



Prahran Junior Football Club

PRAHRAN JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

MAJOR TROPHIES



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Every year, a number of major perpetual trophies are awarded by Prahran Junior Football Club to recognise significant achievements by certain individuals. Below is a list of the trophies, a little of the history behind them and the names of the recipients.

Pam Crewes Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the player judged the most promising junior footballer at the club

Pam Crewes was the foundation secretary of Prahran Junior Football Club in 1975. Mother of six children, she devoted her life to community service and, with Prahran icon Kevin Sheedy, helped form the Spartan League, an Under 15 competition in inner suburban Melbourne which evolved in 1977.

Pam Crewes died of a heart attack later the same year aged just 42 and the impressive Pam Crewes Memorial trophy for the most promising player in the junior club was introduced in 1980. Her husband Brian was later a president of the Prahran Juniors and their son Stephen was a foundation player in the Prahran Juniors and has been a major corporate partner for the Prahran Football Club seniors since 2005.

- 1980 – Paul Rawling (U17)
- 1981 – Chris Lane (U17)
- 1982 – G Crewes (U17)
- 1983 – C O’Sullivan (U18)
- 1984 – Rod Mitchell (U18)
- 1985 – David Putamorsi (U18)
- 1986 – Matthew Bunnett (U19)
- 1987 – Craig Elkington (U19)
- 1988 – Kip Walford (U19)
- 1989 – Peter Dellaquila (U19)
- 1990 – Willi Lamarca
- 1991 – Evan Dwyer
- 1992 – Sam Crimmins
- 1993 – Stephen Ryan
- 1994 – Matthew Stielow
- 1995-1998 – No award
- 1999 – Jesse Williams (U12)
- 2000 – Matthew Sheen (U11)
- 2001 – Mason Nicola (U14)
- 2002 – Harley Myers (U15)
- 2003 – Alex Moore/George Beatty (U14)



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- 2004 – Harry Mighell (U13)
- 2005 – Oscar Jenkins (U13)
- 2006 – Tyson Bradshaw (U14)
- 2007 – Edward Fanning (U15)
- 2008 – Lachlan Gallop (U14)
- 2009 – Tom Temay (U15)
- 2010 – Jim Bazzani (U14)
- 2011 – Tom Bernard (U15)
- 2012 – Oscar Don (U14)
- 2013 – Michael Pisker (U15)
- 2014 – James Rowbottom (U14)
- 2015 – Nick Watson (U13)
- 2016 – Holly Bate

R.H Minter Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the player judged the best junior clubman

Bob Minter was managing owner of R.H. Minter Funeral Directors. An unassuming but engaging man with a love of sport and dedicated to community service, Bob was a foundation member of Clayton Rotary Club in 1965. He offered to fund all junior trophies when he heard the Junior club had reformed in 1999.

Every player on the roster received a donated engraved trophy in those early years and Bob continued with that generous gesture until his death in 2006.

- 2007 – Cody Mance
- 2008 – Hunter Watkin
- 2009 – Sam Hill
- 2010 – Oscar Bennett
- 2011 – Brady Harrison
- 2012 – James Gray
- 2013 – A.J. Nyanjok
- 2014 – Jethro O'Connor
- 2015 – Heidi Templeton
- 2016 – Roko Juricic



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Sir Rupert Steele Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the best and fairest in the oldest age group boys' team each year

Sir Rupert Steele was one of the most respected business and sporting leaders in Melbourne in the 1970s and 1980s.

A World War II fighter pilot, his plane was shot down over Germany in March 1944 and he spent 12 months as a prisoner-of-war at Stalag Luft III camp. He returned to civilian life and made his mark in sport and business.

Sir Rupert served as chairman of the Victoria Racing Club from 1978 to 1983, notably being the instigator of the successful Fashions On The Field, raced horses including top jumper Noble Law, and was runner-up in the first Australian Grand Prix in 1950 driving an Alfa Romeo. A director of Carlton and United Breweries and the family's Steele and Co Ltd he was knighted in 1980.

His great passion was Pahran Football Club. He was a generous supporter and president from 1980-84 and, as vice-chairman of the VRC in 1978, was able to persuade his fellow committeemen to allow a motorcade for the VFA premiership team down the Flemington straight on Turnbull Stakes day!

Sir Rupert, who resided in Toorak, was a great advocate for junior football in the Pahran district. "Keeps the kids off the street" was his motto

- 2001 – Stuart Inglis (U14s)
- 2002 – Will McLaughlin (U15s)
- 2003 – George Beatty (U14s)
- 2004 – James Sansom (U13s)
- 2005 – Sebastian Kemmerer (U14s)
- 2006 – Harry Mighell (U15s)
- 2007 – Oscar Jenkins (U15s)
- 2008 – Harry Haley (U15s)
- 2009 – Harry Haley (U16s)
- 2010 – Michael Pradolin (U14s)
- 2011 – Lachie Fong (U15s) and Sam Hill (U15s)
- 2012 – Tom Baring (U14s)
- 2013 – Sebastian Finnegan (U15s)
- 2014 – Laurence Seaholme (U16s)
- 2015 – Erick Bagia (U15s)
- 2016 – Harry Tighe (U16s)



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Jamie Gray Trophy

Awarded to the best and fairest in the oldest age group girls' team each year

Jamie Gray was President of PJFC from 2009-2014. During his presidency, the club enjoyed unprecedented growth from 9 teams to 18 teams. Jamie is passionate about children's sport and was instrumental in introducing girls football at the club in 2014. The inaugural Girls team won the division 1 U13 Girls Premiership in their first year of competition.

2015 – Lucy Slobom

2016 – Tess Plowman

Peter Spargo Cup

Awarded to a club parent or official for outstanding service to the club & community

Peter Spargo has been a constant since the reformation of Prahran Juniors in 1999. He has had four sons play at the club and, for more than a decade, was the club's major sponsor through his business Bed Depot, in High Street Prahran.

A former member of the Melbourne Football Club Board (2008-2013), Peter also coached junior teams from 2002 to 2006, served on the committee and, with wife Kate, hosted several fundraisers for the club. Peter was awarded Life Membership of PFC in 2014.

2012 – Con Papageorgiou

2013 – Steve Zayler

2014 – Andrea Gray

2015 – Kaukau Kaurauria

2016 – Emma Coath