

VIKINGS VOICE NOVEMBER 2025



PRESIDENTS UPDATE

I hope all our Vikings families are enjoying some well-earned downtime after another great year of footy. That rest and reset will help fuel an even bigger season in 2026.

Behind the scenes, plenty is happening to set us up for success. Recruitment remains a big focus — filling key roles, creating new ones, and expanding support so we can lighten the load for our volunteers.

Our Grants Team, led by Steve McPherson and Lauren King, has been busy submitting applications to secure funding for key projects that will benefit both the Club and our wider community.

The Executive Team and Committee have also begun work on defining our Vision, Mission, Values, and Behaviours, aiming to share these early in 2026. Alongside that sits our 3–5 Year Master Plan, which will outline our major goals, facility upgrades, and pathway priorities. We've already started engaging with local council and political representatives to help us bring this plan to life.

SENIOR COACHING UPDATE

Recruiting our new Senior Coach continues to be the Club's number one priority.

Several formal interviews have been conducted, alongside discussions with expressions of interest. We aim to be in a position to announce the appointment by the end of next week.

OUR COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

At Wynnnum Vikings AFC, the **safety and wellbeing** of children and young people is our top priority. We are committed to **creating a safe, inclusive, and supportive** environment where every child feels valued, respected, and heard.

As part of this commitment, the club is:

Maintaining and strengthening the role of our Child Safety Officer, ensuring continued guidance and leadership in all child safeguarding matters.

Implementing rigorous volunteer compliance and screening protocols, ensuring all coaches, managers and volunteers meet required standards.

Developing a Child Safety Action Plan to strengthen our practices and promote continuous improvement.

Developing comprehensive Safeguarding Children and Young People Policies to guide our approach and uphold best-practice standards.

Introducing clear complaints and reporting protocols to ensure any concerns are addressed promptly and appropriately.

Together, we are building a culture of safety and respect, on and off the field.

To learn more, visit our website to read the full Statement of Commitment to Child Safety.



Wynnnum Vikings AFC 

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PRE-SEASON TRAINING

It's nearly time to dust off the boots!

Seniors and Reserves: Start Tuesday November 18 at 6pm, running Tuesdays and Thursdays until Thursday December 19.

U17s Meet the Coach & Info Session: Wednesday November 12 at 5:30pm. All 2026 Under 17 players are encouraged to come down, meet Coach Glen, have a kick, ask questions, and hear about pre-season plans.

CLUB CLEAN UP DAY

A massive thank you to the 40+ volunteers (and their kids!) who helped make our first Clean-Up Day such a success.

Over 250 footballs were counted, two shipping containers cleared, a large skip filled, and the main changerooms and equipment room fully audited and reorganised.

The result — a cleaner, safer, and better-prepared facility for next season.

Our next Clean-Up Day will be held in February, before pre-season training ramps up again.



RECRUITMENT AND VOLUNTEER ROLES

As always, our Club depends on incredible volunteers. Your time helps us keep fees affordable, field teams, and run effectively.

We are pleased to announce the following key appointments for the upcoming season:

- Auskick Coordinator: Candice Van De Ven
- Youth Coordinator: Lauren Isaac
- Masters Coordinator: Adam Bretherton
- Ground & Facility Manager: Nigel Frame
- Grants Coordinator: Lauren King (joining Steve McPherson)
- Sponsorship Team: Gil Meadowcroft & Bailey Wilson
- Umpire Coordinator: Danielle Bradbury
- Youth Coaches Director: Mike Stevens

WELCOME MIKE STEVENS - DIRECTOR OF COACHING(YOUTH)

We are excited to confirm Mike Stevens as our Director of Coaching – Youth for the 2026 season.

Mike brings exceptional leadership and experience to this role, having guided our Under 15 Division 3 Boys to a Premiership in 2025, alongside several successful years coaching within our junior programs.

As Director of Coaching – Youth, Mike will:

- Lead the Youth Coaching Program across Boys and Girls
- Focus on education, best practice, and ongoing development of coaches and players
- Work closely with the soon-to-be-appointed Director of Coaching – Juniors to ensure alignment across all levels
- Collaborate with the Senior Coaching Team to prepare Youth players for the next step, including opportunities for Senior football and visibility to the Brisbane Lions Academy

This appointment marks a significant step in shaping the future of our Youth program, and we are thrilled to have Mike in this key leadership position.

They join many of our existing volunteers who continue to play vital roles in 2026.

Still recruiting for:

Canteen Manager
Bar Manager
Junior Coaches Director
Social Media / Content Creators
Events & Fundraising Manager
Seniors Football Director

If you can help or know someone
who can, please reach out via
committee@wynnumvikingsafl.com.au

WYNNUM VIKINGS COMMITTEE			
EXECUTIVE MEMBERS			
President Mickey Maher	Vice President Andrew Gray	Secretary John Carter	Treasurer Murray Riemann
COORDINATOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS			
Junior Coordinator Amanda and Alex	Youth Coordinator Lauren Isaac	Senior Football Director	Masters Coordinator Adam Bretherton
Auskick Coordinator Candice Van De Ven	Grants Coordinator Steve and Lauren	Registrar and CSO Kellie McKillop	Female Coordinator Amy Gray
GAME DAY AND SUPPORT ROLES			
ENGAGEMENT AND GROWTH DEPARTMENT	CLUB OPERATION DEPARTMENT		
Social Media Kellie - Youth/Female Brianna - Seniors	Junior Coach Coordinator	Grounds and Facilities Nigel Frame	Uniform Shop Danelle Vines
Event/Fundraising	Youth Coach Director Mike Stevens	Equipment Coordinator	Canteen Manager
Sponsorship Coordinator Gill and Bailey	Umpire Coordinator Danielle Bradbury	Volunteer and First Aid Coordinator	Bar Manager

REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2026 SEASON

Early registration is key to help with planning for 2026.
Don't forget to use your Play On voucher.



WYNNUM VIKINGS AFL CLUB

JUNIOR & YOUTH REGISTRATIONS

OPEN FOR 2026

Juniors - Males & Females
Age Groups - U18.5, U19.5, U20.5, U21.5
Contact: juniors@wynnumvikingsafl.com.au

Youth - Males & Females
Age Groups - U13.5, U15.5, U17.5
Contact: youth@wynnumvikingsafl.com.au

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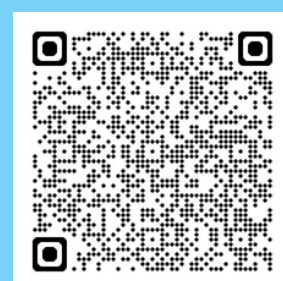
Your voice matters to us!

This is your last chance to complete our community survey and help shape the future of our club. Whether you're a player, parent, coach, volunteer, or supporter, we want to hear from you. The survey takes less than 10 minutes and your feedback will play a big part in guiding our direction moving forward.

🕒 Closing 7 November — don't miss out!

👉 Complete the survey here: <https://forms.office.com/r/0Hx8cpQ7bX>

Thank you for your support and for helping make our club stronger



SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

Have you been thinking about sponsoring the Vikings?

Now is your opportunity!

Our sponsorship team has been working hard to create exciting new packages for 2026—designed to suit a variety of goals and budgets. Whether you're looking for brand exposure, community engagement, or premium experiences, there's something for everyone.

Don't miss out on being part of the Vikings' journey. Get in touch with our team today to explore the options and secure your spot!

Email for more info: sponsorship@wynnumvikingsafl.com.au

CLUB CONTACTS

We've officially moved away from Gmail.

All club emails now use the @wynnumvikingsafl.com.au domain for consistency and professionalism.

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CLOSING MESSAGE

As 2025 wraps up, thank you to everyone who continues to contribute — on and off the field. The foundation being built right now will shape our next chapter, and it's one we're building together.



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