



**KEMPTVILLE DISTRICT SOCCER CLUB  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
MINUTES**

The annual general meeting of the Kemptville District Soccer Club was held at the Municipal Complex in Kemptville on Tuesday, September 30, 2008 between 19:00 and 22:00, pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the bylaws of this club. There was quorum.

<u>DIRECTORS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Matt Stevens	President	*	
Dave Avery	Vice-President	*	
Lou Judge	Treasurer	*	
Antonella Audet	Secretary	*	
Linda Stefani	Director of Registration	*	
Kelli Cumming	Director of Equipment	*	
Colin Moden	Director at Large	*	
Carole Bertrand	Director at Large		*
Darryl Lapenskie	Director at Large	*	
Rhonda Onasanya	Director at Large	*	

<u>MEMBERS:</u>	<u>FIRST ROLL</u>	<u>SECOND ROLL</u>
Frank Onasanya	*	*
Chris Hansen	*	*
Rob Fnukal	*	
Marc Audet	*	*
Logan Davidson	*	*
Mel Sears	*	*
Sam Sears	*	*
Tina Buss	*	*
Adrian Buss	*	*
Daniel Buss	*	*
Marc Bergeron	*	*
Kevin Kent	*	*
Steve Davidson	*	*
Ken Judge	*	*
Lou Ballerscheff	*	*
Kerstin Dekart	*	
Daniel Sears	*	*
Marika Dunn	*	*
Kevin Schooley	*	*
Gerard McGrath	*	*
Sheldon Chaput	*	*
John Stefani	*	*
Laura Patterson	*	*
Julie Lapenskie	*	*

Patrick Poirier	*	
Cameron Duff	*	*
Sara Hunt	*	*
Tim Sutton	*	*
Lori Ann Seguin	*	*
Rob King	*	*
Ann Miller	*	*
Cindy Chandler	*	*
Kristina Ballerscheff	*	*
Carole Lapenskie	*	*
Darlene Sears	*	*
Michael Dunn	*	*
Michelle Lapenskie	*	*
Norm Sears	*	*
Philip Cassidy	*	*
Proxy vote to Ken Judge from Kim Judge		
Proxy vote to Lou Judge from Terry Lickfold		

**CREDENTIALS REPORT:**

Matt Stevens welcomed the members and noted that Carole Bertrand, competitive convener, sent her regrets.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM:**

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY TIM SUTTON TO PASS THE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 26, 2007 AGM. SECONDED BY MARC BERGERON. ALL IN FAVOUR. MOTION PASSED.\*\*\*\*\***

**OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (included)

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (included)

HEAD COACH'S REPORT: (included)

HEAD REFEREE'S REPORT: (included)

TREASURER'S REPORT: (included)

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY SHELDON CHAPUT TO ACCEPT THE AUDIT REPORT. SECONDED BY KEVIN SCHOOLEY. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.\*\*\*\*\***

Appointment of Auditors:

There was discussion that the Club is paying too much for an audit. The executive will look into pricing for the 2010 audit. It was decided to stay with WGB for the audit of fiscal year ending October 31, 2009.

WEBMASTER'S REPORT: (included)

COMPETITIVE CONVENOR'S REPORT: (included)

SSSL CONVENOR'S REPORT: (included)

HOUSE LEAGUE CONVENOR'S REPORT: (included)

BINGO CONVENOR'S REPORT: (included)

ADULT HOUSE LEAGUE CONVEOR'S REPORT:

Marc Bergeron reviewed the men's house league season and on behalf of his wife, Andrea (women's house league convenor), the women's house league season. Both are stepping down. Marc reviewed some changes that he would recommend for how registrations are handled for the adult house league teams. Marc also reviewed the MOT35 team's season.

## BREAK

## SECOND ROLL CALL

### AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS & CONSTITUTION:

Gerard McGrath proposed an amendment to the constitution by adding an additional paragraph to Article 5 of the constitution.

"All Board positions are voluntary; no Director shall receive a salary from the Club. The creation of Club positions for which a salary will be paid shall receive prior approval from the general body either at an AGM or a special AGM called for that purpose and approved in accordance with the voting rules established for the AGM."

Seconded by Lou Judge.

Gerard McGrath clarified the reason for his proposed amendment: the intent is not to limit the Club to have any paid administrator. The intent is to give the charge to the general body. This is a mandate that should be to members not to the executives.

Voting results of the members to accept amendment: yes - 24 no - 12

Voting results of the Executive members to accept amendment: yes - 4 no - 4

As the voting resulted in a tie, the final vote went to Matt Stevens, president, who voted to accept the amendment.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

Chris Hansen made a call for elections.

President: Matt Stevens was asked if he was willing to stand again and he responded that he was not.

Rhonda Onasanya nominated Darryl Lapenskie for President. Darryl accepted the nomination. No other nominations were forthcoming. Darryl Lapenskie was declared President for a two year term.

Treasurer: Lou Judge was asked if she was willing to serve another term as Treasurer and she replied that she was. There were no other nominations. Lou Judge was declared Treasurer.

Director of Registration: Linda Stefani was asked if she was willing to stand again and she responded that she was not. Rhonda Onasanya nominated Sara Hunt. Sara accepted the nomination. No other nominations were forthcoming. Sara Hunt was declared Director of Registration.

Director of Equipment: Kelli Cumming was asked if she was willing to stand again and she responded that she was not. Antonella Audet nominated Matt Stevens. Matt accepted. Ken Judge nominated Philip Cassidy. Philip accepted. Matt withdrew. Frank Onasanya nominated Darlene Sears. Darlene declined. No other nominations were forthcoming. Philip Cassidy was declared Director of Equipment.

Director at Large (2 year term): Sara Hunt nominated Darlene Sears. Darlene accepted.

Darryl Lapenskie nominated Rhonda Onasanya. Rhonda declined. No other nominations were forthcoming. Darlene accepted.

Director at Large: There were four positions open.

Antonella Audet nominated Rhonda. Rhonda accepted.

Rhonda Onasanya nominated Kelli Cumming. Kelli accepted.

Lou Judge nominated Norm Sears. Norm accepted.

Matt Stevens nominated Chris Hansen. Chris declined.

Darlene Sears nominated Marika Dunn. Marika accepted.

Ken Judge nominated Tina Buss. Tina accepted.

Kelli nominated Lori Ann Seguin. Lori Ann accepted.

There were six nominations for four positions. The members were asked to vote for four individuals. Antonella, Chris and Lou left the room and tallied the votes.

Chris congratulated the following 4 individuals: Rhonda Onasanya, Kelli Cumming, Lori Ann Seguin and Tina Buss.

The Executive for the 2009 Season:

President: Darryl Lapenskie

Vice President: Dave Avery

Treasurer: Lou Judge

Secretary: Antonella Audet

Director of Registration: Sara Hunt

Director of Equipment: Philip Cassidy

Director at Large: Ronda Onasanya

Director at Large: Kelli Cumming

Director at Large: Lori Ann Seguin

Director at Large: Tina Buss

Director at Large: Darlene Sears

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Cameron Duff: Suggested that we look into an alternate place to have competitive try-outs. The Drummond Building didn't work very well last year. With puddles of water and farm equipment in the way, we need to see if there are any other locations we can utilize.

Gerard McGrath: I am disappointed that decisions were made by the executives, and not put on the minutes.

Antonella Audet: Can you please tell me what decisions were made that were not in the minutes! As far as I know I made sure all motions were printed.

Gerard McGrath: There was a second proposed amendment (later withdrawn) on the website from the Vice President which was vague but indicated that the executive had agreed on some wording. I believe it said something like " ...in accordance with the wording agreed upon by the executive...". I could not find this in any of the minutes.

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY MARC BERGERON TO ADJOURN. SECONDED BY COLIN MODEN. ALL IN FAVOUR. MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED 10PM. \*\*\*\*\***

## **President's Report 2008**

As we have come to the completion of another outdoor soccer season I am filled with mixed emotions. Firstly, a sense of relief that the season is over and that for the most part, we had another successful season. On the other hand, I am overwhelmed by the thought that we, as a club, have to start now to get ready for next year!

The biggest challenge facing our club is the same that many sports organizations face and that is not having enough volunteers to get the job done. We need to increase our volunteer base and have more people involved. For the past 6 years of my involvement with the club, it always seems to be the same faces that I see at the meetings and at the various events that we host for the club. I would encourage all who have children or who participate as players to get involved with the Kemptville District Soccer Club. It is through "people power" that this club runs and much like gasoline, it is becoming a scarce and valuable commodity. But as the old adage goes: "many hands makes the work load light" or something like that! Please get involved and help us make the work load light and enjoyable.

As for our Club, I hope that the season was enjoyable and successful! Once again, our Club has had Under 3 soccer and it was my great joy to be able to be apart of it! To see the tiny ones out there kicking the soccer balls and cones around was wonderful! This is what soccer should be about! Having fun and the joy of kicking around a ball! A special thanks to Antonella Audet and the youth coaches for making it once again, a huge success!

With respect to the House League and Competitive soccer teams, again what a season! Our competitive teams were for the most part very successful. As a small town club, it is not always easy to compete against the bigger clubs but at most divisions, we held our own. Most importantly, most of the feedback that I have received is that the players had fun and learned new skills and for me, that is what it is all about.

As for our House League teams, I was able to see some of the teams in action and there was lots of laughter and smiles, so things must be going well. I would like to see the club look at new ideas and possibilities to help increase our numbers so that we can strengthen our teams. We need to spend more effort as a club on our "house" teams as this is a strong base for our club in the future.

With all of these successes comes a great deal of hard work! First and foremost, a great deal of thanks has to go out to all of the convenors and coaches. A special thanks to our House League Convenor, Rhonda Onasanya and to our Competitive Convenor, Carole Bertrand. With out all of our convenors, there would be no organized soccer! And thanks to our Club Head Coach, Frank Onasanya for all of his talent and enthusiasm. Thanks to Glen Smith for being our South Side Soccer League rep! Also great job by the Bergeron's for your work in organizing the Adult House Teams! Well done!

As for the coaches, you should all be very proud of yourselves! I know the amount of time and effort that you give to the sport and that the impact you have on the players is crucial to the enjoyment of the game. I also know the joy that a coach can get when he or she sees players out on the field and that one little thing you did in practice shows up in the play of the game. And then when they smile, it makes all of those rushed

dinner worthwhile! Once again, thank you to all of our coaches and feel free to let the club know on how we can better support you in your efforts!

A special thanks must go out to the Club's Executive. Without all of their efforts, the soccer club would not be running especially with the number of players that we have. As this has been my second year as President, I would like to thank all of you for your support, efforts and ideas. I know that we have sometimes struggled getting everything done and we have not always seen eye to eye on issues but I know and hope that in the end we did it all for the betterment of the organization and the enjoyment of the players. Personal thanks to all of you on the Executive. Thank you Dave, Antonella, Lou J., Ann, Carole, Darryl, Linda, Kelli, Chris, Rob, Rhonda, Frank & Colin. It is because of you all that we keep on going and in the end, things do get done! A special thanks to Antonella Audet for reminding me what I am suppose to get done and to Dave Avery (our Vice-President) for stepping up and taking on our policy and procedures that we have been talking about for years. We will get it done!

One of the disappointments for this season has been that we have not been able to use the new fields yet at South Gower Park. The grass is still growing but it is still questionable whether or not they will be ready for next year. We will continue to press the Township and Council to do what ever we can to help this process. Unfortunately new fields are not cheap and when they are ready we still need to purchase goal posts and nets. We will be looking at some fundraising ideas and if anyone is willing to assist in this effort, please let me know.

Once again, a special thanks to Lou Ballerscheff (and his crew!) for all of their efforts lining fields this past season. Lou has been out there lining fields for us! I know that the executive and the club greatly appreciate his time and efforts and we will miss seeing him and "Big Blue" out at Riverside Park. Thanks again Lou for all you have done! Also thanks to Darryl for helping to move the nets!

Let us not forget the referees for all of their work. A great deal of thanks goes to Chris Hansen our Head Referee and all of her refs! It is not the easiest jobs by any means and we need to remember that we have to encourage the refs and remember that without them, we don't have a sanctioned game! So instead of blasting the referee when you don't agree with a call or non-call, say thank you afterwards for them being there!

Most importantly, thank you's go to our Sponsors. For a small community, our organization has a great deal of support from local businesses and organizations. Without them, we would not be able to keep soccer as affordable as it is. This was a new sponsorship year and as usual, local businesses and organizations stepped up and contributed to the well being of our Club. Hopefully you noticed the new uniforms with the sponsors' name on them. (Thanks to Kelli for arranging the uniforms and to Darryl for getting the sponsors!) We still have room for some more, so if you know of a firm willing to help us out, please let us know. But remember to say thank you to our sponsors when the opportunity arises by supporting them!

And last but not least, thank you to all of the players and parents involved with the Kemptville District Soccer Club. Without you, of course, we have no club! My hope is that you have had an enjoyable 2008 soccer season, regardless of how your team did! I know as an executive member and as a coach and as a parent, that I had a great soccer season. I hope that you did too! BUT we as a club can always do better and we would like to hear from you your thoughts and ideas on how we can improve.

Going forward for the next years, I know that our Club will face many challenges. I know that this will include competition for our players and fields from neighbouring clubs and academies. We have seen this first hand with other clubs. If we want to continue to grow as a club, we need to be focused on what is best for our community and for our players and what our players want. It cannot be for our own egos and agendas. I hope that we will see more people get involved in the running of the club. Trust me, most of the tasks are not that big and who knows, you might makes some new life long friends....I know that I have. It might even be as simple as taking a turn in the dunk tank on Kick Off Day!

My 2 years as President of the Kemptville District Soccer Club have gone by quickly in some respects and slowly in others. But I have enjoyed the experience and I am fiercely proud to wear the club logo and to be a part of this great sport and our community. I am passionate about the game of soccer because it is the greatest game in the world.! Soccer continues to grow in Eastern Ontario and in our community and I am excited about it!

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Stevens

**Report from the Head Referee to the KDSC AGM**  
**September 30, 2008**

I would like to start off by thanking everybody who participated as a referee for their hard work, dedication and a job well done. I also would like to thank all the parents who provided transportation for the younger referees. Without all of you there are no games. This year was successful and you all did an outstanding job. I would also like to thank Lou Judge for scheduling the games for the referees. This helps me out so I can spend more time on the fields with the referees.

We provided referees for several leagues that KDSC participates in. This year our referees officiated ERSL, SSSL,OCSL and various KDSC House Leagues from youth to adult .

Unfortunately, this year we were unable to provide referees for all the age groups. We couldn't referee the U7 games. We also had some challenges filling some of the referee positions for the U9 games. These challenges came to be as a result of our having fewer referees available to us. This year the OSA changed the minimum age for referees from 12 years to 13 years. As a result of this our C4 class was smaller this season. Unfortunately, OSA is again changing the minimum age for referees from 13 years to 14 years, so I anticipate that next year we will have even more challenges providing referees to the younger age groups.

Thank you again for a great year,  
Respectfully submitted by  
Chris Hansen  
KDSC Head Referee



## Kemptville District Soccer Club 2008 Treasurer's Report

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the executive of the Kemptville District Soccer Club for paying the course fees for me to take an on-line Accounting for Managers of Non-Profit Organizations. I learned a great deal and hope to be able to continue to put the knowledge to use for the benefit of the Club.

The 2008 fiscal year will end in deficit. The biggest contributor to the deficit is the amount spent for equipment and uniform purchases. For the 2009 budget we will have to be sure that we have more accurate estimates of costs and needs.

One of the other unforeseen expenses was the purchase of Director's Insurance. If this had not been acquired many of the current executive members would have been unable to continue, feeling that they could have been putting their families and businesses at unnecessary risk.

The executive also felt that the purchase of a new computer for the office was necessary.

The Club also lost money running our coaches' clinics. Normally running the clinics has generated enough money from coaches from outside clubs to cover the expenses of the clinics, but they were not well attended this year.

KDSC also had to pay for a tax return to be prepared. I am hoping now that we have one as an example that the 2009 treasurer can prepare it, or perhaps a club member with experience could step forward.

Many of the smaller expenses have not yet been incurred and reasonable estimates have been used in the preparation of the accompanying tables

Starting bank balance (Nov 1, 2007)	\$55,698
Ending bank balance (Sept 24, 2008)	\$58,480
Less outstanding cheques	\$8,995
Less projected expenses still to come	\$1,705
Projected fiscal year end bank balance	\$47,780
Projected Deficit	\$-7,918

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Looking ahead to the 2009 season we will have some large capital purchases to make in order to put nets and frames on the South Gower Park fields. I am hoping to apply for a Trillium Grant to help with financing these.

Louanna Judge  
Treasurer

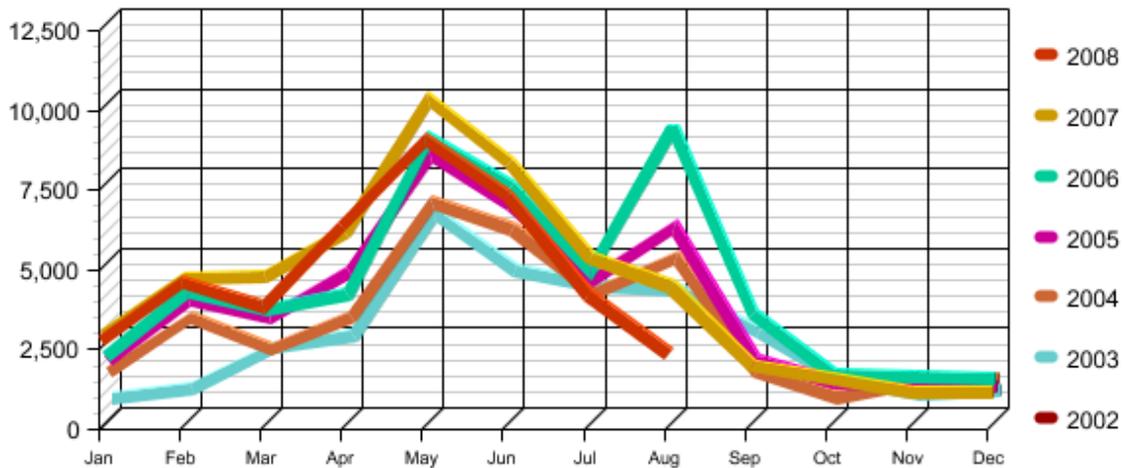


# Kemptville District Soccer Club

## Webmasters Annual Report 2008

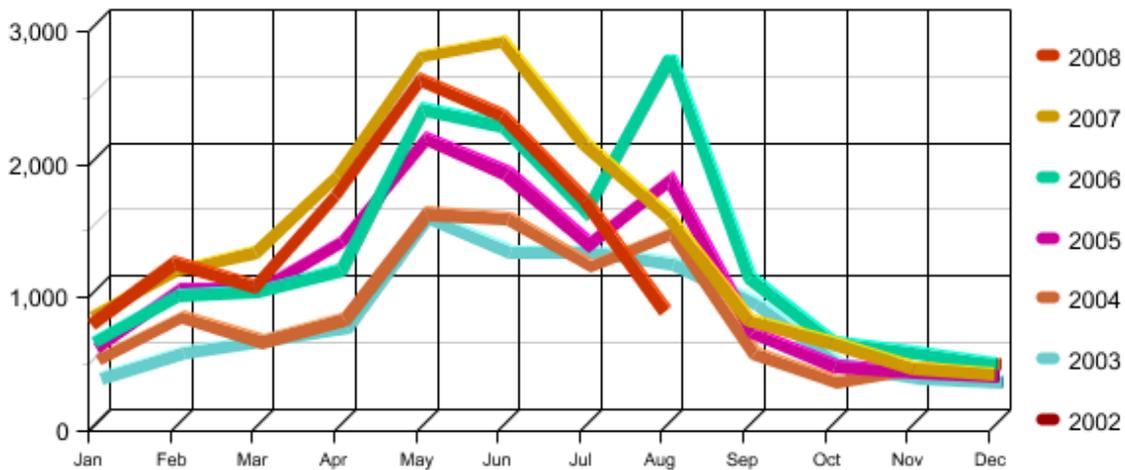
### Usage Rates

This chart shows the number of page hits per month for this year and previous years



This chart

shows the number of visitors per month for this year and previous years



Commentary:

- 1 Ignore the data for August 2008, these charts represent a snapshot taken in early August so the current month usage only reflects a few days.
- 2 A rate of around 7,000 page hits per month, roughly our average for the summer months translates to 230 page requests a day. Indicating ongoing active use of the web site by our members (and visiting players) as a source of information.
- 3 Overall our web site usage is down by about 10% from last year, which reverses the trend from previous years. There's no one obvious cause for this, one factor is that last year we had a page with information about the FIUFA U20 competition in Ottawa, another is that we have moved to multi-page registration forms which discourages downloading of registration forms.
- 4 There has been no negative feedback about missing or misleading information on the web site this year, but on the other hand there has been no positive feedback either.
- 5 In most previous years our highest usage numbers have been in May/June when players are looking for coaches, playing nights, schedules and other season starting information. This hump was repeated this year, with a peak in May, indicating that we had most of this information available before the start of June.
- 6 Our most frequently used pages are (in order)
  1. The main page
  2. The Teams and Leagues page (with playing nights, locations, coach names etc)
  3. The Kemptville College Maps page
  4. The Registration page
  5. The Forms page
- 1 92% of our usage comes from users in Canada, which makes sense. Bizarrely we have registered at least 1 page hit from 82 different countries this year (down from 87 last year).

(All statistics provided by webstat.com)

## Hosting & Technologies in use

Our Web Site was hosted again this year by Ontario Web ([www.ontarioweb.ca](http://www.ontarioweb.ca)). They host our site for free partly as a community sponsorship and partly in turn for our advertising their hosting services though “click through” panels on our main page. This service has been reliable and trouble free this year.

Our Web Suite also incorporates technology from [www.webstat.com](http://www.webstat.com) (to count visitors & page hits) and [www.freefind.com](http://www.freefind.com) (to provide site map & search capabilities). Both of these are free in return for a small amount of click through advertising. Webstat may not be an option for next year, they seem to be moving away from the model of providing free services in return for advertising. Ontario web can provide similar statistics we stayed with Webstat when we moved to Ontario Web so that we can provide historical year-over-year comparisons.

Some of the web sites for our local soccer leagues have switched to ITSportsnet.com, which is the preferred hosting supplier of the OSA. ITSportsnet.com web sites all have a similar look (compare <http://www.ocslonline.ca/> and <http://www.gsl.ca/>). Conversely the South Side Soccer league and ERSL now have sites based on E2ESoccer.

The main benefit of ITSportsnet and E2ESoccer is that they can automatically generate and maintain web pages for league schedules & standings (but only if someone takes the time to enter the information into the underlying database.) The only leagues that are run by KDSC are House Leagues and we have decided not to post standings for these to avoid emphasizing winning over enjoyment.

The main disadvantage of ITSportsnet and E2ESoccer is that the web pages they generate are high in graphics & hence slow to download over dial up lines, still an important consideration in the Kemptville area.

Eventually the push for individual clubs to switch to ITSportsnet or E2ESoccer may become irresistible, but notably none of the Ottawa area clubs seem to have taken this step, only the leagues. Since our current hosting arrangement is free there is no financial reason to switch.

Our site is written in PHP and edited at the raw text HTML & script level. This helps give our pages a consistent look, keeps them small and quick to download, and means that we do not spend any money to provide our webmasters with authoring tools. It also helps to keep our site in compliance with the W3C WAI guideless for accessibility by disabled users. The downsides are limitations on our overall creativity in page design and a training phase for new webmasters.

## **Innovations & Successes this year**

### ***Backup Webmaster***

Many thanks to Lou Judge who stepped up again this year and added “backup webmaster” to the list of volunteer duties she does for the club. This has enabled the web site to be kept up to date when I am on vacation or otherwise not available. It has also helped in getting information to the web site faster since a document can be uploaded by whichever of us reads the email request first.

### ***Photo Day Schedule***

This year there was no specific photo day, the photographer attended games & practices to take photographs. The web site hosted the photo day schedule, which was frequently updated, plus a link to the order form. Our photo day page received over 600 hits.

### ***Google maps***

We now have all our fields marked on Google Maps, and linked from our web site, and from ERSL & OCSL web sites. This is an alternative to our traditional hand drawn maps which are still provided. The main benefit of this is that users can get driving instructions to any field from wherever they are. This is an area of our web site which is rarely used by our members, but is key for visiting teams. This page has now been available for roughly 1 year and shows 2,019 views. These are not included in the page views statistics for our site because it is a Google web page.

### ***House League Schedules***

This year we did manage to provide schedules on our web site for all our youth and adult house leagues. This is the second consecutive year we’ve achieved this, hopefully it’s becoming a habit. Thanks go out to the conveners for providing me with electronic versions of their schedules.

### ***Conveners & Coaches***

Our Leagues page is supposed to show the Convener name for every House League and the Coaches name for every competitive team, with phone numbers and email addresses. This year we did have this information posted before the start of the season, this is step forward from previous years where there have been gaps. Let’s hope we can repeat that again next year.

## **Disappointments & Failures this year**

### ***Pictures Page***

Our pictures page continues to show team photos from 2004.

There are no action shots from this season, I believe this is because there were none taken. A volunteer club photographer would help with this and with providing content to local papers.

### ***Sponsor web pages***

Since the beginning of the web site we have provided a page listing our sponsors and thanking them for their help. We have also provided a click through link to their web sites for those sponsors (typically larger companies) who have one.

For the last 2 years we have offered to host a single web page for any of our sponsors who don't have a site of their own. This would give them a web presence where they can explain their services, location, hours, contact information etc. Only one sponsor company, Dr. C.L. Eaton, Optometrist, has taken us up on this offer. Our web stats show 30 hits on their page this year. Hopefully this service will expand and help both the club and our sponsors.

## **Webmaster Role**

I plan to stand down this year both as an Executive Member and as the primary webmaster.

Lou Judge, who has been assisting me, is able to keep the information on the web site up to date. But if the club decides it wants a major overhaul to the web site it will need to find a skilled webmaster or switch to a technology (such as ITSportsnet or E2E soccer) which provides a “paint by numbers” solution.