in the Liberty A-League competition, with the reporting period incorporating part of the 2022-23 and 2023-24 seasons. As previously disclosed, Capital Football is the only member federation that runs its own A-League side. Whilst Capital Football has successfully done this for 16 seasons, the rising cost of running an A-League side continues to have a significant impact on our bottom line. Capital Football notes that the Canberra United season now comprises 22 games, as opposed to 12 games in 2020-21, and 14 games in 2021-22.

In March 2023, the Australian Professional Leagues (APL) announced the proposed expansion of their competitions to introduce a men's team to partner Canberra United ahead of the 2024-25 season. The intention had originally been for Capital Football to transition Canberra United to this new franchise from 2024-25 (Season 17), and as such Season 16 was seen as a transitional year for Capital Football with a conscious investment to support the team through to this transfer.



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To date, despite being aware of the APL being in discussions with several interested parties, the new franchise has yet to be awarded.

For context purposes, the Board represent that if the Canberra United result was excluded from financial results for the year the organisation would have reported a net surplus.

During 2023, Capital Football decided to transition the existing Canberra United Academy (CUA) into a Talented Sports Program (TSP). This decision resulted in the removal of the CUA teams from the Women's National Premier League pathway from the 2024 season. Whilst this decision was extremely difficult to make, and it is acknowledged that this caused angst within the CUA community, we believe that over the medium to long-term this will have several benefits. CUA was created to fill a gap with a lack of coaching at the time of its inception within our local Clubs. The move towards a new and revamped TSP reflects the confidence Capital Football has in our clubs and club coaches to develop elite players alongside our Technical Department staff. The introduction of current CUA players back into clubs will see a greater spread of talented players across the competition, whilst the TSP will still offer an opportunity for local players to play at the highest level. Capital Football remains committed to providing support to our Junior Elite athletes through a revamped TSP Program.

The [KEEPUP.] Kanga Cup continues to be a popular event on the football calendar, 295 teams and approximately 4,000 participants assembled for a week of football during the mid-year school holidays. Among this year's international contingent was the SinGok PS from South Korea. Much of Australia was represented by teams from the states of NSW, Victoria, Tasmania and Western Australia joining the Canberra group.

Refer to the Annual Report on the Capital Football website for additional commentary on a review of operations.

Significant Changes in State of Affairs

No significant changes in the Federation's state of affairs during the financial year.

After Balance Date Events

Discussions are ongoing between the APL and several interested parties regarding the awarding of a new A-League men's franchise in Canberra. As such, with ongoing uncertainty around Canberra United, Capital Football has committed to running the team for Season 17 and remain grateful to the ACT Government for their continued support of the team, which included an increased contribution for Season 17.

No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Federation, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Federation in future financial years.

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Short and long-term objectives

The Federation's long-term objective is expressed in its stated purpose to provide high quality experiences for everyone involved in football in all its forms; with the associated vision for the Federation to be the most inclusive and respected sport in Canberra and the Capital Region.

Key short term strategic objectives include achieving improvements and growth in the following areas of operation:

- Participation at all levels (e.g., age, gender) and across all forms (e.g., 11 a-side, Futsal).
- Talented & Elite including participant numbers and team results (e.g., TSP, Canberra Utd).
- Fans including attending and streaming games, along with increased digital footprint.
- Governance including commercial growth, and financial sustainability.

Strategy for achieving the objectives

The strategies for achieving these objectives are framed by the following Constitutional Objects:

- FA membership & compliance.
- FA & Member collaboration.
- Governance, administration, regulation and protection of Football.
- Fostering friendly player & official relations.
- Promotion, support and management of representative teams for the ACT.
- Provision & maintenance of grounds & facilities.
- Equality and non-discrimination in Football, and
- Supportive business activities.

The pillars outlined in the 2020-23 Strategic Plan establish that to reach our goals Capital Football will:

- Govern and Guide by employing good governance practices at all levels in football, and building the capability of clubs through the sharing of best practice.
- Connect and Engage through building and maintaining relationships between Capital Football, it's Members, committees, clubs, administrators, players, coaches, referees, volunteers, supporters and the broader community.
- Play and Perform by providing the facilities and competitions to enable anyone who wants to be part of football to participate, play, or watch football from social to elite levels.
- Educate and Enhance through the provision of development opportunities and pathways for players, referees, coaches and administrators.
- Thrive and Prosper by growing our corporate partners to ensure economic sustainability and affordability.



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How principal activities assisted in achieving the objectives

- Govern and Guide Capital Football Board and Management continue to work towards meeting all its governance and compliance requirements.
- Play and Perform Capital Football administered several competitions across the reporting period including National Premier League, Capital Premier League, Senior Leagues, Junior Leagues and Miniroos, Capital Futsal League as well as Junior and Senior Futsal leagues. Game Development programs in Powerchair, All-Abilities and Walking Football continue to be well attended despite the challenges Capital football has faced with appointing a regular coach for these programs. There were 31,726 participants in Capital Football programs during 2023, this is an increase of 13% from 2022. The biggest increases were experienced in junior competitions including Miniroos, social players and Community Leagues coaches and officials.
- Educate and Enhance Representative teams competed at the Futsal Nationals, Powerchair Nationals and National Youth Championships. The number of new and returning referees saw a slight increase with 95 additional registrations compared to 2022. Futsal referees increased 24% to 112 individuals.
- Thrive and Prosper Capital Football achieved increased sponsorship in 2023, and acknowledges all our very generous corporate partners as their ongoing support ensures we continue to support our community.

Refer to the Annual Report on the Capital Football website for additional commentary on a review of operations.

Performance Measures

The Federation continues to measure and monitor performance through the use of:

- Stakeholder feedback (both directly and through Advisory Committees),
- Targeted KPIs which are reported to the Board (e.g., participation numbers, revenue growth),
- FA National Participation Report, and
- Independent commissioned reviews.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Information on Directors

Angelo Konstantinou	Elected Director & Chair
Director ID No:	036 58500 94851 74
Current Term:	2023 AGM - 2026 AGM
Joined Board:	2016
Capital Football Roles & Committees:	Chair of the Board of Directors (May 2022 - Present)
Qualifications:	Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (MAICD)
Experience:	Self Employed Company Director (20 years)
	Chief Technology Officer (Viva Leisure / Club Lime Group)
	Hellenic Club Board Member (2017 – Present)
	Canberra Olympic Committee (to 2016)
	Board member of ACT Futsal Incorporated (to 2004)
	Futsalroos Player (1999 – 2016)
	Canberra Cosmos Player (1998 – 2001)
	250+ Games in local NPL

Fran Sankey	Elected Director & Deputy Chair
Director ID No:	036 93172 62794 28
Current Term:	2021 AGM - 2024 AGM
Joined Board:	2013
Capital Football Roles & Committees:	Deputy Chair of the Board of Directors (2013 – 2017, 2022 – Present) Chair of the Board of Directors (2019 – 2022)
	Chair of the Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee (2013 – 2020)
	Chair of the Women's Standing Advisory Committee (2008 – 2013)
Qualifications:	Executive Master of Public Administration
	Diploma of Project Management
Experience:	Member, FFA Women's Football Council (2018 – 2020)
	Women's Chair, Weston Creek Soccer Club (2008 – 2013)
	Board Member, Women's Soccer Canberra Board (2004 - 2006)
	Sports Convenor, Soccer, 9th Australian Masters Games (2002 – 2003)
	Player in Capital Football competitions (1992 –2024)
	Coach C Licence (2020)



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Andrew MacFarlane	Elected Director
Director ID No:	036 28576 41962 46
Current Term:	2023 AGM -2026 AGM
Joined Board:	September 2022
Capital Football Committees:	Chair of Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee (2023 – Present)
Qualifications:	Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) Member of the Australian Restructuring Insolvency and Turnaround Association (ARITA) Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland (ICAS)
Experience:	Leading the Sport Financial Advisory team at the Australian Sports Commission (2015 – Present) Restructuring professional with KPMG in London and Sydney (2006 – 2015)

Elizabeth Hovasapian	Appointed Director
Director ID No:	036 72166 65447
Current Term:	July 2023 - AGM 2025
Joined Board:	July 2023
Capital Football Committees:	Member of Capital Football Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee (2023 – Present)
Qualifications:	Member of the Institute of Company Directors (MAICD) Bachelor of Science (Geology) & Bachelor of Business (Accounting) Member of Certified Practicing Accountants (CPA) & Member of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA) Fellow of the Institute of Public Accountants (FIPA) ASIC Registered Auditor SMSF Auditor Justice of the Peace (JP) Public Practice Certificates with CPA, CA and IPA
Experience:	Worked as a geophysicist for several years and then changed careers into accounting and business advisory. Over 20 years' experience owning and running public practice accounting and audit businesses and partnerships; business and executive adviser and consultant; financial planning and business strategist. Board Director and committee roles (15 years+) Competitive powerlifter Current member of executive committee for USA Powerlifting Australia

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Frank Cachia	Elected Director
Director ID No:	036 58325 02843 13
Current Term:	July 2023 - AGM 2024
Joined Board:	July 2023
Qualifications:	Bachelor of Graphic Design and Communication
Experience:	Senior Director Communication and Engagement at Worksafe ACT Senior Executive experience at ATO, Safe Work Australia, Services Australia and Home Affairs FFA Coaching A Diploma Capital Football NPL Men's Coach of the Year (2016, 2017, 2019) Coach NPL League Champions (2016, 2017, 2019) Coach NPL Grand Final Winners (2015, 2016, 2022) Coach FFA Qualifying Champions (2016) & FFA Cup Semi-Finals (2017, 2022) Coach NPL Charity Shield winners (2017, 2018, 2022)

Elected Director
036 24029 14751 50
2022 AGM - 2025 AGM
2019
Bachelor Applied Science (Sports Media)
Leading the National Integrity Manager Network at Sport Integrity Australia (2022 - Present) Sport Management experience with Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority, Swimming Australia, Fitness Professionals and Soccer Canberra. Football Referee (Level 1 - non active) - A League, Capital Football & NSW NPL Board Member at an ACT Primary School (2023 – Present) Recipient Australian Sports Medal (2022)

Kim Ward	Elected Director
Director ID No:	036 84209 60027 44
Current Term:	2022 AGM - 2025 AGM
Joined Board:	July 2022
Qualifications:	Masters of Health Science (Sports Physiotherapy) Bachelor of Applied Science (Physiotherapy) Member of Australian Institute of Company Directors (MAICD)
Experience:	Sports and Exercise Physiotherapist (20years) Parent of 2 children playing in Capital Football competitions Senior Manager within EY's Health and Human Services team Worked with Australian Girls U13 and U16 National Teams



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Sarah Baker-Goldsmith	Appointed Director
Director ID No:	036 23165 63469 23
Current Term:	July 2023 - AGM 2025
Joined Board:	July 2023
Qualifications:	Graduate of Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) Master of Laws with Merit Bachelor of Laws with Honours
Experience:	Barrister and Solicitor with broad experience across many areas of law Counsel Assisting the ACT Coroner's Court (2015 – 2022) Deputy Registrar of the ACT Magistrates Court (2015 – 2022) Solicitor assisting the Commissioner (2020 – 2021) Passion for community sport – participant, volunteer & sponsor

Meetings of Directors

During the financial year, 11 regular meetings of Directors were held. Attendance by each Director was as follows:

Directors	Number of meetings eligible to attend	Number of meetings attended	
Angelo Konstantinou	11	11	
Fran Sankey	11	10	
Andrew MacFarlane	11	11	
Elizabeth Hovasapian	7	6	
Frank Cachia	7	6	
Gary Vandeburgt	11	11	
Justin Webb	4	3	
Kim Ward	11	10	
Sarah Baker-Goldsmith	7	5	
Georgia Briggs	1	1	

Indemnifying Officers or Auditor

Except to the extent permitted by law, no indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Federation.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Proceedings on Behalf of the Federation

No person has applied for leave of a Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Federation or intervene in any proceedings to which the Federation is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Federation for all or any of those proceedings.

The Federation was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 31 December 2023 has been received and can be found on page 12 of the Financial Report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

this.	Miller	
Dated this 6th day of May 2024.		



DIRECTORS DECLARATION

The directors of the Federation declare that:

- 1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 13 to 31 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and:
 - (a) comply with Australian Accounting Standards; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the Federation;
- 2. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Federation will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors as required by s295 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Dated this 6th day of May 2024.



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AUDITORS' INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF ACT FOOTBALL FEDERATION LIMITED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 December 2023 there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditors' independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit, and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

AccountAbility

Anthony Wilson

Registered Company Auditor

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Canberra, ACT

6 May 2024



STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	NOTE	2023 \$	2022 \$
Revenue			
Registration		3,298,844	2,680,762
Grants		1,005,684	625,588
Operations		452,750	358,834
Corporate		1,154,785	699,759
Resources received free of charge	-	50,286	50,286
Total revenue		5,962,349	4,415,229
Expenses			
Registration	2	641,777	597,874
Operations	3	1,226,007	1,129,049
Corporate	4	660,452	473,741
Accounts, finance & legal	5	52,008	57,778
Administration	6	337,164	425,984
Depreciation		72,990	69,541
Logistics	7	441,705	308,590
Staff & contractors	8	2,870,837	2,221,616
Miscellaneous	-	21,471	5,396
Total expenses		6,324,411	5,289,569
(Deficit) for the year		(362,062)	(874,340)
Other comprehensive income			
Revaluation increment to property asset	12	11,900	-
Total comprehensive (deficit) for the year	-	(350,162)	(874,340)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	NOTE	2023 \$	2022 \$
ASSETS		Ţ	Ą
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	9	1,997,370	2,109,114
Trade and other receivables	10	468,258	377,154
Inventories		45,248	30,665
Other current assets	11	389,702	148,728
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		2,900,578	2,665,661
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	12	1,217,910	1,230,140
Right of use assets	13		2,807
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		1,217,910	1,232,947
TOTAL ASSETS	-	4,118,488	3,898,608
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	14	980,103	597,971
Lease liabilities		-	3,293
Other liabilities – unearned income		615,009	371,031
Provision for employee benefits	15	63,392	106,368
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,658,504	1,078,663
NON-CURRENT LIABIITIES			
Provision for employee benefits	15	25,064	34,863
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		25,064	34,863
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	1,683,568	1,113,526
NET ASSETS		2,434,920	2,785,082
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		2,248,526	2,610,588
Asset revaluation reserve		186,394	174,494
TOTAL EQUITY	-	2,434,920	2,785,082
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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements



STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Retained Earnings	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2022	3,484,928	174,494	3,659,422
(Deficit) for the period	(874,340)	-	(874,340)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2022	2,610,588	174,494	2,785,082
(Deficit) for the period	(362,062)	-	(362,062)
Other comprehensive income	-	11,900	11,900
Balance at 31 December 2023	2,248,526	186,394	2,434,920

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	NOTE	2023 \$	2022 \$
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts in the course of operations Payments to suppliers and employees Interest received Other income		4,796,651 (6,186,183) 77,473 1,249,662	3,686,199 (5,125,102) 14,786 707,902
Net cash generated by/(used in) operating activities	16	(62,397)	(716,215)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(46,054)	(50,329)
Net cash generated by/(used in) investing activities		(46,054)	(50,329)
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(3,293)	(9,719)
Net cash generated by/(used in) financing activities		(3,293)	(9,719)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(111,744)	(776,263)
Cash at beginning of the financial year		2,109,114	2,885,377
Cash at end of the financial year	9	1,997,370	2,109,114



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 1. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

The financial report is for ACT Football Federation Limited as an individual entity, incorporated and domiciled in the Australian Capital Territory. The Federation is a company limited by guarantee.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures, Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars which is the Federation's functional and presentation currency. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

A number of new or revised Australian Accounting Standards are effective for the first time in the current financial year.

These standards have had no material impact on the entity.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Federation in the preparation of the financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue

Revenue recognised under AASB 15 is measured at the amount which the Federation expects to receive in consideration for satisfying performance obligations to a customer. A performance obligation is the distinct good or service defined within the contract with a customer. The transaction price is allocated to one or more performance obligations contained within the contract, with revenue being recognised as or when the performance obligation is satisfied.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 1. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(a) Revenue (Continued)

While the Federation acknowledges the contributions made by volunteers in its continued operations, the difficulty and significant cost associated with trying to reliably measure these contributions means that the Federation has elected not to record these amounts in its financial statements.

Timing of Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised either at a point in time or over time, when (or as) the entity satisfies performance obligations by transferring the promised goods or services to its customers.

If the entity satisfies a performance obligation before it receives the consideration, the entity recognises either a contract asset or a receivable in its statement of financial position, depending on whether something other than the passage of time is required before the consideration is due.

	2023 \$	2022 \$
Revenue recognised at a point in time	4,194,064	3,291,286
Revenue recognised over time	1,717,999	1,073,657
	5,912,063	4,364,943

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at-call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

(c) Inventories

Inventories consist of football equipment and promotional materials which are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 1. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(d) Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair values as indicated, less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Plant and equipment that have been contributed at no cost, or for nominal cost are valued at the fair value of the asset at the date it is acquired.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets is depreciated on a declining-balance method basis over the asset's useful life to the entity commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements, whichever best reflects the expected utilisation of the asset.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Buildings	1.0%
Hawker Oval Redevelopment	2.5 – 14.3%
Equipment and fittings	20.0% - 33.0%
Motor vehicles	20%.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

Asset classes carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposal of assets are determined by comparing the proceeds on sale with the carrying amount of the asset. These gains or losses are included in the income statement. When a revalued asset is sold, amounts previously credited to the Asset Revaluation Reserve relating to that asset are transferred to Retained Earnings.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 1. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(e) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the Federation reviews the carrying values of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the Income Statement.

Where future economic benefits of the asset are not primarily dependent upon the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows and when the entity would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits, value in use is depreciated replacement cost of an asset.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an asset class, the Federation estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the class of asset belongs.

(f) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Federation's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the reporting date. Employee benefits expected to be settled within one year together with benefits arising from wages, salaries and annual leave which may be settled after one year, have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Other employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the net present value.

Contributions are made by the Federation to an employee's superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

(g) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Federation has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 1. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(h) Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the entity are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised, recording an asset and a liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values.

Leased assets are depreciated on a diminishing-balance basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that the entity will obtain ownership of the asset. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

(i) Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the Federation commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e., trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transactions costs except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss' in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Finance instruments are subsequently measured at either fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or cost. *Fair value* represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 1. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

Amortised cost is calculated as:

- i. the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- ii. less principal repayments;
- iii. plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the *effective interest method*; and
- iv. less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in profit or loss.

(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking, or where they are derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss.

(ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

(iii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the entity's intention to hold these investments to maturity.

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not capable of being classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 1. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(v) Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are either discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability, which is extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of noncash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

(j) Taxation

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Federation is exempt from income tax under Section 50.45 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Receivables and payables in the Statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST. Cash flows are presented in the Statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

(k) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(I) Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The directors evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated in to the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the company.

Key estimates – Impairment

The Federation assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Federation that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Fair value less costs to sell or current replacement cost calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	NOTE	2023	2022
NOTE 2. REGISTRATION EXPENSES		\$	\$
NOTE 2. REGISTRATION EXITENSES			
National registration fee		330,157	287,783
Insurances		233,355	220,719
Tournaments		30,947	66,822
Other registration expenses		47,318	22,550
Total		641,777	597,874
NOTE 3. OPERATIONS EXPENSES			
Referee match fees		604,778	320,749
Equipment		65,407	109,384
Medical		130,127	147,536
Ground hire		280,180	405,973
Other operations expenses		145,515	145,407
Total		1,226,007	1,129,049
NOTE 4. CORPORATE EXPENSES			
Memberships & merchandise		103,031	117,904
Marketing & corporate communications		267,889	116,773
Events		85,337	75,310
Uniforms		189,482	139,565
Other corporate expenses		14,713	24,189
Total		660,452	473,741
NOTE 5. ACCOUNTS, FINANCE & LEGAL EXPENSES			
Accounting & audit		7,093	7,000
Bad & doubtful debts		14,060	6,596
Legal		22,715	43,183
Other expenses		8,140	999
Total		52,008	57,778
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	NOTE	2023 \$	2022 \$
NOTE 6. ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES			
IT & communications		132,553	207,420
Property & occupation		111,841	128,374
Printing & stationery		26,169	30,314
Repairs & maintenance		31,772	22,512
Insurance		25,199	26,504
Other administration expenses		9,630	10,860
Total	=	337,164	425,984
NOTE 7. LOGISTICS EXPENSES			
Accommodation & travel		371,355	240,225
Other logistics expenses		70,350	68,365
Total	=	441,705	308,590
NOTE 8. STAFF & CONTRACTOR EXPENSES			
Wages		1,597,350	1,344,982
Superannuation		216,606	164,611
Other employee costs		50,431	16,672
Contractors		902,847	663,200
Workforce	_	103,603	32,151
Total	-	2,870,837	2,221,616
NOTE 9. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Cash at bank		141,083	1,301,251
Cash on hand		1,000	1,000
Term deposits		1,855,287	806,863
	-	1,997,370	2,109,114
NOTE 10. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES			
Trade receivables		433,193	376,182
Less: Provision for doubtful debts		455,195 (5,280)	(10,950)
Net receivables	-	427,913	365,232
Sundry debtors		40,345	11,922
canaly acators	-	468,258	377,154
	=	.00,200	3,7,134

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023 \$	2022 \$
NOTE 11. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	ş	Ģ
Prepayments	353,450	147,066
Accrued income	36,252 389,702	1,662 148,728
NOTE 12. PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
PROPERTY		
Property – at valuation	350,000	345,000
Less accumulated depreciation		(3,450)
Total Property	350,000	341,550
HAWKER OVAL REDEVELOPMENT		
Hawker Oval Redevelopment – at cost	1,958,479	1,958,479
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,160,204)	(1,123,067)
Total Hawker Oval	798,275	835,412
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and Equipment – at cost	267,462	223,241
Less accumulated depreciation	(206,512)	(185,721)
Total Plant and Equipment	60,950	37,520
OFFICE EQUIPMENT		
Office equipment – at cost	168,222	166,389
Less accumulated depreciation	(159,537)	(150,731)
Total Office Equipment	8,685	15,658
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT	1,217,910	1,230,140



ACT FOOTBALL FEDERATION LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) ACN 611 590 991 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 12. PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

	Property – at	Hawker Oval	Plant and	Office	TOTAL
	valuation	Redevelopment	Equipment	Equipment	
As at 1 January 2023					
Gross book value	345,000	1,958,479	223,242	166,389	2,693,110
Less: accumulated depreciation	(3,450)	(1,123,067)	(185,722)	(150,731)	(1,462,970)
Net book value as at 1 January 2022	341,550	835,412	37,520	15,658	1,230,140
Additions	ı	1	44,221	1,833	46,054
Revaluations	11,900	ı	1		11,900
Depreciation expense Writebacks	(3,450)	(37,137)	(20,790)	(8,806)	(70,183)
Net book value as of 31 December 2023	350,000	798,275	60,950	8,685	1,217,910
Net book value as of 31 December 2023 represented by:					
Gross book value Less: accumulated depreciation	-	1,958,479 (1,160,204)	267,462 (206,512)	168,222 (159,537)	(159,537) (1,526,253)
Net book value as of 31 December 2023	350,000	798,275	60,950	8,685	1,217,910

15 December 2023. The full independent valuation of the unit at Football House was undertaken by Haydn Rudat AAPI CPV and Phil Green AAPI CPV of MMJ Real Estate as at

The directors are satisfied that there has been no material movement in the valuation of the property from the date of the valuation to 31 December 2023

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
NOTE 13. RIGHT OF USE ASSETS		
Equipment under lease	38,988	38,988
Less accumulated depreciation	(38,988)	(36,181)
		2,807
NOTE 14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		
Trade creditors	663,314	420,506
Accrued expenses	225,647	157,047
Employee related payables	74,509	37,705
Amounts payable to the ATO	16,633	(17,287)
	980,103	597,971

NOTE 15. PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Analysis of total provision

	Annual Leave	Long Service Leave
Provisions		
Opening balance as at 1/1/2023	106,368	34,863
Net movement in balance	(42,976)	(9,799)
Balance as at 31/12/2023	63,392	25,064
Current	63,392	-
Non-Current		25,064
	63,392	25,064

A provision has been recognised for employee benefits relating to long service for employees. In calculating the present value of future cash flows in respect of long service leave, the probability of long service leave being taken is based on historical data. The measurement and recognition criteria for employee benefits have been included in **Note 1 Material Accounting Policy Information**.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 16. CASH FLOW RECONCILIATION		2023 \$	2022 \$
Cash as per:			
Statement of financial position	9	1,997,370	2,109,114
Statement of cash flows		1,997,370	2,109,114
Reconciliation of surplus for the year to net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities			
(Deficit) for the year		(362,062)	(874,340)
Adjustments for non-cash items			
Depreciation		72,990	69,541
Movements in assets and liabilities			
Decrease/(increase) in receivables		(91,104)	(97,218)
Decrease/(increase) in inventories		(14,582)	(360)
Decrease/(increase) in other assets		(240,974)	(13,173)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors and borrowings		382,131	80,629
Increase/(decrease) in income in advance		243,978	82,313
Increase/(decrease) in employee provisions		(52,774)	36,393
		(62,397)	(716,215)

An overdraft facility was available to the Federation at the reporting date secured by a registered mortgage over the property at Australian Football Federation House Phipps Close Deakin ACT.

NOTE 17. LEASING COMMITMENTS

Leasing commitments for the Federation relate to the lease of the Hawker Football Centre and lease of office equipment.

The lease of the Hawker Football Centre is a non-cancellable lease with a ten-year term, with rent payable yearly in advance. The Federation has elected to not measure this right of use asset at the reporting date as further guidance is expected to be issued subsequently by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

The lease of office equipment is a non-cancellable lease with a five-year term, with rent payable monthly in advance and has been accounted for in accordance is AASB 16 Leases.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 18. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION

Key management personnel is defined by AASB 124 "Related Party Disclosures" as those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly, including any director of the Federation. For the 2023 year, the Federation has broadened the interpretation to include those staff who are considered to have responsibility for their functional areas within the entity. As a result the 2022 comparative has been restated.

The total of remuneration paid to the key management personnel of the Federation during the year is:

	Short Term Employment Benefits \$	Post Employment Benefits \$	Total \$
2023 Total compensation	823,969	81,925	905,894
2022 Total compensation	674,602	67,049	741,651

The total number of key management personnel that are included in the above are 8 (2022: 10).

NOTE 19. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No income was paid or payable, or otherwise made available, to any director of the Federation from the Federation. Costs incurred by directors in undertaking their roles representing the entity are paid directly by the Federation and no element relates to the payment of an allowance or per diem entitlement.

The Federation enters into certain transactions for sponsorship and other activities associated with key events. Transactions with related parties are on terms no more or no less favourable than other parties. The Board considers that each of these arrangements are on arm's length terms, commercial terms.

NOTE 20. EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE DATE

There have been no events subsequent to the reporting date which require disclosure in the financial report.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

NOTE 21. CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

There are no contingent liabilities or assets as at 31 December 2023 which require disclosure in the financial report.

NOTE 22. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Board control the capital of the Federation to ensure that adequate cash flows are generated to fund operations. The Board is responsible for the overall risk management strategy.

The Federation's capital consists of financial liabilities, supported by financial assets.

The Board effectively manage the Federation's capital by assessing its financial risks and responding to changes in these risks as well as to changes in the market. These responses may include the consideration of debt levels.

The Federation does not have a formal policy on capital management and gearing ratios.

NOTE 23. MEMBERS' GUARANTEE

The Federation is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* and is a company limited by guarantee. If the Federation is wound up, the Constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$20 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the company. At 31 December 2023 the number of members was 12.

NOTE 24. COMPANY DETAILS

The registered office and principal place of business for the Federation is:

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ACT FOOTBALL FEDERATION LIMITED

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

I have audited the financial report of ACT Football Federation Limited, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In my opinion the financial report of ACT Football Federation Limited has been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of ACT Football Federation Limited's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulation 2001.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of my report. I am independent of ACT Football Federation Limited in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

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Other Information

The directors' are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in external reports prepared by ACT Football Federation Limited and made available to members and the public such as the Annual Report, but does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Directors' for the Financial Report

The directors' of ACT Football Federation Limited are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act*, and for such internal control as the directors' determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors' are responsible for assessing ACT Football Federation Limited's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors' either intends to liquidate ACT Football Federation Limited or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' are responsible for overseeing ACT Football Federation Limited's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the ACT Football Federation Limited's internal controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by ACT Football Federation Limited.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of ACT Football Federation Limited' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on ACT Football Federation Limited's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause ACT Football Federation Limited to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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I communicate with ACT Football Federation Limited regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including when considered necessary any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

AccountAbility

Anthony Wilson

Registered Company Auditor

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Canberra, ACT

6 May 2024

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George Lemon

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Harvey Grigor

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