

2006 - Under 17

Competing in the South Australian Amateur Football League

Coach - Brad Walker
 Team Manager - Stephen Cooney
 Runner - Michael Roocke
 Captain - Phillip Whaites

Vice Captains - Daniel Brown and Scott Lawson

Round 1	23 April Fitzroy Sports Club	Athelstone	3.4	7.6	10.8	13.12 (90)
		Fitzroy	5.1	8.4	11.9	11.11 (77)

Best - D.Brown, T.Betteridge, S.Williams, P.Whaites, A.Ruggiero
 Goals - T.Waldon, V.Taglierini 3, A.Ruggiero 2, H.Cooney, S.Lawson, J.Meola, C.D'Andrea, P.Whaites

After a sluggish start the Raggies fought back with strong attacks on body and ball. They broke clear late in the game to clinch an exciting victory.

Round 2	30 April Torrens Valley	Hope Valley	5.2	7.3	10.8	13.9 (87)
		Athelstone	2.1	4.2	6.2	11.2 (68)

Best - V.Taglierini, D.Brown, R.Roberts

Goals - V.Taglierini 3, T.Waldon, A.Ruggiero, R.Roberts 2, J.Sawford, R.O'Riley

A very slow start again. A hard game of football. Unfortunately did not make up the difference to get another win.

Round 3	7 May The Paddocks	Golden Grove	3.5	6.8	10.11	13.15 (93)
		Athelstone	0.2	1.4	1.5	1.6 (12)

Best - T.Betteridge, J.Lifshack, J.Sawford

Goals - R.Roberts

Struggled all day, especially up forward. The backline fought gamely all day against a good side.

Round 4	14 May	BYE				
Round 5	21 May Torrens Valley	Athelstone	2.1	3.6	8.8	10.11 (71)
		Hectorville	3.3	5.5	6.7	8.8 (56)

Best - S.Baker, S.Lawson, M.James, T.Waldon, M.Christiansen

Goals - T.Betteridge, M.Christiansen, T.Waldon 2, S.Baker, J.Meola, R.Roberts, V.Taglierini

A great win against the previously unbeaten top side. Raggies had winners all over the ground in a great team effort.

Round 6	28 May The Paddocks	Athelstone	3.5	8.8	11.14	12.15 (87)
		Para Hills	2.2	4.2	5.3	10.4 (64)

Best - P.Whaites, K.Howard, C.D'Andrea

Goals - A.Ruggiero, V.Taglierini 3, S.Baker, M.Christianson 2, C.D'Andrea, T.Waldon

A scrappy game considering the great performance last week. Failed to finish the game off in the last quarter. Got the 2 points though.

Round 7	4 June Foxfield Oval	Athelstone	3.5	5.9	11.11	13.12 (90)
		Salisbury	2.3	3.4	5.6	9.9 (63)

Best - S.Baker, A.Ruggiero, J.Lifshack

Goals - D.Brown 5, V.Taglierini, A.Ruggiero 3, J.Meola, R.Roberts

A great win from the boys who were committed all day. Moves the team into 3rd spot on the ladder.

Round 8	18 June Torrens Valley	Athelstone	5.4	7.6	11.8	15.10 (100)
		Fitzroy	0.0	2.1	4.4	5.6 (36)

Best - R.Roberts, S.Baker, P.Whaites

Goals - D.Brown, V.Taglierini 4, A.Ruggiero 3, C.D'Andrea 2, A.Johnson, R.Roberts

A comfortable win. The boys dominated all over the ground.

Round 9	25 June Torrens Valley	Athelstone	4.2	7.7	11.9	15.11 (101)
		Hope Valley	0.2	2.2	4.6	5.6 (36)

Best - D.Brown, P.Whaites, S.Baker, A.Ruggiero, H.Cooney, T.Betteridge

Goals - A.Ruggiero 4, D.Brown 3, V.Taglierini, S.Baker, C.D'Andrea 2, R.Roberts, C.O'Neill

A good win confirming the teams improvement this season.

Round 10	2 July Torrens Valley	Golden Grove	3.2	4.6	8.8	10.8 (68)
		Athelstone	2.2	3.3	4.4	5.5 (35)

Best - D.Brown, T.Allen, S.Williams, J.Lifshack, A.Johnson

Goals - A.Ruggiero 2, D.Brown, V.Taglierini, T.Allen

Not the boys best performance of the year but they are certainly not far off challenging the top 2 sides. Will learn from this one.

Round 11	9 July	BYE				
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Round 12 23 July *Hectorville* 2.2 6.4 7.4 10.7 (67)
 Daly Oval *Athelstone* 2.2 5.4 9.6 10.7 (67)

Best - S.Williams, V.Taglierini, T.Allen, R.Roberts
 Goals - V.Taglierini 5, A.Ruggiero 2, M.Christiansen, T.Allen, T.Waldon
 A tough physical game with a draw being the fitting result (unfortunately).

Round 13 30 July *Athelstone* 6.2 8.11 16.11 21.15 (141)
 Torrens Valley *Para Hills* 0.1 1.1 1.2 1.2 (8)

Best - A.Ruggiero, J.De Buell-Skinner, H.Cooney, D.Brown, S.Baker
 Goals - D.Brown 7, R.Roberts 3, H.Cooney, J.Skinner, V.Taglierini 2, C.D'Andrea, S.Lawson, R.O'Riley, A.Ruggiero, T.Waldon
 A strong win with good performances all over the ground. Big game next week against Salisbury.

Round 14 6 August *Athelstone* 1.1 3.5 5.9 8.16 (64)
 Salisbury *Salisbury* 2.3 4.5 7.9 7.10 (52)

Best - J.Sawford, R.Roberts, A.Ruggiero
 Goals - V.Taglierini 4, R.Roberts 2, S.Williams, J.De Buell-Skinner
 A lacklustre game getting over the line in the last quarter.

	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	%
Golden Grove	11	1	-	1158	414	22	74
Hectorville	9	2	1	996	464	19	68
Athelstone	8	3	1	926	707	17	57
Salisbury	5	7	-	794	788	10	50
Hope Valley	5	7	-	735	893	10	45
Fitzroy	2	10	-	572	1073	4	35
Para Hills	1	11	-	443	1285	2	26

1st Semi Final *Athelstone* 2.0 12.7 16.10 18.14 (122)
 20th August *Salisbury* 7.9 9.10 12.15 14.18 (102)
 Blair Athol Reserve

Best - V.Taglierini, S.Baker, H.Cooney, R.Roberts, P.Whaites
 Goals - V.Taglierini 8, H.Cooney 3, C.D'Andrea 2, T.Waldon, T.Allen, D.Brown, S.Baker, T.Betteridge
 A great win set up by a big 2nd quarter 10.7 to 2.1 which was a big turnaround from the first quarter.
 Golden Grove 10.12 (72) d Hectorville 4.9 (33)

2nd Semi Final
 20th August
 Salisbury Oval
 Preliminary Final *Hectorville* 4.1 6.2 9.2 13.5 (83)
 27th August *Athelstone* 2.0 2.4 6.6 8.9 (57)

Best - T.Betteridge, R.Roberts, S.Lawson, S.Williams, H.Cooney
 Goals - H.Cooney 3, S.Baker 2, V.Taglierini, S.Williams, A.Ruggiero
 A disappointing end to a good season. Just didn't play our best footy today and Hectorville took advantage. It was a funny end to the season with only 14 games (including finals) being played due to the very poor programming by the SAAFL. With the consistent improvement the side was showing over the year, with a full season the boys would have been in the final.
 Golden Grove 15.8 (98) d Hectorville 12.8 (80)

Grand Final
 3rd September

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V.Taglierini	35
D.Brown	21
A.Ruggiero	20
R.Roberts	12
T.Waldon	10
H.Cooney	9
C.D'Andrea	9
S.Baker	8
M.Christiansen	4
J.Meola	3
T.Betteridge	3
J.De Buell-Skinner	3
S.Lawson	2
R.O'Riley	2
T.Allen	2
S.Williams	2
P.Whaites	1
J.Sawford	1
A.Johnson	1
C.O'Neill	1

Club Best and Fairest Votes

