

Media Release

City Brothers Football Club announces new Coaching team for 2017.

Building on a successful 2016 season with all senior teams reaching the Semi Finals and the Division 1 team winning the Grand Final, City Brothers has appointed a new Coaching team for its Senior men and Women teams.

New Club President Simon Crampton says the Club has reappointed Phill Jackson as Premier Mens and Reserves grade Coach and he will be supported by Josh Guy who has moved to Mackay. Phill has extensive coaching experience and joined City Brothers in 2016. Previously, Phill was the Coaching Technical Director and Premier Mens team Coach in Rockhampton with the Bluebirds club. He is an accredited Level 2 Coach as is Josh Guy. Josh played and coached football most of his adult life (2003-2014) in Cairns with Stratford Dolphins Football Club and enjoyed various successes and trophies in the Premier and Reserve men's division. Josh recently moved to Central Queensland University from Plymouth (UK) where he was working at the University of St Mark and St John, teaching Sport & Exercise Science, Football and Sport Coaching, and Strength and Conditioning.

In addition, Chris Tilbrook has returned to the club and will be managing the 1st and 2nd Div mens teams. Chris will also oversee the linkages between our juniors coming into the Senior competition through the Colts players with their Coach Aaron Griffiths.

Our Premier womens teams welcomes Brad Radunz who has had several years of Coaching with the Crusaders NPL team, the Queensland Country team and the Queensland Secondary Schools Under 19 girls team. Brad is a level 2 coach and has coached at Mackay and Capricornia Representative levels for many years. He will be supported by Shannon Jones who will continue coaching the Div 1 womens team. Shannon has been taking the womens players for pre-season training for several months.

Supporting all players will be new Physiotherapist and Sports Physiologist, Elliot Maher who has come from Townsville and will help with the teams and work with the coaches to plan warm ups and warm downs and prepare each player for games with minimal injuries.

Our juniors also train at the Vigoro grounds and the Club is hoping to build upon last year's 250 players from ages 5 to Colts. We have many qualified coaches covering 26 teams and in 2016, all 7 competitive teams made semi-finals, with 4 advancing to grand finals and 2 teams winning their grand finals. Juniors had 2 players win MRFZ Player of the year awards in u12 and u16. Plus we also had 12 players and 2 coaches represent Mackay in 2016.

City Brothers is the only Mackay based Football club on the south side of Mackay and training for all senior teams starts at the Vigoro grounds also known as the Nita Fleming Playing Fields (Vigoro Grounds) at South Mackay on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00pm on 9th January, 2017. New players are most welcome. Juniors start training in early February. Further information and contact details about the club can be found on our web site - citybrothersfc.com.au

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