



Newsletter – October 2025

Welcome to the latest edition of the **BAFC Newsletter!**

Although the 2025 winter season has now wrapped-up, there is still plenty of news to share about recent and upcoming Club events and developments. This edition contains numerous key updates – including summaries of recent events held, important announcements & reminders, and our various regular features. There is still plenty happening around the Club while our training and games take a hiatus, so do have a read of this latest newsletter when you get a moment to keep abreast of all things BAFC.

A special thanks goes to **Computing Australia** for their generous support in helping us bring this newsletter to life. Their contribution is greatly appreciated!

Stay tuned for more updates in due course!

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President's Report



It's hard to believe that our winter season has flown by and is now done and dusted! It only seemed like yesterday that we were still gearing up for our first games, and here we are now with our weekends returned to us (well for some of us anyway) and a sneaky eye on the horizon for when trials and preseason activities will come along.

It has been so great to see all of our teams and players enjoying their football over the season, with some great results achieved by many of our Mini-roo, Junior and Senior teams alike.

Huge congratulations firstly to our **Men's First Team** who achieved promotion to the Amateur Premier division next year, somewhere the Club has never been before - and only just missing out on topping Division 1 by a single point! A magnificent feat achieved by our dedicated players and coaches (Shane & Scott), and very ably backed-up by our Reserves team and coaches (Arthur & Wayne). So looking forward to seeing what this team can achieve in the Premier division next season.

Congratulations also to our **Metro ND2 team**, who also secured promotion to ND1 next season by winning their penultimate game of the season. Well done gents and to their coach Nick on another stellar season and for achieving back-to-back promotions (just like our Men's First Team!).

Our Junior teams also excelled this year, with special mentions to our 15s JDL team for gaining mid-season promotion to JDL2 and just missing an end of season promotion to JDL1, and our 14s JCL ND4 and 13s JCL ND4 teams (3rd & 1st respectively in their leagues) for their great efforts and making their top 4 playoffs – with our 13s JCL boys also going on to win their top 4 final! And we of course cannot forget our marvelous Minirooms, with many BAFC teams doing exceptionally well in their nominated divisions and now looking at moving up a grade in 2026!

In the events department, July, August & September saw a number of successful events held and enjoyed, including our annual **Quiz Night**, the Minirooms march-past at the Perth Glory vs AC Milan match, our **Play in Purple** initiative, and our **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle** day, with some wonderful pictures and additional details for several of these events being provided below.

Most recently, we held our **Sponsors, Coaches & Life Members appreciation day** on Sunday 21st September, which saw a wonderful attendance at our Clubhouse of so many generous and valued supporters of the Club. These people represent the historic and current backbone of our Club, so it is always great to welcome and acknowledge them whenever possible, with our appreciation day being one special event that lets us do this annually with all of them as our focus. How pleasing too for both our First Team and Reserves to each put 6 goals past their opponents on the day to provide the big crowd with plenty to cheer about!

Finally, it would be remiss of me to not acknowledge all of our hard working Committee, Coaches, and Team Managers for their stellar efforts this season. With 28 teams entered across various Miniroom, Junior, and Senior competitions, so much required to happen each and every week and weekend, and without the tireless efforts of these wonderful volunteers, we just wouldn't be able to achieve what we have as a Club! We're not always perfect with how we do things, and sometimes things like horrible weather, differing views/personalities, and unruly opponents make us question our level of commitment, but for a Community Club, we together accomplish a great deal more than many bigger clubs manage to do imo.

Stay tuned for a few end of season events that are coming up soon (details provided below) and a big thank you again to my fellow Committee Members (a special welcome too to Jo Burkin who has joined our team recently!) who together share the load with me to help guide and build our Club for the benefit of all our players, members and supporters.

Thanks for your support throughout the season folks, enjoy whatever free weekends you now get to yourselves for a while, and we will be back into it again in the not too distant future.

GO BALLA!

Upcoming Events – Early Notice

BALLA'S NIGHT OF NIGHTS

THE BOOTS ARE OFF, THE GLAM IS ON – IT'S TIME
TO CELEBRATE IN TRUE BALLAJURA AFC STYLE!

📍 **CLEAVER HALL – CITY WEST**

📅 **SATURDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER 2025**

🕒 **DOORS OPEN 6:00PM | SMART ATTIRE REQUIRED**

YOUR TICKET INCLUDES:

- ✦ SPARKLING 3-COURSE MEAL
- ✦ DRINKS FLOWING ALL NIGHT
- ✦ AWARDS • SPEECHES • DANCEFLOOR MADNESS

TICKETS: \$130 **EARLY BIRD** – PAY BY 15TH SEPTEMBER
 \$150 **STANDARD** – AFTER 15TH SEPTEMBER

**THIS IS THE EVENT OF THE YEAR – LET'S LIGHT
UP THE ROOM WITH GOLD, GLITTER & BALLA ENERGY**

SEE CHRISTINA FOR PAYMENT DETAILS

#BALLAGLITZ #PRESENTATIONNIGHT2025 #BALLASTYLE #BALLAFAMILY #CITYWT

The season may be over, but there are still some important events coming up which we wanted to provide some early notice for.

Junior Trophy Presentation Day – Sunday 19th October (10am-2pm) at our Clubhouse – coaches will be in touch to remind all teams about plans for this big day!

Senior Awards Night – Saturday 1st November at Cleaver Hall, City West – get your tickets now for what will be another great night on our events calendar.

2026 JDL, JCL & Mini-roo Trials and Pre-Registration Morning – Sunday 23rd November at our Clubhouse – click on this [link](#) to register your interest by providing your child's name, age and division/team played in this season. division/team played in this season.

Further emails and posts on our socials pages will provide reminders and further details for each event, but we'd encourage you to mark your calendars now to avoid you or your child missing out.

Recent Events Wrap Up



Quiz Night – Friday 25th July

Another great night was had with 12 tables battling it out for glory with the 'Quizzard of Oz' again ensuring loads of fun was had while old and young brains alike were put to work.

Something in the order of 60+ prizes were won on the night by loads of individuals (some winning multiple times!), with ~\$4,000 being raised for the Club.

Thanks to all who attended and of course to our wonderful sponsors and prize donors who helped make it another great BAFC Quiz Night!

Play in Purple – Sunday 3rd & 10th August

So great to see ALL of our teams donning purple socks to support the **Pankind Play in Purple** initiative and help raise awareness around pancreatic cancer.

With many games being cancelled on the 3rd August due to the inclement weather, it was so great to see those teams that missed matches the first weekend donning their purple socks the following weekend (10th August) to ensure they didn't miss out doing their bit for this great cause.

Huge thanks to all those who made individual donations back to the Club to cover all or some of the cost of the purple socks (\$15/pair) purchased by the Club for all players. Donations can be still be made for anyone interested directly into the Clubs' football account (BSB 066-167, Acc No 1060 5181, REF Play in Purple).

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle – Sunday 30th August

A big thank you to all involved for helping to make our Sausage Sizzle day a few weekends ago such a success. You know things are going well when you have to get extra sausages and buns delivered to the site because you've sold out way earlier than expected!

With over 920 hot dogs sold, we managed to raise in the order of \$2,300 for the Club, which is an awesome effort.

Huge thanks also to **Arthur** and **Jo** from our Committee for rounding up and project managing all of our fabulous Club volunteers who filled out the 1 hour shifts across the day.

Secondhand Uniform Shop

As mentioned in our last Newsletter, with the help of some of our wonderful parents, the Club is setting up a **Secondhand Uniform Shop** to help support our families and players. And with the end of the season now behind us, now is a great time to consider donating any outgrown or unused kits (including training tops, shorts, socks, boots, etc).

Your donations will help us build-up a stash of affordable secondhand gear ahead of next season and help ensure more kids can wear the Balla colours and play with pride (as well as ensuring these useful items don't just end up in the bin or get used as rags!).

Clean, usable items can be dropped off at the clubrooms on our Junior Trophy Presentation Day, otherwise please reach out to us and we can arrange a time for these to be dropped off at the Clubhouse or to one of our Committee Members.

All funds raised from sales of secondhand items go directly back to the Club to support our teams and facilities, so please get behind this wonderful initiative and help give our old kits a second chance.

Recent Senior Team Results

Men's First Team

- Sun 31 Aug vs Kwinana United SC (home) – 3 : 3 draw
- Sun 7 Sep vs Southern Spirit SC (home) – 2 : 0 win
- Sun 14 Sep vs Ellenbrook United FC (away) – 5 : 0 loss
- Sun 21 Sep vs Quinns FC (home) - 6 : 2 win

Men's Reserves

- Sun 31 Aug vs Kwinana United SC (home) – 0 : 4 loss
- Sun 7 Sep vs Southern Spirit SC (home) – 4 : 1 win
- Sun 14 Sep vs Ellenbrook United FC (away) – 3 : 2 loss
- Sun 21 Sep vs Quinns FC (home) - 6 : 1 win

Metro ND2

- Sun 31 Aug vs Tuart Hill Junior SC (away) – 8 : 3 loss
- Sun 7 Sep vs Wembley Downs SC (away) – 1 : 5 win
- Wed 17 Sep vs Whitford City SC (home) – 3 : 1 win
- Sun 21 Sep vs North Beach SC (away) – 0 : 2 win

Metro ND6

- Sun 13 Aug vs Alkimos FC (home) – 0 : 1 loss
- Sun 5 Sep vs Swan United FC (home) – 3 : 5 loss
- Sun 21 Sep vs Morley Windmills (home) – 1 : 1 draw
- Sun 28 Sep vs Alkimos FC (away) – 3 : 3 draw

Masters O45s

- Sun 31 Aug vs Joondalup City FC (away) – 0 : 0 draw
- Sun 7 Sep vs Belmont City FC (home) – 2 : 3 loss
- Sun 14 Sep vs Wembley Downs SC (away) – 0 : 6 win
- Sun 21 Sep vs Quinns FC (home) – 1 : 2 loss
- Fri 26 Sep vs Morley Windmills SC (away) – 4 : 5 win

Coach / Player Feature – Micheal Dickson



- **Nickname & Current Role / Team?** – Dicko – I just enjoy helping out however I can around the Club
- **How long have you been associated with BAFC?** Since 2003
- **Most memorable event during your playing/coaching time at BAFC?** Seeing the BAFC First team, Reserves and Div3 Socials winning the league
- **Favourite football team(s) (apart from BAFC)?** Liverpool
- **Favourite football player / coach?** Michael Sharpe (Sharpy)
- **Favourite food & drink (even if not available from the Canteen / Bar at BAFC)?** Corona
- **What are you looking forward to football-wise in 2025?** The First Team if not winning the league, finishing 2nd and gaining promotion to the Sunday Prem competition

Sponsor Spotlight



This Newsletter's Sponsor Spotlight shines on **Oceania Plumbing & Gas** who have been a great Club Sponsor over the last couple of years.

If you've got a plumbing issue, **Rhys Booth**, another of our Men's 1st Team players, provides real customer service without charging like wounded bulls.

And as well as delivering the best quality plumbing work at affordable prices, the team at Oceania Plumbing & Gas provide a 24 hour, seven day a week emergency service for those times when incidents happen after hours.

Big thanks to **Rhys** and the team at **Oceania Plumbing & Gas** for being one of our valued Club Sponsors.

Key Dates

- o 19 October - Junior Trophy Presentation Day (10 am-2 pm) – Clubhouse
 - o 1 November - Senior Awards Night – Cleaver Hall, City West
 - o 23 November – JDL, JCL & Mini-roo Trials and Pre-Registration Morning – Home Ground
 - o 23 November - Annual General Meeting (1 pm-2 pm) – Clubhouse
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Your BAFC Committee



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