



Media Release

Attention:	Sports Editors, Football Writers and Broadcasters
Date:	Tuesday, 18 May 2010
Subject:	Great Club for 2010 announced – Hobart / Cananore to be recognized.

EMBARGOED UNTIL – 11am TODAY

AFL Tasmania board member, Scott Wade, has announced today at TCA Ground (Hobart) that the great Club selected for induction into the Tasmanian Football Hall of Fame in 2010 is the Hobart and Cananore Football Clubs.

Football in the city of Hobart has its origins in the early 1840s, but became formalised in the latter half of the 19th century when Clubs first started to emerge.

The Club that was to become what is known as Hobart today has arguably enjoyed the most colourful history of any Club in Tasmania.

Prior to World War Two the dominant Club in Tasmanian football was 'Cananore' which is indisputably the Club we now know as Hobart. Both Clubs have shared the same colours, ground and players. While we know the origins of the name Hobart are founded on the desire of the TFL to have district football after WW2, the origins of the name Cananore are far more exotic.

Cannanore was the British name of a district in India in the 19th century which is now called by the Hindi 'Kannur'. The district was an important port on the Arabian Sea and the British military headquarters on India's west coast until 1887. Legend has it that one of the founders of the Cananore Football Club in Hobart in the early 1900s chose the name as they had been based there in earlier years and had brought home a incorrectly spelt name plaque which adorned the entry to a building at which many supporters of the new Club met.

In any case the name became synonymous with success and some of the greatest names in Tasmanian football for the first half of the 20th century. In the period since 1945 the name Hobart has carried on a great football tradition which is filled with great tragedy and triumph. The Hobart and Canonore Football Clubs continue their journey as one of the Great Clubs of Tasmanian Football.

In attendance at today's media conference will be:

- The famous Hobart 3Ps trio of the 1950s and 1960s: Mal Pascoe, Denis Powell and Burnie Payne.
- A number of great past and present players and officials of the Hobart Football Club, including: Alan Hughes, Kerry Wilson, Allan Appleton, Brendan Walsh.

- AFL Tasmania General Manager, Scott Wade, who is a legend of Hobart FC was joined by his father Michael Wade and uncle Peter Wade for the announcement. The Wade family are all connected with the Tigers as playing members during some of their great premiership eras in football.
- Past Players Association President John Jeffrey.

The attachments provided with the media release include:

- Hobart and Cananore achievements, club greats, history, including information about Albert Collier and the Giant Killing Achievement of the 1973 Tigers premiership team.

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CANANORE - ACHIEVEMENTS



Affiliated: TFL 1908-1944

Home Ground: Tasmanian Cricket Association Ground

Formed: 1901

Colours: Yellow and black

Emblem: Canaries

Regional Premierships: 1909-10-11, 1913, 1921-22, 1925-26-27, 1931, 1933 (11 total).

Tasmanian State Premierships: 1909-10-11, 1913, 1921-22, 1925-26-27, 1931 (10 total).

William Leitch Medallists: Jack Billett 1930; Albert Collier 1931 (2 total).

George Watt Memorial Medallists: Geoff Kilmartin 1940 (1 total).

TFL Top Goalkickers: F.Burton (11) 1909; C.Ward (16) 1910 & (24) 1911; G.Baclernach (13) 1913; J.Brain (47) 1924 & (64) 1926; F.Ahearne (50) 1925 & (45) 1927 (8 total).

HOBART - ACHIEVEMENTS



Affiliated: TFL 1945-1997; STFL 1998-2008; Tasmanian State League from 2009.

Home Grounds: TCA Ground 1945-82 and 1998-present; King George V Park 1983-86; North Hobart Oval 1987-97.

Colours: Black and Gold.

Emblem: Tigers.

Regional Premierships: TFL - 1950, 1954, 1959-60, 1963, 1966, 1973, 1980, 1990 (9 total); SFL - 1999 (1 total).

Tasmanian State Premierships: 1959 and 1990 (2 total).

Other Premierships: TFL Statewide Cup 1980 (1 total - only time the competition was conducted).

William Leitch Medallists: J.D.Sullivan 1947; T.J.Leo 1957; M.Pascoe 1959; D.Sullivan 1964; B.Payne 1965 & 1966; S.Wade 1984 (6 Medallists/7 Medals).

TFL Top Goalkickers: B.Waldron (47 goals) 1953; M.Pascoe (75) 1959 & (57) 1960; C.Smith (49) 1977; P.Courto (86) 1980; W.Fox (110) 1988; K.Robinson (76) 1993 (7 total).

SFL Top Goalkickers: D.Hall (88) 1999 (1 total)

Highest Score: TFL - 31.17 (203) vs. South Launceston 15.21 (111) on 22 August 1990 at York Park; SFL - 36.14 (230) vs. Channel 10.6 (66) on 7 April 2000 at TCA Ground.

Most Games: 287 by D.K. 'Kerry' Wilson

Record Home Attendance: 8,760 on 14 June 1949 vs. New Town at TCA Ground

Record Finals Attendance: 17,111 for 1980 grand final at North Hobart Oval: Hobart 14.9 (93); Glenorchy 7.16 (58)

CANANORE – CLUB GREATS



Tasmanian Football Hall of Fame Inductees: Horrie Gorringer, Jack Gardiner, Bruce Carter, Jack Charlesworth, Pat Hartnett, Fred Pringle, Allan Scott, Don Scott, Hec Smith.

Club Legends / Notable Players: 'Cocky' Ahearne, Albert Collier.

HOBART – CLUB GREATS



Official 'Best Team 1947 to 2002'

Backs:	John Emin	Jamie Shanahan	Neville Legro
Half Backs:	'Paddy' Williams	Alan Appleton	Len Commane
Centres:	John Golding	Ian Stewart	David Sullivan
Half Forwards:	Paul Sproule (captain)	Arthur Cole	Kerry Wilson
Forwards:	'Bill' Williams	Paul Courto	Trevor Leo
1st Ruck:	Mal Pascoe	Dennis Powell	Burnie Payne
Interchange:	Scott Wade	Malcolm Bugg	Peter Ratcliffe
	Geoff Keogh	Stephen Gilbee	Brenton Tapp
	Mark Browning	Martin Free	Wayne Petterd
Coach:	Paul Sproule		

Tasmanian Football Hall of Fame Inductees: Scott Clayton, Noel Atkins, Don Gale, Trevor Leo, Burnie Payne, Ian Stewart, Scott Wade, Paul Sproule, Alastair Lynch, Garth Smith, Wayne Fox, Chris Fagan, Jamie Shanahan, Kevin Bailey, Matthew Armstrong, Paul Hudson.

Club Legends / Notable Players: Alan Appleton, Mark Browning, Craig Hoyer, Ron McGowan, Mal Pascoe, Dennis Powell, John Watts.

HOBART / CANANORE - HISTORY



Cananore the great!

Cananore Football Club competed in the southern based Tasmanian Football League between 1908 - 1941. Cananore is a name linked to the suburb of West Hobart. They were known as the Canaries and wore yellow and black as club colours. Cananore played their home games mostly at the TCA Ground and were State Premiers on ten occasions, making them the most successful Tasmanian club of their era.

After beginning life as a junior club in 1901, Cananore was promoted to senior TFL competition in 1908. Despite losing every game in its debut season Cananore was not disgraced, and in 1909, with Tasmania's legendary coach Bruce Carter at the helm it annexed the local premiership and the first state flag with victory over Launceston at Hobart. The Canaries added further successive local and state premierships in 1910-11, as well as providing the nucleus of Tasmania's 1911 National Carnival side.

The year 1914 was significant for the debut of one of Tasmania's greatest footballers, Horrie Gorringe. Possessed of blinding pace and impeccable disposal skills, Gorringe spent his entire playing career, which lasted thirteen seasons, at Cananore, and represented Tasmania with distinction at the 1924 and 1927 National Carnivals.

The 1920s proved to be the most successful period for Cananore as they won both local and state premierships in 1921-22 and 1925, 26, 27. The 1925 combination was one of the strongest in Tasmanian football history. Prior to the TFL finals the Canaries played a challenge match against Port Adelaide and won with ease, 31.30 (216) to 5.8 (38). Both the local and state grand finals were won in similarly emphatic fashion against North Hobart and North Launceston.

With Collingwood champion Albert Collier coaching the side Cananore enjoyed a remarkable 1931. Facing off with North Hobart in the grand final the scores were deadlocked on 9.12 (66) apiece at the end. The replay saw Cananore finally edge home by 3 points, before scoring an even harder fought 1 point win over North Launceston to secure the state title.

In 1933 Cananore again overcame North Hobart to secure what would be the club's last senior flag. There was to be ignominy mixed with the triumph, however, as the Canaries became the first TFL premier to lose a state premiership decider, against Launceston, on southern soil.

The TFL was forced due to the Second World War, to suspend operations in 1942. When the competition resumed three years later the new district structure meant that Cananore, without a discrete district name and basis, were excluded.

Cananore's players predominately resumed in 1945 with the new 'district' Club called Hobart. The black and gold colours and the base at the TCA Ground also live on with the Tigers.



From the ashes rise Hobart

Hobart's first season in the TFL in 1945 coincided with the re-organisation of the league along district lines. Hobart and Sandy Bay replaced Cananore and Lefroy and joined established

clubs New Town and North Hobart in forming a four team competition which expanded to six clubs with the admission of Clarence and New Norfolk two seasons later.

The Tigers reached the grand final for the first time in 1947, losing to North Hobart. Two years later they were again on the wrong side of the ledger, this time against New Town, but in 1950 they turned the tables on the Magpies with a narrow win for their first title.

Hobart played off for the flag on average every other season during the 1950s, winning three times and losing twice. The 1959 season was particularly noteworthy in that the Tigers held TFL grand final opponents New Norfolk to a miserly total before going on to win the state premiership for the first and only time. The following season saw back to back regional premierships being procured for the only time in the club's history.

This era was also renowned throughout Tasmania as the time of Hobart's famous 3 Ps of Mal Pascoe, Dennis Powell and Burnie Payne. They formed a ruck combination that was one of the best in Tasmania for the best part of a decade.

Hobart's 1960 premiership victory was emulated on each of the club's next four grand final appearances, the last of which, in 1980, coincided with a memorable victory over Clarence in the grand final of the first ever statewide premiership, which was played as an adjunct to the TFL's, NTFA's and NWFU's regular competitions. The 1973 triumph was also a memorable achievement and that team has been inducted into Tasmanian football's Hall of Fame for their giant killing effort to win the TFL title from 4th position against the previously undefeated Sandy Bay.

When the TFL itself embarked on the road toward becoming a statewide competition in 1986 Hobart's involvement was taken for granted. The side reached a grand final in 1989, losing to North Hobart, but won comfortably in 1990 against North Launceston. The Tigers were still a force as late as 1992, reaching the grand final only to succumb once more to an all conquering North Hobart combination. The Club was brilliantly coached by ex-Sydney Swans star, Mark Browning, during what was to be the last golden period for the Tigers.

In the mid-1990s harder times overwhelmed Hobart and they had to return to regional football for 11 years. They did enjoy some success in 1999 when they scored a comfortable premiership win against Brighton, thus proving that the Tiger passion still burned.

The Hobart Football Club was invited to join the new Tasmanian State League in its inaugural year in 2009 and is looking forward to a brighter future. That promise along with the Tigers record of great players, memorable premierships and a history intertwined with that of Cananore ensures this great club will rise phoenix like for the second time in its 100+ year journey in Tasmanian football.

By John Devaney and Daniel Smedley

CANANORE – PICTURES



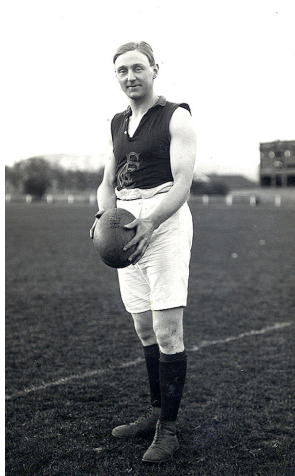
Jack Gardiner



Cocky Ahearne



Cananore - 1910 Premiers



Jack Charlesworth



Horrie Gorringe

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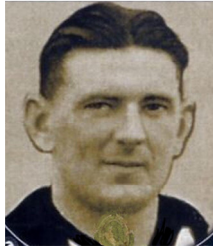
Just prior to the start of the 1973 grand final, Hobart players prepare to break through their cheer squad's banner which reads 'GUTS GAINS GLORY'. The side's eventual premiership that year epitomised both: having only just scraped into the finals in 4th place after losing all but 1 of their last 8 roster matches, the Tigers fought their way through to the grand final before overcoming raging hot flag favourites Sandy Bay 11.19 (85) to 10.5 (65) in one of the biggest boilovers in Tasmanian football history.



Coach: Alan Appleton and Captain: Malcolm Bugg hold the Premiership trophy aloft.

Photos courtesy of the Mercury / Hobart FC

CANANORE – COACHING COUP



The Tasmanian Coaching Coup of the Century

Tasmanian football club have pulled off some great coaching appointments over the course of nearly 150 years of football. Many of the names are recognised at the highest levels of the game nationally, including: Roy Cazaly, Ivor Warne-Smith, Frank 'Checker' Hughes and John Devine.

However, arguably the greatest coaching coup was achieved by Cananore prior to the 1931 TFL season when they secured the services of Brownlow Medallist and Collingwood's quadruple premiership player, Albert Collier.

Albert Collier (23 years old) was renowned as the lion hearted Collingwood superstar of the 1920s and 1930s and his mere presence helped yield record attendances and gate receipts for the league at a time when the nation was in the grip of the great economic depression.

Collier's nickname was 'Leeter' believed to be a derivation of 'leader' at the time. The Canaries needed all the leadership that Collier could muster to register their most heart stopping TFL and State Final premierships.

In the TFL decider of 1931 against North Hobart the teams played the only draw in the history of Tasmanian Grand Finals. In the replay the two teams were bound for another draw, with the Black and Gold's eventually prevailing by 3 points in a controversial finish.

The State Final saw North Launceston throw everything at Cananore, but again they prevailed by the barest of margins to lift their 10th Tasmanian Flag.

Albert Collier was rewarded for a dominating season with the 1931 William Leitch Medal to go alongside his 1929 Brownlow.

Grand Final – Cananore 9.12 (66) drew North Hobart 9.12 (66).

Grand Final Replay – Cananore 8.9 (57) defeated North Hobart 7.12 (54).

State Final – Cananore 7.7 (49) defeated North Launceston 7.6 (48).

Collier coached Cananore again in 1932 but the team could not repeat the heroics of '31. In 1933 Albert Collier resumed his long and illustrious career at the highest level in Victoria with Collingwood and then Fitzroy. He was a member of the Magpies 1935 and 1936 VFL premiership teams.

HOBART – GIANT KILLERS OF SOUTHERN TASMANIAN FOOTBALL



The Hobart Tigers entered the 1973 TFL grand final as a rank outsider in nearly every pundit's eyes. They were up against the Rod Olsson led Sandy Bay Seagulls, who were hottest favourites in TFL history. The Seagulls had defeated Hobart on all four occasions that they had met in the roster (including an 85 point hiding in round 18); they were dual reigning premiers and had easily progressed into the Grand Final and finally had not lost a game during the season to date. Simply, they looked unstoppable for their third successive premiership.

The Tigers were led by the dynamic duo of coach, Alan Appleton, who was a hero of their great era under Mal Pascoe in the early 1960s, and small and dynamic midfielder, Malcolm Bugg, who had come to the Club from Wynyard and enjoyed his greatest season when elevated to the captaincy midyear.

The Tigers year was easily able to be described in one word: inconsistent. They fell over the line to make the finals by 4 points ahead of New Norfolk who had a superior percentage. They were 12 wins adrift of the Seagulls at the top of the ladder. Incredibly, the Tigers had not won a game at North Hobart Oval for the year as they fronted for the first semi against Clarence. Even more surprising they managed to overcome the more favoured Roos with literally the last kick of the game a goal to veteran forward Kerry Wilson.

The Preliminary Final was Hobart's best effort for the season as they cruised past Glenorchy to earn a spot in their first grand final for seven years. The Grand Final started with Sandy Bay and Hobart going goal for goal and by $\frac{3}{4}$ quarter time the Tigers led by 6 points and appeared to be gaining the ascendancy. The final challenge for the Tigers would be to run the game out after a gruelling finals campaign. Incredibly despite the odds the mighty Hobart of '73 went away from the Bay in the final half of the quarter to score the upset of the century by a clear margin.

The Hobart teams achievements in 1973 were the stuff of legend at the time and the Tigers will now be forever considered the giant killers of senior football from Southern Tasmania.

The Hobart FCs achievement in 1973 was recognised with induction into the Tasmanian Football Hall of Fame as a 'Special Category' in 2009.

TFL PREMIERSHIP – 1973 – North Hobart Oval					
Hobart v Sandy Bay				Date: 15 September	
Teams	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	Final	
Hobart	2.3	5.7	8.11	11.19 (85)	
Sandy Bay	3.0	4.2	8.5	10.5 (65)	
Best: Hobart	M.Bugg, K.Williams, S.Gay, J.Howard, D.Bishop, K.Wilson.				
Sandy Bay	D.Morrison, C.Rae, R.Olsson, N.Styles, M.Steele, J.Gallus.				
Goals: Hobart	S.Gay 3, G.Barnett 3, K.Wilson, T.O’Rourke, D.Watkins, J.Howard, M.Krause.				
Sandy Bay	R.Adams 3, M.Elliott 2, V.DeVenuto 2, N.Styles, J.Gallus, N.Ricketts.				
Umpire	D.Blew	Crowd	14,720	Gate	\$10,437.40

HOBART		Coach	Alan Appleton
Backs	R.Clarke	P.Ratcliffe	P.Martyn
Half Backs	D.Bishop	K.Luxmore	M.Williams
Centres	J.Howard	M.Bugg	I.Sullivan
Half Forwards	S.Gay	K.Wilson	T.O'Rourke
Forwards	M.Krause	M.Dickson	G.Barnett
Followers	K.Williams	P.Reid	D.Watkins
Reserves	M.Free	T.Werchon	