



## MEDIA RELEASE - Dolphins 2018 Coaching Announcement

The Frankston Football Club is delighted to announce that Adam Skrobalak has been appointed as Senior Coach for the 2018 and 2019 Seasons. Adams appointment is our first step on the road to seeing the Dolphins play their first game back in the VFL after our year off.

Adam brings a wealth of coaching experience to our club. Being a premiership coach firstly in the Bellarine and then in the Geelong and District league during his mid to late 20's sparked his passion for coaching and he continued to hone his craft with assistant coaching roles at Port Melbourne VFL (under reigning premiership coach Gary Ayres) and Western Jets TAC. He has also coached the AFL multicultural squad and the Vic Metro under 17s team which further expanded his knowledge of players and coaching. After completing a Level 3 AFL coaching course Adam has spent the last three years in a role as an assistant coach at St Kilda FC working specifically with the rucks, stoppages and midfield plays. The last two of those years he has held a full time coaching role with the Saints. We are fortunate to have someone with recent AFL experience to help us set the foundations for our new team.

Adams appointment is the culmination of a robust recruitment process which yielded a high quality field of candidates. The club would like to extend it's thanks to our Football Sub Committee which was comprised of former players, coaches, committee and our General Manager Gary Buckenara for all their hard work.

Adam's signing heralds a most exciting period for the Dolphins. Upon reinstatement of our VFL Licence a few months ago the club has set itself a clear goal to establishing itself as the "hub of football on the Peninsula" and once again provide every football lover on the Peninsula with a VFL team that they can call their own. The return of the Dolphins is good for all players, coaches, volunteers, members and supporters and helps knit Community Football together throughout our region. It's good for football.

Adam is fully supportive of our aim to develop local talent and involve ourselves in community football and as such he has accepted an extended role that will involve our club in supporting community football. This broader coaching role will take up three quarters of his week. This allows Adam to also continue his role at the St Kilda FC on a part time basis. The outcome is that for the first time our coach will have a full time commitment to football and be able to truly lead our club into the semi professional era that is VFL football. He will also have continued contact with trends, training technology and tactics at AFL level which will only increase his value to us.

During our year off the club has strengthened all aspects of our operation with substantial growth in membership (we are already the third highest supported club in the VFL), sponsorship and fundraising events. And now with Adam at the helm we are looking forward to the next few months as we put together a truly competitive list who can represent the club as it re-emerges as a force in the VFL state league competition.

*"I am extremely excited to be appointed as Senior coach of the Frankston FC and fully understand the challenge ahead as we re enter the VFL.*

*Our aim is to create an elite football environment where players can challenge themselves at VFL level and as a group work to become a revered football club both on and off field.*

*Personally the opportunity to coach in my own right and lead the on field direction of such a proud club is an Honour."* Adam Skrobalak (Frankston FC Senior Coach)

As the General Manager of the Frankston Football Club I am very excited with the appointment of Adam Skrobalak as our Senior Coach for 2018 & 2019. Adam will bring a tremendous football coaching & development background to the club and I am looking forward to working with Adam and the new team as we re-build this club into the future.

There is lots of hard work ahead of everyone involved at the club as we put together the rest of the on and off-field teams and Adams appointment is really the main piece of the puzzle and now we will place the rest of the pieces in place to complete our requirements.

Stay tuned to Dolphins website for all the news on player signings and other football updates.....go to [www.frankstonfc.com.au](http://www.frankstonfc.com.au)

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