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Mayne Tigers Monthly Meeting

Our regular monthly meeting is held on the second Wednesday of the Month. All Members are welcome to attend.

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The Tigers Centenary Year is here



Training for the Tigers recommenced on the week of the 8th January with the Womens team out first on the Monday night followed by the men on the Tuesday night. Numbers for all grades have been terrific despite the sultry and very wet conditions at times. The groups have been sharing training over the course of the week on Oval 2 with Oval 1 renovations behind schedule due to the weather. It is hoped that both ovals will be available in the next couple of weeks as the Everton Juniors begin to ramp up their Youth training as well.

Training has been undertaken once again under the guidance of Science of Fitness Strength and Conditioning Coach Sasha Cochrane with the group already looking sharp.

The Pre-Season will run through to March in preparation for two pre-season games for the Division 1 group when they play Springwood on the 16th March and Mount Gravatt on the 23rd March.

Division 1 Coaches Jack Gartlan and Jeremy Watts have been very pleased with the commitment of the group so with good retention of the playing group and some very impressive new signings adding to the mix, the year ahead looks very promising.

The Women's team is off to their best start for the commencement of their fourth season with very good numbers on the track and the enjoyment level at an all time high.

The girls have undertaken some great recruiting over the off season which is paying off already. Coaches Seb Shaw and Nick Galvin report the girls are working hard with their skillwork of a high standard. They are still looking for more recruits with enquiries at president@maynetigers.com.au

The Women's team will hold their first Practice Match on the 23rd March 2024 against Alexandra Hills at Alexandra Hills.

The Thirds are out of the blocks early with training buzzing under the leadership of Coach Murray Laing once again.

Next Fixtures

Team	Opposition	Where	When	Time
Womens	Alexandra Hills	Alexandra Hills	Sat. 23rd March 2024	TBA
Thirds				
Reserves	Springwood	Home	Sat, 16th March 2024	12.00pm
Seniors	Springwood	Home	Sat, 16th March 2024	2.00pm

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New Signings



The Tigers have been very pleased to sign Daniel Saunders as a new recruit for the 2024 centenary year from the Wangaratta Magpies in the Ovens and Murray League.

Daniel is a powerfully built talented 23 year old midfielder who will be a valuable addition to the Tigers running brigade.

Re-Signings

Former Everton Junior Ryan Doolan looks set to take his game to another level in 2024 after turning down some QAFL interest to re-sign with Mayne!



The young gun had his best season to date slotting 36 goals as the clubs main key forward. Dools has been cracking in this pre season and looks set to cause the opposition some serious headaches this year!

James Stolz is back after an impressive campaign in 2023. Stolz finished the year in emphatic fashion, storming home for a Top 5 finish in the B & F. Stolz is a terrific one on one defender and has the ability to use his run and carry to launch us into attack. Stolz has solidified himself as an elite half back flanker and has been working hard to go even better this year!



Big boy Jamie Ivers is back after his return to Mayne in 2023. Ivers poses as the most difficult match up in the competition with his height and reach making him impossible to defend. Jamie has the ability to play both forward and in the ruck. Jamie's dominance was



rewarded with selection in the South Queensland team where he performed well. Looking forward to another year of Ivers at the Tiges!

Seb Windsor put together another consistent season in 2023! Seb was reliable as ever on the wing, with his poise and silky skills on display all year. Coming from a basketball background, Seb always has lots of time and space when he has the pill!



Season Draws

The 2024 Season Fixtures are yet to be released with some late negotiations being worked through for all the Divisions.

We do know that the Division 1 season will kick off on the 6th April 2024 and finish the final home and away rounds on the 3rd August. It will include a final 5 with the Grand Final to be held on Saturday 31st August 2024. There will be a bye for the Intra state game on the 11th June and a competition bye on the 11th May. The Tigers have locked in a home game on Sunday 26th May for Reunion Day and Anzac Day will once again be played on the Saturday 27th April against traditional rivals Coorparoo. It will be eight teams again.

Due to demand from weight of numbers of new womens teams their draw is still being worked through. Some teams are moving up and some down but the Tigers will still be playing in QFAW Div 2 North at this time.

Similarly in the Friday night space the Thirds are waiting on the makeup of their competition before a draw can be formulated. More teams are being formed with the demand for Friday night football continuing to grow year on year.

For all enquiries please contact Cam Shaw on 0488 998 274 or email to president@maynetigers.com.au

Women's Footy in 2024



The Tigers' Women's team numbers are building wonderfully for 2024 with training well underway on Monday and Thursday nights.

They are doing all the strength and conditioning work with the Men's teams and also concentrating on honing skills to be ready for a red hot 2024 as part of the club's centenary year.

Coaches Seb Shaw and Nick Galvin are back to steer the women on to more success.

The Women are also taking a very strong and active position in the management of the club led by Director of Women's Football Jo Price with Molly Nelson, Erin Baker and Jodie Rees all on the Committee for 2024.

There is plenty of opportunity for new players to join. Enquiries can be directed to Jo Price 0414 330 009 or with Seb Shaw on 0419 503 028 or Nick Galvin on 0468 929 559.



2024 Sign On for the Tigers

Sign on is well underway for all returning and new players and transfers are open for 2024.

All players can arrange their registration through the Tigers website by clicking on this link.

[Registration | Mayne Tigers](#)

This is a two part process with Step 1 being to register and Step 2 to arrange payment. Players have the ability to pay in full or by instalments. You can click on the option that suits you best.

All players must have their arrangements in place before Round 1 of their respective fixtures to be eligible to play.

For all enquiries including arranging a transfer for new players inwards please contact Russell Ditchburn on 0413 274 967 or Cam Shaw on 0488 998 274 or email to

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Key Dates

16/3/2024	Div 1 Practice—Springwood
16/3/2024	Season Launch
23/3/2024	Div 1 Practice—Mt Gravatt
23/3/2024	QFAW Div 2 Practice —Alex Hills
6/4/2024	R1 QFA Div 1
27/4/2024	Anzac Day Game
24/5/2024	Reunion Weekend and 100 Year Celebration
24/5/2024	Hall of Fame Night
25/5/2024	2014 Premiers Get together
26/5/2024	Mick Nolan Day
	10 Year Reunion 2014 Premiers
3/8/2024	Div 1 last Home and Away Game
31/8/2024	QFA Div Grand Final

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The Mayne Tigers Season Launch will be held on Saturday night **16th March** following the Springwood Practice match.

More details including the venue will be coming soon but please make sure you save the date for this important night.

Reunion Weekend 2024

The Major event of the Tigers Centenary year will be the Annual Reunion weekend which will include a **Hall of Fame** function to be held on Friday Night **24th May 2024** at **Kedron Wavell RSL**. This will be a Gala night for the club with up to 400 people in attendance.



The club will honour a who's who of Tigers high achievers and stalwarts from the last 100 years. It promises to be a magnificent evening for all Tigers past and present.

The Hall of Fame project is being led by Shane Johnson and Russell Ditchburn.

An informal day is scheduled for the Saturday where inductees from the Hall of Fame, 2014 Premiership players, Past Player and Volunteers and all interstate Tigers can catch up with their friends. The 2014 group will be meeting at the Breakfast Creek Hotel on the Saturday afternoon.

The weekend will also include a Reunion Day celebration of the **10 year anniversary** of the **2014 Seniors and Reserves Premiership** teams on Sunday **26th May 2024** at the club.

Josh Duffy and Danny Craven are organising the 10 year reunion so stay tuned for more information on both these events.

The Reunion Day is also the day we award the much coveted Mick Nolan Medal for Best Mayne Player in the senior game.

Make sure you mark your diaries now.

Hall of Fame Update

Preparations for the Hall of Fame Event are now well advanced.

Inductees to the Mayne Tigers Hall of Fame have been identified in accordance with the approved criteria and invitations to them have been issued on an inductee plus one guest basis.

Once inductees have had reasonable opportunity to book their tickets, the event organisers will review available seats and advise further. Tickets are strictly limited to 400 due to the size of the venue.

Congratulations to all of those inductees on qualifying for selection into the inaugural Mayne Football Club Hall of Fame.

This is a very important event for the Tigers being the first time that the club has undertaken a task of this magnitude and for it to be in the Centenary Year for the club it is extra special.

It is exciting that so many people have responded already and are looking to book their tickets. Event

Mayne Past Players and Supporters Group

Details of the Mayne Past Players and Supporters Club are published on the Mayne website at <http://mayne.afiq.com.au>.

If you would like to join the group and provide hands on experience please contact

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organisers will release further tickets in late March if they are available.

For all enquiries, contact Event Organisers Russell Ditchburn on 0413 274 967 or Shane Johnson on 0415 599 615.

Sponsorship for 2024

The Mayne Tigers 2024 Sponsorship programme has been released this week and we are once again very humbled and pleased to confirm the following.

Major Sponsor - Gardner Vaughan Group
Reserve Grade Sponsor—Peter and Fei Eccleston
Thirds Sponsor—Action Formwork
Women's Sponsor—Altogether Group

Gardner Vaughan Group, Action Formwork and Altogether Group generously committed for three years from 2023 to 2025 providing the club with very comforting certainty.

Peter and Fei Eccleston have committed very generously for their third year as sponsors for the Reserve Grade as well as being a Tier 1 Player Sponsor.

Player Sponsorships for 2024 sold so far.

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Gus Shaw—Shaw Family

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If you would like to discuss any of these sponsorship opportunities or any other idea that you might think the club might consider, please contact Russell Ditchburn on 0413 274 967, Guy Gardner on 0413 430 902 or Cam Shaw on 0488 998 274.

More Facilities Improvements for 2024



A newly formed Joint Facilities Committee has been approved by the Mayne and Everton Committees to take the clubs to the next phase as we enter a new lease period with Brisbane City Council.

The Committee will be led by Everton and Mayne Life Member John Laing and include two members from each of the clubs.

The new Timekeeper's and Medical Room Building above is almost ready for Season 2024 between the two ovals and will be complemented with two new Coaches Boxes for Oval 2 underway next. They will be ready for the new season as well.

New Book to Update Club Milestone

The Tigers History "From Glory to Heartbreak" by Bob Gower has been an enormous success with over 500 copies sold since it was launched in 2011.

The Tigers will launch an update this seminal work with a new book to be launched in March 2024 for the club's centenary which will provide a detailed anthology of the period since "From Glory to Heartbreak" to 2024.

It has been an extraordinarily successful period with the club celebrating 10 premierships in the last 10 years. It has also been a period of consolidation with the club happily domiciled at Enoggera Memorial Reserve for the last 20 years or one fifth of the life of the club.

The new book "Feel the Roar" is being researched and written collaboratively by Dick Fell, Bob Gower and Russell Ditchburn.

BCH Raffles



The Mayne Tigers Breakfast Creek Hotel Raffles is in full swing again for 2024.

A big thank you to everyone who has already made it along to help.

Helpers are welcome on every Friday of the year. We only miss Good Friday, Christmas and New Year. Raffles commence at 5.30pm and take approximately one hour.

Vale Bob "Yogi" Fenton

The Mayne Football Club would like to acknowledge the passing of premiership player Bob Fenton on Tuesday morning 23rd January 2024 aged 81 years.



Yogi, as he was famously known, grew up living in the local nursery in Royal Terrace in Hamilton as part of a very committed Mayne Tigers household with brother Peter also playing for the Tigers. Bob's sister Dianne also grew up in this footy mad household going on to be a huge contributor across many facets of the

club ultimately being awarded Life Membership of the Juniors. They were products of the footy factory that was Ascot State School like so many of their time.

A strongly built, genuinely tough, robust player who played mainly in defence, he was a big player with a big personality who played 150 games for Mayne featuring in the 1961 premiership team under the legendary Gordon Bowman and again under Mike Darby when the Tigers won the 1966 flag at the Gabba.

Tiger folklore tells us he once famously played on with a bone sticking out of a broken finger evidencing his on field heroics, but off field he was the life of the party starring at the regular pie nights where he reputedly held the record for devouring 10 pies in one sitting!

Bob also coached juniors for the club and at his careers end continued to be a strong supporter of the club.

The Tigers were set to induct Bob into the Mayne Tigers Hall of Fame this year in May as part of the club's centenary celebrations for his 150 senior

games. This will now be awarded posthumously.

Bob is survived by his former wife Janette and sons Wade, Jason and Brec.

A celebration of Bob's life was held on Friday, 2nd February 2024 at Albany Creek Crematorium in the Lakeside Chapel commencing at 2.00pm.

The Mayne Football Club would like to pass on their deepest condolences to Bob's family and friends at this sad time.

From Times Gone By

This edition of the Tiger Rag we highlight another Tiger from times gone by.

Mike Darby—A very influential Tiger, coaching the club over 5 years to two premierships in 66 and 67 (coming from 4th) after playing 9 games with North Melbourne in the VFL.

A rugged 6'1" ruckman enforcer, Darby was a very good coach and on field leader. He was a tough, no frills, take no prisoners customer, playing 113 matches for the Club and who also trotted out 5 times for Queensland, a couple as Captain. He was also famous for popping his dodgy shoulder back in after it had popped out during games!

After Mayne Mike had a successful stint coaching on the Gold Coast in particular with Coolangatta.



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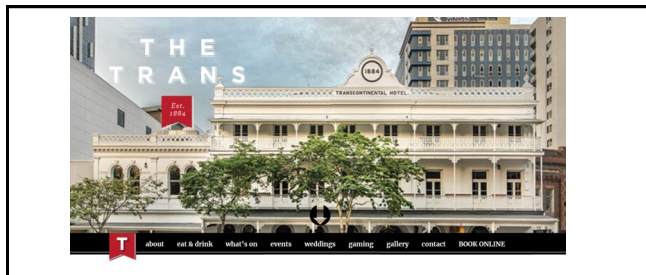
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