



President's Update

Dear Members, players and sponsors

Welcome to what I plan on being the first of regular updates for news and information about our beloved football club, Floreat Athena FC.

First, I am truly humbled and honoured to be elected President of the oldest Greek-Australian football club in Australia.

However, before I go any further, allow me to acknowledge the magnanimous effort of past president Con Poullos. He and his family have sacrificed so much for our sporting community and his efforts have not gone unnoticed. He is a champion of our club and a gentleman of the highest order. The good news is Con is not out of the picture.

He has been authorised by the new committee to be the contact and liaison between the club and the City of Vincent as our renovations and upgrades begin in earnest.

More about that shortly. At the same time can I also thank outgoing committee members, Gabe Tana, Andrew Kailis and Kim

McPherson. Everyone has worked tirelessly and often without a thank you.

For those who know me I need no introduction as I have been involved with the club for the best part of 50 years. It's fair to say I "bleed blue and white."

At this point can I also welcome and acknowledge your new Athena committee, some members who again need no introduction:

Vice President: Peter Kapsanis

Secretary: Vicky Gavalas

Treasurer: Nick Farrell

Committee members: Steven Belk, Trevor Candido, Trent Smith, Peter Clemow and Lesa Thomson.

All these individuals sacrifice a lot of their personal time and do their absolute best for our growing club.

If you didn't already know, 2024 promises to be an exciting year on and off the pitch.

Our MiniRoos teams (ages 6-12) are set to explode in number yet again. Our Junior NPL teams are full, and our Junior League teams (ages 13-18) are quickly filling. We are also recruiting some exciting players to fill the roster across our senior NPL team.

I'd like to thank senior coaches Vas and Miki Vujacic, and team manager, Adrian Sutton for their contribution to the first team.

It should also be noted we have engaged the services of highly reputable coach Mark Jones as Technical Director. Mark is a former A-League coach and National Soccer League player and has an eye for identifying talent. He will also be pivotal to ensure we get an NPL women's team up and running soon.

Season 2024 is just around the corner. While the upgrades to our clubrooms are exciting, they will cause some interruptions for the first half of the year, which will translate into a reduced capacity to host functions and events at times. However our hard-working team will always endeavour to accommodate all requests.

Before I let you go, I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

Kala Christou Yenna Seolous!

Sam

The FAFC Committee wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas!

Clubroom renovations have commenced!

Monday, 27th November saw the renovations of our Clubrooms commence.

These renovations are part of the \$3M federal government grant that we received.

Stage 1 of the renovation is a brand-new roof and new reverse cycle air conditioning units!



This has meant that all air conditioning units have been removed so if it's feeling a little warmer in the main Clubroom this will be why. The drinks are still cold, so head out onto the balcony where there is sure to be a cool breeze.

We still have air conditioning in the Kafenio

and the small bar, so our Greek Bahari Tuesday night dinners are still on.

Over the coming months we expect to commence the replacement of the ceiling, renovate the bathrooms and upgrade the bar and kitchen.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates!

CLUB SHOP

Stay tuned for uniform try on sessions coming soon.

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<https://fafc.tidyhq.com/public/shop/products>

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NIGHT SERIES

Our Night Series campaign kicks off on 25th January 2024. Get on down and support the boys!

Team 1	Date & Time	Venue
PSC vs Floreat Athena	25TH JAN @ 8.30PM	DORRIEN GARDENS
SMFC vs Floreat Athena	4TH FEB @ 7.00PM	MACEDONIA PARK
CEFC vs Floreat Athena	10TH FEB @ 7.00PM	FRANK DRAGO RESERVE
Donnerley vs Floreat Athena	16TH FEB @ 6.30PM	FRANK DRAGO RESERVE
Floreat Athena vs Perth City	23RD FEB @ 6.30PM	FRANK DRAGO RESERVE