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CLUB FINANCE REPORT - JULY 2011

In this newsletter, we provide an updated picture of the club's finances. This is part of our commitment to communicate with all club members about how the club is going.

As I am sure you can all appreciate, especially those that run a tight household budget or your own business, it is often hard to make ends meet. This is the same boat we are in at ACWFC.

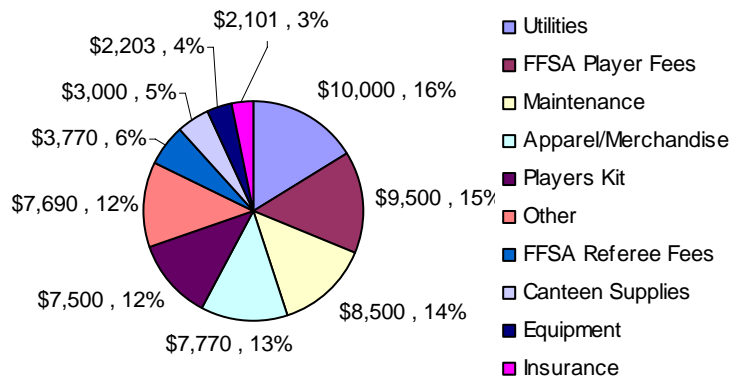
We intentionally keep our fees as low as possible and rely on sponsorship, donations, the blood and sweat (we try to minimise the tears!) from all of our volunteers especially our dedicated committee members who are critical to the club's ability to operate.

Last but not least, we rely on the much valued grants from The Office for Recreation & Sport and the support of the Adelaide City Council to assist with our building program (the new clubrooms). All this will help us put the club on a strong long term footing with a great club facility and the club rooms should allow us to supplement our income from fundraising and provide both a better player and spectator environment.

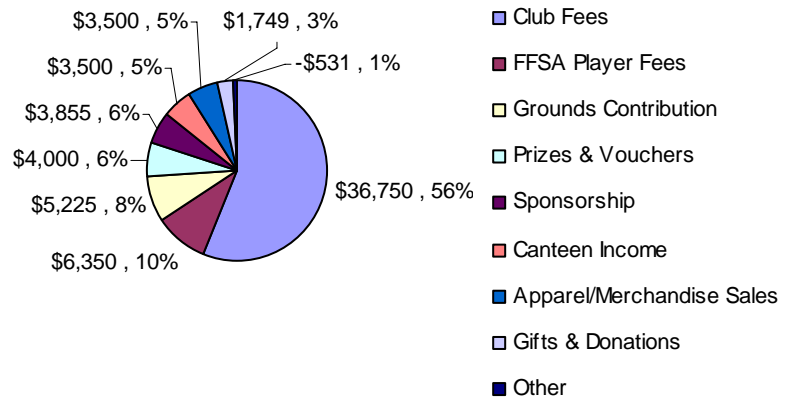
Financial Summary

ACWFC runs its financial year from 1 November to 31 October. This is to coincide with the football year and the AGM in each November. This also means that our income (and most of our expenditure) happens in a short period when fees are due. As we don't hold large cash reserves if fees aren't paid promptly this can create serious cash flow problems for the club.

ACWFC Operating Expenditure
Projected YTD as at October 31, 2011



ACWFC Operating Income
Projected YTD as at October 31, 2011



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Operating Expenditure

Utilities	\$	10,000	16%
FFSA Player Fees	\$	9,500	15%
Ground Maintenance	\$	8,500	14%
Apparel/Merchandise	\$	7,770	13%
Players Kit	\$	7,500	12%
Other	\$	7,690	12%
FFSA Referee Fees	\$	3,770	6%
Canteen Supplies	\$	3,000	5%
Equipment	\$	2,203	4%
Insurance	\$	2,101	3%
Total Expenditure	\$	62,034	100.00%

Operating Income

Club Fees	\$	36,750	57%
FFSA Player Fees	\$	6,350	10%
Grounds Contribution	\$	5,225	8%
Prizes & Vouchers	\$	4,000	6%
Sponsorship	\$	3,855	6%
Canteen Income	\$	3,500	5%
Apparel/Merchandise Sales	\$	3,500	5%
Gifts & Donations	\$	1,749	3%
Other	-\$	531	-1%
Total Income	\$	64,398	100.00%

Operating Income Commentary

Our main sources of revenue - fees (Club fees the players pay) prizes, & vouchers (winnings from the Premis for 2010 cup and league wins have helped this years finances), sponsorship (strip sponsorship) and grounds contribution (money invoiced to other entities not yet received for usage of the pitches) are finalized. This means that there is limited income expected for the balance of the year. So our net projected YTD Income for 2010/11 is \$64,398. This projected figure will not alter significantly between now and the end of October.

Operating Expenditure Commentary

On the expenses side, with a projected cost of \$62,034 we have included projected expected additional costs for FFSA referee fees, utilities, ground maintenance and apparel/merchandise. We have budgeted \$12,500 to cover these projected costs until the end of October. This will make our total expenses approximately \$ 62,034.

A quick calculation will tell you that we will then have a net surplus of about \$2,364 for the year! A broken irrigation pipe or some additional loam for top dressing, a broken flood light or damaged equipment will soon eat this up. But it is not all doom and gloom, the club is not here to make a significant profit. We just need to ensure we have enough to cover the ever increasing running costs and a small surplus to carry forward each year to improve the grounds, buildings and equipment.

Grant for Capital (building project) \$58,000 (Amount received so far of the \$116,000 grant)

Separate to the above is the unspent Capital Grant for the building. These funds are tied to the building project. We have recently signed a contract with Tim Power Construction to complete the external parts of the building after settling accounts with our previous builders. There will be some funds left after this and we will be pursuing further grant programs in order to complete the internal fit out. The club may also need to make contributions toward this either through funding or in kind services. Please speak to a committee member if you are in a position to assist!

Hidden Costs and Volunteer Contributions

All of the committee and sub-committee members are hands on and on average, the majority of these members and all our volunteers including coaches and team managers would put in a minimum of 10/12 hours a week at ACWFC, with a number of these valued volunteers putting in 25 plus hours a week!

With good sponsorship, a great team of volunteers, dedicated players and coaches, we can continue to ensure ACWFC maintains its position as one of South Australia's most successful soccer clubs that is continually held in high regard by the FFSA as well as all of our opposition. If any club member would like to discuss any of the items in this report or has suggestions or offers of assistance for the club, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0419 853 911 or louise@caspl.com.au

Louise Rigoni - Club Treasurer



PREMIER TEAM REPORT



**Goal Celebrations
Game of the Month vs MUWFC**

So far this season we have had a tough battle on our hands. With the title of back to back champions on our heads, other teams have upped the stakes and are having a good hard go at taking the title away from us.

We have had to battle challenges along the way with both Chichi May and Ellie Chapman succumbing to knee injuries and most recently Daniela Di Bartolo to an ankle injury, with her return unknown. Young recruit Grace Henry has also struggled with a hamstring strain but should be ready for action in no time.

The road so far has consisted of wins against the top teams; however our last encounter at Burton Park in the Premier League game of the month against Metro, resulted in a 3-1 loss. Metro haven't been able to beat us over the past three years in either the league or cup, so this was quite a hurtful defeat.

Going into the game we lacked available premier players, which saw youngster Georgia Campagnale debut in her first start for the Prens. Despite not having our regular starting line-up, in true Adelaide City spirit we were pumped for this challenge against our arch rivals.

We went down 1-0 courtesy of a free kick in the first 10 minutes of the match, but after a slow start, we picked up our game, and in the second half we equalized with a beautiful finish by Katelyn Tucker. With about 20 minutes to go, we pushed hard to win, but unfortunately this resulted in Metro scoring 2 quick goals to seal the 3 points and move to the top of the ladder. Only 1 point separates us as the moment, but there is still time for city to regroup and work our way back to the top.

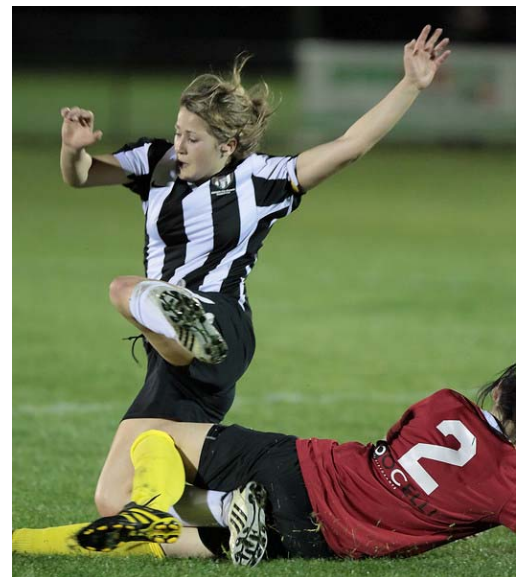
With a two week break scheduled due to the national championships in Coffs Harbour, Edoardo put us through some pre-season training in preparation for the second half of the season. The girls worked really hard and it proved to be very successful for the up and coming game against Cumberland in the FFSA Cup Semi-Final.

In all my four seasons at the club, the Cup Semi-Final game against Cumberland was one of our finest come backs! Going down 2 goals against Cumberland in the first half and the early in the second half, the girls could have easily given up and thrown in the towel. In true Adelaide City spirit that wasn't to be the case. With only about half an hour still to play, we lifted our intensity to a level that no team would be able to keep up with and scored five goals to walk away victorious. This win meant that for the third consecutive year we were going to Hindmarsh Stadium to play in the Cup Final. With only Adelaide Olympic now standing in our way on the path to glory we hope to be holding the winner's trophy for the third year in a row.

Come September Adelaide City will be a force to be reckoned with, but for now all our attention is on playing good football week in and week out, and by doing so we hope to finish top of the Premier ladder to take out the title of league champions also for the third season in a row.

As always.... Go City!!!

Christina Papageorgiou – Premier Midfielder



**Antonia Lupoi - Taking one for the team
Game of the Month vs MUWFC**

RESERVES TEAM REPORT

Since the last reserve team report we have only played three more matches (two wins and a loss) because of a bye and the reserve teams not being included in the knock out cup competition. After ten rounds the team is third on the league ladder.

With our goal keeper Chanel Thornton suffering an elbow injury and out for six weeks, Sarah Habel and Olivia Fay took turns to be the goal keeper and acquitted themselves well. The stop/start game schedule has made it hard for the girls to keep their fitness and at times enthusiasm at a high level. This should improve after the school holidays when we can play a number of matches in a row.



The reserve team girls are a great group to work with despite the ten year or more age difference between some of the players. We have had to work hard on this and some other aspects this season. We recently held a very worthwhile team meeting where everything was open for constructive discussion. This was a new experience for many of the younger girls in the team.

At the start of the season with a number of girls in the State under 14 and 15 training squads, we struggled to get numbers at Tuesday training sessions. To counter this we planned to have the whole team out at Thursday training sessions to practice the drills and program that John had developed. This objective was hard to meet at times.

To the girls from the team who were selected in the State teams and those who trained so hard but missed out on selection - congratulations on having a go and improving your skills at the same time. In addition there are a number of girls that have also been training at SASI, the younger girls have developed and learned from the older girls to be more focussed and physically strong which has assisted them in maturing at a young age - a credit to the whole team!!



Four girls from the team have been given the opportunity to prepare for games and sit on the bench for the premier team. Some weeks they get some match time. This is a great chance for them to experience the next level up - the speed and at times the physicality of the game.

Anthea Habel - Reserves Team Manager

Georgia Campagnale
Stepping up from Reserves into Premier League
Game of the Month vs MUWFC

UNDER 15 RED - TEAM REPORT

The Under 15 Reds have had a great season so far and we are currently sitting 2nd on the ladder as we head into the final 7 rounds of the season.

It has been a competitive season as we have had 9 wins, 2 draws & 2 losses. The most recent game on 31 July against the top team Campbelltown resulted in a 3-2 win to our girls. It was an action-packed game and all those that were there to watch and support the girls were impressed with their performance and skill and of course the final score! ACWFC girls snatched the final goal in the last minute or so of the game.



In the Under 15 Red division the mix of teams has provided some very strong and challenging. The girls have had the chance to play a variety of positions and to learn new training regimes and warm up exercises.

The team has come together mainly from last years Under 13A and Under 15 teams as well as a few new girls from other clubs. The girls vary in ages ranging from 11 to 15 years old. Despite the variety of playing backgrounds and ages the girls have gelled together well and have taken to the 4-3-3 playing formation concentrating on short passing to feet instead of booting long balls.

This year we have also welcomed Tony Mansueto to the club as the coach of the Under 15 Reds. Tony brings a wealth of soccer experience to the coaching role and is ably assisted by the jovial John Panagaris who is enjoying coaching at ACWFC for the first time. Thanks guys for giving up your time so freely and for always having a smile on your face and special words of encouragement for the girls.

In the last few weeks we have unfortunately suffered a few ankle and foot injuries and currently have 2-3 players that are in the process of recovery. The break during the July holidays with the delay of our Cup Round 3 has assisted in recovery and has the girls ready for the next cup round. This has given the coaches the opportunity to utilize the skills of some of the players from the Under 15 Blue team. It has been great that we have been able to fill the gaps in our team with the cheery girls from Under 15 Blue, thanks Lino and girls.

So heading into the last third of the season, the team should be proud of their achievements. Some of the girls used the holiday break to rejuvenate whilst others competed in the National Youth Championships in Coffs Harbour. The coaches are looking forward to the last part of the season playing out with the girls continuing to develop and enjoy their soccer.

Louise Rigoni – Under 15 Red Team Manager

WE WANT YOUR INPUT FOR THE NEWSLETTER

The club newsletter is produced bi-monthly and the next issue is due in September 2011. We are expecting a bumper edition with end of season reports from all teams, information on end of year presentation events and also details for ACWFC Club Trials for 2012 (via email).

If you have any club related photos, team or action shots please send to Kim McColl
kim.mccoll@sa.gov.au

We would also welcome any contributions or ideas you may have to improve the club newsletter.



UNDER 15 BLUE - TEAM REPORT

The Under 15's season started on a high when the combined team took out the pre-season championship. Unfortunately there was bit of to-and-fro as the teams for 2011 were finalised but the girls have now settled into a strong and supportive group.

It may have been a shaky start to the season but wins in rounds 7 and 8, and progression into round 3 of the cup competition, have boosted the team's confidence.



Team Manager, Sheree Kiley, has again been a positive force in organising the girls, boosting morale and co-ordinating the parents – who are only too happy to help and extremely grateful for Sheree's efforts. Thanks to Isabel Fforde for helping out in Sheree's absence.

Coach Lino Fusco remains a cool, calm and collected influence gently encouraging the girls to fulfill their potential. Lino is a very patient coach who knows which level each girl is at and caters to their needs at that level and introduces new areas for them as they progress – all while flying solo (ie. no assistant coach).

"2011 has been a season like no other," Lino says. "The U15 competition is a big step up from U13 competition. We started the season with a mostly young and inexperienced squad and were not competitive in our division. But to their credit the team has worked very hard and has significantly improved as the season has progressed. The highlight so far was the team's recent game against Para Hills. In the 1st round we lost 6-1 to Para Hills but in the 2nd round we turned the tables on Para Hills to win 3-2. What was particularly pleasing was the way the team fought back in the last 10 minutes of the game after Para Hills leveled the score at 2-2 and snatched victory with our third goal.

"There have been many areas of improvement. Key areas have been keeping possession of the ball, passing the ball to feet and moving into space to receive the ball. We need to continually work on improving individual skills and techniques. We have had a few weeks of good results but the rest of the season is going to be much tougher and the team must continue to improve if it is to be competitive in its league."

Jacqui Harbison - U15 Blue Parent

CONGRATULATIONS STATE REPRESENTATIVES

We reported in the last newsletter that we had a number of players from Adelaide City selected in State teams. The final selections for the remaining State teams were completed prior to the July holidays, with the team competing at the National Championships at Coffs Harbour.

Congratulations to the following Adelaide City players: Zoe Spyridonidis and Amelia Hall from our U13 team who have been selected in the SAPSASA Junior Under 12 squad. Venetia Rigoni from our U15 Red team who has been selected in the Under 14 State squad; and Lucy Burnett and Drajkana Kljajic from our Reserve team who have been selected in the Under 15 State squad.

We wish all the Adelaide City State representatives all the best in the State competitions.

Thanks also to all the girls who tried out for the State teams. Even though it is hard not to be in the final squad it's a great experience and there is always next year!



UNDER 13 - TEAM REPORT

It only seems a few short weeks ago that our team met for our first training. The Under 13 team is made up of many new girls from other clubs and a number of girls who moved up from the ACWFC Under 11 team from last year. We also welcomed a new coach to the club; Chawi Walters.

A team meal at Fasta Pasta after one of the early trainings was really successful in helping the girls bond and get to know each other better.

We have a great group of girls and there is always lots of chatter amongst them as we come together for training and games. So far our season has been up and down with not too many wins on the board but our girls are getting out there and continuing to try their hardest and enjoying their time together.

While the team was unfortunately unsuccessful in third round of the cup competition making it through to this round having two good victories in the previous rounds was a great confidence booster.

Congratulations to all the girls for their hard work and love of the game as we look forward to the remaining games of the season.

Erin Gillespie - Under 13 Team Manager



UNDER 9 - TEAM REPORT



Masterfully wrangled by Sofia Kette (Coach) has converted the Under 9 Zebra's into exuberant, enthusiastic and committed soccer players.

At every match, it is easy to see that each girl is quickly developing basic ball handling skills and has the support and confidence to use them during the course of the game. Also at every match there is always a quiet display of good sportsmanship to Zebra team mates who for example may have missed a goal, and opponents who may have had a fall.

The Under 9 division consists of 2 other teams (Jaguars) and (Olympic) and between them the three teams share players, join forces and form quick alliances so that each team and all girls get to participate each week.

The girls train on a Friday night and do a mix of fitness, individual ball skills, team plays and a mini-match. It is evident that the girls like to win, but it is also abundantly clear that each girl enjoys the sport itself and is engaged in both the training and the match day.

Nicola Connor - Under 9 Parent



INTRODUCING.....

Chawi Walters - Under 13 Coach

How did you become involved in football?

I became involved in football by accident. Before football I was a basketball player. It started when I got involved with a group of friends who had a futsal team. One day they had a shortage of players. Even though they knew I had never played before they asked me to play so I decided to give it a go. I was nervous at the start but when the whistle blew and the ball started moving, I just started playing. I got a goal in my first game and I was hooked!



Coaching Experience - ACWFC is my first serious coaching experience. I have had previous experience in school sports clinics at St. Peter Junior College in football, AFL football, basketball and cricket. I have completed the FFSA (Football Federation of SA) Junior Development and Youth Development courses.

What do you think is the most important thing for young players to learn?

The most important things for young players to learn is to have the determination to practice, practice, and practice and keep practicing. Practicing is the most important thing to do to become a great football player. Practice everyday if possible on ball skills. Also important is having the right attitude - being a team player and training hard. When you aren't training at the club keep practicing your ball skills whether at home, before school, during recess, lunchtime or after school. Make some spare time if possible. It's just like learning your time tables! Also you need to be creative. By this I mean have some sort of creative ball activities whether you use your school bag as cones, or other objects - anything that can be useful to practice your dribbling skills.

What is the most rewarding moment in your coaching career (so far!)?

The most rewarding moment in my coaching career so far has been teaching players how to play football and look like a football player. It is great watching the players develop their skills over a period of time.

When you are not coaching football what do you do?

I'm a football player myself, so I still play football for a Latin community club. It's just for fun and to socialise though - nothing serious. I also coach different sports in schools clinics and I try to hit the gym in the mornings.

TEAM MANAGER COORDINATOR UPDATE

Hi everyone and welcome to the third update of the 2011 season. We are now into the last third of the season and thank you everyone for all your hard work so far!

Just a couple of reminders for Team Managers to note;

- We now have a lost property box in the home transportable (under the white board) so if players have misplaced any items please direct them there
- Spare ice bags are available in the freezer when required for treating injuries during training sessions only (please arrange your own for game days). If the ice bags are running low please advise Mim Luksa (0430 599 351)
- If any equipment is broken please let Franca Di Bartolo (0402 052 468) know so that she can sort out replacements



As always please feel free to contact me on 0412 328 879 if you have any questions.

Natalie Soulsby - Team Manager Coordinator



CLUB ROOMS UPDATE - JULY 2011



You may have noticed a new temporary fence has been erected around the club rooms. The fence will stay in place until the club rooms have reached a satisfactory lock up stage (to be approved by Adelaide City Council).

Over the coming weeks you will start to see some changes to the outside of the club rooms including the application of a moisture barrier around the current slab, replacement of the temporary side doors, installation of temporary storm water piping, new steel cleats installed along adjoining concrete wall panels, roof rafter rectification, galvanised steel flashings to be installed and Makralon (grey sheeting) to be reinstalled.

We are excited about the next stage and anticipate that once the external features are completed the internal fit out will then commence.

As mentioned in previous newsletters there is still a funding shortfall in relation to completing the internal fit out and we are looking for trade expertise to assist in reducing the costs.

Tiling, electrical, plumbing, Gyprock fix and flush, kitchen fit out, cabinetry, change rooms, painting etc, are all areas where contributions would be well appreciated.

Please contact Gillian Kette on 0417 805 304 if you can help

We have a number of sponsors assisting us with the club room project and we would like to thank them all for their continued support.

We again would also like to acknowledge Joe Tripodi our club sponsor for his ongoing personal commitment to the Adelaide City WFC.

The next few months there will be a lot happening in relation to improving the club rooms and we look forward to telling you more in the near future.

ACWFC COACHES FOR SEASON 2012

Adelaide City Womens Football Club is currently considering applications for coaching positions (including assistant coaches) for 2012

ACWFC is a Women's Premier League Club with teams in all junior girl league categories and are seeking coaches for various positions. Mentoring available, development program for junior teams, honorarium (Coaching Licences, fees, uniform provided).

For all information, please contact Franca Di Bartolo (0402 052 468; bartolo_2@bigpond.com) or Edoardo Rosso (0421 241 640; edorosso@inet.net.au)

THANK YOU

Thank you to Richard Kelly (father of Pooja Kelly - Under 15 Reds) who recently donated a new pump for the line marking machine.

The new pump has made a big difference in the line marker and we would like to personally thank Richard for his donation.

Thank You also to Larry Roschella, that is the electrician who is currently putting together a proposal to upgrade the light poles around the pitches so we can have the new lighting installed.

Larry has also helped in the maintenance of the current pitch lighting and we appreciate Larry's ongoing help and support.



ACWFC CLUB MERCHANDISE

ACWFC has a large variety of Club Merchandise which is available to order now!!



U15 BLUE SOCK MODELS

We have hoodies and tracksuits (with or without names) available to order. These take a minimum of three weeks (tracksuits are usually two weeks) and can be ordered from me via email or phone.

If you are interested in purchasing any merchandise please see Nat Soulsby who is available at the club rooms on junior training nights.

If you have any questions please call Nat on 0412 328 879

ITEM	PRICE	DETAILS
Stubby Holders	\$10	Black with ACWFC Logo
White Socks with ACWFC logo	\$11	Available via order only
Black Training / Away Socks	\$11	
Beanie/cap	\$14	Woollen Beanie
Polar Fleece Scarf	\$18	
T-shirt	\$20	
Umbrella	\$35	Black and white striped with ACWFC logo
Hoodie Jumper (Version 1)	\$55	With name, logo and zebra on back
Hoodie Jumper (Version 2)	\$50	As above without zebra on back
Back Pack Bag	\$50 without name \$55 with name	Includes separate section for boots
Carry Bag	\$55 without name \$60 with name	Includes separate section for boots
Tracksuit	\$110 with name	Jacket & Pants can be ordered separately

