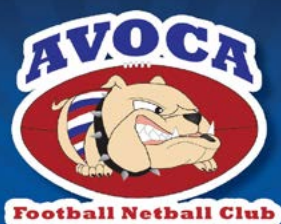


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our End of Season Newsletter

Another year as come and gone and I wish to begin by thanking everyone for their valuable contribution to our club during 2022.

Although severely impacted throughout the season by covid, it was great to get the season completed which resulted in our C grade netballers being crowned premiers. Congratulations to all involved.

Unfortunately, we have been again ravished by floods. We are becoming accustomed to this and once again our amazing community came together in assisting with the preparation and clean up where the repairs will continue for a number of months.

We recently held our Annual General meeting where we came together to celebrate our 150th birthday which I am sure will continue to be celebrated over the next twelve months. We welcome, Gary Daly, Ben Coghlan, Chris Robinson, Rachel Maes and Jeromy Coghlan to the committee for the new season and thank Scott Howell who departs the committee for his commitment to the committee and club over many years. Scott will not be lost however and will still be around volunteering where he can.

We have locked away our coaching structure for 2023 in all grades of football and netball and wish you all well in your respective roles.

Recruiting is going well and we look forward to welcoming many new families to the club over coming months and thank those that are departing for their services.

On behalf of the club can I wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas and New Year with your family and friends and I hope everyone enjoys their offseason and we all look forward to coming together in 2023 in what I am sure will be a fun filled and successful year at the club.

Bill Drummond
President
Avoca FNC



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Floods devastate Avoca Public Park

Floodwaters recently devastated the Avoca Public Park leaving a trail of destruction in its wake.

The flood waters made it one foot into the clubrooms which damaged our carpeting and air conditioning units and also knocked over our oval fencing and our perimeter fencing.

Adversity usually brings community together and we wish to thank everyone that pitched in and helped Sandbag the facility before the flood hit, and to those that helped to pull all of the carpet up after the event. How good was it to see dual premiership coach's Phil Canny and Andrew Panther attend our working Bee!

We also are appreciative to the footballers that entered the facility immediately after the event to sweep the muddy water out of the facility so that the mud did not settle.

Thank you to all!



Flood Picture
courtesy of Rhys Walkley



NETBALL COACHING

We are also pleased to confirm that Maddy and Kerry Egan have recommitted to coach our three senior grades of netball for 2023.

They have both done a fantastic job with our three senior grades playing finals with our C Grade girls winning the Premiership

17 & 15 Netball will be coached by club legend Stacey Blair

13 Netball will be coached by Sarah Neil.

11 Netball will once again be coached by Sarah Eldridge.



FOOTBALL

Zack Lubeek will be coaching our Senior Football in 2023 and will be assisted by Jason Hunt.

Damien Scott & Mick Drury will coach our Reserves.

Gavin Bayne is the 17.5s coach.

Tom Elliott is again the 14.5 coach.

Mark Blair is again the Under 11.5 coach.



Senior Football Coach's for 2023

The Avoca Football Netball Club is excited to announce our coaching appointments for 2023.

Zack Lubeek has been appointed senior football coach.

Zack joined the club this season and showed great leadership both on and off the ground and has been rewarded for this together with his commitment to the club.

Zack will be supported by Jason Hunt and Tyson Cope as senior assistants with Damien (Wadly) Scott and Mick Drury returning to the club as joint Reserve grade coach's after previous recent stints as senior and reserve coaches respectively.



LtoR: Damien Scott, Mick Drury, Jason Hunt, Zack Lubeek

Further news will be announced over the coming weeks with regards to adding to our senior playing group structure and key signings.

Our junior football coach's remain the same with Gavin Bayne and Nathan Field coaching 17.5s, Tom Elliott 14.5s and Mark Blair 11.5s.

There have been a number of positive new signings over the past few weeks and we look forward to all coming together for our 1st pre-season training on the 1st December at 6.15pm to meet our new coaches and recruits and map out our pre-season program and expectations for 2023 and beyond.

NETBALL

As previously announced, Kerry and Maddy Egan have been re-appointed as coach's of A, B & C Grade netball with Stacey Blair taking on 17s & 15s, Sarah Neil 13s and Sarah Eldridge 11s.

The club thanks the football and netball executive for their work locking away these coaching appointments and we wish all our coaches well during the off season and 2023 and we look forward to what this new era and change of focus for our club will bring.

Welcome to new Major Partner

Cramer's MITRE 10 have been a long time sponsor of our club and jumped at the opportunity to increase their partnership to a Major Level in 2022.

As part of the Major Partnership agreement, Avoca FNC Members were very happily receiving vouchers up to the value of \$200 on a weekly basis from Cramer's MITRE 10.

Bernie is well known in the Maryborough District and is very proud of his support of local community, and is very happy to support the Avoca community as well.

Stewie is well known as a former AFL footballer, and since his retirement from AFL football, has been involved in the management side of things alongside Bernie.

We are very grateful for their support of our club.

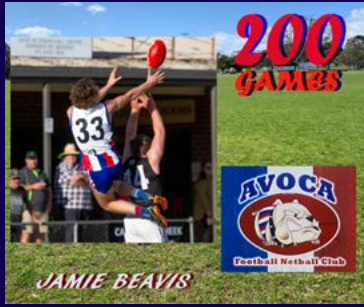
Pictured is Avoca FNC President Bill Drummond with Bernie and Stewart Cramer showing the MITRE 10 vouchers that were presented on a weekly basis.



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There was a large number of individual milestones in season 2022.

We congratulate the following players and we thank you for your loyalty to our club.

Football

250 Games

Darcy Carey & Bryce Howell played their 250th games during the 2022 season.

200 Games

Jamie Beavis, Daniel Howell and Lachlan Howell played their 200th game.

150 Games

Nick Coghlan, Jason Hunt, Jack Thompson, Sid Robinson & Eric Wilkinson played their 150th game.

100 Games

Hugh Bucknall, Calvin Wilkinson, Patrick Higgins & Blair Holland played their 100th game.

Netball

400 Games

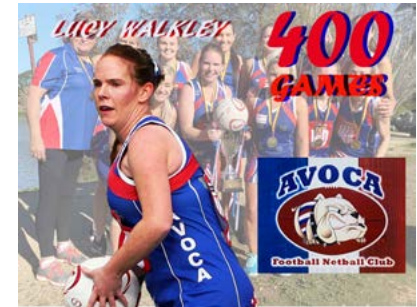
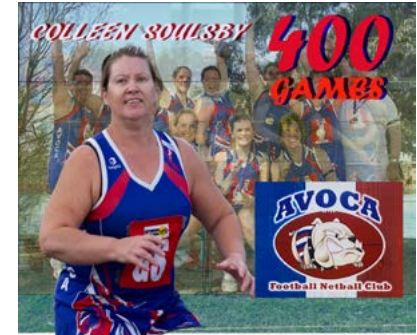
Colleen Soulsby & Lucy Walkley both played their 400th game in season 2022.

150 Games

Gina Beavis played her 150th game.

100 Games

Charlotte Barber, Makenzie Gollop & Taylah Wardlaw played their 100th game.



C Grade Netball - 2022 Premiers

Congratulations to our C Grade Netballers who took out the 2022 MCDFNL Premiership.

It was a great effort by our girls who won the final game of the season by 6 goals over Harcourt



League Best & Fairest - Runners Up

**Congratulations to
Shayla Blair &
Colleen Drummond
who were both Runner Up
in the
MCDFNL Best & Fairest**



Colleen was Runner Up in the C Grade MCDNFL Best & Fairest count. Colleen led for most of the count but was overhauled in the late rounds by Bec Waddington from Harcourt FNC.

Shayla was Runner Up in the 11 & Under MCDNFL Best & Fairest vote count which was won by Mia Schodde of Dunolly.

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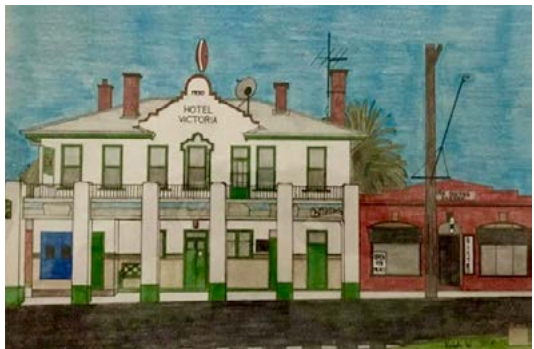


Keith shows his artistic talent once again!

Keith Wilkinson drew a very impressive piece of artwork last season when he drew our clubrooms pictured at right.

He also recently did another impressive piece of artwork when he drew the Vic Hotel and presented it to Stu Robinson who was the publican of The Vic.

Well done Keith!



Keith is selling framed prints of THE VIC for \$20. Could be a good buy as the building is rumoured to be demolished soon. Contact: 0482 801 417

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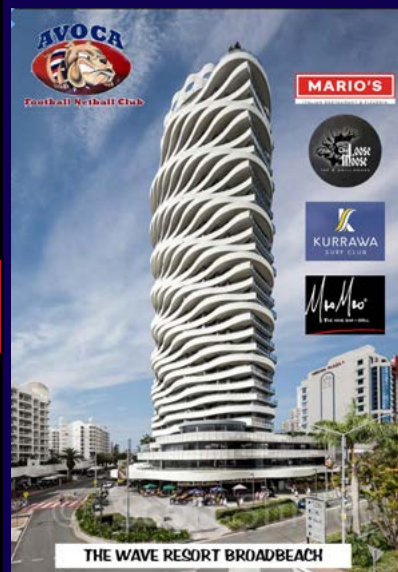


The Avoca Football Netball Club is very happy that The Wave Resort Broadbeach agreed to support our Major Fundraiser in 2022.

The WAVE donated a voucher for a 2 night stay in a 2br unit valued at over \$500, that the club use in our Major Raffle..

We encourage all of our membership base to stay at The Wave Broadbeach when holidaying on the Gold Coast.

<https://www.thewaveresort.com.au/>



Vale Dorrie Hunter

The club received some very sad news during the season on the passing of Doreen "Dorrie" Hunter who was loved by all as one of our club legends.

Dorrie is renowned as one of our great contributors to our netball contingent in many roles, and coached countless young girls to premierships over many years.



She was rewarded for her contribution to our club with Life membership in 1990.

It was great to see Dorrie return to our 2018 fifty year Reunion of our four 1968 premiership teams, and she was very well received by all of the ladies who returned.

(Dorrie is pictured with daughters Wendy and Christine at the Reunion)
The Avoca Football Netball Club offers our sincere condolences to the Hunter Family.

More can be seen on Dorrie's outstanding contribution to our club at the following link.

https://websites.mygameday.app/get_file.cgi?id=36750750

Vale Brian & Jo Arrowsmith.

The Avoca Football Netball Club was saddened by the passing of Brian Arrowsmith during the 2022 season.

Brian was a tireless worker as a former committee member of the Avoca FNC in the 80's, who also held the role of Secretary in 1985 & 1986, and was Treasurer in 1987.

He and his loving wife Jo have also produced many footballers and netballers to have played for the Bulldogs.

Our very best wishes to the Arrowsmith family.

Condolences also for the recent passing of Jo.

Jo was a lovely lady who will be sadly missed by all who knew her.



Brian is pictured at right and below with his Life membership of Sport & Rec Committee

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FACILITY SECURITY

The facility at the Avoca Public Park has been secured by the installation of an alarm system which includes camera vision of areas of the clubroom facility.

To increase the security further so that the whole building is covered, the installation of more cameras have been purchased and placed around the exterior of the building to make it a much safer and secure environment.

A Community Grant from the Pyrenees Shire was applied for to help finance the project and the club is very happy that one of our club partner's in Randall Edwards at VISAT

Communication & Security has taken on the task of making our facility safer.



Major Raffle Winners

Here is a happy snap of half the Blair Family who are all very excited that they will be heading to the Gold Coast again sometime in the future.

Stacey Blair has won the Raffle for the second time in succession which puts and end to the myth that lightning doesn't strike twice.

Congratulations Stacey! (Ticket number 289) You are the winner (again) of the Avoca FNC Major Raffle.

A Broadbeach Accommodation & Restaurant package valued at \$1100.00
The Wave Resort, Marios Restaurant, Kurrawa Surf Club, Moo Moos Steakhouse, The Loose Moose Bar & Grill.

2nd Prize - Maddy Egan - (Ticket number 378)
A portable 25 Litre fridge/Freezer donated by Wattle Office Supplies valued at \$370.00

3rd Prize - Jo Field - (Ticket number 725)
A six pack of various wines from our very generous winery sponsors valued at \$175.00.

4th Prize - Riley Wardlaw - (Ticket number 102)
A six pack of various wines from our very generous winery sponsors valued at \$175.00.

5th prize - Keith Johnson - (Ticket number 531)
A six pack of various wines from our very generous winery sponsors valued at \$175.00.

6th prize - Simon Elliott - (Ticket number 620)
A six pack of various wines from our very generous winery sponsors valued at \$175.00.

7th prize - Chukwudi Ogoh - (Ticket number 477)
\$40 meal voucher at The Vic Hotel

8th prize - Bill Drummond - (Ticket number 769)
\$40 meal voucher at The Vic Hotel

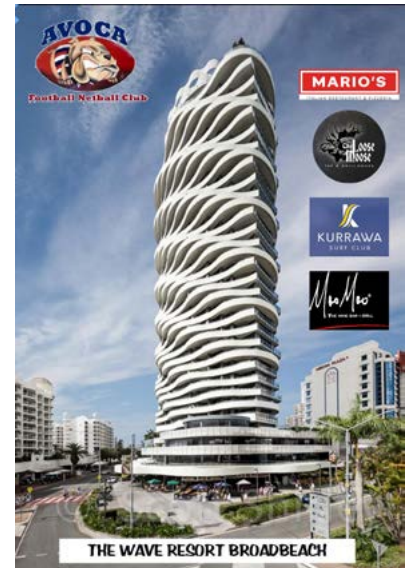
9th prize - Narelle Greenwood - (Ticket Number 614)
\$20 meal voucher at Ballarat Leagues Club

10th prize - Brett Monk - (Ticket number 639)
A Movie Ticket at Showbiz Cinemas Delacombe.

The Avoca Football Netball Club would like to thank everybody that purchased tickets in our Major Fundraiser and we congratulate all prize winners.

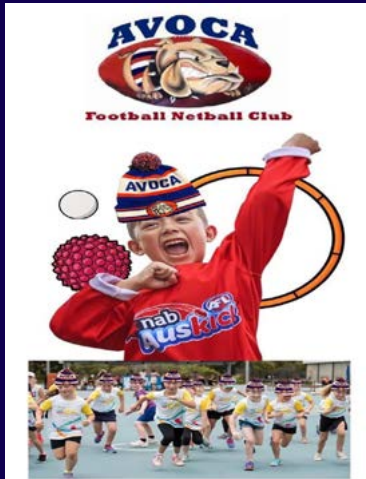
The sum of \$4,160 was raised which will be put back into our facilities.

Congratulations to all of our winners and thank you to all of our very generous prize donors.



Is held at the Avoca Public Park on Wednesday afternoons.

Auskick at 3.30 pm
Netsetgo at 3.45pm



Thank you to Zim's Fencing and Maryborough Sportspower for donating awards for our Junior footballers.



Peter Jess - PJA Accountants Principal Partnership

The club is very pleased that Life Member Peter Jess commenced a five year term as our Principal Partner for the next five seasons through his business PJA Accountants and Business Advisors.

This season marks the 50th year of Peter's involvement with the club as a player and then sponsor which is an amazing achievement.

Peter has been a long standing financial contributor to not just our club but the Avoca community and we are extremely grateful for his continued support of our community.



"Great Scott"

The Avoca FNC members are all very proud that local girl, Paige Scott, was drafted to the Essendon FC to play in the AFLW series in 2022.

Paige has had a great season at the Bombers and was nominated as the Rising Star nominee after her opening game of the season back in Round 1.



Junior Interleague

Avoca FNC was well represented by Junior Reps at the interleague series that was held during the season.



The Under 16 boys were coached by Gav Bayne and George Field and the Avoca players were, Angus Voutier, Cree Ward, Geordie Gollop, Jesse Britnell, Sid Robinson, Jayden Humphrey, Eric Wilkinson and Campbell Blair. The 16 boys had an excellent win over North Central by 5 points. The Under 18 Avoca boys were Zack Tsiambazis, Noah Wardlaw and Lachlan Wardlaw. The 18's boys defeated Loddon Valley by 10 points, but got smashed by the Heathcote League. The 17's netball, we had Tilly Davis (pictured front row 3rd from left) representing and they won one game and lost two games, and Emily Beavis (pictured back row 3rd from left) played in the 15's team **Well done to all of our league representatives!**



80-81 Premiership Reunion



It was great to see some of the 1980 & 1981 senior premiership players return to Avoca for the Reunion early in the season.

Pictured are John Jess, David Edwards, Ron Deledio, Gerard Darcy, John Field, Wal Constable, David Veitch, Wayne Deledio, Tony Falls, Richard Field, Tony Haddow and Charlie Coleman.

Mark Stephen was around earlier in the day but had to leave early for another engagement.

Some very talented players in this group.

Photo courtesy of Steve Carey.

Commitment to Child Safety



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Our Club is committed to child safety and we...

Have zero tolerance for child abuse

Have systems in place to protect children

Support and respect children with a disability, First Nations children and children from diverse cultures.

CHILD SAFETY OFFICER

As part of our commitment to child safety, the AFNC has appointed a new Child Safety Officer:

Delvene Barber

Our junior players and members are encouraged to talk to Delvene if they feel unsafe, worried or uncomfortable at our club.

Adults are encouraged to talk with Delvene if they have any concerns about the welfare of a child.



Social Events

It was great to get back to normality with some very well attended events throughout the season.

The Ball at the Shire hall was a great success and as always the Woodenhorse Cup was a highlight of the season.

Issy Thomson took on the fillies and the colts to win the 2022 Wooden-Horse Cup

Well done to our Social Committee for another great season.





SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Avoca Football Netball Club were very pleased to award two of our up and coming junior players with the AFNC Scholarship Awards at the recent Graduation Night.



Caitlyn Eldridge

Caitlyn commenced playing netball for Avoca in 2019 and has amassed 43 games to date for the Bulldogs.

2022 saw Caitlyn move into the 13 and Under grade and she was recognised by her coach as showing leadership qualities, and was awarded the Coach's trophy for these qualities.

Her height and strength helped her under the goal ring and was a great asset to the team during the season.

The Avoca Bulldogs look forward to seeing Caitlyn leading the way for her team mates in the future years.

Congratulations Caitlyn!

Fred Davis

Fred has been an outstanding player for our club since first playing in 2018.

He has played a total of 65 games and has kicked 27 goals.

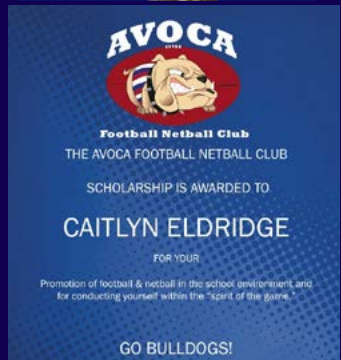
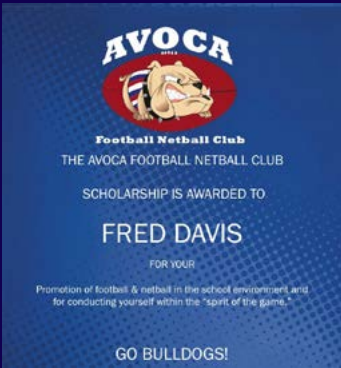
Fred has won numerous awards while playing football for the Avoca Football Netball Club including the club Under 11.5 Best & Fairest in 2021 and also the League equivalent which was an outstanding achievement.

He is an on field leader and was a great user of the football setting up many forward moves in our Under 14.5 team in 2022.

Fred comes from a good sporting and community minded family, and the Avoca FNC look forward to what lies ahead on the football field.

Congratulations Fred!

Fred & Caitlyn are pictured with Club Secretary, Kylie Coghlan, who presented them both with their awards.



OLD DOGS CLUB

We take this opportunity to thank our membership of the OLD DOGS Club.

Past football & netball players of the Avoca Bulldogs support the OLD DOGS Club and the funds from their membership is put towards purchasing our game day footballs and netballs.

Membership is \$40 and allows entry into home games each season.

If you are a past player and would like to become an OLD DOG you can do so by calling 0408 571 829.

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Football 2022 Trophy Winners

SENIORS

Best & Fairest	-	Joel Antonio
Runner Up Tied	-	Bryce Howell & Jason Hunt (Tie)
Leading Goalkicker	-	Jason Hunt
Best Under 20	-	Sid Robinson
Most Determined	-	Bryce Howell
Coach's trophy	-	Darcy Carey

RESERVES

Best & Fairest	-	Geordie Gollop & Lachlan Howell (Tie)
Leading Goalkicker	-	Trevor Field
Most Determined	-	Geordie Gollop
Coach's trophy	-	James Colliccoat

UNDER 17.5

Best & Fairest	-	Noah Wardlaw
Runner Up	-	Lachlan Wardlaw
Leading Goalkicker	-	Jesse Britnell
Most Improved	-	Angus Voutier
Most Determined	-	Josh Humphrey
Coach's Trophy	-	Sid Robinson
Coach's Trophy	-	Josh Powers

Under 14.5

Best & Fairest	-	Campbell Blair
Runner Up	-	Matthew Wardlaw
Leading Goalkicker	-	Matthew Wardlaw
Most Improved	-	Tommy Barber
Most Determined	-	Jaidyn Cocking
Coach's Trophy	-	Mitchell Wardlaw

Under 11.5

Best & Fairest	-	Jarrold Colliccoat
Runner Up	-	Emmett Ferguson
Leading Goalkicker	-	Emmett Ferguson
Most Improved	-	Oscar Darlow
Most Determined	-	Jenna Beavis
Coach's Trophy	-	Cooper Howell

-	-	
Best Clubperson	-	Russell Neil
Best Junior Clubperson	-	Zac Burge

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Netball 2022 Trophy Winners

A Grade

Best & Fairest Merle Gothard Memorial	-	Olivia Carlin
Runner Up	-	Maddy Egan
Amy Walkley Memorial Most Dedicated	-	Gina Beavis
Coach's trophy	-	Lucy walkley

B Grade

Best & Fairest	-	Kodie Greenwood
Runner Up	-	Maddie Hall & Kirby Postle (Tied)
Most Dedicated	-	
Sue Farnsworth-Storer Memorial	-	Maddie Hall
Coach's trophy	-	Rachael Maes & Taylah Wardlaw

C Grade

Best & Fairest	-	Colleen Drummond
Runner Up	-	Ellie Meagher
Most Dedicated	-	
Sue Farnsworth-Storer Memorial	-	Colleen Soulsby
Coach's trophy	-	Chloe Reid & Ellie Meagher

17 & Under

Best & Fairest (D & A Hunter Perpetual)	-	Matilda Davis
Runner Up	-	Emily Beavis
Coach's trophy	-	Molly Arrowsmith

15 & Under

Best & Fairest	-	Emily Beavis
Runner Up	-	Felicity Rentsch
Amy Walkley Memorial Most Dedicated	-	Felicity Rentsch
Coach's trophy	-	Matilda Neil

13 & Under

Best & Fairest	-	Ashlee Soulsby
Runner Up	-	Kalifornia Klene
Coach's trophy	-	Caitlyn Eldridge



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We take this opportunity too thank our many wonderful partners.

It is a very difficult task to operate a sporting club these days and would be nearly impossible without the financial support that our partners provide to our club.

We appreciate their support greatly and we encourage all of our supporters to check out the flyer to see just who it is that support our club and we ask that you support them, and thank them whenever the opportunity arises.



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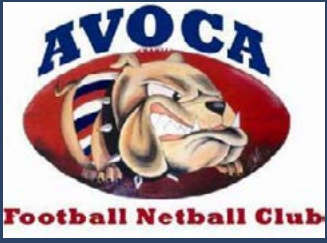
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