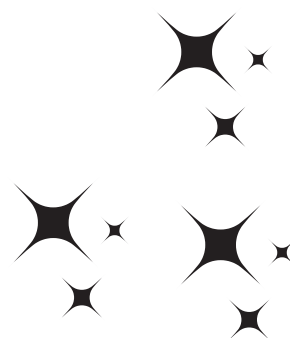


*40th Anniversary Ball*

*Saturday 16.09.2023*

*Pullman Hotel,  
King George Square,  
Brisbane City*







# President's Note

Good evening ladies and gentlemen and welcome to the celebration of Brisbane Souths Gaelic Football Club's 40th Anniversary. It is a truly great achievement that a GAA club on the other side of the world has reached this milestone and everyone involved with the club past and present should take great pride in this fact.

I am sure tonight will be a great occasion and I hope you all enjoy yourselves. There are so many people that deserve recognition for their hard work and commitment to the club; from the founders and original members who started up Souths in 1983, to the people who formed the ladies team in 1997, all the way through to the current day members. Souths has always had people who ensured the club stays strong and keeps going. On behalf of the club, a sincere thank you to all of you.

To all past and present sponsors of Souths, a massive thank you for your support. To all past and present committees of the QGFHA I would like to thank you for all your hard work and efforts in facilitating and administrating the games here in Brisbane. To the current Committee members of Souths a massive thank you for your efforts this year, You have helped put the club in a healthy position for the coming years.

Finally, I hope to see everyone back here celebrating South's 50th anniversary in 10 years time and let's make sure that the club continues to grow during the coming years and remember that Souths is your family away from home. Enjoy the night and up the Souths.

Alan Nolan  
Souths GFC President





# QGFHA Note



I am delighted for the opportunity to contribute a message to Souths Gaelic Football Club on your 40th anniversary.

Congratulations to you all. As one of the four foundation clubs in Queensland in 1983, Souths has withstood the test of time.

As a club, Souths has always been very competitive, both in ladies and men's football, with hugely talented players. This becomes clear when you look at the number of Souths players who took part in Queensland state teams. Records show that many of these players are holders of Australasian medals at the national championships, and Souths has also given us coaches and managers for state teams.

The foundation of the four clubs in 1983 coincided with the leasing and development of the state association grounds at Willawong. Many Souths players and office bearers contributed their trade skills and labour as volunteers in the construction of the grounds. This has resulted in Queensland having one of the best Irish community complexes in Australia.

Forty years is a long time and sadly, we have lost some members of Souths along the way. We remember them, honour their contribution and pass our sincere condolences to their families and friends.

But tonight is a night to celebrate. Congratulations to the current club committee and everyone involved in this year's anniversary celebrations. Have a wonderful night, and best of luck as you continue your journey to Souths 50th anniversary.

**Seamus Sullivan**

**Queensland Gaelic Football & Hurling Association**





# CLUB HONOURS



Souths GFC are one of Queensland's most successful Gaelic football clubs. Our Senior Men's team were founded in 1983 then the inception of the Reserve Grade in 1995 followed by the establishment of Souths Ladies in 1996.

## Senior Championship:

1983, '87, '88, '89, '90, '92, '94, 2001, 2003, 2006, 2008.

Senior League: 1983, '87, '91, '94, '99, 2000, 2008.

Toowoomba Cup: 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004.

Jim Stynes Shield: 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005

Reserve Grade Championship: 1998, 2000, 2009, 2016.

Reserves Grade: 2000, 2001, 2012, 2016.

Ladies Championship: 1997, '98, '99, 2002, 2016, 2019.

Ladies Queensland League: 2018 & 2019

Ladies Carpenter Cup: 2016, 2018, 2019, 2021



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# Congratulations

Dear Brisbane Souths Gaelic Football Club,

On behalf of myself, my family and staff I would like to wish all the past and present members of the Brisbane Souths Gaelic Football Club the warmest congratulations on the 40th year of the club's founding.

For forty years the club continues to be a solid anchor for many Irish expats allowing people who are so far from home the opportunity to make new friends, socialise and participate in a welcoming and competitive environment. It is also worth recognising the many locals who over the years pulled on the Black and white jersey highlighting the club's popularity, inclusivity and contribution to the City of Brisbane.

Castlequinn Construction Services is delighted to be associated with the Brisbane Souths Gaelic Football Club and hopes to continue the support for many years to come. Enjoy the celebrations,

**Padraig O'Shea**  
Managing Director  
Castlequinn Construction Services





**Souths Senior Men 1983**





**Souths Senior Men & Souths Ladies 2023**



# A Reunion of Legends

In the heart of 2023, a unique and historic gathering took place as the Souths GFC Masters Team came together to celebrate the club's incredible 40-year journey. Past generations of Souths men gathered, with their tales of triumphs and trials. The Souths Masters Team serves as a bridge between the past and the future. With every score, every chant, and every shared moment, we honor those who came before, building upon their foundation, as the timeless spirit of our great club continues to shine bright.

Souths GFC has always been more than just a football club; it's family, a symbol of community and unity. Generations of players, families, and supporters have come together under the black and white banner, forging bonds that transcend the playing field. This gathering is a reminder of the powerful sense of belonging that Souths GFC instills in everyone associated with it.

Souths legacy is in safe hands as we embark on the next 40 years of excellence.





**Souths Masters & Souths Senior Men  
Sunday 24th June 2023**



**Souths Masters  
Sunday 20th August 2023  
Souths 0-14 Easts 0-7**

# The People Behind our Club

## Life Members

Brendan Tangney

Brent Nolan

Mick McGrath

Seamus O'Kane

Denis Troy

Brien Watt

Pat Bugler

Gen Healy

Michael Sioiter

Collette Byrne

Pip Healy

Johnny McDonnell

Gerry McGrath

Ronan Brady

Ian Kelleher

Aimee McCarthy

David Sheehan

## SOUTHS 2023 COMMITTEE

President: Al Nolan

Vice President: Marty Sullivan

Secretary: Bryan Farrell

Vice-Secretary: Dave Sheehan

Treasurer: Aimee McCarthy

Vice Treasurer: Paddy Ward

PRO: Julie Morgan

General: Paul O'Reilly

40th Planning: Gerry McGrath



## **PRESIDENTS:**

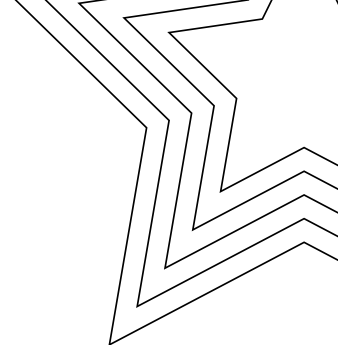
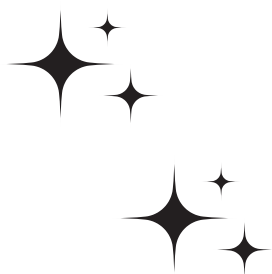
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D. Devereux  
O. Carey  
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D. Sheehan  
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# Our Most Recent Champions



**Souths Senior Men 2008**



**Souths Reserves 2016**



**Souths Ladies 2019**



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