

Old Scotch Football Club
CRACKERS CHRONICLES – CLUB PRESIDENTS 2000s (2000 – 2009)

Welcome back to this week's edition of "***Crackers Chronicles***".

Each week in this column we will trace some of the history of the *Old Scotch Football Club* by recounting the contributions made by our great club presidents.

This week we focus on our club presidents of the 2000s ...

G. E. Geoff "Sammy" Speed & T. J. Tim Shearer 2000 – 2003

In 2000, Geoff Speed, our fifteenth President of the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* was joined by Tim Shearer our sixteenth President and continued to serve with Tim as co-president for four more years until 2003. Geoff died in 2018.

In 2000, Tim Shearer joined Geoff Speed and served as co-president of the *Old Scotch Football Club* for four years until 2003, and then for a further six years from 2004 – 2009 as sole president.

T. J. Tim Shearer 2004 - 2009

Tim Shearer is an old boy of *Scotch College* and former AFL umpire of 23 AFL games in 1997 & 1998. In 1986, Tim commenced umpiring in the VFA Under 19 Zone 3 and over the next five years progressed from F Grade through to Senior A Grade in 1990 & 1991. In 1993, Tim gained a position in the AFL umpires development squad and subsequently umpired AFL Reserves and VFA/VFL senior football until 1996. He was added to the AFL senior squad in 1996 and in Round 1 1997 finally held the Sherrin aloft for his first senior game in the *Western Bulldogs vs Fremantle* clash at Optus Oval. He retired from umpiring in 1999.

From 2004 – 2009, Tim served as sole president of the *Old Scotch Football Club*. He was a Reserves premiership president in 2005. He was awarded Life Membership of our Club in 2009 and later coached our Under 19s in 2010 and our Reserves in 2011.

During that time, from 2002 – 2012 he was also Executive Director of the *Old Scotch Collegians' Association*.

In 2017, Tim returned to our club to serve as our twenty-first President and is a Thirds premiership president.

Next week we will look at our club presidents of the 2010s ...

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