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CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS TO LEAD HIS STREAK

The Glenelg Football Club's Senior Player Leadership Group for 2009 was announced to the playing group on Friday 13th February prior to the Club's first internal trial at Max Basheer Reserve, as voted by the Senior Playing group earlier in the week.

Ben Mules will again lead the charge in 2009 in his fourth year as Captain of the Tigers. He is supported by Ben Kane as Vice Captain and Brett Backwell to re-assume the Deputy Vice Captain role for a third consecutive year with Ty Allen, Luke Panozzo and Trevor Cranston – new to the leadership role – rounding out the 2009 group.

"Trevor is an inspirational player and his mature and calm nature and his willingness to help other players make him a natural leader.

"The development of leadership skills throughout the whole playing group has been a significant factor in evolving a culture at Glenelg which is conducive to winning. Through their commitment to a leadership program, every Glenelg player understands that he has leadership responsibilities." Senior Coach Mark Mickan stated.

Adam Fisher, who governed the role of Vice Captain for three consecutive years from 2006 to 2008 made the decision not to be considered for the 2009 leadership group due to work commitments and his need to focus on maintaining his body to play at the high standard that he sets himself. Adams natural ability and willingness to contribute as a leader remains an asset to the group.

"The 2008 leadership group of Ben Mules (captain), Adam Fisher (vice captain), Brett Backwell (deputy vice captain), Ben Kane and Matthew Bode are to be commended on the way they went about their work." Mickan concluded.

The group has been extended to six members this season due to the increase number of players training with the senior group as a result of the SANFL's decision to move to an Under 18 and Under 16 junior structure.

A second internal trial will be played this Friday, 20th February from 6pm at Max Basheer Reserve. The first external trial match is against Norwood on Friday 27th February under lights at Coopers Stadium. The leadership group, on behalf of the senior playing list encourage everyone to attend and support the Bays in the exciting lead-up to what promises to be a thrilling 2009 SANFL season.

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