



## President's Report

Welcome.

It is with great pride I get to present first President's report and to cover off our major achievements for FY20/21.

Wow, what a first official year Brisbane Inferno FC. From the early establishment of Brisbane Inferno by Tom Chai (Tommi) and Daniel Lord (Dan) back in 2016, to then form Brisbane Inferno FC in July 2021, our club has come leaps and bounds. Our club would not exist if it wasn't for these guys kicking things off all those years ago, and Tommi keeping it alive with Robert de Roos (Rob) also a fantastic support in driving more attendance to social soccer and always willing to lend a hand for getting our social media moving. Rob, greatly appreciate everything you have done for our club.

Over the past 12 months, we have had growing membership base, attendance at our weekend social soccer (sometimes we have 26 people on the field) and establishing weeknight training. Chris Dods, leading the weeknight training sessions to help improve our members skills and overall fitness, thank you for your dedication and time taking on these training sessions.

Another major milestone for our club was our first tournament in the form of a 6-a-side event. PFA day, held 27 February 2021, in conjunction with Pride Football Australia (PFA) was a great success for our club. Not only the visibility it provided to our club, it was also a source of fundraising to help establish our club and cover essential costs of equipment that we now have for social soccer and training. Thank you to all the players, volunteers, and spectators for making this such a fantastic day. For the first major event for our club, we achieved a great outcome and personally, a very proud moment of everything we achieved. A big thanks to Karlo, Michael and other working group members to pull together such a successful event, I still have people that attended the day reflect on how great it was, the fun they had and cannot wait for the next event.

From a committee perspective, a grateful mention to David Keith, who stepped into establish the Treasurer role, David helped form and establish the foundation committee and then taken over by Kevin Seeger. Kevin has been instrumental in helping to forming our strategic next steps and further establishment of our committee. Thank you both for your time and passion to take us forward. I also have to say thank you to Michael, your support to me, your everyday efforts and time to make this club a success is not unnoticed and greatly appreciated.

The committee continues to work with Pride Football Australia (PFA) to align to our strategic vision of the club and will join as a member in the near term. The committee have also met with the General Manager of Football Brisbane to provide an overview of our club's vision, provide our goals of visibility in the wider football community and seek the guidance and support of Football Brisbane to establish a team in the 2022 City League. This meeting saw the support of the GM and provided guidance on our next step including application process for us to become a member of Football Brisbane aligning to the committees strategic goals.



## Brisbane Inferno Football Club

Sponsorship is growing momentum with our close partnership with Brunswick Hotel and we are proud to note the Brunswick Hotel have agreed for sponsorship in FY21/22 as well as ongoing partnership for our events. Thank you Brunswick Hotel for your support, partnership and commitment going forward. The committee continues to pursue opportunities for grants and sponsorship from other local business and is a key focus for the short to medium term to help fund the next steps of our club.

I am truly excited for what the next 12 months as we move forward with our continued growth, with the proposed change to Model Rules that will help take the next steps to Incorporation and the membership to PFA and Football Brisbane, introduction membership fees and our first competition registration in 2022!

To all of our members, players and committee, thank you for your faith in me to lead our club and I will continue to drive for a positive, inclusive and embracing club environment today and into the future.

Jacob Hendrie

President, Brisbane Inferno Football Club