



2008 President's Report

All players, coaches, managers and supporters are to be congratulated for what was a terrific 2008 season on and off the field.

In 2008 we fielded **55 teams** including **615 players**, which was a similar number on the previous year, comprising 487 boys / men and 128 girls / women.

Categories	2007		2008	
	Teams	Players	Teams	Players
Rooball (U/6 - U/10)	27	235	30	225
Junior Competitive (U/11 - U/17)	13	192	19	273
Seniors (Youth, Men, Women)	6	84	4	78
Over 35's Men	1	27	2	39
Total	51	619	54	615

There were **465 families** involved in the club in 2008, approximately **200 people** from these families volunteered their help throughout the season – a pretty good effort all round!

On the Field

Congratulations to our

- U14 BJJ and U13 Girls Div 3 teams for winning their sections of the competition

Our

- U12 Div 4, U14 Div 3, U14 Girls Dive 1, U15 BJJ, U16 Girls Div 3 and Women Div 4 for making the finals

And our

- U11 Div 7, U14 BJJ, and U15 Girls for winning their Grand Finals.

Congratulations also to the **U 15 BJJ** side for coming runners up in the prestigious Gold Coast Champions Cup. This tournament has been running since 1996 and attracted over 100 teams from all over Australia as well as overseas.

A special thank-you to **Mary Laidlaw** and all of the **Rooball Referees** who did such a great job this season to ensure that all home games were officiated by trained refs at no additional cost to the teams.

Coaches & Managers

The Team Coaches & Managers undertook some of the most important roles in the Club and must be congratulated for doing a superb job in 2008.

Thank-you for following through on all of the tasks the Management Committee asked of you throughout the year and never underestimate how important your involvement is to the parents and players in your teams.

Committee & Other Significant Contributors

Thank-you to all of the dedicated, hard-working members of the 2008 Management Committee and the many other people who assisted the committee throughout the year.

The Management Committee members for 2008 were as follows:

President	Mike Clahsen / Graham Lee
Secretary	Ray Campbell
Treasurer	Stephanie Boss
Vice President	Mark Halle
Vice President	Alan Newton
Vice President	Rob Ferguson
Vice President	Graham Lee
Committee Member	Cathy Crabb
Committee Member	Lyle Gray
Committee Member	John Atkinson
Committee Member	Marc Hoffman

Others to assist the Management Committee during the season included:

Canteen Convenors	Cathy Crabb & Vicki Reid
Sports Shop	Vicki & Craig Reid
Sponsorships	Graham Lee
Newsletter Editor	Genevieve Council / Graham Lee
Director of Coaching	Garry Bromfield
Assistant Director of Coaching	Arno Tretter
Over 35's	Joe Murphy & Gary Hunter / Martin Byrne
Equipment Officer	Heather Volk
Fixture Controller	Mike Clahsen / Graham Lee
Trophy Coordinator	Simon Newman
Team Photos Coordinator	Leigh Cusack
Score Reporter	Alan Newton
Pub Raffles	Murray Withers & Paul Kortenhorst
Mowing	Tom Atkinson
Bin Collection	Lea Smith
Cleaning	Ray Band
School Holiday Clinic	Garry & Michelle Bromfield
Cleaning	Ray Band

Major projects completed or initiated by the Management Committee this year included the:

- Erection of a Kicking Wall;
- Erection of two new electricity towers;
- U9/10 Field maintenance; and
- Rooball Field Upgrade.

After many years on the committee and fulfilling a whole raft of volunteer positions, **Ray Campbell** is stepping down for a well-deserved rest – thank-you for all of your efforts over the years Ray!

Sponsors & Supporters

Again this year we were the benefactors of some wonderful sponsors and community support organisations and I urge all of our members to acknowledge their generosity by calling upon their services whenever possible:

Many thanks to our generous sponsors including:

- Speedy Bins
- Extreme Marquees and Banners
- Travelscene
- Harcourts
- Dulux
- Parrella Tiles
- Eureka Landscapes
- Millatec
- UHISport
- Force Access
- Caltex Samford
- Albany Creek Veterinary Surgery
- Gleam O Dawn
- Watsons Signs
- Super Treat
- Councillor Bob Millar
- Football Brisbane
- Pine Rivers Shire Council
- Queensland Government - Sport & Rec
- Queensland Government – Gambling Community Benefit Fund
- Samford & District Progress Association

Afterword

Congratulations to all members of the Samford Rangers Football Club for a successful 2008 and all the best for the incoming committee for 2009.

Graham Lee, President