

Goonellabah & District Soccer Club Pty Ltd



Presidents Report for 2009

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Goonellabah & District Soccer Club, I am pleased to present the Presidents Report for the year ended September 30th, 2009.

This is my second report to the members regarding the operation of the Goonellabah & District Soccer Club and once again I am able to present a favourable report about the two operations of the Club;

Goonellabah FC

&

Club Goonellabah

The current Board of Directors has been successful in guiding the club to a record profit in 2009. During these past 12 months we have seen a continued growth in membership and patronage of the club. Even during these uncertain times, it has been pleasing to see that the club is building a strong reputation.

Through the commitment of the Board of Directors, the Secretary Manager and the Football Committee an audited operating profit of \$120,000.00 was achieved during the 2009 financial year. This operating profit is a significant increase to the profit of \$51,000.00 in 2008. However, I must emphasize that the improved profits for 2009 have been achieved through the efforts and vision of the persons involved in the Board and the Committees that drive the club forward.

We might also acknowledge the assistance from the Federal Governments 2009 cash incentives which may have contributed to the improved profits.

Ultimately, the financial reports for 2009 show a strong cash flow position which will enable the Club to continue improving the facilities.

During the past year many new improvements were completed at the Club:

- The club finished the development of the new kitchen facilities.
- The electrical feed to the building was updated and a new main circuit breaker panel was added which will carry the club well into the future.
- A new roof was installed on the kitchen
- A new fence was installed around WP1.
- OLGR requirements were met early in the year.

In total, the club invested \$159,000 in tangible improvements to the club that will benefit both football players and social members.

The Board has been working on some organisational issues over the past year that has affected the Football Club and Club Goonellabah. Essentially, I believe these changes have resulted in a much better organisation for all. The board recently formalised an organisational chart that outlines in detail how the business is structured.

The organisational chart can be seen on the notice board at the back of the club.

Some of the main items that will be included in the plans for the 2010 Board will include:

- Setting up four functional working committees to oversee:
 - Long Term Planning
 - Human Resource issues
 - Risk Management, and
 - Infrastructure Management
- Renewing the current Lease with the Lismore City Council
- Evaluating expansion plans for the Club.
- Establishing a new paid position to promote and market the club to the wider community.
- Establishing a bi-monthly newsletter for club members.

I'd like to thank the Secretary Manager, Sue McCarthy for a tremendous job all year. And thanks to the wonderful staff, Andrew, Stacey, Marina, Rhonda and Lyn that have helped make it a pleasure to come to the club.

I would like to express my thanks to the efforts of Tony Denny, Kevin Franey, Murray Barnes, Jeff Wingfield and the whole Football Committee for their hard work in putting together an excellent season of football.

The entire club is proud of all of our players for the effort and sportsmanship they put into the game. I am sure they all enjoyed the 2009 season at Goonellabah FC. A special mention should go to our 5th Division Men's team who won their Grand Final last year.

The Football Committee and Club are pleased to welcome
Mark Ambler - as the Premier Squad coach this year and
Dave Arnets - as the Senior Women's coach.

The Committee has just completed this years sign-on program and we look forward to hearing about another successful tally of players.

The Goonellabah & District Soccer Club is proud of its reputation and we all look forward to another exciting year of Football in 2010.

In closing I would like to sincerely thank all of the members of the Board for their commitment and efforts during 2009. It was a pleasure working with everyone.

Additionally, I would like to thank all the members of the Club for their support over the past 12 months.

Thank You.