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TIGER CEO APPOINTED SANFL GENERAL MANAGER – STATE LEAGUE COMPETITION

Glenelg Football Club Chief Executive Officer Darren Chandler will leave his role at the Bay after six and a half years and will join the SANFL as the General Manager - State League Competition from January 2009.

Darren commenced at Glenelg Football Club after nine years in various positions including Affiliated Leagues Manager, Football Services Manager, State Development Coordinator and Senior Development Officer. He brought with him a wealth of knowledge both of the SANFL and as a former player and his determination has seen the Club rise from 9th in 2002 to 2nd in 2008.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of the last six and a half years. Being involved with a group of committed people to take the Club back to being a competitive force is most satisfying." Darren stated.

In his time at the Club, Darren has overseen many developments throughout the Club and has been instrumental in ensuring the future success and longevity of the Club in coming years. Tiger Business Lunches are now a thriving success and are sold out weeks in advance throughout the season. Crowds have increased significantly at the ground on home match days, with 13,000 more fans visiting Challenge Recruitment Oval in 2008 than any other oval in the SANFL and membership figures have doubled since 2002.

"I congratulate Darren on his new appointment. The Board and the Footy Club wish him all the best in his new adventure. In my time as a Board Member (two years) and President (three years) I have had a very strong relationship with Darren, especially the last three years as President and have seen Darren grow in stature as a CEO and as a person. Whilst there is a huge responsibility on mine and my Boards shoulders to replace Darren with the right person I am extremely pleased we have not lost Darren to Football. His appointment to the SANFL is not only a great appointment for the SANFL organisation but also for the nine SANFL Clubs. Darren has been a part of and overseen many new projects at the Glenelg Football Club over the past few years and gives the next CEO a giant opportunity to build on what has been achieved to date. I wish Darren all the best from a personal and professional level." President Gary Metcalf stated.

"I would like to thank the Board of Directors, staff, Coaches, players, officials, members and supporters for the support I have received. I look forward to my new challenge of ensuring the SANFL competition continues to grow and maintain its status as the best league in Australia." Darren concluded.

Darren will commence his new role with the SANFL on Tuesday 27th January 2009. The Glenelg Football Club Board is in the process of putting together a plan to recruit the most suitable replacement for the role, to commence in the New Year.

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