



On the Mark

Four teams shooting for Grand Final GLORY

Four Manly Bombers' sides will be part of the biggest day in Sydney Junior AFL when they compete in grand final matches this Sunday (September 1).

A total of eight Bombers teams made it into their respective finals series, seven progressing beyond the first week to highlight another highly successful season for the club.

The Bombers' grand final charge will be led by the under-14 Division One side. This tight-knit unit went through 14 games of the regular season undefeated, then put in a polished display in week one of the finals to defeat Glebe-Newtown 14.13.97 to 5.8.38.

However the side, coached by Steve Porter, won't take anything for granted when they face Glebe-Newtown again this Sunday at 8.30am on the main oval at Macquarie University.

Immediately following that match (at 10am) Manly's under-15 Division One side will go up against minor premiers East Maroubra in their decider.

The Bombers, under coach Craig Saxby, have put together an impressive finals campaign after finishing the season in fourth spot.



Cooper Wright's under-15 Division 1 side will play a grand final on Sunday. Photo by Craig Parr.



Dale Mapstone and Bailey Clues from U15 Div 3 Reds.
Photo by Craig Parr.

In week one of the finals Manly came from behind against Northern Lights to register an 8.5.53 to 5.5.35 victory at Rofe Park. Then in the preliminary final against defending premiers Willoughby Mosman at Gore Hill the Bombers again grafted out a victory, 6.8.44 to 4.10.34.

Not only did they earn a finals berth, but they celebrated captain Tyler Inchley's 100th game for the club in an ideal fashion.

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Grand Final Sunday 1st September

8:30am U14 Div 1
10am U15 Div 1
10:50am U12 Div 3
12:30pm U15 Div 3

Macquarie Uni Oval

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From the President

**Hello Bombers,
As we enter the last week of the finals it is appropriate to start by wishing the four teams who will be playing on Sunday the best of luck.**

Playing in a grand final with your mates is a special experience, so we wish the under 15 division 1, under 15 division 3, under 14 division 1 and under 12 division 3 boys teams the very best of luck. I am sure there will be plenty of Bombers out there cheering you on. What's more impressive is that two of these teams snuck into fourth place and won their way through by playing their best footy when it counted most. A great achievement.

For the rest of us, sadly, the official season is over bar the presentation day on September 15. I am sure we will all miss the camaraderie, bacon and egg rolls and everything else that stands for footy at the Bombers.

As we look forward to the 2020 season there are a number of very important strategic initiatives that will become the focus of the committee and working groups that we are looking to put together, to ensure we hit 2020 in a big way. These include plans to review our sponsorship properties and ensure all our sponsors are recognised for their contribution to the club and players; for pre-season for the older age groups; a new website; applications for grants to improve our facilities; the development of our coaching program and exploring a new Bombers in Business program.

At the risk of sounding like a broken record I again want to thank every single person who volunteered or helped this year. From cooking a snag, to grabbing the leg of a tent and helping erect it, to putting up goal post pads, spending hours with the kids to help guide them through the season as coaches, to team managers, the people that changed a full rubbish bin, swept out a change room or just picked up a piece of rubbish.

To our very special and magnificent committee thank you. To our sponsors – AXIA, Diamond Blue Financial Services, Bendigo Bank, Ingenia Holidays, the Harbord Bowling Club, Dee Why Orthodontics, Code 5, Prodeuce and Mike Pawley Sports – thank you.

You have all made a difference and made the club what it is today.

Good luck teams, be well everyone and see you soon.

Best — *Vara* President – Manly Bombers JAF C



Vara's under-15 Div 3 Reds celebrating their preliminary final victory with the team song.

Grand Final Glory *From Page 1*

Also going in as underdogs in their decider will be Manly's under-15 Division 3 Red side, who will take on minor premiers Willoughby-Mosman at Macquarie University's Northern Oval at 12.30pm.

After finishing the season in second place the Bombers were well beaten by the so-far-undefeated Willoughby-Mosman in week one of the finals at Gore Hill. But the boys responded in their preliminary final at Weldon Oval, coming from two goals down early in the third quarter against Easts Maroubra to register a fantastic 7.5.47 to 3.7.25 win.

Coach Andrew "Vara" Varasdi has instilled tremendous belief in his side and the boys will be out to spring a major upset.

The Bombers will also be represented on Grand Final day by the Under 12 Division 3 Black team.

The Manly Boys finished fourth on their ladder with eight wins from 13 matches in the regular season. In round one of finals they travelled to ELS Hall to claim a 56-29 win over Willoughby, then took out their preliminary final against Forest Lions at Lionel Watts by 26-15.

On Sunday they will match up against the minor premiers from the Balgowlah Suns at Macquarie Uni's Ross Gwilliam Oval at 10.50am.

Unfortunately, three other Bombers sides fell just short of a grand place when they bowed out in their respective preliminary finals.

None went closer than the under-16 Youth Girls, who suffered a heartbreaking 5.2.32 to 4.4.28 loss to St Ives at Acron Oval.

Coach Holly Graham said it was a "really tough" loss to swallow.

The Manly girls had finished in third spot on the ladder at the end of the regular season and earned their spot in the prelim with a

comprehensive 5.3.33 to 0.5.5 win over East Sydney.

The Bombers' under-17 Division One side had also finished the regular season in third spot and progressed past the first week of the finals with a 7.9.51 to 3.11.29 win over Northern Lights/Pennant Hills/North Ryde.

However, in the preliminary final at Gore Hill the more fancied Willoughby-Mosman side came away with a 9.6.60 to 4.3.27 win.

Manly's under-13 Division 3 Black side followed a similar path. Having finished third, they won a hard-fought semi-final over St Ives by 6.4.40 to 4.5.29 at Weldon. Back at home the following week for their prelim, the Bombers went down 6.8.44 to 1.6.12 against Canada Bay.

Manly's under-12 Division One also saw finals action, after finishing the season in third spot. However, they were upset 7.8.50 to 5.11.41 in their opening finals match against Canada Bay.

Around the grounds

Under 9

Manly's under-9 teams thoroughly enjoyed the move up into the junior ranks in 2019.

The season was capped with a great first Gala Day, with strong results across all teams and plenty of great camaraderie among the players. The player development from throughout the year was on show, albeit conditions were very windy and cold.

"It was also great to see those who were not playing get along and encourage all their under-9 team mates," coach Chris Larsen said.

Under 10 YG

The U10 Youth Girls finished up an impressive season with a clean sweep of wins at their final Gala Day at Gore Hill Oval.

The Bombers' first game saw them matched against a powerful North West Lightning Squad. The girls went straight into action and played one of their strongest games of the season. Kudos for all their strong tackles, relentless pressure, and solid team work.

Next up was an unexpectedly tough game against the Mosman Swans. The Swans have improved dramatically this year and were a tough opponent, almost catching our girls off guard. Again however, the Bomber girls dug deep and earned a hard fought victory.

"Well done to all the girls for their commitment, resilience and teamwork as we close out another successful season of footy," coach Chris Eagar said.



Under 10

Season 2019 has been an incredible success for the under-10 boys age group.

With a lot of new families joining the Mighty Bombers at the beginning of the season, all three teams went from strength to strength, culminating in an outstanding couple of weekends of footy played at the annual AFLSJ Gala day.

The Manly club played hosts for the under-10 Gala Day on consecutive Sundays at Mike Pawley and Frank Gray.

The Phantoms, many of who were in only their second season of AFL, played with real composure and showed how far their footy skills had improved this year. The Hornets rallied the troops and probably saved their best performances for the business end of the season with some standout results in the final Gala day games. The Mustangs have been consistent throughout 2019 and brought their A game to the final Sunday of the season as well.



"The format for the Gala days was slightly different to last year with no knockouts and all teams progressing from week 1 to 2.



It seemed to create a more positive vibe and the feedback from our own and opposition coaches, parents and players was that it was more enjoyable for everyone," Bombers head coach Glenn McLachlan said.

"With the season wrapped up, we've already had some enquiries about when pre-season training kicks off. I guess we must be doing something right."

McLachlan paid tribute to managers Steve Day, Evan Willson and Carmel MacLeod and to "some of the most committed and passionate Junior footy Coaches in Sydney - Cam Young and Nathan Jacobsen (Phantoms), Rohan Smith and Lee Armstrong (Hornets) and Mark Gibson (Mustangs) - for volunteering to support the development of all the players in the age group."

"We're looking forward to next season already," he said.

Under 11

The under-11 Manly Bombers enjoyed a fun-filled year of footy.

"Although, none of the three teams made finals, all players involved had a real crack all season long," head coach Gareth Newman said.

The Division 1 team finished fifth, just missing out on finals action after losing a couple of games by less than a goal. So close!

"I'm sure next year they'll progress and take the next step to finish in the top four," Newman said.

It was a similar story for the Division 2 and 3 sides. They both won a handful of games, allowing them to belt out the team song a few times for the season.

"What was impressive was the way they carried themselves win, lose or draw - and yes, there was a draw: the Div 2 boys taking it right up to second placed Tigers in a bruising encounter," Newman said.

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"Again, I'm certain that this committed group of outstanding young people will improve and climb the ladder next season."

Newman also paid tribute to the parents of the three teams: "Across all the divisions, we never lacked help. Whether at trainings or on game days, you guys always put up your hands to help – great job."

Under 12 YG

The Bombers' under-12 Youth Girls side can consider itself unlucky not to have played finals football this season.

With eight wins from 13 matches, the Manly side finished in fifth spot. A couple of mid-season washouts cost the girls an opportunity to earn the extra win that would have snuck them into the end-of-season matches.

The girls were consistent and competitive throughout the season and won three of their final five matches in the run home.



Under 12

It has been a wonderful season for the Bombers' under-12s.

"The rate of improvement in skill and teamwork was really evident and the boys should be congratulated for their commitment at training and on game days," head coach Luke Murphy said.

Both of Manly's Division 3 teams have shown significant improvement with their results flowing in the second half of the season. Robbo's Reds gave the finals a real shake with a number of good wins towards the end of the year, but just fell short. Their game style and team spirit was infectious to be around and there were a number of new recruits playing their first season.

The Black team led by James Carroll crept into the finals in the last round, being the in-form team of the comp. They have gone onto to win two finals and will play in the Grand Final on Sunday. It was an amazing effort and they are wished all the very best in the "big dance."

The Bombers' Division 1 team finished third after the home and away season and was strong enough to beat every team throughout the year. Unfortunately Canada Bay were too strong in the first final.

"The boys should be very proud of their effort, teamwork and achievements throughout the year," Murphy said.

"In 2019 we had 28 boys who played in the Division 1 team. This reflects the improvement of the boys. It was so rewarding to see the boys take these opportunities to be their best.

"Equally rewarding was to see three of boys selected for the Swans Academy in 2019. Congratulations to Jonas Antolik, Mason Palmqvist and Larnach Black. They join Neo Pressley, Braiden and Jamie Backhouse, Alex McNeil and Lukas Overhoff in the Swans Academy."

Murphy thanked team managers Ellen Casey, Vanessa Tucker and Samantha Fitz-Gerald for their hard work to keep the teams rolling; and the coaching team of Anthony "Robbo" Roberts, James Carroll and Brent Backhouse for the time, effort and focus put into to develop the boys skill and love for the game.

"Our parents have been amazing, creating a unique spirit which can be seen every training session, every game and every social event at the club. This year we will have our first end of season trip with many families from the squad heading away on September 20-22 to the Ingenia holiday camp at One Mile beach. Ingenia, through Simon and Steph Owen, have been generous sponsors for our boys over the last two year so we look forward to having a great celebration at the Ingenia holiday camp."

Under 13

Manly's under-13 Division 1 side had a tough run in a high quality competition, registering three wins for the season.

The Division 3 Black side racked up nine wins during the season to take third spot. They enjoyed success in the first week of the finals as they fought hard for an 11 point win over St Ives, and although they fell short against Canada Bay in the Preliminary Final can be well pleased with their efforts this season.

The Red side pushed hard for a finals berth but finished in fifth spot.



Under 14 YG

Manly's under-14 Youth Girls had an enjoyable season, putting in hard in every match and finishing in sixth spot on the Division One ladder.

The girls notched up five wins during the season including good late season victories in round 12 and 14. And, with the majority of the side in the first of their two years in the under-14 range, there are hopes for an even brighter 2020.



The girls have developed their skills throughout the season and always adopted a positive attitude.



Under 14

Manly's under-14 Division 1 side has remained the powerhouse of its competition, going through the regular season undefeated.

The talent-laden side then racked up a big victory over Glebe-Newtown in the first week of the finals to earn their grand final place. The club wishes the side, coached by Stephen Porter, all the best for Sunday.

The Bombers' Division 3 team played hard all year and showed a competitive spirit that lifted them into fifth spot by season's end.

Under 15

The 2019 season has turned into a massive one for Manly's under-15 age group, with two sides playing in grand finals this weekend.

The Division One side scored a critical win over defending premiers Willoughby-Mosman in round 13 and that, along with a final round win over Bangor, helped them sneak into fourth spot. In the first two weeks of finals they produced a come-from-behind victory over Northern Lights and another win over Willoughby Mosman to earn their place in the decider against East Maroubra.

The Division Three Red side performed consistently throughout the season to claim second spot on the ladder. Although soundly beaten in the first week of the finals against Willoughby-Mosman, their fantastic team culture was on display as they overcame a strong challenge from East Maroubra in the Preliminary final. The boys are pumped to have another crack at Willoughby-Mosman this Sunday.

The Division Three Black side had a solid year, a strong team performance that saw them rack up a big round 14 victory over Pennant Hills being among the late season highlights.



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Under 16 YG

The Bombers' under-16 Youth Girls were impressive throughout the season, thoroughly enjoying their football as they tallied up 11 wins from 15 regular season matches.

After finishing in third spot, the girls put in a dominant performance against East Maroubra in the first week of the finals.

But with a grand final place on the line, Manly suffered a four point loss to St Ives at Acron Oval in the preliminary final. While it was a bitter pill to swallow, the Bombers can look back positively on their achievements this season.

Under 17

There was plenty to admire about the 2019 season for the Manly Bombers' under-17 sides.

The Division One side finished the regular season with three big wins, ensuring third spot on the ladder with eight wins and a draw from 14 matches. A strong home ground performance in week 1 saw them move into the Prelim, before going down to Willoughby/Mosman at Gore Hill.

"It wasn't the end to the year that we hoped for, but it was without a doubt a hugely successful year. The boys not only played great footy and surpassed expectations, but

really created a strong team first culture which helped them get as far as they did," coach James Brain said.

"Congratulations must also go to Tom O'Leary and Marcus Vilnis for finishing in the top 10 of the Kieran Jack Award for the best under-17 player in Sydney."

Manly's Division 3 finished in fifth spot and although they didn't make finals, ended the year with a fantastic win over rivals Forest by three points. Will McNamara slotted the winning goal from a tight angle and the boys managed to hold for a well-deserved final round victory.

"The boys stuck together all year and showed improvement each round, coming together as a really tight group," Brain said.

Under 18 YG

The Bombers' under-18 girls had a mixed season in terms of results, finishing sixth on the ladder with four wins from 14 matches.

The girls had a good win over St Ives in round 12 and were extremely competitive in the Freshwater Bank Community Cup match against Queenwood in round 14 (see separate story this issue).

With several new faces having joined the team at the start of the season, the girls showed plenty of skill development and commitment and can be proud of their efforts.

Celebrate a great season on Presentation Day

One of the highlights of the Manly Bombers' calendar – Presentation Day – will take place on Sunday September 15.

The event marks the culmination of the season and celebrates the achievements of the Manly Bombers' teams and players.

Best and Fairest and other player awards will be presented for each team and the day will also include the announcements of the Club Champion and the Club Person of the Year awards.

After great feedback from last year's event, the club is again holding Presentation Day in the **Kooloora Room at Freshwater Surf Lifesaving Club.**

Presentations for various age groups will be staged across the day, between noon and 4.30pm.

Approximate session times, to be confirmed nearer the date, are:

- U9 and U10 12 noon
- U11 and U12 1.15pm
- U13 and U14 2.30pm
- U15 – U18 3.45pm

The event provides a great opportunity to get together one last time with your team mates and celebrate a great season of footy. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sponsor spotlight

Major sponsor is a major helper

As a major sponsor of the club, Axia Office is highly regarded for its support of the Manly Bombers.

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Auskick wrap-up

The Manly Bombers Auskick continues to go from strength to strength, with a record 194 registered players for the 2019 season making the Bombers' program the largest Auskick program in NSW.

The club coaches worked very hard this season to deliver a quality Auskick program, utilising the new Auskick 2.0 curriculum. The major changes saw a rollout of new equipment, and drills that replicate traditional AFL skills in a more play-based and engaging format. The program aims to ensure that our kids receive the best introduction to AFL, develop a passion for the game and most importantly have a lot of fun.

Manly Bombers Auskick was assessed by AFL Sydney as meeting best practice, which is a credit to all of our coaches and managers.

One of our main focuses again this season has been on retaining and growing our Auskick Girls Squad. Player numbers jumped from 19 players to 41 players this season. Our girls' squad coaches Marg Kaye and Kate Fylan also attended the AFL's female grassroots coaching course, ensuring that the quality of coaching given to our girls is second to none.

Manly Bombers Auskick also coordinated Sydney's first U8 Girls-Only development games, hosting a three-game series between the Manly Bombers Valkyries and the Balgowlah/Forest Sun-Lions.

All three games were umpired by Manly Bombers own accredited umpire **Jocelyn Sellar**, making them a truly all-female affair.

Manly's Auskick hosted a number of family-friendly events throughout the season.

Two post-training pizza nights were held at Harbord Bowling Club, and there were two afternoon 'switch up' rounds including parents vs kids games on Frank Gray Oval.

These events are a really important part of our Auskick program, giving our players and parents an opportunity to come together outside footy, which creates a fantastic sense of community.

Sticking with club tradition, our under-8 Auskick players were lucky enough to be offered four half-time games this season, including the coveted Marn Grook round at the SCG (where some of our players were lucky enough to meet Swans great Michael O'Loughlin), and the first girls-only half-time game during the Giants vs Suns match at Giants Stadium.

We couldn't have such an amazing Auskick program without all of our volunteers. I'd like to thank all of our coaches, age managers, parent helpers and everyone who put up their hand at some point during the season to help run games or drills at training or at our Sunday sessions, man the BBQ or canteen, pack up the ground, hand out pizza and ice blocks and a thousand other jobs that needed doing! Also, thanks to the Manly Bombers JAFc committee for supporting all of our Auskick initiatives again this season.

We wish our under-8 girls and boys all the best as they move on to playing Junior football next season and look forward to seeing all of our under-6 and under-7 players back again for more fun at Auskick in season 2020.

Finally, I will be stepping down as Auskick Coordinator at the end of the season. I have had a wonderful time getting to know our families, and seeing the happy faces of our players each week. It's been a privilege to oversee the growth of the Manly Bombers Auskick program over the past 2 years. I wish the incoming Coordinator Kate Ferguson all the very best as she takes the helm of Auskick in 2020.

Cheers,

Deb Ferguson - Auskick Coordinator

Presentation day caps Auskick season



A fantastic season was brought to an exciting close when the Manly Bombers Auskick squad enjoyed a big trophy presentation party on Frank Gray Oval on August 25.

Special guests Bumblebee, Michelangelo, Batman and Spiderman and popped by to kick off the festivities. We were also lucky enough to have Cohen, Elliott and James from the undefeated Manly Bombers U14 Division 1 team come along to inspire the

next generation of Bombers players, and hand out trophies to our Auskickers.

All of the players received trophies and NAB Auskick 'Certificates of Awesomeness' and special Mike Pawley Sports vouchers. The under-6 and under-7 players were also presented with Milo activity bands (courtesy of AFL Sydney), and the graduating under-8s were presented with AFL balls (courtesy of Mike Pawley Sports) and Manly Bombers club training shirts (courtesy of Producece and Diamond Blue Financial Services).

The Auskick coaches then ran a fantastic games morning for all of players and parents, which included tug-o-war, sack races, footy themed egg and spoon races and three-legged races. We finished up with our final team song.

A big thanks again goes to all of our coaches, age managers and parent-helpers for their support this season and the club looks forward to seeing all the under-6 and under-7 families back at Auskick again in season 2020.



Trivia Night

a blast with a positive impact!

The annual Manly Bombers Trivia Night was once again a great night of fun and entertainment – and will also have a lasting positive effect on the club.

A full house of 150 members and supporters, including under-17s and 18s players, enjoyed an excellent evening at Harbord Bowling Club on August 10.

All table captains and attendees deserved congratulations for the effort they put into their impressive costumes and varied table decorations.

The '80s rockers won the best dressed table, just ahead of Aladdin's table. And the '60s table claimed the trivia quiz title in a close contest.

Phil Cornwell was once again an entertaining MC and magician, while Chris Kerr did an excellent job auctioning a range of items.

Over \$11,000 was raised from sales of tickets, raffles and auctioned donated items which will go towards initiatives to benefit players including the electronic scoreboard for Weldon Oval.

Sincere thanks go to all donors and club sponsors for their generous support of the evening and to everyone who attended and contributed to a great evening.



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Thanks!

Manly Bombers thank the following businesses and individuals for their generous donation of prizes and auction items for the annual fundraising trivia night.

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Bombers recognition at Kieren Jack Awards

Bombers Auskick co-ordinator Deb Ferguson has been recognised, along with several Bombers' players, at the annual Kieren Jack Awards held this week.

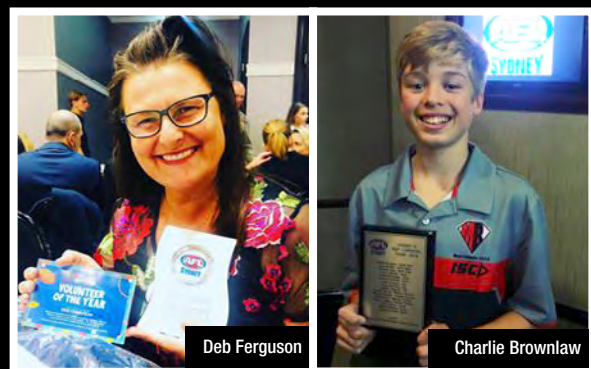
Deb was named Auskick Coordinator of the Year.

Manly Bombers Auskick has grown to have more than 200 little players, with Deb doing an exceptional job at the helm for the past three years. The special honour follows on from her award as the Bombers' Club Person of the year in 2018.

Also recognised at Monday's awards evening was James Lugsdin, from Manly's under-14 Division One side, who was awarded the Best and Fairest Player in his competition.



James is a member of the talented Manly side that will play in the grand final at Macquarie this week.



James and his teammates Elliott Palmqvist, Sam McMeeken and Cooper McClennan were also named in the under-14 Rep Carnival All Star side.

Charlie Brownlaw, from Manly's under-13 Division One team was named in the under-13 Rep Carnival All Star side.

Ana Tiali Pouli was named in the under-16 Youth Girls All Star Rep Carnival All-Star side.

Footy the winner at Community Bank Cup

The result didn't go the way of the Bombers, but Youth Girls AFL was the real winner when the annual Freshwater Community Bank Cup was held at Weldon Oval on August 4.

The annual match-up between the Manly Bombers' under-18 Youth Girls' team and their Queenwood counterparts has become a highlight fixture on the club calendar.

The two sides battle it out for a cup named in honour of long-time club sponsor Freshwater Community Bank. Director Peter Harley joined supporters from both sides to watch a fantastic game unfold.

After a close and tightly fought first half, the Manly girls took a 1.2 (8) to 0.4 (4) lead to the main break.

But when scoring opportunities opened up in the second half it was Queenwood who took more of their chances in front of goal to run out 6.6 (42) to 3.6 (24) winners.

The Bombers girls played a great game and those who will be back next season will look forward to contending for the cup again.

A big congratulations goes to Mia Christiansson, playing up from the under-16s, who was awarded Player of the Match.

Thanks go to the club sponsors – in particular Freshwater Community Bank – for their support of the event and to Patrick Philips from Platinum Awards who supplied the plaques.



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Tickets are just **\$5** and prizes include:

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- ★ **2ND PRIZE:** 2019 Toyota Camry Hybrid Ascent
- ★ **3RD PRIZE:** 2019 Toyota Corolla Ascent Sport Hybrid
- ★ **4TH PRIZE:** 2.5 hour coaching clinic with an AFL Star at a club's ground, valued at up to \$15,000
- ★ **Many signed footballs**

Ticket sales close September 18 and the raffle will be drawn September 25.

Manly Bombers members have already shown their support, with \$1450 raised. That has the club ranked 39th, up from 142nd. But let's see if the Bombers can fly higher.

Thanks to all those who have already thrown their support behind our great club.



Registrations for 2020

Don't be sad that the 2019 AFL season is coming to an end. Registrations for the 2020 AFL season will open on September 2!

Junior, Youth, Youth girls and Auskick players who have not used their second 2019 Active Kids voucher can register immediately. If you are not going to claim a voucher for the 2020 season, you can also register straight away.

For those players who have already exhausted their vouchers for this year, you will have to wait until the 2020 Active Kids vouchers have been released. Please note that the club will NOT be offering the "Register Now, Pay Later" option for the 2020 season.

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