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New Chapter in Long Football History

One of Tasmania's proudest football clubs today opens a new chapter, with the launch of some club history.

The North Hobart Football Club has outlived a series of changes in leagues and administration and next year celebrates a major milestone – its 125th anniversary.

Today, the Labor Member for Wellington and Deputy Government Leader in the Upper House, Doug Parkinson, launched the club's latest yearbook.

"This club is one of the oldest in Tasmania, with a proud history of achievement setting it apart as the most successful senior football club in the State.

"Next year's celebrations will fit the status of the club, and be a springboard into the future."

Mr Parkinson said this year's annual yearbook, the 17th such publication, contains many good reads.

The articles have been well researched and compiled by Warren Brewer, David Omant, Adrian Collins and Geoff Poulter.

Significant articles include:

- Major Feature article on the 2005 HALL of FAME inductees
- Photographs and player profiles of current players
- Feature, including photographs on the North Hobart Junior Football Club.
- An article on two time club best and fairest player and TFL and State representative Colin Moore
- Articles on new life members Robert Devine, Shane Arnol and Ian Parker
- Special Feature on the 1905 premiership including a team photograph
- A feature article by respected award-winning football writer Geoff POULTER
- A special article on the 1967 Premiership, including the goal post State Premiership match, coached by John Devine
- Special tributes to Jim Bacon and Peter Marquis
- Statistics for the 2004 season

Mr Parkinson said this year the club had been successful in obtaining state government funding to establish a junior development program that involves local high and primary schools, North Hobart Junior Football Club and Triabunna Football Club.

“The program has operated in partnership with AFL Tasmania and the Australian Sports Commission.

“The club is also working collaboratively with Hobart City Council and AFL Tasmania to develop a proposal for major capital works to be undertaken at its home ground, and looking to the future with confidence.”

The next few weeks are a busy time for the club with a number of events on the calendar:

- today is the launch of the year book
- tomorrow is the bi monthly old players luncheon
- 25 June will be the annual Red and Blue Ball
- 9 July will be the old players reunion and
- 22 July will be the president's dinner - guest speaker: former

Melbourne player Robert Flower.

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