

Presentation night for the Hawthorn Spartans



George Demetriou thanking the major sponsors of the club this year (BANK OF CYPRUS and OPA MAGAZINE) by presenting them with some of the teams action photos

The Hawthorn Spartans recently celebrated this years achievements during their presentation night. The Spartans had a tremendous year making it to the Grand Final day but sadly for the club, the fairytale didn't have a 'Disney-style' ending. Mazenod the team they met in the final took out the game by 21 points and shattered the Spartans dream. It was well-deserved for the Noddies as they finished the season in top spot and had knocked over Hawthorn twice in the finals series.

The Spartans would like to thank everyone for their support throughout Season 2011. It was a tremendous effort and every-

one involved at the club is proud of the efforts of the players.

In the presentation night three players took the honours with Con Terzoglou being the Best and Fairest Winner

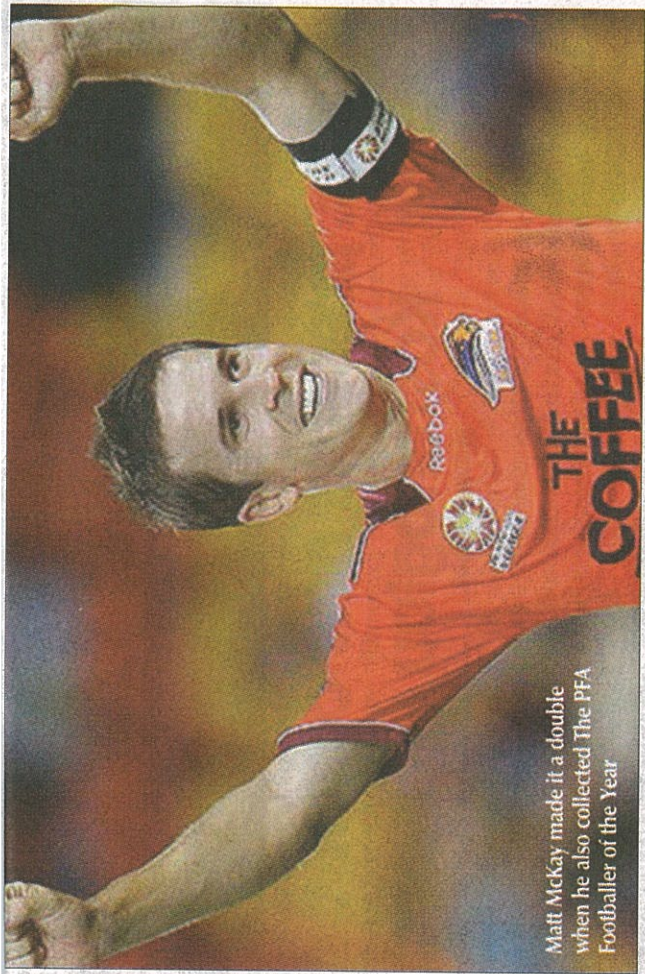
Nick Critcos - Best and Fairest Runner-Up and George Dellaportas - Best and Fairest 3rd Place.

The SPARTANS would also like to congratulate Andrew Boocock - Finals MVP, George Dellaportas - Leading Goalkicker, Julian Handard - Most Improved, Andrew Toumbakis - Best Clubman, Adam Jesser - Best Nickname, David Buff - Funniest Moment of the Year and

Nicole Higgins - Best Manny Challenge.



In the photo are Con Terzoglou - Best and Fairest Winner, Nick Critcos - Best and Fairest Runner-Up and George Dellaportas - Best and Fairest 3rd Place



Matt McKay wins Footballer of the Year

The third annual Australian Football Awards incorporating the Professional Footballers Australia (PFA) and Football Media Association of Australia (FMA) awards were held in Sydney last week. The Awards bring together the Qantas Socceroos, Westfield Matildas and the grass roots football community, providing a unique opportunity to recognise and reward outstanding achievements at all levels of the game. In the professional category, Qantas Socceroo Matt McKay together with Westfield Matilda and Brisbane Roar player, Elise Kellond-Knight made it a

Queensland double when they secured the 2011 Male and Female Footballer of the Year titles. Matt McKay made it a double when he also collected The PFA Footballer of the Year receiving 329 votes from his fellow professionals, ahead of Qantas Socceroos teammate and AZ Alkmaar attacking midfielder Brett Holman (194), Tim Cahill (185) and 2010/11 Johnny Warren Medalist, Marcos Flores (109).

The PFA Harry Kewell Medal for Australia's best young player under the age of 23 was awarded to former Melbourne Victory and Brisbane Roar forward

Robbie Kruse who, like Matt, established himself as a genuine international at the AFC Asian Cup 2011 in Qatar. Kruse dominated the voting for the award with 310 votes, ahead of Qantas Young Socceroos and FC Utrecht forward Tommy Oar (165) and Kosta Barbarouses (162), the New Zealand international and former Brisbane Roar forward.

In the Under 20 Footballer of the Year for 2011, Westfield Young Matilda Caitlin Foord and Central Coast Mariners goalkeeper Matt Ryan took out the female and male categories respectively.