

The Fort-Knightly

DON'T LIKE MONDAYS?

Happy Monday to all the readers, hope you don't mind the new release day! This issue we put Alex Kindlen in the "Player Profile" spotlight (pg 3) and catch up with Simon Andrews in "Where are They Now" (pg 4).

We also have Zygy Kulesza sitting down in the Coach's Corner. After playing and keeping for WOSSC for the better part of 13 years, stepping into a coaching role has looked natural from the outside and the recent results only solidify the work the players, coaches, and he is doing.

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COACH'S CORNER – Zygy Kulesza

Over the last month or so we (the coaches) have been very impressed by the work and dedication of the players both on and off the pitch. Training attendance has been good, and a willingness to learn and attempt to implement the Westminster game plan has been pleasing. Results of note have included both the 1sts and 2nds winning 9-0 against CBC and the 3rds drawing 4-4 against Mt Barker.

For the 1sts and 2nds, we have earned the right to be top in both leagues. The quality of football we can play is superior to anyone else in the league. The 3rds are progressing strongly to adapt to a new playing system, made more difficult with a varying squad from week to week based on selections and availability. I am confident that the 3rds will build and improve as the season progresses (Rome wasn't built in a day!).

The next month is an important time for the club, both on and off the pitch. We have some social events in the next few weeks (Pub Crawl and Quiz Night). Good attendance to these events is the sign of a strong club. I would also encourage as many as possible to attend the 2's cup match against Mercedes at home on June 16.

Finally, the middle part of the season is when we need to keep grinding out results. At this time, injuries start to mount; people go on holiday (Pat every year) and we start to lose some continuity of players. If we can challenge ourselves to keep our standards high and the quality of our football, the results (and our positions on the ladder) will take care of themselves. Let's keep the good results coming and enjoy the long weekend off!

RECENT RESULTS

MEN'S Div 2A

Rd 5 vs Vipers: 7-2 win
Rd 6 vs CBC: 9-0 win
Rd 7 vs Thebarton: 6-0 win

WOMEN'S

Rd 5 vs Pultney: 2-2 draw
Rd 6 vs East Adelaide: 5-2 win
Rd 7 vs Woodside: 15-0 win

MEN'S Div 2B

Rd 5 vs Vipers: 5-1 win
Rd 6 vs CBC: 9-0 win
Rd 7 vs Thebarton 3-2 win

MEN'S Div 5

Rd 5 vs Mt Barker: 4-4 draw
Rd 6 vs Uni White: 6-0 loss
Rd 7 vs Cardijn: 3-1 win

Hamish's Haiku

The pub crawl is
soon
Yeah the Mooy's
and Nah the Kerr's
Should be a good
laugh



WESTMINSTER
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SOCIAL CALENDAR

Season Launch @ The Goody
– Friday 6th April, 6pm

Westminster School Fair @
Westminster School – Saturday 7th
April

Men's Family Day #1 @
Westminster School – Saturday
May 19th, 1pm-5pm

Movie Night @ Capri Theatre –
Friday 1st June

Pub Crawl @ The Goody,
Belgian Beer Café, The Austral,
The Elephant – Friday 8th June,
6pm

Women's Family Day @
Westminster School – Sunday 17th
June

WOSSC Quiz Night @
Glandore - Saturday 14th July

Dog Day @ Westminster School
– 4th August, 1pm – 5pm

Silly Sunday @ Women's last
game of the season then the
Goody – 9th September

End of Season Dinner @
Glenelg Golf Club – Saturday 29th
September

WOMEN'S FAMILY DAY – 17th June

Following the long weekend break, the Women are at home to Sacred Heart, and everyone's invited! The women are fresh off a huge 15-0 win and have been playing entertaining football all season.

The BBQ will be sizzling, the drinks will be cold, and we hope to see you all out there supporting the team!

Women's Family Day: <https://www.facebook.com/events/319052728620331/>



QUIZ NIGHT

The Quiz Night will be here before you know it, so start getting your brainiest friends together and lock in Saturday the 14th July for what is traditionally the Club's second biggest fundraiser.

Once again held in the Glandore club rooms, prizes, mini-games, raffles will all be on offer! It's never too soon to start planning and coming up with your table name, so head over to the Facebook event today to register your interest!

Quiz Night: <https://www.facebook.com/events/922265837940898/>



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PLAYER PROFILE – Alex Kindlen

Alex Kindlen and Westminster soccer go hand in hand. Growing up in Adelaide, he started playing soccer for Westminster in prep school and has continued right up to this day. After coming up against WOSSC in high school in the annual Old Scholar's Day match, he knew there was only ever going to be one club for him.

At 25 years of age, Alex has spent time in all 3 men's teams, in almost every position. These days though he's solidified a spot in the Firsts squad and looks comfortable anywhere across the front 3, or even at right back. This versatile speedster has clocked up over 100 appearances for the Club, with over 20 goals to go with it. Not bad!

Alex has already landed his dream job as an architect for Norwegian firm, Snøhetta, in their Adelaide offices. Alex answered our "Simple Six" questions to tell us a little more about himself.



Q) What's your favourite thing about playing for WOSSC?

A) *I like that WOSSC has a good balance between a friendly team culture, and the ambition to play well and achieve good results. It's a great atmosphere to have fun and there's enough drive to continue pushing myself to play well. Also, Dan's pre-game speeches are a highlight each week, okay? Okay.*

Q) What's your favourite WOSSC memory?

A) *There are many, but one stand-out was scoring a last-minute goal-winning header at St Pauls a couple of years ago. A final corner of the game came in, and somehow my head was in the right place at the right time! Probably a surprise to me just as much as anybody – my heading ability is definitely not my strong point!*

Q) Do you have a pre-game ritual?

A) *My go-to is oats + honey early enough in the morning and a coffee, then a little stretching at home to shake off the sleep. Then some music in the team bus car to get keen. I always find I play my best when I give myself lots of pre-game time and can step on the pitch already relaxed and loose and switched on.*

Q) What are your goals for the 2018 season

A) *It's been a slow start to the year for me, with an early injury, a girlfriend in Tasmania, and a busy year at work, which takes me out of Adelaide pretty often. So, my goals are pretty unambitious this year – I'm just focusing on continuing to play and keep improving, and to keep getting more comfortable with the different positions I usually play, which varies week-to-week*

Q) What are your other hobbies outside of soccer?

A) *I'm lucky that my job is also my passion, so architecture takes up most of my time! Otherwise I also play some indoor, like to draw or sometimes do some yoga, or the usual unwind at home / catch friends + family*

Q) Tell us something about yourself that your team mates probably don't know.

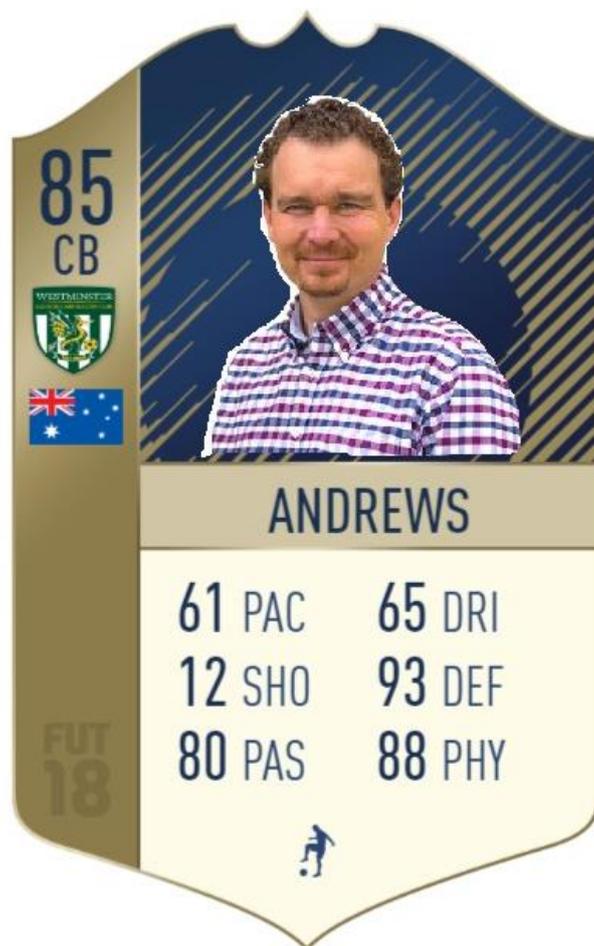
A) *I'm a bit of a green-thumb and have a decent jungle that's starting to take over my house – trying to get a head start on my old-man retirement lifestyle I guess!*

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? Simon Andrews

Simon Andrews boasts a WOSSC career that not many can match. Simon made his debut in 2010 and quickly found his home at the centre of defence. In 2011, his on pitch impact was recognised by his teammates as he claimed the Reserves Players' Choice Runner Up award. In 2012, he helped the Reserves to the Div 2B title and claimed the Reserves Coach's Award. Moving to 2014 and Simon picked up the Third's Player's Choice Runner Up and topped his WOSSC career off in 2016 by winning the Div 6 title.

His one and only goal came via a penalty. His captain at the time, Sam, trusted him with this huge responsibility. With his team already 6-0 up, a penalty miss could have really turned the game, so Simon was glad to convert the kick and repay the faith that was shown in him.

Simon was a frequent flyer to the game-day BBQ and eskies of beer (unless Port had a home game) and was always great value at the Goody and Club events. The Fort-Knightly caught up with the former WOSSC captain, two-time trophy winner, and one-time goal scorer to see how life after WOSSC is treating him.



Q) How dare you leave WOSSC, what's your excuse?

A) I would try the too old, too slow excuse, except the immortal Jim Holland is at least 10 years older than me and he is still running around like a youngster. Apart from that I can only offer a bunch of semi-adequate excuses.

Q) Are you still involved in soccer anywhere else?

A) I coached at Cumberland United for the last three seasons and am having a break this year. Apart from that my involvement is chauffeuring Callum to two games (Westminster Year 10s and Cumberland United Under 17s) per week. Watching him run around the Westminster pitch does give me serious envy.

Q) What's your favourite off-field WOSSC memory?

A) These moments happened pretty much every home game. The culture at WOSSC was always so inclusive and welcoming that you wanted to watch the first team after you had finished your game. Sitting with your team-mates, having a beer and a snag, and watching Josh Hancock boot the ball over the cross-bar from a metre out...these were good times.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? Simon Andrews (cont.)

Q) What's your favourite on-field WOSSC memory?

A) The final whistle of the game against Pembroke when we secured the league title in 2012. That feeling of elation when what you have worked so hard for is finally achieved. We lost our first game of the season against CBC and I am pretty sure we were undefeated after that. The team was blessed with talent and I got to watch our forwards score some fabulous goals from my position standing at the back, leaning on the goalpost, talking with Zygy. The 2015 title was also special of course. I will never forget the Hamish Holland Choir singing "The 12 Days of Simon Andrews" on the sideline while we beat Unley High to secure the title.



Q) Do you have a special message for the 2018 players?

A) Drink good beer, like Coopers Sparkling Ale, and none of that Hahn Super Dry or XXX Gold rubbish.

Q) Will we ever see you in the WOSSC green and white again?

A) According to Callum I am making a comeback in 2021, that being the year he plans to debut for WOSSC. You never know, if the club puts the right beers in the esky...

